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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2006

OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to ____

Commission file number 1-35

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

14-0689340

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3135 Easton Turnpike, Fairfield, CT

(Address of principal executive offices)

06828-0001

(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code) (203) 373-2211

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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 b 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. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer b Accelerated filer " Non-accelerated filer "

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

There were 10,323,359,000 shares of common stock with a par value of \$0.06 per share outstanding at June 30, 2006.

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General Electric Company

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Forward-Looking Statements

This document contains "forward-looking statements" - that is, statements related to future, not past, events. In this context, forward-looking statements often address our expected future business and financial performance, and often contain words such as "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "seeks," or "will." Forward-looking statements nature address matters that are, to different degrees, uncertain. For us, particular uncertainties which could adversely or positively affect our future results include: the behavior of financial markets, including fluctuations in interest rates and commodity prices; strategic actions, including dispositions; future integration of acquired businesses; future financial performance of major industries which we serve, including, without limitation, the air and rail transportation, energy generation, media, real estate and healthcare industries; unanticipated loss development in our insurance businesses; and numerous other matters of national, regional and global scale, including those of a political, economic, business, competitive and regulatory nature. These uncertainties may cause our actual future results to be materially different than those expressed in our forward-looking statements. We do not undertake to update our forward-looking statements.

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Part I. Financial Information

Item 1. Financial Statements

Condensed Statement of Earnings General Electric Company and consolidated affiliates

	Three months ended June 30 (Unaudited)												
				Financial									
		Consol	lida	ted		G	E			Services	(GI	ECS)	
(In millions; per-share amounts in													
dollars)		2006		2005		2006		2005		2006		2005	
Sales of goods	\$	16,524	\$	14,749	\$	15,993	\$	14,101	\$	712	\$	664	
Sales of services		8,373		8,240		8,455		8,307		-		-	
Other income		657		596		695		624		-		-	
GECS earnings from continuing		-		-		2,500		2,028		-		-	
operations													
GECS revenues from services		14,346		12,954		-		-		14,595		13,297	
Total revenues		39,900		36,539		27,643		25,060		15,307		13,961	
Cost of goods sold		12,827		11,425		12,350		10,812		659		628	
Cost of services sold		5,316		5,171		5,397		5,238		-		-	
Interest and other financial charges		4,533		3,786		486		336		4,202		3,603	
Investment contracts, insurance													
losses and													
insurance annuity benefits		793		799		-		-		831		850	
Provision for losses on financing		896		958		-		-		896		958	
receivables													
Other costs and expenses		9,406		8,741		3,647		3,266		5,853		5,643	
Minority interest in net earnings of													
consolidated affiliates		235		290		186		249		49		41	
Total costs and expenses		34,006		31,170		22,066		19,901		12,490		11,723	
Earnings from continuing operations													
before income taxes		5,894		5,369		5,577		5,159		2,817		2,238	
Provision for income taxes		(1,040)		(993)		(723)		(783)		(317)		(210)	
Earnings from continuing operations		4,854		4,376		4,854		4,376		2,500		2,028	
Earnings (loss) from discontinued													
operations,													
net of taxes		(2)		271		(2)		271		(2)		271	
Net earnings	\$	4,852	\$	4,647	\$	4,852	\$	4,647	\$	2,498	\$	2,299	
Per-share amounts													
Per-share amounts - earnings from													
continuing operations													
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.47	\$	0.41									
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.47	\$	0.41									
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Per-share amounts - net earnings

Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.44
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.44
Dividends declared per share	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.22

See notes to condensed, consolidated financial statements. Separate information is shown for "GE" and "Financial Services (GECS)." Transactions between GE and GECS have been eliminated from the "Consolidated" columns.

