SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

 [X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
 For the third twelve week accounting period ended September 6, 2003

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: 1-6024

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

Delaware

9341 Courtland Drive, Rockford, Michigan

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(616) 866-5500

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes X____ No ___

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes X No ____

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock as of the latest practicable date.

There were 46,565,784 shares of Common Stock, \$1 par value, outstanding as of October 7, 2003, of which 6,439,820 shares are held as Treasury Stock.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report contains forward-looking statements that are based on management's beliefs, assumptions, current expectations, estimates and projections about the footwear business, worldwide economics and the Company itself including, without limitation, statements in Part 1, Item 2 regarding the Company's financial condition, liquidity and capital resources and statements in Part 1, Item 3 regarding market risk. Words such as "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "expects," "forecasts," "intends," "is likely," "plans," "predicts," "projects," "should," "will," variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions ("Risk Factors") that are difficult to predict with regard to timing, extent, likelihood and degree of occurrence. Therefore, actual results and outcomes may materially differ from what may be expressed or forecasted in such forward-looking statements.

Risk Factors include, but are not limited to, uncertainties relating to changes in demand for the Company's products; changes in consumer preferences or spending patterns; the cost and availability of inventories, services, labor and equipment furnished to the Company; the cost and availability of raw materials, including leather; the impact of competition and pricing by the

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(IRS Employer Identification No.)

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Company's competitors; changes in government and regulatory policies; foreign currency fluctuations; changes in trading policies or import and export regulations; changes in interest rates, tax laws, duties, tariffs, quotas or applicable assessments; technological developments; changes in local, domestic or international economic and market conditions; the size and growth of footwear markets; service interruptions at shipping and receiving ports; changes in the amount or severity of inclement weather; changes due to the growth of Internet commerce; popularity of particular designs and categories of footwear; the ability of the Company to manage and forecast its growth and inventories; the ability to secure and protect trademarks, patents and other intellectual property; integration and operation of newly acquired businesses; changes in business strategy or development plans; the ability to attract and retain qualified personnel; labor strikes or disruptions; the ability to retain rights to brands licensed by the Company; loss, bankruptcy and credit limitations of significant customers; relationships with international distributors and licensees; the Company's ability to meet at-once orders; the exercise of future purchase options by the U.S. Department of Defense on previously awarded contracts; the risk of doing business in developing countries and economically volatile areas; and domestic and international terrorism and war. Additionally, concern regarding acts of terrorism, the war in Iraq and subsequent events have created significant global economic and political uncertanties that may have material and adverse effects on consumer demand, foreign sourcing of footwear, shipping and transportation, product imports and exports and the sale of products in foreign markets. These Risk Factors could have a material adverse impact on the Company's financial condition and results of operations as well as the footwear and retail industries generally. These matters are representative of the Risk Factors that could cause a difference between an ultimate actual outcome and a forward-looking statement. Historical operating results are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected in the future. The Risk Factors included here are not exhaustive. Other Risk Factors exist, and new Risk Factors emerge from time-to-time, that may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forwardlooking statements. Given these risks and uncertainties, investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a prediction of actual results. Furthermore, the Company undertakes no obligation to update, amend or clarify forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. Financial Statements

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (Thousands of dollars)

	September 6, 2003 (Unaudited)		:	mber 28, 2002 udited)	September 7, 2002 (Unaudited)	
ASSETS						
CURRENT ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable, less allowances September 6, 2003 - \$10,806 December 28, 2002 - \$10,191	\$	18,274	\$	27,078	\$	10,634
September 7, 2002 - \$10,607 Inventories:		191,366		156,285		190,962
Finished products		161,252		146,229		169,237
Raw materials and work in process		19,706		22,769		19,600
		180,958		168,998		188,837
Other current assets		12,571		10,984		9,506
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		403,169		363,345		399,939
PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT						
Gross cost		233,087		225,974		222,720
Less accumulated depreciation		137,425		128,700		125,828
		95,662		97,274		96,892

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OTHER ASSETS Goodwill and other non-amortizable intangibles Other	30,504 41,261	30,706 40,669	28,737 57,713
	 71,765	 71,375	 86,450
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 570,596	\$ 531,994	\$ 583,281

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WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS - Continued

(Thousands of dollars, except share data)

	September 6, 2003 (Unaudited)		mber 28, 2002 udited)	September 7, 2002 (Unaudited)	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities	\$	84,759	\$ 65,147	\$	79,523
Current maturities of long-term debt		15,030	15,030		15,030
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		99,789	 80,177		94,553
LONG-TERM DEBT (less current maturities)		53,603	57,885		87,537
OTHER NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		21,915	24,692		16,796
MINORITY INTEREST		290	143		60
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Common Stock - par value \$1, authorized					
80,000,000 shares; shares issued					
(including shares in treasury):					
September 6, 2003 - 46,559,784 shares					
December 28, 2002 - 45,839,831 shares					
September 7, 2002 - 45,788,370 shares		46,560	45,840		45,788
Additional paid-in capital		98,755	90,994		90,492
Retained earnings		366,121	339,475		324,165
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(22,099)	(23,522)		(951)
Unearned compensation		(4,754)	(3,833)		(4,379)
Cost of shares in treasury:					
September 6, 2003 - 6,439,820 shares					
December 28, 2002 - 5,869,429 shares					
September 7, 2002 - 5,299,598 shares		(89,584)	 (79,857)		(70,780)
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		394,999	369,097		384,335

() - Denotes deduction. See notes to consolidated condensed financial statements.

