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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended December 31, 2007

OR

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

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

Commission File #0-16148

## Multi-Color Corporation

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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**OHIO**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**31-1125853**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**50 E-Business Way, Suite 400**

**Sharonville, Ohio 45241**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**Registrant's telephone number (513) 381-1480**

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

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  Accelerated Filer  Non-accelerated Filer

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

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

Common shares, no par value 10,133,437 (as of January 31, 2008)

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## MULTI-COLOR CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	December 31, 2007	December 31, 2006	December 31, 2007	December 31, 2006
Net revenues	\$ 48,267	\$ 46,958	\$ 152,604	\$ 142,135
Cost of revenues	39,731	38,371	124,729	115,145
<b>Gross profit</b>	<b>8,536</b>	8,587	<b>27,875</b>	26,990
Selling, general and administrative expenses	4,764	5,083	15,040	14,822
Acquisition expenses		3,048		3,048
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>3,772</b>	456	<b>12,835</b>	9,120
Interest expense	54	228	177	901
Other (income) expense, net	778	(257)	392	(353)
<b>Income from continuing operations before income taxes</b>	<b>2,940</b>	485	<b>12,266</b>	8,572
Income tax expense	968	182	4,483	3,195
<b>Net income from continuing operations</b>	<b>1,972</b>	303	<b>7,783</b>	5,377
Income from discontinued operations, net of tax	152	1,226	7,022	1,766
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 2,124</b>	\$ 1,529	<b>\$ 14,805</b>	\$ 7,143
Basic earnings per common share:				
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.54
Income from discontinued operations	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.18
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.15	\$ 1.48	\$ 0.72
Diluted earnings per common share:				
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.52
Income from discontinued operations	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.68	\$ 0.17
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.15	\$ 1.43	\$ 0.69
Dividends per common share	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.03
Weighted average shares and equivalents outstanding:				
Basic	10,065	9,955	10,025	9,955
Diluted	10,349	10,170	10,345	10,372

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.*

All share and per share amounts have been adjusted to reflect the 3-for-2 stock split effective September 17, 2007.

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**MULTI-COLOR CORPORATION**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

	December 31, 2007	March 31, 2007
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,542	\$ 5,793
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$547 and \$546 at December 31, 2007 and March 31, 2007, respectively	16,291	21,834
Inventories	14,308	13,610
Deferred tax assets	1,093	826
Prepaid expenses and other	6,351	947
Current assets of discontinued operations		4,796
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>45,585</b>	<b>47,806</b>
Property, plant and equipment, net	54,393	43,675
Goodwill	7,259	7,259
Intangible assets, net	1,281	1,634
Other	10	3
Noncurrent assets of discontinued operations		6,704
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 108,528</b>	<b>\$ 107,081</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
<b>Current liabilities:</b>		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$	\$ 5,150
Accounts payable	12,104	14,775
Current portion of deferred revenues	221	40
Accrued income taxes		351
Accrued liabilities	2,305	1,657
Accrued payroll and benefits	4,320	6,322
Current liabilities of discontinued operations		3,679
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>18,950</b>	<b>31,974</b>
Deferred tax liabilities	6,562	8,043
Deferred compensation and other liabilities	3,029	2,318
Noncurrent liabilities of discontinued operations		323
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>28,541</b>	<b>42,658</b>
Commitments and contingencies		
<b>Stockholders equity:</b>		
Preferred stock, no par value, 1,000 shares authorized, no shares outstanding		
Common stock, no par value, stated value of \$.10 per share; 25,000 shares authorized, 10,093 and 10,034 shares issued at December 31, 2007 and March 31, 2007, respectively	353	341
Paid-in capital	22,204	18,913
Treasury stock, 29 shares at cost	(119)	(119)
Restricted stock	(1,403)	(250)

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Retained earnings	<b>59,164</b>	45,750
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(212)	(212)
<b>Total stockholders equity</b>	<b>79,987</b>	64,423
<b>Total liabilities and stockholders equity</b>	<b>\$ 108,528</b>	\$ 107,081

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**Issued share amounts have been adjusted to reflect the 3-for-2 stock split effective September 17, 2007.**

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(Unaudited)

(In thousands)

	Nine Months Ended	
	December 31, 2007	December 31, 2006
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net income	\$ 14,805	\$ 7,143
Less income from discontinued operations	(7,022)	(1,766)
Income from continuing operations	7,783	5,377
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	4,110	4,126
Amortization	353	353
Gain on interest rate swap termination		(217)
Loss on foreign currency forward contracts	957	
Net loss on disposal of equipment	38	59
Increase in non-current deferred compensation	134	135
Stock based compensation expense	887	600
Excess tax benefit from stock based compensation	(462)	(374)
Impairment loss on long-lived assets		15
Deferred taxes, net	(1,749)	698
Net (increase) decrease in accounts receivable	5,542	651
Net (increase) decrease in inventories	(698)	2,150
Net (increase) decrease in prepaid expenses and other	(5,411)	1,999
Net increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(2,671)	(1,948)
Net increase (decrease) in accrued liabilities and other	(7,393)	(1,612)
Net increase (decrease) in deferred revenues	180	(138)
<b>Net cash provided by continuing operating activities</b>	<b>1,600</b>	<b>11,874</b>
<b>Net cash provided by discontinued operating activities</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>3,861</b>
<b>Cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>2,301</b>	<b>15,735</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Capital expenditures	(14,866)	(1,794)
Refund on acquisition purchase price		1,666
Proceeds from sale of plant and equipment		1
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) continuing investing activities</b>	<b>(14,866)</b>	<b>(127)</b>
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) discontinued investing activities</b>	<b>18,912</b>	<b>(123)</b>
<b>Cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>	<b>4,046</b>	<b>(250)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Borrowings under revolving line of credit	1,000	2,000
Payments under revolving line of credit	(1,000)	(2,000)

