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FORM 10-Q

Quarterly Report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the quarterly period ended: September 30, 2004

Commission File Number: 0-20231

FiberMark, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 82-0429330 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

161 Wellington Road, P.O. Box 498, Brattleboro, VT 05302 (Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

802-257-0365

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was

required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes R No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No \bf{R}

The registrant had 7,066,226 shares of FiberMark common stock outstanding as of November 1, 2004.

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FIBERMARK, INC. **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations** Three Months Ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 (In thousands, except per share amounts)

Unaudited

		2004		2003		
Net sales	\$	107,748	\$	93,777		
Cost of sales		92,383		81,371		
Cause and fit		15 265		12 406		
Gross profit		15,365		12,406		
Selling, general and administrative expenses		10,943		9,805		
Restructuring and facility closure expenses (reversal)		(209)		1,682		
Goodwill impairment		-		92,261		
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Income (loss) from operations		4,631		(91,342)		
Foreign exchange transaction (gain) loss		(211)		75		
Other expense, net		225		574		
Interest expense, net (excluding post-petition						
contractual interest of \$8,525 in 2004)		549		8,723		
Reorganization expense		6,477		-		
		(2, 400)				
Loss before income taxes		(2,409)		(100,714)		
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Income tax expense		2,248		2,223		
Net loss	\$	(4,657)	\$	(102,937)		
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Basic loss per share	\$	(0.66)	\$	(14.57)		
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Diluted loss per share	\$	(0.66)	\$	(14.57)		
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Weighted average basic shares outstanding	7,066	7,066
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding	7,066	7,066

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

FIBERMARK, INC. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004 and 2003

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

Unaudited

		2004		2003
Net sales	\$	331,187	\$	304,066
Cost of sales		275,729		256,097
Gross profit		55,458		47,969
Selling, general and administrative expenses Restructuring and facility closure expense (reversal)		35,517 (209)		32,871 1,682
Goodwill impairment Income (loss) from operations		20,150		92,261 (78,845)
Foreign exchange transaction (gain) loss Other expense, net		(482) 1,159		684 835
Interest expense, net (excluding post-petition contractual interest of \$17,142 in 2004)		10,159		26,196
Reorganization expense		20,419		-
Loss before income taxes		(11,105)		(106,560)
Income tax expense Net loss	\$	9,812	\$	10,296
Basic loss per share	\$ \$	(20,917) (2.96)	\$ \$	(116,856) (16.54)
•	\$ \$		\$	
Diluted loss per share	Φ	(2.96)	Φ	(16.54)
Weighted average basic shares outstanding Weighted average diluted shares outstanding		7,066 7,066		7,066 7,066

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

FIBERMARK, INC. **Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(In thousands, except share and per share amounts) Unaudited

	September 30, 2004	December 31, 2003
ASSETS		,
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 932	\$ 6,111
Accounts receivable, net of allowances	64,981	53,752
Inventories	68,540	63,443
Prepaid expenses	3,185	1,671
Total current assets	137,638	124,977
Property, plant and equipment, net	243,672	248,194
Goodwill	8,451	8,602
Other intangible assets, net	3,296	12,745
Other long-term assets	14	1,601
Other pension assets	3,487	3,588
Total assets	\$ 396,558	\$ 399,707
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Current liabilities:		
Revolving credit line	\$ 12,731	\$ 5,906
Current portion of long-term debt	-	3,955
Accounts payable	20,717	23,168
Accrued liabilities	21,393	22,013
Accrued income taxes payable	7,231	9,930
Deferred income taxes	646	656
Total current liabilities not subject to compromise	62,718	65,628
Long-term liabilities:		
Long-term debt	-	338,749
Deferred income taxes	15,293	15,528
Other long-term liabilities	44,427	48,654
Total long-term liabilities not subject to compromise	59,720	402,931
Liabilities subject to compromise	367,412	-
Total liabilities	489,850	468,559
Stockholders deficit:		

Preferred stock, par value \$.001 per share;		
2,000,000 shares authorized, and none issued	-	-
Series A Junior participatory preferred stock, par		
value \$.001;		
7,066 shares authorized, and none issued	-	-
Common stock, par value \$.001 per share;		
20,000,000 shares authorized		
7,070,026 shares issued and 7,066,226 shares		
outstanding in 2004 and 2003	7	7
Additional paid-in capital	65,496	65,496
Accumulated deficit	(170,028)	(149,111)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	11,268	14,791
Less treasury stock, 3,800 shares at cost in 2004 and		
2003	(35)	(35)
Total stockholders deficit	(93,292)	(68,852)
Total liabilities and stockholders deficit	\$ 396,558	\$ 399,707
See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated		
financial statements.		

FIBERMARK, INC. **Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows** Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004 and 2003

(In thousands) Unaudited

	2004	2003
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net loss	\$ (20,917)	\$ (116,856)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash		
provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	13,234	12,246
Amortization of bond discount	42	129
Amortization of deferred gain	-	(222)
Gain on sale/disposal of assets	(482)	-
Goodwill impairment	-	92,261
Deferred income taxes	2	125
Reorganization costs	20,419	-
Net cash used for reorganization items	(8,760)	-
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(11,598)	(1,407)
Inventories	(5,465)	5,148
Prepaid expenses	(1,515)	(175)
Other long-term assets	(138)	(2)
Accounts payable	3,897	(5,831)
Accrued liabilities	13,986	13,768

Accrued income taxes payable		(2,540)		2,953
Other long-term liabilities		372		(273)
Net cash provided by operating activities		537		1,864
Cash flows used for investing activities:				
Additions to property, plant and equipment		(8,859)		(18,969)
Proceeds from sale/disposal of assets		683		-
Net cash used in investing activities		(8,176)		(18,969)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Proceeds from issuance of debt		-		5,595
Net borrowings under revolving credit line		6,776		-
Repayment of debt		(3,012)		(4,122)
Debt issuance costs		(772)		-
Debt issuance costs due to reorganization		(75)		-
Net cash provided by financing activities		2,917		1,473
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		(457)		852
Net decrease in cash		(5,179)		(14,780)
Cash at beginning of period		6,111		35,567
Cash at end of period	\$	932	\$	20,787
Supplemental cash flow information:				
	*		*	
Interest paid	\$	1,399	\$	18,248
Income taxes paid	\$	12,011	\$	7,305
See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated				

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

FIBERMARK, INC.

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS September 30, 2004 and 2003

(Unaudited)

1. Bankruptcy Filing

On March 30, 2004, FiberMark, Inc., and its U.S. subsidiaries including FiberMark North America, Inc., and FiberMark International Holdings LLC, (collectively, with FiberMark, Inc., the "Debtors"), filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Vermont (the "Bankruptcy Court"). The Debtor s cases are being jointly

administered as Case No. 04-10463. The Debtors have been and will continue to manage their properties and operate their businesses in the ordinary course of business as debtors-in possession ("DIP") pursuant to Sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. In general, as DIP, the Debtors are authorized under chapter 11 to continue to operate as an ongoing business, but may not engage in transactions outside the ordinary course of business without the prior approval of the Bankruptcy Court.

Under Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code, the filing of bankruptcy petitions automatically stayed most actions against the Debtors, including most actions to collect pre-petition indebtedness or to exercise control of the property of the Debtors estates. The filing resulted in an immediate acceleration of \$100.0 million in principal of the company's 9.375% senior non-amortizing notes and \$230.0 million in principal of 10.75% senior non-amortizing notes, subject to the automatic stay. Absent any other order of the Bankruptcy Court, substantially all pre-petition liabilities will be subject to settlement under a plan of reorganization.

Under Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors may assume or reject certain executory contracts and unexpired leases, including leases of real property, subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court and certain other conditions. Obligations under assumed contracts and leases must be satisfied in full, while pre-petition obligations and rejection damage claims associated with rejected contracts and leases will be treated as pre-petition unsecured claims. The rights and claims of various creditors and security holders will be determined by a plan of reorganization that is confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court. Under the priority rules established by the Bankruptcy Code, post-petition liabilities are given priority in payment, and generally all pre-petition unsecured claims must be satisfied before stockholders are entitled to any distribution.

The chapter 11 cases were commenced in order to implement a comprehensive financial restructuring of the company s U.S. operations including the senior notes. The company believes that the protection afforded by chapter 11 best preserves the Debtors ability to continue to serve their customers and preserve the value of their businesses, while they reorganize, and develop and implement a new strategic plan to de-leverage the company s balance sheet and create an improved long-term capital structure. At this time, it is not possible to predict accurately the outcome of the chapter 11 reorganization process or its effects on the Debtors businesses, creditors or stockholders or whether or when the company may subsequently emerge from chapter 11. The company s future results depend on the timely and successful confirmation and implementation of a plan of reorganization.

In order to exit chapter 11 successfully, the Debtors will need to propose, and obtain confirmation by the Bankruptcy Court of, a plan of reorganization that satisfies the requirements of the Bankruptcy Code. As provided by the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors had the exclusive right to propose a plan of reorganization within 120 days from the date of filing the petition for relief and any extension periods granted by the Bankruptcy Court. By order entered on August 6, 2004, the Bankruptcy Court extended the exclusive proposal period to November 15, 2004. The right of the Debtors to obtain further extensions was limited by the order. The Debtors expect to file a proposed plan of reorganization and corresponding disclosure statement with the Bankruptcy Court on or before November 15, 2004. At this time, it is not possible for the company to predict the effect of the chapter 11 reorganization process on the company's businesses, the treatment of creditors and equity holders of the respective Debtors under any plan of reorganization finally confirmed, or when it may be possible for the Debtors to emerge from chapter 11. Although until a plan is approved there is substantial uncertainty as to the treatment of creditors and equity holders, based upon information available to it, the company currently believes that any proposed reorganization plan will provide for the cancellation of existing equity interests and for reduced recoveries by holders of debt securities. Accordingly, the company urges that appropriate caution be exercised with respect to existing and future investments in any of these securities.

Since the filing, the company's available cash and continued cash flow from operations have been adequate to fund ongoing operations and meet anticipated obligations to customers, vendors and employees in the ordinary course of business and management believes it will continue to remain adequate during the chapter 11 process. Further, in order to augment its financial flexibility during the chapter 11 process, the Debtors negotiated with GE Commercial

Finance, and received final approval from the Bankruptcy Court on April 27, 2004, to enter into a \$30 million Debtor-in-Possession revolving credit facility ("DIP Facility). The 15-month DIP Facility commitment is based on availability from North American assets, including receivables, inventory, and fixed assets, that are calculated on the same basis as the pre-petition facility. The German operations will continue to be funded under an amended and restated existing credit facility, which no longer includes the North American borrowing base. Under the two credit agreements, our pro forma borrowing base is substantially the same as the borrowing base under the pre-petition facility. Various covenants and restrictions on our operations under the prior credit facility continue to apply under the DIP Facility without material modification, together with an additional restriction on the amount of funds that can be transferred from our German operations to support North American operations. Both facilities mature on June 30, 2005, but may be extended for an additional 90 days at the request of the Debtors. It is anticipated that the Debtors will enter into a new exit financing facility to replace the DIP Facility in conjunction with the implementation of a confirmed plan of reorganization.