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Condensed Statement of Earnings General Electric Company and consolidated affiliates

Six months ended June 30 (Unaudited)

(In millionar par share amounts in	Consolidated				G	E		Financial Services (GECS)					
(In millions; per-share amounts in dollars)	2006		2005		2006		2005		2006		2005		
Sales of goods	\$ 31,059	\$	28,405	\$	30,019	\$	27,089	\$	1,267	\$	1,338		
Sales of services	17,322		15,989		17,515		16,152		-		-		
Other income	1,108		913		1,174		954		-		-		
GECS earnings from continuing	-		-		4,770		3,891		-		-		
operations													
GECS revenues from services	28,232		25,582		-		-		28,721		26,228		
Total revenues	77,721		70,889		53,478		48,086		29,988		27,566		
Cost of goods sold	24,483		22,031		23,538		20,789		1,172		1,263		
Cost of services sold	11,321		10,107		11,514		10,270		-		-		
Interest and other financial charges Investment contracts, insurance losses and	8,894		7,457		870		717		8,309		7,017		
insurance annuity benefits	1,542		1,626		_		_		1,636		1,716		
Provision for losses on financing	1,718		1,860		_		_		1,718		1,860		
receivables	·		·								·		
Other costs and expenses	18,443		17,589		7,043		6,577		11,576		11,333		
Minority interest in net earnings of													
consolidated affiliates	473		506		349		435		124		71		
Total costs and expenses	66,874		61,176		43,314		38,788		24,535		23,260		
Earnings from continuing operations													
before income taxes	10,847		9,713		10,164		9,298		5,453		4,306		
Provision for income taxes	(1,951)		(1,777)		(1,268)		(1,362)		(683)		(415)		
Earnings from continuing operations	8,896		7,936		8,896		7,936		4,770		3,891		
Earnings from discontinued	261		676		261		676		261		676		
operations, net of taxes													
Net earnings	\$ 9,157	\$	8,612	\$	9,157	\$	8,612	\$	5,031	\$	4,567		
Per-share amounts													
Per-share amounts - earnings from													
continuing operations													
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.85	\$	0.75										
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.86	\$	0.75										
Per-share amounts - net earnings													
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.88	\$	0.81										
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.88	\$	0.81										
Dividends declared per share	\$ 0.50	\$	0.44										

See notes to condensed, consolidated financial statements. Separate information is shown for "GE" and "Financial Services (GECS)." Transactions between GE and GECS have been eliminated from the "Consolidated" columns.

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Condensed Statement of Financial Position General Electric Company and consolidated affiliates

	Conso	ted	G	Æ.		Financial Services (GECS)					
(In millions; except share amounts)	6/30/06	iiua	12/31/05		6/30/06	Ľ	12/31/05		6/30/06	(0)	12/31/05
Cash and equivalents \$	11,099	\$	8,825	\$	1,766	\$	2,015	\$	9,484	\$	7,130
Investment securities	45,021	Ψ	42,148	Ψ	469	Ψ	461	Ψ	44,559	Ψ	41,710
Current receivables	12,043		14,851		12,255		15,058		-		-
Inventories	11,744		10,474		11,579		10,315		165		159
Financing receivables - net	303,899		287,639				-		303,899		287,639
Other GECS receivables	15,732		14,332		_		_		20,282		18,625
Property, plant and equipment (including	•		ŕ						,		ŕ
equipment leased to others) - net Investment in GECS	71,005		67,528		16,724 48,589		16,504 50,815		54,281		51,024
Intangible assets - net	85,583		81,630		60,719		57,839		24,864		23,791
All other assets	91,199		84,849		36,641		36,752		55,680		49,461
Assets of discontinued operations	15,090		61,066		_		_		15,090		61,066
Total assets \$	662,415	\$	673,342	\$	188,742	\$	189,759	\$	528,304	\$	540,605
Short-term borrowings \$	157,449	\$	158,156	\$	1,517	\$	1,127	\$	156,327	\$	157,672
Accounts payable, principally trade accounts	19,315		21,183		10,577		11,870		12,717		13,043
Progress collections and price	4,708		4,456		4,708		4,456		-		-
adjustments accrued											
Other GE current liabilities	21,020		21,042		21,020		21,059		-		-
Long-term borrowings	236,935		212,281		9,090		9,081		229,033		204,397
Investment contracts, insurance liabilities											
and insurance annuity benefits	34,491		33,097		-		-		34,872		33,387
All other liabilities	40,910		39,966		23,328		23,273		17,679		16,787
Deferred income taxes	15,583		16,226		3,750		3,733		11,833		12,493
Liabilities of discontinued operations	14,957		49,527		-		-		14,959		49,763
Total liabilities	545,368		555,934		73,990		74,599		477,420		487,542
Minority interest in equity of consolidated affiliates	8,274		8,054		5,979		5,806		2,295		2,248
Common stock (10,323,359,000 and 10,484,268,000											
shares outstanding at June 30, 2006 and											
December 31, 2005, respectively) Accumulated gains (losses) - net	669		669		669		669		1		1
Investment securities	453		1,831		453		1,831		381		1,754
Currency translation adjustments	4,267		2,532		4,267		2,532		3,435		2,287
Cash flow hedges	(236)		(822)		(236)		(822)		(240)		(813)
Minimum pension liabilities	(917)		(874)		(917)		(874)		(192)		(179)