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Proceeds from interest rate swap termination		180
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	1,260	1,052
Excess tax benefit from stock based compensation	462	374
Repayment of long-term debt	(5,150)	(17,377)
Dividends paid	(1,170)	(989)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>	<b>(4,598)</b>	<b>(16,760)</b>
Net increase (decrease) in cash	1,749	(1,275)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period</b>	<b>5,793</b>	<b>3,179</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of period</b>	<b>\$ 7,542</b>	<b>\$ 1,904</b>

**SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:**

<b>Interest paid</b>	<b>\$ 127</b>	<b>\$ 1,047</b>
<b>Income taxes paid, net of refunds received</b>	<b>\$ 9,962</b>	<b>\$ 4,288</b>

**SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF NON-CASH ACTIVITIES:**

<b>Foreign currency forward contracts fair value</b>	<b>\$ 957</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Interest rate swap fair value</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ (391)</b>
<b>Assets acquired through lease</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 1,087</b>

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.*



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Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

(Unaudited)

(In thousands except per share data)

Item 1. Financial Statements (continued)

**1. Description of Business and Significant Accounting Policies**

The Company:

Multi-Color Corporation (the Company), headquartered in Sharonville, Ohio, supplies printed labels and engravings to consumer product and food and beverage companies, retailers and container manufacturers primarily located in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Central and South America. The Company has manufacturing plants located in Scottsburg, Indiana; Batavia and Troy, Ohio; Erlanger, Kentucky; Framingham, Massachusetts; Green Bay and Watertown, Wisconsin and Norway, Michigan.

Prior to June 2007, the Company was organized into two segments within the packaging industry: Decorating Solutions and Packaging Services. The Decorating Solutions segment's primary operations involve the design and printing of labels, while the Packaging Services segment provided promotional packaging, assembling and fulfillment services. On July 2, 2007, the Company completed the sale of Quick Pak (see Note 6), whose operating results were reported as the Packaging Services segment. Accordingly, the results of Quick Pak are now presented as discontinued operations for all periods in the consolidated financial statements and the Company no longer reports any segment results.

Basis of Presentation:

The condensed consolidated financial statements included herein have been prepared by the Company, without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Although certain information and footnote disclosures, normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (U.S. GAAP), have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations, the Company believes that the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Company's 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The information furnished in these condensed consolidated financial statements reflects all estimates and adjustments which are, in the opinion of management, necessary to present fairly the results for the interim periods reported.

The condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. Certain prior year balances have been reclassified to conform to current year classifications.

Use of Estimates in Financial Statements:

In preparing financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP, management makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, as well as the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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**Revenue Recognition:**

The Company recognizes revenue on sales of products when the customer receives title to the goods, which is generally upon shipment or delivery depending on sales terms. Prior to its disposition (see Note 6), the Packaging Services segment recognized revenue upon completion of the service provided to the customer or in certain circumstances, when the customer received title to the goods upon shipment. All revenues are denominated in U.S. dollars and net of applicable returns and discounts.

**Inventories:**

Inventories are stated at the lower of FIFO (first-in, first-out) cost or market. Excess and obsolete cost reductions are generally established based on inventory age.

**Property, Plant and Equipment:**

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost.

Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, as follows:

Buildings	20-39 years
Machinery and equipment	3-15 years
Computers	3-5 years
Furniture and fixtures	5-10 years

**Goodwill and Intangible Assets:**

Goodwill is not amortized and is tested annually as of the last day of February of each fiscal year for impairment by comparing the fair value of the reporting unit's goodwill to its carrying amount. The Company also tests for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the assets' carrying values may be greater than the fair values. Intangible assets with definite useful lives are amortized using the straight-line method, which estimates the economic benefit, over periods of up to eight years. Intangible assets are also tested for impairment in accordance with SFAS No. 144, Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets.

**Income Taxes:**

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are provided for temporary differences between the tax basis and reported basis of assets and liabilities that will result in taxable or deductible amounts in future years.

The Company adopted the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes (FIN 48) on April 1, 2007. See Note 7 for the impact of adoption.

**Fair Value Disclosure:**

The fair value of financial instruments approximates carrying value.