At hearings held on April 27, 2004, the Bankruptcy Court granted final approval of the Debtors' "first day" motions for various relief designed to stabilize their operations and business relationships with their customers, vendors, employees and other entities, and entered orders granting authority to the Debtors to, among other things: (1) pay certain pre-petition and post-petition employee wages, benefits and other employee obligations; (2) honor customer programs; (3) pay certain pre-petition taxes and fees; (4) pay certain pre-petition obligations to foreign vendors; (5) pay certain pre-petition shipping charges; (6) pay certain pre-petition claims of critical vendors; (7) pay certain pre-petition claims of mechanics and materialmen; (8) continue use of existing cash management system and bank accounts; (9) honor consignment arrangements; (10) provide for treatment of valid reclamation claims; and (11) enter into the new credit facility with GE Commercial Finance.

FiberMark, Inc., and the other Debtors have incurred, and will continue to incur significant reorganization expenses resulting from the filing and the continuing chapter 11 proceedings. The amount of these expenses, which are being expensed as incurred and reported as reorganization items, are expected to have a material effect on the company's results of operations.

The potential adverse publicity associated with the filing and the continuing chapter 11 proceedings, and the resulting uncertainty regarding the company's future prospects may hinder the company's ongoing business activities and its ability to operate, fund and execute its business plan by: impairing relations with existing and potential customers; limiting the company's ability to obtain trade credit; impairing present and future relationships with vendors; and negatively impacting the ability of the company to attract, retain and compensate key employees and to retain employees generally. By order dated August 6, 2004, the Debtors obtained authorization from the Bankruptcy Court to implement key employee retention and severance plans. The aggregate cost of the retention plan could range up to \$3.6 million. The cost of the severance plan will depend upon employee terminations. The company accrued as reorganization costs approximately \$1.2 million associated with this process in the third quarter of 2004. Also during the third quarter, \$1.1 million was disbursed in accordance with the retention plan.

While operating as DIP under the protection of chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code and subject to Bankruptcy Court approval or otherwise as permitted in the normal course of business, the Debtors may sell or otherwise dispose of assets and liquidate or settle liabilities for amounts other than those reflected in the condensed consolidated financial statements. Further, a plan of reorganization could materially change the amounts and classifications reported in the condensed consolidated financial statements, which do not give effect to any adjustments to the carrying value of assets or amount of liabilities that might be necessary as a consequence of a plan of reorganization. Liabilities and obligations whose treatment and satisfaction is dependent on the outcome of the chapter 11 cases have been segregated and classified as liabilities subject to compromise in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

Pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, schedules have been filed by the Debtors with the Bankruptcy Court setting forth the assets and liabilities of the Debtors as of the date of filing. A general bar date of July 29, 2004, was established for the filing of proofs of claim against the Debtors. Differences between amounts recorded by the Debtors and claims

filed by creditors are being investigated and resolved as part of the proceedings in the chapter 11 cases. The ultimate number and allowed amount of such claims are not presently known and, because the settlement terms of each such allowed claim is subject to a confirmed plan of reorganization, the ultimate distribution with respect to allowed claims is not presently ascertainable.

2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming the company in its current structure will continue as a going concern. The factors mentioned in Note 1, however, among other things, raise substantial doubt about the company s ability to continue as a going concern. The condensed consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty. The ability of the company to continue as a going concern is dependent on a number of factors including, but not limited to, the company's development of a plan of reorganization, confirmation of the plan by the Bankruptcy Court, customer retention and the company's ability to continue to provide high quality services. If a plan of reorganization is not confirmed and implemented, the company may be forced to liquidate under applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code. There can be no assurance of the level of recovery that the company's creditors would receive in such liquidation. The condensed consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments to reflect the possible future effects on the recoverability and classification of assets or the amounts and classification of liabilities if the company is forced to liquidate.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring items, necessary to present fairly the consolidated financial position and the consolidated results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in the consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States have been condensed or omitted. The results of operations for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2004, are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year. These interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2003, included in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Position No. 90-7, *Financial Reporting by Entities in Reorganization under the Bankruptcy Code* ("SOP 90-7"). SOP 90-7 requires an entity to distinguish pre-petition liabilities subject to compromise from post-petition liabilities in the company's condensed consolidated balance sheet. The caption "liabilities subject to compromise" reflects the company's best current estimate of the amount of pre-petition claims that will be restructured in the company's chapter 11 cases. In addition, the company's condensed consolidated statement of operations portrays the results of operations of the reporting entity during chapter 11 proceedings. As a result, any revenue, expenses, realized gains and losses, and provision for losses resulting directly from the reorganization and restructuring of the organization are reported separately as reorganization items. In accordance with SOP 90-7, the company stopped accruing interest expense on its non-amortizing senior notes subsequent to March 30, 2004.

Certain 2003 foreign currency transaction gains (losses) were reclassified from net sales and cost of sales to a separate line item to be consistent with current year presentation. The reclassification had no impact on the company s financial position or results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2003. The impact of the reclassification on the comparative three and nine months ended September 30, 2003, figures result in the increases (decreases) as follows (in thousands):

Three Months	Nine Months
Ended	Ended
September 30,	September 30,
2003	2003

Net sales	\$ 126 \$	1,573
Cost of sales	51	889
Foreign exchange transaction loss	75	684

3. Changes in Accounting Principles and Recently Issued Standards

In May 2004 the FASB issued an FSP (FASB Staff Position) on SFAS No. 106-2, *Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003* ("Act"). The Act was signed into law on December 8, 2003, and expanded Medicare to include prescription drugs. We sponsor retiree medical programs and this legislation includes a federal subsidy for qualifying companies. The FSP on SFAS 106-2 requires that the effects of the federal subsidy be considered an actuarial gain and treated like similar gains and losses. It also requires certain disclosures for sponsors of retiree medical programs. This FSP is effective in the first interim or annual period beginning after June 15, 2004. The accumulated post-retirement benefit obligation and the net periodic post-retirement benefit cost do not reflect any amount associated with the subsidy because the company is unable to conclude whether the benefits provided by the plan are actuarially equivalent to Medicare Part D under the Act.

4. Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share

The reconciliation of the numerators and denominators of the basic and diluted loss per common share computations for the company's reported net loss follows (in thousands, except share and per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2004		2003		2004		2003
Numerator:							
Loss available to common							
shareholders used in basic and							
diluted loss per share	\$ (4,657)	\$	(102,937)	\$	(20,917)	\$	(116,856)
Denominator:							
Denominator for basic loss per share:							
Weighted average shares	7,066,226		7,066,226		7,066,226		7,066,226
Effect of dilutive securities:							
Fixed stock options	*		*		*		**
Denominator for diluted loss per share							
Adjusted weighted average shares	7,066,226		7,066,226		7,066,226		7,066,226
Basic loss per share	\$ (0.66)	\$	(14.57)	\$	(2.96)	\$	(16.54)
Diluted loss per share	\$ (0.66)	\$	(14.57)	\$	(2.96)	\$	(16.54)

*The average closing stock price of our common stock during the three months ending September 30, 2004 and 2003 and the nine months ending September 30, 2004, was less than the exercise price on all options outstanding during those periods. Therefore, there were no incremental shares to be considered in the diluted loss per share calculation for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and the nine months ending September 30, 2004.

**For the nine months ended September 30, 2003, 176 incremental shares are not included because the effect would be antidilutive.

The above weighted average shares calculations exclude any impact of any reorganization plan that may require the issuance of common stock or common stock equivalents.

5. Stock-Based Compensation

Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 148, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation-Transition and Disclosure*, amends Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, to provide alternative methods of transition for an entity that voluntarily changes to the fair value based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. It also amends the disclosure provisions of that Statement to require prominent disclosure about the effects on reported net income (loss) of an entity s accounting policy decisions with respect to stock-based employee compensation. The company has chosen to continue to account for stock-based compensation using the intrinsic value method prescribed in Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, and related interpretations. Accordingly, compensation cost for stock options is measured as the excess, if any, of the quoted market price of the company s stock at the date of the grant over the amount an employee must pay to acquire the stock.

No compensation expense has been recognized for stock options granted under the plans during the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, as any options granted were at exercise prices that equaled the market value at the date of the grant. Had compensation expense for the company s stock option awards been determined based on the fair value at the grant date for awards granted after 1994 consistent with the provisions of SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, the company s net loss would have been changed to the pro forma amounts indicated below (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2004		2003		2004	•	2003
Net loss, as reported	\$ (4,657)	\$	(102,937)	\$	(20,917)	\$	(116,856)
Total stock based employees compensation determined under							
fair value method	\$ (112)	\$	(161)	\$	(336)	\$	(478)
Net loss, pro forma	\$ (4,769)	\$	(103,098)	\$	(21,253)	\$	(117,334)
Basic loss per share, as reported	\$ (0.66)	\$	(14.57)	\$	(2.96)	\$	(16.54)
Basic loss per share, pro forma	\$ (0.67)	\$	(14.59)	\$	(3.01)	\$	(16.61)
Diluted loss per share, as reported	\$ (0.66)	\$	(14.57)	\$	(2.96)	\$	(16.54)
Diluted loss per share, pro forma	\$ (0.67)	\$	(14.59)	\$	(3.01)	\$	(16.61)

The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of the grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following weighted-average assumptions used for grants in 2003: risk-free interest rate of 4.0%, dividend yield of \$0, expected volatility of 48% and expected lives per the plan agreements. The company has not granted any options in 2004.

6. Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Comprehensive loss for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, consists of net loss and foreign currency translation adjustments as follows (in thousands):

	Thr	ee Months E	nded	September 30,	Nine Months Ended September 3					
		2004		2003		2004		2003		
Net loss	\$	(4,657)	\$	(102,937)	\$	(20,917)	\$	(116,856)		
Currency translation adjustment, net		42		(2,599)		(3,523)		5,605		
Comprehensive loss	\$	(4,615)	\$	(105,536)	\$	(24,440)	\$	(111,251)		

7. Inventories

Inventories at September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003, consisted of the following (in thousands):

	September	December
	30, 2004	31, 2003
Raw material	\$ 23,322	\$ 19,244
Work in progress	18,801	18,233
Finished goods	16,765	16,844
Finished goods on consignment	3,904	3,432
Stores inventory	4,519	4,067
Operating supplies	1,229	1,623
Total inventories	\$ 68,540	\$ 63,443

8. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

The following table provides the gross carrying value and accumulated amortization for each major class of other intangible assets as of September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003 (in thousands):

	Gross Ca	rryin	g Value	Accu	mulat	ed Amortization
	September		December	September		December
	30,		31,	30,		31,
	2004		2003	2004		2003
Amortizable intangible assets:						
Debt issue costs	\$ 2,538	\$	16,734	\$ 1,093	\$	6,070
Acquired technology	846		846	74		42
Other	1,617		1,645	538		368
Total amortizable intangible assets	\$ 5,001	\$	19,225	\$ 1,705	\$	6,480

The total intangible amortization expense for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 was \$305,000 and \$436,000 and for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 was \$1,491,000 and \$1,308,000.

In connection with the chapter 11 filing, the company amended and restated the GE credit facility, originally initiated in November 2003, to exclude the North American borrowing base which has been included in a new DIP Facility entered into on April 1, 2004, also with GE. Deferred financing costs associated with the North American borrowing base on the original facility of \$1,328,000 were written off and were reported as reorganization expenses in the first quarter of 2004. Also, in connection with the chapter 11 filing the company wrote-off and recorded in reorganization expenses in the first quarter of 2004, \$7,447,000 relating to the remaining balance on the deferred finance costs associated with the senior non-amortizing notes.

For the period ended September 30, 2004, the company had \$8,451,000 of goodwill, which is all associated with foreign entities. The change in the goodwill for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, is the result of exchange

rate fluctuations upon consolidation of the foreign subsidiaries.

