

GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO INC  
Form 10-Q  
January 17, 2012

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

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended December 3, 2011

OR

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

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

Commission file number 1-4141

THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA COMPANY, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or  
organization)

13-1890974  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

2 Paragon Drive  
Montvale, New Jersey 07645  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 201-573-9700

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

| Title of each class              | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Common Stock - \$1 par value     | OTC Markets, Inc.                         |
| 9.375% Notes, due August 1, 2039 | OTC Markets, Inc.                         |

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

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

Edgar Filing: GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO INC - Form 10-Q

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files. Yes [ x ] No [ ]

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

Large accelerated filer \_\_\_\_\_ Accelerated filer \_\_\_\_\_ ----- Non-accelerated  
filer x -----Smaller reporting company\_\_\_\_\_

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by section 12, 13, or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court. Yes [ ] No [ ]

The number of shares of common stock outstanding as of the close of business on January 6, 2012 was 53,852,470.

## PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1 – Financial Statements

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
(Debtors-in-Possession)  
Consolidated Statements of Operations  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

|  | 12 Weeks Ended |              | 40 Weeks Ended |              |
|--|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
|  | Dec. 3, 2011   | Dec. 4, 2010 | Dec. 3, 2011   | Dec. 4, 2010 |
| Sales  | \$ 1,571,342   | \$ 1,793,805 | \$ 5,440,682   | \$ 6,277,014 |
| Cost of merchandise sold   | (1,126,059)    | (1,258,926)  | (3,916,650)    | (4,414,119)  |
| Gross margin   | 445,283        | 534,879      | 1,524,032      | 1,862,895    |
| Store operating, general and administrative expense  | (499,610)      | (635,586)    | (1,795,239)    | (2,087,826)  |
| Goodwill, trademark and long-lived asset impairment  | (25,138)       | (42,036)     | (104,680)      | (77,684)     |
| Loss from continuing operations before nonoperating income (loss), interest expense, net and reorganization items, net   | (79,465)       | (142,743)    | (375,887)      | (302,615)    |
| Nonoperating income (loss)   | 61             | (213)        | 152            | 10,241       |
| Interest expense, net  | (34,499)       | (40,038)     | (120,782)      | (147,306)    |
| Reorganization items, net  | (10,510)       | -            | 84,516         | -            |
| Loss from continuing operations before income taxes  | (124,413)      | (182,994)    | (412,001)      | (439,680)    |
| Benefit from income taxes  | 1,182          | 2,953        | 14,270         | 2,708        |
| Loss from continuing operations  | (123,231)      | (180,041)    | (397,731)      | (436,972)    |
| Discontinued operations:   |                |              |                |              |
| Loss from operations of discontinued businesses, net of income tax benefit of \$243 and \$2,849 for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, respectively, and \$0 for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, respectively | (335)          | (18,687)     | (1,560)        | (36,655)     |
| Gain on disposal of discontinued operations, net of income tax provision of \$0 for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 and December 4, 2010, respectively  | -              | -            | -              | 79           |
| Reorganization items, net of income tax provision of \$0 and \$14,368 for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, respectively   | -              | -            | 19,841         | -            |
| (Loss) income from discontinued operations   | (335)          | (18,687)     | 18,281         | (36,576)     |
| Net loss   | \$ (123,566)   | \$ (198,728) | \$ (379,450)   | \$ (473,548) |
| Net (loss) income per share – basic:   |                |              |                |              |
| Continuing operations  | \$ (2.31)      | \$ (3.42)    | \$ (7.45)      | \$ (8.41)    |
| Discontinued operations  | (0.01)         | (0.34)       | 0.34           | (0.68)       |
| Net loss per share – basic   | \$ (2.32)      | \$ (3.76)    | \$ (7.11)      | \$ (9.09)    |
| Net (loss) income per share – diluted:   |                |              |                |              |
| Continuing operations  | \$ (2.31)      | \$ (3.42)    | \$ (7.45)      | \$ (31.94)   |
| Discontinued operations  | (0.01)         | (0.34)       | 0.34           | (2.53)       |

Edgar Filing: GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO INC - Form 10-Q

|   |    |            |    |            |    |            |    |            |
|---|----|------------|----|------------|----|------------|----|------------|
| Net loss per share – diluted                | \$ | (2.32)     | \$ | (3.76)     | \$ | (7.11)     | \$ | (34.47)    |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding: |    |            |    |            |    |            |    |            |
| Basic                                       |    | 53,852,470 |    | 53,852,470 |    | 53,852,470 |    | 53,688,540 |
| Diluted                                     |    | 53,852,470 |    | 53,852,470 |    | 53,852,470 |    | 14,448,398 |

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
(Debtors-in-Possession)  
Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Deficit and Comprehensive Loss  
(Dollars in thousands, except share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

| 40 Weeks Ended December  | Common Stock |          | Additional | Accumulated  | Accumulated     | Total           |
|--|--------------|----------|------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|  | Shares       | Amount   | Paid-in    | Other        |                 | Deficit         |
| 3, 2011  |              |          | Capital    | Loss         |                 | Deficit         |
| Balance at 2/26/2011, as previously reported                         | 53,852,470   | \$53,852 | \$511,157  | \$ (75,309 ) | \$ (1,630,664 ) | \$ (1,140,964 ) |
| Retrospective change in accounting principle for inventory valuation | -            | -        | -          | -            | 11,329          | 11,329          |
| Balance at 2/26/2011, as adjusted                                    | 53,852,470   | 53,852   | 511,157    | (75,309 )    | (1,619,335 )    | (1,129,635 )    |
| Net loss   | -            | -        | -          | -            | (379,450 )      | (379,450 )      |
| Beneficial conversion feature accretion on preferred stock           | -            | -        | (3,703 )   | -            | -               | (3,703 )        |
| Preferred stock financing fees amortization                          | -            | -        | (1,338 )   | -            | -               | (1,338 )        |
| Other share based awards   | -            | -        | 2,925      | -            | -               | 2,925           |
| Other comprehensive loss   | -            | -        | -          | (513 )       | -               | (513 )          |
| Balance at 12/3/2011   | 53,852,470   | \$53,852 | \$509,041  | \$ (75,822 ) | \$ (1,998,785 ) | \$ (1,511,714 ) |
| <b>40 Weeks Ended December 4, 2010</b>                               |              |          |            |              |                 |                 |
| Balance at 2/27/2010, as previously reported                         | 55,868,129   | \$55,868 | \$526,421  | \$ (79,403 ) | \$ (1,032,089 ) | \$ (529,203 )   |
| Retrospective change in accounting principle for inventory valuation | -            | -        | -          | -            | 9,285           | 9,285           |
| Balance at 2/27/2010, as adjusted                                    | 55,868,129   | 55,868   | 526,421    | (79,403 )    | (1,022,804 )    | (519,918 )      |
| Net loss   | -            | -        | -          | -            | (473,548 )      | (473,548 )      |
| Beneficial conversion feature accretion on preferred stock           | -            | -        | (3,703 )   | -            | -               | (3,703 )        |
| Dividends on preferred stock   | -            | -        | (10,631 )  | -            | -               | (10,631 )       |
| Preferred stock financing fees amortization                          | -            | -        | (1,338 )   | -            | -               | (1,338 )        |
| Stock options exercised  | 4,834        | 5        | 23         | -            | -               | 28              |
| Other share based awards   | 407,451      | 407      | 541        | -            | -               | 948             |
| Other comprehensive income   | -            | -        | -          | 543          | -               | 543             |
| Balance at 12/4/2010   | 56,280,414   | \$56,280 | \$511,313  | \$ (78,860 ) | \$ (1,496,352 ) | \$ (1,007,619 ) |

| Comprehensive Loss   | 12 Weeks Ended  |                 | 40 Weeks Ended  |                 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|  | Dec. 3,<br>2011 | Dec. 4,<br>2010 | Dec. 3,<br>2011 | Dec. 4,<br>2010 |
| Net loss   | \$(123,566 )    | \$(198,728 )    | \$(379,450 )    | \$(473,548 )    |
| Pension and other postretirement benefits (expense), net of tax of \$0 and \$1,719 for the 12 and 40 weeks ended, December 3, 2011, respectively, and \$0 for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, respectively | 362             | 163             | (513 )          | 543             |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax  | 362             | 163             | (513 )          | 543             |
| Total comprehensive loss   | \$(123,204 )    | \$(198,565 )    | \$(379,963 )    | \$(473,005 )    |

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
(Debtors-in-Possession)  
Consolidated Balance Sheets  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

| ASSETS   | December 3, 2011 | February 26, 2011 |
|--|------------------|-------------------|
| Current assets:  |                  |                   |
| Cash and cash equivalents  | \$ 196,806       | \$ 352,607        |
| Restricted cash  | 5,015            | 1,731             |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$6,107 and \$5,554 at December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011, respectively | 159,151          | 209,966           |
| Inventories, net   | 417,568          | 452,289           |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets  | 45,945           | 36,329            |
| Total current assets   | 824,485          | 1,052,922         |
| Non-current assets:  |                  |                   |
| Property:  |                  |                   |
| Property owned, net  | 939,978          | 1,163,853         |
| Property under capital leases, net   | 55,276           | 63,346            |
| Property, net  | 995,254          | 1,227,199         |
| Goodwill   | 110,412          | 110,412           |
| Intangible assets, net   | 116,038          | 124,288           |
| Other assets   | 91,299           | 141,357           |
| Total assets   | \$ 2,137,488     | \$ 2,656,178      |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT  |                  |                   |
| Current liabilities:   |                  |                   |
| Current portion of long-term debt  | \$ 350,000       | \$ -              |
| Current portion of obligations under capital leases  | 5,379            | -                 |
| Current portion of real estate liabilities   | 447              | -                 |
| Accounts payable   | 143,892          | 119,245           |
| Book overdrafts  | 35,399           | 23,722            |
| Accrued salaries, wages and benefits   | 90,757           | 109,428           |
| Accrued taxes  | 33,129           | 26,175            |

Edgar Filing: GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO INC - Form 10-Q

|   |           |           |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Other accruals                              | 63,865    | 65,048    |
| Total current liabilities                   | 722,868   | 343,618   |
| Non-current liabilities:                    |           |           |
| Long-term debt                              | -         | 350,000   |
| Long-term obligations under capital leases  | 52,710    | -         |
| Long-term real estate liabilities           | 224,118   | -         |
| Deferred real estate income                 | 19,019    | -         |
| Other non-current liabilities               | 88,760    | 74,162    |
| Total liabilities not subject to compromise | 1,107,475 | 767,780   |
| Liabilities subject to compromise           | 2,393,417 | 2,874,734 |
| Total liabilities                           | 3,500,892 | 3,642,514 |

|  |         |         |
|--|---------|---------|
| Series A redeemable preferred stock – no par value, \$1,000 redemption value; authorized – 700,000 shares; issued - 179,020 shares at December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011, respectively | 148,310 | 143,299 |
|--|---------|---------|

Commitments and contingencies (Refer to Note 22)

Stockholders' deficit:

|   |              |              |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Common stock – \$1 par value; authorized – 260,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding – 53,852,470 shares at December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011, respectively | 53,852       | 53,852       |
| Additional paid-in capital  | 509,041      | 511,157      |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss  | (75,822)     | (75,309)     |
| Accumulated deficit   | (1,998,785)  | (1,619,335)  |
| Total stockholders' deficit   | (1,511,714)  | (1,129,635)  |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' deficit   | \$ 2,137,488 | \$ 2,656,178 |

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
(Debtors-in-Possession)  
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows  
(Dollars in thousands)  
(Unaudited)

|  | 40 Weeks Ended |              |
|--|----------------|--------------|
|  | Dec. 3, 2011   | Dec. 4, 2010 |
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>   |                |              |
| Net loss   | \$ (379,450)   | \$ (473,548) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities (see next page) | 230,817        | 318,952      |
| Other changes in assets and liabilities:   |                |              |
| Decrease in receivables  | 56,236         | 17,803       |
| Decrease in inventories  | 17,862         | 10,467       |
| Increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets                                      | (17,028)       | (12,968)     |
| (Increase) decrease in other assets  | (32,346)       | 2,567        |
| Decrease in accounts payable   | (27,123)       | (29,201)     |
| Decrease in accrued salaries, wages and benefits, and taxes                                | (13,259)       | (28,977)     |
| Increase in other accruals   | 88,748         | 40,817       |

Edgar Filing: GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA CO INC - Form 10-Q

|   |            |           |
|---|------------|-----------|
| Decrease in other non-current liabilities                     | (67,780)   | (25,156)  |
| Other operating activities, net                               | 282        | (1,020)   |
| Payments for reorganization items                             | (35,744)   | -         |
| Net cash used in operating activities                         | (178,785)  | (180,264) |
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>                  |            |           |
| Expenditures for property                                     | (33,076)   | (62,854)  |
| Proceeds from disposal of property                            | 9,723      | 16,111    |
| Proceeds from flood insurance                                 | 6,500      | 6,410     |
| Proceeds from sale of assets held for sale                    | 38,302     | 22,075    |
| (Increase) decrease in restricted cash                        | (3,284)    | 303       |
| Proceeds from sale of pharmacy assets                         | 4,785      | -         |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities           | 22,950     | (17,955)  |
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>                  |            |           |
| Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt                      | -          | 800       |
| Principal payments on long-term debt                          | (142)      | (201)     |
| Proceeds under revolving lines of credit                      | -          | 619,500   |
| Principal payments on revolving lines of credit               | -          | (636,384) |
| Principal payments on long-term real estate liabilities       | (802)      | (980)     |
| Proceeds from sale-leaseback transaction                      | -          | 89,830    |
| Proceeds from long-term real estate liabilities               | 2,035      | -         |
| Principal payments on capital leases                          | (8,213)    | (9,140)   |
| Increase (decrease) in book overdrafts                        | 11,677     | (9,543)   |
| Payments of financing fees for debtor-in-possession financing | (4,521)    | -         |
| Payments of financing fees for revolving line of credit       | -          | (2,995)   |
| Deferred financing fees                                       | -          | (2,211)   |
| Dividends paid on preferred stock                             | -          | (10,500)  |
| Proceeds from exercises of stock options                      | -          | 28        |
| Net cash provided by financing activities                     | 34         | 38,204    |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents                     | (155,801)  | (160,015) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year                | 352,607    | 252,426   |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period                    | \$ 196,806 | \$ 92,411 |

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
 (Debtors-in-Possession)  
 Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows - Continued  
 (Dollars in thousands)  
 (Unaudited)

## ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE NET LOSS TO NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

|  | 40 Weeks Ended  |                 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
|  | Dec.<br>3, 2011 | Dec.<br>4, 2010 |
| Depreciation and amortization  | \$ 141,944      | \$ 171,841      |
| Goodwill, trademark and long-lived asset impairment                              | 104,680         | 77,684          |
| Impairment of long-lived assets in the normal course of business                 | 5,132           | 1,144           |
| Nonoperating income  | (152)           | (10,241)        |
| Non-cash interest expense  | 10,104          | 27,658          |
| Stock compensation expense   | 2,440           | 1,246           |
| Pension withdrawal costs   | 13,923          | -               |
| Employee benefit related costs   | 1,561           | 13,728          |
| Asset disposition initiatives relating to discontinued operations                | -               | (117)           |
| Non-cash occupancy charges for locations closed in the normal course of business | 1,800           | 7,024           |
| Adjustment to occupancy reserves   | 92,775          | 52,357          |
| Losses relating to Hurricane Irene   | 1,000           | -               |
| Gain from surrender of Company Owned Life Insurance Policies                     | (917)           | -               |
| Gain on disposal of owned property and write-down of property, net               | (65)            | (4,031)         |
| Gain on disposal of discontinued operations                                      | -               | (79)            |
| Gain on sale of pharmacy assets  | (4,785)         | -               |
| Gain on sale of assets held for sale   | (29,120)        | (12,770)        |
| Recognition of deferred real estate income                                       | (2,599)         | (3,434)         |
| C&S contract effect  | 9,930           | -               |
| Benefit from deferred income taxes   | (1,719)         | (3,058)         |
| Reorganization items, net relating to continuing operations                      | (84,516)        | -               |
| Reorganization items, net relating to discontinued operations                    | (34,209)        | -               |
| Financing fees   | 3,610           | -               |
| Total adjustments to net loss  | \$ 230,817      | \$ 318,952      |

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations, Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Deficit and Comprehensive Loss, and Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 and December 4, 2010 and the Consolidated Balance Sheets at December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011 of The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc. ("we", "our", "us" or "our Company") are unaudited and, in the opinion of management contain all adjustments that are of a normal and recurring nature necessary for a fair statement of financial position and results of operations for such periods. The Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes contained in our Fiscal 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K. Interim results are not necessarily indicative of results for a full year.

The Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of our Company and all subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. Certain reclassifications have been made to prior year amounts to conform to current year presentation.

Bankruptcy Filing

On December 12, 2010, our Company and all of our U.S. subsidiaries (the "Debtors") filed voluntary petitions for relief (the "Bankruptcy Filing") under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York in White Plains (the "Bankruptcy Court"), which are being jointly administered under case number 10-24549. Management's decision to initiate the Bankruptcy Filing was in response to, among other things, our Company's deteriorating liquidity and management's conclusion that the challenges of successfully implementing additional financing initiatives and of obtaining necessary cost concessions from our Company's business and labor partners, was negatively impacting our Company's ability to implement our previously announced turnaround strategy. Our Company's non-U.S. subsidiaries, which are immaterial on a consolidated basis and have no retail operations, were not part of the Bankruptcy Filing.

We are currently operating as debtors-in-possession pursuant to the Bankruptcy Filing and continuation of our Company as a going-concern is contingent upon, among other things, the Debtors' ability (i) to comply with the terms and conditions of the DIP Credit Agreement described in Note 9 – Indebtedness and Other Financial Liabilities; (ii) to develop a plan of reorganization and obtain confirmation of that plan under the Bankruptcy Code; (iii) to reduce debt and other liabilities through the bankruptcy process; (iv) to return to profitability, including by realizing necessary near-term cost concessions from our business and labor partners; (v) to generate sufficient cash flow from operations; and (vi) to obtain financing sources to meet our future obligations. The uncertainty regarding these matters raises substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern.

Our Company was required to apply the FASB's provisions of Reorganizations effective on December 12, 2010, which is applicable to companies in chapter 11, which generally does not change the manner in which financial statements are prepared. However, it does require that the financial statements for periods subsequent to the filing of the Bankruptcy Filing petition distinguish transactions and events that are



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

directly associated with the reorganization from the ongoing operations of the business. Revenues, expenses, realized gains and losses, and provisions for losses that can be directly associated with the reorganization and restructuring of the business must be reported separately as reorganization items in the Consolidated Statements of Operations beginning in the year ended February 26, 2011. The balance sheet must distinguish pre-Bankruptcy Filing liabilities subject to compromise from both those pre-Bankruptcy Filing liabilities that are not subject to compromise and from post-Bankruptcy Filing liabilities. As discussed in Note 9 - Indebtedness and Other Financial Liabilities, currently the Senior Secured Notes totaling \$260.0 million have priority over the unsecured creditors of our Company. Based upon the uncertainty surrounding the ultimate treatment of the Notes in our reorganization plan, including the potential that these Notes may be impaired, these Notes are classified as "Liabilities subject to compromise" in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. Our Company continues to evaluate creditors' claims for other claims that may also have priority over unsecured creditors. Liabilities that may be affected by a plan of reorganization must be reported at the amounts expected to be approved by the Bankruptcy Court, even if they may be settled for lesser amounts as a result of the plan of reorganization. In addition, cash used in reorganization items must be disclosed separately in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

#### Amended and Restated Securities and Purchase Agreements

On November 3, 2011, our Company entered into Amended and Restated Securities and Purchase Agreements ("Amended and Restated SPAs") to infuse our Company with \$490.0 million new debt and equity investments from private investors comprised of (a) certain holders of our Company's prepetition 5.125% unsecured convertible notes due in 2011, 6.75% unsecured convertible notes due in 2012 and 9.375% senior quarterly interest bonds due August 1, 2039 (such holders, the "Convertible Noteholders"), and (b) certain affiliates of The Yucaipa Companies LLC, holders of our Company's "Series A-Y" convertible preferred stock and "Series A-T" convertible preferred stock (such holders, collectively, "Yucaipa," and with the Convertible Noteholders, the "Investors"). On December 6, 2011, the Bankruptcy Court authorized our Company to execute and deliver to the Investors the Amended and Restated SPAs. The Amended and Restated SPAs serve as the foundation to allow our Company to complete the restructuring of our balance sheet and emerge successfully from chapter 11 as a private entity in early 2012.

Pursuant to the Amended and Restated SPAs, the Investors are providing a total new money cash investment of \$490.0 million (the "New Money Commitment") in the form of (i) new privately placed \$210.0 million face value second lien notes due November 2017 (the "New Second Lien Notes"), to be purchased by the Investors at an aggregate purchase price equal to 95% of the face value, (ii) new privately placed \$210.0 million face value convertible third lien notes due 2018 (the "New Convertible Third Lien Notes"), to be purchased by the Investors at the face value and (iii) a new privately placed \$80.0 million investment in an aggregate of 800,000 shares of our Company's new common stock (the "New Equity").

Upon the Plan effective date, our Company's existing debtor-in-possession financing facility is required to be refinanced with a similar facility that will be raised on market terms that are in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Investors (the "Exit Facility"). The proceeds of the Exit Facility and the New Money Commitment, combined with our Company's then existing cash on hand will provide the funding for the reorganization, including paying certain secured creditors in full in cash, and will provide a cash pool of \$40.0 million, less the amount distributed pursuant to a substantive consolidation settlement cash pool, for distributions to general unsecured creditors.



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

The consummation of the transactions (the “Closing”) contemplated thereunder is subject to the fulfillment of the conditions precedent set forth in the Amended and Restated SPAs, which include the following:

- An Exit Facility with availability (when combined with the New Money Commitment Amount) sufficient to satisfy all allowed DIP Facility Claims, with a commitment of not less than \$750.0 million and excess availability in an amount not less than \$100.0 million as of the date of the Closing (provided, however, that up to \$30.0 million of such excess availability can be drawn at the Closing), and the closing and initial funding under the Exit Facility shall occur substantially concurrently with the Closing, subject to downward adjustments for each store closed after the Execution Date;
- On the date of the Closing, (i) the aggregate amount of the Company’s unrestricted cash and cash equivalents, minus the amount of any revolving loans to be outstanding under the Exit Facility immediately after the Closing, shall be at least \$70.0 million, calculated giving effect to the transactions occurring as of the date of the Closing (subject to mutually-agreeable downward adjustments for store closures and asset sales); and (ii) the aggregate amount of the Company’s unrestricted cash and cash equivalents, plus excess availability under the Exit Facility, shall be at least \$170.0 million, calculated giving effect to the transactions occurring as of the date of the Closing (subject to mutually-agreeable downward adjustments for store closures and asset sales);
- The Company’s total revenue (as defined thereunder) for the period running from (and including) the four week financial reporting period ending November 5, 2011 through the week ending immediately prior to the Plan effective date shall be at least equal to 90% of the total revenue projections set forth within the Amended and Restated SPAs, subject to mutually-agreeable downward adjustments for store closures;
- The Company’s total gross profit (as defined thereunder) for the period running from (and including) the four week financial reporting period ending November 5, 2011 through the closed financial reporting period ending immediately prior to the Plan effective date shall be at least equal to 90% of the total gross profit projections set forth within the Amended and Restated SPAs, subject to mutually-agreeable downward adjustments for store closures;
- The Investors or our Company shall have secured term sheets evidencing the minimum aggregate labor savings of an agreed-upon amount (excluding employee buy-out savings) over the term of the contract not to exceed five years. Such term sheets should have been filed with the Bankruptcy Court for approval on the day before the hearing on our Company’s motion to approve the Amended and Restated SPA. The Union locals shall have ratified the term sheet and the effective date of which shall be no later than December 4, 2011.

If the Closing occurs, our Company will pay the Convertible Noteholders a commitment fee in the aggregate amount of \$40.0 million, payable in the form of the New Convertible Third Lien Note. As a result, the aggregate outstanding balance of the New Convertible Third Lien Note after the transaction will be \$250.0 million, which amount includes the \$210.0 million initial cash investment to be purchased by the Investors as part of the New Money Commitment (see discussion above). As of December 3, 2011, we are in compliance with the conditions precedent related to our Company’s total revenue and gross profit.

We are in the process of negotiating our Exit Facility and we are currently in compliance with all other conditions precedent to the extent applicable prior to the closing of the transaction.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

Plan of Reorganization

On November 14, 2011, our Company filed with the Bankruptcy Court the Debtors' Joint Plan of Reorganization (the "Plan") pursuant to chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code and a related Disclosure Statement for the Debtors' Plan (the "Disclosure Statement") pursuant to chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. On November 30, 2011, our Company filed revised versions of the Plan and related Disclosure Statement and a motion for entry of an order approving: (a) the adequacy of the Debtors' Disclosure Statement; (b) the solicitation and notice procedures with respect to the confirmation of the Debtors proposed reorganization plan; (c) the form of various ballots and notices in connection therewith; and (d) the scheduling of certain dates with respect thereto.

The Disclosure Statement contains detailed information about the Plan, our five-year financial projections and events leading up to our Company's chapter 11 cases. On December 20, 2011, the Bankruptcy Court approved the adequacy of information in the Disclosure Statement and authorized our Company to send the Disclosure Statement, the Plan and ballots to creditors entitled to vote on the Plan. The deadline for voting on the Plan is January 24, 2012. A hearing before the Bankruptcy Court on the confirmation of the Plan is scheduled for February 6, 2012. The information contained in the Disclosure Statement is subject to change, whether as a result of amendments to the Plan, actions of third parties or otherwise.

The Plan will become effective only if it is confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court and upon the fulfillment of certain other conditions contained in the Plan. These conditions precedent include, but are not limited to, the following:

- the Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the confirmation order and such confirmation order shall have become a final order;
  - the conditions precedent to the Exit Facility shall have been satisfied and/or waived;
- all conditions to the effectiveness of the Amended and Restated SPAs shall have been satisfied or waived in accordance with the terms thereof; and
- the commitment fee shall be paid concurrently with the Plan effective date to the new Investors, as provided in the Amended and Restated SPAs.