**Derivative Financial Instruments- Foreign Currency Forward Contracts:**

The Company accounts for derivative financial instruments in accordance with SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivatives and Hedging Activities, as amended. This standard requires the recognition of derivative instruments as either assets or liabilities in the balance sheet at fair value and the recognition of resulting gains or losses as adjustments to earnings or other comprehensive income. The Company does not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes. Also see Note 8.

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### **Stock Based Compensation:**

The Company accounts for stock based compensation based on the fair value of the award which is recognized as expense over the requisite service period. The Company's stock based compensation expense for the three months ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 was \$312 and \$217, respectively. The Company's stock based compensation expense for the nine months ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 was \$887 and \$600, respectively.

### **New Accounting Pronouncements:**

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 141 (revised 2007), *Business Combinations* (SFAS 141R). SFAS 141R significantly changes the way companies account for business combinations and will generally require assets acquired and liabilities assumed to be measured at their acquisition-date fair value. Under SFAS 141R, legal fees and other transaction-related costs are expensed as incurred and are no longer included as a cost of acquiring the business. SFAS 141R also requires, among other things, acquirers to estimate the acquisition-date fair value of any contingent consideration and to recognize any subsequent changes in the fair value of contingent consideration in earnings. In addition, restructuring costs the acquirer expected, but was not obligated to incur, will be recognized separately from the business acquisition. This accounting standard is effective for the Company's year ending March 31, 2010 and early adoption is not permitted.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements, an amendment of ARB No. 51* (SFAS 160). SFAS 160 requires all entities to report noncontrolling interests in subsidiaries as a separate component of equity in the consolidated financial statements. SFAS 160 establishes a single method of accounting for changes in a parent's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in deconsolidation. Companies will no longer recognize a gain or loss on partial disposals of a subsidiary where control is retained. In addition, in partial acquisitions, where control is obtained, the acquiring company will recognize and measure at fair value 100 percent of the assets and liabilities, including goodwill, as if the entire target company had been acquired. SFAS 160 is effective for the Company's year ending March 31, 2010 and early adoption is not permitted. This pronouncement will not have a material impact on the Company.

In June 2007, the FASB ratified Emerging Issues Task Force 06-11, *Accounting for the Income Tax Benefits of Dividends on Share-Based Payment Awards* (EITF 06-11). EITF 06-11 provides that tax benefits associated with dividends on share-based payment awards be recorded as a component of additional paid-in capital. EITF 06-11 is effective, on a prospective basis, for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2007, which for the Company is the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2008. The Company is currently assessing the impact of EITF 06-11 on the Company's consolidated financial position and results of operations.

## **2. Earnings Per Common Share Data**

The computation of basic earnings per common share (EPS) is based upon the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS is computed using the weighted average number of shares, and if dilutive, potential common shares outstanding during the period. Potential common shares outstanding during the period consist of restricted shares and the incremental common shares issuable upon the exercise of stock options and are reflected in diluted EPS by application of the treasury method. The company excluded 54 options in the three and nine months ended December 31, 2007 from the computation of diluted EPS because these options would have an anti-dilutive effect.

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The following is a reconciliation of the number of shares used in the basic and diluted EPS computations (shares in thousands):

	Three Months Ended December 31,				Nine Months Ended December 31,			
	2007		2006		2007		2006	
	Shares	Per Share Amount	Shares	Per Share Amount	Shares	Per Share Amount	Shares	Per Share Amount
Basic EPS	10,065	\$ .21	9,955	\$ .15	10,025	\$ 1.48	9,955	\$ .72
Effect of dilutive stock options	284		215		320	(.05)	417	(.03)
Diluted EPS	10,349	\$ .21	10,170	\$ .15	10,345	\$ 1.43	10,372	\$ .69

All Share amounts have been adjusted to reflect the 3-for-2 stock split effective September 17, 2007.

**3. Inventories**

Inventories are comprised of the following:

	December 31, 2007	March 31, 2007
Finished goods	\$ 10,228	\$ 8,834
Work in process	1,695	2,026
Raw materials	3,504	3,721
	15,427	14,581
Inventory reserves	(1,119)	(971)
	\$ 14,308	\$ 13,610

**4. Debt**

The components of the Company's debt consisted of the following:

	December 31, 2007	March 31, 2007
Industrial Revenue Bonds	\$	\$ 5,150
Less-current portion of debt		(5,150)
	\$	\$

On May 15, 2007, the Company executed a new five-year senior secured revolving credit agreement (Revolving Credit Agreement) with a consortium of bank lenders (the Lenders). As of December 31, 2007, there were no borrowings outstanding under the Revolving Credit Agreement.

The Revolving Credit Agreement provides for a \$50,000 senior secured revolving credit facility, which the Company may elect to increase by up to \$50,000 subject to certain terms as described in the loan documents. The Lenders may also issue letters of credit and swing line loans under the Revolving Credit Agreement. The Company's indebtedness under the Revolving Credit Agreement is collateralized by liens on

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substantially all of the Company's personal property.

Loans under the Revolving Credit Agreement bear interest either at: (i) the greater of (a) the prime rate in effect and (b) the federal funds rate in effect plus 0.5% or (ii) the applicable London inter-bank offered rate plus the applicable margin between 0.625% and 1.75% based on the Company's leverage ratio at the time of the borrowing.