Other capital Retained earnings Less common stock held in treasury	25,482 102,061 (23,006)	25,227 98,117 (17,326)	25,482 102,061 (23,006)	25,227 98,117 (17,326)	12,524 32,680	12,386 35,379
Total shareowners' equity	108,773	109,354	108,773	109,354	48,589	50,815
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 662,415	\$ 673,342 \$	188,742	\$ 189,759	\$ 528,304	\$ 540,605

The sum of accumulated gains (losses) on investment securities, currency translation adjustments, cash flow hedges and minimum pension liabilities constitutes "Accumulated nonowner changes other than earnings," and amounted to \$3,567 million and \$2,667 million at June 30, 2006, and December 31, 2005, respectively.

See notes to condensed, consolidated financial statements. Separate information is shown for "GE" and "Financial Services (GECS)." June 30, 2006, data are unaudited. Transactions between GE and GECS have been eliminated from the "Consolidated" columns.

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Condensed Statement of Cash Flows General Electric Company and consolidated affiliates

Six months ended June 30 (Unaudited)

				Financial					
	Consol	idated	G	\mathbf{E}	Services (GECS)				
(In millions)	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005			
Cash flows - operating activities									
Net earnings \$	9,157	\$ 8,612	\$ 9,157	\$ 8,612	\$ 5,031	\$ 4,567			
Earnings from discontinued operations	(261)	(676)	-	-	(261)	(676)			
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to									
cash									
provided from operating activities									
Depreciation and amortization of									
property,									
plant and equipment	4,378	4,266	1,300	1,225	3,078	3,041			
Earnings retained by GECS	-	-	2,559	(2,728)		-			
Deferred income taxes	401	(549)	55	(87)	346	(462)			
Decrease in GE current receivables	2,931	1,544	2,925	1,663	-	-			
Increase in inventories	(1,467)	(613)	(1,461)			(30)			
Decrease in accounts payable	(1,668)	(1,401)	(915)		(504)	(71)			
Increase in GE progress collections	246	110	246	110	-	-			
Provision for losses on GECS financing	1,718	1,860	-	-	1,718	1,860			
receivables									
All other operating activities	(3,222)	108	457	1,043	(620)	(383)			
Cash from operating activities -	12,213	13,261	14,323	8,027	8,782	7,846			
continuing operations									
Cash from (used for) operating	(9)	2,407	-	-	(9)	2,407			
activities - discontinued operations									
Cash from operating activities	12,204	15,668	14,323	8,027	8,773	10,253			
Cash flows - investing activities									
Additions to property, plant and	(7,384)	(6,141)	(1,497)	(1,049)	(5,887)	(5,092)			
equipment	(7,501)	(0,111)	(1,127)	(1,0.5)	(3,007)	(5,0)2)			
Dispositions of property, plant and	2,930	3,071	_	_	2,896	3,075			
equipment	2,>50	3,071			2,000	3,075			
Net decrease (increase) in GECS	(15,483)	4,249	_	_	(15,483)	4,249			
financing receivables	(15,165)	.,2.,			(15,105)	.,2.			
Payments for principal businesses	(7,000)	(10,341)	(3,491)	(3,499)	(3,509)	(6,842)			
purchased	(,,,,,,	(,)	(=, -, -)	(=,:::)	(= ,= =)	(=,= :=)			
Proceeds from sales of discontinued	8,112	3,403	_	_	8,112	3,403			
operations	- /	-,			- ,	-,			
All other investing activities	1,965	(1,263)	1,403	687	(2,481)	(2,584)			