Pursuant to the terms of the Amended and Restated SPAs, the Debtors (in consultation with the Creditors' Committee and the DIP Facility Administrative Agent) and the Investors may jointly waive any of the conditions to the Plan effective date, except with respect to certain conditions, which waiver requires the consent of consenting noteholders in accordance with the plan support agreement. Our Company cannot make any assurances as to when, or ultimately if, the Plan will become effective

The summary of the provisions of the Plan contained herein highlights certain substantive provisions of the Plan and is not a complete description of the Plan or its provisions. The summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Plan, which is available at [www.kccllc.net/APTea.com](http://www.kccllc.net/APTea.com) link.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

#### Overall Structure of the Plan

The Plan contemplates the reorganization of our Company and the discharge of all claims against and interests in our Company. As part of the Plan, the Debtors and the Investors entered into Amended and Restated SPAs (see detailed discussion separately), which will serve as the backbone of the Plan. In connection with the Investor's purchase of the New Equity and New Convertible Third Lien Notes, Yucaipa will acquire warrants to purchase New Equity representing 7% of the fully diluted common equity in the new company at the time of the Plan effective date.

Unless otherwise provided in the Plan or the Amended and Restated SPAs, our Company, shall use the proceeds received from the New Money Commitment, together with proceeds from the Exit Facility and other funds held by the Debtors on the Plan effective date, (i) to make cash distributions required by the Plan, (ii) to pay Transaction Expenses (as defined in the Amended and Restated SPAs) not previously paid, (iii) to pay other expenses of the chapter 11 cases, to the extent so ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, and (iv) for general corporate purposes.

The Plan may also provide for an incremental recovery to trade creditors designated by our Company and the Investors that enter into a post-effective date trade agreement acceptable to our Company and the Plan Sponsors.

#### Substantive Consolidation Settlement

The Plan provides for a settlement and compromise of the issues relating to whether the liabilities and assets of the Debtors should be substantively consolidated for purposes of distributions under the Plan. Pursuant to the Substantive Consolidation Settlement set forth within the Plan, holders of allowed unsecured claims will receive their pro rata shares of unsecured creditor cash pool. The holders of allowed pension withdrawal claims, allowed guaranteed landlord claims and other allowed unsecured claims will receive the recoveries set forth within the Plan.

#### Treatment of Claims

The Plan shall provide, unless a holder of an allowed claim agrees to a different treatment, for the following treatment of allowed claims:

- DIP facility claims will be satisfied in full in cash;
- Administrative and priority claims will be satisfied in full in cash;
- Second Lien Notes Claims that are allowed by the Bankruptcy Court will be satisfied in full in cash, provided that upon agreement of the Investors and our Company, the Plan may provide for the cramdown of the Second Lien Notes Claims to the extent permitted by 11 U.S.C. 1129(b)(2), and the funding of the New Money Commitment may be adjusted accordingly in such instance so that the New Second Lien Notes would not be purchased by the Investors; and
- Unsecured Claims that are allowed by the Bankruptcy Court will receive cash distributions from the unsecured credit cash pool.



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

#### New Equity

The issuance of the New Equity by the new company to the Investors on the Plan effective date in consideration for the New Equity investment is authorized without the need for any further corporate action or without any further action by the new company, as applicable. On the Plan effective date, each of the new company shall be a private company. As such, the new company will not list the New Equity on a national securities exchange as of the Plan effective date.

#### Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws

The certificates of incorporation and bylaws (or other formation documents relating to limited liability companies, limited partnerships, or other forms of Entity) of the Debtors (other than our Company) shall be amended in a form as may be required to be consistent with the provisions of the Plan, the Amended and Restated SPAs and the Bankruptcy Code, and shall be in form and substance acceptable to the Investors. The new company's Charter will, among other things, (1) authorize the issuance of the shares of New Equity; and (2) pursuant to and only to the extent required by section 1123(a)(6) of the Bankruptcy Code, include a provision prohibiting the issuance of non-voting Equity Securities (as defined in section 101(16) of the Bankruptcy Code).

#### Directors and Officers of Reorganized A&P

On the Plan effective date, the term of the current members of the board of directors of our Company shall expire, and the New Board shall be appointed pursuant to the Amended and Restated SPAs. The New Board shall have been reconstituted to consist of seven directors, of whom at least five directors shall be persons designated by the Investors, one director shall be designated by the Union, and one person shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the new company. On and after the Plan effective date, each director or officer of new company shall serve pursuant to the terms of the new company Charter, the new company Bylaws, or other constituent documents, the Management Services Agreement, as applicable, and applicable state corporation law.

#### Management Equity Incentive Plan

The Management Equity Incentive Program (the "MEIP") for the new company shall become effective on the Plan effective date without need for further corporate action as contemplated by the Amended and Restated SPAs. The MEIP's terms and conditions shall be set forth in a Plan Supplement which will be filed with the Bankruptcy Court prior to the commencement of the Bankruptcy Court's hearing to consider confirmation of the Plan.

#### Pension

As of the Plan effective date, the new company shall continue our Company's defined benefit plans in accordance with, and subject to, their terms, ERISA, and the Internal Revenue Code, and shall preserve all of their rights thereunder. The pension claims and all proofs of claims filed on account thereof shall be deemed withdrawn as of the Plan effective date without any further action of the Debtors, the new company or the PBGC, and without any further action, order, or approval of the Bankruptcy Court.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

#### Supply Agreement

On June 2, 2011, our Company entered into a definitive supply agreement with C&S Wholesale Grocers, Inc. (“C&S”) effective May 29, 2011, whereby C&S will provide warehousing, transportation, procurement, purchasing and ancillary services (the “Services”) in support of a substantial portion of our Company’s supply chain. This agreement replaced the warehousing, logistics, procurement and purchasing agreement under which the parties had been operating since 2008.

The term of the agreement is through the effective date of our Company’s plan of reorganization in its Bankruptcy Filing but may be extended by either party for a term concurrent with a fixed volume commitment based upon wholesale purchases of merchandise resulting in a term of approximately seven years. The cost structure of the agreement is a combination of a fixed cost and variable upcharge pricing model. The charges are subject to adjustment due to volume change or other material changes to the operating assumptions of the agreement.

Our Company expects it will realize a run-rate of more than \$60.0 million in annual savings commencing with our Company’s emergence from the Bankruptcy Filing pursuant to a plan of reorganization. The agreement provides our Company with important service enhancements, including detailed service specifications and key performance measures. The agreement also permits our Company to maintain product standards and specifications for all merchandise purchased for resale in our Company’s stores.

#### Assumed Leases

During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, our Company assumed 63 and 393 real estate leases, respectively, including leases for shopping center tenants as well as leases for subleased locations. In connection with the assumption of the leases, the related liability balances previously classified as “Liabilities subject to compromise” were reclassified to the respective balance sheet captions in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. In addition, all undisputed cure amounts related to these leases in the amount of \$8.4 million have been paid to the landlords.

#### Corporate Owned Life Insurance Policies

On September 9, 2011, our Company, together with the Security Life of Denver Life Insurance Company (the “Insurer”), filed a Stipulation and Order permitting the Insurer relief from the automatic stay to enforce certain rights and remedies (“Stipulation”) against our Company’s pre-petition Corporate Owned Life Insurance Policies (“COLI”). The Stipulation was approved by the Bankruptcy Court on September 29, 2011, which permitted the Insurer to enforce their rights and remedies to COLI under the “Paid-Up Insurance” non-forfeiture option. This option resulted in no cash outlay by our Company. In connection with the cancellation of COLI, we wrote-off the related loans on COLI of \$61.9 million, accrued interest of \$4.8 million, with an offsetting write-off of other assets of \$65.8 million, resulting in a net gain of \$0.9 million, which was recorded in “Store operating, general and administrative expense” in our Consolidated Statements of Operations during the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011.

#### Significant Accounting Policies

A summary of our significant accounting policies may be found in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 26, 2011. Except for as described below, there have been no changes in these policies during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011.



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

#### Change in Accounting Policy

Effective June 19, 2011, our Company changed its method of valuing inventories held at our Pathmark stores from the last-in first-out (“LIFO”) method to the first-in first-out (“FIFO”) method. As previously noted, our Company entered into a definitive supply agreement with C&S effective May 29, 2011 to provide Services in support of a substantial portion of our Company’s supply chain. As a result of the agreement with C&S, our Company began transitioning our inventory to different warehouses such that, beginning in our second fiscal quarter of 2011, the Pathmark inventory is no longer separately segregated and managed. Our Company believes that the FIFO method of inventory valuation is preferable under GAAP and improves financial reporting because it conforms all of our Company’s inventories to a consistent inventory method and the use of FIFO better aligns costing with our Company’s forecasting and procurement decisions. As described in the accounting guidance for accounting changes and error corrections, the comparative Consolidated Financial Statements of prior periods presented have been adjusted to apply the new accounting method retrospectively.

The following line items within the Consolidated Statements of Operations were affected by the change in accounting policy:

|  | For the 12 Weeks Ended<br>December 4, 2010 |                |  |
|--|--|----------------|--|
|  | As<br>Originally<br>Reported               | As Adjusted    | Change:<br>(Decrease)<br>/<br>Increase |
| Cost of merchandise sold   | \$ (1,259,568)                             | \$ (1,258,926) | \$ (642)                               |
| Gross margin   | 534,237                                    | 534,879        | 642                                    |
| Loss from continuing operations before benefit from income taxes | (183,636)                                  | (182,994)      | 642                                    |
| Benefit from income taxes  | 2,953                                      | 2,953          | -                                      |
| Loss from continuing operations                                  | (180,683)                                  | (180,041)      | 642                                    |
| Loss from discontinued operations                                | (18,687)                                   | (18,687)       | -                                      |
| Net loss   | (199,370)                                  | (198,728)      | 642                                    |
| Net loss per share – basic:                                      |  |                |  |
| Continuing operations  | \$ (3.44)                                  | \$ (3.42)      | \$ 0.02                                |
| Discontinued operations  | (0.34)                                     | (0.34)         | -                                      |
| Net loss per share - basic                                       | \$ (3.78)                                  | \$ (3.76)      | \$ 0.02                                |
| Net loss per share – diluted:                                    |  |                |  |
| Continuing operations  | \$ (3.44)                                  | \$ (3.42)      | \$ 0.02                                |
| Discontinued operations  | (0.34)                                     | (0.34)         | -                                      |
| Net loss per share - diluted                                     | \$ (3.78)                                  | \$ (3.76)      | \$ 0.02                                |



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

|  | For the 40 Weeks Ended<br>December 3, 2011 |                           |  | For the 40 Weeks Ended<br>December 4, 2010 |                |  |
|--|--|---------------------------|--|--|----------------|--|
|  | As<br>Computed<br>under LIFO               | As Reported<br>under FIFO | Change:<br>(Decrease)<br>/<br>Increase | As<br>Originally<br>Reported               | As Adjusted    | Change:<br>(Decrease)<br>/<br>Increase |
| Cost of merchandise sold   | \$ (3,918,613)                             | \$ (3,916,650)            | \$ (1,963)                             | \$ (4,416,258)                             | \$ (4,414,119) | \$ (2,139)                             |
| Gross margin   | 1,522,069                                  | 1,524,032                 | 1,963                                  | 1,860,756                                  | 1,862,895      | 2,139                                  |
| Loss from continuing operations before benefit from income taxes | (413,964)                                  | (412,001)                 | 1,963                                  | (441,819)                                  | (439,680)      | 2,139                                  |
| Benefit from income taxes  | 14,270                                     | 14,270                    | -                                      | 2,708                                      | 2,708          | -                                      |
| Loss from continuing operations                                  | (399,694)                                  | (397,731)                 | 1,963                                  | (439,111)                                  | (436,972)      | 2,139                                  |
| Income (loss) from discontinued operations                       | 18,281                                     | 18,281                    | -                                      | (36,576)                                   | (36,576)       | -                                      |
| Net loss   | (381,413)                                  | (379,450)                 | 1,963                                  | (475,687)                                  | (473,548)      | 2,139                                  |
| Net (loss) income per share – basic:                             |  |                           |  |  |                |  |
| Continuing operations  | \$ (7.49)                                  | \$ (7.45)                 | \$ 0.04                                | \$ (8.45)                                  | \$ (8.41)      | \$ 0.04                                |
| Discontinued operations  | 0.34                                       | 0.34                      | -                                      | (0.68)                                     | (0.68)         | -                                      |
| Net loss per share - basic                                       | \$ (7.15)                                  | \$ (7.11)                 | \$ 0.04                                | \$ (9.13)                                  | \$ (9.09)      | \$ 0.04                                |
| Net (loss) income per share – diluted:                           |  |                           |  |  |                |  |
| Continuing operations  | \$ (7.49)                                  | \$ (7.45)                 | \$ 0.04                                | \$ (32.09)                                 | \$ (31.94)     | \$ 0.15                                |
| Discontinued operations  | 0.34                                       | 0.34                      | -                                      | (2.53)                                     | (2.53)         | -                                      |
| Net loss per share - diluted                                     | \$ (7.15)                                  | \$ (7.11)                 | \$ 0.04                                | \$ (34.62)                                 | \$ (34.47)     | \$ 0.15                                |

The following line items within the Consolidated Balance Sheets were affected by the change in accounting policy:

|                     | As of February 26, 2011      |             |           |
|---------------------|------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
|                     | As<br>Originally<br>Reported | As Adjusted | Change    |
| Inventories, net    | \$ 440,960                   | \$ 452,289  | \$ 11,329 |
| Accumulated deficit | (1,630,664)                  | (1,619,335) | 11,329    |

There was no impact on net cash provided by operating activities as a result of this change in accounting policy.



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

2. Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

**Comprehensive Income.** In June 2011, the FASB issued updated guidance on the presentation of comprehensive income, eliminating the option to present components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of changes in stockholders' equity. All changes in our Company's stockholders' deficit will be presented in either a single continuous statement of comprehensive loss or in two separate but consecutive statements. In December 2011, the FASB amended the updated guidance issued in June 2011 to defer certain presentation requirements. The amended updated guidance is to be applied retrospectively and is effective for public entities for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, ending after December 15, 2011 with early adoption permitted. The impact of this update is expected to be immaterial.

**Intangibles — Goodwill and Other.** In September 2011, the FASB issued updated guidance allowing the use of a qualitative approach to test goodwill for impairment. The updated guidance would permit our Company to first perform a qualitative assessment to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of one of our reporting units is less than its carrying value. If we conclude that this is the case, it is then necessary for us to perform the currently prescribed two-step goodwill impairment test. Otherwise, the two-step goodwill impairment test is not required. The updated guidance is effective for annual and interim goodwill impairment tests performed for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011 with early adoption permitted. We are currently evaluating the impact of our pending adoption of this update.

**Multi-employer Pension Plan.** In September 2011, the FASB issued updated guidance to require employers who participate in multi-employer pension plans to provide additional quantitative and qualitative disclosures. Such disclosures include, but are not limited to, the significant plans in which the employer participates within, the level of participation and financial health within such plans and the nature of the employer commitments to such plans. The updated guidance for public entities is effective for annual periods for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2011. The adoption of this guidance is expected to impact related disclosures to our Consolidated Financial Statements only.

3. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

The carrying values of our finite-lived intangible assets are reviewed for possible impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of assets may not be recoverable. Our intangible assets that have finite useful lives are amortized over their estimated useful lives. Goodwill and other intangibles with indefinite useful lives that are not subject to amortization are tested for impairment in the fourth quarter of each fiscal year, or more frequently whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that impairment may have occurred. The latest impairment assessment of goodwill and indefinite lived intangible assets was completed in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2010 for all of our reporting units in our reportable segments. This assessment concluded that there was no impairment.

**Goodwill**

We considered whether there have been any triggering events requiring an interim impairment test in the third quarter of fiscal 2011 and concluded that an impairment analysis was not required. We continue to anticipate that expected savings from the recently negotiated C&S supply agreement and the recently Modified Collective Bargaining Agreements ("Modified CBAs", refer to Note 22 – Commitment and





The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

Contingencies for additional information) will improve future cash flows at the reporting units to a level that will exceed the related carrying value of the assets. We will continue to monitor actual results against our expectations from these events, and if we experience negative results, we will assess the related impact as part of our annual impairment assessment in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011.

We believe that our estimates are appropriate based on our current trends and recently negotiated contracts. However, we can provide no assurance that we will not be required to make adjustment to goodwill in the future due to market conditions or other factors related to our performance, including a decline in our forecasted results resulting from changes in projected on-going profitability, our capital investment budgets or change in our interest rates.

The carrying amount of our goodwill was \$110.4 million at December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011, respectively. Our goodwill allocation by segment at December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011 was as follows:

|  | Fresh      | Gourmet   | Other    | Total      |
|--|------------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Goodwill   | \$ 116,032 | \$ 12,110 | \$ 5,974 | \$ 134,116 |
| Accumulated impairment losses                      | (23,704)   | -         | -        | (23,704)   |
| Goodwill at February 26, 2011 and December 3, 2011 | \$ 92,328  | \$ 12,110 | \$ 5,974 | \$ 110,412 |

#### Intangible Assets, net

We considered for the Pathmark intangible assets whether there have been any triggering events requiring an interim impairment test in the third quarter of fiscal 2011 and concluded that an impairment analysis was not required. We continue to anticipate that expected savings from the recently negotiated C&S supply agreement and the recently Modified CBAs will improve future cash flows at the Pathmark reporting unit to a level that will exceed the related carrying value of the assets. We will continue to monitor actual results against our expectations from these events, and if we experience negative results, we will assess the related impact as part of our annual impairment assessment in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011.

We believe that our estimates are appropriate based on our current trends and recently negotiated contracts. However, we can provide no assurance that we will not be required to make adjustment to intangible assets in the future due to market conditions or other factors related to our performance, including a decline in our forecasted results resulting from changes in projected on-going profitability, our capital investment budgets or change in our interest rates.

During the third quarter of fiscal 2010, we determined that there was an interim impairment triggering event requiring us to evaluate the intangible assets of the Pathmark reporting unit for possible impairment. We evaluated the fair value of the Pathmark trademark using the relief-from-royalty method. As a result of lowered revenue expectations, the carrying value exceeded the indicated fair value of the Pathmark

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

trademark, resulting in an impairment of \$12.7 million during the third quarter of fiscal 2010, which we recorded within “Goodwill, trademark, and long-lived asset impairment” in our Consolidated Statements of Operations. During the third quarter of fiscal 2010, we also determined that we had a triggering event requiring us to evaluate the recoverability of our amortizable intangible assets for possible impairment. We evaluated the expected undiscounted cash flows of the Pathmark reporting unit compared to the book value of all long-lived assets, including intangible assets other than goodwill, noting no impairment of our amortizable intangible assets.

Intangible assets acquired as part of our acquisition of Pathmark in December 2007 consisted of the following:

|   | Weighted Average<br>Amortization<br>Period (Years) | Gross<br>Carrying<br>Amount | Accumulated<br>Amortization at<br>December 3, 2011 | Accumulated<br>Amortization at<br>Feb. 26, 2011 |
|---|--|-----------------------------|--|---|
| Loyalty card customer relationships                     | 5  | \$ 19,200                   | \$ 15,061  | \$ 11,815                                       |
| In-store advertiser relationships                       | 20   | 14,720                      | 2,944  | 2,378   |
| Pharmacy payor relationships                            | 13   | 75,000                      | 23,077   | 18,639  |
| Pathmark trademark, net of impairment of \$12.7 million | Indefinite   | 48,200                      | -  | -   |
| <b>Total</b>  |  | <b>\$ 157,120</b>           | <b>\$ 41,082</b>                                   | <b>\$ 32,832</b>                                |

Amortization expense relating to our intangible assets for the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011 and December 4, 2010 was \$2.5 million during each period. Amortization expense relating to our intangible assets for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 and December 4, 2010 was \$8.3 million during each period.

The following table summarizes the estimated future amortization expense for our finite-lived intangible assets:

|            |        |
|------------|--------|
|            | \$     |
| 2011       | 2,475  |
| 2012       | 9,670  |
| 2013       | 6,505  |
| 2014       | 6,505  |
| 2015       | 6,505  |
| Thereafter | 36,178 |

#### 4. Fair Value Measurements

The accounting guidance for fair value measurement defines and establishes a framework for measuring fair value. Inputs used to measure fair value are classified based on the following three-tier fair value hierarchy:

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

Level 2 – Directly or indirectly observable inputs other than Level 1 quoted prices in active markets. Our Level 2 liabilities include warrants, which are valued using the Black-Scholes pricing model with inputs that are observable or can be derived from or corroborated by observable market data. In addition, our

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

investments in money market funds, which are considered cash equivalents, are classified as Level 2, as they are valued based on their reported Net Asset Value (NAV).

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity whose value is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flows, or similar methodologies, as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant judgment or estimation.

A financial asset or liability's classification within the hierarchy is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The following table provides the assets and liabilities carried at fair value measured on a recurring basis as of December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011:

|                     | Fair Value Measurements at December 3, 2011 Using |  |  |  |
|---------------------|---|--|--|--|
|                     | Total Carrying<br>Value at<br>December 3, 2011    | Quoted Prices<br>in Active<br>Markets<br>(Level 1) | Significant Other<br>Observable<br>Inputs<br>(Level 2) | Significant<br>Unobservable<br>Inputs<br>(Level 3) |
| <b>Assets:</b>      |   |  |  |  |
| Cash equivalents    | \$ 1,552  | \$ -   | \$ 1,552   | \$ -   |
| <b>Liabilities:</b> |   |  |  |  |
| Series B warrant    | \$ 18   | \$ -   | \$ 18  | \$ -   |

|                     | Fair Value Measurements at Feb. 26, 2011 Using |  |  |  |
|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                     | Total Carrying<br>Value at<br>Feb. 26, 2011    | Quoted Prices<br>in Active<br>Markets<br>(Level 1) | Significant Other<br>Observable<br>Inputs<br>(Level 2) | Significant<br>Unobservable<br>Inputs<br>(Level 3) |
| <b>Assets:</b>      |  |  |  |  |
| Cash equivalents    | \$ 1,553                                       | \$ -   | \$ 1,553   | \$ -   |
| <b>Liabilities:</b> |  |  |  |  |
| Series B warrant    | \$ 170   | \$ -   | \$ 170   | \$ -   |

There were no transfers in and out of Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements during the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011.

#### Level 3 Valuations

We did not have any financial assets or liabilities classified as Level 3 within the fair value hierarchy as of December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011.

Nonfinancial Assets and Liabilities Measured on a Nonrecurring Basis. Fair value measurements of our nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities on a nonrecurring basis using Level 3 inputs are primarily used in the impairment analyses of our goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets, our long-lived assets and closed locations occupancy costs. Long-lived assets and closed locations occupancy costs were

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
 Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
 (Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
 (Unaudited)

measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis using Level 3 inputs, as unobservable inputs were used to measure their fair value. Refer to Note 5 – Valuation of Long-Lived Assets, Note 17 – Discontinued Operations and Note 18 – Asset Disposition Initiatives for more information relating to the valuation of these assets and liabilities.

Long-Term Debt

The following table provides the carrying values recorded in our Consolidated Balance Sheets and the estimated fair values of financial instruments as of December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011:

|  | At December 3, 2011 |            | At February 26, 2011 |            |
|--|---------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|
|  | Carrying Amount     | Fair Value | Carrying Amount      | Fair Value |
| Current portion of long-term debt      | \$ 350,000          | \$ 350,000 | \$ 159               | \$ 159     |
| Long-term debt – subject to compromise | 905,191             | 315,417    | 1,255,225            | 765,577    |

Our DIP Credit Agreement is classified as a current liability as of the balance sheet date. Our long-term debt includes borrowings under a related party promissory note and our unsecured debt securities. The fair value of our debt securities are determined based on quoted market prices for such notes in non-active markets.

5. Valuation of Long-Lived Assets

We review the carrying values of our long-lived assets for possible impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of assets may not be recoverable.

Impairments due to closure or conversion in the normal course of business

We review assets in stores planned for closure or conversion for impairment upon determination that such assets will not be used for their intended useful life. During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we recorded impairment charges on long-lived assets of \$3.6 million and \$5.1 million, respectively, related to locations that were closed or converted in the normal course of business, as compared to nil and \$1.1 million in impairment losses recorded during the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, respectively. These amounts were recorded within “Store operating, general and administrative expense” in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Impairments due to store closures

In January 2012, our Company filed a motion with the Bankruptcy Court seeking approval to close 14 stores in four states as our Company prepares to emerge from chapter 11. These store closures are expected to be completed in our Company’s first quarter of fiscal 2012. In connection with our review of long-lived assets at these stores, we recorded an impairment charge of \$6.8 million during the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011, of which \$4.1 million and \$2.7 million related to our Fresh and Pathmark reporting segments, respectively.

In April and May 2011, our Company obtained approval from the Bankruptcy Court to sell, or alternatively, to close, an additional 25 stores located in Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia (the “Southern Stores”). During the first quarter of fiscal 2011, our Company held an auction whereby we agreed to sell our interests in 12 of our existing stores based in Maryland and the District of Columbia, all of which were





The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

a part of our Fresh reportable segment, for \$38.3 million in cash which relates to fixed assets. The transactions closed during June and July 2011 resulting in a gain of \$29.1 million, which was recorded within "Store operating, general and administrative expense" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations in the second quarter of fiscal 2011. In connection with our review of long-lived assets at these stores, we recorded an impairment charge of \$3.0 million during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, all of which pertained to our Fresh reporting segment. These store closures and sales were completed by July 9, 2011.

In February 2011, our Company obtained authority from the Bankruptcy Court to close 32 stores in six states as we continue to fully implement our comprehensive financial and operational restructuring. As a result, we recorded an impairment charge of \$31.4 million during fiscal 2010, of which \$19.4 million, \$9.0 million and \$3.0 million related to our Fresh, Pathmark, and Other reporting segments, respectively. These store closures were completed on April 16, 2011. We recorded an additional impairment charge of \$0.4 million during the first quarter of fiscal 2011, of which \$0.3 million and \$0.1 million were attributed to our Pathmark and Fresh reporting segments, respectively.

In the second quarter of fiscal 2010, our Company announced the closure of 25 stores in five states as we began the implementation and execution phase of our comprehensive financial and operational restructuring. These store closures were completed in the third quarter of fiscal 2010. We recorded an impairment charge of \$1.1 million and \$24.8 million during the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010.

These impairment amounts noted above were recorded within "Goodwill, trademark and long-lived asset impairment" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

#### Impairments due to unrecoverable assets

As part of the ongoing development of our Plan of Reorganization, during our third quarter of fiscal 2011, we refined our projected cash flows of baseline operations, before any potential cash flows that might result from capital improvements, for all locations. For those locations where the projected undiscounted cash flows did not exceed the net carrying value of the long-lived assets, we determined the fair value of the long-lived assets and recorded an impairment charge of \$18.3 million and \$94.4 million during the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, respectively, which related to favorable leases with a carrying amount of \$32.3 million to their fair value of \$14.0 million for the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011. The impairment charge of \$18.3 million and \$94.4 million recorded during the 12 weeks and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, respectively, all related to our Pathmark reportable segment.