9. Segment Information:

The following table categorizes net sales in each product family into the appropriate operating segment (in thousands):

	Three Month Op German	nded Septem ating Segmen North American	30, 2004		30, 2003			
	Operations	Operations	Total		Operations	Operations		Total
Net sales								
Product family								
Office products	\$ -	\$ 20,616	\$ 20,616	\$	-	\$ 18,634	\$	18,634
Publishing and								
packaging	-	24,938	24,938		-	21,301		21,301
Technical specialties	47,924	14,270	62,194		42,246	11,596		53,842
•								
	\$ 47,924	\$ 59,824	\$ 107,748	\$	42,246	\$ 51,531	\$	93,777

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004 Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003

Operating Segments Operating Segments

German Operations

North American Operations

Total

German Operations

North American Operations

Total

Net sales

Product family

Office products	
\$	-
\$	58,587
\$	58,587
\$	-
\$	55,877
\$	55,877
Publishing and packaging	
	-
	75,369 75,369
	69,105
	69,105

Technical specialties

156	5,096
41	1,135
197	7,231
139	9,919
39	9,165
179	9,084
156	5,096
175	5,091
331	1,187
139	9,919
164	1,147
304	1,066

9. Segment Information (continued):

\$

\$

\$

\$

\$

\$

The following table presents selected financial data for each of our operating segments for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 (in thousands):

	Three Month Op	ting Segmen	30, 2004	Three Months Ended September 30, 2003 Operating Segments						
	German Operations	North American Operations	Total	German Operations		North American Operations		Total		
Total sales	\$ 47,163	\$ 58,865	\$ 106,028	\$ 42,246	\$	52,281	\$	94,527		
Inter-segment net sales	761	959	1,720	-		(750)		(750)		
Total net sales	\$ 47,924	\$ 59,824	\$ 107,748	\$ 42,246	\$	51,531	\$	93,777		
Income (loss) from										
operations	\$ 6,048	\$ (1,417)	\$ 4,631	\$ 4,819	\$	(96,161)	\$	(91,342)		
	\$ 1,243	\$ 3,113	\$ 4,356	\$ 1,133	\$	2,712	\$	3,845		

Depreciation and amortization

		nded Septemb ating Segmen North American Operations	30, 2004 Total		Ended Septem rating Segmen North American Operations	30, 2003 Total
Total sales	\$ 156,096	\$ 175,197	\$ 331,293	\$ 139,919	\$ 165,907	\$ 305,826
Inter-segment net sales	-	(106)	(106)	-	(1,760)	(1,760)
Total net sales	\$ 156,096	\$ 175,091	\$ 331,187	\$ 139,919	\$ 164,147	\$ 304,066
Income (loss) from						
operations	\$ 24,890	\$ (4,740)	\$ 20,150	\$ 22,789	\$ (101,634)	\$ (78,845)
Depreciation and						
amortization	\$ 3,762	\$ 9,472	\$ 13,234	\$ 3,344	\$ 8,902	\$ 12,246

10. Restructuring

Severance payments related to restructuring actions initiated during 2003 will continue into the first quarter of 2005.

The following table reconciles the restructuring liability for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 (in thousands):

		Balance December	F			D	Balance Septembe	er
		31, 2003	E	Expense/(Reversal)		Payments	30, 2004	ł
Severance and facility closure costs	\$	1,475	\$	(209)	\$	(520) \$	5 7	46
Severance and facility closure costs	ψ	1,775	ψ	(207)	ψ	(520) 4	, ,	-1(

11. Pension and Post-retirement Benefits

In December 2003 the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 132R, *Employers Disclosure about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits* (SFAS No. 132R). SFAS No. 132R requires additional disclosures about defined benefit pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans, including the components of pension expense for interim periods beginning after December 15, 2003. We adopted this pronouncement as of December 31, 2003, for all our U.S. plans and included the revised annual disclosures in our 2003 Form 10-K. The components of net periodic benefit costs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, and 2003 are as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,										
	Pensio	Benefits									
	2004		2003		2004		2003				
Service cost	\$ 337	\$	283	\$	91	\$	83				
Interest cost	732		695		195		190				
Return on assets	(339)		(277)		-		-				

Net amortization & deferrals:				
Unrecognized transition obligation	-	-	-	-
Unrecognized prior service cost	103	103	1	1
Unrecognized net loss	271	236	38	31
Recognized settlement loss	190	-	-	-
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 1,294	\$ 1,040	\$ 325	\$ 305

	Nine Months Ended September 30,										
		Pension	n Ben	Post-retire	Benefits						
		2004		2003		2004		2003			
Service cost	\$	1,015	\$	846	\$	274	\$	249			
Interest cost		2,212		2,075		586		569			
Return on assets		(1,017)		(834)		-		-			
Net amortization & deferrals:											
Unrecognized transition obligation		1		2		-		-			
Unrecognized prior service cost		309		309		4		4			
Unrecognized net loss		818		708		111		91			
Recognized settlement loss		570		-		-		-			
Net periodic benefit cost	\$	3,908	\$	3,106	\$	975	\$	913			

On December 8, 2003, the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 ("Act") was signed into law. The Act expands Medicare primarily by adding a prescription drug benefit for Medicare-eligible individuals beginning in 2006. Pursuant to guidance provided in FASB Staff Position SFAS No. 106-1, the company has chosen to defer recognition of the Act, and, accordingly, the post-retirement benefit obligations and net periodic post-retirement benefit cost do not reflect any potential impact of the legislation. In May 2004 the FASB issued an FSP (FASB Staff Position) on SFAS No. 106-2, *Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003* ("Act"). The FSP on SFAS 106-2 requires that the effects of the federal subsidy be considered an actuarial gain and treated like similar gains and losses. It also requires certain disclosures for sponsors of retiree medical programs. This FSP is effective in the first interim or annual period beginning after June 15, 2004. The accumulated post-retirement benefit obligation and the net periodic post-retirement benefit cost do not reflect any amount associated with the subsidy because the company is unable to conclude whether the benefits provided by the plan are actuarially equivalent to Medicare Part D under the Act.

12. Reorganization

In accordance with SOP 90-7, the company is required to separately identify the reorganization expenses related to the March 30, 2004, chapter 11 filing. Reorganization items in the condensed consolidated and DIP statement of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, consist of (in thousands):

	E Septe	e Months nded mber 30, 004	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004
Professional fees	\$	4,720	\$ 7,638
Employee retention costs		1,155	2,187
Write-off of unamortized bond discount		-	1,217
Write-off of deferred finance costs		-	8,775
Rejection of contractual obligations		602	602
Reorganization expenses	\$	6,477	\$ 20,419

13. Debtor Financial Information

The condensed combined financial statements of the Debtors are presented below. These statements reflect the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Debtors on a combined basis, including certain amounts and transactions between Debtors and non-debtor subsidiaries of the company, which are eliminated in the consolidated financial statements.

Condensed Combined Statement of Operations (in thousands):

	Ended	e Months September , 2004	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004
Net sales	\$	55,737	
Cost of sales		49,405	144,159
Gross profit		6,332	19,471
Selling, general and administrative expenses Restructuring and facility closure reversals		8,336 (209)	25,484 (209)
Loss from operations		(1,795)	(5,804)
Other expense, net		148	1,221
Equity in income from subsidiaries Interest expense, net		(3,909) 146	(15,864) 9,337
Reorganization expense		6,477	20,419
Loss before income taxes		(4,657)	(20,917)
Income tax expense		-	-
Net loss	\$	(4,657) \$	6 (20,917)

Condensed Combined Balance Sheet (in thousands):

Current assets:Cash\$-\$-Accounts receivable, net of allowances24,35418,451Inventories41,23636,168Prepaid expenses2,5391,293	ASSETS	September 30, 2004	December 31, 2003
Accounts receivable, net of allowances24,35418,451Inventories41,23636,168	Current assets:		
Inventories 41,236 36,168	Cash	\$ -	\$ -
	Accounts receivable, net of allowances	24,354	18,451
Prepaid expenses 2,539 1,293	Inventories	41,236	36,168
	Prepaid expenses	2,539	1,293
Total current assets68,12955,912	Total current assets	68,129	55,912
Property, plant and equipment, net 139,261 145,692	Property, plant and equipment, net	139,261	145,692
Intercompany notes receivable3,6303,530	Intercompany notes receivable	3,630	3,530
Investment in subsidiaries 99,037 115,888	Investment in subsidiaries	99,037	115,888
Other intangible assets, net 2,113 11,317	Other intangible assets, net	2,113	11,317
Other pension assets 3,487 3,588	Other pension assets	3,487	3,588

Total assets	\$ 315,657 \$	335,927
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS DEFICIT		
Current liabilities:		
Revolving credit line	\$ - \$	2,753
Current portion of long-term debt	-	3,955
Accounts payable	10,100	11,423
Accrued liabilities	12,827	15,040
Accrued income taxes payable	-	376
Total current liabilities not subject to compromise	22,927	33,547
Long-term liabilities:		
Long-term debt	-	338,749
Other long-term liabilities	18,610	33,266
Total long-term liabilities not subject to compromise	18,610	372,015
Liabilities subject to compromise	367,412	-
Total liabilities	408,949	405,562
Stockholders deficit	(93,292)	(69,635)
Total liabilities and stockholders deficit	\$ 315,657 \$	335,927

Condensed Combined Statement of Cash Flows (in thousands):

	ne Months Ended tember 30, 2004
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (3,419)
Net cash used for reorganization items	(8,760)
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,088)
Net cash provided by financing activities	14,262
Effect of exchange rates on cash	(995)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	-
Cash at beginning of period	-
Cash at end of period	\$ -

Liabilities subject to compromise in the condensed consolidated and DIP balance sheets consist of the following items as of September 30, 2004, (in thousands):

Accounts payable	\$ 6,677
Accrued interest payable (formerly included in accrued liabilities)	15,574

Long-term debt	340,950
Other long-term liabilities	4,211
Liabilities subject to compromise	\$ 367,412

In accordance with SOP 90-7, the company stopped accruing interest on the senior non-amortizating notes as of the March 30, 2004, chapter 11 filing date. The amount of interest that would have been accrued from the filing date to the end of the third quarter of 2004 was \$17,142,000.

14. Long-term Debt

On March 30, 2004, FiberMark, Inc., and its U.S. subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. The filing resulted in an immediate acceleration of \$100.0 million in principal of the company's 9.375% senior non-amortizing notes and \$230.0 million in principal of 10.75% senior non-amortizing notes, subject to the automatic stay. Outstanding balances for the senior non-amortizing notes have been reclassified to liabilities subject to compromise. In accordance with the filing the company wrote-off and recorded in reorganization expenses \$1.2 million of unamortized bond discounts associated with the senior non-amortizing notes.

On September 30, 2004, \$1.3 million is outstanding under a term loan secured by machinery at our Quakertown, Pennsylvania, facility. This loan bears interest at LIBOR plus 2.0% and is repayable in monthly installments through 2007. The Debtors have made post-filing adequate protection payments on this loan under an order entered by the Bankruptcy Court on May 28, 2004.

On September 30, 2004, \$7.3 million is outstanding on a term loan secured by papermaking machinery at our Warren Glen, New Jersey, facility. The interest rate on this loan is 8.47% with the balance amortizing through 2007. The Debtors have made post-filing adequate protection payments on this loan under an order entered by the Bankruptcy Court on July 1, 2004.