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The Revolving Credit Agreement contains limitations on additional indebtedness, liens, guarantees and capital leases. In addition, the Revolving Credit Agreement requires that the Company maintain the following financial covenants: (a) an interest coverage ratio of not less than 2.50 to 1.00, (b) total debt to Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA) of not greater than 3.25 to 1.00 and (c) a net worth of \$51,539, increasing quarterly beginning June 30, 2007, as defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement. As of December 31, 2007, the Company was in compliance with all debt covenants.

In June 2007, the Company paid off the \$5,150 outstanding balance on its Scottsburg and Clermont County Industrial Revenue Bonds using cash on hand.

**5. Major Customers**

During the three months ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, sales to major customers (those exceeding 10% of the Company's net revenues) approximated 55% of the Company's consolidated net revenues. Approximately 37% and 35% of revenues for the three months ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively were to the Procter & Gamble Company. Approximately 18% and 20% of revenues for the three months ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively were to the Miller Brewing Company.

During the nine months ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, sales to major customers (those exceeding 10% of the Company's net revenues) approximated 54% and 55%, respectively, of the Company's consolidated net revenues. Approximately 35% and 34% of revenues for the nine months ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively were to the Procter & Gamble Company. Approximately 19% and 21% of revenues for the nine months ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively were to the Miller Brewing Company. In addition, accounts receivable balances of such major customers approximated 23% and 34% of the Company's total accounts receivable balance at December 31, 2007 and March 31, 2007, respectively.

The loss or substantial reduction of the business of any of the major customers could have a material adverse impact on the Company's results of operations and cash flows.

**6. Discontinued Operations**

In June 2007, the Company entered into a definitive agreement to sell its Packaging Services division, Quick Pak, for \$19,200 in cash. The transaction closed on July 2, 2007, and accordingly, the Company recorded an after-tax gain on the sale of \$6,922 in the quarter ended September 30, 2007. In accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 144, the results of Quick Pak are now presented as discontinued operations for all periods in the consolidated financial statements and the Company no longer reports any segment results. The Company allocated general corporate interest expense based on budgeted cost of goods sold. The amount of interest expense allocated to Quick Pak, for the nine months ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 and the three months ended December 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006 was \$9 and \$104, and \$0 and \$21, respectively.

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Operating results of discontinued operations are as follows:

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Nine Months Ended December 31,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
Revenues	\$	\$ 9,084	\$ 3,988	\$ 22,126
Income from discontinued operations:				
Gain on sale, before taxes	\$	\$	\$ 11,278	\$
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, before taxes		1,961	(83)	2,824
Total income from discontinued operations, before taxes		1,961	11,195	2,824
Income tax expense (benefit)	(152)	735	4,173	1,058
Income from discontinued operations	\$ 152	\$ 1,226	\$ 7,022	\$ 1,766

Assets and liabilities related to discontinued operations consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2007
<b>Assets</b>	
Accounts receivable	\$ 4,224
Inventories	438
Prepaid expenses and other	134
Total current assets	4,796
Property, plant and equipment, net	2,115
Goodwill	4,500
Other	89
Assets of discontinued operations	\$ 11,500
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts payable	\$ 2,467
Accrued liabilities	440
Accrued payroll and benefits	772
Total current liabilities	3,679
Other	323
Liabilities of discontinued operations	\$ 4,002

**7. Income Taxes**

In July 2006, the FASB issued FIN 48, which clarified the accounting for tax positions recognized in the financial statements in accordance with SFAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. FIN 48 provides guidance on the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. FIN 48 also provided guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition.

In accordance with FIN 48, the benefits of tax positions will not be recorded unless it is more likely than not the tax position would be sustained upon challenge by the appropriate tax authorities. Tax benefits that are more likely than not to be sustained are measured at the largest amount of

benefit that is cumulatively greater than a 50% likelihood of being realized.



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The Company files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and various state and local jurisdictions. With a few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to U.S. federal and state and local examinations by tax authorities for years before fiscal 2004.

The Company adopted the provisions of FIN 48 on April 1, 2007. As a result of the implementation of FIN 48, the Company recognized an increase in the liability for unrecognized tax benefits, interest and penalties of approximately \$211, with a corresponding decrease to the April 1, 2007 balance of retained earnings.

As of April 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007, the Company had a liability of \$900 and \$862 respectively, which includes interest and penalties of \$153 and \$75, respectively, recorded for unrecognized tax benefits for U.S. federal and state tax jurisdictions. The total liability for unrecognized tax benefits is classified in other noncurrent liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet, as payment of cash is not anticipated within one year of the balance sheet date for any significant amounts. In addition, the Company recognizes interest and penalties accrued related to unrecognized tax benefits in tax expense. The total amount of unrecognized tax benefits that, if recognized, would favorably impact the effective tax rate is \$862.