We recorded an impairment charge of \$28.2 million and \$40.2 million during the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, respectively, to partially write down stores' long-lived assets, which primarily consist of favorable leases and which also included capital leases and land and buildings, with a carrying amount of \$63.0 million to their fair value of \$34.8 million for the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010. The impairment charge of \$28.2 million during the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010 all related to Pathmark. The impairment charge of \$40.2 million recorded during the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010 all related to Pathmark, with the exception of \$0.9 million which related to SuperFresh.



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

These impairment amounts noted above were recorded within “Goodwill, trademark, and long-lived asset impairment” in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The effects of changes in estimates of useful lives were not material to ongoing depreciation expense. Our projected cash flows of baseline operations include an estimate for expected savings from the recently negotiated C&S supply agreement and the recently Modified CBAs. If current operating levels do not improve or the expected cost savings from Modified CBAs are not realized, there may be a need to take further actions which may result in additional future impairments on long-lived assets, including the potential for impairment of assets that are held and used.

#### 6. Hurricane Irene and Impact on our Company Stores

In August 2011, Hurricane Irene had a major effect on certain portions of the Northeast region and resulted in the significant interruption of business for eleven of our Company stores. As of December 3, 2011, ten of these stores had fully resumed operations but one remains closed.

We maintain insurance coverage for this type of loss which provides for reimbursement from losses resulting from property damage, loss of product as well as business interruption coverage. During the second quarter of fiscal 2011, we recorded an impairment loss of \$5.3 million for property, plant and equipment that was damaged as a result of the hurricane, an inventory loss of \$6.9 million and \$0.8 million in other related hurricane costs.

Our Company is currently assessing the remaining extent of our losses in the Northeast region and we expect to recover the losses caused by Hurricane Irene in excess of our estimated insurance deductible of approximately \$1.0 million, which was recorded in “Store operating, general and administrative expense” in our Consolidated Statements of Operations during the second quarter of fiscal 2011. We also recorded \$12.0 million in receivable related to the amount we expect to recover for impairment and out-of-pocket expenses in excess of our estimated insurance deductible.

During the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we recorded an additional \$1.9 million in other related hurricane costs. We also received cash payments of \$15.0 million, representing a portion of our losses that we expect to recover. As part of the \$15.0 million cash payments, \$8.0 million related to recoveries for inventory losses, \$6.5 million related to fixed assets and \$0.5 million related to out-of-pocket expenses.

#### 7. Other Accruals

Other accruals at December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011 were comprised of the following:

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

|   | At<br>December 3, 2011  |   |                   | At<br>February 26, 2011   |   |                   |
|---|---|---|-------------------|---|---|-------------------|
|   | Other<br>Accruals<br>Prior to<br>Financial<br>Statement<br>Classification | Amounts<br>Classified as<br>Subject to<br>Compromise(1) | Other<br>Accruals | Other<br>Accruals<br>Prior to<br>Financial<br>Statement<br>Classification | Amounts<br>Classified as<br>Subject to<br>Compromise(1) | Other<br>Accruals |
| Self-insurance reserves                             | \$ 51,696   | \$ (43,393)   | \$ 8,303          | \$ 47,792   | \$ (45,466)   | \$ 2,326          |
| Deferred taxes                                      | 15,239  | -   | 15,239            | 28,335  | -   | 28,335            |
| Closed locations reserves                           | 1,064   | -   | 1,064             | 11,358  | (11,358)  | -                 |
| Damages claim for rejected<br>leases                | 186,632   | (186,632)   | -                 | 106,642   | (106,642)   | -                 |
| Pension withdrawal liabilities                      | 10,461  | (10,461)  | -                 | 10,461  | (10,461)  | -                 |
| GHI liability for employee<br>benefits              | 8,163   | (8,163)   | -                 | 7,776   | (7,776)   | -                 |
| Accrued occupancy-related<br>costs                  |   |   |                   |   |   |                   |
| for open stores                                     | 40,321  | (21,708)  | 18,613            | 48,742  | (24,523)  | 24,219            |
| Deferred income                                     | 23,033  | (11,776)  | 11,257            | 23,299  | (21,363)  | 1,936             |
| Deferred real estate income                         | 1,670   | (824)   | 846               | 2,508   | (2,508)   | -                 |
| Accrued audit, legal and<br>other                   | 11,464  | (6,840)   | 4,624             | 11,777  | (8,118)   | 3,659             |
| Accrued interest                                    | 57,855  | (56,669)  | 1,186             | 35,600  | (33,921)  | 1,679             |
| Other postretirement and<br>postemployment benefits | 2,944   | (2,944)   | -                 | 2,918   | (2,918)   | -                 |
| Accrued advertising                                 | 509   | -   | 509               | 718   | -   | 718               |
| Other accruals                                      | 4,079   | (1,855)   | 2,224             | 10,181  | (8,005)   | 2,176             |
| Total   | \$ 415,130  | \$ (351,265)  | \$ 63,865         | \$ 348,107  | \$ (283,059)  | \$ 65,048         |

(1) Refer to Note 10 – Liabilities subject to compromise for additional information.

#### 8. Other Non-Current Liabilities

Other non-current liabilities at December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011 were comprised of the following:

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

|  | At<br>December 3, 2011   |   |   | At<br>February 26, 2011  |   |   |
|--|--|---|---|--|---|---|
|  | Non-Current<br>Liabilities<br>Prior to<br>Financial<br>Statement<br>Classification | Amounts<br>Classified as<br>Subject to<br>Compromise(1) | Other<br>Non-<br>Current<br>Liabilities | Non-Current<br>Liabilities<br>Prior to<br>Financial<br>Statement<br>Classification | Amounts<br>Classified as<br>Subject to<br>Compromise(1) | Other<br>Non-<br>Current<br>Liabilities |
| Self-insurance reserves                          | \$ 386,359   | \$ (336,008)  | \$ 50,351                               | \$ 366,891   | \$ (354,704)  | \$ 12,187                               |
| Closed locations reserves                        | 1,455  | -   | 1,455                                   | 39,192   | (39,192)  | -                                       |
| Pension withdrawal liabilities                   | 104,750  | (104,750)   | -                                       | 86,735   | (86,735)  | -                                       |
| GHI liability for employee benefits              | 93,164   | (93,164)  | -                                       | 86,505   | (86,505)  | -                                       |
| Pension plan benefits                            | 132,217  | (132,217)   | -                                       | 125,000  | (125,000)   | -                                       |
| Other postretirement and postemployment benefits | 39,014   | (39,014)  | -                                       | 38,737   | (38,737)  | -                                       |
| Loans on life insurance policies                 | -  | -   | -                                       | 61,943   | -   | 61,943                                  |
| Step rent liabilities                            | 48,262   | (13,314)  | 34,948                                  | 56,287   | (56,287)  | -                                       |
| Deferred income                                  | 22,130   | (21,720)  | 410                                     | 53,031   | (53,031)  | -                                       |
| Deferred real estate income                      | 13,046   | (13,046)  | -                                       | 86,801   | (86,801)  | -                                       |
| Unfavorable lease liabilities                    | 766  | -   | 766                                     | 4,201  | (4,201)   | -                                       |
| Other non-current liabilities                    | 10,621   | (9,791)   | 830                                     | 11,348   | (11,316)  | 32                                      |
| Total  | \$ 851,784   | \$ (763,024)  | \$ 88,760                               | \$ 1,016,671   | \$ (942,509)  | \$ 74,162                               |

(1) Refer to Note 10 – Liabilities subject to compromise for additional information.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

## 9. Indebtedness and Other Financial Liabilities

Our indebtedness at December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011 consisted of the following debt obligations:

|  | At<br>December 3, 2011   |   |              | At<br>February 26, 2011  |   |              |
|--|--|---|--------------|--|---|--------------|
|  | Indebtedness<br>Prior to<br>Financial<br>Statement<br>Classification | Amounts<br>Classified as<br>Subject to<br>Compromise(1) | Indebtedness | Indebtedness<br>Prior to<br>Financial<br>Statement<br>Classification | Amounts<br>Classified as<br>Subject to<br>Compromise(1) | Indebtedness |
| Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement, due June 14, 2012 | \$ 350,000   | \$ -  | \$ 350,000   | \$ 350,000   | \$ -  | \$ 350,000   |
| Related Party Promissory Note, due August 18, 2011       | 10,000   | (10,000)  | -            | 10,000   | (10,000)  | -            |
| 5.125% Convertible Senior Notes, due June 15, 2011       | 165,000  | (165,000)   | -            | 165,000  | (165,000)   | -            |
| 9.125% Senior Notes, due December 15, 2011               | 12,840   | (12,840)  | -            | 12,840   | (12,840)  | -            |
| 6.750% Convertible Senior Notes, due December 15, 2012   | 255,000  | (255,000)   | -            | 255,000  | (255,000)   | -            |
| 11.375% Senior Secured Notes, due August 1, 2015         | 260,000  | (260,000)   | -            | 260,000  | (260,000)   | -            |
| 9.375% Notes, due August 1, 2039                         | 200,000  | (200,000)   | -            | 200,000  | (200,000)   | -            |
| Other  | 2,351  | (2,351)   | -            | 2,544  | (2,544)   | -            |
| Subtotal   | 1,255,191  | (905,191)   | 350,000      | 1,255,384  | (905,384)   | 350,000      |
| Less current portion of long-term debt                   | (350,000)  | -   | (350,000)    | (159)  | 159   | -            |
| Long-term debt   | \$ 905,191   | \$ (905,191)  | \$ -         | \$ 1,255,225   | \$ (905,225)  | \$ 350,000   |

(1) Refer to Note 10 – Liabilities subject to compromise for additional information.

## Debtor-In-Possession Credit Agreement

In connection with the Bankruptcy Filing, on December 13, 2010, the Bankruptcy Court entered its interim financing order, among other things, permitting us to enter into a Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement as amended and restated in its entirety by that certain Amended and Restated Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of December 21, 2010, further amended and restated in its entirety by that certain Second Amended and Restated Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of January 10, 2011, further amended and restated in its entirety by that certain Third Amended and Restated Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of January 13, 2011, further amended by that certain First Amendment to the Third Amended and Restated Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of July 8, 2011, further

amended by that certain Second Amendment to the Third Amended and Restated Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of September 21, 2011 (the "Second Amendment to the DIP Credit Agreement"), as may be further amended, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time (the "DIP Credit Agreement") with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent and as collateral agent (in such capacity, the "Agent"), the lenders from time to time party thereto (collectively, the "DIP Lenders") and our Company and certain subsidiaries as borrowers thereunder. On December 14, 2010, we satisfied all of the

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

conditions to the effectiveness of the DIP Credit Agreement and to the initial closing thereunder and consummated the transactions contemplated thereunder including the refinancing in full of our Company's and its applicable subsidiaries' obligations under the pre-existing first lien credit facility. The Bankruptcy Court entered a final order approving the DIP Credit Agreement on January 11, 2011. Pursuant to the terms of the DIP Credit Agreement:

- the DIP Lenders agreed to lend up to \$800.0 million in the form of a \$350.0 million term loan and a \$450.0 million revolving credit facility with a \$250.0 million sublimit for letters of credit, in each case subject to the terms and conditions therein;
- our Company's and the Subsidiary Borrower's obligations under the DIP Credit Agreement and the other specified loan documents are guaranteed by our Company's certain other subsidiaries that are Debtors ("Subsidiary Guarantors" and, together with our Company and the Subsidiary Borrowers, the "Loan Parties"); and
- the Loan Parties' obligations under the DIP Credit Agreement and such other specified loan documents are secured by a security interest in, and lien upon, substantially all of the Loan Parties' existing and after-acquired personal and real property, having the priority and subject to the terms therein and in the order(s) entered into by the Bankruptcy Court, as applicable.

Our Company will have the option to have interest on the revolving loans under the revolving credit facility provided under the DIP Credit Agreement accrue at an alternate base rate plus 200 basis points or at adjusted LIBOR plus 300 basis points. Our Company will have the option to have interest on the term loan provided under the DIP Credit Agreement accrue at an alternate base rate plus 600 basis points or at adjusted LIBOR (with a floor of 175 basis points) plus 700 basis points. The DIP Credit Agreement limits, among other things, our Company's and the other Loan Parties' ability to (i) incur indebtedness, (ii) incur or create liens, (iii) dispose of assets, (iv) prepay certain indebtedness and make other restricted payments, (v) enter into sale and leaseback transactions and (vi) modify the terms of certain indebtedness and certain material contracts. Notably, however, the DIP Credit Agreement permits our Company to use the proceeds generated from the sale of the Southern Stores in the operation of our business rather than requiring us to use those proceeds to reduce the Loan Parties' outstanding indebtedness under the DIP Credit Agreement.

The DIP Credit Agreement also contains certain financial covenants. The Second Amendment to the DIP Credit Agreement amended the covenants regarding minimum excess availability and minimum cumulative EBITDA. The Second Amendment to the DIP Credit Agreement changed the measurement intervals for minimum excess availability requirements and reduced the minimum cumulative EBITDA requirements to have them measured beginning with respect to the period ending December 31, 2011 rather than prior to such time as required by the DIP Credit Agreement, provided that if the Company has filed a Plan of Reorganization reasonably satisfactory to the DIP Lenders prior to December 31, 2011, the measurement period for the minimum cumulative EBITDA covenant will be measured beginning on February 25, 2012. The financial covenants, as amended by the Second Amendment to the DIP Credit Agreement, include a minimum excess availability covenant of \$100.0 million (or \$75.0 million at any time after the delivery of financial statements to the DIP Lenders for the period ended December 31, 2011 but prior to the delivery of financial statements to the DIP Lenders for the period ended February 25, 2012, or \$50.0 million at any time thereafter), minimum liquidity covenant of \$100.0 million and minimum cumulative EBITDA covenant as





The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

defined in the DIP Credit Agreement. Minimum cumulative EBITDA measured beginning on September 11, 2011 to and including the applicable date set forth in the table below is as follows (in millions):

| Date              | Minimum<br>Cumulative<br>EBITDA |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| December 31, 2011 | 10.0                            |
| January 28, 2012  | 25.0                            |
| February 25, 2012 | 40.0                            |
| March 24, 2012    | 55.0                            |
| April 21, 2012    | 70.0                            |
| May 19, 2012      | 85.0                            |
| June 16, 2012     | 100.0                           |

The Administrative Agent for the DIP Lenders has confirmed that it is reasonably satisfied with our Company's Plan of Reorganization and, as such, the minimum EBITDA covenants for the respective periods ended December 31, 2011 and January 28, 2012 have been waived. If the treatment of the DIP Lenders' claims under the Plan of Reorganization is subsequently modified, the minimum cumulative EBITDA covenants for the respective periods ended December 31, 2011 and January 28, 2012 may revert. There is no guarantee that we will continue to receive such waiver for future periods from our DIP Lenders if we continue not to be in compliance with the required covenant.

Meeting our EBITDA covenant requires increasing levels of performance throughout the years, including the successful implementation of our business improvement initiatives. As part of these initiatives, we entered into a definitive supply agreement with C&S to provide Services and on December 5, 2011, subsequent to our balance sheet date, we negotiated with union locals to obtain consensual modifications to collective bargaining agreements necessary for our successful reorganization. When establishing the EBITDA covenants, we anticipated entering these agreements earlier in the fiscal year. Due to the timing of the recently negotiated agreements, these savings did not start to be realized until the fourth quarter of 2011 but were included in EBITDA covenant requirement outlined above. As a result, as of December 3, 2011, we are currently expecting EBITDA to be below the minimum cumulative EBITDA covenant level above for December 31, 2011 although, as noted above, that covenant has been waived. A financial covenant violation could result in termination of the DIP Credit Agreement and/or termination of our access to funding thereunder. If either (or both) of those were to occur, our Company could be without sufficient cash availability to meet our operating needs or satisfy our obligations as they fall due, in which instance we may be unable to successfully reorganize.

The DIP Credit Agreement matures upon the earliest to occur of (a) June 14, 2012, (b) the acceleration of the loans and the termination of the commitment thereunder, and (c) the substantial consummation (as defined in Section 1101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code, which for purposes hereof shall be no later than the effective date thereof) of a Plan of Reorganization that is confirmed pursuant to an order entered by the Bankruptcy Court.

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

Amended and Restated Securities and Purchase Agreements

On November 3, 2011, our Company entered Amended and Restated SPAs to infuse our Company with \$490.0 million new debt and equity investments from private investors comprised of (a) certain holders of our Company's prepetition 5.125% unsecured convertible notes due in 2011, 6.75% unsecured convertible notes due in 2012 and 9.375% senior quarterly interest bonds due August 1, 2039 and (b) certain affiliates of The Yucaipa Companies LLC, holders of our Company's "Series A-Y" convertible preferred stock and "Series A-T" convertible preferred. On December 6, 2011, the Bankruptcy Court authorized our Company to execute and deliver to the Investors the Amended and Restated SPAs. The Amended and Restated SPAs serve as the foundation to allow our Company to complete the restructuring of our balance sheet and emerge successfully from chapter 11 as a private entity in early 2012.

Pursuant to the Amended and Restated SPAs, the Investors are providing a total new money cash investment of \$490.0 million in the form of (i) new privately placed \$210.0 million face value second lien notes due November 2017, to be purchased by the Investors at an aggregate purchase price equal to 95% of the face value, (ii) new privately placed \$210.0 million face value convertible third lien notes due 2018, to be purchased by the Investors at the face value and (iii) a new privately placed \$80.0 million investment in an aggregate of 800,000 shares of our Company's new common stock.

Upon the plan effective date, our Company's existing debtor-in-possession financing facility is required to be refinanced with a similar facility that will be raised on market terms that are in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Investors. The proceeds of the Exit Facility and the New Money Commitment, combined with our Company's then existing cash on hand will provide the funding for the reorganization, including paying certain secured creditors in full in cash, and will provide a cash pool of \$40.0 million, less the amount distributed pursuant to a substantive consolidation settlement cash pool, for distributions to general unsecured creditors.

The Closing contemplated thereunder is subject to the fulfillment of the conditions precedent set forth in the Amended and Restated SPAs refer to Note 1 – Basis of Presentation for additional information.

Warrants

Our Series B warrants issued as part of the acquisition of Pathmark on December 3, 2007, are exercisable at \$32.40 and expire on June 9, 2015. Tengelmänn Warenhandelsgesellschaft KG ("Tengelmänn") has the right to approve any issuance of common stock under these warrants upon exercise (assuming Tengelmänn's outstanding interest is at least 25% and subject to liquidity impairments defined within the Tengelmänn Stockholder Agreement). In addition, Tengelmänn has the ability to exercise a "Put Right" whereby it has the ability to require our Company to purchase our common stock held by Tengelmänn to settle these warrants. Based on the rights provided to Tengelmänn, our Company does not have sole discretion to determine whether the payment upon exercise of these warrants will be settled in cash or through issuance of an equivalent portion of our shares. Therefore, these warrants are recorded as liabilities and marked-to-market each reporting period based on our Company's current stock price.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

The value of the Series B warrants as of December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011 was de minimis and \$0.2 million, respectively, and is included in “Liabilities subject to compromise” in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. Our “Nonoperating income” for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 was comprised of gains of approximately \$0.1 and \$0.2 million, respectively, relating to market value adjustments for Series B warrants. Market value adjustments for Series B warrants recorded during the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010 was consisted of a loss of \$0.2 million and a gain of \$10.2 million, respectively. The following assumptions and estimates were used in the Black-Scholes model used to value the Series B warrants:

|                               | At<br>December<br>3, 2011 | At<br>February<br>26, 2011 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Expected<br>life              | 3.52<br>Years             | 4.29<br>Years              |
| Volatility                    | 133.3%                    | 111.3%                     |
| Dividend<br>yield range       | 0%                        | 0%                         |
| Risk-free<br>interest<br>rate | 0.39%                     | 2.16%                      |

#### Call Option and Financing Warrants

On or about October 3, 2008, Lehman Brothers OTC Derivatives, Inc. or “LBOTC”, which accounts for 50% of our call option and financing warrant transactions, filed for bankruptcy protection, which is an event of default under such transactions. We are monitoring the developments affecting LBOTC, noting the impact of the LBOTC bankruptcy effectively reduced conversion prices for 50% of our convertible senior notes to their stated prices of \$36.40 for the 5.125% Notes and \$37.80 for the 6.750% Notes.

In the event we terminate these transactions, or they are canceled in the LBOTC bankruptcy, or LBOTC otherwise fails to perform its obligations under such transactions, we would have the right to monetary damages in the form of an unsecured claim against LBOTC in an amount equal to the present value of our cost to replace these transactions with another party for the same period and on the same terms.

#### 10. Liabilities Subject to Compromise

As a result of the Bankruptcy Filing, the payment of pre-petition indebtedness is subject to compromise or other treatment under a Plan of Reorganization. Generally, actions to enforce or otherwise effect payment of pre-Bankruptcy Filing liabilities are stayed. Although payment of pre-petition claims generally is not permitted, the Bankruptcy Court granted the Debtor authority to pay certain pre-petition claims in designated categories and subject to certain terms and conditions. This relief generally was designed to preserve the value of our Company’s businesses and assets. Among other things, the Bankruptcy Court authorized us to pay certain pre-petition claims relating to employee wages and benefits, customers, vendors, and suppliers.

We have been paying and intend to continue to pay undisputed post-petition claims in the normal course of business. In addition, we may reject pre-petition executory contracts and unexpired leases with respect to our operations, with

the approval of the Bankruptcy Court. Any damages resulting from rejection of executory contracts and unexpired leases are treated as general unsecured claims and will be classified as “Liabilities subject to compromise” in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. We previously notified all known claimants subject to the bar date of their need to file a proof of claim with the Bankruptcy Court. A bar date

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

is the date by which claims against our Company must be filed if the claimants disagree with the amounts included in our schedule of assets and liabilities filed with the Bankruptcy Court and wish to receive any distribution in the Bankruptcy Filing. The bar date of June 17, 2011 set by the Bankruptcy Court has passed. Thus far, claimants filed over nine thousand claims against our Company, asserting approximately \$28.0 billion worth of liabilities. Our Company and our retained professionals are continuing to review and analyze the proofs of claim submitted by claimants and will investigate any material differences between these claims and liability amounts estimated by our Company. If necessary, in the event of a claims dispute, the Bankruptcy Court will make a final determination whether such claims should be allowed and, if so, the appropriate amount of such allowed claims. The ultimate amount of such liabilities is not determinable at this time.

Pre-petition liabilities that are subject to compromise are required to be reported at the amounts expected to be allowed, even if they may be settled for lesser amounts. The amounts currently classified as “Liabilities subject to compromise” may be subject to future adjustments depending on Bankruptcy Court actions, further developments with respect to disputed claims, determinations of the secured status of certain claims, the values of any collateral securing such claims, or other events. We expect that certain amounts currently classified as “Liabilities subject to compromise” may in fact be paid in the normal course of business as they come due. Any resulting changes in classification will be reflected in subsequent financial statements.

Liabilities subject to compromise consist of the following:

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

|  | At<br>December 3, 2011 | At<br>February 26, 2011 |
|--|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Accounts payable                                       | \$ 168,678             | \$ 212,135              |
| Accrued salaries, wages, and benefits                  | 10,958                 | 10,939                  |
| Self-insurance reserves                                | 379,401                | 400,170                 |
| Closed locations reserves                              | -                      | 50,550                  |
| Damages claim for rejected leases                      | 186,632                | 106,642                 |
| Pension withdrawal liabilities                         | 115,211                | 97,196                  |
| GHI liability for employee benefits                    | 101,327                | 94,281                  |
| Accrued occupancy-related costs for open stores        | 21,708                 | 24,523                  |
| Deferred income  | 33,496                 | 74,394                  |
| Deferred real estate income                            | 13,870                 | 89,309                  |
| Accrued audit, legal and other                         | 6,840                  | 8,118                   |
| Accrued interest                                       | 56,669                 | 33,921                  |
| Other postretirement and postemployment benefits       | 41,958                 | 41,655                  |
| Other accruals   | 1,855                  | 8,005                   |
| Pension plan benefits                                  | 132,217                | 125,000                 |
| Step rent liabilities                                  | 13,314                 | 56,287                  |
| Unfavorable lease liabilities                          | -                      | 4,201                   |
| Other noncurrent liabilities                           | 9,791                  | 11,316                  |
| 5.125% Convertible Senior Notes, due June 15, 2011     | 165,000                | 165,000                 |
| Related Party Promissory Note, due August 18, 2011     | 10,000                 | 10,000                  |
| 9.125% Senior Notes, due December 15, 2011             | 12,840                 | 12,840                  |
| 6.750% Convertible Senior Notes, due December 15, 2012 | 255,000                | 255,000                 |
| 11.375% Senior Secured Notes, due August 1, 2015       | 260,000                | 260,000                 |
| 9.375% Notes, due August 1, 2039                       | 200,000                | 200,000                 |
| Other debt   | 2,369                  | 2,714                   |
| Obligations under capital leases                       | 44,254                 | 121,058                 |
| Real estate liabilities                                | 150,029                | 399,480                 |
| Total liabilities subject to compromise                | \$ 2,393,417           | \$ 2,874,734            |

#### Rejected Leases

During the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we rejected 63 of our leases through the bankruptcy process, reducing the closed locations reserves balance associated with these leases by \$52.6 million, net to the allowable claim for damages of \$186.6 million as of December 3, 2011. In connection with the rejected leases during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, the related deferred real estate income, unfavorable lease liabilities, obligations under capital leases and real estate liabilities were written off, all which were recorded to "Reorganization items, net" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations. Refer to Note 15 – Reorganization Items, Net, for further discussion of our rejected leases.

#### Assumed Leases



During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, our Company assumed 63 and 393 real estate leases, respectively, including leases for shopping center tenants as well as leases for subleased locations. In connection with the assumption of the leases, the related liability balances previously classified as “Liabilities subject to compromise” were reclassified to the respective balance sheet captions in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. In addition, all undisputed cure amounts related to these leases in the amount of \$8.4 million have been paid to the landlords.

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

Non-debtor Financing Agreements

Intercompany financing agreements with foreign non-Debtor subsidiaries of \$94.1 million are not reflected in the above liabilities subject to compromise table as these amounts were eliminated on a consolidated basis.

11. Redeemable Preferred Stock

On August 4, 2009, our Company issued 60,000 shares of 8.0% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A-T, without par value, to affiliates of Tengelmann and 115,000 shares of 8.0% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A-Y, without par value, to affiliates of Yucaipa Companies LLC, together referred to as the "Preferred Stock", for approximately \$162.8 million, after deducting approximately \$12.2 million in closing and issuance costs. Each share of the Preferred Stock has an initial liquidation preference of one thousand dollars, subject to adjustment.