In the fourth quarter of 2002, we entered into a sale-leaseback agreement involving our Lowville, New York, facility. Under the sale-leaseback agreement, FiberMark paid \$1.1 million, representing 20% of the project cost in January 2003, and is obligated to make 24 monthly payments of \$100,000 plus interest at 4.6% on the outstanding principal, followed by a balloon payment of approximately \$2.0 million on January 31, 2005, when FiberMark will resume ownership of the entire site. At September 30, 2004, the balance outstanding on the capital lease was \$2.4 million. The Debtors have made post-filing adequate protection payments on this sale-leaseback obligation under an order entered by the Bankruptcy Court on July 1, 2004.

In accordance with SOP 90-7, the company has reclassified its long-term debt and sale-leaseback liabilities of \$341.0 million to liabilities subject to compromise at September 30, 2004.

15. Consolidating Financial Statements

Below are consolidating statements of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and statements of cash flow for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and consolidating balance sheets as of September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003 (in thousands):

CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended September 30, 2004

Guarantor

Non-Guarantor

Eliminations

Consolidated FiberMark, Inc.

Net sales	
\$	50 824
¢	59,824
\$	47,924
\$	
\$	-
Φ	107,748
Cost of sales	
	52,621
	39,762
	-
	92,383
Gross profit	
	7,203
	8,162
	-
	15,365
Selling, general and administrative expenses	
	8,829
	2,114
	-
	10,943

Restructuring and facility closure reversal (209) _ _ (209) Income (loss) from operations (1,417) 6,048 -4,631 Foreign exchange transaction gain -(211) -(211) Other (income) expense, net 245 (20) -225 Equity in subsidiary income (3,755

)

-

	3,755
	-
Interest expense, net	
	235
	314
	-
	549
	547
Reorganization expense	
	6,477
	-
	-
	6,477
	0,117
Income (loss) before income taxes	
	(4,619
)	
	5,965
)	(3,755
)	(2,409
Income tax expense	
	38
	2,210
	-
	2,248
	_,

Net income (loss)

)	(4,657
\$	3,755
\$	(3,755
) \$	
)	(4,657

CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS Three Months Ended September 30, 2003 Guarantor Non-Guarantor Eliminations Consolidated FiberMark, Inc. Net sales \$ \$ \$

\$ 93,777 Cost of sales 46,459 34,912 -81,371

51,531

42,246

-

	5,072
	7,334
	-
	12,406
Selling, general and administrative expenses	
	7,290
	2,515
	-
	9,805
Restructuring and facility closure expense	
	1,682
	-
	-
	1,682
Goodwill impairment	
	92,261
	-
	-
	92,261
Income (loss) from operations	
)	(96,161
	4,819
	-
	(91,342
)	

Foreign exchange transaction loss

	-
	75
	-
	75
Other (income) expense, net	
	591
)	(17
	-
	574
Equity in subsidiary income	
、 、	(2,643
)	
	2,643
Interest (income) expense, net	
	8,724
	(1
)	
	-
	8,723
Income (loss) before income taxes	(100.000
)	(102,833
	4,762
	(2,643
	27

)		
)	(100,714	
Income tax expense		
	104	
	2,119	
	-	
	2,223	
Net income (loss)		
\$	(102,937	
) \$		
	2,643	
\$	(2,643	
) \$	(102,937	
)	(102,557	
CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF		
OPERATIONS	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004	
	Guarantor	
	Non-Guarantor	
Eliminations		
National	Consolidated FiberMark, Inc.	

Net sales

\$

\$

175,091

156,096

28

\$	-
\$	331,187
Cost of sales	551,107
	153,063
	122,666
	-
	275,729
Gross profit	22.028
	22,028 33,430
	-
	55,458
Selling, general and administrative expenses	
	26,977
	8,540
	-
	35,517
Restructuring and facility closure reversal	(200
)	(209
	-
	-
)	(209

Income (loss) from operations

)	(4,740
	24,890
	- 20,150
Foreign exchange transaction gain	20,150
	-
)	(482
	-
) Other (income) expense, net	(482
	1,311
)	(152
	-
Fauity in subsidiary income	1,159
Equity in subsidiary income	(15,385
	-
	15,385
Interest expense, net	-
	9,608
	551
	-
	10,159

Reorganization expense

	20,419
	-
	-
	20,419
Income (loss) before income taxes	
)	(20,693
	24,973
	(15,385
)	(11,105
)	(11,100
Income tax expense	
	224
	9,588
	-
	9,812
Net income (loss)	
\$	(20,917
) \$	15,385
\$	
	(15,385
) \$	(20,917
)	

CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF **OPERATIONS** Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003 Guarantor Non-Guarantor Eliminations Consolidated FiberMark, Inc. Net sales \$ 164,147 \$ 139,919 \$ -\$ 304,066 Cost of sales 146,444 109,653 -256,097 Gross profit 17,703 30,266 -47,969 Selling, general and administrative expenses 25,394 7,477

32

	-
	22.071
	32,871
Restructuring and facility closure expense	
	1,682
	-
	_
	1,682
Goodwill impairment	
	92,261
	72,201
	-
	-
	92,261
	92,201
Income (loss) from operations	
	(101,634
)	
	22,789
	22,707
	-
	(78,845
)	
Foreign exchange transaction loss	
	-
	604
	684
	-
	684
Other (income) expense, net	
	1,268
	1,200

33

6 6	
)	(433
	-
	835
Equity in subsidiary income	
)	(12,356
	-
	12,356
	-
Interest expense, net	
	25,902
	294
	-
	26,196
Income (loss) before income taxes	
)	(116,448
	22,244
)	(12,356
	(106,560
)	
Income tax expense	
	408
	9,888
	-

10,296

Net income (loss)

\$ (116,856
\$ 12,356
\$ (12,356
\$ (116,856

CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEETS

September 30, 2004

Guarantor

Non-Guarantor

Eliminations

Consolidated FiberMark, Inc.

ASSETS

Current assets:

Cash	
\$	46
\$	886
\$	-
\$	932

Accounts receivable, net of allowances

35

28,047

36,934

	64,981
Inventories	
	44,006
	24,534
	-
	68,540
Prepaid expenses	
	2,842
	343
	-
	3,185
Total current assets	
	74,941
	62,697
	-
	137,638
Property, plant and equipment, net	
	141,276
	102,396
	-
	243,672
Goodwill	
	2,397
	6,054
	-

	8,451
Investment in subsidiaries	
	91,494
	-
	(91,494
)	
	-
Other intangible assets, net	
other intaligible assets, liet	
	2,113
	1,183
	1,105
	-
	3,296
Other long-term assets	
	-
	14
	-
	14
	14
Other pension assets	
	2 497
	3,487
	-
	-
	3,487
Total assets	
\$	21 <i>5 7</i> 00
	315,708
\$	
	172,344

37

\$	(91,494
) \$	(91,494
Ŷ	396,558
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY (DEFICIT)	
Current liabilities:	
Revolving credit line	
\$	
\$	-
	12,731
\$	-
\$	
	12,731
Accounts payable	
	9,569
	9,502
	1,646
	20,717
Accrued liabilities	
	12,817
	8,576
	-
	21,393
Accrued income taxes payable	
	507
	6,724

	-
	7,231
Deferred income taxes	
	-
	646
	-
	646
Total current liabilities not subject to compromise	
	22,893
	38,179
	1,646
	62,718
Long-term liabilities:	
Deferred income taxes	
	85
	15,208
	-
	15,293
Other long-term liabilities	
	18,610
	25,817
	-
	44,427
Total long-term liabilities not subject to compromise	

18,695

	41,025
	59,720
Liabilities subject to compromise	
	367,412
	-
	-
	367,412
Total liabilities	
	409,000
	79,204
	1,646
	489,850
Stockholders equity (deficit):	
Preferred stock, par value \$.001 per share; 2,000,000 shares authorized, and none issued	
	-
	-
	_
	_
Series A Junior participatory preferred stock, par value \$.001;	
7.066 shares authorized and none issued	

7,066 shares authorized and none issued

7,070,026 shares issued and 7,066,226 shares outstanding

	7	
	32	
)	(32	
)	7	
	7	
	Additional paid-in capital	
	65,496	
	1,426	
	(1,426	
)		
	65,496	
	Retained earnings (accumulated deficit)	
``	(170,028	
)		
	77,604	
)	(77,604	
)	(170,028	
)		
	Accumulated other comprehensive income	
	11,268	
	14,078	
	(14,078	
)		
	11,268	
	Less treasury stock, 3,800 shares at cost	
	(35	
``		

)

-

	(35	
)		
	Total stockholders equity (deficit)	
	(93,292	
)		
	93,140	
	(93,140	
)		
	(93,292	
)		
	Total liabilities and stockholders equity (deficit)	
\$		
	315,708	
\$		
	172,344	
\$	(01.404	
)	(91,494	
\$	396,558	
	570,558	

CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEETS

December 31, 2003

Guarantor

Non-Guarantor

Eliminations

Consolidated FiberMark, Inc.

ASSETS

Current assets:

Cash (overdraft)

\$	(986
) \$	
\$	7,097
	-
\$	6,111
Accounts receivable, net of allowances	
	21,553
	32,200
)	(1
	53,752
Inventories	
	39,066
	24,377
	-
	63,443
Prepaid expenses	1 407
	1,497 174
	1,671

Total current assets

	61,130
	63,848
	(1
)	
	124,977
Property, plant and equipment, net	
	147,916
	100,278
	-
	248,194
Goodwill	
	2,454
	6,148
	-
	8,602
Intercompany note receivable	
	-
	11,209
	(11,209
)	(,,-
	-
Investment in subsidiaries	
	109,779
	20
	(109,799
)	

Other intangible assets, net

	11,317
	1,428
	-
	12,745
Other long-term assets	
	-
	1,601
	-
	1,601
Other pension assets	
	3,588
	-
	- 3,588
Total assets	3,300
\$	
	336,184
\$	184,532
\$	(121,009
) \$	(121,009
Ý	399,707

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY (DEFICIT)

Current liabilities:

Revolving credit line

\$		2,753
\$		
\$		3,153
Ψ		-
\$		5,906
	Current portion of long-term debt	
		3,955
		-
		3,955
	Accounts payable	
		10,551
		12,620
)		(3
		23,168
	Accrued liabilities	
		14,747 7,266
		-
		22,013
	Accrued income taxes payable	
		932
		8,998
		-

	9,930
Deferred income taxes	
	-
	656
	-
	656
Total current liabilities	
	32,938
	32,693
)	(3
	65,628
Long-term liabilities:	
Long-term debt, less current portion	
	338,749
	-
	-
	338,749
Intercompany notes payable	
	10,361
	(1,742
)	(0.710
)	(8,619
	-

Deferred income taxes

83

	-
	15,528
Other long-term liabilities	
	22,905
	25,749
	-
	48,654
Total long-term liabilities	
	372,098
	39,452
	(8,619
)	
	402,931
Total liabilities	
	405,036
	72,145
)	(8,622
	468,559
Stockholders equity (deficit):	
Preferred stock, par value \$.001 per share;	

2,000,000 shares authorized, and none issued

)

)

Series A Junior participatory preferred stock, par value \$.001; 7,066 shares authorized and none issued

		-
		-
		-
	Common stock, par value \$.001 per share; 20,000,000 shares authorized 7,070,026 shares issued and 7,066,226 shares outstanding	
		7
		33
		(33
)		
		7
	Additional paid-in capital	
		65,496
		35,026
)		(35,026
)		
		65,496
	Retained earnings (accumulated deficit)	
		(149,111
)		x .
		62,219
		(62,219
)		(02,21)
		(149,111
)		
	Accumulated other comprehensive income	
		14,791
		15,109

)	(15,109
	14,791
Less treasury stock, 3,800 shares at cost	
)	(35
	-
	-
)	(35
Total stockholders equity (deficit)	
	(68,852
)	(00,032
	112,387
`	(112,387
)	(68,852
)	
Total liabilities and stockholders equity (deficit)	
\$	
	336,184
\$	184,532
\$	
)	(121,009
) \$	399,707

Guarantor

Non-Guarantor

Eliminations

Consolidated FiberMark, Inc.

