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

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þ **QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**
For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2007
or
o **TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

001-32410
(Commission File Number)

CELANESE CORPORATION
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware	**98-0420726**
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)	*(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)*
1601 West LBJ Freeway, Dallas, TX	**75234-6034**
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	*(Zip Code)*

(972) 443-4000
(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 þ No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.
Large Accelerated Filer þ Accelerated Filer o Non-accelerated filer o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes o No þ

The number of outstanding shares of the registrant s Series A common stock, $0.0001 par value, as of May 3, 2007 was 157,538,428.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The consolidated statement of shareholders equity of Celanese Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2006 included an incorrect presentation of the adoption impact of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 158, *Employers Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans An Amendment of FASB*

Statements No. 87, 88, 106, and 132(R). That presentation included the $132 million charge for the impact of adoption as a component of current-period comprehensive income, rather than displaying the adoption impact as a separate component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net.

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q includes a revised consolidated statement of shareholders equity for the year ended December 31, 2006. The revisions include presentation of the $132 million adoption impact as a separate component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net, and a corresponding increase to 2006 comprehensive income. The revision did not change net income, total accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net, or cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2006.

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UNAUDITED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2007	March 31, 2006
	(In $ millions, except for share and per share data)	
Net sales	1,631	1,498
Cost of sales	(1,240)	(1,160)
Gross profit	391	338
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(116)	(138)
Amortization of intangible assets (customer related)	(18)	(14)
Research and development expenses	(17)	(17)
Other (charges) gains, net	(1)	
Foreign exchange gain, net	1	
Loss on disposition of assets, net	(1)	
Operating profit	239	169
Equity in net earnings of affiliates	18	18
Interest expense	(72)	(71)
Interest income	14	8
Other income, net	5	6
Earnings from continuing operations before tax	204	130
Income tax provision	(60)	(34)
Earnings from continuing operations	144	96
Earnings from discontinued operations:		
Earnings from operation of discontinued operations	10	32
Gain on disposal of discontinued operations	31	
Income tax (provision) benefit	16	(11)
Earnings from discontinued operations	57	21
Net earnings	201	117
Cumulative preferred stock dividend	(2)	(3)
Net earnings available to common shareholders	199	114
Earnings per common share basic:		
Continuing operations	0.89	0.59
Discontinued operations	0.36	0.13

Net earnings available to common shareholders	1.25	0.72
Earnings per common share diluted:		
Continuing operations	0.83	0.57
Discontinued operations	0.32	0.11
Net earnings available to common shareholders	1.15	0.68
Weighted average shares basic:	159,284,888	158,562,161
Weighted average shares diluted:	174,442,332	171,487,669

See the accompanying notes to the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements.

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UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	As of March 31, 2007	As of December 31, 2006
	(In $ millions, except share amounts)	
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,115	791
Restricted cash		46
Receivables:		
Trade receivables third party and affiliates, net	910	1,001
Other receivables	510	475
Inventories	584	653
Deferred income taxes	75	76
Other assets	43	69
Total current assets	3,237	3,111
Investments	733	763
Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of $680 million and $687 million as of March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively	2,047	2,155
Deferred income taxes	63	22
Other assets	487	506
Goodwill	869	875
Intangible assets, net	451	463
Total assets	7,887	7,895
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Short-term borrowings and current installments of long-term debt third party and affiliates	184	309
Trade payables third party and affiliates	731	823
Other current liabilities	716	787
Deferred income taxes	6	18
Income taxes payable	104	279
Total current liabilities	1,741	2,216
Long-term debt	3,305	3,189

Deferred income taxes	265	297
Benefit obligations	907	889
Other liabilities	685	443
Minority interests	5	74
Commitments and contingencies		
Shareholders equity:		
Preferred stock, $0.01 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized and 9,600,000 issued and outstanding as of March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively		
Series A common stock, $0.0001 par value, 400,000,000 shares authorized and 159,854,927 issued and outstanding as of March 31, 2007 and 158,668,666 issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2006		
Series B common stock, $0.0001 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized and 0 shares issued and outstanding as of March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively		
Additional paid-in capital	388	362
Retained earnings	600	394
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net	(9)	31
Total shareholders equity	979	787
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	7,887	7,895

See the accompanying notes to the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements.

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UNAUDITED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY

	Preferred Stock		Series A Common Stock		Additional		Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total
	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount	Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	(Loss), Net	Shareholders Equity
	(In $ millions, except share amounts)							
Balance at December 31, 2005	9,600,000		158,562,161		337	24	(126)	235
Issuance of Series A shares related to stock option exercises			106,505		2			2
Comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:								
Net earnings						406		406
Other comprehensive income (loss):								
Unrealized gain on securities							13	13
Unrealized gain on derivative contracts							2	2
Pension and postretirement benefits (revised)							269	269
Foreign currency translation							5	5
Other comprehensive income (revised)							289	289
Comprehensive income (revised)								695
Adjustment to initially apply FASB Statement No. 158, net of tax (revised)							(132)	(132)
Indemnification of demerger liability					3			3
Common stock dividends						(26)		(26)
Preferred stock dividends						(10)		(10)
Stock-based compensation					20			20
Balance at December 31, 2006	9,600,000		158,668,666		362	394	31	787

Issuance of Series A common stock related to stock option exercises, including related tax benefits		1,178,861	23			23
Issuance of Series A common stock		7,400				
Comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:						
Net earnings				201		201
Other comprehensive income (loss):						
Unrealized gain on securities					1	1
Unrealized loss on derivative contracts					(3)	(3)
Pension and postretirement benefits					(45)	(45)
Foreign currency translation					7	7
Other comprehensive income (loss)					(40)	(40)
Comprehensive income						161
Indemnification of demerger liability			1			1
Common stock dividends				(6)		(6)
Preferred stock dividends				(2)		(2)
Stock-based compensation			2			2
Adoption of FIN 48				13		13
Balance at March 31, 2007	9,600,000	159,854,927	388	600	(9)	979

See the accompanying notes to the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements.

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UNAUDITED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2007	Three Months Ended March 31, 2006
	(In $ millions)	
Operating activities:		
Net earnings	201	117
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Other (charges) gains, net of amounts used	2	(14)
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	81	78
Deferred income taxes	(34)	10
Gain on disposition of assets, net	(30)	
Other, net	14	2
Operating cash used in discontinued operations	(74)	(2)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Trade receivables third party and affiliates, net	34	(54)
Inventories	17	(3)
Other assets	24	(10)
Trade payables third party and affiliates	(95)	(87)
Other liabilities	(128)	(38)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	12	(1)
Investing activities:		
Capital expenditures on property, plant and equipment	(49)	(43)
Acquisitions and related fees, net of cash acquired	(269)	
Net proceeds from sale of businesses and assets	578	
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities	32	27
Purchases of marketable securities	(1)	(29)
Changes in restricted cash	46	(42)
Investing cash used in discontinued operations		(14)
Other, net	(12)	(5)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	325	(106)
Financing activities:		
Short-term borrowings (repayments), net	(40)	32
Proceeds from long-term debt	11	7
Repayments of long-term debt	(1)	(5)
Stock option exercises	19	
Dividend payments on Series A common stock and preferred stock	(8)	(9)

Other, net	2	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(17)	25
Exchange rate effects on cash	4	4
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	324	(78)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	791	390
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	1,115	312

See the accompanying notes to the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Description of the Company and Basis of Presentation

Description of the Company

Celanese Corporation and its subsidiaries (collectively the Company) is an integrated global hybrid chemical company. The Company s business involves processing chemical raw materials, such as methanol, carbon monoxide and ethylene, and natural products, including wood pulp, into value-added chemicals, thermoplastic polymers and other chemical-based products.

Basis of Presentation

In this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, the term Celanese refers to Celanese Corporation, a Delaware corporation, and not its subsidiaries. The term BCP Crystal refers to the Company s subsidiary BCP Crystal US Holdings Corp., a Delaware corporation, and not its subsidiaries. The term Purchaser refers to the Company s subsidiary, Celanese Europe Holding GmbH & Co. KG, formerly known as BCP Crystal Acquisition GmbH & Co. KG, a German limited partnership, and not its subsidiaries, except where otherwise indicated. The term Original Shareholders refers, collectively, to Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) Ltd. 1, Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) Ltd. 2, Blackstone Capital Partners (Cayman) Ltd. 3 and BA Capital Investors Sidecar Fund, L.P. The terms Sponsor and Advisor refer to certain affiliates of The Blackstone Group.

As used in this document, the term CAG refers to (i) prior to the Organizational Restructuring (as defined in Note 2 below), Celanese AG and Celanese Americas Corporation (CAC), their consolidated subsidiaries, their non-consolidated subsidiaries, ventures and other investments, and (ii) following the Organizational Restructuring, Celanese AG, its consolidated subsidiaries, its non-consolidated subsidiaries, ventures and other investments, except that with respect to shareholder and similar matters where the context indicates, CAG refers to Celanese AG.

The unaudited interim consolidated financial statements as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006 contained in this Quarterly Report were prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (U.S. GAAP) for all periods presented. The unaudited interim consolidated financial statements and other financial information included in this Quarterly Report, unless otherwise specified, have been presented to separately show the effects of discontinued operations.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited consolidated balance sheets and related unaudited interim consolidated statements of operations, cash flows, and shareholders equity include all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring items, necessary for their fair presentation in conformity with U.S. GAAP. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP have been condensed or omitted in accordance with rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). These unaudited interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Celanese Corporation and Subsidiaries consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, as filed on February 21, 2007 with the SEC as part of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K (the 2006 Form 10-K).

Operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the entire year.

Estimates and Assumptions

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenses and allocated charges during the reporting period. Significant estimates pertain to purchase price allocations, impairments of intangible assets and other long-lived assets, restructuring costs and other (charges)

gains, net, income taxes, pension and other postretirement benefits, asset retirement obligations, environmental liabilities and loss contingencies, among others. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

As noted in Note 3, the Company adopted the provisions of FIN 48 on January 1, 2007. The Company considers many factors when evaluating and estimating its tax positions and tax benefits, which may require periodic adjustments and which may not accurately anticipate actual outcomes. Tax positions shall be recognized only when it is more likely than not (likelihood of greater than 50%), based on technical merits, that the positions will be sustained upon examination. Tax positions that meet the more likely than not threshold should be measured using a probability weighted approach as the largest amount of tax benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon settlement. Whether the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold is met for a tax position is a matter of judgment based on the individual facts and circumstances of that position evaluated in light of all available evidence.

Restricted Cash

At December 31, 2006, the Company had $46 million of restricted cash. The cash was paid in January 2007 to certain CAG shareholders pursuant to the terms of the Squeeze-Out as discussed in Note 4.

Reclassifications

The Company has reclassified certain prior period amounts to conform to current period s presentation.

2. Domination Agreement and Organizational Restructuring

Domination Agreement

The domination and profit and loss transfer agreement (the Domination Agreement) was approved at the CAG extraordinary shareholders meeting on July 31, 2004. The Domination Agreement between CAG and the Purchaser became effective on October 1, 2004. The Company s subsidiaries, Celanese Caylux Holdings Luxembourg S.C.A., formerly BCP Caylux Holdings Luxembourg S.C.A (Celanese Caylux) and BCP Crystal, have each agreed to provide the Purchaser with financing to strengthen the Purchaser s ability to fulfill its obligations under, or in connection with, the Domination Agreement and to ensure that the Purchaser will perform all of its obligations under, or in connection with, the Domination Agreement when such obligations become due, including, without limitation, the obligation to compensate CAG for any statutory annual loss incurred by CAG during the term of the Domination Agreement. If Celanese Caylux and/or BCP Crystal are obligated to make payments under such guarantees or other security to the Purchaser and/or the minority shareholders, the Company may not have sufficient funds for payments on its indebtedness when due. The Company has not had to compensate CAG for an annual loss for any period during which the Domination Agreement has been in effect. See additional discussion in the 2006 Form 10-K.

The Domination Agreement is further challenged in eight Null and Void actions pending in the Frankfurt District Court. These actions are seeking to have the shareholders resolution approving the Domination Agreement declared null and void based on an alleged violation of formal requirements relating to the invitation for the shareholders meeting. A court hearing is scheduled for May 8, 2007. See additional discussion in the 2006 Form 10-K.

If legal challenges of the Domination Agreement by dissenting shareholders of CAG are successful, some or all actions taken under the Domination Agreement, including the transfer of CAC (see *Organizational Restructuring* below for discussion regarding CAC s transfer) may be required to be reversed and the Company may be required to compensate CAG for damages caused by such actions, which could have a material impact on the Company s financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

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Organizational Restructuring

In October 2004, Celanese and certain of its subsidiaries completed an organizational restructuring (the Organizational Restructuring) pursuant to which the Purchaser effected, by giving a corresponding instruction under the Domination Agreement, the transfer of all of the shares of CAC from Celanese Holding GmbH, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CAG, to Celanese Caylux, which resulted in Celanese Caylux owning 100% of the equity of CAC and indirectly, all of its assets, including subsidiary stock. This transfer was affected by CAG selling all outstanding shares in CAC for a 291 million note. This note eliminates in consolidation.

3. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued FASB Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109* (FIN 48), which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in tax positions. The interpretation prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement criteria for financial statement recognition of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. FIN 48 requires that the Company recognize in its financial statements, the impact of a tax position, if that position is more likely than not of being sustained upon examination, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation processes, based on the technical merits of the position. The interpretation also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting interim periods, disclosure and transition. The Company adopted the provisions of FIN 48 effective January 1, 2007. The Company recorded the initial impact of FIN 48 as a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle recorded as an adjustment to opening retained earnings and as an adjustment to Goodwill. See the unaudited interim consolidated statements of shareholders equity and Note 15 for additional information related to the impact of the adoption of FIN 48.

In September 2006, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (SFAS No. 157), which defines fair value, establishes guidelines for measuring fair value and expands disclosures regarding fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 does not require any new fair value measurements but rather eliminates inconsistencies in guidance found in various prior accounting pronouncements. SFAS No. 157 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting SFAS No. 157 on the Company s financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

On February 15, 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities Including an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 115* (SFAS No. 159). This standard permits companies to choose to measure many financial assets and liabilities and certain other items at fair value. A company will report unrealized gains and losses on items for which the fair value option has been elected in earnings at each subsequent reporting date. The fair value option may be applied on an instrument-by-instrument basis, with several exceptions, such as those investments accounted for by the equity method, and once elected, the option is irrevocable unless a new election date occurs. The fair value option can be applied only to entire instruments and not to portions thereof. SFAS No. 159 is effective as of the beginning of a company s first fiscal year beginning after November 15, 2007. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of SFAS No. 159 on the Company s financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

4. Acquisitions, Ventures and Divestitures

Acquisitions

On January 31, 2007, the Company completed the acquisition of the cellulose acetate flake, tow and film business of Acetate Products Limited (APL), a subsidiary of Corsadi B.V. The purchase price for the transaction was approximately £57 million ($112 million), in addition to direct acquisition costs of approximately £4 million ($7 million). Pro forma financial information has not been provided as the acquisition did not have a material impact on the Company s results of operations. As contemplated prior to closing, the Company announced on March 14,

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2007, plans to close its tow production plant at Little Heath, United Kingdom during 2007. In accordance with the Company s sponsor services agreement dated January 26, 2005, as amended, the Company paid the Advisor $1 million in connection with the acquisition of APL.