The Preferred Stock issuance was classified within temporary stockholders' equity in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011. The holders of the Preferred Stock are entitled under a pre-bankruptcy agreement to an 8.0% dividend, payable quarterly in arrears in cash or in additional shares of Preferred Stock if our Company does not meet the liquidity levels required to pay the dividends. We are currently not accruing for the 8% dividend and no dividends have been paid during the pendency of our bankruptcy case.

On November 24, 2010 our Company's Board of Directors authorized a payment-in-kind ("PIK") dividend on our Preferred Stock, payable on December 15, 2010 to holders of record on November 15, 2010 ("Record Date"). Dividends are required to be PIK in the event our Company does not have the ability to pay the dividends in cash. As of the Record Date, we did not have the ability to pay the dividends in cash. The calculation of PIK dividends on our Preferred Stock is based upon the rate defined by the original terms of the Preferred Stock at 9.5% per annum. The PIK dividends of approximately \$4.0 million are included in "Series A redeemable preferred stock" in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. The PIK dividend due on December 15, 2010 was not paid by our Company due to the Bankruptcy Filing.

During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we recorded deferred financing fees amortization of \$0.4 million and \$1.3 million, respectively, and embedded beneficial conversion features accretion of \$1.1 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, within "Additional paid-in capital". During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, we recorded deferred financing fees amortization of \$0.4 million and \$1.3 million, respectively, and embedded beneficial conversion features accretion of \$1.1 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, within "Additional paid-in capital". During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, we accrued Preferred Stock dividends of \$3.2 million and \$10.6 million, respectively, within "Additional paid-in capital" and paid Preferred Stock cash dividends of \$3.5 million and \$10.5 million, respectively.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

## 12. Stock Based Compensation

At December 3, 2011, we had two stock-based compensation plans, the 2008 Long Term Incentive and Share Award Plan and the 2004 Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan. The general terms of each plan are reported in our Fiscal 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The components of our compensation expense (income) related to stock-based incentive plans were as follows:

|  | For the 12 Weeks Ended |                 | For the 40 Weeks Ended |                 |
|--|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|
|  | Dec. 3,<br>2011        | Dec. 4,<br>2010 | Dec. 3,<br>2011        | Dec. 4,<br>2010 |
| Stock options                          | \$ 686                 | \$ 911          | \$ 2,008               | \$ 665          |
| Restricted stock units                 | 245                    | 249             | 896                    | (42)            |
| Common stock granted to Directors      | -                      | 187             | (464)                  | 623             |
| Total stock-based compensation expense | \$ 931                 | \$ 1,347        | \$ 2,440               | \$ 1,246        |

There were no stock-based grants during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011.

### Stock options

As of December 3, 2011, approximately \$4.9 million, net of tax, of total unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested stock option awards will be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.7 years.

### Restricted Stock

None of the previously granted restricted stock units vested during the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011. As of December 3, 2011, approximately \$1.1 million, net of tax, of total unrecognized compensation expense relating to restricted stock units granted during fiscal 2010 and fiscal 2009 is expected to be recognized through fiscal 2013.

### 2004 Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan

Although the 2004 Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan ("Director Plan") is still in effect, at this time our Company does not anticipate issuing an annual grant of common stock or common stock equivalent in fiscal 2011. As a result, our Company reversed previously recognized stock compensation expense expected to be issued at the fiscal 2011 annual meeting during the first quarter of fiscal 2011. Such stock compensation expense will not be recognized in our Consolidated Statements of Operations until formal changes are made to the Director Plan.

## 13. Retirement Plans and Benefits

### Defined Benefit Plans

The components of our net pension cost were as follows:

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

|                                | For the 12 Weeks Ended |                 | For the 40 Weeks Ended |                 |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|
|                                | Dec. 3,<br>2011        | Dec. 4,<br>2010 | Dec. 3,<br>2011        | Dec. 4,<br>2010 |
| Service cost                   | \$ 1,498               | \$ 1,528        | \$ 4,994               | \$ 5,093        |
| Interest cost                  | 6,628                  | 6,682           | 22,093                 | 22,273          |
| Expected return on plan assets | (7,176)                | (6,640)         | (23,921)               | (22,133)        |
| Amortization of:               |                        |                 |                        |                 |
| Net prior service cost         | 21                     | 34              | 70                     | 115             |
| Actuarial loss                 | 404                    | 439             | 1,347                  | 1,463           |
| Special termination benefits   | -                      | 200             | -                      | 600             |
| Net pension cost               | \$ 1,375               | \$ 2,243        | \$ 4,583               | \$ 7,411        |

We did not contribute to our two defined benefit plans during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011. As a result of the Bankruptcy Filing, we do not plan to make any contributions to our two defined benefit plans during the remainder of fiscal 2011. Our minimum contribution payment required for the plans' fiscal 2010 plan year is approximately \$11.1 million, which was due on September 15, 2011 and remains unpaid. In addition, quarterly contributions for the plans' 2011 plan year total approximately \$2.5 million per quarter, which were due on April 15, 2011, July 15, 2011 and October 15, 2011 remain unpaid. In the event that we successfully reorganize under chapter 11 and we emerge from bankruptcy prior to the end of fiscal 2011, our Company may be required to make the \$11.1 million required contributions to our two defined benefit plans, as well as other missed contributions, during fiscal 2011.

#### Postretirement Plans

The components of our net postretirement benefits cost were as follows:

|                                  | For the 12 Weeks Ended |                 | For the 40 Weeks Ended |                 |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|
|                                  | Dec.<br>3, 2011        | Dec. 4,<br>2010 | Dec. 3,<br>2011        | Dec. 4,<br>2010 |
| Service cost                     | \$ 175                 | \$ 151          | \$ 583                 | \$ 503          |
| Interest cost                    | 431                    | 428             | 1,437                  | 1,427           |
| Amortization of:                 |                        |                 |                        |                 |
| Net prior service credit         | -                      | (198)           | -                      | (660)           |
| Actuarial gain                   | (63)                   | (112)           | (211)                  | (374)           |
| Net postretirement benefits cost | \$ 543                 | \$ 269          | \$ 1,809               | \$ 896          |

Our current estimates are subject to change due to changes in actuarial assumptions and further clarifications provided by regulatory guidance expected to be released in future years.

#### GHI Employee Obligation

As of December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011, the fair value of our contractual obligation to Grocery Hauler Inc.'s ("GHI") employees was \$101.3 million and \$94.3 million, respectively, using discount rates of 4.75% and 5.50%, respectively, which were derived from the published zero-coupon AA corporate bond yields. Additions to our GHI employee obligation for current service costs is recorded within "Cost of merchandise sold" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations at its current value. Accretion of the obligation to present value and impact of discount rates

used to value the obligation are recorded within “Interest expense, net” in our Consolidated Statements of Operations. As a result of the rejection of the GHI Trucking Agreement (discussed further in Note 22 – Commitments and Contingencies), accruals for

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

future services for participant benefits were suspended during the first quarter of fiscal 2011 upon termination of the remaining GHI employees. During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we recognized service costs of nil and de minimus, respectively, and interest expense of \$1.1 million and \$12.0 million, respectively, representing interest accretion on this obligation, as well as the impact of the lower discount rates used to value this obligation, resulting from declines in the published zero-coupon AA corporate bond yields during each period. During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, we recognized service costs of \$0.2 million and \$0.6 million, respectively, and interest (income) expense of (\$1.7) million and \$6.8 million, respectively, representing interest accretion on this obligation, as well as the impact of the lower discount rates used to value this obligation, resulting from declines in the published zero-coupon AA corporate bond yields during each period. During the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 and December 4, 2010, benefit payments of \$5.0 million and \$9.2 million, respectively, were made by the Pathmark Pension Plan.

Our employee obligation relating to pension benefits for GHI's employees are considered subject to compromise and are included within "Liabilities subject to compromise" in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011.

#### Multi-employer Union Pension Plans

We participate in various multi-employer pension plans which are administered jointly by management and union representatives. During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we made a standard withdrawal from one of our multi-employer pension plans, to limit our pension benefit obligation to our employees, as we believed that this plan was likely to have funding challenges and would require higher contributions in the future, and recorded standard withdrawal liability of \$28.9 million. During the second quarter of fiscal 2010, we received notification that the trustees of the multi-employer pension plan have voted to go into a mass withdrawal. The impact of the mass withdrawal to our Company is not currently estimable, therefore no adjustment has been recorded in our Consolidated Financial Statements. We may have a potential additional withdrawal obligation of up to \$50.0 million payable over a period of up to 25 years in the future. This preliminary estimate is subject to change due to the uncertainty as to the number of participants that will be subject to mass withdrawal and the finalization of asset values and calculations by the multi-employer pension plan.

During the first quarter of fiscal 2011, we received notification from the trustees of a multi-employer union pension plan for payment of a partial withdrawal resulting from the closure of certain Pathmark stores in fiscal 2009. The impact of the partial withdrawal is a liability of approximately \$14.3 million, which is included within "Liabilities subject to compromise" in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 3, 2011. We could, under certain circumstances, be liable for unfunded vested benefits or other expenses of jointly administered union/management plans, which benefits could be significant and material for our Company.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

## 14. Interest Expense, Net

Interest expense, net is comprised of the following:

|  | For the 12 Weeks Ended |                 | For the 40 Weeks Ended |                 |
|--|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|
|  | Dec. 3,<br>2011        | Dec. 4,<br>2010 | Dec. 3,<br>2011        | Dec. 4,<br>2010 |
| \$800 million Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement          | \$ 8,630               | \$ -            | \$ 28,683              | \$ -            |
| \$655 million Credit Agreement                               | 95                     | 3,161           | 1,147                  | 10,270          |
| Related Party Promissory Note, due Aug. 18, 2011             | -                      | 142             | -                      | 467             |
| 11.375% Senior Secured Notes, due Aug. 1, 2015               | 6,825                  | 6,751           | 22,750                 | 22,709          |
| 9.125% Senior Notes, due Dec. 15, 2011                       | -                      | 269             | -                      | 898             |
| 5.125% Convertible Senior Notes, due June 15, 2011           | -                      | 1,941           | -                      | 6,483           |
| 6.750% Convertible Senior Notes, due Dec. 15, 2012           | -                      | 3,951           | -                      | 13,196          |
| 9.375% Notes, due August 1, 2039                             | -                      | 4,280           | -                      | 14,375          |
| Obligations under capital leases and real estate liabilities | 11,268                 | 11,227          | 38,586                 | 37,753          |
| Self-insurance and GHI interest                              | 4,686                  | 4,130           | 16,085                 | 13,001          |
| GHI discount rate adjustment and COLI non-cash interest      | -                      | (2,090)         | 10,021                 | 5,559           |
| Amortization of deferred financing fees and discounts        | 2,972                  | 6,118           | 3,463                  | 21,499          |
| Other  | 23                     | 159             | 47                     | 1,136           |
| Subtotal   | 34,499                 | 40,039          | 120,782                | 147,346         |
| Interest income  | -                      | (1)             | -                      | (40)            |
| Interest expense, net  | \$ 34,499              | \$ 40,038       | \$ 120,782             | \$ 147,306      |

We recorded \$8.6 million and \$28.7 million in contractual interest for the DIP Credit Agreement during the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, respectively. We continued to record contractual interest for our \$260 million 11.375% Senior Secured Notes due August 1, 2015 that were issued in August 2009. We did not record contractual interest expense of approximately \$8.6 million and \$31.2 million for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, respectively, for our Related Party Promissory Note, due August 18, 2011, 9.125% Senior Notes, due December 15, 2011, 5.125% Convertible Senior Notes, due June 15, 2011, 6.750% Convertible Senior Notes, due December 15, 2012, and 9.375% Notes, due August 1, 2039, all of which are unsecured obligations for which we ceased accruing interest during the fourth quarter 2010 as a result of the Bankruptcy Filing. Debt discounts and deferred financing fees for all debt which is subject to compromise were reclassified into the carrying value of the respective indebtedness upon the Bankruptcy Filing and the balances were then adjusted to the face value of the debt. As a result of this reclassification, we ceased amortization of deferred financing fees and discounts effective as of the Bankruptcy Filing date. Although we have recorded interest accretion expense on obligations under capital leases and real estate liabilities, self-insurance reserves and GHI obligations, we have not made a final determination as to the value of any underlying assets or the rejection/assumption of any of the obligations that we have not assumed. Once a determination is made, the accretion of the interest expense may change.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

## 15. Reorganization Items, Net

Reorganization items, net represent amounts incurred and recovered as a direct result of the Bankruptcy Filing and were comprised of the following:

|   | For the 12<br>Weeks<br>Ended<br>Dec.<br>3, 2011 | For the 40<br>Weeks<br>Ended<br>Dec. 3,<br>2011 |
|---|---|---|
| Professional fees, net  | \$ (10,200)                                     | \$ (40,036)                                     |
| US Trustee fees   | (254)   | (766)   |
| Write-off of balance sheet items related to rejected contracts, net - continuing operations   | (56)  | 47,101  |
| C&S contract effect   | -   | 34,139  |
| Reduction of closed locations reserve - continuing operations                                 | -   | 44,078  |
| Reorganization items, net - continuing operations   | (10,510)  | 84,516  |
| Write-off of balance sheet items related to rejected contracts, net - discontinued operations | -   | 25,735  |
| Reduction of closed locations reserve - discontinued operations                               | -   | 8,474   |
| Provision for income taxes for reorganization items, net - discontinued operations            | -   | (14,368)  |
| Total reorganization items, net   | \$ (10,510)                                     | \$ 104,357                                      |

For the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, professional fees of \$10.2 million and \$40.0 million, respectively, were accrued, and \$11.4 million and \$34.9 million, respectively, were paid related to our Bankruptcy Filing. U.S. Trustee fees of approximately \$0.3 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, were incurred and paid during the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011.

On June 2, 2011, our Company rejected its prior contract with C&S and entered into a new definitive supply agreement effective May 29, 2011. As a result of our renegotiated contract, in the first quarter of fiscal 2011 we eliminated \$34.1 million of previously recorded unfavorable contract liability.

During the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we rejected 63 of our leases through the bankruptcy process and reduced the closed locations reserves balance associated with these leases by \$52.6 million, \$44.1 million of which was attributed to continuing operations and \$8.5 million was attributed to discontinued operations, net to the allowable claim for damages amounted to \$55.3 million for the period ended December 3, 2011. Our closed locations reserve balance of \$189.2 million relates to damage claims of \$186.6 million and \$2.5 million pertains to locations for which leases have been assumed as of December 3, 2011. In connection with the rejection of the 63 leases during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we also wrote off the related obligations under capital leases of \$9.8 million, unfavorable lease liabilities of \$3.2 million, real estate liabilities of \$22.6 million, deferred real estate income of \$9.4 million, other liabilities of \$0.6 million, with an offsetting write-off of other assets of \$1.0 million, totaling \$44.6 million, net. Of these amounts, \$43.0 million relates to continuing operations and \$1.6 million relates to discontinued operations.



During the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we rejected 9 of our assigned leases through the bankruptcy process and wrote-off the related property, net of \$13.5 million with an offsetting write-off of deferred real estate income of \$41.8 million, totaling \$28.3 million. Of this amount, \$4.2 million relates to continuing operations and \$24.1 million relates to discontinued operations.

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

## 16. Income Taxes

During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, our valuation allowance increased by \$43.6 million and \$139.2 million, respectively, to reflect generation of additional operating losses and increases to other deferred tax assets. In future periods, we will continue to record a valuation allowance against net deferred tax assets until such time as the certainty of the realization of future tax benefits can be reasonably assured.

Our Company is subject to U.S. federal income tax, as well as income tax in multiple state and foreign jurisdictions. As of December 3, 2011, with a few exceptions, we remain subject to examination by federal, state and local tax authorities for tax years 2005 through 2010. With a few exceptions, we are no longer subject to federal, state or local examinations by tax authorities for tax years 2004 and prior. At December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011, we had unrecognized tax benefits of \$0.6 million, which were recorded within deferred tax liabilities in "Other accruals" in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. We do not expect that the amount of our gross unrecognized tax positions will change significantly in the next 12 months. Any future decrease in our Company's gross unrecognized tax positions is not expected to affect our effective tax rate. Our Company classifies interest and penalty expense related to unrecognized tax benefits within "Benefit from income taxes" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations. For the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 and December 4, 2010, respectively, no amounts were recorded for interest and penalties within "Benefit from income taxes" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The effective tax rate on continuing operations of (1.1%) and 3.5% for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, respectively, and 1.6% and 0.6% for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010 respectively, varied from the statutory rate of 35%, primarily due to state and local income taxes, and the increase in our valuation allowance. The rate for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010 was also impacted by the mark to market of the Series B warrants issued in the acquisition of Pathmark. During the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011, \$1.5 million of the benefit from income taxes related to a refund of the Alternative Minimum Tax credit.

At December 3, 2011, we had federal Net Operating Loss ("NOL") carry forwards of approximately \$1.0 billion, which will expire between fiscal 2024 and 2031, some of which are subject to an annual limitation. The federal NOL carry forwards include \$7.4 million related to the excess tax deductions for stock option plans that have yet to reduce income taxes payable. Upon utilization of these carry forwards, the associated tax benefits of approximately \$2.6 million will be recorded in "Additional paid-in capital" in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. In addition, we had state loss carry forwards of \$1.0 billion that will expire between fiscal 2011 and fiscal 2031. Our Company's general business credits consist of federal and state work incentive credits, which will expire between fiscal 2011 and fiscal 2030, some of which are subject to an annual limitation. Our Company currently has substantial NOL carry forwards and certain other tax attributes that are potentially available to offset taxable income. However, Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended provides that, if a corporation undergoes an ownership change, its ability to use its NOL carry forwards and certain other tax attributes could be limited. We are currently examining methods to maximize the utilization of these NOL carryforwards when we implement our Plan of Reorganization.

At December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011, we had net current deferred tax liabilities of \$15.2 million and \$28.3 million, respectively, which were included in "Other accruals" in our Consolidated Balance Sheets



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

and non-current deferred tax assets of \$3.6 million and \$16.7 million, respectively, which were recorded in “Other assets” in our Consolidated Balance Sheets.

#### Revision of Prior Period Financial Statements

During the first quarter of fiscal 2011, our Company identified that the amount of income tax benefit and income tax expense allocated to continuing operations and discontinued operations, respectively, for the fiscal year ended February 26, 2011 was improperly presented in our Consolidated Statements of Operations. The impact of this improper presentation, which results from the improper intraperiod allocation of income taxes, was an understatement of the “Benefit from income taxes” related to “Loss from continuing operations” and an understatement of the “Provision for income taxes” related to “Income from discontinued operations” of \$33.1 million in our Consolidated Statements of Operations during the fiscal year ended February 26, 2011. The effect of this revision had no impact on our “Net loss” in our Consolidated Statements of Operations or “Net cash used in operating activities” in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the fiscal year ended February 26, 2011.

The following table presents the impact of this revision in our Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations for the fiscal year ended February 26, 2011:

|  | As Reported | Adjustment | As Revised |
|--|-------------|------------|------------|
| Benefit from (provision for) income taxes  | \$ 3,798    | \$ 33,146  | \$36,944   |
| Loss from continuing operations            | (673,400)   | 33,146     | (640,254)  |
| Income (loss) from discontinued operations | 74,825      | (33,146)   | 41,679     |
| Net (loss) income per share - basic        | (11.45)     | 0.01       | (11.44)    |

The revisions described above will be reflected in our Company's Consolidated Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended February 25, 2012.

#### 17. Discontinued Operations

We have had multiple transactions throughout the years which met the criteria for discontinued operations. These events are described based on the year the transaction was initiated.

Summarized below is a reconciliation of the liabilities related to restructuring obligations resulting from these activities:

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

|                    | For the 40 weeks Ended December 3, 2011 |                          |                |                | Balance at<br>12/3/2011 |
|--------------------|---|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
|                    | Balance at<br>2/26/2011                 | Interest<br>Accretion(1) | Adjustments(2) | Utilization(3) |                         |
| <b>2007 Events</b> |   |                          |                |                |                         |
| Occupancy          | \$ 49,317                               | \$ 80                    | \$ (6,857)     | \$ -           | \$ 42,540               |
| Pension withdrawal | 57,581                                  | 2,674                    | -              | -              | 60,255                  |
| 2007 events total  | 106,898                                 | 2,754                    | (6,857)        | -              | 102,795                 |
| <b>2005 Event</b>  |   |                          |                |                |                         |
| Occupancy          | 21,390                                  | -                        | -              | -              | 21,390                  |
| <b>2003 Events</b> |   |                          |                |                |                         |
| Occupancy          | 8,451                                   | 12                       | (1,641)        | (39)           | 6,783                   |
| Total              | \$ 136,739                              | \$ 2,766                 | \$ (8,498)     | \$ (39)        | \$ 130,968              |

(1) The additions to occupancy and severance represent the interest accretion on future occupancy costs and future obligations for early withdrawal from multi-employer union pension plans which were recorded at present value at the time of the original charge. Interest accretion is recorded as a component of "Loss from operations of discontinued businesses" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

(2) At each balance sheet date, we assess the adequacy of the balance of the remaining liability to determine if any adjustments are required as a result of changes in circumstances and/or estimates. These adjustments are recorded as a component of "Loss from operations of discontinued businesses" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

For the 40 weeks Ended December 3, 2011

During the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we recorded adjustments for the 2007 and 2003 events to reduce occupancy liabilities by \$6.9 million and \$1.6 million, respectively, due to an estimated allowable claim amount for property leases that were rejected in Bankruptcy Court during the fiscal year.

(3) Occupancy utilization represents payments made during those periods for rent, common area maintenance and real estate taxes. Pension withdrawal utilization represents payments made to the union pension fund during the period.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

Summarized below are the payments made to date from the time of the original charge and expected future payments related to these events:

|  | 2007 Events | 2005 Event | 2003 Events | Total      |
|--|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| Total severance payments made to date  | \$ 37,089   | \$ 2,650   | \$ 22,528   | \$ 62,267  |
| Expected future pension withdrawal payments  | 60,255      | -          | -           | 60,255     |
| Total severance and pension withdrawal payments expected to be incurred  | 97,344      | 2,650      | 22,528      | 122,522    |
| Total occupancy payments made to date  | 92,140      | 60,866     | 34,123      | 187,129    |
| Expected future occupancy payments, excluding interest accretion   | 42,540      | 21,390     | 6,783       | 70,713     |
| Total occupancy payments expected to be incurred, excluding interest accretion                                   | \$ 134,680  | \$ 82,256  | \$ 40,906   | \$ 257,842 |
| Total severance and occupancy payments made to date  | \$ 129,229  | \$ 63,516  | \$ 56,651   | \$ 249,396 |
| Expected future pension withdrawal and occupancy payments expected to be incurred, excluding interest accretion  | 102,795     | 21,390     | 6,783       | 130,968    |
| Total severance, pension withdrawal and occupancy payments expected to be incurred, excluding interest accretion | \$ 232,024  | \$ 84,906  | \$ 63,434   | \$ 380,364 |

Payments to date were primarily for occupancy related costs such as rent, common area maintenance, real estate taxes, lease termination costs, severance, and benefits. The remaining obligation relates to expected future payments under long term leases and expected future payments for early withdrawal from multi-employer union pension plans. The expected completion dates for the 2007, 2005 and 2003 events are 2028, 2012 and 2012, respectively.

Summarized below are the amounts included in our balance sheet captions in our Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets related to these events:

|                                   | December 3, 2011 |            |             |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------|-------------|------------|
|                                   | 2007 Events      | 2005 Event | 2003 Events | Total      |
| Other accruals                    | \$ -             | \$ -       | \$ -        | \$ -       |
| Other non-current liabilities     | \$ -             | \$ -       | \$ -        | \$ -       |
| Liabilities subject to compromise | \$ 102,795       | \$ 21,390  | \$ 6,783    | \$ 130,968 |

|                               | February 26, 2011 |            |             |       |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------|
|                               | 2007 Events       | 2005 Event | 2003 Events | Total |
| Other accruals                | \$ -              | \$ -       | \$ -        | \$ -  |
| Other non-current liabilities | \$ -              | \$ -       | \$ -        | \$ -  |

|                                   |            |           |          |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Liabilities subject to compromise | \$ 106,898 | \$ 21,390 | \$ 8,451 | \$ 136,739 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------|----------|------------|

We evaluated the closed locations reserves balances as of December 3, 2011 based on current information and have concluded that they are adequate to cover future costs. We will continue to monitor the status of the vacant and subsidized properties, severance and benefits, and pension withdrawal liabilities, and adjustments to the closed locations reserves balances may be recorded in the future, if necessary.

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

## 18. Asset Disposition Initiatives

In addition to the events described in Note 17 – Discontinued Operations, there were restructuring transactions which were not primarily related to our discontinued operations businesses. These events are referred to based on the year the transaction was initiated.