### **8. Pending Acquisition**

On November 5, 2007, the Company executed a Letter of Intent to acquire Collotype International Holdings Pty. Ltd. (Collotype), a label manufacturer headquartered in Adelaide, Australia. At December 31, 2007, the Company had approximately \$1,050 of capitalized acquisition costs related to the pending acquisition of Collotype and such acquisition costs will be included as a component of the purchase price when the transaction is completed. If the transaction is not completed, any acquisition costs related to the Collotype acquisition will be expensed in the period during which the transaction is terminated. Also see Note 9.

In December 2007, the Company entered into 5 forward currency contracts (Contracts) to acquire 125,000 Australian dollars in January 2008 at various exchange rates, in connection with its pending acquisition of Collotype. The Contracts do not qualify as hedges for accounting purposes since they relate to an anticipated business combination and therefore, any change in fair value is recorded in earnings. At December 31, 2007, the fair value of the Contracts had decreased by \$957 which was recorded in Other Expenses in the consolidated income statement. The Contracts will be settled when the transaction is completed and any further gain or loss will be recorded based on the fair value of the Contracts at the settlement date.

### **9. Subsequent Event**

On January 21, 2008, the Company entered into a Definitive Agreement to acquire Collotype for approximately \$175,000, subject to adjustment upon the achievement of certain financial targets as defined in the agreement. Approximately 30% of the Collotype acquisition price will be paid through the issuance of 2,026 unregistered shares of the Company's common stock and the balance will be paid in cash which will be funded through cash on hand and borrowings under a new credit facility. The acquisition is expected to close by the end of February 2008.

Simultaneous with closing of the Collotype acquisition, the Company will execute a new five-year \$200 million credit facility with an option to increase the facility up to an additional \$50 million, subject to the terms of the loan agreement.

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### **Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations (Amounts in Thousands)**

Information included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains certain forward-looking statements that involve potential risks and uncertainties. The Company's future results could differ materially from those discussed herein. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, those discussed herein and those discussed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2007. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements that speak only as of the date thereof. Results for interim periods may not be indicative of annual results.

### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

The preparation of condensed consolidated financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses. We continually evaluate our estimates, including, but not limited to, those related to revenue recognition, bad debts, inventories and any related reserves, income taxes, fixed assets, goodwill and intangible assets. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions believed to be reasonable under the facts and circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

We believe the following critical accounting policies impact the more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our condensed consolidated financial statements. Additionally, our senior management has reviewed the critical accounting policies and estimates with the Board of Directors' Audit and Finance Committee. For a more detailed discussion of the application of these and other accounting policies, refer to Note 2 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2007.

### **Revenue Recognition**

We recognize revenue on sales of products when the customer receives title to the goods, which is generally upon shipment or delivery depending on sales terms. Prior to its disposition (see Note 6), our Packaging Services segment recognized revenue upon completion of the service provided to the customer or in certain circumstances, when the customer received title to the goods upon shipment. All revenues are denominated in U.S. dollars and net of applicable returns and discounts.

### **Accounts Receivable**

Our customers are primarily major consumer product companies and container manufacturers. Accounts receivable consist of amounts due from customers in connection with our normal business activities. An allowance for doubtful accounts is established to reflect the expected losses of accounts receivable based on past collection history, age and specific individual risks identified. Losses may also depend to some degree on future economic conditions. Although these conditions are unknown to us and may result in additional credit losses, we do not anticipate significant adverse credit circumstances in fiscal 2008. If we are unable to collect all or part of the outstanding receivable balance, there could be a material impact on the consolidated statements of income.

### **Inventories**

Inventories are stated at the lower of FIFO (first-in, first-out) cost or market. Excess and obsolete cost reductions are generally established based on inventory age.

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### **Goodwill and Other Acquired Intangible Assets**

We test goodwill and other intangible assets for impairment annually and/or whenever events or circumstances indicate that an impairment may have occurred. The impairment test is completed based upon our assessment of the estimated fair value of goodwill and other intangible assets.

The annual review for impairment of goodwill requires the use of estimates and assumptions which we believe are appropriate. Application of different estimates and assumptions could have a material impact on the consolidated statements of income.

### **Impairment of Long-Lived Assets**

We review long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that assets might be impaired and the related carrying amounts may not be recoverable. The determination of whether an impairment has occurred involves various estimates and assumptions, including the determination of the undiscounted cash flows estimated to be generated by the assets involved in the review. The cash flow estimates are based upon our historical experience, adjusted to reflect estimated future market and operating conditions. Measurement of an impairment loss requires a determination of fair value. We base our estimates of fair values on quoted market prices when available, independent appraisals as appropriate and industry trends or other market knowledge. Changes in the market condition and/or losses of a production line could have a material impact on the consolidated statements of income.

### **Income Taxes**

Income taxes are recorded based on the current year amounts payable or refundable, as well as the consequences of events that give rise to deferred tax assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets and liabilities result from temporary differences between the tax basis and reported book basis of assets and liabilities and result in taxable or deductible amounts in future years. Our accounting for deferred taxes involves certain estimates and assumptions that we believe are appropriate. Future changes in regulatory tax laws and/or different positions held by taxing authorities may affect the amounts recorded for income taxes.