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WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Thousands of dollars, except shares and per share data) (Unaudited)

12 Weeks Ended

36 Weeks Ended

	September 6, 2003		September 7, 2002		September 6, 2003		September 7, 2002	
Revenue Cost of products sold	\$	230,571 143,857	\$	219,197 141,179	\$	606,096 384,462	\$	565,750 364,009
GROSS MARGIN		86,714		78,018		221,634		201,741
Selling and administrative expenses		60,424		53,428		168,129		150,816
OPERATING INCOME		26,290		24,590		53,505		50,925
OTHER EXPENSES (INCOME): Interest expense Interest income Other - net		1,354 (97) 605 1,862		1,641 (89) 75 1,627		4,109 (304) 501 4,306		4,820 (154) 163 4,829
EARNINGS BEFORE INCOME TAXES AND MINORITY INTEREST		24,428		22,963		49,199		46,096
Income taxes		7,904		7,561		15,944		15,192
EARNINGS BEFORE MINORITY INTEREST Minority interest		16,524 (110)		15,402 (60)		33,255 (147)		30,904 (60)
NET EARNINGS	\$	16,414	\$	15,342	\$	33,108	\$	30,844

Net earnings per share:				
Basic	\$.42	\$.38	\$.84	\$.76
Diluted	\$.40	\$.37	\$.81	\$.73
Cash dividends per share	\$.055	\$.045	\$.165	\$.135
Shares used for net earnings per share computation:				
Basic	39,347,416	40,084,219	39,234,460	40,575,077
Diluted	41,224,979	41,454,530	40,913,960	42,157,450

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CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

(Thousands of dollars, except share data) (Unaudited)

	Common Stock				Retained Earnings		Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)		Unearned Compensation		cost of hares in easury		Total
Balances at December 28,													
2002	\$ 45,840	\$	90,994	\$	339,475	\$	(23,522)	\$	(3,833)	\$	(79,857)	\$	369,097
Net earnings					33,108								33,108
Dividends					(6,462)								(6,462)
Purchase of 580,291													
shares of common													
stock for treasury											(9,863)		(9,863)
Issuance of 9,900													
shares of treasury													
stock			33								136		169
Issuance of common													
stock under stock													
incentive plans	720		7,576						(2,383)				5,913
Net change in notes													
receivable			152										152
Amortization of unearned													
compensation									1,462				1,462
Foreign currency cash flow hedge adjustments Foreign currency							(139)						(139)
translation adjustments							1,562						1,562
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Balances at September 6,

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WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Thousands of dollars) (Unaudited)

	36 Weeks Ended			
	September 6, 2003		Septemb 2002	
OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Net earnings	\$	33,108	\$	30,844
Adjustments necessary to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation		11,955		11,956
Amortization		374		443
Other		(2,105)		3,844
Changes in operating assets and liabilities: Accounts receivable		(33,992)		(40,498)
Inventories		(10,663)		(40,498) 3,160
Other assets		(10,000) (854)		470
Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities		18,302		15,765
Net cash provided by operating activities		16,125		25,984
INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Business acquisitions		-		(26,626)
Additions to property, plant and equipment		(11,125)		(8,476)
Other		685		218
Net cash used in investing activities		(10,440)		(34,884)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Proceeds from long-term debt		30,032		73,550
Payments of long-term debt		(34,314)		(61,831)
Net increase in short-term debt		- (01,011)		(90)
Cash dividends		(6,462)		(5,434)
Purchase of common stock for treasury		(9,727)		(24,442)
Proceeds from shares issued under stock incentive plans		5,903		1,961

Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	Net cash used in financing activities	 (14,568) 79	 (16,286)
DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period		 (8,804) 27,078	 (25,186) 35,820
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE PERIOD		\$ 18,274	\$ 10,634
() - Denotes reduction in cash and cash equivalents.			

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WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS September 6, 2003 and September 7, 2002 (Unaudited)

1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited consolidated condensed financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting solely of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for fair presentation have been included in the accompanying financial statements. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 28, 2002. Certain amounts previously reported in 2002 have been reclassified to conform with the presentation used in 2003.

2. Fluctuations

The Company's sales are seasonal. Seasonal sales patterns and the fact that the fourth quarter has sixteen or seventeen weeks as compared to twelve weeks in each of the first three quarters can cause significant differences in sales and earnings from quarter to quarter. These differences, however, have followed a consistent pattern each year.

3. Net Earnings Per Share

The following table sets forth the reconciliation of weighted average shares used in the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share:

	12 Weeks E	Ended	36 Weeks Ended			
	September 6, 2003	September 7, 2002	September 6, 2003	September 7, 2002		
Weighted average shares outstanding	40,052,083	40,841,681	39,961,583	41,353,709		
Adjustment for nonvested common stock	(704,667)	(757,462)	(727,123)	(778,632)		
Denominator for basic earnings per share	39,347,416	40,084,219	39,234,460	40,575,077		
Effect of dilutive stock options	1,172,896	612,849	952,377	803,741		
Adjustment for nonvested common stock	704,667	757,462	727,123	778,632		
Denominator for diluted earnings per share	41,224,979	41,454,530	40,913,960	42,157,450		

Options to purchase 595,152 and 795,943 shares of common stock for the 12 and 36 weeks ended September 6, 2003 and 1,517,475 and 790,579 shares for the 12 and 36 weeks ended September 7, 2002 have not been included in the denominator for the computation of diluted earnings per share because the related exercise prices were greater than the average market price for the period and, therefore, they were nondilutive.

4. Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Comprehensive income (loss) represents net earnings and any revenue, expenses, gains and losses that, under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, are excluded from net earnings and recognized directly as a component of stockholders' equity.