Cash flows from operating activities:

Net income (loss)

\$	(20,917
\$	15,385
\$	(15,385
\$)	(20,917

Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:

Depreciation and amortization

	9,472
	3,762
	-
	13,234
Amortization of bond discount	
	42
	-
	-
	42
Loss on sale/disposal of assets	

(411

)			
)		- (71	
)	Equity in subsidiary income	(482	
)	Equity in subsidiary medine	(15,385	
		- 15,385	
		-	
	Deferred income taxes	2	
		-	
		2	
	Reorganization costs	20,419	
		-	
	Net cash used for reorganization items	20,419	
)	Net cash used for reorganization nems	(8,760	
		-	
)		- (8,760	

Changes in operating assets and liabilities:

Accounts receivable

)		(6,494
)		(5,104
)	Inventories	- (11,598
)		(4,940
)		(525
)	Prepaid expenses	(5,465
)		(1,345
)		(170
)	Other long-term assets	- (1,515
		101 (239
)		(2.39
)		(138

Accounts payable

		5,093
)		(1,196
)		
		-
		3,897
	Accrued liabilities	
		12,579
		1,407
		-
		13,986
	Accrued income taxes payable	
)		(425
,		(2,115
)		(_,
		-
)		(2,540
)	Other long-term liabilities	
)		(85
)		457
		457
		-
		372
	Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	
)		(11,054
		11,662
		(71
)		

	537
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Additions to property, plant and equipment	
)	(2,448
)	(7,157
	746
	(8,859
) Proceeds from sale/disposal of assets	
	1,358
	-
	(675
)	683
Net cash provided by (used in) in investing activities	005
The easily provided by (used in) in investing activities	(1,090
)	(1,090
)	(7,157
	71
	(8,176
)	
Cash flows from financing activities:	
Net borrowings (repayments) under revolving credit line	
)	(2,753
	9,529

-

		6,776
Repayment	it of debt	(3,012
)		-
		-
		(3,012
) Net borrow	vings (repayments) under intercompany notes	
		8,823
,		(8,574
)		(21)
)		(249
		-
Dividend, r	net	
		12,051
X.		(11,503
)		(7.10)
)		(548
		-
Debt issuar	nce costs	
,		(772
)		
		-
		-
) Daht issuer	nce costs due to reorganization	(772

Debt issuance costs due to reorganization

)	(75
	-
	-
)	(75
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	
	14,262
)	(10,548
	(797
)	
Effect of exchange rate changes in cash	2,917
Effect of exchange rate changes in cash	(1.00)
)	(1,086
)	(168
	797
)	(457
Net increase (decrease) in cash	
	1,032
)	(6,211
	-
	(5,179
)	
Cash (overdraft) at beginning of period	
	(986

)

	7,097
	-
Cash at end of period	6,111
\$	46
\$	
\$	886
	-
\$	932

CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

FLOWS		Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003				
	Guarantor	I	Non-Guarantor		Eliminations	Consolidated FiberMark, Inc.
Cash flows from operating						
activities:						
Net income (loss)	\$ (116,856)	\$	12,356	\$	(12,356)	\$ (116,856)
Adjustments to reconcile net						
income (loss) to net cash provided						
by (used in) operating activities:						
Depreciation and amortization	8,902		3,344		-	12,246
Amortization of bond discount	129		-		-	129
Amortization of deferred gain	(222)		-		-	(222)
Goodwill impairment	92,261		-		-	92,261
Equity in subsidiary income	(12,356)		-		12,356	-
Deferred income taxes	125		-		-	125
Changes in operating assets and						
liabilities:						
Accounts receivable	3,746		(5,153)		-	(1,407)
Inventories	5,849		(701)		-	5,148
Prepaid expenses	(445)		270		-	(175)
Other long-term assets	12		(14)		-	(2)
Accounts payable	(4,652)		(1,179)		-	(5,831)

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ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Three Months Ended September 30, 2004, Compared with Three Months Ended September 30, 2003

Overview

In order to help you understand, in appropriate context, the discussion and analysis of our results of operations and financial condition that appears below, this overview section should be read in conjunction with Item 7 "Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in the 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Consolidated net sales for the quarter ended September 30 were \$107.7 million in 2004 compared with \$93.8 million in 2003, an increase of \$13.9 million or 14.8%. Favorable foreign exchange rates increased third-quarter 2004 sales by \$4.3 million compared with 2003. Net of currency effects, current year net sales increased by \$9.6 million, or 10.2% versus last year.

A consolidated net loss of \$4.7 million in the third quarter of 2004 compared with a net loss of \$102.9 million in 2003. The following factors accounted for most of the net change from our 2003 to 2004 income:

- 2003 losses included a goodwill impairment charge of \$92.3 million
- Interest expense, net, was \$8.2 million lower in 2004, primarily due to the cessation of interest expense accruals on the senior notes pending the outcome of the bankruptcy process
 - Reorganization expenses related to chapter 11 amounted to \$6.5 million in 2004
- Income from operations, excluding restructuring and goodwill impairment expenses, rose by \$1.8 million due to higher gross margins partially offset by increased SG&A expenses
- · Restructuring expenses of \$0.2 million were reversed in 2004, compared to expense charges of \$1.7 million in 2003

Sales from German Operations

Net sales from German operations in the third quarter of 2004 were \$47.9 million compared with \$42.2 million in the prior-year quarter, an increase of \$5.7 million or 13.5%. Excluding the translation effects of a stronger euro, which accounted for \$3.9 million in sales for the third quarter compared with the prior-year quarter, sales from German operations grew by \$1.8 million, or 4.3%. During the quarter, we made continued gains in our automotive filtration business, and our tape and graphic arts/printing businesses strengthened. However, vacuum bag filtration sales continued to weaken, particularly in the U.S., largely due to lower cost media substitutes, imported finished products from China and bagless vacuum cleaners and, in the European market, competition from alternate synthetic media. In some markets, the combination of pricing pressure and product mix deflated sales levels, despite the overall gain in sales.

Sales from North American Operations

Third-quarter 2004 net sales from North American operations were \$59.8 million compared with \$51.5 million in the prior-year quarter, an increase of \$8.3 million or 16.1%. Favorable foreign exchange rates accounted for \$0.4 million of the increase. All of our product families reported double-digit percentage gains, with the largest recovery evident in technical specialties. Compared to the recent second quarter, we saw gains in all product families but publishing and packaging, where our first half of the year is much stronger seasonally. The sequential gains in other North American businesses, despite a traditional seasonal third quarter softening, reflect weak 2003 comparisons, some economic improvement and new business.

Third-quarter 2004 sales of publishing and packaging products were \$24.9 million compared with \$21.3 million, an increase of \$3.6 million or 16.9% versus the third quarter of 2003. Overall publishing sales improved, benefiting from modest gains in the elementary/high school textbook market compared with weak 2003 levels due to sector improvement and broad benefits of our publishing market development programs. Packaging sales, which represent a relatively small portion of this market segment, continued to generate significant growth due to successful new business development initiatives.

Sales in office products were \$20.6 million in the third quarter of 2004 compared with \$18.6 million in the same 2003 period, an increase of \$2.0 million or 10.8%, primarily due to modest industry improvement and continued gains in our graphic design market due to market and product development successes.

Technical specialties sales were \$14.3 million in 2004 compared with \$11.6 million in 2003, an increase of \$2.7 million or 23.3%. Sales in many of our key technical markets were up, offset by isolated cases of weak market demand and market share loss.

Company-wide Data

Gross profit in 2004 was \$15.4 million, or 14.3% of sales, compared with \$12.4 million, or 13.2% of sales in 2003. The primary positive and negative factors accounting for the \$3.0 million net increase in gross profit were:

• Higher sales volume, which increased margins by \$4.1 million

- Improved production efficiency at papermaking and converting operations, contributing \$1.1 million to gross profits
 Foreign currency benefits of \$0.8 million due to favorable translation of German and U.K. profits into dollars
- Benefits of plant closures in 2003, lower energy costs, and favorable production mix, improved gross profits by \$1.5 million.

• Higher pulp costs of \$1.6 million

• Maintenance costs and supply expenses increasing by \$2.1 million

• Price reductions and weaker product mix totaling \$0.7 million

Selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses were \$10.9 million in 2004 compared with \$9.8 million in 2003, an increase of \$1.1 million or 11.2%. Most of the increase related to higher costs for sales, marketing and development costs in both operating segments. Foreign currency exchange rates increased SG&A expenses by \$0.2 million.

Certain restructuring and facility closure expenses were reversed in 2004, totaling \$0.2 million. These expenses, amounting to \$1.7 million, were originally charged in 2003. The reversal reflected a revised estimate of expenses remaining to be paid.

Foreign exchange transaction gains in 2004 were \$0.2 million, compared with a foreign exchange transaction loss of \$0.1 million in 2003. These gains and losses arose upon conversion of dollar-based receivables and payables into euros in the German operating segment.

Interest expense decreased to \$0.5 million in 2004 from \$8.7 million in 2003, primarily due to the cessation of interest accruals on the senior notes during the bankruptcy process.

Reorganization expenses related to the chapter 11 proceedings were \$6.5 million in 2004 for professional fees, rejected lease contracts, and accruals for key employee retention payments. There were no comparable expenses in 2003.

Income taxes were \$2.2 million in both 2004 and 2003. Our taxes relate to income earned in Germany and the United Kingdom with nominal taxes due from U.S. operations.

The loss in 2004 was \$4.7 million, or \$0.66 per share, compared with a net loss in 2003 of \$102.9 million, or \$14.57 per share, for reasons described previously.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004, Compared with Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003

Consolidated net sales for the nine months ended September 30 were \$331.2 million in 2004 compared with \$304.1 million in 2003, an increase of \$27.1 million or 8.9%. Favorable foreign currency rates increased year-to-date 2004 sales by \$16.0 million compared with 2003. Net of currency effects, current year net sales increased by \$11.1 million, or 3.7% versus last year.

The consolidated net loss was \$20.9 million in 2004, compared with a net loss of \$116.9 million in 2003, a decrease of \$96.0 million. The following factors accounted for most of the decrease in net loss from 2003 to 2004.

- 2003 losses included a goodwill impairment charge of \$92.3 million
- · Reorganization expenses related to chapter 11 amounted to \$20.4 million in 2004

- Interest expense, net, was \$16.0 million lower in 2004, primarily due to the cessation of interest expense accruals on the senior notes pending the outcome of the bankruptcy process
- Income from operations rose by \$4.8 million due to higher gross margins, partially offset by increased SG&A expenses
- Restructuring expenses of \$0.2 million were reversed into income in 2004, compared to expense charges of \$1.7 million in 2003

Sales from German Operations

Net sales from German operations in the nine months ended 2004 were \$156.1 million compared with \$139.9 million in the prior-year period, an increase of \$16.2 million or 11.6%. Excluding favorable foreign currency effects, which accounted for \$14.6 million in sales for the nine-month period in 2004 compared with the prior-year period, sales from German operations increased by \$1.6 million, or 1.1%. Higher sales in transportation filter media and nonwoven wallcovering base offset declines in vacuum bag filter media, abrasive base and printing materials. We continue to experience erosion in our vacuum bag filtration business due to alternative and lower cost media substitutes, imported finished products from China and bagless vacuum cleaners. Year-to-date sales in automotive filtration continued its growth trend despite industry softening in original equipment demand.