In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued FASB Interpretation No. 48 (FIN 48), Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, which clarified the accounting for tax positions recognized in the financial statements in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. FIN 48 provides guidance on the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. FIN 48 also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition.

In accordance with FIN 48, the benefits of tax positions will not be recorded unless it is more likely than not the tax position would be sustained upon challenge by the appropriate tax authorities. Tax benefits that are more likely than not to be sustained are measured at the largest amount of benefit that is cumulatively greater than a 50% likelihood of being realized.

We adopted FIN 48 as of April 1, 2007. See Note 7.

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### **Executive Overview**

Prior to June 2007, we were organized into two segments within the packaging industry: Decorating Solutions and Packaging Services. In June 2007, we entered into a definitive agreement for the sale of Quick Pak (see Note 6), whose operating results were reported as the Packaging Services segment. The transaction closed on July 2, 2007 and we recorded an after-tax gain of \$6,922 in the quarter ended September 30, 2007. Accordingly, the results of Quick Pak are now presented as discontinued operations for all periods in the consolidated financial statements and we no longer report any segment results.

We provide a complete line of innovative label solutions for a wide variety of consumer product and food and beverage companies, national retailers, and container manufacturers worldwide. Our vision is to be a premier global resource of decorating solutions. Currently, our customers are located throughout North, Central and South America. We continue to monitor and analyze new trends in the packaging and consumer product industries to ensure that we are providing appropriate products and services to our customers. Certain factors that influence our business include consumer spending, new product introductions, new packaging technologies and demographics.

Consolidated net revenues of \$48,267 for the third quarter of fiscal 2008 increased by \$1,309 or 3% compared to \$46,958 for the third quarter of the prior year primarily due to winning new customers.

Gross margins were steady at 18% of sales for both the current year and prior year. Our net income from continuing operations increased by \$1,669 compared to the prior year quarter primarily as a result of a \$3,048 reduction in acquisition expenses incurred during the third quarter of fiscal 2007 that was partially offset by an increase in other expenses due to a \$957 charge recorded in the third quarter of fiscal 2008 related to foreign currency contracts (see Note 8).

The label markets we serve continue to experience a competitive environment and price pressures. We have initiated many cost reduction programs to meet the demands of the market while minimizing the impact on our margins. We continually search for ways to reduce our costs through improved production and labor efficiencies, reduced substrate waste, new substrate options and lower substrate pricing.

We have continued to make progress in expanding our customer base and portfolio of products, services and manufacturing locations in order to address issues related to customer concentration. We continue to examine business strategies to diversify our business. On January 21, 2008 we entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Collotype International Holdings Pty. Ltd. (Collotype), a label manufacturer headquartered in Adelaide, Australia. See Notes 8 and 9.

In October 2007, we announced the expansion of our manufacturing operations with the purchase of two new presses for a newly acquired manufacturing facility in Batavia, Ohio. Our two existing Troy and Batavia, Ohio plants will be consolidated into this new facility to both reduce costs and provide needed capacity for long term growth.

Our key objectives for fiscal year 2008 include winning new customers, growing with existing customers, low cost manufacturing and selective domestic and international business acquisitions.

**Table of Contents****Results of Operations****Three Months Ended December 31, 2007 compared to the Three Months Ended December 31, 2006:**

	2007	2006	\$ Change	% Change
Net Revenues	\$ 48,267	\$ 46,958	\$ 1,309	3%

Revenues for the three months ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year increased 3% primarily due to winning new customers.

	2007	2006	\$ Change	% Change
Gross Profit	\$ 8,536	\$ 8,587	\$ (51)	(1)%
% of Revenues	18%	18%		

Gross profit margin remained at 18% in both periods despite incurring \$292 of expenses related to our manufacturing expansion during the three months ended December 31, 2007.

	2007	2006	\$ Change	% Change
Selling, General & Administrative Expenses	\$ 4,764	\$ 5,083	\$ (319)	(6)%
% of Revenues	10%	11%		
Acquisition Expenses		\$ 3,048	\$ (3,048)	(100)%
% of Revenues		6%		

Selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses decreased \$319 or 6% and also decreased from 11% to 10% of revenues due to cost reduction initiatives designed to mitigate the earnings loss from the sale of Quick Pak (See note 6).

During the three months ended December 31, 2006, we terminated negotiations related to two potential acquisitions. As a result, we incurred \$3,048 in acquisition expenses related to accounting, legal, investment banking fees and other transaction costs.

**Interest Expense and Other (Income) Expense**

	2007	2006	\$ Change	% Change
Interest Expense	\$ 54	\$ 228	\$ (174)	(76)%
Other (Income) Expense, net	\$ 778	\$ (257)	\$ (1,035)	N/M

Interest expense decreased as compared to the same period of the prior year as a result of a decrease in outstanding debt. We had no outstanding debt during the three months ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$10,424 of outstanding debt at December 31, 2006.

Other expense increased by \$1,035 due to a non-cash charge of \$957 that was recorded as a result of a decrease in the fair value of Australian forward currency contracts that were entered into in connection with the Company's pending acquisition of Collotype. See Note 8.