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WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued September 6, 2003 and September 7, 2002 (Unaudited)

The ending accumulated other comprehensive loss is as follows (thousands of dollars):

	September 6, 2003		ember 28, 2002	September 7, 2002	
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$	4,700	\$ 3,138	\$	195
Foreign currency cash flow hedge adjustments		(383)	(244)		-
Minimum pension liability adjustments, net of taxes		(26,416)	 (26,416)		(1,146)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$	(22,099)	\$ (23,522)	\$	(951)

The reconciliation from net earnings to comprehensive income is as follows (thousands of dollars):

	12 Weeks	Ended	36 Weeks Ended				
	September 6, 2003	September 7, 2002	September 6, 2003	September 7, 2002			
Net earnings Other comprehensive income (loss):	\$ 16,414	\$ 15,342	\$ 33,108	\$ 30,844			
Change in foreign currency translation adjustment Change in foreign currency cash flow	(3,305)	(1,643)	1,562	3,158			
hedge adjustments	642	-	(139)	-			
Comprehensive income	\$ 13,751	\$ 13,699	\$ 34,531	\$ 34,002			

5. Business Segments

The Company has one reportable segment that is engaged in the manufacture and marketing of branded footwear to the retail sector, including casual shoes, slippers, moccasins, dress shoes, boots, uniform shoes, work shoes and performance outdoor footwear. Revenue of this segment is derived from the sale of branded footwear products to external customers and the Company's retail division as well as royalty income from the licensing of the Company's trademarks and brand names to licensees and distributors. The business units comprising the branded footwear segment manufacture or source, market and distribute products in a similar manner. Branded footwear is distributed through wholesale channels and under licensing and distributor arrangements.

The other business units in the following table consist of the Company's retail, apparel and accessory licensing, tannery and pigskin procurement operations. The Company operated 65 domestic retail stores at September 6, 2003 that sell Company-branded products and other brands from unaffiliated companies. The other business units distribute products through retail and wholesale channels.

There have been no changes in the way the Company measures segment profits or in its basis of determining business segments.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued September 6, 2003 and September 7, 2002 (Unaudited)

Business segment information is as follows (thousands of dollars):

	Branded Footwear	Other Businesses	Corporate	Consolidated
	12 weeks ended September 6, 2003			
Revenue from external customers Intersegment revenue Earnings (loss) before income taxes	\$ 214,143 8,145	\$ 16,428 582	- -	\$ 230,571 8,727
and minority interest	28,861	178	\$ (4,611)	24,428
		36 weeks ended Se	ptember 6, 2003	
Revenue from external customers Intersegment revenue Earnings (loss) before income taxes	\$ 554,530 18,846	\$ 51,566 1,677	-	\$ 606,096 20,523
and minority interest	55,296	1,666	\$ (7,763)	49,199
		12 weeks ended Se	ptember 7, 2002	
Revenue from external customers Intersegment revenue	\$ 200,272 5,983	\$ 18,925 940	-	\$ 219,197 6,923
Earnings (loss) before income taxes and minority interest	25,528	1,459	\$ (4,024)	22,963
		36 weeks ended Se	ptember 7, 2002	
Revenue from external customers Intersegment revenue Earnings (loss) before income taxes	\$ 509,153 16,428	\$ 56,597 2,529	-	\$ 565,750 18,957
and minority interest	51,340	3,575	\$ (8,819)	46,096

6. Financial Instruments and Risk Management

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, accounts and notes receivable, accounts and notes payable and longterm debt. Except for fixed-rate, long-term debt with a carrying value of \$68,571,000 and a fair value of \$72,781,000 at September 6, 2003, the Company's estimate of the fair values of these financial instruments approximates their carrying amounts. Fair value was determined using discounted cash flow analyses and current interest rates for similar instruments. The Company does not hold or issue financial instruments for trading purposes.

The Company follows Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities,* as amended by SFAS Nos. 137 and 138. These statements require that all derivative instruments be recorded on the balance sheet at fair value and establish criteria for designation and effectiveness of hedging relationships. The Company utilizes foreign currency forward exchange contracts to manage the volatility associated with foreign currency inventory purchases made by non-U.S. wholesale operations in the normal course of business. At September 6, 2003, foreign exchange contracts with a notional value of \$18,373,000 were outstanding to purchase various currencies (principally

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U.S. dollars) with maturities ranging up to one year. These contracts have been designated as cash flow hedges. As of September 6, 2003, an asset of \$39,000 has been recognized for the fair value of the foreign exchange contracts.

The fair value of the foreign exchange contracts represents the estimated receipts or payments necessary to terminate the contracts. Hedge effectiveness is evaluated by the hypothetical derivative method. Any hedge ineffectiveness is reported within the other income (expense) caption of the statement of operations. Hedge ineffectiveness was not material to the consolidated financial statements at September 6, 2003. If, in the future, the foreign exchange contracts are determined to be ineffective hedges or terminated before their contractual termination dates, the Company would be required to reclassify into earnings all or a portion of the unrealized amounts related to the cash flow hedges that are currently included in accumulated other comprehensive loss within stockholders' equity.

The Company does not require collateral or other security on trade accounts receivable.

7. Stock-based Compensation

The Company has elected to follow Accounting Principles Board (APB) Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, and related interpretations, in accounting for its stock incentive plans because the alternative fair value accounting provided under SFAS No.123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation, requires the use of option valuation models that were not specifically developed for valuing the types of stock incentives maintained by the Company. Under APB Opinion No. 25, compensation expense is recognized when the market price of the stock underlying an award on the date of grant exceeds any related exercise price.