Cash used for investing activities -	(16,860)	(7,022)	(3,585)			(3,791)			
continuing operations	(-,,	(, , - ,	(-))	(-))	(-))	(-,,			
Cash used for investing activities -	(2,558)	(1,131)	-	_	(2,558)	(1,131)			
discontinued operations	(, /	() -)			())	() -)			
Cash used for investing activities	(19,418)	(8,153)	(3,585)	(3,861)	(18,910)	(4,922)			
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Cash flows - financing activities						
Net increase (decrease) in borrowings	(3,312)	(5,667)	561	48	(4,127)	(5,801)
(maturities of 90 days or less)						
Newly issued debt (maturities longer	44,178	40,526	64	87	43,974	40,378
than 90 days)						
Repayments and other reductions	(21,935)	(38,191)	(148)	(692)	(21,787)	(37,499)
(maturities longer than 90 days)						
Net purchases of GE treasury shares	(6,217)	(389)	(6,217)	(389)	-	-
Dividends paid to shareowners	(5,247)	(4,677)	(5,247)	(4,677)	(7,590)	(1,839)
All other financing activities	(546)	(860)	-	-	(546)	(860)
Cash from (used for) financing	6,921	(9,258)	(10,987)	(5,623)	9,924	(5,621)
activities - continuing operations						
Cash used for financing activities -	(256)	(691)	-	-	(256)	(691)
discontinued operations						
Cash from (used for) financing	6,665	(9,949)	(10,987)	(5,623)	9,668	(6,312)
activities						
Decrease in cash and equivalents	(549)	(2,434)	(249)	(1,457)	(469)	(981)
Cash and equivalents at beginning of	11,801	15,328	2,015	3,155	10,106	12,367
year						
Cash and equivalents at June 30	11,252	12,894	1,766	1,698	9,637	11,386
Less cash and equivalents of	153	3,852	-	-	153	3,852
discontinued operations at June 30						
Cash and equivalents of continuing	\$ 11,099	\$ 9,042	\$ 1,766	\$ 1,698	\$ 9,484	\$ 7,534
operations at June 30						

See notes to condensed, consolidated financial statements. Separate information is shown for "GE" and "Financial Services (GECS)." Transactions between GE and GECS have been eliminated from the "Consolidated" columns.

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Summary of Operating Segments General Electric Company and consolidated affiliates

	Three mor			ided dited)		
(In millions)	2006	2005		2006		2005
Revenues						
Infrastructure	\$ 11,332	\$ 10,221	\$	21,484	\$	19,595
Industrial	8,788	8,253		16,928		15,921
Healthcare	4,156	3,768		7,815		7,089
NBC Universal	3,858	3,858		8,340		7,459
Commercial Finance	5,527	4,929		11,011		10,001
Consumer Finance	5,268	4,928		10,358		9,617
Total segment revenues	38,929	35,957		75,936		69,682
Corporate items and eliminations	971	582		1,785		1,207
Consolidated revenues	\$ 39,900	\$ 36,539	\$	77,721	\$	70,889
Segment profit (a)						
Infrastructure	\$ 2,107	\$ 1,916	\$	3,810	\$	3,456
Industrial	729	635		1,329		1,161
Healthcare	795	672		1,291		1,081
NBC Universal	882	979		1,536		1,688
Commercial Finance	1,057	872		2,231		1,798
Consumer Finance	880	735		1,716		1,470
Total segment profit	6,450	5,809		11,913		10,654
Corporate items and eliminations	(387)	(314)		(879)		(639)
GE interest and other financial charges	(486)	(336)		(870)		(717)
GE provision for income taxes	(723)	(783)		(1,268)		(1,362)
Earnings from continuing operations	4,854	4,376		8,896		7,936
Earnings (loss) from discontinued						
operations,						
net of taxes	(2)	271		261		676
Consolidated net earnings	\$ 4,852	\$ 4,647	\$	9,157	\$	8,612