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	2007	2006	\$ Change	% Change
Income Tax Expense	\$ 968	\$ 182	\$ 786	N/M

Income tax expense increased \$786 from the third quarter of the prior year due to increased pre-tax earnings. The effective rate decreased from 37.5% to 32.9% due to lower state tax expense. Our expected tax rate for fiscal year 2008 is 37.0%.

	2007	2006	\$ Change	% Change
Income from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$ 152	\$ 1,226	\$ (1,074)	N/M

The sale of Quick Pak was completed on July 2, 2007 and therefore there were no operations during the three months ended December 31, 2007. In addition, we recorded a decrease in state taxes related to the sale which resulted in income of \$152.

**Nine Months Ended December 31, 2007 compared to the Nine Months Ended December 31, 2006:**

	2007	2006	\$ Change	% Change
Net Revenues	\$ 152,604	\$ 142,135	\$ 10,469	7%

Revenues for the nine months ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year increased 7% organically due primarily to strong demand from our global consumer product and food and beverage customers as well as winning new customers.

	2007	2006	\$ Change	% Change
Gross Profit	\$ 27,875	\$ 26,990	\$ 885	3%
% of Revenues	18%	19%		

Gross profit increased \$885 or 3% as compared to the same period in the prior year as a result of higher volumes due to organic sales growth.

	2007	2006	\$ Change	% Change
Selling, General & Administrative Expenses	\$ 15,040	\$ 14,822	\$ 218	1%
% of Revenues	10%	10%		
Acquisition Expenses		\$ 3,048	\$ (3,048)	(100)%
% of Revenues		6%		

SG&A expenses increased \$218 or 1% from the prior year but remained flat at 10% of revenues. The increase in SG&A is primarily attributable to increased selling and research and development expenses that were partially offset by various other expense reductions designed to mitigate the earnings loss from the sale of Quick Pak (see Note 6).

During the three months ended December 31, 2006, we terminated negotiations related to two potential acquisitions. As a result, we incurred \$3,048 in acquisition expenses related to accounting, legal, investment banking fees and other transaction costs.

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## Interest Expense and Other (Income) Expense

	2007	2006	\$ Change	% Change
Interest Expense	\$ 177	\$ 901	\$ (724)	(80)%
Other (Income) Expense, net	\$ 392	\$ (353)	\$ 745	N/M

Interest expense decreased as compared to the same period of the prior year as a result of a decrease in the outstanding debt balance. We had no outstanding debt at December 31, 2007, compared to \$10,424 at December 31, 2006.

The increase in other expense was primarily due to a non-cash charge of \$957 that was recorded as a result of a decrease in the fair value of Australian forward currency contracts that were entered into in connection with the Company's pending acquisition of Collotype. See Note 8.

	2007	2006	\$ Change	% Change
Income Tax Expense	\$ 4,483	\$ 3,195	\$ 1,288	40%

Income tax expense increased \$1,288 from the nine months ended December 31, 2006 primarily as a result of increased earnings which was partially offset by a slight reduction in the effective tax rate from 37.3% to 36.5%. Our expected effective tax rate for fiscal year 2008 is 37.0%.

	2007	2006	\$ Change	% Change
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$ 7,022	\$ 1,766	\$ 5,256	N/M

The sale of Quick Pak was completed on July 2, 2007 which resulted in an after-tax gain of approximately \$6,922.

**Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Through the nine months ended December 31, 2007, net cash provided by operating activities was \$2,301 as compared to \$15,735 in the same period of the prior year. The decrease in cash flow is primarily due to significant income tax payments related to the gain on the sale of Quick Pak, increases in prepaid expenses related to new equipment and capitalized costs incurred in connection with the Collotype acquisition. In addition, cash flow also decreased due to increased inventories due primarily to the timing of customer shipments and decreased accrued liabilities due primarily to the timing of payments related to payroll and benefits as well as a decrease in cash provided by discontinued operations resulting from the sale of Quick Pak on July 2, 2007.

Through the nine months ended December 31, 2007, net cash provided by investing activities was \$4,046 as compared to a use of cash of \$250 in the same period of the prior year. The increase is due to the \$18,950 in cash proceeds received from the sale of Quick Pak, offset by increased capital expenditures related to the expansion of the Company's manufacturing operations.

During the nine months ended December 31, 2007, we made capital expenditures of \$14,866 that were funded from cash on hand, including the proceeds from the sale of Quick Pak. The increase in capital expenditures as compared to the prior year is due primarily to our capacity expansion which included the acquisition of a new building. We currently intend to finance the building and certain related improvements through a sale-leaseback transaction which will result in net capital expenditures for fiscal 2008 of approximately \$12,000 to \$15,000.

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Through the nine months ended December 31, 2007, net cash used in financing activities was \$4,598 as compared to \$16,760 in the prior year. During the nine months ended December 31, 2007, we paid off \$5,150 in long-term debt compared to \$17,377 in the prior year.