Sales from North American Operations

Net sales from North American operations were \$175.1 million in the first nine months of 2004 compared with \$164.1 million in the prior-year period, an increase of \$11.0 million or 6.7%. Favorable foreign exchange effects accounted for \$1.4 million of the increase. Publishing and packaging drove these gains, along with modest gains in office products and technical specialties

Sales of publishing and packaging products grew to \$75.4 million in the first nine months of 2004 compared with \$69.1 million in same 2003 period, an increase of \$6.3 million or 9.1%. The third-quarter improvement in the elementary/high-school textbook market boosted nine-month comparisons, as did continued gains in our decorative packaging market due to business development efforts.

Sales in office products were \$58.6 million in the first nine months of 2004 compared with \$55.9 million in the same 2003 period, an increase of \$2.7 million or 4.8%, primarily due to industry improvement offset by continuing pressures from competitive substitute materials and market maturity of our paper office supplies segments. Gains were also achieved in market penetration of the graphic design market, due to market and new product development successes.

Technical specialties sales were \$41.1 million in 2004 compared with \$39.2 million in 2003, an increase of \$1.9 million or 4.8%. Sales in most markets for the nine-month period improved modestly, reflecting the maturity of our technical/industrial markets and recent economic improvements.

Company-wide Data

Gross profit in 2004 was \$55.5 million, or 16.8% of sales, compared with \$48.0 million, or 15.8% of sales in 2003. The primary positive and negative factors accounting for the \$7.5 million net increase in gross profit were:

· Higher sales volume, which increased margins by \$6.1 million

- Reduced variable plant overhead of \$4.1 million at continuing operations, including lower trial run costs involved with grade transfers
 - Foreign currency benefits of \$3.5 million due to favorable translation of German and U.K. profits into dollars
- Net benefits of plant consolidation efforts of \$2.9 million, comprised of lower fixed manufacturing overhead due to the plant closures, partially offset by additional costs related to products transferred from facilities that have been closed

Price reductions and weaker product mix totaling \$4.7 million
Higher pulp, energy, and other raw material costs of \$2.9 million
Increased fixed overhead, including maintenance spending, amounting to \$1.7 million

Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$35.5 million in 2004 compared with \$32.9 million in 2003, an increase of \$2.6 million or 7.9%. Most of the increase related to higher costs for sales, marketing and development costs in both operating segments. Foreign exchange rates increased SG&A by \$0.8 million.

Certain restructuring and facility closure expenses were reversed in 2004, totaling \$0.2 million. These expenses, amounting to \$1.7 million, were originally charged in 2003. The reversal reflected a revised estimate of expenses remaining to be paid.

Foreign exchange transaction gains were \$0.5 million in 2004 compared with losses of \$0.7 million in 2003. These gains and losses arose upon conversion of dollar-based receivables and payables into euros in the German operating segment.

Interest expense decreased to \$10.2 million in 2004 from \$26.2 million in 2003, primarily due to the cessation of interest accruals on our senior notes during the bankruptcy process.

Reorganization expenses related to the chapter 11 proceedings were \$20.4 million in 2004, including professional fees and key employee retention expenses of \$9.8 million, the write-off of \$1.2 million in unamortized bond discounts, \$8.8 million in deferred financing costs related to the senior notes, and \$0.6 million in lease rejection costs. There were no comparable expenses in 2003.

Income taxes were \$9.8 million in 2004 compared with \$10.3 million in 2003. Our taxes primarily relate to income earned in Germany and the United Kingdom.

Net loss for 2004 was \$20.9 million, or \$2.96 per share, compared with a net loss in 2003 of \$116.9 million, or \$16.54 per share, for reasons described previously.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

On March 30, 2004, FiberMark, Inc., and its U.S. subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. The chapter 11 proceeding has had and will continue to have immediate material effects on the company s liquidity.

As part of the restructuring process under chapter 11, the \$85 million revolving credit facility that was put in place on November 12, 2003, (the "Pre-petition Facility") and is described under "Long-term Debt" was amended and restated to effectively split the agreement into two parts. The North American portion was converted to a DIP Facility. The DIP Facility provides financing for our North American operations during the reorganization process.

On April 1, 2004, we signed an agreement with GE Commercial Finance for a \$30 million DIP Facility loan. The commitment is based on availability from North American assets, including receivables, inventory and fixed assets, that are calculated on the same basis as the Pre-petition Facility. We received final court approval of the DIP Facility on April 27, 2004. Our German operations continue to be funded under a \$40 million amended and restated revolving credit facility, which no longer includes the North American borrowing base. Under the two credit agreements, our pro forma borrowing base is substantially the same as the borrowing base under the Pre-petition Facility. Various covenants and restrictions on our operations under the Pre-petition Facility continue to apply under the DIP Facility without material modification, together with an additional restriction on the amount of funds that can be transferred from Germany to support North American operations.

The company s obligation to make interest payments of approximately \$34.1 million per year to the holders of the company s senior notes has been suspended while the chapter 11 restructuring process takes place. As of September 30, 2004, \$15.6 million of accrued interest was included in liabilities subject to compromise.

With the DIP Facility approved by the Bankruptcy Court, and giving effect to the suspension of interest payments on the senior notes and the expected costs of the restructuring process, the company believes that cash flow from operations, plus existing cash balances and amounts that will be available to us under the revised credit facilities, will be sufficient to fund our capital requirements, debt service and working capital needs during the pendency of the chapter 11 case. Our capital requirements, debt service and working capital needs after completion of the chapter 11 case will depend on the terms of our plan of reorganization, assuming that such a plan is filed, confirmed and implemented.

We concluded that the bankruptcy filings were in our best interest after carefully considering a variety of alternatives in consultation with outside financial advisors. As we stated in our 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K last year, "our substantial level of indebtedness could adversely affect our financial condition. We expect to obtain funds to service our debt over time primarily from our operations. We cannot be certain that our cash flow will be sufficient to allow us to pay such debt service. If we do not have sufficient cash flow, we may be required to refinance all or part of our existing debt, sell assets, borrow more money, or restructure our debts with our creditors. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so on terms acceptable to us. In addition, the terms of existing or future debt agreements may restrict us from adopting any of these alternatives. The failure to generate sufficient cash flow or to achieve such alternatives could have a significant adverse affect on our ability to make required payments." We carefully explored all of the alternatives described above.

Comparison of Cash Flows

The following chart summarizes cash flows by major category in 2004 and 2003 (in thousands):

	Nine	Months	Nine Months	
	Er	nded	Ended	
	Septer	nber 30,	September 30,	
Net cash provided by (used in):	20	004	2003	
Operating activities	\$	537 \$	1,864	
Investing activities		(8,176)	(18,969)	
Financing activities		2,917	1,473	
Effect of exchange rates on cash		(457)	852	
Net decrease in cash	\$	(5,179) \$	(14,780)	

Cash provided by operating activities was \$0.5 million in 2004 compared to \$1.9 million in 2003. Major changes in cash flow included:

- Net losses in 2004 were \$20.9 million compared to \$116.9 million in 2003, decreasing by \$96.0 million. Included in 2004 net losses was cash used for reorganization items of \$8.8 million and non-cash reorganization charges of \$11.6 million. Net losses in 2003 included a non-cash write-off of goodwill amounting to \$92.3 million.
- Accounts receivable increased by \$11.6 million in 2004 due to strong quarter-end sales in North America and Germany compared to relatively weak year-end sales. Overall accounts receivable quality remains high. Accounts receivable rose by \$1.4 million in the first nine months of 2003.
- Inventories increased by \$5.5 million in 2004 due to increased costs for raw materials, higher levels of key materials to assure continuity of supply during our reorganization, and generally higher sales and production levels. Inventories decreased by \$5.2 million in 2003.

• Non-cash items included depreciation and amortization of \$13.2 million in 2004 and \$12.2 million in 2003.

• Cash tax payments caused income taxes payable in 2004 to decrease by \$2.5 million, due largely to significant tax payments in Germany related to fiscal 2002 and 2003 tax years. These tax expenses were previously provided for in

our German financial statements. In 2003 income taxes payable increased by \$3.0 million.

Cash used in investing activities was \$8.2 million in 2004 including capital expenditures of \$8.9 million and net proceeds from sales of assets of \$0.7 million. Capital expenditures were \$19.0 million in 2003.

Cash provided by financing activities was \$2.9 million in 2004 and \$1.5 million in 2003.

During 2004:

- Net borrowing under the revolving credit faciity were \$6.8 million
- The company repaid \$3.0 million of long-term debt
- Debt issuance costs for credit facilities were \$0.8 million

During 2003:

- Net proceeds form the issuance of debt were \$5.6 million
- The company repaid \$4.1 million of long-term debt

Foreign exchange rates effectively decreased cash in 2004 by \$0.5 million and increased cash by \$0.9 million in 2003.

Our capital expenditure budget for 2004 is approximately \$12.1 million. For the first nine months of 2004, capital expenditures were \$8.9 million.

The filing of the chapter 11 petitions will relieve the company, for the time being, of the semi-annual interest payment obligation of approximately \$17.1 million that would otherwise have been payable in April 2004 and October 2004. Pending the filing of a plan of reorganization, no prediction can be made as to the subsequent treatment of these obligations.

Contractual Obligations

The following table lists our contractual obligations due by period with initial or remaining terms in excess of one year at September 30, 2004 (in millions):

	2004*	2005-2007 2	008-2010 Th	nereafter	Total
Long-term debt	\$ 0.6 \$	108.0 \$	- \$	230.0 \$	338.6
Letters of credit	8.3	-	-	-	8.3
Operating leases	0.9	4.0	-	-	4.9
Sale-leaseback	0.3	2.1	-	-	2.4
Forward purchase contracts	0.7	2.4	-	-	3.1
	\$ 10.8 \$	116.5 \$	- \$	230.0 \$	357.3
* Ostahar 1 through December 21, 2004					

* October 1 through December 31, 2004

All of the obligations referred to above may be modified, as to their amount, payment date and/or other terms, by the chapter 11 process. Pending the filing of a plan of reorganization, no prediction can be made as to their treatment in such plan.

The majority of our forward purchase contracts relate to our natural gas purchases in the United States, obligating us to purchase a minimum quantity each month during the contract period.

Long-term Debt

As of September 30, 2004, we had outstanding \$100.0 million of senior non-amortizing notes, which mature on October 15, 2006, and carry a fixed interest rate of 9.375%. Also outstanding at September 30, 2004, were \$230.0 million of non-amortizing senior notes, which mature on April 15, 2011, and were issued at a discounted price of \$228.3 million and carry a fixed interest rate of 10.75%. In connection with the chapter 11 filing, the company wrote-off the \$1.2 million unamortized portion of the discount.

On December 31, 2003, the company had a 30 month, \$85.0 million credit facility, entered into on November 12, 2003, which provided a significant increase in cash availability for capital expenditures, working capital and general corporate purposes. On April 1, 2004, this facility was replaced by the DIP Facility and the amended and restated facility for our German operations as described previously. Both of the new credit facilities were led by GE Commercial Finance. The DIP Facility was secured by substantially all of FiberMark s U.S. assets, excluding various equipment at our Quakertown, Pennsylvania and Warren Glen, New Jersey, facilities that secure two previously existing term loans, and is also secured by specified foreign assets. The amended and restated credit facility also provides borrowing capacity based on the level of profitability as measured by the earnings before income taxes, depreciation, and amortization ("EBITDA") of FiberMark s German businesses up to a maximum of \$40 million. To secure these foreign borrowings, the company has pledged various percentages of the ownership shares of the German operations that effectively prevent FiberMark from disposing of or materially changing the assets of those businesses without consent from the Lender.