Pro forma information regarding net earnings and earnings per share is required by SFAS No. 123, and has been determined as if the Company had accounted for its stock awards using the fair value method. The fair value of these awards was estimated at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted-average assumptions for 2003 year-to-date: risk-free interest rate of 2.7% (4.23% in 2002); dividend yield of 1.3% (1.1% in 2002); expected market price volatility factor of 0.40 (0.46 in 2002); and an expected option life of four years.

The estimated weighted-average fair value for each option granted was \$4.99 and \$5.82 for year-to-date 2003 and 2002, respectively.

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For purposes of pro forma disclosures, the estimated fair values of stock options are amortized to expense over the related vesting periods. The Company's pro forma information under SFAS No. 123 is as follows (thousands of dollars, except per share data):

	12 Weeks Ended		36 Weeks Ended		
	September 6, 2003	September 7, 2002	September 6, 2003	September 7, 2002	
Net earnings, as reported Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under	\$ 16,414	\$ 15,342	\$ 33,108	\$ 30,844	
fair value based method for all awards, net of related tax effects	642	639	2,425	2,473	
Pro forma net earnings	\$ 15,772	\$ 14,703	\$ 30,683	\$ 28,371	
Net earnings per share:					
Basic - as reported	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.84	\$ 0.76	

Basic - pro forma	0.40	0.37	0.78	0.70
Diluted - as reported	0.40	0.37	0.81	0.73
Diluted - pro forma	0.39	0.36	0.76	0.68

8. Litigation and Contingencies

The Company is involved in various environmental claims and other legal actions arising in the normal course of business. The environmental claims include sites where the Environmental Protection Agency has notified the Company that it is a potentially responsible party with respect to environmental remediation. These remediation claims are subject to ongoing environmental impact studies, assessment of remediation alternatives, allocation of cost between responsible parties and concurrence by regulatory authorities and have not yet advanced to a stage where the Company's liability is fixed. However, after taking into consideration legal counsel's evaluation of all actions and claims against the Company, management is currently of the opinion that their outcome will not have a significant effect on the Company's consolidated financial position or future results of operations.

Pursuant to certain of the Company's lease agreements, primarily retail locations, the Company has provided financial guarantees to third parties in the form of indemnification provisions. These provisions indemnify and reimburse the third parties for costs, including but not limited to operating costs, taxes and adverse judgments in lawsuits. The terms of the guarantees are equal to the terms of the related lease agreements. The Company is not able to calculate the maximum potential amount of future payments it could be required to make under these guarantees, as the potential payment is dependent on the occurrence of future unknown events.

On July 17, 2003, the Company's 153 tannery employees, members of the United Food and Commercial Workers Union Local 600, voted to strike as their existing contract expired. The strike ended on September 10, 2003, and certain employees have been reinstated to open positions. Complaints have been filed against the Company alleging unfair labor practices during the strike and arbitration demands have been filed. The Company has also filed a lawsuit in federal court seeking a declaration that no agreement has been reached on a new contract and the union has not accepted an amended Company offer to resolve this issue. The Company believes an unfavorable outcome is remote and does not expect this to have a material impact on the Company's future results of operations.

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9. Business Acquisitions

On September 18, 2003, the Company executed a purchase agreement to acquire the business and select net operating assets of Sebago, Inc. for cash and other consideration of approximately \$16,000,000. The acquisition is expected to close in November 2003.

On January 16, 2002, the Company established a new subsidiary to operate the CAT® footwear business in the European market. This new entity, Wolverine Europe Limited, purchased assets consisting of accounts receivable, inventory, limited amortizable intangible assets and fixed assets totaling approximately \$21,247,000 from Overland Group Limited of London, England and assumed liabilities of approximately \$8,514,000. Cash and other consideration of \$27,790,000 was remitted for the acquisition, resulting in goodwill of \$15,057,000 after allocation of the purchase price to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values at the date of acquisition. The former owner of Overland Group Limited is a 5% minority stockholder in the new subsidiary. The markets served directly by Wolverine Europe Limited include Austria, France, Germany, Ireland, The Netherlands, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. Wolverine Europe Limited also coordinates and supports other European markets served by independently-owned distributors. Consolidated pro forma revenue and net earnings for the first quarter of 2002, assuming the transaction occurred at the beginning of the year, would not have been materially different from reported amounts.

10. New Accounting Standards

DISPOSAL OBLIGATIONS

In June 2002, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued SFAS No. 146, Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities, which requires liabilities for costs related to exit or disposal activities to be recognized when the liability is incurred. SFAS No. 146 supersedes EITF Issue No. 94-3, Liability Recognition for Certain Employee Termination Benefits and Other Costs to Exit an Activity, and is effective for the Company in fiscal 2003. The Company adopted SFAS No. 146 as of the first day of fiscal 2003 and does not expect that the adoption of this statement will have a significant impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

GUARANTOR ACCOUNTING

In November 2002, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 45, *Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others* (FIN 45). FIN 45 changes current practice in accounting for, and disclosure of, guarantees. FIN 45 will require certain guarantees to be recorded at fair value on the Company's balance sheet, a change from current practice, which is generally to record a liability only when a loss is probable and reasonably estimable, as those terms are defined in SFAS No. 5, *Accounting for Contingencies*. FIN 45 also requires a guarantor to make significant new disclosures, even when the likelihood of making any payments under the guarantee is remote, which is another change from current practice. The disclosure requirements of FIN 45 are effective immediately and are included in Note 8, "Litigation and Contingencies." The initial recognition and initial measurement provisions are applicable on a prospective basis to guarantees issued or modified after December 28, 2002. The Company expects that the new recognition and measurement provisions will not have a

significant impact on the Company's future financial position or results of operations.