Summarized below is a reconciliation of the liabilities related to restructuring obligations resulting from these activities:

|   | For the 40 Weeks Ended December 3, 2011 |                          |                  |                   | Balance at<br>12/3/2011 |
|---|---|--------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
|   | Balance at<br>2/26/2011                 | Interest<br>Accretion(1) | Adjustments(2)   | Utilization(3)    |                         |
| <b>2011 Event</b>                       |   |                          |                  |                   |                         |
| Continuing Operations                   |   |                          |                  |                   |                         |
| Occupancy                               | \$ -                                    | \$ -                     | \$ 47,409        | \$ (2,022)        | \$ 45,387               |
| Severance and health benefits           | 2,738                                   | -                        | 472              | (3,139)           | 71                      |
| 2011 event total                        | 2,738                                   | -                        | 47,881           | (5,161)           | 45,458                  |
| <b>2010 Event</b>                       |   |                          |                  |                   |                         |
| Continuing Operations                   |   |                          |                  |                   |                         |
| Occupancy                               | 29,353                                  | -                        | -                | (109)             | 29,244                  |
| Severance and health benefits           | 239                                     | -                        | 69               | (69)              | 239                     |
| 2010 event total                        | 29,592                                  | -                        | 69               | (178)             | 29,483                  |
| <b>2005 Event</b>                       |   |                          |                  |                   |                         |
| Continuing Operations                   |   |                          |                  |                   |                         |
| Health benefits                         | 445                                     | -                        | -                | (130)             | 315                     |
| 2005 event total                        | 445                                     | -                        | -                | (130)             | 315                     |
| <b>2001 Event</b>                       |   |                          |                  |                   |                         |
| Continuing Operations                   |   |                          |                  |                   |                         |
| Occupancy                               | 2,127                                   | -                        | 166              | -                 | 2,293                   |
| Discontinued Operations                 |   |                          |                  |                   |                         |
| Occupancy                               | 1,774                                   | -                        | -                | -                 | 1,774                   |
| 2001 event total                        | 3,901                                   | -                        | 166              | -                 | 4,067                   |
| <b>1998 Event</b>                       |   |                          |                  |                   |                         |
| Continuing Operations                   |   |                          |                  |                   |                         |
| Occupancy                               | 3,400                                   | 8                        | (109)            | (291)             | 3,008                   |
| Pension withdrawals and health benefits | 524                                     | -                        | -                | -                 | 524                     |
| 1998 event total                        | 3,924                                   | 8                        | (109)            | (291)             | 3,532                   |
| <b>Total</b>                            | <b>\$ 40,600</b>                        | <b>\$ 8</b>              | <b>\$ 48,007</b> | <b>\$ (5,760)</b> | <b>82,855</b>           |



- (1) The additions to occupancy represent the interest accretion on future occupancy costs which were recorded at present value at the time of the original charge. These adjustments are recorded to “Store operating, general and administrative expense” for continuing operations and “Loss from operations of discontinued businesses” for discontinued operations in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.
-

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

- (2) At each balance sheet date, we assess the adequacy of the balance to determine if any adjustments are required as a result of changes in circumstances and/or estimates. These adjustments are recorded to “Store operating, general and administrative expense” and “Reorganization items, net” for continuing operations and “Loss from operations of discontinued businesses” for discontinued operations in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

For the 40 weeks Ended December 3, 2011

We recorded an initial occupancy charge for the 2011 event related to the April store closings and the Southern store closings of \$63.3 million and \$26.2 million, respectively, partially offset by an adjustment of \$27.8 million and \$14.5 million, respectively, to reduce the occupancy liabilities to an estimated allowable claim amount due to property leases that were rejected in Bankruptcy Court during the 40 weeks of fiscal 2011. We also recorded an adjustment for the Southern stores of \$0.2 million due to balance sheet reclassifications for real estate accounts. The initial occupancy charge of \$63.3 million and the related adjustment of \$27.8 million for the April store closings impacted the Fresh, Pathmark and Other segments by \$33.2 million, \$27.6 million and \$2.5 million, respectively, and \$13.3 million, \$14.3 million and \$0.2 million, respectively. The Southern store closings all related to the Fresh segment. In addition, we recorded an initial severance charge for the 2011 Event related to the southern store closings of \$2.8 million and adjustments of (\$0.4) million and (\$1.9) million for the 2011 Event related to the April and Southern store closings, respectively. The Southern store closures were completed by July 9, 2011 and 12 of these stores were sold at auction, resulting in a gain of \$29.1 million.

For the 2010 Event, we recorded an adjustment of \$0.1 million for additional severance and health benefits owed to severed employees. For the 2001 Event, we recorded an adjustment of \$0.2 million to increase the occupancy liabilities to an estimated allowable claim amount due to property leases that were rejected in Bankruptcy Court during the 40 weeks of fiscal 2011. For the 1998 Event, we recorded an adjustment of \$0.1 million to reduce the occupancy liabilities to an estimated allowable claim amount due to property leases that were rejected in Bankruptcy Court during the 40 weeks of fiscal 2011.

- (3) Occupancy utilization represents payments made during those periods for rent. Severance and benefits utilization represents payments made to terminated employees during the period.

Summarized below are the payments made to date from the time of the original charge and expected future payments related to these events:

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

|  | 2011<br>Event | 2010<br>Event | 2005<br>Event | 2001<br>Event | 1998<br>Event | Total      |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------|
| Total severance payments made to date  | \$ 3,139      | \$ 602        | \$ 49,367     | \$ 28,205     | \$ 30,940     | \$ 112,253 |
| Expected future severance payments   | 71            | 239           | 315           | -             | 524           | 1,149      |
| Total severance payments expected to be incurred                                   | \$ 3,210      | \$ 841        | \$ 49,682     | \$ 28,205     | \$ 31,464     | \$ 113,402 |
| Total occupancy payments made to date  | \$ 2,022      | \$ 898        | \$ 13,856     | \$ 67,283     | \$ 120,263    | \$ 204,322 |
| Expected future occupancy payments, excluding interest accretion                   | 45,387        | 29,244        | -             | 4,067         | 3,008         | 81,706     |
| Total occupancy payments expected to be incurred, excluding interest accretion     | \$ 47,409     | \$ 30,142     | \$ 13,856     | \$ 71,350     | \$ 123,271    | \$ 286,028 |
| Total severance and occupancy payments made to date                                | \$ 5,161      | \$ 1,500      | \$ 63,223     | \$ 95,488     | \$ 151,203    | \$ 316,575 |
| Expected future severance and occupancy payments, excluding interest accretion     | 45,458        | 29,483        | 315           | 4,067         | 3,532         | 82,855     |
| Total severance and occupancy payments expected to be excluding interest accretion | \$ 50,619     | \$ 30,983     | \$ 63,538     | \$ 99,555     | \$ 154,735    | \$ 399,430 |

Payments to date were primarily for occupancy related costs such as rent, common area maintenance, real estate taxes, lease termination costs, severance, and benefits. The remaining obligation relates to expected future payments under long-term leases and expected future payments for early withdrawal from multi-employer union pension plans. The expected completion dates for the 2011, 2010, 2005, 2001 and 1998 events are 2012, 2012, 2015, 2012 and 2012, respectively.

Summarized below are the amounts included in our balance sheet captions in our Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets related to these events:

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

|                                   | December 3, 2011 |               |               |               |               |      | Total     |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------|-----------|
|                                   | 2011<br>Event    | 2010<br>Event | 2005<br>Event | 2001<br>Event | 1998<br>Event |      |           |
| Other accruals                    | \$ 71            | \$ -          | \$ -          | \$ -          | \$ -          | \$ - | \$ 71     |
| Other non-current liabilities     | \$ -             | \$ -          | \$ -          | \$ -          | \$ -          | \$ - | \$ -      |
| Liabilities subject to compromise | \$ 45,387        | \$ 29,483     | \$ 315        | \$ 4,067      | \$ 3,532      | \$ - | \$ 82,784 |

|                                   | February 26, 2011 |               |               |               |      |      | Total     |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------|------|-----------|
|                                   | 2010<br>Event     | 2005<br>Event | 2001<br>Event | 1998<br>Event |      |      |           |
| Other accruals                    | \$ -              | \$ -          | \$ -          | \$ -          | \$ - | \$ - | \$ -      |
| Other non-current liabilities     | \$ -              | \$ -          | \$ -          | \$ -          | \$ - | \$ - | \$ -      |
| Liabilities subject to compromise | \$ 29,592         | \$ 445        | \$ 3,901      | \$ 3,924      | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 37,862 |

We evaluated the closed locations reserves balances as of December 3, 2011 based on current information and have concluded that they are adequate to cover future costs. We will continue to monitor the status of the vacant and subsidized properties, severance and benefits, and pension withdrawal liabilities, and adjustments to the closed locations reserves balances may be recorded in the future, if necessary.

#### 19. Sale-Leaseback Transactions

During the third quarter of fiscal 2010, we sold six properties for \$89.8 million and simultaneously leased them back from the purchaser. However, due to our continuing involvement with these properties, including that all six leases contain fixed-price renewal options that extend beyond the economic useful life of the property, the sales did not qualify for sale-leaseback accounting treatment. The carrying value of these properties of approximately \$68.3 million remained on our Consolidated Balance Sheets at December 4, 2010 and no sale was recognized. Instead, the sales price of these properties of \$89.8 million was recorded as a long-term real estate liability with a maturity of 20 years, within "Long-term real estate liabilities" on our Consolidated Balance Sheets at December 4, 2010. In addition, all lease payments are being charged to "Interest expense" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations. Five properties were sold for a gain of \$19.8 million after expenses which are being deferred until the end of the lease terms when our continuing involvement ceases. One property was sold at a loss of \$0.8 million which was recognized immediately.

#### 20. Disposition of Assets

On November 2, 2010, our Company sold seven store locations in Northern Connecticut for \$24.6 million in cash, which included fixed assets and inventory. We recorded a gain of approximately \$5.7 million in connection with the sale within "Store operating, general and administrative expense" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010.



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

## 21. Loss Per Share

Basic loss per share is computed by dividing loss available to common shareholders by the weighted average shares outstanding for the reporting period. Diluted loss per share reflects all potential dilution, using either the treasury stock method or the “if-converted” method, and assumes that the convertible debt, stock options, restricted stock, performance restricted stock, warrants, preferred stock, and other potentially dilutive financial instruments were converted into common stock on the first day of the period. If the conversion of a potentially dilutive security yields an antidilutive result, such potential dilutive security is excluded from the diluted earnings per share calculation.

The following table contains common share equivalents, which were not included in the historical loss per share calculations as their effect would be antidilutive:

|                                    | 12 Weeks Ended |              | 40 Weeks Ended |              |
|------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
|                                    | Dec. 3, 2011   | Dec. 4, 2010 | Dec. 3, 2011   | Dec. 4, 2010 |
| Stock options                      | 4,058,323      | 7,625,333    | 4,396,618      | 4,202,947    |
| Warrants                           | 6,965,858      | 7,652,135    | 6,965,858      | 686,277      |
| Performance restricted stock units | -              | 110,668      | -              | 166,683      |
| Restricted stock units             | 662,607        | 972,587      | 686,507        | 1,002,303    |
| Financing warrant                  | 11,278,988     | 11,278,988   | 11,278,988     | 11,278,988   |
| Preferred stock                    | 35,804,000     | 35,000,000   | 35,804,000     | 35,000,000   |
| Convertible debt                   | 11,278,988     | 11,278,988   | 11,278,988     | 11,278,988   |

The following table sets forth the calculation of basic and diluted loss per share:

|  | 12 Weeks Ended |              | 40 Weeks Ended |              |
|--|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
|  | Dec. 3, 2011   | Dec. 4, 2010 | Dec. 3, 2011   | Dec. 4, 2010 |
| Loss from continuing operations                | \$(123,231 )   | \$(180,041 ) | \$(397,731 )   | \$(436,972 ) |
| Preferred stock dividends                      | -              | (3,231 )     | -              | (10,631 )    |
| Beneficial conversion feature amortization     | (1,111 )       | (1,111 )     | (3,703 )       | (3,703 )     |
| Loss from continuing operations - basic        | (124,342 )     | (184,383 )   | (401,434 )     | (451,306 )   |
| Adjustments for convertible debt (1)           | -              | -            | -              | -            |
| Adjustments on Other financial liabilities (2) | -              | -            | -              | (10,241 )    |
| Loss from continuing operations—diluted        | \$(124,342 )   | \$(184,383 ) | \$(401,434 )   | \$(461,547 ) |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding     | 53,852,470     | 56,280,414   | 53,852,470     | 56,116,484   |
| Share lending agreement(3)                     | -              | (2,427,944 ) | -              | (2,427,944 ) |
| Common shares outstanding—basic                | 53,852,470     | 53,852,470   | 53,852,470     | 53,688,540   |
| Effect of dilutive securities:                 |                |              |                |              |
| Convertible debt (1)                           | -              | -            | -              | -            |
| Convertible financial liabilities (2)          | -              | -            | -              | (39,240,142) |
| Common shares outstanding—diluted              | 53,852,470     | 53,852,470   | 53,852,470     | 14,448,398   |





The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

(1) We have debt instruments with a bifurcated conversion feature that were recorded at a significant discount. (Refer to Note 9 – Indebtedness and Other Financial Liabilities). For purposes of determining if an application of the “if-converted” method to these convertible instruments produces a dilutive result, we consider the combined impact of the numerator and denominator adjustments, including a numerator adjustment for gains and losses, which would have been incurred had the instruments been converted on the first day of the period presented.

(2) Our Series B Warrants are classified as a liability because a third party has the right to determine their cash or share settlement. (Refer to Note 9 – Indebtedness and Other Financial Liabilities). These warrants are marked-to-market in our Consolidated Statements of Operations. For example, in periods when the market price of our common stock decreases, our income from continuing operations is increased. For purposes of determining if an application of the treasury stock method produces a dilutive result, we assume proceeds are used to repurchase common stock and we adjust the numerator similar to the adjustments required under the “if-converted” method. We consider the combined impact of the numerator and denominator adjustments, including a denominator adjustment to reduce shares, even when the average market price of our common stock for the period is below the warrant’s strike price.

(3) As of December 4, 2010, we had 5,634,002 of loaned shares under our share lending agreements, which were considered issued and outstanding. The obligation of the financial institutions to return the borrowed shares has been accounted for as prepaid forward contract and, accordingly, shares underlying this contract are removed from the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share, unless the borrower defaults on returning the related shares. On September 15, 2008, Lehman Europe, who is a party to a 3,206,058 share lending agreement with our Company filed under chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code with the United States Bankruptcy Court and/or commenced equivalent proceedings in jurisdictions outside of the United States (collectively, the “Lehman Bankruptcy”). As such, we have included these loaned shares as issued and outstanding effective September 15, 2008 for purposes of computing our basic and diluted weighted average shares and (loss) income per share. During fiscal 2009, Bank of America, N.A., who is a party to our share lending agreement, returned 2,500,000 shares, eliminating our obligation to lend additional shares to them in the future. The returned shares were immediately retired, reducing our issued and outstanding shares. For the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, weighted average common shares relating to share lending agreements of 2,427,944 were excluded from the computation of earnings per share, respectively. As of December 3, 2011, there were no shares outstanding with Bank of America, N.A.

## 22. Commitments and Contingencies

### Amended and Restated Securities and Purchase Agreements

On November 3, 2011, our Company entered Amended and Restated SPAs to infuse our Company with \$490.0 million new debt and equity investments from private investors comprised of (a) certain holders of our Company’s prepetition 5.125% unsecured convertible notes due in 2011, 6.75% unsecured convertible notes due in 2012 and 9.375% senior quarterly interest bonds due August 1, 2039 and (b) certain affiliates of The Yucaipa Companies LLC, holders of our Company’s “Series A-Y” convertible preferred stock and “Series A-T” convertible preferred. On December 6, 2011, the Bankruptcy Court authorized our Company to execute and deliver to the Investors the Amended and Restated SPAs. The Amended and Restated SPAs serve as the foundation to allow our Company to complete the restructuring of our balance sheet and emerge successfully from chapter 11 as a private entity in early 2012.

Pursuant to the Amended and Restated SPAs, the Investors are providing a total new money cash investment of \$490.0 million in the form of (i) new privately placed \$210.0 million face value second lien notes due November 2017, to be purchased by the Investors at an aggregate purchase price equal to 95% of

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

the face value, (ii) new privately placed \$210.0 million face value convertible third lien notes due 2018, to be purchased by the Investors at the face value and (iii) a new privately placed \$80.0 million investment in an aggregate of 800,000 shares of our Company's new common stock.

Upon the plan effective date, our Company's existing debtor-in-possession financing facility is required to be refinanced with a similar facility that will be raised on market terms that are in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Investors. The proceeds of the Exit Facility and the New Money Commitment, combined with our Company's then existing cash on hand will provide the funding for the reorganization, including paying certain secured creditors in full in cash, and will provide a cash pool of \$40.0 million, less the amount distributed pursuant to a substantive consolidation settlement cash pool, for distributions to general unsecured creditors.

The Closing contemplated thereunder is subject to the fulfillment of the conditions precedent set forth in the Amended and Restated SPAs, (refer to Note 1 – Basis of Presentation) for additional information.

#### Modified Collective Bargaining Agreements

Subsequent to our balance sheet date, on December 5, 2011, our Company obtained approval from the Bankruptcy Court to enter into Modified CBAs with the United Food and Commercial Workers, International and 13 Local UFCW Affiliates in support of our Company's restructuring initiatives. The Modified CBAs will be in effect for a period of five years beginning on January 1, 2012.

The Modified CBA enables our Company to materially reduce the cost associated with our unionized workforce and ensure labor cost stability. It will also permit our Company to survive in the competitive grocery business while still permitting our Company to retain and attract high-quality associates. Our Company expects it will realize a minimum aggregate labor savings of an agreed upon amount (excluding employee buy-out savings) over the term of the Modified CBAs.

#### Supply Agreement

On June 2, 2011, our Company entered into a definitive supply agreement with C&S effective May 29, 2011, whereby C&S will provide Services in support of a substantial portion of our Company's supply chain. This agreement replaced the warehousing, logistics, procurement and purchasing agreement under which the parties had been operating since 2008.

The term of the agreement is through the effective date of our Company's Plan of Reorganization in its Bankruptcy Filing but may be extended by either party for a term concurrent with a fixed volume commitment based upon wholesale purchases of merchandise resulting in a term of approximately seven years. The cost structure of the agreement is a combination of a fixed cost and variable upcharge pricing model. The charges are subject to adjustment due to volume change or other material changes to the operating assumptions of the agreement.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

Our Company expects it will realize a run-rate of more than \$60.0 million in annual savings commencing with our Company's emergence from the Bankruptcy Filing pursuant to a Plan of Reorganization. The agreement provides our Company with important service enhancements, including detailed service specifications and key performance measures. The agreement also permits our Company to maintain product standards and specifications for all merchandise purchased for resale in our Company's stores.

#### Lease Assignment

On August 14, 2007, Pathmark entered into a leasehold assignment contract for the sale of its leasehold interests in one of its stores to CPS Operating Company LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("CPS"). Pursuant to the terms of the agreement, Pathmark was to receive \$87.0 million for assigning and transferring to CPS all of Pathmark's interest in the lease and CPS was to have assumed all of the duties and obligations of Pathmark under the lease. CPS deposited \$6.0 million in escrow as a deposit against the purchase price for the lease, which is non-refundable to CPS, except as otherwise expressly provided in the agreement. The assignment of the lease was scheduled to close on December 28, 2007. On December 27, 2007, CPS issued a notice terminating the agreement for reason of a purported breach of the agreement, which, if proven, would require the return of the escrow. We are disputing the validity of CPS's notice of termination as we believe CPS's position is without merit. Because we are challenging the validity of CPS's December 27, 2007 notice of termination, we issued our own notice to CPS on December 31, 2007, asserting CPS's breach of the agreement as a result of their failure to close on December 28, 2007. CPS's breach, if proven, would entitle us to keep the escrow. Both parties have taken legal action in New York state court to obtain the \$6.0 million deposit held in escrow. In May 2011, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order authorizing Pathmark and CPS to proceed with their New York state litigation notwithstanding the automatic stay.

#### Rejection of GHI Trucking Agreement

On February 4, 2011, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order authorizing Pathmark to reject a burdensome trucking agreement with GHI and enter into an interim replacement trucking arrangement with C&S. Because Pathmark was GHI's largest customer, its rejection of the trucking agreement negatively impacted GHI's business, prompting GHI to layoff a significant number of its employees. The local union representing GHI's employees subsequently brought suit against GHI in New Jersey federal court alleging that GHI's termination of its employees violated New Jersey state and federal WARN statutes and constituted a breach of GHI's collective bargaining agreement with the union. On March 31, 2011, GHI filed a motion with the Bankruptcy Court seeking leave to file a third party complaint in the New Jersey action seeking in excess of \$100 million in damages against our Company alleging, among other things, that our conduct in connection with rejecting the trucking agreement was tortious and that we were responsible for any WARN Act liability of GHI to its former employees. The Bankruptcy Court denied GHI's motion, and GHI appealed the Bankruptcy Court's decision to the district court, which appeal is pending.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

LaMarca et al v. The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc (“Defendants”)

On June 24, 2004, a class action complaint was filed in the Supreme Court of the State of New York against The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc., d/b/a A&P, The Food Emporium, and Waldbaum’s alleging violations of the overtime provisions of the New York Labor Law. Three named plaintiffs, Benedetto LaMarca, Dolores Giddy, and Stephen Tedesco, alleged on behalf of a class that our Company failed to pay overtime wages to full-time hourly employees who were either required or permitted to work more than 40 hours per week. This matter has been stayed by our Bankruptcy Filing and is a claim that is subject to compromise.

Dudley v. Haub, Claus, Galgano et al. United States District Court – District of New Jersey

This matter is a securities class action lawsuit that alleges on behalf of purchasers of our Company’s securities during the period between July 23, 2009 and December 10, 2010, that certain of our Company's former and current executives violated the securities laws by making fraudulent or misleading statements with respect to material adverse facts about our Company's financial condition, business and prospects. Our Company is not named as a defendant in this lawsuit. However, our Company’s current CEO and two members of the Board of Directors are individually named defendants. Our Company views this lawsuit as lacking merit, as the statements and disclosures forming the basis for the allegations are forward-looking statements subject to “safe harbor” protections, or are otherwise not actionable.

Other

We are subject to various legal proceedings and claims, either asserted or unasserted, which arise in the ordinary course of business. We are also subject to certain environmental claims. While the outcome of these claims cannot be predicted with certainty, Management does not believe that the outcome of any of these legal matters will have a material adverse effect in our consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

The Company believes it may have been the subject of fraud involving the misappropriation of Company monies that may exceed the sum of \$1.0 million. The precise scope, magnitude, nature and quality of the possible fraud cannot be determined at this time and is the subject of an ongoing investigation by the Company. The matter has also been reported to governmental authorities as well as those charged with governance. However, based on the facts known to date, the Company currently does not believe this event will require the restatement of any of the Company’s previous financial statements, nor is it expected to have a material effect on the Company's financial position.

23. Reportable Segments

Reportable segments are defined as components of an enterprise about which separate financial information is available that is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision maker in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance. Our chief operating decision maker is our President and Chief Executive Officer.

We have four reportable segments: Fresh, Pathmark, Gourmet and Other. The Other segment includes our Discount and Wine, Beer & Spirits businesses.

The accounting policies for these segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies included in our Fiscal 2010 Annual Report. Assets and capital expenditures are not allocated to segments for internal reporting presentations.

Interim information on segments is as follows:

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

|             | Sales by Category |                 |                 |                 |
|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|             | 12 Weeks Ended    |                 | 40 Weeks Ended  |                 |
|             | Dec. 3,<br>2011   | Dec. 4,<br>2010 | Dec. 3,<br>2011 | Dec. 4,<br>2010 |
| Grocery (1) | \$ 1,105,019      | \$ 1,254,386    | \$ 3,772,094    | \$ 4,323,618    |
| Meat (2)    | 296,090           | 342,308         | 1,040,547       | 1,209,657       |
| Produce (3) | 170,233           | 197,111         | 628,041         | 743,739         |
| Total       | \$ 1,571,342      | \$ 1,793,805    | \$ 5,440,682    | \$ 6,277,014    |

(1) The grocery category includes grocery, frozen foods, dairy, general merchandise/health and beauty aids, wine, beer & spirits, and pharmacy.

(2) The meat category includes meat, deli, bakery and seafood.

(3) The produce category includes produce and floral.

|   | 12 Weeks Ended  |                 | 40 Weeks Ended  |                 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|   | Dec. 3,<br>2011 | Dec. 4,<br>2010 | Dec. 3,<br>2011 | Dec. 4,<br>2010 |
| <b>Sales</b>  |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Fresh   | \$ 752,825      | \$ 902,753      | \$ 2,695,917    | \$ 3,158,274    |
| Pathmark  | 691,027         | 759,946         | 2,320,822       | 2,687,650       |
| Gourmet   | 61,486          | 63,307          | 199,994         | 201,301         |
| Other   | 66,004          | 67,799          | 223,949         | 229,789         |
| Total sales   | \$ 1,571,342    | \$ 1,793,805    | \$ 5,440,682    | \$ 6,277,014    |
| <b>Segment (loss) income</b>                        |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Fresh   | \$ 4,818        | \$ 4,891        | \$ (14,138)     | \$ 28,618       |
| Pathmark  | (30,449)        | (20,992)        | (117,114)       | (73,572)        |
| Gourmet   | 4,652           | 5,411           | 12,518          | 14,294          |
| Other   | 361             | 595             | 1,120           | 1,586           |
| Total segment loss                                  | (20,618)        | (10,095)        | (117,614)       | (29,074)        |
| Corporate (4)                                       | (21,825)        | (29,468)        | (62,802)        | (105,664)       |
| Reconciling items (5)                               | (37,022)        | (103,180)       | (195,471)       | (167,877)       |
| Loss from operations                                | (79,465)        | (142,743)       | (375,887)       | (302,615)       |
| Nonoperating income (loss)                          | 61              | (213)           | 152             | 10,241          |
| Interest expense, net                               | (34,499)        | (40,038)        | (120,782)       | (147,306)       |
| Reorganization items, net                           | (10,510)        | -               | 84,516          | -               |
| Loss from continuing operations before income taxes | \$ (124,413)    | \$ (182,994)    | \$ (412,001)    | \$ (439,680)    |

The following table presents our segment depreciation and amortization:





The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

|   | 12 Weeks Ended  |                 | 40 Weeks Ended  |                 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|   | Dec. 3,<br>2011 | Dec. 4,<br>2010 | Dec. 3,<br>2011 | Dec. 4,<br>2010 |
| Segment depreciation and amortization – continuing operations       |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Fresh   | \$ 13,500       | \$ 16,486       | \$ 47,818       | \$ 57,206       |
| Pathmark  | 14,293          | 19,077          | 52,057          | 65,610          |
| Gourmet   | 1,532           | 1,883           | 5,256           | 6,585           |
| Other   | 1,174           | 1,271           | 4,008           | 4,175           |
| Total segment depreciation and amortization – continuing operations | 30,499          | 38,717          | 109,139         | 133,576         |
| Corporate   | 9,857           | 11,228          | 32,805          | 38,265          |
| Total depreciation and amortization – continuing operations         | 40,356          | 49,945          | 141,944         | 171,841         |
| Discontinued operations   | -               | -               | -               | -               |
| Total company depreciation and amortization                         | \$ 40,356       | \$ 49,945       | \$ 141,944      | \$ 171,841      |

(4) Represents a \$4.4 million and \$29.9 million decrease in corporate costs attributable to store-related activities, primarily benefits and occupancy costs which are not allocated to segments, for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, respectively, and a \$3.2 million and \$13.0 million decline in corporate and administrative costs for the respective periods ended.