The following table presents the preliminary allocation of APL acquisition costs to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, based on their fair values. This preliminary allocation is subject to change when the final valuations are obtained.

	(In $ millions)
Accounts receivable	34
Inventories	29
Property, plant, and equipment	48
Goodwill	57
Intangible assets	2
Other current assets/liabilities, net	(43)
Non-current liabilities	(8)
Net assets acquired	119

On April 6, 2004, the Company acquired 84% of CAG (the Acquisition). During 2005, the Company acquired an additional 14% of CAG. See additional discussion of these acquisitions in the 2006 Form 10-K. On May 30, 2006, CAG s shareholders approved a transfer to the Purchaser of all shares owned by minority shareholders against payment of cash compensation in the amount of 66.99 per share (the Squeeze-Out). The Squeeze-Out was registered in the commercial register in Germany on December 22, 2006, after several lawsuits by minority shareholders challenging the shareholders resolution approving the Squeeze-Out were withdrawn pursuant to a settlement agreement entered into between plaintiff shareholders, the Purchaser and CAG on the same day. An aggregate purchase price of approximately 62 million was paid to minority shareholders in January 2007 as fair cash compensation for the acquisition of their shares in CAG, excluding direct acquisition costs of approximately 2 million. As a result of this acquisition, the Company recorded an increase to Goodwill of approximately $5 million during the three months ended March 31, 2007. The amount of the fair cash compensation of 66.99 per share could increase based on the outcome of award proceedings pending in German courts. As of March 31, 2007, the Company s ownership percentage was 100%.

Ventures

On March 28, 2007, the Company announced that it entered into a strategic partnership with Accsys Technologies PLC (Accsys), and its subsidiary Titan Wood, to become the exclusive supplier of acetyl products to Titan Wood s technology licensees for use in wood acetylation. In conjunction with this partnership, the Company will make an investment of approximately $30 million during the second quarter of 2007 contingent on the approval of the transaction by Accsys shareholders.

Divestitures

In connection with the Company s strategy to optimize its portfolio and divest non-core operations, the Company announced on December 13, 2006 its agreement to sell its Chemical Products segments oxo products and derivatives businesses, including European Oxo GmbH (EOXO), a 50/50 venture between Celanese AG and Degussa AG (Degussa), to Advent International, for a purchase price of 480 million subject to final agreement adjustments and the successful exercise of the Company s option to purchase Degussa s 50% interest in EOXO. On February 23, 2007, the option was exercised and the Company acquired Degussa s interest in the venture for a purchase price of 30 million ($39 million), in addition to 22 million ($29 million) paid to extinguish EOXO s debt

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upon closing of the transaction. The Company completed the sale of its oxo products and derivatives businesses, including the acquired 50% interest in EOXO, on February 28, 2007. The sale included the oxo and derivatives businesses at the Oberhausen, Germany, and Bay City, Texas facilities as well as portions of its Bishop, Texas facility. Also included were EOXO s facilities within the Oberhausen and Marl, Germany plants. The former oxo and derivatives businesses acquired by Advent International was renamed Oxea. Taking into account agreed deductions by the buyer for pension and other employee benefits and various costs for separation activities, the Company received proceeds of approximately 443 million ($585 million) at closing. The transaction resulted in the recognition of a $31 million pre-tax gain in the first quarter of 2007. Additional revisions to the gain amount are expected in 2007 related to working capital and other adjustments as specified in the sale agreement. Due to certain lease-back arrangements between the Company and the buyer and related environmental obligations of the Company, approximately $49 million of the transaction proceeds attributable to the fair value of the underlying land at Bay City and Oberhausen is deferred as an other long-term liability, and divested land with a book value of $14 million remains on the Company s consolidated balance sheet.

Subsequent to closing, the Company and Oxea will have certain site service and product supply arrangements. The site services include, but are not limited to, administrative, utilities, health and safety, waste water treatment and maintenance activities for terms which range from one to fifteen years. Product supply agreements contain initial terms of up to fifteen years. The Company has no contractual ability through these agreements or any other arrangements to significantly influence the operating or financial policies of Oxea. The Company concluded, based on the nature and limited projected magnitude of the continuing business relationship between the Company and Oxea, that the divestiture of the oxo products and derivatives businesses should be accounted for as a discontinued operation.

Third party sales include $5 million and $9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively, that would have been eliminated upon consolidation were the divestiture not accounted for as a discontinued operation. These amounts relate to sales from the continuing operations of the Company to the divested business.

In accordance with the Company s sponsor services agreement dated January 26, 2005, as amended, the Company paid the Advisor $6 million in connection with the sale of the oxo products and derivatives businesses.

During the third quarter of 2006, the Company discontinued its Pentaerythritol (PE) operations, which were included in the Chemical Products segment. As a result, the earnings (loss) from operations related to the PE operation is reflected as a component of discontinued operations in the unaudited interim consolidated statements of operations.

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The following table summarizes the results of the discontinued operations for the periods presented in the unaudited interim consolidated statement of operations:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2007[1]	March 31, 2006
	(In $ millions)	
Net sales	119	163
Cost of sales	(103)	(133)
Gross profit	16	30
Operating profit	10	32
Gain on disposal of discontinued operations	31	
Income tax provision from operation of discontinued operations	(3)	(11)
Income tax benefit from gain on disposal of discontinued operations	19[2]	
Earnings from discontinued operations	57	21

(1) The three months ended March 31, 2007 includes only two months of operations for the oxo products and derivatives businesses as these businesses were sold on February 28, 2007.

(2) Income tax benefit on gain from disposal of discontinued operations of $19 million is comprised of $30 million tax expense related to the divestiture of facilities in the U.S., offset by $49 million tax benefit on the divestiture of facilities and investments in Germany.

The following table presents the major classes of assets and liabilities of the oxo products and derivatives businesses divested during the first quarter of 2007:

	(In $ millions)
Trade receivables third party and affiliates, net	147
Inventories	75
Other assets current	8
Investments[1]	125
Property, plant and equipment	139
Other assets	23
Goodwill	42
Intangible assets, net	10
Total assets	569

Current liabilities	4
Other liabilities	19
Total liabilities	23

[1] Includes the Company s 50% investment in EOXO and the 50% interest in EOXO purchased from Degussa in February 2007 (See Note 4).

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Cost Method Investment

In February 2007, the Company wrote-off its remaining 1 million ($1 million) cost investment in European Pipeline Development Company B.V. (EPDC). In addition, the Company expensed 7 million ($9 million) associated with contingent liabilities that became payable due to the Company s decision to exit the pipeline development project. The investment in EPDC relates to the construction of a pipeline system, solely dedicated to the transportation of propylene, which was to connect Rotterdam via Antwerp with the Company s Oberhausen and Marl production facilities in Germany. However, on February 15, 2007, EPDC shareholders decided to stop the building of the pipeline project as originally envisaged and go into liquidation. The Company was a 12.5% shareholder of EPDC.

5. Receivables, net

	As of March 31, 2007	As of December 31, 2006
	(In $ millions)	
Trade receivables third party and affiliates	924	1,017
Allowance for doubtful accounts third party and affiliates	(14)	(16)
Subtotal	910	1,001
Reinsurance receivables	88	85
Other	422	390
Net receivables	1,420	1,476

6. Inventories

	As of March 31, 2007	As of December 31, 2006
	(In $ millions)	
Finished goods	425	500
Work-in-process	24	33
Raw materials and supplies	135	120
Total inventories	584	653

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7. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill

	Chemical Products	Acetate Products	Ticona	Performance Products	Other	Total
			(In $ millions)			
As of December 31, 2006	368	156	256	84	11	875
Acquisition of CAG[1]	(5)	(12)	(9)	1		(25)
Acquisition of APL		57				57
Sale of oxo and derivatives businesses	(42)					(42)
Adoption of FIN 48[2]	(23)	(5)	15	11		(2)
Exchange rate changes	3		2	1		6
As of March 31, 2007	301	196	264	97	11	869

[1] The adjustments recorded during the three months ended March 31, 2007 consist primarily of additional goodwill recorded related to the purchase of the remaining outstanding CAG shares during the Squeeze-Out of $5 million offset by reversals of certain pre-acquisition tax valuation allowances of $30 million.

[2] See Note 15 for additional discussion of FIN 48.

Other Intangible Assets

	As of March 31, 2007	As of December 31, 2006
	(In $ millions)	
Trademarks and tradenames	82	79
Customer related intangible assets	523	523
Developed technology	13	13
Covenants not to compete and other	12	12
Total intangible assets, gross	630	627
Less: accumulated amortization	(179)	(164)
Total intangible assets, net	451	463

Aggregate amortization expense charged against earnings for intangible assets with finite lives during the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006 totaled $18 million and $17 million, respectively.

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8. Debt

	As of March 31, 2007	As of December 31, 2006
	(In $ millions)	
Short-term borrowings and current installments of long-term debt third party and affiliates		
Current installments of long-term debt	41	127
Short-term borrowings, principally comprised of amounts due to affiliates	143	182
Total short-term borrowings and current installments of long-term debt third party and affiliates	184	309
Long-term debt		
Senior Credit Facilities: Term Loan facility	1,626	1,622
Senior Subordinated Notes 9.625%, due 2014	799	799
Senior Subordinated Notes 10.375%, due 2014	173	171
Senior Discount Notes 10.5%, due 2014	347	339
Senior Discount Notes 10%, due 2014	83	81
Term notes 7.125%, due 2009	14	14
Pollution control and industrial revenue bonds, interest rates ranging from 5.2% to 6.7%, due at various dates through 2030	191	191
Obligations under capital leases and other secured borrowings due at various dates through 2023	32	30
Other borrowings	81	69
Subtotal	3,346	3,316
Less: Current installments of long-term debt	41	127
Total long-term debt	3,305	3,189

As of March 31, 2007, the amended and restated (January 2005) senior credit facilities consist of a term loan facility, a revolving credit facility and a credit-linked revolving facility. The $600 million revolving credit facility provides for the availability of letters of credit in U.S. dollars and Euros and for borrowings on same-day notice. As of March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, there were no letters of credit issued or outstanding borrowings under the revolving credit facility; accordingly, $600 million remained available for borrowing.

The Company has an approximate $228 million credit-linked revolving facility available for the issuance of letters of credit, which matures in 2009. As of March 31, 2007, there were $172 million of letters of credit issued under the

credit-linked revolving facility and $56 million was available for borrowing. As of December 31, 2006, there were $218 million of letters of credit issued under the credit-linked revolving facility and $10 million was available for borrowing.

The Company is in compliance with all of the financial covenants related to its debt agreements as of March 31, 2007.

Debt Refinancing

In March 2007, the Company announced a comprehensive recapitalization strategy to refinance its debt and repurchase shares. On April 2, 2007, the Company, through certain of its subsidiaries, entered into a new senior credit agreement. The new senior credit agreement consists of $2,280 million of U.S. dollar denominated and

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400 million of Euro denominated term loans due 2014, a $650 million revolving credit facility terminating in 2013 and a $228 million credit-linked revolving facility terminating in 2014. Borrowings under the new senior credit agreement bear interest at a variable interest rate based on LIBOR (for U.S. dollars) or EURIBOR (for Euros), as applicable, or, for U.S. dollar denominated loans under certain circumstances, a base rate, in each case plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin for the term loans and any loans under the credit-linked revolving facility is 1.75%, subject to potential reductions as defined in the senior credit agreement. The term loans under the new senior credit agreement are subject to amortization at 1% of the initial principal amount per annum, payable quarterly. The remaining principal amount of the term loans will be due on April 2, 2014.

The new senior credit agreement is guaranteed by Celanese Holdings LLC and certain domestic subsidiaries of Celanese US Holdings LLC (formerly BCP Crystal) (Celanese US), and is secured by a lien on substantially all assets of Celanese US and such guarantors, subject to certain agreed exceptions, pursuant to the Guarantee and Collateral Agreement, dated as of April 2, 2007, by and among Celanese Holdings LLC, Celanese US, certain subsidiaries of Celanese US and Deutsche Bank AG, New York Branch, as Administrative Agent and as Collateral Agent. The new senior credit agreement contains various covenants, including financial, as defined in the new senior credit agreement.

Proceeds from the new senior credit agreement, together with available cash, were used to retire the Company s existing $2,454 million debt facility, which consisted of $1,626 million in term loans due 2011, a $600 million revolving credit facility terminating in 2009 and an approximate $228 million credit-linked revolving facility terminating in 2009 and to retire portions of the Company s Senior Subordinated Notes and Senior Discount Notes as discussed below.

On March 6, 2007, the Company commenced cash tender offers (the Tender Offers) with respect to any and all of the outstanding 10% senior discount notes due 2014 and 101/2% senior discount notes due 2014 (the Senior Discount Notes), and any and all of the outstanding 95/8% senior subordinated notes due 2014 and 103/8% senior subordinated notes due 2014 (the Senior Subordinated Notes). The Tender Offers expired on April 2, 2007. All of the 10% senior discount notes and 99.7% of the 101/2% senior discount notes were tendered under the Tender Offers, resulting in a reduction of debt of $83 million and $346 million, respectively. Additionally, 93.7% of the 103/8% senior subordinated notes and 99.6% of the 95/8% senior subordinated notes were tendered under the Tender Offers, resulting in a reduction of debt of 122 million (approximately $163 million) and $793 million, respectively. The Company paid approximately $220 million of tender costs in connection with the Tender Offers.

As a result of the refinancing, the Company expects to incur approximately $215 million $225 million of interest expense related to tender costs and costs incurred to acquire the new senior credit facility in the second quarter of 2007. In addition, the Company will expense approximately $45 million of unamortized deferred financing costs related to the existing $2,454 million credit facility, Senior Discount Notes and Senior Subordinated Notes.