The following chart identifies our unused borrowing capacity under our new revolving credit facilities as of September 30, 2004 (in millions):

	North			
	America*	Germany	С	ombined
Borrowing base	\$ 25.6 \$	40.0	\$	65.6
Less: reserves against availability	(4.6)	-		(4.6)
Net availability	21.0	40.0		61.0
Less: outstanding borrowings	-	(12.7)		(12.7)
letters of credit	(8.3)	-		(8.3)
Unused borrowing capacity	\$ 12.7 \$	27.3	\$	40.0

* The maximum North America borrowing base is \$30.0 million; however, as of September 30, 2004, the borrowing base was \$25.6 million due to working capital and plant, property and equipment that form the borrowing base.

Advances under the credit facilities are repayable daily. The borrowing rates are determined at the company s discretion based on the terms of the amended and restated credit facility and the DIP Facility are as follows:

DIP Facility		
Borrowing Source	Base Rate Index	Margin Over Index
U.S.	LIBOR	3.25%
U.S.	Prime Rate	1.75%
U.S.	Unused Line Fee	0.50%

German Facility

Borrowing Source	Base Rate Index	Margin Over Index
Germany	Euribor	2.50%
Germany	Euro Index	4.00%
Germany	Unused Line Fee	0.50%

On September 30, 2004, \$1.3 million is outstanding under a term loan secured by machinery at our Quakertown, Pennsylvania, facility. This loan bears interest at LIBOR plus 2.0% and is repayable in monthly installments through 2007. The Debtors have made post-filing adequate protection payments on this loan under an order entered by the

Bankruptcy Court on May 28, 2004.

On September 30, 2004, \$7.3 million is outstanding on a term loan secured by papermaking machinery at our Warren Glen, New Jersey, facility. The interest rate on this loan is 8.47% with the balance amortizing through 2007. The Debtors have made post-filing adequate protection payments on this loan under an order entered by the Bankruptcy Court on July 1, 2004.

In the fourth quarter of 2002, we entered into a sale-leaseback agreement involving our Lowville, New York, facility. Under the sale-leaseback agreement, FiberMark paid \$1.1 million, representing 20% of the project cost in January 2003, and is obligated to make 24 monthly payments of \$100,000 plus interest at 4.6% on the outstanding principal, followed by a balloon payment of approximately \$2.0 million on January 31, 2005, when FiberMark will resume ownership of the entire site. At September 30, 2004, the balance outstanding on the capital lease was \$2.4 million. The Debtors have made post-filing adequate protection payments on this sale-leaseback obligation under an order entered by the Bankruptcy Court on July 1, 2004.

In accordance with SOP 90-7, the company has reclassified its long-term debt and sale-leaseback liabilities of \$341.0 million to liabilities subject to compromise at September 30, 2004.

Critical Accounting Estimates and Assumptions

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of net sales and expenses during the reporting period. Differences from those estimates are recorded in the reporting period during which the difference becomes known. Estimates are used in accounting for, among other items, impairment of goodwill and other long-lived assets, restructuring and facility closures, acquisitions, deferred tax assets, pensions, excess and obsolete inventory and allowances for doubtful accounts receivable. Those estimates which require management s most difficult, subjective or complex judgments are defined as critical and their accounting policies are described in further detail as follows:

Impairment of Goodwill and Other Long-Lived Assets

Long-lived assets are assessed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable in accordance with SFAS 144. Facility closures and the sale of technology are events that have triggered such impairment reviews in the past. Property, plant and equipment to be disposed of as a result of facility closures are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less cost to sell. Generally, the company bases its estimates on historical patterns, influenced by judgments about current market conditions. Goodwill and other intangibles are assessed for impairment at least annually in accordance with SFAS 142. No events occurred that would impair goodwill or long-lived assets for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

Restructuring and Facility Closures

Among those factors affecting the accruals for restructuring and facility closures are estimates of the number and types of employees that will be affected, the benefit costs related to those employees and the length of time until the operations can be consolidated within other facilities. Generally, we base our estimates on historical patterns of past facility closures, influenced by judgments about current market conditions.

The company accounts for restructuring and facility closure costs in accordance with SFAS 146, *Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities*. The pronouncement requires companies to recognize costs associated with exit (including restructuring) or disposal activities at fair value when the related liability is incurred. Costs covered by the standard include certain contract termination costs, certain employee termination benefits and other costs to

consolidate or close facilities and relocate employees that are associated with an exit activity or disposal of long-lived assets. There was no significant impact to the consolidated financial statements relating to SFAS 146 for the quarter ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

Income Taxes

We estimate income taxes in each of our operational jurisdictions in accordance with SFAS 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. This process involves estimating the actual current tax exposure together with assessing temporary differences resulting from differing treatment of items, such as property, plant and equipment, for tax and accounting purposes. These differences result in deferred tax assets and liabilities, for which we must then assess the likelihood that deferred tax assets will be recovered from future taxable income and to the extent that recovery is not likely, a valuation allowance must be established. Significant management judgment is required in determining the provision (benefit) for income taxes, deferred tax assets and liabilities and any valuation allowance recorded against net deferred tax assets. The company provides a full valuation allowance against any tax benefits that were created by operating losses in our North American operations because management determined that it is more likely than not that the deferred tax assets arising from the pre-tax losses incurred would not be realized. Furthermore, the company filed for chapter 11 on March 30, 2004, decreasing even further any likelihood that any of its U.S. operations deferred tax assets will be realized. Upon consummation of the plan of reorganization, the company may recognize a substantial amount of cancellation of indebtedness income. Accordingly, a substantial portion of the company s net operating loss carry-forwards potentially could be eliminated. Other tax attributes, including property bases, could also be reduced. Any surviving capital loss or net operating loss carry-forward may be subject to limitations imposed under the ownership change rules in the Internal Revenue Code.

Pension Assumptions

We have several defined benefit retirement plans and post-retirement plans covering certain employees. The defined benefit plan covering certain U.S. employees is an ERISA and IRS-qualified plan and we make annual contributions in amounts at least equal to the minimum amounts required by ERISA. The defined benefit plans covering all hourly employees in Germany were established by the company to provide a monthly pension benefit upon retirement. We have no legal obligation to fund the German plans. The post-retirement plans covering a specific group of employees provide a medical benefit upon retirement based on length of service.

Pension and post-retirement benefit obligations and the related effects on operations are calculated by our external actuaries using actuarial models. Two critical assumptions, discount rate and expected return on assets, are important elements of plan expense and/or liability measurement. We evaluate these critical assumptions annually. Other assumptions involve demographic factors such as retirement, mortality and turnover. These assumptions are evaluated periodically and are updated to reflect our experience. Actual results that differ from the estimates may result in more or less future company funding into pension plans and more or less pension expense than is planned by management.

Accounting in Reorganization under Bankruptcy

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with SOP 90-7 which requires pre-filing liabilities that are subject to compromise to be separately reported on the balance sheet. Liabilities that may be affected by a plan of reorganization are recorded at the expected amount of the allowed claim, even if they may be settled for lesser amounts. Additional pre-filing claims (liabilities subject to compromise) may arise due to the allowance of contingent or disputed claims.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2004, the FASB issued an FSP on SFAS No. 106-2, Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 ("Act"). The Act was signed into law on

December 8, 2003 and expanded Medicare to include prescription drugs. We sponsor retiree medical programs and this legislation includes a federal subsidy for qualifying companies. The FSP on SFAS 106-2 requires that the effects of the federal subsidy be considered an actuarial gain and treated like similar gains and losses. It also requires certain disclosures for sponsors of retiree medical programs. This FSP is effective in the first interim or annual period beginning after June 15, 2004. The accumulated post-retirement benefit obligation and the net periodic post-retirement benefit cost do not reflect any amount associated with the subsidy because the company is unable to conclude whether the benefits provided by the plan are actuarially equivalent to Medicare Part D under the Act.

Forward-looking Statements

This report contains forward-looking statements that involve substantial risks and uncertainties. Any statements that are not historical, which may include forward-looking words such as "anticipate," "believe," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "should," "will" and "would" or similar words, fall within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements, based on assumptions believed to be valid at the time, discuss our future expectations, contain projections of our future results of operations or of our financial position or state other "forward-looking" information. The following items, "Factors Affecting Future Results", as well as any cautionary language in this report, provide examples of risks, uncertainties and events that may cause our actual results to differ materially from the expectations we describe in our forward-looking statements. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this report. We do not undertake to update any forward-looking statement made in this report or that may, from time to time, be made by us, or on our behalf.

Factors Affecting Future Results

Our future results of operations and our financial position may be affected by a number of factors and risks, including, but not limited to, the following:

Bankruptcy Proceedings

FiberMark s chapter 11 filing could harm our financial condition and results of operations.

On March 30, 2004, FiberMark, Inc., and its U.S. subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. FiberMark s bankruptcy filing could present additional challenges, including, without limitation: possible problems with our relationships with customers, suppliers, employees and creditors; our ability to attract and retain key employees; and uncertainty as to the confirmation and implementation of the plan of reorganization. The company's future results depend on the timely and successful confirmation and implementation of a plan of reorganization. Numerous factors, including the failure to obtain the requisite levels of creditor acceptances of the plan, may prevent confirmation of such a plan. The terms of any such plan will have a material effect on the company s subsequent liquidity and its long-term and short-term commitments and cash flow, which we cannot now predict. FiberMark anticipates that a proposed plan of reorganization will be filed with the Bankruptcy Court on or before November 15, 2004. The plan may be modified after its filing.

Financial Position

Our substantial level of indebtedness could adversely affect our financial condition.

As of September 30, 2004, we had approximately \$353.7 million of indebtedness, including our outstanding 10.75% Senior Subordinated Notes Due 2011 "2001 notes", our revolving credit facilities and the indenture for our outstanding 9.375% Series B Senior Notes due 2006 "1996 notes".

We cannot predict to what extent a plan of reorganization under our bankruptcy proceedings, if filed, confirmed and implemented, will succeed in reducing our indebtedness and improving our debt-to-equity and EBITDA-to-debt service ratios. A continuing high level of indebtedness could have important consequences, which might include the following: impair our ability to obtain additional financing for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions or general corporate purposes; reduce the funds available to us for other purposes such as capital expenditures; create a competitive disadvantage, to the extent that our indebtedness exceeds the level of some competitors, and reduce our flexibility in planning for, or responding to, changing conditions in our industry, including increased competition; increase our vulnerability to economic downturns and adverse developments in our business; incur restrictions that limit our ability and the ability of our subsidiaries, among other things, to incur additional indebtedness or liens; pay dividends or make other distributions; repurchase our common stock; make investments; sell assets; enter into agreements restricting our subsidiaries' ability to pay dividends; enter into transactions with affiliates; and consolidate, merge or sell all or substantially all of our assets.

Assuming that a plan of reorganization is confirmed and implemented, we expect to obtain funds to service our remaining debt over time primarily from our operations and from borrowings under an exit facility that will replace the DIP Facility. We cannot be certain that our cash flow will be sufficient to allow us to pay such debt service. If we do not have sufficient cash flow, we may be required to refinance all or part of our existing debt, sell assets, borrow more money, or restructure our debts with our creditors. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so on terms acceptable to us. In addition, the terms of existing or future debt agreements may restrict us from adopting any of these alternatives. The failure to generate sufficient cash flow or to achieve such alternatives could have a significant adverse affect on our ability to make required payments.