(5) Reconciling items, which are not included in segment loss, consist of the following:

|                                    | 12 Weeks Ended  |                 | 40 Weeks Ended  |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                                    | Dec. 3,<br>2011 | Dec. 4,<br>2010 | Dec. 3,<br>2011 | Dec. 4,<br>2010 |
| Long-lived asset impairment        | \$ (25,138)     | \$ (29,336)     | \$ (104,680)    | \$ (64,984)     |
| Intangible asset impairment        | -               | (12,700)        | -               | (12,700)        |
| Net restructuring and other        | (64)            | (11,684)        | (2,865)         | (24,914)        |
| Net real estate related activity   | (4,469)         | (48,114)        | (53,897)        | (47,881)        |
| Stock-based compensation expense   | (931)           | (1,346)         | (2,440)         | (1,246)         |
| Pension withdrawal costs           | -               | -               | (13,923)        | -               |
| Self-insurance adjustment          | -               | -               | (699)           | (16,152)        |
| Losses relating to Hurricane Irene | -               | -               | (1,000)         | -               |
| Other insurance deductible         | (500)           | -               | (500)           | -               |
| Inventory-related                  | (43)            | -               | (406)           | -               |
| C&S contract effect                | (746)           | -               | (9,930)         | -               |
| Other                              | (5,131)         | -               | (5,131)         | -               |
| Total reconciling items            | \$ (37,022)     | \$ (103,180)    | \$ (195,471)    | \$ (167,877)    |



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - Continued  
(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

24. Subsequent Events

Modified Collective Bargaining Agreements

Subsequent to our balance sheet date, on December 5, 2011, our Company obtained approval from the Bankruptcy Court to enter into Modified CBAs with the United Food and Commercial Workers, International and 13 Local UFCW Affiliates in support of our Company's restructuring initiatives. The Modified CBAs will be in effect for a period of five years beginning on January 1, 2012.

The Modified CBA enables our Company to materially reduce the cost associated with our unionized workforce and ensure labor cost stability. It will also permit our Company to survive in the competitive grocery business while still permitting our Company to retain and attract high-quality associates. Our Company expects it will realize a minimum aggregate labor savings of an agreed upon amount (excluding employee buy-out savings) over the term of the Modified CBAs.

Assumed Leases

On December 22, 2011, our Company assumed an additional 140 real estate leases, including leases for sub-leased locations. Any resulting changes in the classification of related liability balances will be reflected in our subsequent financial statements.

Store Closures

In January 2012, our Company filed a motion with the Bankruptcy Court seeking approval to close 14 stores in four states as our Company prepares to emerge from chapter 11. These store closures are expected to be completed in our Company's first quarter of fiscal 2012. In connection with our review of the long-lived assets, we recorded an impairment charge relating to these stores. This impairment charge amounted to \$6.8 million during the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011, of which \$4.1 million and \$2.7 million related to our Fresh and Pathmark reporting segments, respectively. An occupancy charge for these stores will be recorded when the stores close.

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis

ITEM 2 – Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

INTRODUCTION

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations is intended to help the reader understand the financial position, operating results, and cash flows of The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc. ("we," "our," "us" or "our Company"). It should be read in conjunction with our Consolidated Financial Statements and the accompanying notes ("Notes"). It discusses matters that Management considers relevant to understanding the business environment, financial position, results of operations and our Company's liquidity and capital resources. These items are presented as follows:

- Overview – a general description of our business and segment structure.
- Operating Results – a discussion of the value drivers of our business; measurements; opportunities; challenges and risks; and initiatives.
- Outlook – a discussion of certain trends or business initiatives for the remainder of fiscal 2011 to assist in understanding the business.
- Results of Operations and Liquidity and Capital Resources – a discussion of results for the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011 compared to the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010; results for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 compared to the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010 and current and expected future liquidity.
  - Critical Accounting Estimates – a discussion of significant estimates made by Management.
  - Market Risk – a discussion of the impact of market changes in our Consolidated Financial Statements.

OVERVIEW

Our Company is based in Montvale, New Jersey, operates conventional supermarkets, combination food and drug stores and discount food stores in 6 U.S. states. Our Company's business consists strictly of our retail operations, which totaled 335 stores as of December 3, 2011.

On December 12, 2010, our Company and all of our U.S. subsidiaries (the "Debtors") filed voluntary petitions for relief (the "Bankruptcy Filing") under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York in White Plains (the "Bankruptcy Court"), which are being jointly administered under case number 10-24549. See Liquidity and Capital Resources below for further details.

We operate in four reportable segments: Fresh, Pathmark, Gourmet and Other. The Other segment includes our Discount and Wine, Beer & Spirits businesses.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

#### OPERATING RESULTS

Our comparable store sales, which include stores that have been in operation for at least one full year and replacement stores, declined 0.8% and 2.2% this quarter and year-to-date as compared to the same period in fiscal 2010, respectively. As a result, our results of operations were below those of the prior year and our expectations primarily attributable to a decreasing customer count as well as reduced customer spending.

Our Fresh and Pathmark segments continued to have lower comparable store sales and operating income for the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 as compared to the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, which were partially offset by reduced occupancy expenses. Our management team continues to address these challenges that we have been experiencing since the early part of fiscal 2011. During the first quarter of fiscal 2011, we closed 18 underperforming stores in our Fresh segment and 13 underperforming stores in our Pathmark segment. During our second quarter of fiscal 2011 we completed an auction of 25 stores located in Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia ("Southern Stores") that resulted in the sale of 12 stores and the closure of 13 stores. In August 2011, we opened a new 51,000 square foot store, our Company's first new store in approximately one year, under our SuperFresh banner in Philadelphia, PA.

Our Gourmet stores located in Manhattan, New York experienced a decrease in operating income as compared to the third quarter of 2010, which was partially offset by decreases in administrative and supply and logistics expenses.

Our Discount business experienced an increase in comparable store sales during the third quarter of 2011 as compared to the third quarter of 2010 along with improved labor, occupancy and supply and logistics expenses, which were partially offset by a decline in gross margin.

Our Wine, Beer & Spirits businesses experienced an increase in comparable store sales during the third quarter 2011 as compared to the third quarter 2010 along with improved labor, occupancy, supply and logistics and administrative expenses which were partially offset by a reduction in gross margin. We closed one underperforming store in our Wine, Beer & Spirit business during the third quarter of fiscal 2011.

#### CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This discussion may contain forward-looking statements about the future performance of our Company, and is based on our assumptions and beliefs in light of information currently available. We assume no obligation to update this information. These forward-looking statements are subject to uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from such statements, including, but not limited to: the ability of the Debtors to continue as going concerns; the ability of the Debtors to obtain Bankruptcy Court approval with respect to motions in the chapter 11 cases; the ability of the Debtors to prosecute, develop and consummate one or more plans of reorganization with respect to the chapter 11 cases; the effects of the Bankruptcy Filing on the Debtors and the interests of various creditors, equity holders and other constituents; Bankruptcy Court rulings in the chapter 11 cases and the outcome of the cases in general; the length of time the Debtors will operate under the chapter 11 cases; risks associated with third-party motions in the chapter 11 cases, which may interfere with the ability of the Debtors to develop and consummate one or more plans of reorganization once such plans are developed; the potential adverse effects of the chapter 11 proceedings on the Debtors' liquidity or results of operations; the ability to execute Debtors' business and restructuring plan and to timely and effectively implement the turnaround strategy; increased legal costs related to the Bankruptcy Filing and other litigation; the Debtors' ability to maintain contracts that are critical to its operation, to obtain and maintain normal terms with customers,



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

suppliers and service providers and to retain key executives, managers and employees; various operating factors and general economic conditions, competitive practices and pricing in the food industry generally and particularly in our principal geographic markets; our relationships with our employees; the terms of future collective bargaining agreements; the costs and other effects of lawsuits and administrative proceedings; the nature and extent of continued consolidation in the food industry; changes in the capital markets which may affect our cost of capital or the ability to access capital; supply or quality control problems with our vendors; regulatory compliance; and changes in economic conditions, which may affect the buying patterns of our customers. Refer to Risk Factors included in this quarterly report.

## OUTLOOK

### Amended and Restated Securities and Purchase Agreements

On November 3, 2011, our Company entered into Amended and Restated Securities and Purchase Agreements ("Amended and Restated SPAs") to infuse our Company with \$490.0 million new debt and equity investments from private investors comprised of (a) certain holders of our Company's prepetition 5.125% unsecured convertible notes due in 2011, 6.75% unsecured convertible notes due in 2012 and 9.375% senior quarterly interest bonds due August 1, 2039 (such holders, the "Convertible Noteholders"), and (b) certain affiliates of The Yucaipa Companies LLC, holders of our Company's "Series A-Y" convertible preferred stock and "Series A-T" convertible preferred stock (such holders, collectively, "Yucaipa," and with the Convertible Noteholders, the "Investors"). On December 6, 2011, the Bankruptcy Court authorized our Company to execute and deliver to the Investors the Amended and Restated SPAs. The Amended and Restated SPAs serve as the foundation to allow our Company to complete the restructuring of our balance sheet and emerge successfully from chapter 11 as a private entity in early 2012.

Pursuant to the Amended and Restated SPAs, the Investors are providing a total new money cash investment of \$490.0 million (the "New Money Commitment") in the form of (i) new privately placed \$210.0 million face value second lien notes due November 2017 (the "New Second Lien Notes"), to be purchased by the Investors at an aggregate purchase price equal to 95% of the face value, (ii) new privately placed \$210.0 million face value convertible third lien notes due 2018 (the "New Convertible Third Lien Notes"), to be purchased by the Investors at the face value and (iii) a new privately placed \$80.0 million investment in an aggregate of 800,000 shares of our Company's new common stock (the "New Equity").

Upon the plan effective date, our Company's existing debtor-in-possession financing facility is required to be refinanced with a similar facility that will be raised on market terms that are in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Investors (the "Exit Facility"). The proceeds of the Exit Facility and the New Money Commitment, combined with our Company's then existing cash on hand will provide the funding for the reorganization, including paying certain secured creditors in full in cash, and will provide a cash pool of \$40.0 million, less the amount distributed pursuant to a substantive consolidation settlement cash pool, for distributions to general unsecured creditors. The consummation of the transactions contemplated thereunder is subject to the fulfillment of the conditions precedent set forth in the Amended and Restated SPAs, refer to Note 1 – Basis of Presentation for additional information.

### Modified Collective Bargaining Agreements

Subsequent to our balance sheet date, on December 5, 2011, our Company obtained approval from the Bankruptcy Court to enter into modifications to certain Collective Bargaining Agreements (the "Modified CBAs") with the United Food and Commercial Workers, International and 13 Local UFCW Affiliates in





The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

support of our Company's restructuring initiatives. The Modified CBAs will be in effect for a period of five years beginning on January 1, 2012.

The Modified CBA enables our Company to materially reduce the cost associated with our unionized workforce and ensure labor cost stability. It will also permit our Company to survive in the competitive grocery business while still permitting our Company to retain and attract high-quality associates. Our Company expects it will realize a minimum aggregate labor savings of an agreed upon amount (excluding employee buy-out savings) over the term of the Modified CBAs.

#### Supply Agreement

On June 2, 2011, our Company entered into a definitive supply agreement with C&S Wholesale Grocers, Inc. ("C&S") effective May 29, 2011, whereby C&S will provide warehousing, transportation, procurement, purchasing and ancillary services (the "Services") in support of a substantial portion of our Company's supply chain. This agreement replaced the warehousing, logistics, procurement and purchasing agreement under which the parties had been operating since 2008.

The term of the agreement is through the effective date of our Company's Plan of Reorganization in its Bankruptcy Filing but may be extended by either party for a term concurrent with a fixed volume commitment based upon wholesale purchases of merchandise resulting in a term of approximately seven years. The cost structure of the agreement is a combination of a fixed cost and variable upcharge pricing model. The charges are subject to adjustment due to volume change or other material changes to the operating assumptions of the agreement.

Our Company expects that it will realize a run-rate of more than \$60.0 million in annual savings commencing with our Company's emergence from the Bankruptcy Filing pursuant to a Plan of Reorganization. The agreement provides our Company with important service enhancements, including detailed service specifications and key performance measures. The agreement also permits our Company to maintain product standards and specifications for all merchandise purchased for resale in our Company's stores.

#### Assumption of leases

During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, our Company assumed 63 and 393 real estate leases, respectively, including leases for shopping center tenants as well as leases for subleased locations. In connection with the assumption of the leases, the related liability balances previously classified as "Liabilities subject to compromise" were reclassified to the respective balance sheet captions in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. In addition, all undisputed cure amounts related to these leases in the amount of \$8.4 million have been paid to the landlords.

#### Other Bankruptcy Matters

The Bankruptcy Filing provides our Company with the breathing room and the tools available under the Bankruptcy Code to implement our comprehensive financial and operational restructuring. We remain committed to implementing our turnaround strategy while operating our business during the chapter 11

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

restructuring process. However, there can be no assurance regarding these matters. We have noted that the improvements originally anticipated from our turnaround strategy are taking longer to realize than originally anticipated, which has negatively impacted our profitability and cash flows from operations. While reversing negative consumer trends is a very difficult process and the timing and success of these measures cannot be assured, we anticipate that our initiatives to improve our customers' shopping experience will reverse the decreasing customer count and comparable store sales decline that we have been experiencing. There can be no assurance that our operational and financial turnaround strategy will be successful or that the DIP Lenders or the Bankruptcy Court will approve the plan ultimately proposed by our Company and under such circumstances we could be forced to consider other alternatives to maximize potential recovery for our various creditor constituencies. The uncertainty regarding these matters raises substantial doubt about our Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our future performance is subject to uncertainties and other risk factors that could have a negative impact on our business and cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations. Refer to Part II. - Item 1A for a description of our Risk Factors.

#### RESULTS OF CONTINUING OPERATIONS AND LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our consolidated financial information presents the results related to our operations of discontinued businesses separate from the results of our continuing operations. The discussion and analysis that follows focuses on continuing operations. All amounts are in millions, except share, per share amounts and where noted.

#### 12 WEEKS ENDED DECEMBER 3, 2011 COMPARED TO THE 12 WEEKS ENDED DECEMBER 4, 2010

##### OVERALL

The following table summarizes our results of operations for the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011 compared to the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010:

|                                    | 12 Weeks Ended<br>December 3, 2011                   | 12 Weeks Ended<br>December 4, 2010 | Favorable<br>(unfavorable) | % Change |
|------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------|
|                                    | (in millions, except percentages and per share data) |                                    |                            |          |
| Sales                              | \$ 1,571.3   | \$ 1,793.8                         | \$ (222.5)                 | (12.4)%  |
| Decrease in comparable store sales | (0.8)%   | (4.9)%                             | N/A                        | N/A      |
| Loss from continuing operations    | \$ (123.2)   | \$ (180.0)                         | \$ 56.8                    | 31.6 %   |
| Loss from discontinued operations  | \$ (0.3)   | \$ (18.7)                          | \$ 18.4                    | 98.4 %   |
| Net loss                           | \$ (123.6)   | \$ (198.7)                         | \$ 75.1                    | 37.8 %   |
| Net loss per share - basic         | \$ (2.32)  | \$ (3.76)                          | \$ 1.44                    | 38.3 %   |
| Net loss per share - diluted       | \$ (2.32)  | \$ (3.76)                          | \$ 1.44                    | 38.3 %   |

Average weekly sales per supermarket were approximately \$411,000 for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 versus \$382,800 for the corresponding period of the prior year, an increase of 7.4% primarily due to the closing of underperforming supermarkets.



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

## SALES

|             | For the 12 Weeks Ended |                  |
|-------------|------------------------|------------------|
|             | December 3, 2011       | December 4, 2010 |
|             | (in thousands)         |                  |
| Fresh       | \$ 752,825             | \$ 902,753       |
| Pathmark    | 691,027                | 759,946          |
| Gourmet     | 61,486                 | 63,307           |
| Other       | 66,004                 | 67,799           |
| Total sales | \$ 1,571,342           | \$ 1,793,805     |

Sales decreased from \$1,793.8 million for the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010 to \$1,571.3 million for the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011, primarily due to a decrease in comparable store sales of \$14.5 million and the absence of sales due to store closures of \$213.5 million, partially offset by sales from one new store of \$5.5 million. The decrease in sales in our Fresh segment of \$149.9 million was primarily related to the decrease in comparable store sales of \$7.3 million and the absence of sales due to store closures of \$148.1 million, partially offset by sales from one new store of \$5.5 million. The decrease in sales in our Pathmark segment of \$68.9 million was primarily due to a decline in comparable store sales of \$7.7 million and the absence of sales due to store closures of \$61.2 million. The decline in comparable store sales in our Fresh and Pathmark segments were attributed to the decreasing customer counts that we have been experiencing since the early part of fiscal 2011. Sales generated by our Gourmet segment decreased by \$1.8 million. The sales decrease of \$1.8 million in our Other segment, representing Discount and Wine, Beer & Spirits, was primarily attributable to the absence of sales due to one store closure within Discount of \$3.2 million and five store closures within Wine, Beer & Spirits of \$0.9 million, partially offset by an increase in comparable store sales of \$2.3 million.

## GROSS MARGIN

Gross margin of \$445.3 million decreased 148 basis points as a percentage of sales to 28.34% for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 from gross margin of \$534.9 million or 29.82% for the third quarter of fiscal 2010 reflecting lower margins across all of our operating segments primarily due to an increase in spending to support discounts offered in our circulars mainly in our Pathmark segment as well as a reduction in vendor allowances that we have experienced during the bankruptcy.

The following table details the dollar impact of items affecting the gross margin dollar decrease in the third quarter of fiscal 2011 as compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2010 (in millions):

|               | Sales Volume | Gross Margin Rate | Total     |
|---------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Total company | \$ (66.4)    | \$ (23.2)         | \$ (89.6) |

## STORE OPERATING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE

Our Store operating, general and administrative ("SG&A") expense was \$499.6 million or 31.80% as a percentage of sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2011, as compared to \$635.6 million or 35.43% as a percentage of sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2010.

SG&A expenses for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 included (i) net real estate related costs of \$4.5 million, or 28 basis points (ii) net restructuring and other costs of \$5.2 million, or 33 basis points (iii) other insurance deductible of \$0.5 million, or 4 basis points and (iv) net stock-based compensation related expenses of \$0.9 million, or 6 basis points.



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

SG&A expenses for the third quarter of fiscal 2010 included (i) net real estate related costs of \$49.8 million, or 278 basis points, of which \$48.3 million was primarily attributed to the closing of 25 stores during the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010 (ii) net restructuring and other costs of \$10.0 million, or 55 basis points and (iii) stock-based compensation expense of \$1.3 million, or 8 basis points.

Excluding the items listed above, SG&A as a percentage of sales decreased by 93 basis points during the third quarter of fiscal 2011 as compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2010. Labor and occupancy costs decreased \$31.8 million and \$27.2 million, respectively, primarily attributable to a reduction in the number of open stores. The corresponding rates as a percentage of sales increased 37 basis points and decreased 50 basis points, respectively, due to the closing of underperforming stores with higher costs relative to sales from our remaining open store base. Advertising and other operating expenditures decreased \$15.1 million, or a decrease of 42 basis points as a percentage of sales. In addition, other miscellaneous expenses, as well as corporate and store related costs not allocated to segments, decreased \$11.8 million primarily attributable to reduced benefits, occupancy and labor expenses, or a decrease of 38 basis points as a percentage of sales.

During the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011 and December 4, 2010, we recorded impairment losses on long-lived assets due to closure or conversion of stores in the normal course of business of \$3.6 million and nil, respectively.

#### LONG-LIVED ASSET IMPAIRMENT

##### Impairments due to closure or conversion in the normal course of business

We review assets in stores planned for closure or conversion for impairment upon determination that such assets will not be used for their intended useful life. During the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we recorded impairment losses on long-lived assets due to store closure or conversion of stores in the normal course of business of \$3.6 million. This amount was recorded within "Store operating, general and administrative expense" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations. There was no such impairment losses during the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010.

##### Impairments due to store closures

In January 2012, our Company filed a motion with the Bankruptcy Court seeking approval to close 14 stores in four states as our Company prepares to emerge from chapter 11. These store closures are expected to be completed in our Company's first quarter of fiscal 2012. In connection with our review of long-lived assets at these stores, we recorded an impairment charge of \$6.8 million during the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011, of which \$4.1 million and \$2.7 million related to our Fresh and Pathmark reporting segments, respectively.

In the second quarter of fiscal 2010, our Company announced the closure of 25 stores in five states as we began the implementation and execution phase of our comprehensive financial and operational restructuring. These store closures were completed during the third quarter of fiscal 2010. During the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010, we recorded an additional impairment charge of \$1.1 million.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

#### Impairments due to unrecoverable assets

As part of the ongoing development of our Plan of Reorganization, during our third quarter of fiscal 2011, we refined our projected cash flows of baseline operations, before any potential cash flows that might result from capital improvements, for all locations. For those locations where the projected undiscounted cash flows did not exceed the net carrying value of the long-lived assets, we determined the fair value of the long-lived assets and recorded an impairment charge of \$18.3 million during the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011. This amount related to favorable leases with a carrying amount of \$32.3 million to their fair value of \$14.0 million for the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011. The impairment charge of \$18.3 million recorded during the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011, all related to our Pathmark reportable segment.

We recorded an impairment charge of \$28.2 million during the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010 to partially write down stores' long-lived assets, which primarily consisted of favorable leases and included capital leases and land and buildings, with a carrying amount of \$63.0 million to their fair value of \$34.8 million for the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010. The impairment charge of \$28.2 million during the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010 all related to Pathmark.

These impairment amounts noted above were recorded within "Goodwill, trademark, and long-lived asset impairment" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

As we worked through our turnaround plan during fiscal 2010, we experienced significant impediments to lowering our operating costs, leading to a revised projections and triggering a requirement for an interim impairment analysis for the third quarter of fiscal 2010. As a result of our testing, we concluded that no goodwill impairment was required, however an impairment of \$12.7 million for our Pathmark trademark was recorded within "Goodwill, trademark, and long-lived asset impairment" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations during the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010.

The effects of changes in estimates of useful lives were not material to ongoing depreciation expense. Our projected cash flows of baseline operations include an estimate for expected savings from the recently negotiated C&S supply agreement and the recently Modified CBAs. If current operating levels do not improve or the expected cost savings from Modified CBAs are not realized, there may be a need to take further actions which may result in additional future impairments on long-lived assets, including the potential for impairment of assets that are held and used.

#### SEGMENT (LOSS) INCOME

|                    | For the 12 Weeks Ended |                     |
|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
|                    | December 3, 2011       | December 4,<br>2010 |
|                    | (in thousands)         |                     |
| Fresh              | \$ 4,818               | \$ 4,891            |
| Pathmark           | (30,449)               | (20,992)            |
| Gourmet            | 4,652                  | 5,411               |
| Other              | 361                    | 595                 |
| Total segment loss | \$ (20,618)            | \$ (10,095)         |





The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

Segment loss increased \$10.5 million from a loss of \$10.1 million for the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010 to a loss of \$20.6 million for the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011. Segment income from our Fresh segment decreased by \$0.1 million primarily attributable to lower sales partially offset by reduced labor, advertising and occupancy expenses. The Pathmark segment experienced a segment loss increase of \$9.5 million primarily attributable to a decline in ongoing open stores of \$19.3 million, partially offset by reduced labor and occupancy expenses due to store closures. Segment income from our Gourmet business and Other segment, representing Discount and Wine, Beer and spirits, declined by \$0.8 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, attributable to lower sales and gross margin. Refer to Note 23 – Reportable Segments for further discussion of our reportable operating segments.

#### NONOPERATING INCOME

During the third quarter of fiscal 2011 and 2010, we recorded a favorable adjustment of \$0.1 and an unfavorable adjustment of \$0.2 million, respectively, relating to our Series B warrants acquired in connection with our purchase of Pathmark. These adjustments are primarily a function of fluctuations in the market price of our Company's common stock.

#### INTEREST EXPENSE, NET

Interest expense, net of \$34.5 million for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 decreased from the prior year expense of \$40.0 million, primarily attributable to the aggregate decreases in contractual interest expense of \$10.5 million for our Related Party Promissory Note, due August 18, 2011, 9.125% Senior Notes, due December 15, 2011, 5.125% Convertible Senior Notes, due June 15, 2011, 6.750% Convertible Senior Notes, due December 15, 2012, and 9.375% Notes, due August 1, 2039, all of which are unsecured obligations that we ceased accruing interest for during the fourth quarter 2010 as a result of the Bankruptcy Filing. We also had aggregate decreases of interest expense of approximately \$3.1 million attributed to amortization of deferred financing fees and discounts on unsecured obligations that we ceased amortizing as a result of the Bankruptcy Filing as well as a decrease in interest expense of \$3.1 million from our \$655 million Credit Agreement, which was paid off with proceeds from the DIP Credit Agreement during the fourth quarter 2010.

These decreases in interest expense were partially offset by interest expense for our DIP Credit Agreement of \$8.6 million. Not included during the third quarter of fiscal 2011 was a \$2.9 million favorable adjustment to interest expense during the third quarter of fiscal 2010 resulting from the change in discount rate used to revalue our GHI contractual obligations.

#### REORGANIZATION ITEMS, NET

For the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011, professional fees of \$10.2 million were accrued and \$11.4 million were paid related to our Bankruptcy Filing. U.S. Trustee fees of approximately \$0.3 million were incurred and paid during the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011.

#### INCOME TAXES

The benefit from income taxes from continuing operations for the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011 was \$1.2 million compared to the benefit from income taxes from continuing operations of \$3.0 million for the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010. Consistent with prior year, we continue to record a valuation allowance against our net deferred tax assets.

The effective tax rate on continuing operations of (1.1%) and 1.6%, respectively, for the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011 and December 4, 2010, respectively, varied from the statutory rate of 35%, primarily due to state and local income taxes and the increase in our valuation allowance. The rate for the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010 was also

impacted by the mark to market of the Series B warrant issued in the acquisition of Pathmark as well as the recording of a deferred tax benefit related to the impairment of indefinite lived intangible assets.

#### DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

Loss from discontinued operations for the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011 of \$0.3 million decreased from a loss from discontinued operations of \$18.7 million for the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010, primarily due to lower occupancy expenses of \$13.7 million, lower interest expense of \$0.6 million, lower present value interest expense of \$2.8 million and lower legal expenses of \$1.0 million.