We believe that net cash flows from operations, proceeds from the sale of Quick Pak and availability under the Revolving Credit Agreement are sufficient to fund our working capital requirements and dividends for the next twelve months. We had a working capital position of \$26,635 and \$15,832 at December 31, 2007 and March 31, 2007, respectively.

On May 15, 2007, we executed a new five-year senior secured revolving credit agreement (Revolving Credit Agreement) with a consortium of bank lenders (the Lenders). As of December 31, 2007, there were no borrowings outstanding under the Revolving Credit Agreement. Available borrowings under the Revolving Credit Agreement as of December 31, 2007 consisted of \$50,000 under the revolving line of credit and an additional \$50,000 subject to certain terms described in the loan documents.

The Revolving Credit Agreement provides for a \$50,000 senior secured revolving credit facility, which we may elect to increase by up to \$50,000 subject to certain terms as described in the loan documents. The Lenders may also issue letters of credit and swing line loans under the Revolving Credit Agreement. Our indebtedness under the Revolving Credit Agreement is collateralized by liens on substantially all of our personal property.

Loans under the Revolving Credit Agreement bear interest either at: (i) the greater of (a) the prime rate in effect or (b) the federal funds rate in effect plus 0.5% or (ii) the applicable London inter-bank offered rate plus the applicable margin between 0.625% and 1.75% based on our leverage ratio at the time of the borrowing.

The Revolving Credit Agreement contains limitations on additional indebtedness, liens, guarantees and capital leases. In addition, the Revolving Credit Agreement requires that we maintain the following financial covenants: (a) an interest coverage ratio of not less than 2.50 to 1.00, (b) total debt to Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA) of not greater than 3.25 to 1.00 and (c) a net worth of \$51,539, increasing quarterly beginning June 30, 2007, as defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement. As of December 31, 2007, we were in compliance with all debt covenants.

From time to time we review potential acquisitions of businesses. In January 2008, we entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Collotype (see Note 8). In connection with the acquisition, we expect to issue 2,026 unregistered shares of our common stock and borrow approximately \$120,000 to \$130,000 in debt under a new five-year \$200,000 credit facility (See Note 9).

**Contractual Obligations**

The following table summarizes Multi-Color's contractual obligations as of December 31, 2007:

Aggregated Information about Contractual Obligations and Other Commitments for continuing operations:

<b>December 31, 2007</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Year 5</b>	<b>More than 5 years</b>
Rent due under Operating Leases	\$ 4,836	\$ 1,177	\$ 719	\$ 604	\$ 496	\$ 377	\$ 1,463
Other Long-Term Obligations (1)	1,430	224	13	26	40	71	1,056
Unconditional Purchase Obligations	572	572					
<b>Total Contractual Cash Obligations (2)</b>	<b>\$ 6,838</b>	<b>\$ 1,973</b>	<b>\$ 732</b>	<b>\$ 630</b>	<b>\$ 536</b>	<b>\$ 448</b>	<b>\$ 2,519</b>



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- (1) Amounts include \$646 of expected post retirement benefit payments and \$784 of deferred compensation obligations. The more than 5 years column includes \$578 of the deferred compensation obligations as the timing of such payments are not determinable.
- (2) The table excludes \$862 in liabilities related to unrecognized tax benefits as the timing and extent of such payments are not determinable. see Note 7.

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

The Company has no material changes to the disclosures made in the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2007.

Item 4. **Controls and Procedures**

The Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer evaluated the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report pursuant to Rule 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Their evaluation concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures are effective in connection with the filing of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2007.

There have been no significant changes in the Company's internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date of their evaluation, including any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses of internal controls that would require corrective action.

Forward-Looking Statements

The Company believes certain statements contained in this report that are not historical facts constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, and are intended to be covered by the safe harbors created by that Act. Reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements because they involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from those expressed or implied. Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date made. The Company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which they are made.

Statements concerning expected financial performance, on-going business strategies, and possible future actions which the Company intends to pursue in order to achieve strategic objectives constitute forward-looking information. Implementation of these strategies and the achievement of such financial performance are each subject to numerous conditions, uncertainties and risk factors. Factors which could cause actual performance by the Company to differ materially from these forward-looking statements include, without limitation, factors discussed in conjunction with a forward-looking statement; changes in general economic and business conditions; the ability to consummate and successfully integrate acquisitions; the success and financial condition of the Company's significant customers; competition; acceptance of new product offerings; changes in business strategy or plans; quality of management; the Company's ability to maintain an effective system of internal control; availability, terms and development of capital; cost and price changes; availability of raw materials; business abilities and judgment of personnel; changes in, or the failure to comply with, government regulations, legal proceedings and developments; increases in general interest rate levels affecting the Company's interest costs; and terrorism and political unrest. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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Part II Other Information

- Item 1. Legal Proceedings None
- Item 1A. Risk Factors The Company had no material changes to the Risk Factors disclosed in the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2007.
- 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
- 31.1 Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 31.2 Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.1 Certification pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.2 Certification pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

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Signature

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.

Multi-Color Corporation  
(Registrant)

Date: February 8, 2008

By: /s/ Dawn H. Bertsche  
Dawn H. Bertsche  
Senior Vice President Finance,  
Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

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