Interest Rate Risk Management

In March 2007, in anticipation of the debt refinancing, the Company entered into various U.S. dollar and Euro interest rate swaps, which became effective on April 2, 2007, with notional amounts of $1.6 billion and 150 million, respectively. The U.S. dollar interest rate swaps have a maturity date of January 3, 2012. The notional amount of the U.S. dollar swaps will reduce over time according to an amortization schedule. The Euro interest rate swap has a maturity date of April 2, 2011. The notional amount of the Euro swap will remain at its original level throughout the term of the swap. On March 29, 2007, the Company terminated its existing interest rate swap with a notional value of

$300 million and recorded a gain of $2 million.

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9. Other Current Liabilities and Other Liabilities

The components of other current liabilities are as follows:

	As of March 31, 2007	As of December 31, 2006
	(In $ millions)	
Salaries and benefits	131	198
Environmental	27	26
Restructuring	32	34
Insurance	66	68
Sorbates litigation	151	148
Other	309	313
Total other current liabilities	716	787

The components of other liabilities are as follows:

	As of March 31, 2007	As of December 31, 2006
	(In $ millions)	
Environmental	96	88
Insurance	85	86
Uncertain tax positions[1]	191	
Other[2]	313	269
Total other liabilities	685	443

(1) At December 31, 2006, the liability was primarily recorded as a component of Income taxes payable.

(2) The increase is primarily attributed to $49 million of deferred transaction proceeds from the sale of the oxo products and derivatives businesses to Advent International (see Note 4). The proceeds are deferred due to certain lease-back arrangements between the Company and the buyer and related environmental obligations of the Company.

10. Benefit Obligations

The components of net periodic benefit costs recognized are as follows:

	Pension Benefits Three Months Ended		Postretirement Benefits Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2007	March 31, 2006	March 31, 2007	March 31, 2006
	(In $ millions)			
Components of net periodic benefit cost				
Service cost	9	10		1
Interest cost	44	46	5	5
Expected return on plan assets	(50)	(51)		
Recognized actuarial loss				
Special termination charge				
Curtailment loss				
Net periodic benefit cost	3	5	5	6

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The Company expects to contribute $49 million to its defined benefit pension plans in 2007. As of March 31, 2007, $11 million of contributions have been made. The Company s estimates of its defined benefit pension plan contributions reflect the provisions of the Pension Funding Equity Act of 2004 and the Pension Protection Act of 2006.

The Company expects to make benefit payments of $38 million under the provisions of its other postretirement benefit plans in 2007. As of March 31, 2007, $13 million of benefit payments have been made.

Contributions to the defined contribution plans are based on specified percentages of employee contributions and aggregated $3 million for both the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006.

As a result of the sale of the oxo products and derivatives businesses in February 2007 (see Note 4), there was a reduction of approximately 1,076 employees triggering a settlement and remeasurement of the affected pension plans due to certain changes in actuarial valuation assumptions. The settlement and remeasurement resulted in a net increase in the projected benefit obligation of $44 million with an offset to Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net (net of tax of $1 million) and a settlement gain of $11 million (included in Gain on disposal of discontinued operations) for the pension plan during the three months ended March 31, 2007.

11. Shareholders Equity

See table below for share activity:

	Preferred Stock	Series A Common Stock
	(Number of shares)	
Balance as of December 31, 2006	9,600,000	158,668,666
Issuance of common stock related to the exercise of stock options		1,178,861
Issuance of common stock		7,400
Balance as of March 31, 2007	9,600,000	159,854,927

The Company has $240 million aggregate liquidation preference of outstanding preferred stock. Holders of the preferred stock are entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by the Company s Board of Directors, out of funds legally available therefore, cash dividends at the rate of 4.25% per annum of liquidation preference, payable quarterly in arrears commencing on May 1, 2005. Dividends on the preferred stock are cumulative from the date of initial issuance. Accumulated but unpaid dividends accumulate at an annual rate of 4.25%. The preferred stock is convertible, at the option of the holder, at any time into approximately 1.25 shares of Series A common stock, subject to adjustments, per $25.00 liquidation preference of preferred stock and upon conversion will be recorded in Shareholders equity.

During the three months ended March 31, 2007, the Company declared and paid cash dividends to holders of its Series A common shares of $6 million.

During the three months ended March 31, 2007, the Company declared and paid cash dividends on its 4.25% convertible perpetual preferred stock amounting to approximately $2 million.

In conjunction with the April 2007 refinancing discussed in Note 8, the Company, through its wholly-owned subsidiary Celanese International Holdings Luxembourg S.à r.l., repurchased 2,021,775 shares of its outstanding Series A common stock in a modified Dutch Auction tender offer from public shareholders, which expired on April 3, 2007, at a purchase price of $30.50 per share. The total price paid for these shares was approximately $62 million. The number of shares purchased in the tender offer represents approximately 1.3% of the Company s current outstanding Series A common stock. The Company also separately purchased, through its wholly-owned subsidiary Celanese International Holdings Luxembourg S.à r.l., 329,011 shares of Series A common stock at

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$30.50 per share from the investment funds associated with The Blackstone Group L.P. The total price paid for these shares was approximately $10 million. The number of shares purchased from Blackstone represents approximately 0.2% of the Company s current outstanding Series A common stock.

Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Other comprehensive income (loss) totaled $(40) million and $(7) million, respectively, for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006. These amounts were net of tax expense of $1 million for both the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006.

12. Commitments and Contingencies

The Company is involved in a number of legal proceedings, lawsuits and claims incidental to the normal conduct of business, relating to such matters as product liability, antitrust, past waste disposal practices and release of chemicals into the environment. While it is impossible at this time to determine with certainty the ultimate outcome of these proceedings, lawsuits and claims, the Company believes, based on the advice of legal counsel, that adequate provisions have been made and that the ultimate outcomes will not have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the Company, but may have a material adverse effect on the results of operations or cash flows in any given accounting period.

The following disclosure should be read in conjunction with the 2006 Form 10-K.

Plumbing Actions

At both March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, the Company has remaining accruals of $66 million for cases related to the plumbing actions, of which $4 million is included in current liabilities. The Company believes that the plumbing actions are adequately provided for in the Company s consolidated financial statements and that they will not have a material adverse effect on its financial position. However, if the Company were to incur an additional charge for this matter, such a charge would not be expected to have a material adverse effect on its financial position, but may have a material adverse effect on the Company s results of operations or cash flows in any given accounting period. The Company continuously monitors this matter and assesses the adequacy of this reserve.

The Company has reached settlements with CNA Holdings insurers specifying their responsibility for these claims. As a result, the Company has recorded receivables relating to the anticipated recoveries from certain third party insurance carriers. These receivables are based on the probability of collection, an opinion of external counsel, the settlement agreements with the Company s insurance carriers whose coverage level exceeds the receivables and the status of current discussions with other insurance carriers. At March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, the Company has $17 million and $23 million, respectively, of receivables related to a settlement with an insurance carrier. This receivable is recorded within other current assets.

Plumbing Insurance Indemnifications

CAG entered into agreements with insurance companies related to product liability settlements associated with Celcon® plumbing claims. These agreements, except those with insolvent insurance companies, require the Company

to indemnify and/or defend these insurance companies in the event that third parties seek additional monies for matters released in these agreements. The indemnifications in these agreements do not provide for time limitations.

In certain of the agreements, CAG received a fixed settlement amount. The indemnities under these agreements generally are limited to, but in some cases are greater than, the amount received in settlement from the insurance company. The maximum exposure under these indemnifications is $95 million. Other settlement agreements have no stated limits.

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There are other agreements whereby the settling insurer agreed to pay a fixed percentage of claims that relate to that insurer s policies. The Company has provided indemnifications to the insurers for amounts paid in excess of the settlement percentage. These indemnifications do not provide for monetary or time limitations.

The Company has reserves associated with these product liability claims.

Sorbates Antitrust Actions

Based on the advice of external counsel and a review of the existing facts and circumstances relating to the sorbates antitrust matters, including the status of government investigations, as well as civil claims filed and settled, the Company has remaining accruals at March 31, 2007 of $151 million, included in current liabilities. At December 31, 2006, the accrual was $148 million. The change in the accrual amounts is primarily due to fluctuations in the currency exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and the Euro. Although the outcome of this matter cannot be predicted with certainty, the Company s best estimate of the range of possible additional future losses and fines (in excess of amounts already accrued), including any that may result from the above noted governmental proceedings, as of March 31, 2007 is between $0 and $9 million. The estimated range of such possible future losses is based on the advice of external counsel taking into consideration potential fines and claims, both civil and criminal that may be imposed or made in other jurisdictions.

Pursuant to the Demerger Agreement with Hoechst AG (Hoechst), Celanese AG was assigned the obligation related to the sorbates antitrust matter. However, Hoechst agreed to indemnify Celanese AG for 80% of any costs Celanese may incur relative to this matter. Accordingly, Celanese AG has recognized a receivable from Hoechst and a corresponding contribution of capital, net of tax, from this indemnification. As of March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, the Company has receivables, recorded within other current assets, relating to the sorbates indemnification from Hoechst totaling $120 million and $118 million, respectively. The Company believes that any resulting liabilities, net of amounts recoverable from Hoechst, will not, in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on its financial position, but may have a material adverse effect on the results of operations or cash flows in any given period.

Shareholder Litigation

On May 30, 2006, CAG s shareholders approved a transfer to the Purchaser of all shares owned by minority shareholders against payment of cash compensation in the amount of 66.99 per share. The Squeeze-Out was registered in the commercial register in Germany on December 22, 2006, after several lawsuits by minority shareholders challenging the shareholders resolution approving the Squeeze-Out were withdrawn pursuant to a settlement agreement entered into between plaintiff shareholders, the Purchaser and CAG on the same day. An aggregate purchase price of approximately 62 million was paid to minority shareholders in January 2007 as fair cash compensation for the acquisition of their shares in CAG, excluding direct acquisition costs of approximately 2 million.

Several minority shareholders of CAG initiated special award proceedings seeking the court s review of the amounts of the fair cash compensation and of the guaranteed annual payment offered under the Domination Agreement. On March 14, 2005, the Frankfurt District Court dismissed on grounds of inadmissibility the motions of all minority shareholders regarding the initiation of these special award proceedings. In January 2006, the Frankfurt Higher District Court ruled that the appeals were admissible, and the proceedings would therefore continue. On December 2, 2006, the Frankfurt District Court appointed an expert to help determine the value of CAG. In the first quarter of

2007, the minority shareholders that received 66.99 per share as fair cash compensation also filed award proceedings challenging the amount they received as fair cash compensation.

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As a result of the special proceedings discussed above, amounts paid as fair cash compensation to certain minority shareholders of CAG could be increased by the court so that such minority shareholders could be awarded a higher amount.

Guarantees

The Company has agreed to guarantee or indemnify third parties for environmental and other liabilities pursuant to a variety of agreements, including asset and business divestiture agreements, leases, settlement agreements, and various agreements with affiliated companies. Although many of these obligations contain monetary and/or time limitations, others do not provide such limitations.

The Company has accrued for all probable and reasonably estimable losses associated with all known matters or claims that have been brought to its attention (See Note 21).

These known obligations include the following:

Demerger Obligations

The Company has obligations to indemnify Hoechst for various liabilities under the Demerger Agreement as follows:

- The Company agreed to indemnify Hoechst for environmental liabilities associated with contamination arising under 19 divestiture agreements entered into by Hoechst prior to the demerger.

The Company s obligation to indemnify Hoechst is subject to the following thresholds:

- The Company will indemnify Hoechst against those liabilities up to 250 million;
- Hoechst will bear those liabilities exceeding 250 million, however the Company will reimburse Hoechst for one-third of those liabilities for amounts that exceed 750 million in the aggregate.

The aggregate maximum amount of environmental indemnifications under the remaining divestiture agreements that provide for monetary limits is 750 million. Three of the divested agreements do not provide for monetary limits.

Based on the estimate of the probability of loss under this indemnification, the Company has reserves of $32 million and $33 million as of March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively, for this contingency. Where the Company is unable to reasonably determine the probability of loss or estimate such loss under an indemnification, the Company has not recognized any related liabilities (See Note 21).

The Company has also undertaken in the Demerger Agreement to indemnify Hoechst to the extent that Hoechst is required to discharge liabilities, including tax liabilities, associated with businesses that were included in the demerger where such liabilities were not demerged, due to legal restrictions on the transfers of such items. These indemnities do not provide for any monetary or time limitations. The Company has not provided for any reserves associated with this indemnification. The Company has not made any payments to Hoechst during the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively, in connection with this indemnification.

Divestiture Obligations

The Company and its predecessor companies agreed to indemnify third party purchasers of former businesses and assets for various pre-closing conditions, as well as for breaches of representations, warranties and covenants. Such liabilities also include environmental liability, product liability, antitrust and other liabilities. These indemnifications and guarantees represent standard contractual terms associated with typical divestiture agreements and,

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other than environmental liabilities, the Company does not believe that they expose the Company to any significant risk.

The Company has divested numerous businesses, investments and facilities, through agreements containing indemnifications or guarantees to the purchasers. Many of the obligations contain monetary and/or time limitations, ranging from one year to thirty years. The aggregate amount of guarantees provided for under these agreements is approximately $2.3 billion as of March 31, 2007. Other agreements do not provide for any monetary or time limitations.

Based on historical claims experience and its knowledge of the sites and businesses involved, the Company believes that it is adequately reserved for these matters. As of March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, the Company has reserves in the aggregate of $42 million and $44 million, respectively, for these environmental matters.

Polyester Staple Antitrust Litigation

CNA Holdings, the successor in interest to Hoechst Celanese Corporation (HCC), CAC and CAG (collectively, the Celanese Entities) and Hoechst AG (HAG), the former parent of HCC, were named as defendants in two actions (involving 25 individual participants) filed in September 2006 by U.S. purchasers of polyester staple fibers manufactured and sold by HCC. The actions allege that the defendants participated in a conspiracy to fix prices, rig bids and allocate customers of polyester staple sold in the United States. These actions have been consolidated for pre-trial discovery by a Multi-District Litigation Panel in the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina and are styled *In re Polyester Staple Antitrust Litigation*, MDL 1516. Already pending in that consolidated proceeding are five other actions commenced by five other alleged U.S. purchasers of polyester staple fibers manufactured and sold by the Celanese Entities, which also allege the defendants participation in the conspiracy.

In 1998, HCC sold its polyester staple business as part of its sale of its Film & Fibers Division to KoSa, Inc. In a complaint now pending against the Celanese Entities and HAG in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, Koch Industries, Inc., KoSa B.V. (KoSa), Arteva Specialties, S.A.R.L. (Arteva Specialties) and Arteva Services, S.A.R.L. seek, among other things, indemnification under the asset purchase agreement pursuant to which KoSa and Arteva Specialties agreed to purchase defendants polyester business for all damages related to the defendants participation in, and failure to disclose, the alleged conspiracy, or alternatively, rescission of the agreement.