CONSOLIDATION OF VARIABLE INTEREST ENTITIES

In January 2003, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 46, *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities* (FIN 46). This standard clarifies the application of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51, *Consolidated Financial Statements*, and addresses consolidation by business enterprises of variable interest entities. FIN 46 requires existing unconsolidated variable interest entities to be consolidated by their primary beneficiaries if the entities do not effectively disperse risk among the parties involved. FIN 46 also enhances the disclosure

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requirements related to variable interest entities. This statement is effective for variable interest entities created or in which an enterprise obtains an interest after January 31, 2003. FIN 46 will be effective for the Company beginning September 7, 2003 for all interests in variable interest entities acquired before February 1, 2003. The adoption of FIN 46 is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

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

<u>Results of Operations - Comparisons of the 12 Weeks and 36 Weeks Ended September 6, 2003 (2003 third quarter and 2003 year-to-date, respectively) to the 12 Weeks and 36 Weeks Ended September 7, 2002 (2002 third quarter and 2002 year-to-date, respectively)</u>

Revenue of \$230.6 million for the 2003 third quarter exceeded the 2002 third quarter level of \$219.2 million by \$11.4 million (5.2%) and 2003 yearto-date revenue of \$606.1 million exceeded the 2002 year-to-date level of \$565.8 million by \$40.3 million (7.1%). A portion of the Company's revenue increase was generated by currency gains which improved revenue by 1.6% and 2.0% for the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date, respectively. Revenue for the Company's branded footwear segment, consisting of The Hush Puppies Company, the Wolverine Footwear Group (comprised of the Wolverine®, Hytest®, Stanley®, Bates® and Harley-Davidson® brands), Merrell Performance Footwear, CAT Footwear and Wolverine Slippers, increased \$13.9 million (6.9%) for the 2003 third quarter and increased \$45.4 million (8.9%) for 2003 year-to-date as compared to the respective periods of 2002. The Company's other business units, consisting of Hush Puppies Retail, Apparel and Accessory Licensing, Wolverine Leathers and Wolverine Procurement, reported a decrease in revenue of \$2.5 million (13.2%) for the 2003 third quarter and a decrease of \$5.1 million (8.9%) for 2003 year-to-date as compared to the respective periods of 2002.

The Hush Puppies Company reported an increase in revenue of \$1.6 million (4.3%) in the 2003 third quarter and \$4.6 million (4.8%) for 2003 yearto-date when compared to the applicable periods of 2002. The increase for the 2003 third quarter and 2003 year-to-date was generated primarily from the Hush Puppies U.K. and Hush Puppies Canada wholesale operations as a result of expanded product distribution and heightened consumer demand. Hush Puppies U.S. also experienced a small increase in revenue for the 2003 third quarter reflecting improved consumer demand. Also, Hush Puppies International recorded increases in revenue of 6.4% and 10.8% for the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date, respectively, reflecting continued strong licensing results in Australia, Japan and Germany.

The Wolverine Footwear Group's revenue increased \$5.1 million (7.9%) and \$8.8 million (4.7%) for the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date, respectively, as compared to the same periods of 2002. Revenue for the Bates® brand generated increases of 14.9% and 22.2% for the 2003 third quarter and 2003 year-to-date, respectively, as compared to the same periods of 2002, resulting from increased shipments of technical boot products to the Department of Defense and tactical ultra-light uniform footwear for the civilian uniform market. Revenue from Harley-Davidson® footwear improved 15.9% as compared to the 2002 third quarter and 10.9% for 2003 year-to-date due to continued strong demand from the Harley-Davidson® specialty retailer network. Stanley® Footgear reported improvements of 8.4% and 25.6% in revenue for the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date, respectively, due to increased demand by its primary retailer, Payless ShoeSource, Inc. Revenue for Wolverine® Boots and Shoes (including Hytest®) increased 3.2% for the 2003 third quarter as a result of strong outdoor sport boot shipments and decreased 5.6% for 2003 year-to-date as compared to the same period of 2002 due to soft retail conditions in the traditional work boot sector and a change in sales mix to lower average priced products.

Merrell Performance Footwear continued its strong growth, reporting an increase in revenue of \$7.1 million (14.0%) and \$22.6 million (17.1%) for the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date, respectively, compared to the same periods of 2002. Revenue gains were recognized for both the 2003 third quarter and 2003 year-to-date in Merrell's U.S., Canadian and European wholesale operations along with the licensing businesses due to continued product and retail expansion combined with strong consumer demand.

CAT Footwear reported a \$2.9 million (8.6%) and \$1.1 million (1.4%) decrease in global revenue for the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date, respectively, compared to the same periods of 2002. The U.S. wholesale

business accounted for the decreases as a result of declines experienced in the traditional work boot category while the European CAT® footwear business was flat for the 2003 third quarter and was up 2.8% for 2003 year-to-date.

Wolverine Slippers' 2003 third quarter and year-to-date revenue increased \$3.2 million (28.4%) and \$9.2 million (74.9%), respectively, when compared to the same periods of 2002 as a result of greater shipments to a key U.S. catalog retailer.

The Company's other business units reported combined decreases in revenue of \$2.4 million (13.2%) and \$5.1 million (8.9%) for the 2003 third

quarter and year-to-date, respectively. Hush Puppies Retail's revenue increased 2.4% for the 2003 third quarter and 1.1% for 2003 year-to-date compared to the same periods of 2002 as a result of same store revenue increases and new store openings. Wolverine Leathers and Wolverine Procurement recorded decreases in revenue of \$2.8 million and \$5.5 million for the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date, respectively, compared to the same periods of 2002 due primarily to reduced market demand for sueded leather used for footwear. Revenue for Apparel and Accessory Licensing increased slightly for both the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date compared to the same periods of 2002.