#### 40 WEEKS ENDED DECEMBER 3, 2011 COMPARED TO THE 40 WEEKS ENDED DECEMBER 4, 2010

#### OVERALL

The following table summarizes our results of operations for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 compared to the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010:

|  | 40 Weeks Ended<br>December 3, 2011                   | 40 Weeks Ended<br>December 4, 2010 | Favorable<br>(unfavorable) | % Change |
|--|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------|
|  | (in millions, except percentages and per share data) |                                    |                            |          |
| Sales                                      | \$ 5,440.7   | \$ 6,277.0                         | \$ (836.3)                 | (13.3)%  |
| Decrease in comparable store sales         | (2.2)%   | (6.4)%                             | N/A                        | N/A      |
| Loss from continuing operations            | \$ (397.7)   | \$ (437.0)                         | \$ 39.3                    | 9.0 %    |
| Income (loss) from discontinued operations | \$ 18.3  | \$ (36.6)                          | \$ 54.9                    | >100 %   |
| Net loss                                   | \$ (379.5)   | \$ (473.5)                         | \$ 94.0                    | 19.9 %   |
| Net loss per share - basic                 | \$ (7.11)  | \$ (9.09)                          | \$ 1.98                    | 21.8 %   |
| Net loss per share - diluted               | \$ (7.11)  | \$ (34.47)                         | \$ 27.36                   | 79.4 %   |

Average weekly sales per supermarket were approximately \$404,700 for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 versus \$389,600 for the corresponding period of the prior year, an increase of 3.9% primarily due to the closing of underperforming supermarkets.

#### SALES

|             | For the 40 Weeks Ended |                  |
|-------------|------------------------|------------------|
|             | December 3, 2011       | December 4, 2010 |
|             | (in thousands)         |                  |
| Fresh       | \$ 2,695,917           | \$ 3,158,274     |
| Pathmark    | 2,320,822              | 2,687,650        |
| Gourmet     | 199,994                | 201,301          |
| Other       | 223,949                | 229,789          |
| Total sales | \$ 5,440,682           | \$ 6,277,014     |

Sales decreased from \$6,277.0 million for the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010 to \$5,440.7 million for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, primarily due to a decrease in comparable store sales of \$113.0 million and the absence of sales due to store closures of \$730.1 million, partially offset by sales from one new stores of \$6.8 million. The decrease in sales in our Fresh segment of \$462.4 million was primarily related to a decline in the comparable store sales of \$23.2 million and the absence of sales due to store closures of



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

\$446.0 million, partially offset by sales from one new store of \$6.8 million. The decrease in sales in our Pathmark segment of \$366.8 million was primarily due to a decline in comparable store sales of \$95.7 million and the absence of sales due to store closures of \$271.1 million. Comparable store sales declined primarily because our lower price initiative, which offered lower everyday prices in place of previously offered discounts and coupons, was not well received by our customers. This impact was most significant in our Pathmark segment. Our Company phased out this program during the latter part of the first quarter of fiscal 2011. Sales generated by our Gourmet segment decreased by \$1.3 million. The sales decrease of \$5.8 million in our Other segment, representing Discount and Wine, Beer & Spirits, was primarily attributable to the absence of sales due to one store closure within Discount of \$10.0 million and six store closures within Wine, Beer & Spirits of \$3.0 million, partially offset by an increase in comparable store sales of \$7.2 million.

#### GROSS MARGIN

Gross margin of \$1,524.0 million decreased 167 basis points as a percentage of sales to 28.01% for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 from gross margin of \$1,862.9 million or 29.68% for the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010 reflecting lower margins across all of our operating segments due to the lack of success of our lower price initiative in the first quarter of fiscal 2011 as described above in SALES as well as a reduction in vendor allowances that we have experienced during the bankruptcy.

The following table details the dollar impact of items affecting the gross margin dollar decrease in the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 as compared to the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010 (in millions):

|               | Sales Volume | Gross Margin Rate | Total      |
|---------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|
| Total company | \$ (248.2)   | \$ (90.7)         | \$ (338.9) |

#### STORE OPERATING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE

Our SG&A expense was \$1,795.2 million or 33.00% as a percentage of sales for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, as compared to \$2,087.8 million or 33.26% as a percentage of sales for the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010.

SG&A expenses for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 included (i) net real estate related costs of \$94.8 million, or 174 basis points, of which \$63.3 million and \$26.2 million were attributed to occupancy reserve adjustments related to April store closings and Southern store closings, respectively (ii) pension withdrawal costs of \$13.9 million, or 26 basis points recorded in connection with the partial withdrawal from the multi-employer union pension plan (iii) net restructuring and other costs of \$8.0 million, or 15 basis points (iv) net stock-based compensation related expense of \$2.4 million, or 4 basis points (v) losses related to Hurricane Irene and other insurance deductible of \$1.5 million, or 3 basis points and (vi) self-insurance reserve adjustments of \$0.1 million, or 0.2 basis points. These costs were partially offset by (vii) net real estate income of \$40.9 million, or 75 basis points, of which \$29.1 million related to gain from the sale of Southern stores.

SG&A expenses for the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010 included (i) net real estate related costs of \$49.6 million, or 79 basis points, of which \$48.4 million was primarily attributed to the closing of 25 stores during the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010 (ii) self-insurance reserve adjustments of \$17.8 million, or 28 basis points (iii) stock-based compensation related expense of \$1.2 million, or 2 basis points and (iv) net restructuring and other costs of \$23.2 million, or 37 basis points.



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

Excluding the items listed above, SG&A as a percentage of sales decreased by 27 basis points during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 as compared to the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010. Labor and occupancy costs decreased \$124.4 million and \$89.4 million, respectively, primarily attributable to a reduction in the number of open stores while the corresponding rates as a percentage of sales increased 31 basis points and decreased 30 basis points, respectively. Other miscellaneous expenses, as well as corporate and store related costs not allocated to segments, decreased \$40.0 million primarily attributable to reduced benefits, occupancy and labor expenses, or a decrease of 35 basis points as a percentage of sales. In addition, advertising and other operating expenditures decreased \$26.8 million, or an increase of 7 basis points as a percentage of sales.

During the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 and December 4, 2010, we recorded impairment losses on long-lived assets due to closure or conversion of stores in the normal course of business of \$5.1 million and \$1.1 million, respectively.

#### LONG-LIVED ASSET IMPAIRMENT

Impairments due to closure or conversion in the normal course of business

We review assets in stores planned for closure or conversion for impairment upon determination that such assets will not be used for their intended useful life. During the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we recorded impairment charges on long-lived assets of \$5.1 million related to stores that were closed or converted in the normal course of business, as compared to \$1.1 million in impairment losses recorded during the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010. These amounts were recorded within "Store operating, general and administrative expense" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Impairments due to store closures

In January 2012, our Company filed a motion with the Bankruptcy Court seeking approval to close 14 stores in four states as our Company prepares to emerge from chapter 11. These store closures are expected to be completed in our Company's first quarter of fiscal 2012. In connection with our review of long-lived assets at these stores, we recorded an impairment charge of \$6.8 million during the 12 weeks ended December 3, 2011, of which \$4.1 million and \$2.7 million related to our Fresh and Pathmark reporting segments, respectively.

In April and May 2011, our Company obtained approval from the Bankruptcy Court to sell, or alternatively, to close, an additional 25 stores located in Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia. During the first quarter of fiscal 2011, our Company held an auction whereby we agreed to sell our interests in 12 of our existing stores based in Maryland and the District of Columbia, all of which were a part of our Fresh reportable segment, for approximately \$38.3 million in cash which primarily related to fixed assets. The transactions closed during June and July 2011 resulting to a gain of \$29.1 million, which was recorded within "Store operating, general and administrative expense" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations in the second quarter of fiscal 2011. In connection with our review of long-lived assets at these stores, we recorded an impairment charge of \$3.0 million all of which pertained to our Fresh reporting segment. These store closures and sales were completed by July 9, 2011.

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

In February 2011, our Company obtained authority from the Bankruptcy Court to close 32 stores in six states as we continue to fully implement our comprehensive financial and operational restructuring. As a result, we recorded an impairment charge of \$31.4 million during fiscal 2010, of which \$19.4 million, \$9.0 million and \$3.0 million related to our Fresh, Pathmark, and Other reporting segments, respectively. These store closures were completed on April 16, 2011. We recorded an additional impairment charge of \$0.4 million during the first quarter of fiscal 2011, of which \$0.3 million and \$0.1 million were attributed to our Pathmark and Fresh reporting segments, respectively.

In the second quarter of fiscal 2010, our Company announced the closure of 25 stores in five states as we began the implementation and execution phase of our comprehensive financial and operational restructuring. As a result, we recorded an impairment charge of \$24.8 million during the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010.

Impairments due to unrecoverable assets

As part of the ongoing development of our Plan of Reorganization, during our third quarter of fiscal 2011, we refined our projected cash flows of baseline operations, before any potential cash flows that might result from capital improvements, for all locations. For those locations where the projected undiscounted cash flows did not exceed the net carrying value of the long-lived assets, we determined the fair value of the long-lived assets and recorded an impairment charge of \$94.4 million during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, which related primarily to favorable leases and which also included capital leases and land and buildings, with a carrying amount of \$216.1 million to their fair value of \$121.7 million for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011. The impairment charge of \$94.4 million recorded during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, related all to our Pathmark reportable segment.

We recorded an impairment charge of \$40.2 million during the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, to partially write down stores' long-lived assets. This amount related primarily to favorable leases and also included capital leases and land and buildings, with a carrying amount of \$103.6 million to their fair value of \$63.4 million for the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010. The impairment charge of \$40.2 million recorded during the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010 all related to Pathmark, with the exception of \$0.9 million which related to SuperFresh.

These impairment amounts noted above were recorded within "Goodwill, trademark, and long-lived asset impairment" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

As we worked through our turnaround plan during fiscal 2010, we experienced significant impediments to lowering our operating costs, leading to a revised projections and triggering a requirement for an interim impairment analysis for the third quarter of fiscal 2010. As a result of our testing, we concluded that no goodwill impairment was required, however an impairment of \$12.7 million for our Pathmark trademark was recorded within "Goodwill, trademark, and long-lived asset impairment" in our Consolidated Statements of Operations during the 12 weeks ended December 4, 2010.

The effects of changes in estimates of useful lives were not material to ongoing depreciation expense. Our projected cash flows of baseline operations include an estimate for expected savings from the recently negotiated C&S supply agreement and the recently Modified CBAs. If current operating levels do not improve or the expected cost savings from Modified CBAs are not realized, there may be a need to take

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

further actions which may result in additional future impairments on long-lived assets, including the potential for impairment of assets that are held and used.

## SEGMENT (LOSS) INCOME

|                    | For the 40 Weeks Ended |                     |
|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
|                    | December 3, 2011       | December 4,<br>2010 |
|                    | (in thousands)         |                     |
| Fresh              | \$ (14,138)            | \$ 28,618           |
| Pathmark           | (117,114)              | (73,572)            |
| Gourmet            | 12,518                 | 14,294              |
| Other              | 1,120                  | 1,586               |
| Total segment loss | \$ (117,614)           | \$ (29,074)         |

Segment loss increased \$88.5 million from a loss of \$29.1 million for the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010 to a loss of \$117.6 million for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011. Our Fresh and Pathmark segments experienced segment income declines of \$42.8 million and \$43.5 million, respectively, primarily attributable to decrease in income from ongoing open stores of \$59.9 million and \$68.3 million, respectively, partially offset by improvements in labor and occupancy expenses along with reduced advertising expenses due to store closures. Segment income from our Gourmet business and Other segment, representing Discount and Wine, Beer and Spirits, decreased by \$1.8 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, primarily driven by decreases in sales and gross margin. Refer to Note 23 – Reportable Segments for further discussion of our reportable operating segments.

## NONOPERATING INCOME

During the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, we recorded favorable adjustments of \$0.2 million and \$10.2 million, respectively, relating to our Series B warrants acquired in connection with our purchase of Pathmark. These adjustments are primarily a function of fluctuations in the market price of our Company's common stock.

## INTEREST EXPENSE, NET

Interest expense, net of \$120.8 million for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 decreased from the prior year expense of \$147.3 million, primarily attributable to the aggregate decreases in contractual interest expense of \$35.4 million for our Related Party Promissory Note, due August 18, 2011, 9.125% Senior Notes, due December 15, 2011, 5.125% Convertible Senior Notes, due June 15, 2011, 6.750% Convertible Senior Notes, due December 15, 2012, and 9.375% Notes, due August 1, 2039, all of which are unsecured obligations that we ceased accruing interest for during the fourth quarter 2010 as a result of the Bankruptcy Filing. We also had aggregate decreases of interest expense of approximately \$18.0 million attributed to amortization of deferred financing fees and discounts on unsecured obligations that we ceased amortizing as a result of the Bankruptcy Filing as well as a decrease in interest expense of \$9.1 million from our \$655 million Credit Agreement, which was paid off with proceeds from the DIP Credit Agreement during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2010.

These decreases in interest expense were partially offset by interest expense for our DIP Credit Agreement of \$28.7 million and an increase of \$7.6 million in interest expense resulting from our self-insurance and GHI obligations.





The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

REORGANIZATION ITEMS, NET

For the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, professional fees of \$40.0 million were accrued and \$34.9 million were paid related to our Bankruptcy Filing. U.S. Trustee fees of approximately \$0.8 million were incurred and paid during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011.

On June 2, 2011, our Company rejected its prior contract with C&S and entered into a new definitive supply agreement effective May 29, 2011. As a result of our renegotiated contract, in the first quarter of fiscal 2011 we eliminated \$34.1 million of previously recorded unfavorable contract liability.

During the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we rejected 63 of our leases through the bankruptcy process and reduced the closed locations reserves balance associated with these leases by \$52.6 million, \$44.1 million of which was attributed to continuing operations and \$8.5 million was attributed to discontinued operations. In connection with the rejection of the 63 leases, we also wrote off the related obligations under capital leases of \$9.8 million, unfavorable lease liabilities of \$3.2 million, real estate liabilities of \$22.6 million, deferred real estate income of \$9.4 million, other liabilities of \$0.6 million with an offsetting write-off of other assets of \$1.0 million, totaling \$44.6 million, net. Of this amount, \$43.0 million relates to continuing operations and \$1.6 million relates to discontinued operations.

In addition, we rejected 9 of our assigned leases through the bankruptcy process and wrote-off the related property, net of \$13.5 million, with an offsetting write-off of deferred real estate income of \$41.8 million, totaling \$28.3 million. Of this amount, \$4.2 million relates to continuing operations and \$24.1 million relates to discontinued operations.

INCOME TAXES

The benefit from income taxes from continuing operations for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 was \$14.3 million, compared to the benefit from income taxes of \$2.7 million for the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010. Consistent with prior year, we continue to record a valuation allowance against our net deferred tax assets.

The effective tax rate on continuing operations of 3.5% and 0.6% respectively, for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 and December 4, 2010, respectively, varied from the statutory rate of 35%, primarily due to state and local income taxes and the increase in our valuation allowance. The rate for the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010 was also impacted by the mark to market of the Series B warrant issued in the acquisition of Pathmark as well as the recording of a deferred tax benefit related to the impairment of indefinite lived intangible assets.

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

Income from discontinued operations for the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 of \$18.3 million increased from a loss from discontinued operations of \$36.6 million for the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, primarily due to the rejection of property leases and the corresponding adjustment to the reserves balance associated with these leases to the allowable claims for damages of \$8.4 million, writing off deferred real estate income of \$24.6 million and obligations under capital leases of \$1.6 million, lower legal expenses of \$2.9 million, lower worker's compensation expenses of \$2.8 million, lower interest expense of \$2.3 million, lower present value interest expense of \$10.2 million and lower occupancy expenses of \$13.7 million. The

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

increase in income from discontinued operations also includes an intraperiod tax allocation benefit of \$2.8 million offset by provision for income taxes for reorganization items, net of \$14.4 million.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

### Cash Flows

The following table presents excerpts from our Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows (in thousands):

|  | For the 40 Weeks Ended |                     |
|--|------------------------|---------------------|
|  | December 3,<br>2011    | December 4,<br>2010 |
| Net cash used in operating activities                  | \$ (178,785)           | \$ (180,264)        |
| Net cash provided by (used in)<br>investing activities | 22,950                 | (17,955)            |
| Net cash provided by financing<br>activities           | 34                     | 38,204              |

Net cash used in operating activities decreased by \$1.5 million during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 as compared to 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010. The decrease in cash used in operating activities is primarily the result of an improvement in the cash provided from working capital of approximately \$107.5 million, which included \$69.7 million in the current portion of the allowable claim for damages pertaining to rejected leases. Excluding the impact of the current portion of the allowable claim for damages pertaining to rejected leases, improvement in working capital was approximately \$37.8 million. These improvements primarily resulted from recently settled trade agreements with certain key vendors, which increased our trade terms and reduced outstanding receivables from these vendors, as well as a reduction in inventory that was liquidated as part of our store closures. Partially offsetting the impact of the improvement in working capital of \$37.8 million was an increase in other assets of \$34.9 million attributed mainly to the payment to C&S resulting from the renegotiated contract.

Net cash provided by investing activities increased by \$40.9 million during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 as compared to 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010. The increase in cash provided by investing activities is primarily due to increased proceeds via the disposal of property during the current fiscal period as compared to the prior year period of \$9.8 million, proceeds from the sale of pharmacy assets during fiscal 2011 of \$4.8 million and lower property expenditures of \$29.8 million. The increase in cash provided by investing activities is offset by an increase in restricted cash of \$3.5 million. Property expenditures during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 totaled \$33.1 million, relating to equipment and leasehold improvements for existing stores, addition of one new store and two remodels as compared to \$62.9 million during the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, which related to one off-site replacement and one remodel.

Net cash provided by financing activities decreased \$38.2 million during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011 as compared to 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010. The decrease in cash provided by financing activities was primarily due to the respective absences of the proceeds under our revolving lines of credit of \$619.5 million, proceeds from sale-leaseback transaction of \$89.8 million and issuance of long-term debt of \$0.8 million, payments under our revolving lines of credit of \$636.4 million and dividends on preferred stock of \$10.5 million, which were received and paid during the 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010. These decreases which were partially offset by an increase in book overdrafts of \$21.2 million and proceeds from long-term real estate liabilities of \$2.0 million during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011.



The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

Working Capital

At December 3, 2011, we had working capital of \$101.6 million compared to working capital of \$709.3 million, at February 26, 2011 excluding liabilities considered subject to compromise. Considering working capital type items classified as "Liabilities subject to compromise" in our Consolidated Balance Sheets, we had negative working capital of \$435.8 million at December 3, 2011 compared to positive working capital of \$189.3 million at February 26, 2011. We had cash and cash equivalents aggregating \$196.8 million at December 3, 2011 compared to \$352.6 million at February 26, 2011. The remaining decrease in working capital was attributable primarily to the following:

- An increase in the current portion of our long-term debt due to the reclassification of our term loan under the DIP Credit Agreement, due June 14, 2012;
  - A decline in inventories primarily related to reduced number of open locations;
  - A decrease in accounts receivable, primarily related to 1) lower sales, 2) settlement of C&S pre-petition accounts receivable, 3) a reduction in vendor allowances that we have experienced during the Bankruptcy, as well as, 4) an improvement in the collection rate from certain vendors since the Bankruptcy Filing;
    - An increase in accrued taxes attributed to timing of payment;
- An increase in other accruals resulting from the current portion of the allowable claim for damages pertaining to rejected leases that are expected to be settled upon our Company's emergence from the Bankruptcy Filing; and
  - An increase in book overdrafts primarily due to timing.

Partially offset by the following:

- A decrease in accounts payable primarily related to 1) payment of certain pre-petition liabilities as permitted by various court orders, as well as, 2) settlement of C&S pre-petition liabilities as a result of the renegotiation of the contract, partially offset by 3) an increase in payable from certain DSD vendors resulting from the execution of trade agreements;
  - A decline in accrued salaries, wages and benefits, primarily related to 1) reversal of the incentive compensation accrued for our executive and non-executive employees based on our operating results, as well as, 2) a decrease in accrued vacation;
  - An increase in restricted cash that can only be used as collateral for our new Letter of Credit Agreement with our DIP Lenders; and
  - An increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets primarily due to an increase in prepaid rent due to timing of payments.
-

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

## Debt Obligations

Our debt obligations consisted of the following (in thousands):

|   | At<br>December 3, 2011 | At<br>February 26, 2011 |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement, due June 14, 2012  | \$ 350,000             | \$ 350,000              |
| Related Party Promissory Note, due August 18, 2011        | 10,000                 | 10,000                  |
| 5.125% Convertible Senior Notes, due June 15, 2011(1)     | 165,000                | 165,000                 |
| 9.125% Senior Notes, due December 15, 2011(1)             | 12,840                 | 12,840                  |
| 6.750% Convertible Senior Notes, due December 15, 2012(1) | 255,000                | 255,000                 |
| 11.375% Senior Secured Notes, due August 1, 2015          | 260,000                | 260,000                 |
| 9.375% Notes, due August 1, 2039(1)                       | 200,000                | 200,000                 |
| Other   | 2,351                  | 2,544                   |
| <b>Subtotal</b>   | <b>1,255,191</b>       | <b>1,255,384</b>        |
| Less current portion of long-term debt                    | (350,000)              | (159)                   |
| Less long-term debt - subject to compromise               | (905,191)              | (905,225)               |
| <b>Long-term debt</b>                                     | <b>\$ -</b>            | <b>\$ 350,000</b>       |

(1) Represents public debt obligations.

## Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement

On December 12, 2010, our Company and all of its U.S. subsidiaries (the "Debtors") filed voluntary petitions for relief (the "Bankruptcy Filing") under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York in White Plains (the "Bankruptcy Court"), which are being jointly administered under case number 10-24549. Management's decision to initiate the Bankruptcy Filing was in response to, among other things, our Company's deteriorating liquidity and management's conclusion in the third quarter that the challenges of successfully implementing additional financing initiatives and of obtaining necessary cost concessions from our Company's business and labor partners, was negatively impacting our Company's ability to implement its previously announced turnaround strategy. The Debtors continue to operate their businesses in the ordinary course of business as "debtors-in-possession" under the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court and in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and the orders of the Bankruptcy Court. Our Company's non-U.S. subsidiaries were not part of the Bankruptcy Filing and will continue to operate in the ordinary course of business.

In connection with the Bankruptcy Filing, on December 13, 2010, the Bankruptcy Court entered its interim financing order, among other things, permitting us to enter into a Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement as amended and restated in its entirety by that certain Amended and Restated Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of December 21, 2010, further amended and restated in its entirety by that certain Second Amended and Restated Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of January 10, 2011, further amended and restated in its entirety by that certain Third Amended and Restated Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of January 13, 2011, further amended by that certain First Amendment to the Third Amended and Restated Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of July 8, 2011, further

amended by that certain Second Amendment to the Third Amended and Restated Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of September 21, 2011 (the “Second Amendment to the DIP Credit Agreement”) as may be further amended, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time (the “DIP Credit

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

Agreement”) with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent and as collateral agent (in such capacity, the “Agent”), the lenders from time to time party thereto (collectively, the “DIP Lenders”) and our Company and certain subsidiaries as borrowers thereunder. On December 14, 2010, we satisfied all of the conditions to the effectiveness of the DIP Credit Agreement and to the initial closing thereunder and consummated the transactions contemplated thereunder including the refinancing in full of our Company's and its applicable subsidiaries' obligations under the pre-existing first lien credit facility evidenced by the Credit Agreement (refer to Note 9 – Indebtedness and Other Financial Liabilities to our Consolidated Financial Statements). The Bankruptcy Court entered a final order approving the DIP Credit Agreement on January 11, 2011. Pursuant to the terms of the DIP Credit Agreement:

- the DIP Lenders agreed to lend up to \$800.0 million in the form of a \$350.0 million term loan and a \$450.0 million revolving credit facility with a \$250.0 million sublimit for letters of credit, in each case subject to the terms and conditions therein;
- our Company's and the Subsidiary Borrower's obligations under the DIP Credit Agreement and the other specified loan documents are guaranteed by our Company's certain other subsidiaries that are Debtors (“Subsidiary Guarantors” and, together with our Company and the Subsidiary Borrowers, the “Loan Parties”); and
- the Loan Parties' obligations under the DIP Credit Agreement and such other specified loan documents are secured by a security interest in, and lien upon, substantially all of the Loan Parties' existing and after-acquired personal and real property, having the priority and subject to the terms therein and in the order(s) entered into by the Bankruptcy Court, as applicable.

Our Company will have the option to have interest on the revolving loans under the revolving credit facility provided under the DIP Credit Agreement accrue at an alternate base rate plus 200 basis points or at adjusted LIBOR plus 300 basis points. Our Company will have the option to have interest on the term loan provided under the DIP Credit Agreement accrue at an alternate base rate plus 600 basis points or at adjusted LIBOR (with a floor of 175 basis points) plus 700 basis points. The DIP Credit Agreement limits, among other things, our Company's and the other Loan Parties' ability to (i) incur indebtedness, (ii) incur or create liens, (iii) dispose of assets, (iv) prepay certain indebtedness and make other restricted payments, (v) enter into sale and leaseback transactions and (vi) modify the terms of certain indebtedness and certain material contracts. Notably, however, the DIP Credit Agreement permits our Company to use the proceeds generated from the sale of the Southern Stores in the operation of our business rather than requiring us to use those proceeds to reduce the Loan Parties' outstanding indebtedness under the DIP Credit Agreement.

The DIP Credit Agreement also contains certain financial covenants. The Second Amendment to the DIP Credit Agreement amended the covenants regarding minimum excess availability and minimum cumulative EBITDA. The Second Amendment to the DIP Credit Agreement changed the measurement intervals for minimum excess availability requirements and reduced the minimum cumulative EBITDA requirements to have them measured beginning with respect to the period ending December 31, 2011 rather than prior to such time as required by the DIP Credit Agreement, provided that if the Company has filed a Plan of Reorganization reasonably satisfactory to the DIP Lenders prior to December 31, 2011, the measurement period for the minimum cumulative EBITDA covenant will be measured beginning on February 25, 2012. The financial covenants, as amended by the Second Amendment to the DIP Credit Agreement, include a minimum excess availability covenant of \$100.0 million (or \$75.0 million at any time after the delivery of





The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

financial statements to the DIP Lenders for the period ended December 31, 2011 but prior to the delivery of financial statements to the DIP Lenders for the period ended February 25, 2012, or \$50.0 million at any time thereafter), minimum liquidity covenant of \$100.0 million and minimum cumulative EBITDA covenant as defined in the DIP Credit Agreement. Minimum cumulative EBITDA measured beginning on September 11, 2011 to and including the applicable date set forth in table below is as follows (in millions):

| Date                  | Minimum<br>Cumulative<br>EBITDA |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| December<br>31, 2011  | 10.0                            |
| January 28,<br>2012   | 25.0                            |
| February<br>25, 2012  | 40.0                            |
| March 24,<br>2012     | 55.0                            |
| April 21,<br>2012     | 70.0                            |
| M a y 1 9 ,<br>2012   | 85.0                            |
| J u n e 1 6 ,<br>2012 | 100.0                           |

The Administrative Agent for the DIP Lenders has confirmed that it is reasonably satisfied with our Company's Plan of Reorganization and, as such, the minimum EBITDA covenants for the respective periods ended December 31, 2011 and January 28, 2012 have been waived. If the treatment of the DIP Lenders' claims under the Plan of Reorganization is subsequently modified, the minimum cumulative EBITDA covenants for the respective periods ended December 31, 2011 and January 28, 2012 may revert. There is no guarantee that we will continue to receive such waiver for future periods from our DIP Lenders if we continue not to be in compliance with the required covenant.