The Company does not believe that the Celanese Entities engaged in any conduct that should result in liability in these actions. However, the outcome of the foregoing actions cannot be predicted with certainty. The Company believes that any resulting liabilities from an adverse result will not, in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial position, but may have a material adverse effect on its results of operations in any given period.

Other Obligations

The Company is secondarily liable under a lease agreement pursuant to which the Company has assigned a direct obligation to a third party. The lease assumed by the third party expires on April 30, 2012. The lease liability for the period from April 1, 2007 to April 30, 2012 is estimated to be approximately $40 million.

The Company has agreed to indemnify various insurance carriers, for amounts not in excess of the settlements received, from claims made against these carriers subsequent to the settlement. The aggregate amount of guarantees under these settlements is approximately $10 million, which is unlimited in term.

As indemnification obligations often depend on the occurrence of unpredictable future events, the future costs associated with them cannot be determined at this time. However, if the Company were to incur additional charges

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for these matters, such charges may have a material adverse effect on the financial position, results of operations or cash flows of the Company in any given accounting period.

Other Matters

As of March 31, 2007, Celanese Ltd. and/or CNA Holdings, Inc., both U.S. subsidiaries of the Company, are defendants in approximately 658 asbestos cases. During the three months ended March 31, 2007, 26 new cases were filed against the Company and 15 cases were resolved. Because many of these cases involve numerous plaintiffs, the Company is subject to claims significantly in excess of the number of actual cases. The Company has reserves for defense costs related to claims arising from these matters. The Company believes that there is not significant exposure related to these matters.

13. Other (Charges) Gains, Net

The components of other (charges) gains, net are as follows:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2007	March 31, 2006
	(In $ millions)	
Employee termination benefits		(2)
Plant/office closures		2
Total restructuring		
Insurance recoveries associated with plumbing cases		1
Other	(1)	(1)
Total other (charges) gains, net	(1)	

The components of the March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006 restructuring reserves are as follows:

	Employee Termination Benefits	Plant/Office Closures	Total
		(In $ millions)	
Restructuring reserve at December 31, 2006	28	7	35
Restructuring additions	3		3
Cash uses	(5)		(5)

Restructuring reserve at March 31, 2007	26	7	33

14. Stock-based and Other Management Compensation Plans

In December 2004, the Company approved a stock incentive plan for executive officers, key employees and directors, a deferred compensation plan for executive officers and key employees as well as other management incentive programs.

These plans allow for the issuance or delivery of up to 16,250,000 shares of the Company s Series A common stock through a discounted share purchase program, stock options and restricted stock issuances.

Deferred compensation

The deferred compensation plan provided an aggregate maximum amount payable of $196 million. The initial component of the deferred compensation plan vested in 2004 and was paid in the first quarter of 2005. The

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remaining aggregate maximum amount payable of $142 million is subject to downward adjustment if the price of the Company s Series A common stock falls below the initial public offering price of $16 per share and vests subject to both (1) continued employment or the achievement of certain performance criteria and (2) the disposition by three of the four Original Shareholders of at least 90% of their equity interest in the Company with at least a 25% cash internal rate of return on their equity interest (an Exit Event). During the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company recorded compensation expense of $2 million and $3 million, respectively, associated with this plan. Upon the occurrence of an Exit Event, as defined above, the amount vested and payable under the plan as of March 31, 2007 would be approximately $74 million, exclusive of the $18 million accrued at March 31, 2007 and payable in 2007 due to the accelerated vesting of certain plan participants. See Note 22 for additional information.

Long-term incentive plan

Effective January 1, 2004, the Company adopted a long-term incentive plan (the LTIP Plan) which covers certain members of management and other key employees of the Company. The LTIP Plan is a three-year cash based plan in which awards are based on annual and three-year cumulative targets (as defined in the LTIP Plan). On February 16, 2007, approximately $26 million was paid to the LTIP plan participants. During the three months ended March 31, 2006, the Company recorded expense of $5 million related to the LTIP Plan. There are no additional amounts due under the LTIP plan.

Stock-based compensation

The Company has a stock-based compensation plan that makes awards of stock options to certain employees. Effective January 1, 2006, the Company adopted the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123(R). The Company elected the modified prospective transition method as permitted by SFAS No. 123(R) and, accordingly, prior periods have not been restated to reflect the impact of SFAS No. 123(R). Under this transition method, compensation cost recognized includes: (i) compensation cost for all stock-based payments granted prior to, but not yet vested as of, January 1, 2006 (based on the grant-date fair value estimated in accordance with the original provisions of SFAS No. 123 and previously presented in the pro forma footnote disclosures), and (ii) compensation cost for all stock-based payments granted subsequent to January 1, 2006 (based on the grant-date fair value estimated in accordance with the new provisions of SFAS No. 123(R)).

It is the Company s policy to grant options with an exercise price equal to the price of the Company s Series A common stock on the grant date. The options issued have a ten-year term with vesting terms pursuant to a schedule, with all vesting to occur no later than the eighth anniversary of the date of the grant. Accelerated vesting depends on meeting specified performance targets. The estimated value of the Company s stock-based awards less expected forfeitures is amortized over the awards respective vesting period on the applicable graded or straight-line basis, subject to acceleration as discussed above.

The fair value of each option granted is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing method. The weighted average assumptions used in the model are outlined in the following table:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	**March 31,**

	2007[1]	2006[2]
Risk free interest rate	4.62%	
Estimated life in years	7.3	
Dividend yield	0.50%	
Volatility	26.3%	
Expected annual forfeiture rate	5.9%	5.0%

(1) During the three months ended March 31, 2007, 45,000 stock options were granted to certain employees.

(2) No stock options were granted during the three months ended March 31, 2006.

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The computation of the expected volatility assumption used in the Black-Scholes calculations for new grants is based on historical volatilities and volatilities of peer companies. When establishing the expected life assumptions, the Company reviews annual historical employee exercise behavior of option grants with similar vesting periods and the expected life assumptions of peer companies. The Company utilized the review of peer companies based on its own lack of extensive history.

A summary of changes in stock options outstanding during the three months ended March 31, 2007 is presented below:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2007			
	Number of Options (In millions)	Weighted-Average Grant Price in $	Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (In $ millions)
Outstanding at beginning of period	12.5	16.81	7.0	113
Granted		27.98		
Exercised	(1.2)	16.00		
Forfeited	(0.1)	17.21		
Outstanding at end of period	11.2	16.89	6.6	156
Exercisable and expected to exercise in the future at March 31, 2007	7.1	17.02	6.6	98
Options exercisable at end of period	6.2	16.11	7.3	92

The weighted-average grant-date fair value of stock options granted during the three months ended March 31, 2007 was $10.53 per option. At March 31, 2007, the Company had approximately $25 million of total unrecognized compensation expense, net of the estimated forfeitures, related to stock options to be recognized over the remaining vesting periods of the options. Cash received from stock option exercises was approximately $19 million during the three months ended March 31, 2007 and the related tax benefit was $4 million.

15. Income Taxes

Income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006 are recorded based on the estimated annual effective tax rate. As of March 31, 2007, the estimated annualized tax rate is 30%, which is less than the combination of the statutory federal rate and state income tax rates in the U.S. The estimated annual effective tax rate for 2007 reflects earnings in low tax jurisdictions and a partial benefit for reversal of valuation allowance on 2007 projected U.S. income, offset by higher tax rates in certain non-U.S. jurisdictions. Reversals of the valuation allowance

established at the Acquisition resulting from positive earnings or a change in judgment regarding the realizability of the net deferred tax asset are primarily reflected as a reduction of Goodwill.

For the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company recorded tax expense of $60 million and $34 million, respectively, which resulted in an effective tax rate of 29% and 26%, respectively. The higher effective tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2007 was due to the increase in the estimated annual effective rate from the prior year.

The Company adopted the provisions of FIN 48 effective January 1, 2007. The Company made a comprehensive review of its portfolio of uncertain tax positions in each of the jurisdictions in which it operates. As a result of this review, the Company adjusted the estimated value of its uncertain tax positions by recognizing an increase to retained earnings of $13 million and reduced the carrying value of Goodwill by $2 million for uncertain tax positions relating to periods prior to the Acquisition. The total amount of the Company s estimated uncertain tax positions at the date of adoption was $193 million. Of this amount, $167 million is classified as other long-term

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liabilities. If the tax positions are settled in the Company s favor, approximately $133 million would be treated as a reduction of Goodwill and $41 million would reduce the Company s effective tax rate.

The Company continues to recognize interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in the provision for income taxes. As of January 1, 2007, the Company had recorded a liability of approximately $22 million for the payment of interest and penalties. The liability for the payment of interest increased approximately $2 million as of March 31, 2007.

The Company operates in the United States (including multiple state jurisdictions), Germany, and approximately 40 other foreign jurisdictions, including Mexico, Canada, Singapore and France. Examinations are ongoing in a number of those jurisdictions, including, most significantly, in Germany for the years 2001 to 2004 for numerous subsidiaries. During the quarter ended March 31, 2007, the Company received final assessments for the prior examination period, 1997 to 2000. The effective settlement of those examinations resulted in a reduction to Goodwill of approximately $42 million with a net expected cash outlay of $4 million. The Company s U.S. federal income tax returns for 2003 and beyond are open tax years, but not currently under examination. The Company previously concluded an examination of tax year 2000 to 2003 in 2005 with no material impact on the financial position of the Company. The Company reasonably expects to pay approximately $10 million of the liability within the next twelve months.

On May 17, 2006, the President signed into law the Tax Increase Prevention and Reconciliation Act of 2005 (TIPRA), which among other things, provided for a new temporary exception to certain U.S. taxed foreign passive income inclusion rules for 2006 to 2008. This change reduced the expected amount of foreign income taxed currently in the U.S.

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16. Business Segments

	Chemical Products	Ticona	Acetate Products	Performance Products	Total Segments	Other Activities	Reconciliation	Consolidated
					(In $ millions)			
As of and for the three months ended March 31, 2007								
Sales to external customers	1,042	262	223	45	1,572	59		1,631
Inter-segment revenues	36				36		(36)	
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations before tax	185	50	29	15	279	(75)		204
Depreciation and amortization	34	17	7	4	62	6		68
Capital expenditures	32	6	9		47	2		49
Total assets	3,021	1,607	888	375	5,891	1,996		7,887
For the three months ended March 31, 2006								
Sales to external customers	990	231	167	49	1,437	61		1,498
Inter-segment revenues	25				25		(25)	
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations before tax	140	56	23	15	234	(104)		130
Depreciation and amortization	34	16	7	4	61	5		66
Capital expenditures	21	5	16		42	1		43
Total assets as of December 31, 2006	3,489	1,584	711	361	6,145	1,750		7,895

17. Transactions and Relationships with Affiliates and Related Parties

Upon closing of the Acquisition, the Company entered into a transaction and monitoring fee agreement with the Advisor, an affiliate of the Sponsor. Under the agreement, the Advisor agreed to provide monitoring services to the Company for a 12 year period. Also, the Advisor may receive additional compensation for providing investment banking or other advisory services provided to the Company by the Advisor or any of its affiliates, and may be reimbursed for certain expenses, in connection with any acquisition, divestiture, refinancing, recapitalization, or similar transaction. In connection with the completion of the initial public offering, the parties amended and restated the transaction and monitoring fee agreement to terminate the monitoring services and all obligations to pay future monitoring fees. The transaction based agreement remains in effect.

In connection with the recent debt refinancing (see Note 8), certain Blackstone managed funds that market collateralized loan obligations to institutional investors invested an aggregate of $50 million in the Company s term loan under the new senior credit agreement.

For the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company made payments to the Advisor of $7 million and $0 million, respectively, in accordance with the sponsor services agreement dated January 26, 2005, as amended. These payments were related to the sale of the oxo products and derivatives businesses and the acquisition of APL (see Note 4).

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18. Consolidating Guarantor Financial Information

The following unaudited consolidating financial statements are presented in the provided form because: (i) Crystal U.S. Holdings 3 LLC and Crystal U.S. Sub 3 Corp (the Issuers) are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Celanese Corporation (the Parent Guarantor); (ii) the guarantee is considered to be full and unconditional, that is, if the Issuers fail to make a scheduled payment, the Parent Guarantor is obligated to make the scheduled payment immediately and, if they do not, any holder of notes may immediately bring suit directly against the Parent Guarantor for payment of all amounts due and payable.

Separate financial statements and other disclosures concerning the Parent Guarantor are not presented because management does not believe that such information is material to investors.