Gross margin as a percentage of revenue for the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date was 37.6% and 36.6%, respectively, compared to 35.6% and 35.7% for the same periods of 2002. Gross margin dollars increased \$8.7 million or 11.1% for the 2003 third quarter compared to the same period of 2002 and increased \$19.9 million or 9.9% for 2003 year-to-date compared to the same period of 2002. The gross margin percentages for the branded footwear businesses were 37.6% for the 2003 third quarter and 36.6% for 2003 year-to-date compared to 35.3% and 35.5% for the same periods of 2002, respectively. The margin increases for both the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date relate primarily to heightened consumer demand for the Company's higher margin lifestyle product offerings, along with reduced inventory markdowns and improved operating efficiencies. The gross margin percentage for the 2003 third quarter for the other business units decreased to 37.8% from 39.2% for the same period of 2002. Wolverine Leathers accounted for the decline in gross margins as a result of inefficiencies and overhead absorption losses experienced from reduced production levels and the work stoppage discussed in Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements above. The gross margin percentage for the other business units remained fairly constant at 36.7% compared to 36.8% for the same period of 2002.

Selling and administrative expenses of \$60.4 million for the 2003 third quarter increased \$7.0 million from the 2002 third quarter level of \$53.4 million and, as a percentage of revenue, increased to 26.2% in 2003 compared to 24.4% in the 2002 third quarter. Selling and administrative expenses for 2003 year-to-date of \$168.1 million increased \$17.3 million from \$150.8 million for the same period of 2002 and, as a percentage of revenue, increased to 26.7% for 2002 year-to-date. The change in the selling and administrative expenses includes planned increases of \$1.6 million and \$4.9 million in pension expense for the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date, respectively, and increased employee benefit costs of \$1.8 million and \$2.0 million, respectively. The strengthening of the currencies of the Company's foreign subsidiaries also increased selling and administrative expenses by \$1.3 million and \$4.5 million for the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date, respectively, as these amounts are translated into U.S. dollars for consolidation. The remaining increase relates to selling and distribution costs which are variable with the increase in net sales.

Interest expense for the 2003 third quarter was \$1.4 million, compared to \$1.6 million for the same period of 2002. Interest expense for 2003 and 2002 year-to-date was \$4.1 million and \$4.8 million, respectively. The decrease in interest expense reflects a reduction in the debt balance due under senior notes outstanding resulting from principal payments made since the end of the 2002 third quarter.

The 2003 third quarter and year-to-date annualized estimated tax rate of 32.4% compares to 33.0% for the respective periods in the prior year. The decrease in the 2003 tax rate from 2002 relates to a higher percentage of income being generated in foreign jurisdictions with lower tax rates.

Net earnings of \$16.4 million for the 2003 third quarter compares to net earnings of \$15.3 million for the same period in 2002. The 2003 year-todate net earnings increased to \$33.1 million from \$30.8 million in 2002. Diluted earnings per share were \$0.40 and \$0.81 for the 2003 third quarter and year-to-date, respectively, compared to \$0.37 and \$0.73 for the same periods of 2002, respectively.

Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$16.1 million for 2003 year-to-date compared to \$26.0 million for 2002 year-to-date. Working capital requirements used cash of \$27.2 million in 2003 and \$21.1 million in 2002. Cash at September 6, 2003, was \$18.3 million compared to \$10.6 million at September 7, 2002.

Accounts receivable of \$191.4 million at September 6, 2003, reflects an increase of \$0.4 million (0.2%) from the balance at September 7, 2002, and an increase of \$35.1 million (22.4%) from the December 28, 2002, balance. The increase in accounts receivable compared to the 2002 third quarter was significantly less than the increase in the 2003 year-to-date revenue gain and the change from year-end was due to seasonal sales trends. No single customer accounted for more than 5% of the outstanding accounts receivable balance at September 6, 2003.

Inventories of \$181.0 million at September 6, 2003, reflect a decrease of \$7.9 million (4.2%) compared to the balance at September 7, 2002, and an increase of \$12.0 million (7.1%) over the balance at December 28, 2002. The decrease in inventories from the prior year's third quarter relates primarily to an asset management program focused on improving inventory turns and reducing SKU's (Stock Keeping Units). As of September 6, 2003, the Company's backlog was 5.5% higher than the prior year's level.

Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities of \$84.8 million at September 6, 2003, reflect a \$5.3 million (6.7%) increase over the \$79.5 million balance at September 7, 2002, and a \$19.6 million (30.1%) increase from the \$65.1 million balance at December 28, 2002. The increase in accounts payable and other accrued liabilities is primarily attributable to the timing of payments for inventory and income taxes.

Additions to property, plant and equipment of \$11.1 million for 2003 year-to-date compares to \$8.5 million reported for the same period of 2002. The majority of capital expenditures were for information system enhancements, distribution equipment and building improvements. Depreciation and amortization expense was \$12.3 million for 2003 year-to-date and \$12.4 million for 2002 year-to-date. The Company leases machinery, equipment and certain warehouse, office and retail store space under operating lease agreements that expire at various dates through 2018.