In addition, a breach of any of the financial covenants could result in a default in respect of the related indebtedness. If a default occurs, the relevant lenders and holders could elect to declare the indebtedness, together with accrued interest and other fees, to be immediately due and payable and proceed against any collateral securing that indebtedness.

Results of Operations

Fluctuations in the costs and availability of raw materials could harm our business.

Our principal raw materials, hardwood and softwood pulp and secondary fiber and latex, are cyclical in both price and supply. The cyclical nature of pulp pricing presents a potential risk to our gross profit margins because we may not be able to pass along price increases to our customers. We may also be unable to purchase pulp in sufficient quantities, or at acceptable prices, to meet our production requirements during times of tight supply.

A significant price increase or any material limitation or interruption in our supply of key raw materials, including pulp, Tyvek®, or latex, particularly if we are unable to pass those increases through to our customers, could harm our financial condition, results of operations and competitive position. DuPont is the sole source of Tyvek®, a critical component in our binding tapes.

Fluctuations in economic activity and demand for our products could harm our business.

The markets for our products are variable and are influenced to a significant degree by the global economic activity and fluctuations in our customers' demand and inventory levels. Downturns in global economic conditions and decreased demand for specialty fiber-based materials could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations. Our efforts to find new high growth, high margin product lines to offset the effects of market shrinkage or slow growth in mature markets may not succeed. Achieving further market share gains in markets where we already have strong market positions may be difficult.

Competition in specialty paper and materials markets could harm our financial condition and results of operations.

We face intense competition, which could harm our financial condition and results of operations. Our principal competitors include a small number of paper and specialty paper manufacturers. Additionally, we compete with producers of nonwoven materials, vinyl, plastic and other substitute materials and technologies. Some of these competitive options may be lower priced, lower quality or offer other advantages. Consequently, short-term or structural declines in sales may result. Some of these producers have substantially greater resources than we do. Further concentration of our competitors through mergers and acquisitions may increase their competitive advantage. In addition, some of our customers have the internal ability to process some or all of the materials they buy from us, and have in the past elected to do so. To the extent our customers elect to do so in the future, our business could suffer. Industry and market-specific capacity levels can also affect competitive behavior and adversely impact pricing levels. Increased concentration of buying power in certain large direct or indirect customers can have similar effects.

Our industry is subject to many environmental and other governmental regulations. These regulations could give rise to significant additional liabilities or expenditures or restrictions on our business, any of which could cause our financial condition and results of operations to suffer.

Our operations and properties are subject to a wide variety of foreign, federal, state and local laws and regulations, including those governing the use, storage, handling, generation, treatment, emission, release, discharge and disposal of various materials, substances and wastes, the remediation of contaminated soil and groundwater, and the health and safety of employees. Such regulations can restrict our operations, and expose us to claims and other liabilities with respect to environmental protection, remediation and health and safety matters. We could incur material costs or other liabilities in connection with such regulations or claims. In addition, future events, such as new information, changes in environmental or health and safety laws or regulations or their interpretation, and more vigorous enforcement policies of regulatory agencies, may result in significant additional expenditures, liabilities or restrictions that could harm our financial condition, results of operations and competitive position.

Disruptions caused by labor disputes or organized labor activities may harm our business.

A large proportion of our workforce is represented by labor unions. In addition, we may from time to time experience union organizing activities in currently non-union facilities. Disputes with the current labor organizations with which we work or new union organizing activities may result in work slowdowns or stoppages or higher labor costs. A work slowdown or stoppage in any one of our facilities could slow or halt production from that facility and from any other facility which depends on that facility for its material. As a result, meeting scheduled delivery times for our customers could be difficult or impossible, which could result in loss of business.

Expected cost savings related to site closures and facility consolidations may be further delayed.

We continue to experience delays in realizing the expected cost savings related to our site closures and facility consolidations. While some of these savings have been realized, they have been achieved more slowly than expected due to offsetting inefficiencies that we believe are short term in nature. Some consolidation activity was delayed due to the time necessary to effectively implement the transfers, while other activity was delayed in order to postpone associated capital spending given uncertain economic conditions. Failing to achieve these expected cost savings would adversely affect our results of operations.

Inflation

We attempt to minimize the effect of inflation on earnings by controlling operating expenses. During the past several years, the rate of general inflation has been relatively low and has not had a significant impact on our results of operations. We purchase raw materials that are subject to cyclical changes in costs that may not reflect the rate of general inflation.

Seasonality

Our business is mildly seasonal, with the second half of each year typically having a lower level of net sales and operating income. This seasonality is the result of summer manufacturing shutdowns and the impact of year-end holidays.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements that have, or are likely to have, a current future material effect on our financial condition, changes in revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

As a result of our global operating and financing activities, we are exposed to market risks including changes in commodity pricing, fluctuations in interest rates, and fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. Our principal commodities that can fluctuate in price are natural gas and wood pulp. We manage our exposure to price fluctuations in natural gas by purchasing forward contracts for a substantial portion of our winter requirements. These contracts are evaluated annually. To a certain extent, pulp costs are managed through purchasing practices that attempt to minimize the impact of market price changes. We have not historically hedged our pulp purchases.

Interest Rate Risk

While the majority of our debt is fixed-rate, we are exposed to interest rate fluctuations due to balances outstanding on our credit facilities, which have variable interest rates based on various domestic and European interest rate benchmarks such as LIBOR, the Prime Rate, and Euribor. Based on the September 30, 2004, outstanding borrowing under the credit facility of \$12.7 million, the impact of a 1% increase in the interest rates would be less than \$0.2 million and immaterial to our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Foreign Currency Risk

FiberMark manufactures products in the United States, Germany and the United Kingdom, and sells products worldwide with transactions being denominated in foreign currencies other than the local currency of the subsidiary. As a result, financial results could be affected by changes in the foreign currency exchange rates or economic conditions in countries where our products are sold.

Our operations are able to limit foreign currency exchange transaction risks by completing transactions in local currencies. Global currency transaction exposures are offset wherever possible before exchanging foreign currencies. In addition, our German operations borrow in local currency, which partially hedges the foreign currency exposure of those operations. We do not hedge our exposure to our net investments denominated in foreign currencies.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Based on their evaluation of the company s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(c) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) as of September 30, 2004, the company s chief executive officer and chief financial officer have concluded that the company s disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is made known to the company's chief executive officer and chief financial officer by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report was being prepared and is effective, in that they

provide reasonable assurance that such information is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in forms and rules promulgated by the SEC, and that such disclosure controls and procedures are operating in an effective manner.

Changes in Internal Controls

In connection with their audit of our consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, our registered public accounting firm, KPMG LLP, reported to the company in their management letter dated May 24, 2004, that a material weakness had been identified in the company s internal control relating to a lack of sufficient oversight over the closing process of the company s books and records. KPMG LLP noted incomplete or inadequate account analysis, account reconciliations and consolidation procedures. The auditors further noted that the adequacy of staffing levels in the finance area should be reviewed and strengthened.

The evaluation of internal control is subjective and involves judgment, and although we believe there were areas in our internal control with respect to the closing process that could have been improved, we do not believe these matters contributed to any material misstatement of the company s reported interim or year-end financial results. However, during the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2003, and continuing into 2004, the company has taken measures to correct this material weakness including enhancement of the reconciliation and account analysis process, hiring a new corporate controller, implementing a quarterly checklist and strengthening system resources. Additionally, a new financial consolidation software application is being implemented and a director of internal audit was hired in June 2004.

There were no significant changes in the company s internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) or in other factors that could materially affect, or reasonably likely to materially affect, such control subsequent to the date of their most recent evaluation other than to the extent the foregoing were significant changes instituted during 2004.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION.

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

On March 30, 2004, FiberMark, Inc., and its U.S. subsidiaries including FiberMark North America, Inc., and FiberMark International Holdings LLC, (collectively, with FiberMark, Inc., the "Debtors"), filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Vermont (the "Bankruptcy Court"). The Debtors have been and will continue to manage their properties and operate their businesses in the ordinary course of business as DIP pursuant to Sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. In general, as DIP, the Debtors are authorized under chapter 11 to continue to operate as an ongoing business, but may not engage in transactions outside the ordinary course of business without the prior approval of the Bankruptcy Court.

Under Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code, the filing of bankruptcy petitions automatically stayed most actions against the Debtors, including most actions to collect pre-petition indebtedness or to exercise control of the property of the Debtors estates. Absent other order of the Bankruptcy Court, substantially all pre-petition liabilities will be subject to settlement under a plan of reorganization.

We are also involved in legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business, none of which are expected to have a material adverse affect on our operations or financial condition.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS.

None.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES.

On March 30, 2004, FiberMark, Inc., and its U.S. subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. The filing resulted in an immediate acceleration of the company's 9.375% senior non-amortizing notes and 10.75% senior non-amortizing notes, subject to the automatic stay. At this time, it is not possible to predict accurately the outcome of the chapter 11 reorganization process or its effects on the Debtors business, creditors or stockholders or whether or when we may subsequently emerge from chapter 11. The company s future results depend on the timely and successful confirmation and implementation of a reorganization plan.

The ultimate treatment of and recovery, if any, by creditors and equity holders will not be determined until confirmation and implementation of a plan of reorganization. FiberMark, Inc., and the other Debtors are unable to predict at this time what the treatment of creditors and equity holders of the respective Debtors will ultimately be under any plan of reorganization finally confirmed. Although until a plan is approved there is substantial uncertainty as to the treatment of creditors and equity holders, based upon information available to it, the company currently believes that any proposed reorganization plan will provide for the cancellation of existing equity interests and for reduced recoveries by holders of debt securities.

ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

None.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS:

- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 dated November 12, 2004.
- 32.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Rules 12a-14 and 15d-14 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.2 Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Rules 12a-14 and 15d-14 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

SIGNATURES

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

FiberMark, Inc.

Date: November 12, 2004 By:

/s/ John E. Hanley

John E. Hanley Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer and Duly Authorized Officer)

FiberMark, Inc.

Date: November 12, 2004 By:

/s/ Craig D. Thiel

Craig D. Thiel Vice President and Corporate Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)

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CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of FiberMark, Inc. (the "company") on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2004 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Alex Kwader, chairman and chief executive officer of the company, and I, John E. Hanley, vice president and chief financial officer of the company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. (Section Mark) 1350, as adopted pursuant to (Section Mark) 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to the best of my knowledge:

(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the company.

Date: November 12, 2004

/s/ Alex Kwader

Alex Kwader

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Date: November 12, 2004

/s/ John E. Hanley

John E. Hanley Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to FiberMark, Inc. and will be retained by FiberMark, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

Exhibit 32.1

CERTIFICATION

I, Alex Kwader, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of FiberMark, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant s other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) [Not applicable]
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant s disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant s internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant s most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant s fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant s internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant s other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant s auditors and the audit committee of the registrant s board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

- a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant s ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
- b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant s internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 12, 2004

/s/ Alex Kwader

Alex Kwader Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Exhibit 32.2

CERTIFICATION

I, John E. Hanley, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of FiberMark, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
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- d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant s internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant s most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant s fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant s internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant s other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant s auditors and the audit committee of the registrant s board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant s ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant s internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 12, 2004

/s/ John E. Hanley

John E. Hanley Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)