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	Three Months Ended March 31, 2007				
	Parent Guarantor	Issuer	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
	(In $ millions)				
Net sales			1,631		1,631
Cost of sales			(1,240)		(1,240)
Gross profit			391		391
Selling, general and administrative expenses			(116)		(116)
Amortization of intangibles assets (customer related)			(18)		(18)
Research and development expenses			(17)		(17)
Other (charges) gains, net			(1)		(1)
Foreign exchange gain, net			1		1
Loss on disposition of assets, net			(1)		(1)
Operating profit			239		239
Equity in net earnings of affiliates	201	209	18	(410)	18
Interest expense		(11)	(61)		(72)
Interest income			14		14
Other income, net			5		5
Earnings from continuing operations before tax	201	198	215	(410)	204
Income tax benefit (provision)		3	(63)		(60)
Earnings from continuing operations	201	201	152	(410)	144
Earnings from discontinued operations			57		57
Net earnings	201	201	209	(410)	201

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	Three Months Ended March 31, 2006				
	Parent Guarantor	Issuer	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
	(In $ millions)				
Net sales			1,498		1,498
Cost of sales			(1,160)		(1,160)
Gross profit			338		338
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(4)		(134)		(138)
Amortization of intangible assets (customer related)			(14)		(14)
Research and development expenses			(17)		(17)
Operating profit (loss)	(4)		173		169
Equity in net earnings of affiliates	121	127	18	(248)	18
Interest expense		(10)	(61)		(71)
Interest income			8		8
Other income, net			6		6
Earnings from continuing operations before tax	117	117	144	(248)	130
Income tax benefit (provision)		4	(38)		(34)
Earnings from continuing operations	117	121	106	(248)	96
Earnings from discontinued operations			21		21
Net earnings	117	121	127	(248)	117

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	As of March 31, 2007				
	Parent Guarantor	Issuer	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
	(In $ millions)				
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	23		1,092		1,115
Receivables:					
Trade receivables third party and affiliates, net			910		910
Other receivables	1		528	(19)	510
Inventories			584		584
Deferred income taxes			75		75
Other assets			43		43
Total current assets	24		3,232	(19)	3,237
Investments	972	1,376	733	(2,348)	733
Property, plant and equipment, net			2,047		2,047
Deferred income taxes		3	60		63
Other assets		7	480		487
Goodwill			869		869
Intangible assets, net			451		451
Total assets	996	1,386	7,872	(2,367)	7,887
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY					
Current liabilities:					
Short-term borrowings and current installments of long-term debt third party and affiliates			184		184
Trade payables third party and affiliates			731		731
Other current liabilities	17	1	717	(19)	716
Deferred income taxes			6		6
Income taxes payable		(17)	121		104
Total current liabilities	17	(16)	1,759	(19)	1,741
Long-term debt		430	2,875		3,305

Deferred income taxes			265		265
Benefit obligations			907		907
Other liabilities			685		685
Minority interests			5		5
Commitments and contingencies					
Shareholders equity	979	972	1,376	(2,348)	979
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	996	1,386	7,872	(2,367)	7,887

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	As of December 31, 2006				
	Parent Guarantor	Issuer	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
	(In $ millions)				
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	1		790		791
Restricted cash			46		46
Receivables:					
Trade receivables, third party and affiliates, net			1,001		1,001
Other receivables	1		488	(14)	475
Inventories			653		653
Deferred income taxes			76		76
Other assets			69		69
Total current assets	2		3,123	(14)	3,111
Investments	798	1,195	763	(1,993)	763
Property, plant and equipment, net			2,155		2,155
Deferred income taxes			22		22
Other assets		6	500		506
Goodwill			875		875
Intangible assets, net			463		463
Total assets	800	1,201	7,901	(2,007)	7,895
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY					
Current liabilities:					
Short-term borrowings and current installments of long-term debt third party and affiliates			309		309
Trade payables third party and affiliates			823		823
Other current liabilities	13		788	(14)	787
Deferred income taxes			18		18
Income taxes payable		(17)	296		279
Total current liabilities	13	(17)	2,234	(14)	2,216

Long-term debt		420	2,769		3,189
Deferred income taxes			297		297
Benefit obligations			889		889
Other liabilities			443		443
Minority interests			74		74
Commitments and contingencies					
Shareholders equity	787	798	1,195	(1,993)	787
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	800	1,201	7,901	(2,007)	7,895

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	Three Months Ended March 31, 2007				
	Parent Guarantor	Issuer	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
	(In $ millions)				
Net cash provided by operating activities	3		9		12
Investing activities:					
Capital expenditures on property, plant and equipment			(49)		(49)
Acquisitions and related fees, net of cash acquired			(269)		(269)
Net proceeds from sale of businesses and assets			578		578
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities			32		32
Purchases of marketable securities			(1)		(1)
Change in restricted cash			46		46
Other, net			(12)		(12)
Net cash provided by investing activities			325		325
Financing activities:					
Short-term borrowings (repayments), net			(40)		(40)
Proceeds from long-term debt			11		11
Repayments of long-term debt			(1)		(1)
Dividends from subsidiary	8	8		(16)	
Dividends to parent		(8)	(8)	16	
Stock option exercises	19				19
Dividend payments on Series A common stock and preferred stock	(8)				(8)
Other, net			2		2
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	19		(36)		(17)
Exchange rate effects on cash			4		4
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	22		302		324
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1		790		791
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	23		1,092		1,115

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	Three Months Ended March 31, 2006				
	Parent Guarantor	Issuer	Non-Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
	(In $ millions)				
Net cash used in operating activities			(1)		(1)
Investing activities:					
Capital expenditures on property, plant and equipment			(43)		(43)
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities			27		27
Purchases of marketable securities			(29)		(29)
Change in restricted cash			(42)		(42)
Investing cash used in discontinued operations			(14)		(14)
Other, net			(5)		(5)
Net cash used in investing activities			(106)		(106)
Financing activities:					
Short-term borrowings (repayments), net			32		32
Proceeds from long-term debt			7		7
Repayments of long-term debt			(5)		(5)
Dividends to parent		(9)	(9)	18	
Dividends from subsidiary	9	9		(18)	
Dividend payments on Series A common stock and preferred stock	(9)				(9)
Net cash provided by financing activities			25		25
Exchange rate effects on cash			4		4
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents			(78)		(78)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1		389		390
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	1		311		312

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19. Earnings Per Share

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2007			Three Months Ended March 31, 2006		
	Continuing Operations	Discontinued Operations	Net Earnings	Continuing Operations	Discontinued Operations	Net Earnings
	(In $ millions, except for share and per share data)					
Net earnings(loss)	144	57	201	96	21	117
Less: cumulative declared preferred stock dividends	(2)		(2)	(3)		(3)
Earnings (loss) available to common shareholders	142	57	199	93	21	114
Basic earnings per common share	0.89	0.36	1.25	0.59	0.13	0.72
Diluted earnings per common share	0.83	0.32	1.15	0.57	0.11	0.68
Weighted-average shares basic	159,284,888	159,284,888	159,284,888	158,562,161	158,562,161	158,562,161
Dilutive stock options	3,116,731	3,116,731	3,116,731	919,625	919,625	919,625
Assumed conversion of preferred stock	12,040,713	12,040,713	12,040,713	12,005,883	12,005,883	12,005,883
Weighted-average shares diluted	174,442,332	174,442,332	174,442,332	171,487,669	171,487,669	171,487,669

20. Relocation of Ticona Plant in Kelsterbach

On November 29, 2006, the Company reached a settlement with the Frankfurt, Germany, Airport (Fraport) to relocate its Kelsterbach, Germany, business, resolving several years of legal disputes related to the planned Frankfurt airport expansion. The final settlement agreement was approved by the Fraport supervisory board on May 8, 2007 at an extraordinary board meeting. The Company expects the final settlement agreement to be signed shortly. As a result of the settlement, the Company will transition Ticona s administration and operations from Kelsterbach to another location in Germany by mid-2011. In March 2007, the Company announced that it would relocate the Kelsterbach,

Germany, business to one of two sites in the Rhine Main area with the final site selection likely to occur during the second quarter of 2007. Over a five-year period, Fraport will pay Ticona a total of 670 million to offset the costs associated with the transition of the business from its current location and the closure of the Kelsterbach plant. The payment amount was increased by 20 million from 650 million in consideration of the Company s agreement to waive certain obligations of Fraport set forth in the settlement relating to the hiring of Ticona employees in the event the Ticona Plant relocated out of the Rhine Main area. From the settlement date through March 31, 2007, Fraport has paid the Company a total of 20 million towards the transition. The amount has been accounted for as deferred income and is included in Other liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2007.

21. Environmental

General The Company is subject to environmental laws and regulations worldwide which impose limitations on the discharge of pollutants into the air and water and establish standards for the treatment, storage and disposal of solid and hazardous wastes. The Company believes that it is in substantial compliance with all applicable environmental laws and regulations. The Company is also subject to retained environmental obligations specified in various contractual agreements arising from divestiture of certain businesses by the Company or one of

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its predecessor companies. The Company s environmental reserves for remediation matters were $123 million and $114 million as of March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively. The increase in 2007 was primarily due to environmental liabilities assumed related to the APL acquisition.

Remediation Due to its industrial history and through retained contractual and legal obligations, the Company has the obligation to remediate specific areas on its own sites as well as on divested, orphan or U.S. Superfund sites. In addition, as part of the demerger agreement between the Company and Hoechst, a specified portion of the responsibility for environmental liabilities from a number of Hoechst divestitures was transferred to the Company. The Company provides for such obligations when the event of loss is probable and reasonably estimable. The Company believes that environmental remediation costs will not have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the Company, but may have a material adverse effect on the results of operations or cash flows in any given accounting period.

German InfraServs On January 1, 1997, coinciding with a reorganization of the Hoechst businesses in Germany, real estate service companies (InfraServs) were created to own directly the land and property and to provide various technical and administrative services at each of the manufacturing locations. The Company has manufacturing operations at three InfraServ locations in Germany: Oberhausen, Frankfurt am Main-Hoechst and Kelsterbach, and holds interests in the companies which own and operate the former Hoechst sites in Gendorf, Knapsack and Wiesbaden.

InfraServs are liable for any residual contamination and other pollution because they own the real estate on which the individual facilities operate. In addition, Hoechst, as the responsible party under German public law, is liable to third parties for all environmental damage that occurred while it was still the owner of the plants and real estate. The contribution agreements entered into in 1997 between Hoechst and the respective operating companies, as part of the divestiture of these companies, provide that the operating companies indemnify Hoechst against environmental liabilities resulting from the transferred businesses. Additionally, the InfraServs have agreed to indemnify Hoechst against any environmental liability arising out of or in connection with environmental pollution of any site. Likewise, in certain circumstances the Company could be responsible for the elimination of residual contamination on a few sites that were not transferred to InfraServ companies, in which case Hoechst must reimburse the Company for two-thirds of any costs so incurred.

The InfraServ partnership agreements provide that, as between the partners, each partner is responsible for any contamination caused predominantly by such partner. Any liability, which cannot be attributed to an InfraServ partner and for which no third party is responsible, is required to be borne by the InfraServ Partnership. In view of this potential obligation to eliminate residual contamination, the InfraServs, primarily relating to equity and cost affiliates which are not consolidated by the Company, have reserves of $77 million and $78 million as of March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively.

U.S. Superfund Sites In the U.S., the Company may be subject to substantial claims brought by U.S. federal or state regulatory agencies or private individuals pursuant to statutory authority or common law. In particular, the Company has a potential liability under the U.S. Federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, and related state laws (collectively referred to as Superfund) for investigation and cleanup costs at approximately 50 sites. At most of these sites, numerous companies, including certain companies comprising the Company, or one of its predecessor companies, have been notified that the Environmental Protection Agency, state governing bodies or private individuals consider such companies to be potentially responsible parties (PRP) under

Superfund or related laws. The proceedings relating to these sites are in various stages. The cleanup process has not been completed at most sites and the status of the insurance coverage for most of these proceedings is uncertain. Consequently, the Company cannot determine accurately its ultimate liability for investigation or cleanup costs at these sites. As of both March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, the Company had provisions totaling $15 million for U.S. Superfund sites.

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As events progress at each site for which it has been named a PRP, the Company accrues, as appropriate, a liability for site cleanup. Such liabilities include all costs that are probable and can be reasonably estimated. In establishing these liabilities, the Company considers its shipment of waste to a site, its percentage of total waste shipped to the site, the types of wastes involved, the conclusions of any studies, the magnitude of any remedial actions that may be necessary and the number and viability of other PRPs. Often the Company joins with other PRPs to sign joint defense agreements that settle, among PRPs, each party s percentage allocation of costs at the site. Although the ultimate liability may differ from the estimate, the Company routinely reviews the liabilities and revises the estimate, as appropriate, based on the most current information available.

Additional information relating to environmental remediation activity is contained in the footnotes to the Company s consolidated financial statements included in the 2006 Form 10-K.

22. Subsequent Events

On April 5, 2007, the Company declared a cash dividend on its 4.25% convertible perpetual preferred stock amounting to approximately $3 million and a cash dividend of $0.04 per share on its Series A common stock amounting to approximately $7 million. Both cash dividends are for the period February 1, 2007 to April 30, 2007 and were paid on May 1, 2007 to holders of record as of April 15, 2007.

In April 2007, the Company completed a refinancing of its outstanding debt, which will lower net interest expense, extended debt maturities and improved flexibility. In addition, the refinancing allowed the Company to modify and simplify its global corporate and capital structure. In conjunction with the refinancing, the Company also repurchased a total of approximately 2,350,775 shares of Series A common stock for a total purchase price of $72 million. See Notes 8 and 11 for additional information.

In April 2007, the Company entered into a 50/50 venture with Tainjin Shield Fine Chemical Company Limited to manufacture, distribute and sell the vinyl ester of neodecanoic acid, a monomer used to enhance vinyl-based emulsions systems. Commercial production of the venture is expected to begin in late 2007 or early 2008.

On April 25, 2007, the Company granted 25,000 stock options to a newly appointed member of the Board of Directors and 55,000 stock options to certain employees at an exercise price of $32.68 per option. The stock options expire in ten years and vest 25% per year with the first 25% vesting on January 1, 2009.

Deferred compensation

On April 2, 2007, certain participants in the Company s deferred compensation plan elected to participate in a revised program. Under the revised program, participants relinquished their cash awards of up to $30 million that would have contingently accrued from 2007-2009 under the previous plan. In lieu of these awards, the revised deferred compensation program provides for a future cash award in an amount equal to 90% of the maximum potential payout under the existing plan, plus growth pursuant to one of three participant-selected notional investment vehicles, as defined in the associated agreements. Participants must remain employed through 2010 to vest in the new award. The Company will make award payments under the revised program in the first quarter of 2011, unless participants elect to further defer the payment of their individual awards. Based on current participation in the revised program, the award,

which will be expensed between April 2, 2007 and December 31, 2010, aggregates approximately $27 million plus notional earnings. The Company will expense approximately $6 million in 2007 related to the revised program.

Participants 2005 and 2006 contingent cash awards under the previous deferred compensation plan are not affected by the revised program. These awards, together with all contingent awards of participants who elected not to participate in the revised program, remain subject to the vesting requirements as discussed in Note 14.

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Restricted Stock

Participants in the revised deferred compensation program also received an award of performance-based restricted stock units (RSU s). The RSUs, which were granted on April 2, 2007, generally cliff vest on December 31, 2010. The number of RSUs that ultimately vest depends on performance targets measured by comparison of the Company s stock performance versus a defined peer group. The initial award of approximately 219,000 RSUs may increase by up to 20% based on the performance measurement. Likewise, if the performance measure falls below certain threshold amounts, the number of awards that ultimately vest may decrease to zero. Dividends on RSUs are reinvested in additional RSUs.

In addition to the RSUs granted to participants in the revised deferred compensation program, the Company granted approximately 612,000 RSUs to certain employees. The RSUs generally vest annually in equal tranches beginning September 30, 2008 through September 30, 2011. The RSUs contain the same performance criteria as those described in the previous paragraph; however, based on performance, the number of awards that ultimately vest may increase by up to 50%. Likewise, if the performance measure falls below certain threshold amounts, the number of awards that ultimately vest may decrease to zero. The awards include a catch-up provision that provides for vesting on September 30, 2012 of previously unvested amounts, subject to certain maximums. Dividends on RSUs are reinvested in additional RSUs. Further, the Company granted approximately 26,000 RSUs to its non-management Board of Directors. The Director RSUs will vest on April 26, 2008. The Company estimates compensation expense associated with all RSUs of approximately $6 million in 2007.