The Company has a long-term revolving credit agreement that expires in May 2006 and allows for borrowings up to \$150.0 million, of which \$10.0 million is allocated to the Company's Canadian subsidiary. Of the remaining \$140.0 million facility available, \$35.0 million can be utilized by the Company's European subsidiaries. The revolving credit facility is used to support working capital requirements. Proceeds from existing credit facilities and cash flows from operations are expected to be sufficient to meet working capital needs in the foreseeable future. Any excess cash flows from operations are expected to be used to purchase property, plant and equipment, pay down existing debt, fund internal and external growth initiatives, pay dividends or repurchase the Company's common stock.

Long-term debt of \$68.6 million at September 6, 2003, compares to \$102.6 million and \$72.9 million at September 7, 2002, and December 28,

2002, respectively. The decrease in debt was the result of annual principal payments on the Company's senior notes and lower borrowings made on the revolving credit facility to fund working capital investments. The Company had commercial letter-of-credit facilities outstanding of \$4.1 million and \$6.7 million at September 6, 2003, and September 7, 2002, respectively. The decrease in letters of credit is due to the elimination of letter-of-credit requirements in favor of open account terms for a majority of the Company's footwear suppliers. The total debt to total capital ratio for the Company was 14.8% at September 6, 2003, 21.1% at September 7, 2002, and 16.5% at December 28, 2002.

Included in other assets are assets held for exchange in the amount of \$3.9 million which represent barter credits that were acquired in exchange for inventories in December of 1997. Such credits are redeemable through 2005 with an option for a two year extension for a percentage of supplies purchased from certain vendors. The Company evaluates the recoverability of such assets on a quarterly basis and expects to utilize all available credits prior to their expiration. Barter credits of \$4.0 million have been utilized through September 6, 2003.

The Company's pension benefit costs and credits are based upon actuarial valuations. Inherent in these valuations are key assumptions, including discount rates and expected returns on plan assets. The Company is required to consider market conditions, including changes in interest rates, in selecting these

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assumptions. Based on the pension plan asset market valuation at September 30, 2003, the Company anticipates it will record in the 2003 fourth quarter \$23.7 million of other comprehensive income in stockholders' equity which will reduce a portion of the previously recorded minimum pension liability. This adjustment will have no impact on the net earnings or cash flows of the Company.

Effective August 19, 2002, the Company's Board of Directors approved a common stock repurchase program authorizing the repurchase of an additional 2.0 million shares of common stock over a 24-month period. There were 77,400 shares (\$1.4 million in market value) repurchased during the 2003 third quarter and 1,087,700 total cumulative shares (\$17.7 million in market value) repurchased under the program at the end of the 2003 third quarter. The Company had a previous repurchase program for the repurchase of up to 2.0 million shares of common stock over 24 months from October 3, 2000, to October 3, 2002, with 541,500 shares (\$9.5 million in market value) repurchased during the 2002 second quarter, 1,476,300 shares (\$22.8 million in market value) repurchased during fiscal 2002 and 1,971,800 total cumulative shares (\$29.6 million in market value) repurchased under the program. The primary purpose of these stock repurchase programs is to increase stockholder value. The Company intends to continue to repurchase shares of its common stock in open market or privately negotiated transactions, from time to time, depending upon market conditions and other factors.

The Company declared dividends of \$2.1 million in the 2003 third quarter, or \$.055 per share. This represents a 22.2% increase over the \$.045 per share declared in the 2002 third quarter. The dividend is payable November 3, 2003, to stockholders of record on October 1, 2003.

On September 18, 2003, the Company executed a purchase agreement to acquire the business and select net operating assets of Sebago, Inc. for cash and other consideration of approximately \$16,000,000. The acquisition is expected to close in November 2003.

On January 16, 2002, the Company acquired, through a newly formed subsidiary, Wolverine Europe Limited, certain assets totaling \$21.2 million and assumed certain liabilities of \$8.5 million of the European CAT® footwear business from Overland Group Limited of London, England. Cash and other consideration paid totaled \$27.8 million, resulting in goodwill of \$15.1 million after allocation of the purchase price to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values at the date of acquisition. This acquisition is discussed further in Note 9 to the financial statements above.

Critical Accounting Policies

The preparation of the Company's consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. On an ongoing basis, management evaluates these estimates. Estimates are based on historical experience, when available, and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Management believes that an understanding of the following critical accounting policies is important to an overall understanding of the consolidated financial statements.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

The Company records provisions against gross revenue for estimated stock returns and cash discounts in the period when the related revenue is recorded. These estimates are based on factors that include, but are not limited to, historical stock returns, historical discounts taken, analysis of credit memorandum activity and customer demand. Corporate management evaluates the allowance for uncollectible accounts receivable, discounts and stock returns based on a review of current customer status and historical collection experience. At September 6, 2003 and September 7, 2002, management believes that it has provided sufficient reserves to address future collection uncertainties.

INVENTORIES

The Company values its inventories using actual costs on a last-in, first-out (LIFO) basis for the majority of its inventory and a first-in, first-out (FIFO) basis for foreign, retail and certain other domestic inventories, less

allowances to reflect the lower of cost or market. The Company reduces the value of its inventories to the lower of cost or market for excess or obsolete inventories based upon assumptions about future demand and market conditions. Inventory quantities are verified at various times throughout the year by performing physical and perpetual inventory cycle count procedures.

INCOME TAXES

The Company operates in multiple tax jurisdictions both inside and outside the United States of America. Accordingly, management must determine the appropriate allocation of income in accordance with local law for each of these jurisdictions. The Company believes its tax accruals are adequate to cover exposures related to changes in income allocation between tax jurisdictions. The carrying value of the Company's deferred tax assets assumes that the Company will be able to generate sufficient taxable income in future years to utilize these deferred tax assets. If these assumptions change, the Company may be required to record valuation allowances against its gross deferred tax assets in future years. Management evaluates the potential for realizing gross deferred tax assets and determines the need for valuation allowances on a quarterly basis. The Company did not record a valuation allowance at September 6, 2003 or September 7, 2002.