Meeting our EBITDA covenant requires increasing levels of performance throughout the years, including the successful implementation of our business improvement initiatives. As part of these initiatives, we entered into a definitive supply agreement with C&S to provide Services and on December 5, 2011, subsequent to our balance sheet date, we negotiated with union locals to obtain consensual modifications to collective bargaining agreements necessary for our successful reorganization. When establishing the EBITDA covenants, we anticipated entering these agreements earlier in the fiscal year. Due to the timing of the recently negotiated agreements, these savings did not start to be realized until the fourth quarter of 2011 but were included in EBITDA covenant requirement outlined above. As a result, as of December 3, 2011, we are currently expecting EBITDA to be below the minimum cumulative EBITDA covenant level above for December 31, 2011 although, as noted above, that covenant has been waived. A financial covenant violation could result in termination of the DIP Credit Agreement and/or termination of our access to funding thereunder. If either (or both) of those were to occur, our Company could be without sufficient cash availability to meet our operating needs or satisfy our obligations as they fall due, in which instance we may be unable to successfully reorganize.

The DIP Credit Agreement matures upon the earliest to occur of (a) June 14, 2012, (b) the acceleration of the loans and the termination of the commitment thereunder, and (c) the substantial consummation (as defined in Section 1101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code, which for purposes hereof shall be no later than the effective date thereof) of a Plan of Reorganization that is confirmed pursuant to an order entered by the Bankruptcy Court.

The Bankruptcy Filing constituted an event of default with respect to the debt obligations described within Note 9 – Indebtedness and Other Financial Liabilities to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.  
Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

We are currently operating as debtors-in-possession pursuant to Bankruptcy Filing and continuation of our Company as a going-concern is contingent upon, among other things, the Debtors' ability (i) to comply with the terms and conditions of the DIP Credit Agreement described in Note 9 – Indebtedness and Other Financial Liabilities to our Consolidated Financial Statements; (ii) to develop a plan of reorganization and obtain confirmation of that plan under the Bankruptcy Code; (iii) to reduce debt and other liabilities through the bankruptcy process; (iv) to return to profitability, including by realizing necessary near-term cost concessions from our business and labor partners; (v) to generate sufficient cash flow from operations; and (vi) to obtain financing sources to meet our future obligations. The uncertainty regarding these matters raises substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern.

After our Company's Bankruptcy Filing on December 12, 2010, we repaid our \$655.0 million Credit Agreement with a balance of \$140.5 million with the proceeds from the \$350.0 million term loan under the DIP Credit Agreement. At January 10, 2011, we received court approval to draw down on the \$450.0 million revolver which provided, after adjusting for letters of credit and borrowing base collateral requirements, an additional \$147.7 million of availability as of December 3, 2011. As of December 3, 2011, we held excess cash not utilized in our store operations of \$111.4 million. The \$147.7 million of availability is further subject to a current minimum availability covenant of \$100.0 million. Based on the \$350.0 million term loan under the DIP Credit Agreement becoming due on June 14, 2012, and if the expected savings from the recently negotiated Modified CBAs are not realized, there is substantial doubt about our Company's ability to continue as a going concern and meet our obligations for the next twelve months.

#### Amended and Restated Securities and Purchase Agreements

On November 3, 2011, our Company entered Amended and Restated SPAs to infuse our Company with \$490.0 million new debt and equity investments from private investors comprised of (a) certain holders of our Company's prepetition 5.125% unsecured convertible notes due in 2011, 6.75% unsecured convertible notes due in 2012 and 9.375% senior quarterly interest bonds due August 1, 2039 and (b) certain affiliates of The Yucaipa Companies LLC, holders of our Company's "Series A-Y" convertible preferred stock and "Series A-T" convertible preferred. On December 6, 2011, the Bankruptcy Court authorized our Company to execute and deliver to the Investors the Amended and Restated SPAs. The Amended and Restated SPAs serve as the foundation to allow our Company to complete the restructuring of our balance sheet and emerge successfully from chapter 11 as a private entity in early 2012.

Pursuant to the Amended and Restated SPAs, the Investors are providing a total new money cash investment of \$490.0 million in the form of (i) new privately placed \$210.0 million face value second lien notes due November 2017, to be purchased by the Investors at an aggregate purchase price equal to 95% of the face value, (ii) new privately placed \$210.0 million face value convertible third lien notes due 2018, to be purchased by the Investors at the face value and (iii) a new privately placed \$80.0 million investment in an aggregate of 800,000 shares of our Company's new common stock.

Upon the plan effective date, our Company's existing debtor-in-possession financing facility is required to be refinanced with a similar facility that will be raised on market terms that are in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Investors. The proceeds of the Exit Facility and the New Money Commitment, combined with our Company's then existing cash on hand will provide the funding for the reorganization, including paying certain secured creditors in full in cash, and will provide a cash pool of \$40.0 million, less the amount distributed pursuant to a substantive consolidation settlement cash pool, for distributions to general unsecured creditors.

The Closing contemplated thereunder is subject to the fulfillment of the conditions precedent set forth in the Amended and Restated SPAs refer to Note 1 – Basis of Presentation for additional information.

#### Redeemable Preferred Stock

On August 4, 2009, our Company issued 60,000 shares of 8.0% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A-T, without par value, to affiliates of Tengelmann Warenhandelsgesellschaft KG and 115,000 shares of 8.0% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series A-Y, without par value, to affiliates of Yucaipa Companies LLC, together referred to as the “Preferred Stock”, for approximately \$162.8 million, after deducting approximately \$12.2 million in closing and issuance costs. Each share of the Preferred Stock has an initial liquidation preference of one thousand dollars, subject to adjustment.

The Preferred Stock issuance was classified within temporary stockholders’ equity in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 3, 2011 and February 26, 2011. The holders of the Preferred Stock are entitled under a pre-bankruptcy agreement to an 8.0% dividend, payable quarterly in arrears in cash or in additional shares of Preferred Stock if our Company does not meet the liquidity levels required to pay the dividends. We are currently not accruing for the 8% dividend and no dividends have been paid during the pendency of our bankruptcy case.

On November 24, 2010 our Company’s Board of Directors authorized a payment-in-kind (“PIK”) dividend on our Preferred Stock, payable on December 15, 2010 to holders of record on November 15, 2010 (“Record Date”). Dividends are required to be PIK in the event our Company does not have the ability to pay the dividends in cash. As of the Record Date, we did not have the ability to pay the dividends in cash. The calculation of PIK dividends on our Preferred Stock is based upon the rate defined by the original terms of the Preferred Stock at 9.5% per annum. The PIK dividends of approximately \$4.0 million are included in “Series A redeemable preferred stock” in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. The PIK dividend due on December 15, 2010 was not paid by our Company due to the Bankruptcy Filing.

During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011, we recorded deferred financing fees amortization of \$0.4 million and \$1.3 million, respectively, and embedded beneficial conversion features accretion of \$1.1 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, within “Additional paid-in capital”. During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, we recorded deferred financing fees amortization of \$0.4 million and \$1.3 million, respectively, and embedded beneficial conversion features accretion of \$1.1 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, within “Additional paid-in capital”. During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, we accrued Preferred Stock dividends of \$3.2 million and \$10.6 million, respectively, within “Additional paid-in capital” and paid Preferred Stock cash dividends of \$3.5 million and \$10.5 million, respectively.

#### Share Lending Agreements

We had share lending agreements with certain financial institutions, pursuant to which we loaned 8,134,002 shares of our stock of which 6,300,752 shares were sold to the public on December 18, 2007 in a public offering to facilitate hedging transactions relating to the issuance of our 5.125% and 6.750% Senior Convertible Notes. We did not receive any proceeds from the sale of the borrowed shares. We received a nominal lending fee from the financial institutions pursuant to the share lending agreements. Any shares we loan are considered issued and outstanding. Investors that purchase borrowed shares are entitled to the same voting and dividend rights as any other holders of our common stock; however, the financial institutions do not have rights pursuant to the share lending agreements. As of December 3, 2011, there were no shares outstanding under our share lending agreement with Bank of America, N.A.

On September 15, 2008, Lehman and certain of its subsidiaries, including Lehman Europe, filed a petition under chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code with the United States Bankruptcy Court and/or commenced equivalent proceedings in jurisdictions outside of the United States (collectively, the “Lehman Bankruptcy”). Lehman Europe is party to a 3,206,058 share lending agreement with our Company. Due to the circumstances of the Lehman Bankruptcy, we have recorded these loaned shares as issued and outstanding effective September 15, 2008, for purposes of computing and reporting our Company’s basic and diluted weighted average shares and earnings per share.

#### Other

We participate in various multi-employer pension plans which are administered jointly by management and union representatives. During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we made a standard withdrawal from one of our multi-employer pension plans, to limit our pension benefit obligation to our employees, as we believed that this plan was likely to have funding challenges and would require higher contributions in the future, and recorded a standard withdrawal liability of \$28.9 million. During the second quarter of fiscal 2010, we received notification that the trustees of the multi-employer pension plan have voted to go into a mass withdrawal. The impact of the mass withdrawal to our Company is not currently estimable, therefore no adjustment has been recorded in our consolidated financial statements. We may have a potential additional withdrawal obligation of up to \$50 million payable over a period of up to 25 years in the future. This preliminary estimate is subject to change due to the uncertainty as to the number of participants that will be subject to mass withdrawal and the finalization of asset values and calculations by the multi-employer pension plan. During the first quarter of fiscal 2011, we received notification from the trustees of a multi-employer union pension plan for payment of a partial withdrawal resulting from the closure of certain Pathmark stores in fiscal 2009. The impact of the partial withdrawal is a liability of approximately \$14.3 million, which is included within "Liabilities subject to compromise" in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 3, 2011.

#### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. A summary of our critical accounting policies may be found in the Management Discussion and Analysis included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 26, 2011. Except as noted below, there have been no significant changes in these policies during the 40 weeks ended December 3, 2011.

Effective June 19, 2011, our Company changed its method of valuing inventories held at our Pathmark stores from the last-in first-out ("LIFO") method to the first-in first-out ("FIFO") method. As previously noted, our Company entered into a definitive supply agreement with C&S effective May 29, 2011 to provide Services in support of a substantial portion of our Company's supply chain. As a result of the agreement with C&S, our Company began transitioning our inventory to different warehouses such that, beginning in our second fiscal quarter of 2011, the Pathmark inventory is no longer separately segregated and managed. Our Company believes that the FIFO method of inventory valuation is preferable under GAAP and improves financial reporting because it conforms all of our Company's inventories to a consistent inventory method and the use of FIFO better aligns costing with our Company's forecasting and procurement decisions. As described in the accounting guidance for accounting changes and error corrections, the comparative Consolidated Financial Statements of prior periods presented have been adjusted to apply the new accounting method retrospectively. Refer to Note 1 - Basis of Presentation to our Consolidated Financial Statements for the effect of the change to our Consolidated Statements of Operations and Consolidated Balance Sheets.

ITEM 3 – Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

**MARKET RISK**

Market risk represents the risk of loss from adverse market changes that may impact our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows. Among other possible market risks, we are exposed to interest rate risk. From time to time, we may enter hedging agreements in order to manage risks incurred in the normal course of business.

**Interest Rates**

Our exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to our debt obligations, specifically for our DIP Credit Agreement. Our Company would have potential exposure to changes in interest rates when the adjusted LIBOR resets. During the third quarter of 2011, a presumed 1% change in the adjusted LIBOR would not have impacted interest expense as the combination of the LIBOR rate of 39 basis points and a 1% increase would remain below the adjusted LIBOR floor of 175 basis points. As of December 3, 2011, we did not have cash flow exposure due to rate changes on any of our other debt securities because they are at fixed interest rates ranging from 2.25% to 11.375%. Accordingly, as of December 3, 2011, we did not have exposure to variable floating interest rates. During the 12 and 40 weeks ended December 4, 2010, a presumed 1% change in the variable floating rate would have impacted interest expense by \$0.3 million and \$1.0 million, respectively.

**Foreign Exchange Risk**

As of December 3, 2011, we did not have exposure to foreign exchange risk as we did not hold any significant assets denominated in foreign currency.

---

ITEM 4 – Controls and Procedures

We have established and maintain disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our Company's Exchange Act reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our Company's management, including our President and Chief Executive Officer, and Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Restructuring Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

We carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our Company's management, including our Company's President and Chief Executive Officer along with our Company's Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Restructuring Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our Company's disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(b). Based upon the foregoing, as of the end of the period covered by this report, our Company's President and Chief Executive Officer along with our Company's Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Restructuring Officer and Chief Financial Officer, concluded that our Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level.

There have been no changes during our Company's fiscal quarter ended December 3, 2011 in our Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our Company's internal control over financial reporting.

The Company believes it may have been the subject of fraud involving the misappropriation of Company monies that may exceed the sum of \$1.0 million. The precise scope, magnitude, nature and quality of the possible fraud cannot be determined at this time and is the subject of an ongoing investigation by the Company. The matter has also been reported to governmental authorities as well as those charged with governance. However, based on the facts known to date, the Company currently does not believe this event will require the restatement of any of the Company's previous financial statements, nor is it expected to have a material effect on the Company's financial position.

---



## PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

### ITEM 1 – Legal Proceedings

Refer to Note 22 – Commitments and Contingencies to our Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for a discussion of our legal proceedings.

### ITEM 1A – Risk Factors

Various risk factors could have a negative effect on our Company's business, financial position, cash flows and results of operations. These risk factors include those listed in our Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 26, 2011, and should be considered in conjunction with the risks and uncertainties that are discussed below.

#### Risks Relating to Our Business

- Failure to execute on our turnaround strategy could adversely affect our Company's liquidity, financial condition and results of operations.

We are currently operating our business as debtors-in-possession in chapter 11. The continuation of our Company as a going-concern is contingent upon, among other things, the Debtors' ability (i) to comply with the terms and conditions of the DIP Credit Agreement described in Note 9 – Indebtedness and Other Financial Liabilities to our Consolidated Financial Statements; (ii) to develop a plan of reorganization and obtain confirmation of that plan under the Bankruptcy Code; (iii) to reduce debt and other liabilities through the bankruptcy process; (iv) to return to profitability, including by realizing necessary near-term cost concessions from our business and labor partners; (v) to generate sufficient cash flow from operations; and (vi) to obtain financing sources to meet our future obligations. The uncertainty regarding these matters raises substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern.

- As a result of the Bankruptcy Filing, our historical financial information may not be indicative of our future financial performance.

Our capital structure will likely be significantly altered through the chapter 11 process. Under fresh-start reporting rules that may apply to the Debtors upon the effective date of a plan of reorganization, our assets and liabilities would be adjusted to fair values and our accumulated deficit would be restated to zero. Accordingly, if fresh-start reporting rules apply, our financial condition and results of operations following our emergence from the bankruptcy would not be comparable to the financial condition and results of operations reflected in our historical financial statements. In connection with the Bankruptcy Filing and the development of a plan of reorganization, it is also possible that additional restructuring and related charges may be identified and recorded in future periods. Such charges could be material to our consolidated financial position and results of operations in any given period.

- Operating during the Bankruptcy Filing may restrict our ability to pursue our strategic and operational initiatives.

As a result of the Bankruptcy Filing, transactions outside the ordinary course of business are subject to the prior approval of the Bankruptcy Court, which may limit our ability to respond in a timely manner to certain events or take advantage of certain opportunities. Additionally, the terms of the DIP Credit Agreement limit our ability to undertake certain business initiatives. These limitations include, among other things, our ability to:

- incur indebtedness;
- incur or create liens;
- dispose of assets;
- prepay certain indebtedness and make other restricted payments;
- enter into sale and leaseback transactions; and
- modify the terms of certain indebtedness and certain material contracts.

- The Bankruptcy Filing may have an adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

The requirements of the Bankruptcy Filing have consumed and will continue to consume a substantial portion of our corporate management's time and attention and leave them with less time to devote to the operation of our business. This diversion of attention may materially and adversely affect the conduct of our business, and, as a result, on our financial condition and results of operations, particularly if the bankruptcy cases are protracted.

Furthermore, we have incurred and will continue to incur during the pendency of the Bankruptcy Filing substantial costs for professional fees and other expenses associated with the administration of the bankruptcy cases.

- We may not be able to remain in compliance with the requirements of the DIP Credit Agreement therefore the lending commitments under the DIP Credit Agreement may be terminated by the DIP Lender.

The DIP Credit Agreement also contains certain financial covenants, as amended by the Second Amendment to the DIP Credit Agreement, including a minimum excess availability covenant of \$100.0 million (or \$75.0 million at any time after the delivery of financial statements to the DIP Lenders for the period ended December 31, 2011 but prior to the delivery of financial statements to the DIP Lenders for the period ended February 25, 2012, or \$50.0 million at any time thereafter), minimum liquidity covenant of \$100.0 million and minimum cumulative EBITDA covenant as defined in the DIP Credit Agreement. Minimum cumulative EBITDA measured beginning on September 11, 2011 to and including the applicable date set forth in table below is as follows (in millions):

| Date                 | Minimum<br>Cumulative<br>EBITDA |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| December<br>31, 2011 | 10.0                            |
| January 28,<br>2012  | 25.0                            |
| February<br>25, 2012 | 40.0                            |
| March 24,<br>2012    | 55.0                            |
|                      | 70.0                            |

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| April 21,<br>2012 |       |
| May 19,<br>2012   | 85.0  |
| June 16,<br>2012  | 100.0 |

The Administrative Agent for the DIP Lenders has confirmed that it is reasonably satisfied with our Company's Plan of Reorganization and, as such, the minimum EBITDA covenants for the respective periods ended December 31, 2011 and January 28, 2012 have been waived. If the treatment of the DIP Lenders' claims under the Plan of Reorganization is subsequently modified, the minimum cumulative EBITDA covenants for the respective periods ended December 31, 2011 and January 28, 2012 may revert. There is no guarantee that we will continue to receive such waiver for future periods from our DIP Lenders if we continue not to be in compliance with the required covenant.

Meeting our EBITDA covenant requires increasing levels of performance throughout the years, including the successful implementation of our business improvement initiatives. As part of these initiatives, we entered into a definitive supply agreement with C&S to provide Services and on December 5, 2011, subsequent to our balance sheet date, we negotiated with union locals to obtain consensual modifications to collective bargaining agreements necessary for our successful reorganization. When establishing the EBITDA covenants, we anticipated entering these agreements earlier in the fiscal year. Due to the timing of the recently negotiated agreements, these savings did not start to be realized until the fourth quarter of 2011 but were included in EBITDA covenant requirement outlined above. As a result, as of December 3, 2011, we are currently expecting EBITDA to be below the minimum cumulative EBITDA covenant level above for December 31, 2011 although, as noted above, that covenant has been waived. A financial covenant violation could result in termination of the DIP Credit Agreement and/or termination of our access to funding thereunder. If either (or both) of those were to occur, our Company could be without sufficient cash availability to meet our operating needs or satisfy our obligations as they fall due, in which instance we may be unable to successfully reorganize.

The DIP Credit Agreement matures upon the earliest to occur of (a) June 14, 2012, (b) the acceleration of the loans and the termination of the commitment thereunder, and (c) the substantial consummation (as defined in Section 1101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code, which for purposes hereof shall be no later than the effective date thereof) of a Plan of Reorganization that is confirmed pursuant to an order entered by the Bankruptcy Court.

- If we are unable to implement a plan of reorganization, we may not be able to restructure our Company's debts and continue as a going concern.

There can be no assurance that we will be able to confirm a Plan of Reorganization that will permit our Company to emerge from bankruptcy and continue operations. For example, we may be unable to secure sufficient exit financing to fund a confirmable chapter 11 plan of reorganization or we may fall out of compliance with the covenants in our DIP Credit Agreement, which could result in the DIP Lenders' exercise of remedies forcing us to liquidate unless we could refinance our obligations

under the DIP Credit Agreement. As a result, there is no guarantee that we will successfully reorganize.

- As a result of approval and implementation of a proposed plan, should such occur, certain changes in ownership of our Company could occur, which could adversely affect our ability to utilize our significant net operating loss carry-forwards upon our emergence from the Bankruptcy Filing.

There are certain tax attributes, such as net operating loss carry-forwards, that may be limited or lost altogether in the event of an ownership change as defined under Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code. If a change of ownership were to occur as a result of the implementation of the proposed plan, upon our emergence from the Bankruptcy Filing there could be significant valuation allowances placed on deferred tax assets.

- We may experience increased levels of employee attrition.

During the pendency of the Bankruptcy Filing, we may experience increased levels of employee attrition, and our employees are facing considerable distraction and uncertainty. A loss of key personnel or material erosion of employee morale, at the corporate, field and store levels, could have a materially adverse affect on our ability to meet customer, trade partner and strategic partner expectations, thereby adversely affecting our business and results of operations. Our ability to engage, motivate and retain key employees or take other measures intended to motivate and incent key employees to remain with us through the pendency of the Bankruptcy Filing is limited during the Bankruptcy Filing by restrictions on implementation of retention programs.

- Trading in our securities during the pendency of the Bankruptcy Filing is highly speculative and poses substantial risks. Our common stock may be cancelled and holders of such common stock may not receive any distribution with respect to, or be able to recover any portion of, their investments.

Although we cannot say for certain whether holders of our common stock will be eligible to receive any distributions on account of those holdings under a plan of reorganization or, if applicable, in a liquidation, it is exceedingly likely that these equity interests will be cancelled and extinguished in connection with confirmation of a plan of reorganization by the Bankruptcy Court and the holders thereof would not be entitled to receive, and would not receive or retain, any property or interest in property on account of such equity interests. In the event of cancellation of these equity interests, amounts invested by such holders in our outstanding equity securities will not be recoverable. As a result, our currently outstanding common stock would have no value. Trading prices for our common stock may bear little or no relationship to the actual recovery, if any, by the holders thereof in the Bankruptcy Filing. Accordingly, we urge extreme caution with respect to existing and future investments in our equity securities and any of our other securities.

- Our common stock and 9 3/8% senior quarterly interest bonds are no longer listed on a national securities exchange and are quoted only on the Pink Sheets, which could negatively affect our stock price, bond price and marketplace liquidity.

As of December 13, 2010, our common stock and 9 3/8% senior quarterly interest bonds (“9 3/8% bonds”) trade exclusively on the Pink OTCQB market (the “Pink Sheets”) and are currently traded under the symbols GAPDQ and GAJDQ, respectively. The Pink Sheets is a significantly more limited market than the NYSE, and the quotation of our common stock and 9 3/8% bonds on the Pink Sheets may result in a less liquid market available for existing and potential stockholders and bondholders, respectively, to trade in our common stock and 9 3/8% bonds. This could further depress the trading price of our common stock and 9 3/8% bonds.

- Our substantial indebtedness could impair our financial condition and our ability to fulfill our debt obligations, including our obligations under the notes.

We have substantial indebtedness. As of December 3, 2011, we had total indebtedness of \$1,357.5 million, consisting of approximately \$350.0 million outstanding under our debtor-in-possession financing, \$260.0 million of senior secured notes – subject to compromise, \$645.2 million of other outstanding notes – subject to compromise, approximately \$102.3 million outstanding under obligations under our capital leases, \$44.3 million of which are subject to compromise. Our indebtedness could have important consequences to you. For example, it could: (i) make it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations with respect to the notes and our other indebtedness, (ii) require us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to debt service payments, thereby reducing the availability of cash for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, general corporate purposes or other purposes, (iii) impair our ability to obtain additional financing in the future for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, general corporate purposes or other purposes, (iv) diminish our ability to withstand a downturn in our business, the industry in which we operate or the economy generally, (v) limit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industry in which we operate, and (vi) place us at a competitive disadvantage compared to certain competitors that have proportionately less debt.

- We are affected by increasing labor, benefit and other operating costs and a competitive labor market and are subject to the risk of unionized labor disruptions.

Our financial performance is greatly influenced by increasing wage and benefit costs, including pension and health care costs, a competitive labor market and the risk of labor disruption of our highly unionized workforce.

We have approximately 35,500 employees, of which approximately 69% are employed on a part-time basis. Over the last few years, increased wage and benefit costs have caused our Company's labor costs to increase. While we have completed the negotiations with our union partners for revised terms of employment for our unionized employees, we cannot assure you that our labor costs will not continue to increase, or that any such increases would be offset through increased prices of products in our stores. Any significant failure to attract and retain qualified employees, to control our labor costs or to recover any increased labor costs through increased prices charged to customers could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

As of December 3, 2011, approximately 93% of our employees were represented by unions and covered by collective bargaining or similar agreements that are subject to periodic renegotiations. Although we have completed our negotiations to modify the collective bargaining agreements that are necessary for our Company to reorganize, the anticipated savings from these modifications may not materialize.

- We may incur additional pension liabilities resulting from the sales or closures of our Company's stores.

Our Company participates in various multi-employer pension plans which are administered jointly between our Company's management and union representatives. It is possible that sales or closures of our Company's stores would trigger a pension withdrawal liability based upon formulas defined under ERISA. There can be no assurance that cash flows from our Company's operations will be sufficient to fund such liabilities. The duration of these liabilities may also be for an extended period of time.

## ITEM 2 – Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

None

## ITEM 3 – Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None

ITEM 4 – (Removed and Reserved)

ITEM 5 – Other Information

None

---

ITEM 6 – Exhibits

(a) Exhibits required by Item 601 of Regulation S-K

| EXHIBIT NO. | DESCRIPTION  |
|-------------|--|
| 31.1        | Certification of the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002                 |
| 31.2        | Certification of the Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002                 |
| 32          | Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 |
| 101.INS     | XBRL Instance Document   |
| 101.SCH     | XBRL Schema Document   |
| 101.CAL     | XBRL Calculation Linkbase Document   |
| 101.LAB     | XBRL Label Linkbase Document   |
| 101.PRE     | XBRL Presentation Linkbase Document  |
| 101.DEF     | XBRL Definition Linkbase Document  |

---

The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc.

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.

THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA COMPANY, INC.

Date: January 17, 2012

By: /s/ Melissa E. Sungela

Melissa E. Sungela, Senior Vice President,  
Corporate Controller (Chief Accounting Officer  
and Duly Authorized Officer)