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Item 2. ***Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations***

In this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, the term Celanese refers to Celanese Corporation, a Delaware corporation, and not its subsidiaries. The terms the Company, we, our, and us, refer to Celanese and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis. The term BCP Crystal refers to our subsidiary, BCP Crystal US Holdings Corp., a Delaware corporation, and not its subsidiaries. The term Purchaser refers to our subsidiary, Celanese Europe Holding GmbH & Co. KG, formerly known as BCP Crystal Acquisition GmbH & Co. KG, a German limited partnership, and not its subsidiaries, except where otherwise indicated.

Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations (MD&A) and other parts of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contain certain forward-looking statements and information relating to us that are based on the beliefs of our management as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, us. When used in this document, words such as anticipate, believe, estimate, expect, intend, plan and project a expressions, as they relate to us are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements reflect our current views with respect to future events, are not guarantees of future performance and involve risks and uncertainties that are difficult to predict. Further, certain forward-looking statements are based upon assumptions as to future events that may not prove to be accurate. Factors that might cause such differences include, but are not limited to, those discussed in the subsection entitled Factors That May Affect Future Results and Financial Condition below. The following discussion should be read in conjunction with our 2006 Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on February 21, 2007 and the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. We assume no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements for any reason, except as required by law.

Overview

We are an integrated global hybrid producer of value-added industrial chemicals and engineered polymers. We are the world s largest producer of acetyl products, including acetic acid and vinyl acetate monomer (VAM), polyacetal products (POM), as well as a leading global producer of high-performance engineered polymers used in consumer and industrial products and designed to meet highly technical customer requirements. We believe that approximately 95% of our differentiated intermediate and specialty products hold first or second market positions globally. Our operations are located in North America, Europe and Asia. We believe we are one of the lowest-cost producers of key building block chemicals in the acetyls chain, such as acetic acid and VAM, due to our economies of scale, operating and purchasing efficiencies and proprietary production technologies. In addition, we have a significant portfolio of strategic investments, including a number of ventures in North America, Europe and Asia. Collectively, these strategic investments create value for us and contribute significantly to earnings and cash flow. These investments play an integral role in our strategy for growth and expansion of our global reach. We have entered into these strategic investments in order to gain access to local markets, minimize costs and accelerate growth in areas we believe have significant future business potential.

We operate principally through four business segments: Chemical Products, Technical Polymers Ticona (Ticona), Acetate Products and Performance Products. For further detail on the business segments, see below Summary by Business Segment in the Results of Operations section of MD&A.

Sale of Oxo Products and Derivative Businesses

In connection with our strategy to optimize our portfolio and divest non-core operations, we announced on December 13, 2006 our agreement to sell our oxo products and derivatives businesses, including European Oxo

GmbH (EOXO), a 50/50 venture between Celanese AG and Degussa AG (Degussa), to Advent International, for a purchase price of 480 million subject to final agreement adjustments and the successful exercise of our option to purchase Degussa s 50% interest in EOXO. On February 23, 2007, the option was exercised and we acquired Degussa s interest in the venture for a purchase price of 30 million ($39 million), in addition to 22 million ($29 million) paid to extinguish EOXO s debt upon closing of the transaction. We completed the sale of our oxo products and derivatives businesses, including the acquired 50% interest in EOXO, on February 28, 2007. The transaction resulted in the recognition of a $31 million pre-tax gain in the first quarter of 2007. Additional revisions

to the gain amount are expected in 2007 related to working capital adjustments and other adjustments as specified in the sale agreement. See Note 4 of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements for additional information.

Acquisition of Acetate Products Limited

On January 31, 2007, we completed the acquisition of the cellulose acetate flake, tow and film business of Acetate Products Limited (APL), a subsidiary of Corsadi B.V. The purchase price for the transaction was approximately £57 million ($112 million), in addition to direct acquisition costs of approximately £4 million ($7 million). As contemplated prior to closing, on March 14, 2007, we announced plans to close the acquired tow production plant at Little Heath, United Kingdom during 2007.

Relocation of Ticona Plant in Kelsterbach

On November 29, 2006, we reached a settlement with the Frankfurt, Germany, Airport (Fraport) to relocate our Kelsterbach, Germany, business, resolving several years of legal disputes related to the planned Frankfurt airport expansion. The final settlement agreement was approved by the Fraport supervisory board on May 8, 2007 at an extraordinary board meeting. We expect the final settlement agreement to be signed shortly. As a result of the settlement, we will transition Ticona s administration and operations from Kelsterbach to another location in Germany by mid-2011. In March 2007, we announced that we would relocate the Kelsterbach, Germany, business to one of two sites in the Rhine Main area with the final site selection likely to occur during the second quarter of 2007. Over a five-year period, Fraport will pay Ticona a total of 670 million to offset the costs associated with the transition of the business from its current location and the closure of the Kelsterbach plant. The payment amount was increased by 20 million from 650 million in consideration of our agreement to waive certain obligations of Fraport set forth in the settlement relating to the hiring of Ticona employees in the event the Ticona Plant relocated out of the Rhine Main area. From the settlement date through March 31, 2007, Fraport has paid us a total of 20 million towards the transition. The amount has been accounted for as deferred income and is included in Other liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2007.

Results of Operations

Financial Highlights

	Three Months Ended			
	March 31, 2007	**% of Net Sales**	**March 31, 2006**	**% of Net Sales**
	(Unaudited) (In $ millions)			
Statement of Operations Data:				
Net sales	1,631	100.0%	1,498	100.0%
Gross profit	391	24.0%	338	22.6%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(116)	(7.1)%	(138)	(9.2)%
Operating profit	239	14.7%	169	11.3%
Equity in net earnings of affiliates	18	1.1%	18	1.2%
Interest expense	(72)	(4.4)%	(71)	(4.7)%
Other income, net	5	0.3%	6	0.4%
Earnings from continuing operations before tax	204	12.5%	130	8.7%
Earnings from continuing operations	144	8.8%	96	6.4%

Earnings from discontinued operations	57	3.5%	21	1.4%
Net earnings	201	12.3%	117	7.8%
Other Data:				
Depreciation and amortization	68	4.2%	66	4.4%

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	As of March 31, 2007	As of December 31, 2006
	(Unaudited) (In $ millions)	
Balance Sheet Data:		
Short-term borrowings and current installments of long-term debt third party and affiliates	184	309
Plus: Long-term debt	3,305	3,189
Total debt	3,489	3,498

Summary of Consolidated Results for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2007 compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2006

Net Sales

Net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2007 increased 9% to $1,631 million compared to the same period in 2006. An increase in pricing of 3% for the three months ended March 31, 2007 driven by overall strong demand for acetyls and emulsions in the Chemicals Products segment as well as higher tow and flake prices in the Acetate Products segment contributed to the improvement in net sales. In addition, an increase in volumes of 1% for the three months ended March 31, 2007, driven by our Ticona and Acetate Products business segments contributed to the increase in net sales. The volume increases are the result of increased market penetration from several of Ticona s key products, continuing improvement in the business environment in Europe and increased volumes in the Acetate Products segment mainly resulting from the APL acquisition. Favorable currency impacts of 3%, primarily in the Chemicals Products and Ticona business segments, also contributed to the increase in net sales.

Gross Profit

Gross profit increased to 24.0% of net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2007 from 22.6% of net sales for the same period in 2006. The increase is primarily due to higher volumes, higher pricing and favorable currency impacts more than offsetting higher overall raw material costs. Volumes increased for products such as acetyl derivative products, emulsions and POM, while pricing increased for acetyls, emulsions and Acetate Products tow and flake products.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased by $22 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. The decrease is primarily due to the absence of executive severance and legal costs associated with the squeeze-out of $13 million and long-term incentive plan expenses of $5 million recorded during the first quarter of 2006. In addition, there was a $3 million decrease in stock-based compensation expense recorded in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period in 2006.

Operating Profit

Operating profit increased by 41% to $239 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. This is principally driven by higher overall volumes and pricing, productivity improvements and a $22 million decrease in selling, general and administrative expenses.

Equity in Net Earnings of Affiliates, Interest Expense and Other Income (Expense), Net

Equity in net earnings of affiliates, interest expense and other income (expense), net were flat for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006.

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Income Taxes

Income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006 are recorded based on the estimated annual effective tax rate. As of March 31, 2007, the estimated annualized tax rate is 30%, which is less than the combination of the statutory federal rate and state income tax rates in the U.S. The estimated annual effective tax rate for 2007 reflects earnings in low tax jurisdictions and a partial benefit for reversal of valuation allowance on 2007 projected U.S. income, offset by higher tax rates in certain non-U.S. jurisdictions. Reversals of the valuation allowance established at the Acquisition (as defined in Note 4 of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements) resulting from positive earnings or a change in judgment regarding the realizability of the net deferred tax asset are primarily reflected as a reduction of goodwill.

For the three months ended March 31, 2007, we recorded tax expense of $60 million, which resulted in an effective tax rate of 29%. The higher effective tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2007 was due to the increase in the estimated annual effective rate from the prior year. For the three months ended March 31, 2006, we recorded tax expense of $34 million, which resulted in an effective tax rate of 26%.

Earnings from Discontinued Operations

Earnings from discontinued operations primarily relate to Chemical Products sale of its oxo products and derivatives businesses in February 2007 and its Pentaerythritol operations, which were discontinued during the third quarter of 2006. As a result, revenues and expenses related to these businesses are reflected as a component of discontinued operations.

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Selected Data by Business Segment

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2007	March 31, 2006	Change in $
	(Unaudited) (In $ millions)		
Net Sales			
Chemical Products	1,078	1,015	63
Technical Polymers Ticona	262	231	31
Acetate Products	223	167	56
Performance Products	45	49	(4)
Other Activities	59	61	(2)
Inter-segment Eliminations	(36)	(25)	(11)
Total Net Sales	1,631	1,498	133
Other (Charges) Gains, Net			
Chemical Products		1	(1)
Technical Polymers Ticona		2	(2)
Acetate Products	(1)		(1)
Performance Products			
Other Activities		(3)	3
Total Other Charges, Net	(1)		(1)
Operating Profit (Loss)			
Chemical Products	181	134	47
Technical Polymers Ticona	36	41	(5)
Acetate Products	29	23	6
Performance Products	16	17	(1)
Other Activities	(23)	(46)	23
Total Operating Profit	239	169	70
Earnings (Loss) from Continuing Operations Before Tax			
Chemical Products	185	140	45
Technical Polymers Ticona	50	56	(6)
Acetate Products	29	23	6
Performance Products	15	15	
Other Activities	(75)	(104)	29
Total Earnings from Continuing Operations Before Tax	204	130	74
Depreciation & Amortization			
Chemical Products	34	34	

Technical Polymers Ticona	17	16	1
Acetate Products	7	7	
Performance Products	4	4	
Other Activities	6	5	1
Total Depreciation & Amortization	68	66	2

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Factors Affecting First Quarter 2007 Segment Net Sales Compared to First Quarter 2006

The charts below set forth the percentage increase (decrease) in net sales from the 2006 period attributable to each of the factors indicated in each of our business segments.

	Volume	Price	Currency	Other	Total
			(In percentages)		
Chemical Products		3	3		6
Technical Polymers Ticona	9	(2)	5	1	13
Acetate Products	2	8		24[b]	34
Performance Products	(11)	(1)	4		(8)
Total Company [a]	**1**	**3**	**3**	**2**	**9**

[a] Includes the effects of AT Plastics and the captive insurance companies.

[b] Includes net sales from the APL acquisition.

Summary by Business Segment for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2007 compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2006

Chemical Products

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2007	March 31, 2006	Change in $
		(Unaudited) (In $ millions)	
Net sales	1,078	1,015	63
Net sales variance:			
Volume	0%		
Price	3%		
Currency	3%		
Other	0%		
Operating profit	181	134	47
Operating margin	16.8%	13.2%	
Other (charges) gains, net		1	(1)
Earnings from continuing operations before tax	185	140	45
Depreciation and amortization	34	34	

Our Chemical Products segment produces and supplies acetyl products, including acetic acid, acetate esters, VAM, polyvinyl alcohol and emulsions. These products are generally used as building blocks for value-added products or in intermediate chemicals used in the paints, coatings, inks, adhesives, films, textiles and building products industries. Other chemicals produced in this segment are organic solvents and intermediates for pharmaceutical, agricultural and

chemical products.

Chemical Products net sales increased 6% for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. Pricing increased for acetyls and emulsions products primarily driven by higher methanol costs and an overall strong demand in all regions for these products. Net sales also increased 3% as a result of favorable currency impacts.

Operating profit increased 35% to $181 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006, principally driven by higher prices for acetyls and emulsion products and lower overall raw material costs. This increase was also due to slightly higher volumes in Acetyls, PVOH and Emulsions and the

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benefits of a favorable methanol production contract entered into in January 2007 and expired by the end of the first quarter in 2007.

Earnings from continuing operations before tax increased 32% for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. The increases are primarily due to the increases in operating profit and higher dividend income of $8 million from cost investments during the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period in 2006.

Technical Polymers Ticona

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2007	March 31, 2006	Change in $
		(Unaudited) (In $ millions)	
Net sales	262	231	31
Net sales variance:			
Volume	9%		
Price	(2)%		
Currency	5%		
Other	1%		
Operating profit	36	41	(5)
Operating margin	13.7%	17.7%	
Other (charges) gains, net		2	(2)
Earnings from continuing operations before tax	50	56	(6)
Depreciation and amortization	17	16	1

Our Ticona segment develops, produces and supplies a broad portfolio of high performance technical polymers for application in automotive and electronics products and in other consumer and industrial applications, often replacing metal or glass. The primary products of Ticona are POM, polybutylene terephthalate (PBT) and GUR, an ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene. POM and PBT are used in a broad range of products including automotive components, electronics and appliances. GUR is used in battery separators, conveyor belts, filtration equipment, coatings and medical devices.

Ticona s net sales increased 13% to $262 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. The increase for the quarter is driven by 9% higher volumes and a 5% favorable currency impact, partially offset by 2% lower pricing. Volumes increased in all product lines, particularly in POM, due to increased market penetration and continued strong business environment in Europe. Ticona experienced a decline in average pricing driven by a larger mix of sales from lower priced products.

Operating profit decreased to $36 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 from $41 million in the same period last year as higher volumes and favorable currency impacts were more than offset by higher raw material costs and an increase in energy costs based on higher volumes and higher European energy prices.

Earnings from continuing operations before tax decreased 11% for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. The decrease is principally driven by the decrease in operating profit. Equity in net earnings of affiliates remained flat for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same periods in 2006.