ITEM 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

The information concerning quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its fiscal year ended December 28, 2002, is incorporated herein by reference.

The Company faces market risk to the extent that changes in foreign currency exchange rates affect the Company's foreign assets, liabilities and inventory purchase commitments and to the extent that its long-term debt requirements are affected by changes in interest rates. The Company manages these risks by attempting to denominate contractual and other foreign arrangements in U.S. dollars and by maintaining a significant percentage of fixed-rate debt. The Company does not believe that there has been a material change in the nature of the Company's primary market risk exposures, including the categories of market risk to which the Company is exposed and the particular markets that present the primary risk of loss to the Company. As of the date of this Form 10-Q Quarterly Report, the Company does not know of or expect there to be any material change in the general nature of its primary market risk exposure in the near term.

The methods used by the Company to manage its primary market risk exposures, as described in the sections of its annual report incorporated herein by reference in response to this item, have not changed materially during the current year. As of the date of this Form 10-Q Quarterly Report, the Company does not expect to change its methods used to manage its market risk exposures in the near term. However, the Company may change those methods in the future to adapt to changes in circumstances or to implement new techniques.

The Company's market risk exposure is mainly comprised of its vulnerability to changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. Prevailing rates and rate relationships in the future will be primarily determined by market factors that are outside of the Company's control. All information provided in response to this item consists of forward-looking statements. Reference is made to the section captioned "Forward-Looking Statements" at the beginning of this document for a discussion of the limitations on the Company's responsibility for such statements.

As of the beginning of fiscal 2001, the Company adopted SFAS No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, as amended by SFAS Nos. 137 and 138. These provisions require the Company to recognize all derivatives on the balance sheet at fair value. Derivatives that are not hedges must be adjusted to fair value through earnings. If a derivative is a hedge, depending on the nature of the hedge, changes in the fair value of derivatives are either offset against the change in fair value of the hedged assets, liabilities or firm commitments through earnings or recognized in accumulated other comprehensive gain (loss) until the hedged item is recognized in earnings.

The Company conducts wholesale operations outside of the United States in Europe and Canada where the functional currencies are primarily the British Pound, Canadian Dollar and euro. The Company utilizes foreign currency forward exchange contracts to manage the volatility associated with foreign currency

inventory purchases made by non-U.S. wholesale operations in the normal course of business. At September 6, 2003, the Company had outstanding forward currency exchange contracts to purchase \$18.4 million of various currencies (principally U. S. dollars) with maturities ranging up to one year.

The Company also has production facilities in the Dominican Republic where financial statements are prepared in U.S. dollars as the functional currency; however, operating costs are paid in the local currencies. Royalty revenue generated by the Company from third-party foreign licensees is calculated in the licensees' local currencies, but paid in U.S. dollars. Accordingly, the Company could be subject to related foreign currency remeasurement gains and losses in 2003 and beyond.

ITEM 4. Controls and Procedures

An evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures. Based on and as of the time of such evaluation, the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the period covered by this report in timely alerting them to material information relating to the Company (including its consolidated subsidiaries) required to be included in the Company's periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. There was no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the twelve-week fiscal period ended September 6, 2003 that has materially affected, or that is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 6.	Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K	
(a)	Exhibits. The following documents are filed or furnished	, as applicable, as exhibits to this report on Form 10-Q:
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3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws. Previously filed as Ex ended September 7, 2002. Here incorporated by refere	whibit 3.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ence.
31.1	Certification of President and Chief Executive Officer	under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Certification of Executive Vice President, Chief Finance of 2002.	cial Officer and Treasurer under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act
32.1	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350.	
(b)	Reports on Form 8-K. The following reports on Form 8-k	K were filed during the period covered by this report:
<u>Date</u>	Items Reported	Financial Statements
July 9, 2003	Items 7, 9	None
July 24, 2003	Items 5, 7	None

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SIGNATURES

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

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

October 21, 2003

Date

October 21, 2003

Date

/s/ Timothy J. O'Donovan

Timothy J. O'Donovan President and Chief Executive Officer (Duly Authorized Signatory for Registrant)

/s/ Stephen L. Gulis, Jr.

Stephen L. Gulis, Jr.
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(Principal Financial Officer and Duly Authorized Signatory for Registrant)

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CERTIFICATIONS

I, Timothy J. O'Donovan, certify that:

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

Date: October 21, 2003

/s/ Timothy J. O'Donovan

Timothy J. O'Donovan President and Chief Executive Officer Wolverine World Wide, Inc.

CERTIFICATIONS

I, Stephen L. Gulis, Jr., certify that:

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

Date: October 21, 2003

/s/ Stephen L. Gulis, Jr.

Stephen L. Gulis, Jr. Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer Wolverine World Wide, Inc.

CERTIFICATION

Solely for the purpose of complying with 18 U.S.C. § 1350, each of the undersigned hereby certifies in his capacity as an officer of Wolverine World Wide, Inc. (the "Company") that the Quarterly Report of the Company on Form 10-Q for the accounting period ended September 6, 2003 fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that information contained in such report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition of the Company at the end of such period and the results of operations of the Company for such period.

/s/ Timothy J. O'Donovan

Timothy J. O'Donovan President and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Stephen L. Gulis, Jr.

Stephen L. Gulis, Jr. Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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