Acetate Products

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2007	March 31, 2006	Change in $
	(Unaudited) (In $ millions)		
Net sales	223	167	56
Net sales variance:			
Volume	2%		
Price	8%		
Currency	0%		
Other	24%		
Operating profit	29	23	6
Operating margin	13.0%	13.8%	
Other (charges) gains, net	(1)		(1)
Earnings from continuing operations before tax	29	23	6
Depreciation and amortization	7	7	

Our Acetate Products segment primarily produces and supplies acetate tow, which is used in the production of filter products. We also produce acetate flake which is processed into acetate fiber in the form of a tow band. The successful completion of the acquisition of APL on January 31, 2007 further increases our global position and enhances our ability to service our customers.

Acetate Products net sales increased 34% to $223 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. This increase is primarily driven by additional net sales from the APL acquisition completed during the three months ended March 31, 2007 as well as higher flake and tow prices. Total sales for APL during the period from January 31, 2007 (acquisition date) to March 31, 2007 were $40 million.

Operating profit increased $6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. Higher overall sales pricing and lower energy costs more than offset increases in raw material costs.

Earnings from continuing operations before tax increased 26% for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. The increases are primarily due to the increases in operating profit.

Performance Products

	Three Months Ended		
	March 30, 2007	March 30, 2006	Change in $
	(Unaudited) (In $ millions)		
Net sales	45	49	(4)
Net sales variance:			

Volume	(11)%		
Price	(1)%		
Currency	4%		
Other	0%		
Operating profit	16	17	(1)
Operating margin	35.6%	34.7%	
Other (charges) gains, net			
Earnings from continuing operations before tax	15	15	
Depreciation and amortization	4	4	

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The Performance Products segment operates under the trade name of Nutrinova and produces and sells Sunett® high intensity sweetener and food protection ingredients, such as sorbates, for the food, beverage and pharmaceuticals industries.

Performance Products net sales decreased 8% for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. An 11% decline in volumes and a 1% decline in pricing for the three months ended March 31, 2007 were partially offset by favorable currency impacts of 4%. Sorbates volumes increased slightly while pricing continued to decline due to increased competition. The decline in pricing was at a slower rate during the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. Volumes and pricing for Sunett® sweetener decreased primarily due to fewer new product launches and changes in customer mix. Volumes were also negatively impacted due to the exit of a lower margin, non-core trading business in the fourth quarter of 2006.

Operating profit was $16 million for the current quarter compared to $17 million for the same period in 2006. The slight decrease was primarily a result of the positive impact from cost savings and lower manufacturing costs partially offsetting the overall lower net sales.

Earnings from continuing operations before tax were flat period over period.

Other Activities

Other Activities primarily consists of corporate center costs, including financing and administrative activities, and certain other operating entities, including the captive insurance companies and the AT Plastics business.

Net sales decreased slightly to $59 million from $61 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006, principally driven by a decrease in third party revenues from our captive insurance companies of $5 million more than offsetting an increase in sales from AT Plastics of $3 million.

The operating loss for Other Activities decreased $23 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. This decrease was due primarily to a $22 million decrease in our selling, general and administrative expenses, which resulted from the absence of executive severance and legal costs associated with the squeeze-out of $13 million and long-term incentive plan expenses of $5 million recorded in 2006. In addition, there was a $3 million decrease in stock-based compensation expense recorded in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period in 2006.

Loss from continuing operations before tax decreased by $29 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to the same period in 2006, primarily driven by the decrease in operating loss previously discussed above within this segment, as well as an increase in interest income.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our primary source of liquidity will continue to be cash generated from operations, available cash and cash equivalents and dividends from our portfolio of strategic investments. In addition, we have availability under our credit facilities to assist, if required, in meeting our working capital needs and other contractual obligations. We believe we will have available resources to meet our liquidity requirements for the remainder of the year and for the subsequent twelve months, including debt service. If our cash flow from operations is insufficient to fund our debt service and other obligations, we may be required to use other means available to us such as to increase our borrowings under our lines of credit, reduce or delay capital expenditures, seek additional capital or seek to restructure or refinance our indebtedness. There can be no assurance, however, that we will continue to generate cash flows at or above current levels or that we will be able to maintain our ability to borrow under our revolving credit facilities.

Cash Flows

Cash and cash equivalents at March 31, 2007 were $1,115 million, which was an increase of $324 million from December 31, 2006. See below for details on the change in cash and cash equivalents from December 31, 2006 to March 31, 2007.

Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities

Cash provided by operating activities was $12 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007, compared with a cash outflow of $1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2006. The increase in operating cash flows was due primarily to an increase in earnings from continuing operations and a decrease in cash used from operating assets and liabilities, partially offset by cash used in discontinued operations. Earnings from continuing operations increased to $144 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to $96 million for the same period in 2006. The changes in operating assets and liabilities were driven primarily by lower trade receivables offset by lower trade payables. The lower trade receivables were driven by higher net sales offset by timing of cash receipts. The lower trade payables resulted from the timing of payments. The cash used in discontinued operations of $74 million relates primarily to working capital changes of the oxo and derivatives businesses.

Net Cash Used in Investing Activities

Net cash from investing activities increased to a cash inflow of $325 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to a cash outflow of $106 million for the same period in 2006. The increase in cash inflow was primarily due to the proceeds from the sale of our oxo products and derivatives businesses partially offset by the cash outflow for the APL acquisition. During the three months ended March 31, 2006, we increased restricted cash by $42 million related to the anticipated payment to minority shareholders for their remaining CAG shares. During the three months ended March 31, 2007, as a result of the completion of the Squeeze-Out (see Note 4 of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements) and the payment to minority shareholders for their remaining CAG shares, restricted cash decreased $46 million.

Our capital expenditures were $49 million and $43 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. Capital expenditures were primarily related to major replacements of equipment, capacity expansions, major investments to reduce future operating costs, and environmental and health and safety initiatives. Capital expenditures in 2007 and 2006 included costs for the expansion of our Nanjing, China site into an integrated chemical complex. Capital expenditures are expected to be approximately $280 million for 2007.

Net Cash Used in Financing Activities

Net cash from financing activities decreased to a cash outflow of $17 million for the three months ended March 31, 2007 compared to a cash inflow of $25 million for the same period in 2006. The decrease relates primarily to a net change in short-term borrowings/repayments of $72 million partially offset by $19 million of proceeds received from the exercise of stock options.

Liquidity

Our contractual obligations, commitments and debt service requirements over the next several years are significant. As stated above, our primary source of liquidity will continue to be cash generated from operations, available cash and cash equivalents and dividends from our portfolio of strategic investments. In addition, we have availability under our credit facilities to assist, if required, in meeting our working capital needs and other contractual obligations.

Debt and Capital

Holders of the preferred stock are entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by our Board of Directors, out of funds legally available therefor, cash dividends at the rate of 4.25% per annum (or $1.06 per share) of liquidation preference, payable quarterly in arrears commencing on May 1, 2005. Dividends on the preferred stock are cumulative from the

date of initial issuance. As of March 31, 2007, the dividend is expected to result in an annual payment of approximately $10 million. Accumulated but unpaid dividends accumulate at an annual rate of 4.25%. The preferred stock is convertible, at the option of the holder, at any time into approximately 1.25 shares of our Series A common stock, subject to adjustments, per $25.00 liquidation preference of the preferred stock. During the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, we paid $2 million and $3 million, respectively, in dividends on our preferred stock. On April 5, 2007, we declared a $3 million cash dividend on our convertible perpetual preferred stock, which was paid on May 1, 2007.

In July 2005, our Board of Directors adopted a policy of declaring, subject to legally available funds, a quarterly cash dividend on each share of our Series A common stock at an annual rate initially equal to approximately 1% of the $16.00 initial public offering price per share of our Series A common stock (or $0.16 per share) unless our Board of Directors in its sole discretion determines otherwise. During both the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, we paid $6 million in aggregate dividends on our Series A common stock and on April 5, 2007, we declared a $7 million cash dividend which was paid on May 1, 2007. Based upon the number of outstanding shares as of March 31, 2007, the annual cash dividend payment is approximately $26 million. However, there is no assurance that sufficient cash or surplus will be available to pay the remainder of the anticipated 2007 cash dividend.

As of March 31, 2007, we had total debt of $3,489 million compared to $3,498 million as of December 31, 2006. We were in compliance with all of the financial covenants related to our debt agreements as of March 31, 2007.

Contractual Debt Obligations. The following table sets forth our fixed contractual debt obligations as of March 31, 2007:

Fixed Contractual Debt Obligations	**Total**	**Remaining 2007**	**2008-2009**	**2010-2011**	**2012 and Thereafter**
			(In $ millions)		
Term loan facility	1,626	16[5]	33	1,577	
Interest payments on debt[1]	1,773	179	483	474	637
Senior subordinated notes[2]	969				969
Senior discount notes[3]	554				554
Other debt[4]	463	155	48	55	205
Total fixed contractual debt obligations	5,385	350	564	2,106	2,365

[1] For future interest expense, we assumed no change in variable rates. (See Note 8 for the applicable interest rates).

[2] Does not include $3 million of premium.

[3] Reflects the accreted value of the notes at maturity of $124 million.

[4] Does not include a $2 million reduction due to purchase accounting.

[5] Reflects the short-term debt obligation under the senior credit facility prior to the refinancing discussed below.

Senior Credit Facilities. As of March 31, 2007, the amended and restated (January 2005) senior credit facilities of $2,454 million consist of a term loan facility of $1,626 million, a revolving credit facility of $600 million and a credit-linked revolving facility of approximately $228 million.

Term loan facility   Subsequent to the consummation of the initial public offering in January 2005, we entered into amended and restated senior credit facilities which increased the term loan facility. The terms of the amended and restated senior credit facilities are substantially similar to the terms of our immediately previous senior credit

facilities. As of March 31, 2007, the term loan facility had a balance of $1,626 million, which matures in 2011.

Revolving credit facility The revolving credit facility, through a syndication of banks, provides for borrowings up to $600 million, including the availability of letters of credit in U.S. dollars and Euros and for borrowings on same-day notice. As of March 31, 2007, there were no letters of credit issued or outstanding borrowings under the revolving credit facility; accordingly, $600 million remained available for borrowing.

Credit-linked revolving facility The approximate $228 million credit-linked facility matures in 2009 and provides borrowing capacity for the issuance of letters of credit. As of March 31, 2007, $172 million of letters of credit had been issued under the facility and $56 million was available for borrowing.

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Substantially all of the assets of Celanese Holdings LLC (Celanese Holdings), the direct parent of BCP Crystal, and subject to certain exceptions, substantially all of its existing and future U.S. subsidiaries, referred to as U.S. Guarantors, secure these senior credit facilities.

Debt Refinancing

The following table sets forth our pro forma contractual debt obligations as of March 31, 2007 adjusted for the debt refinancing effected on April 3, 2007:

Fixed Contractual Debt Obligations	**Total**	**Remaining 2007**	**2008-2009**	**2010-2011**	**2012 and Thereafter**
			(In $ millions)		
Term loan facility	2,812	14	56	56	2,686
Interest payments on debt	1,718	119	446	430	723
Senior subordinated notes	14				14
Senior discount notes	1				1
Other debt	463	155	48	55	205
Total fixed contractual debt obligations	5,008	288	550	541	3,629

In March 2007, we announced a comprehensive recapitalization strategy to refinance our debt and repurchase shares. On April 2, 2007, we, through certain of our subsidiaries, entered into a new senior credit agreement. The new senior credit agreement consists of $2,280 million of U.S. dollar denominated and 400 million of Euro denominated term loans due 2014, a $650 million revolving credit facility terminating in 2013 and a $228 million credit-linked revolving facility terminating in 2014. Borrowings under the new senior credit agreement bear interest at a variable interest rate based on LIBOR (for U.S. dollars) or EURIBOR (for Euros), as applicable, or, for U.S. dollar denominated loans under certain circumstances, a base rate, in each case plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin for the term loans and any loans under the credit-linked revolving facility is 1.75%, subject to potential reductions as defined in the senior credit agreement. The term loans under the new senior credit agreement are subject to amortization at 1% of the initial principal amount per annum, payable quarterly. The remaining principal amount of the term loans will be due on April 2, 2014.

Proceeds from the new senior credit agreement, together with available cash, were used to retire our existing $2,454 million debt facility, which consisted of $1,626 million in term loans due 2011, a $600 million revolving credit facility terminating in 2009 and an approximate $228 million credit-linked revolving facility terminating in 2009 and to retire portions of our Senior Subordinated Notes and Senior Discount Notes as discussed below.

On March 6, 2007, we commenced cash tender offers (the Tender Offers) with respect to any and all of the outstanding 10% senior discount notes due 2014 and 101/2% senior discount notes due 2014 (the Senior Discount Notes), and any and all of the outstanding 95/8% senior subordinated notes due 2014 and 103/8% senior subordinated notes due 2014 (the Senior Subordinated Notes). The Tender Offers expired on April 2, 2007. All of the 10% senior discount notes and 99.7% of the 101/2% senior discount notes were tendered under the Tender Offers, resulting in a reduction of debt of $83 million and $346 million, respectively. Additionally, 93.7% of the 103/8% senior subordinated notes and 99.6% of the 95/8% senior subordinated notes were tendered under the Tender Offers, resulting in a reduction of debt of 122 million (approximately $163 million) and $793 million, respectively. We paid

approximately $220 million of tender costs in connection with the Tender Offers.

As a result of the refinancing, we expect to incur approximately $215 million $225 million of interest expense related to tender costs and costs incurred to acquire the new senior credit facility in the second quarter of 2007. In addition, we will expense approximately $45 million of unamortized deferred financing costs related to the existing $2,454 million credit facility, Senior Discount Notes and Senior Subordinated Notes.

Other Contractual Obligations

We adopted the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, an amendment of FASB Statement No. 109* (FIN No. 48), on January 1, 2007. The

timing of future payments of the uncertain tax positions of $193 million resulting from the implementation of FIN No. 48 is uncertain. However, we reasonably expect to pay approximately $10 million of the liability for uncertain tax positions over the next twelve months. See Note 15 of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements for a further discussion.

Share Repurchase

In conjunction with the debt refinancing discussed above, we, through our wholly-owned subsidiary Celanese International Holdings Luxembourg S.à r.l., repurchased 2,021,775 shares of our outstanding Series A common stock in a modified Dutch Auction tender offer from public shareholders, which expired on April 3, 2007, at a purchase price of $30.50 per share. The total price paid for these shares was approximately $62 million. The number of shares purchased represents approximately 1.3% of our current outstanding Series A common stock. We also separately purchased, through our wholly-owned subsidiary, Celanese International Holdings Luxembourg S.à r.l., 329,011 shares of Series A common stock at $30.50 per share from the investment funds associated with The Blackstone Group L.P. The total price paid for these shares was approximately $10 million. The number of shares purchased from Blackstone represents approximately 0.2% of our current outstanding Series A common stock.

Deferred compensation

See Note 14, Stock-based and Other Management Compensation Plans, of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements for additional information. Should the payout be triggered, we will fund the payments with either existing cash, or borrowings from the revolving credit facility, or a combination thereof. Upon the occurrence of the triggering events mentioned in Note 14 to the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements, the maximum amount earned and vested under the plan through March 31, 2007 would be approximately $74 million, exclusive of the $18 million accrued at March 31, 2007 and payable in 2007 due to the accelerated vesting of certain plan participants.

On April 2, 2007, certain participants in our deferred compensation plan elected to participate in a revised program. Under the revised program, participants relinquished their cash awards of up to $30 million that would have contingently accrued from 2007-2009 under the previous plan. See additional discussion of the revised program in Note 22 of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements. Based on current participation in the revised program, the award, which will be expensed between April 2, 2007 and December 31, 2010, aggregates approximately $27 million plus notional earnings. We expect to expense approximately $6 million in 2007 related to the revised program.

Restricted Stock

Participants in the revised deferred compensation program also received an award of performance-based restricted stock units (RSU s). The number of RSUs that ultimately vest depends on performance targets measured by comparison of our stock performance versus a defined peer group. The initial award of approximately 219,000 RSUs may increase or decrease based on the performance measurement. In addition to the RSUs granted to participants in the revised deferred compensation program, we granted approximately 612,000 RSUs to certain employees. The employee RSUs contain the same performance criteria as those granted to the deferred compensation program participants. Further, we granted approximately 26,000 RSUs to our non-management Board of Directors. The Director RSUs will vest on April 26, 2008. Compensation expense associated with RSUs is expected to approximate $6 million in 2007. See additional discussion on the restricted stock issued in Note 22 of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements.

Long-term incentive plan

See Note 14, Stock-based and Other Management Compensation Plans, of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements for additional information. On February 16, 2007, approximately $26 million was paid to the LTIP plan participants. There are no additional amounts due under the LTIP plan.

Squeeze-Out Payment

The Squeeze-Out was registered in the commercial register in Germany on December 22, 2006, after several lawsuits by minority shareholders challenging the shareholders resolution approving the Squeeze-Out were withdrawn pursuant to a settlement agreement entered into between plaintiff shareholders, the Purchaser and CAG on the same day. An aggregate purchase price of approximately 62 million was paid to minority shareholders in January 2007 as fair cash compensation for the acquisition of their shares in CAG, excluding direct acquisition costs of approximately 2 million. See additional information in Note 4 of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements.

Domination Agreement

The domination and profit and loss transfer agreement (the Domination Agreement) was approved at the CAG extraordinary shareholders meeting on July 31, 2004. The Domination Agreement between CAG and the Purchaser became effective on October 1, 2004. Our subsidiaries, Celanese Caylux Holdings Luxembourg S.C.A., formerly BCP Caylux Holdings Luxembourg S.C.A (Celanese Caylux) and BCP Crystal, have each agreed to provide the Purchaser with financing to strengthen the Purchaser s ability to fulfill its obligations under, or in connection with, the Domination Agreement and to ensure that the Purchaser will perform all of its obligations under, or in connection with, the Domination Agreement when such obligations become due, including, without limitation, the obligation to compensate CAG for any statutory annual loss incurred by CAG during the term of the Domination Agreement. If Celanese Caylux and/or BCP Crystal are obligated to make payments under such guarantees or other security to the Purchaser and/or the minority shareholders, we may not have sufficient funds for payments on our indebtedness when due. We have not had to compensate CAG for an annual loss for any period during which the Domination Agreement has been in effect.

Pension and Other Benefits

As a result of the sale of the oxo products and derivatives businesses in February 2007 (see Note 4 of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements), there was a reduction of approximately 1,076 employees triggering a settlement and remeasurement of the affected pension plans due to certain changes in actuarial valuation assumptions. The settlement and remeasurement resulted in a net increase in the projected benefit obligation of $44 million with an offset to Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net (net of tax of $1 million) and a settlement gain of $11 million (included in Gain on disposal of discontinued operations) for the pension plan during the three months ended March 31, 2007.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We have not entered into any material off-balance sheet arrangements.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenses and allocated charges during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

We describe our significant accounting policies in Note 4, Summary of Accounting Policies, of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006. We discuss our critical accounting policies and estimates in MD&A in our Annual Report on

Form 10-K as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006.

Except for the following critical accounting policy discussed below, there have been no material revisions to the critical accounting policies as filed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006 with the SEC on February 21, 2007.

On January 1, 2007, we adopted the provision of FASB Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, and Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109* (FIN 48). FIN 48 provides recognition criteria and a related measurement model for tax positions taken by companies. In accordance with FIN 48, a tax position is a

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position in a previously filed tax return or a position to be taken in a future tax filing that is reflected in measuring current or deferred income tax assets and liabilities. Tax positions shall be recognized only when it is more likely than not (likelihood of greater than 50%), based on technical merits, that the position will be sustained upon examination. Tax positions that meet the more likely than not threshold should be measured using a probability weighted approach as the largest amount of tax benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon settlement. Whether the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold is met for a tax position is a matter of judgment based on the individual facts and circumstances of that position evaluated in light of all available evidence. See Note 15 of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements for additional discussion of the FIN 48 impact.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

See Note 3 of the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements included in this Form 10-Q for discussion of new accounting pronouncements.

Factors That May Affect Future Results And Financial Condition

Because of the following factors, as well as other factors affecting our operating results and financial condition, past financial performance should not be considered to be a reliable indicator of future performance, and investors should not use historical trends to anticipate results or trends in future periods. In addition, many factors could cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements that may be expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. These factors include, among other things:

- changes in general economic, business, political and regulatory conditions in the countries or regions in which we operate;

- the length and depth of product and industry business cycles particularly in the automotive, electrical, electronics and construction industries;

- changes in the price and availability of raw materials, particularly changes in the demand for, supply of, and market prices of fuel oil, natural gas, coal, electricity and petrochemicals such as ethylene, propylene and butane, including changes in production quotas in OPEC countries and the deregulation of the natural gas transmission industry in Europe;

- the ability to pass increases in raw material prices on to customers or otherwise improve margins through price increases;

- the ability to maintain plant utilization rates and to implement planned capacity additions and expansions;

- the ability to reduce production costs and improve productivity by implementing technological improvements to existing plants;

- increased price competition and the introduction of competing products by other companies;

- changes in the degree of patent and other legal protection afforded to our products;

- compliance costs and potential disruption or interruption of production due to accidents or other unforeseen events or delays in construction of facilities;

- potential liability for remedial actions under existing or future environmental regulations;
- potential liability resulting from pending or future litigation, or from changes in the laws, regulations or policies of governments or other governmental activities in the countries in which we operate;
- changes in currency exchange rates and interest rates;
- pending or future challenges to the Domination Agreement; and
- various other factors, both referenced and not referenced in this document.

Many of these factors are macroeconomic in nature and are, therefore, beyond our control. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, our actual results,

performance or achievements may vary materially from those described in this Quarterly Report as anticipated, believed, estimated, expected, intended, planned or projected. We neither intend nor assume any obligation to update these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of their dates.

Item 3. ***Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk***

Except for the following market risk listed below, market risk for our Company has not changed significantly from the foreign exchange, interest rate and commodity risks disclosed in Item 7A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006.

Interest Rate Risk Management

We may enter into interest rate swap agreements to reduce the exposure of interest rate risk inherent in our outstanding debt by locking in borrowing rates to achieve a desired level of fixed/floating rate debt depending on market conditions. At December 31, 2006, we had an outstanding interest rate swap with a notional amount of $300 million. On March 19, 2007, in anticipation of the debt refinancing, we entered into various U.S. Dollar and Euro interest rate swaps, which became effective on April 2, 2007, with notional amounts of $1.6 billion and 150 million. The notional amount of the U.S. dollar swaps will reduce over time according to an amortization schedule while the notional amount of the Euro swap will remain at its original level throughout the term of the swap. In March 2007, in connection with the April 2, 2007 debt refinancing, we terminated our existing interest rate swap. As of March 31, 2007, adjusted for the debt refinancing effected on April 3, 2007, we had approximately $2.3 billion, 490 million and CNY544 million of variable rate debt, of which $1.6 billion and 150 million is hedged with interest rate swaps, which leaves us approximately $715 million, 340 million and CNY544 million of variable rate debt subject to interest rate exposure. Accordingly, a 1% increase in interest rates would increase annual interest expense by approximately $12 million.

Item 4. ***Controls and Procedures***

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we have evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(b) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that these disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting occurred that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting during our first quarter of 2007.

PART II   OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1.   *Legal Proceedings*

We are involved in a number of legal proceedings, lawsuits and claims incidental to the normal conduct of our business, relating to such matters as product liability, antitrust, past waste disposal practices and release of chemicals into the environment. While it is impossible at this time to determine with certainty the ultimate outcome of these proceedings, lawsuits and claims, we believe, based on the advice of legal counsel, that adequate provisions have been made and that the ultimate outcomes will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position, but may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations or cash flows in any given accounting period. See Note 12 to the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements for a discussion of legal proceedings.

Item 1A.   *Risk Factors*

Except for the following risk factor listed below, there have been no material revisions to the   Risk factors   as filed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006 with the SEC on February 21, 2007.

Our variable rate indebtedness subjects us to interest rate risk, which could cause our debt service obligations to increase significantly and affect our operating results.

Certain of our borrowings are at variable rates of interest and expose us to interest rate risk. If interest rates were to increase, our debt service obligations on our variable rate indebtedness would increase even though the amount borrowed remained the same. On April 2, 2007, we, through certain of its subsidiaries, entered into a new senior credit agreement. The new senior credit agreement consists of $2,280 million of U.S. dollar denominated and   400 million of Euro denominated term loans due 2014, a $650 million revolving credit facility terminating in 2013 and a $228 million credit-linked revolving facility terminating in 2014. Borrowings under the new senior credit agreement bear interest at a variable interest rate based on LIBOR (for U.S. dollars) or EURIBOR (for Euros), as applicable, or, for U.S. dollar denominated loans under certain circumstances, a base rate, in each case plus an applicable margin. The applicable margin for the term loans and any loans under the credit-linked revolving facility is 1.75%, subject to potential reductions as defined in the senior credit agreement. The term loans under the new senior credit agreement are subject to amortization at 1% of the initial principal amount per annum, payable quarterly. The remaining principal amount of the term loans will be due on April 2, 2014.

Proceeds from the new senior credit agreement, together with available cash, were used to retire our existing $2,454 million debt facility, which consisted of $1,626 million in term loans due 2011, a $600 million revolving credit facility terminating in 2009 and an approximate $228 million credit-linked revolving facility terminating in 2009 and to retire portions of our senior subordinated notes and senior discount notes.

If interest rates were to increase, our debt service obligations on our variable rate indebtedness would increase even though the amount borrowed remains the same. As of March 31, 2007, adjusted for the debt refinancing effected on April 3, 2007, we had approximately $2.3 billion,   490 million and CNY544 million of variable rate debt, of which $1.6 billion and   150 million is hedged with interest rate swaps, which leaves us approximately $715 million,   340 million and CNY544 million of variable rate debt subject to interest rate exposure. Accordingly, a 1% increase in interest rates would increase annual interest expense by approximately $12 million. There can be no assurance that interest rates will not rise significantly in the future. Such an increase could have an adverse impact on our future results of operations and cash flows.

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

None.

Item 3. ***Defaults Upon Senior Securities***

None.

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

None.

Item 5. ***Other Information***

None.

Item 6. ***Exhibits***

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 28, 2005)
3.2	Amended and Restated By-laws, effective as of February 8, 2007 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 21, 2007)
4.7	Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 21, 2007, among Crystal US Holdings 3 L.L.C., Crystal US Sub 3 Corp., Celanese Corporation, and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 27, 2007)
4.8	Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 21, 2007, among Celanese US Holdings LLC, Celanese Holdings LLC, the entities set forth in the schedule thereto, and The Bank of New York, as Trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 27, 2007)
10.1	Second Amendment and Consent to Credit Agreement dated as of February 9, 2007, among Celanese Holdings LLC, BCP Crystal US Holdings Corp., Celanese Americas Corporation, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Deutsche Bank AG, New York Branch, as administrative agent (filed herewith)
10.2	First Amendment to Purchase Agreement dated February 28, 2007, by and among Advent Oxea Cayman Ltd., Oxea Corporation, Drachenfelssee 520. V V GmbH, Drachenfelssee 521. V V GmbH, Celanese Ltd., Ticona Polymers Inc. and Celanese Chemicals Europe GmbH (filed herewith)
10.3	Form of 2007 Deferral Agreement between Celanese Corporation and award recipient, dated as of April 2, 2007 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 3, 2007)
10.4	Amendment to Celanese Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 3, 2007)
10.5	Form of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Agreement between Celanese Corporation and award recipient, dated as of April 2, 2007 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 3, 2007)
10.6	Credit Agreement, dated April 2, 2007, among Celanese Holdings LLC, Celanese US Holdings LLC, the subsidiaries of Celanese US Holdings LLC from time to time party thereto as borrowers, the Lenders party thereto, Deutsche Bank AG, New York Branch, as administrative agent and as collateral agent, Merrill Lynch Capital Corporation as syndication agent, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., Bank of America, N.A., Citibank NA, and JP Morgan Chase Bank NA, as co-documentation agents, and Deutsche Bank AG, Cayman Islands Branch, as Deposit Bank (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 5, 2007)
10.7	

	Guarantee and Collateral Agreement, dated April 2, 2007, by and among Celanese Holdings LLC, Celanese US Holdings LLC, certain subsidiaries of Celanese US Holdings LLC and Deutsche Bank AG, New York Branch (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 5, 2007)
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).

PLEASE NOTE: It is inappropriate for readers to assume the accuracy of, or rely upon any covenants, representations or warranties that may be contained in agreements or other documents filed as Exhibits to, or incorporated by reference in, this Quarterly Report. Any such covenants, representations or warranties may have been qualified or superseded by disclosures contained in separate schedules or exhibits not filed with or incorporated by reference in this Quarterly Report, may reflect the parties negotiated risk allocation in the particular transaction, may be qualified by materiality standards that differ from those applicable for securities law purposes, and may not be true as of the date of this Quarterly Report or any other date and may be subject to waivers by any or all of the parties. Where exhibits and schedules to agreements filed or incorporated by reference as Exhibits hereto are not included in these exhibits, such exhibits and schedules to agreements are not included or incorporated by reference herein.

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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.

CELANESE CORPORATION

By: /s/ David N. Weidman

Name: David N. Weidman

Title: Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer and President

Date: May 9, 2007

By: /s/ John J. Gallagher III

Name: John J. Gallagher III

Title: Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 9, 2007