(a) Segment profit always excludes the effects of principal pension plans, results reported as discontinued operations and accounting changes, and may exclude matters such as charges for restructuring; rationalization and other similar expenses; in-process research and development and certain other acquisition-related charges and balances; technology and product development costs; certain gains and losses from dispositions; and litigation settlements or other charges, responsibility for which preceded the current management team. Segment profit excludes or includes interest and other financial charges and income taxes according to how a particular segment's management is measured - excluded in determining segment profit, which we refer to as "operating profit," for Healthcare, NBC Universal and the industrial businesses of the Infrastructure and Industrial segments; included in determining segment profit, which we refer to as "net earnings," for Commercial Finance, Consumer Finance, and the

financial services businesses of the Infrastructure segment (Aviation Financial Services, Energy Financial Services and Transportation Finance) and the Industrial segment (Equipment Services).

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Notes to Condensed, Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

- 1. The accompanying condensed, consolidated financial statements represent the consolidation of General Electric Company and all companies that we directly or indirectly control, either through majority ownership or otherwise. See note 1 to the consolidated financial statements included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005. That note discusses consolidation and financial statement presentation. As used in this report on Form 10-Q (Report) and in the Annual Report on Form 10-K, "GE" represents the adding together of all affiliated companies except General Electric Capital Services, Inc. (GECS or financial services), which is presented on a one-line basis; GECS consists of General Electric Capital Services, Inc. and all of its affiliates; and "Consolidated" represents the adding together of GE and GECS with the effects of transactions between the two eliminated. We reclassified certain prior-period amounts to conform to the current period's presentation. Unless otherwise indicated, information in these notes to condensed, consolidated financial statements relates to continuing operations.
- 2. The condensed, consolidated financial statements and notes thereto are unaudited. These statements include all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) that we considered necessary to present a fair statement of our results of operations, financial position and cash flows. The results reported in these condensed, consolidated financial statements should not be regarded as necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for the entire year. We label our quarterly information using a calendar convention, that is, first quarter is labeled as ending on March 31, second quarter as ending on June 30, and third quarter as ending on September 30. It is our longstanding practice to establish interim quarterly closing dates using a fiscal calendar, which requires our businesses to close their books on either a Saturday or Sunday, depending on the business. The effects of this practice are modest and only exist within a reporting year. The fiscal closing calendar from 1993 through 2013 is available on our website, www.ge.com/secreports.
- 3. We classified GE Life, Genworth Financial, Inc. (Genworth) and most of GE Insurance Solutions Corporation (GE Insurance Solutions) as discontinued operations. Associated results of operations, financial position and cash flows are separately reported for all periods presented.

Completed sale of GE Insurance Solutions

In June 2006, we completed the sale of the property and casualty insurance and reinsurance businesses and the European life and health operations of GE Insurance Solutions to Swiss Reinsurance Company (Swiss Re) for \$9,297 million, including the assumption of \$1,700 million of debt. We received \$5,359 million in cash and \$2,238 million of newly issued Swiss Re common stock, representing a 9% interest in Swiss Re, that we are not permitted to sell until June 4, 2007, under the agreement we have with Swiss Re. GE Insurance Solutions' earnings from discontinued operations, net of taxes, for the second quarter of 2006 and first six months of 2006 were \$101 million and \$236 million, respectively.

Completed sale of Genworth

In March 2006, we completed the sale of our remaining 18% investment in Genworth through a secondary public offering of 71 million shares of Class A Common Stock and direct sale to Genworth of 15 million shares of Genworth Class B Common Stock. As a result, we recognized a pre-tax gain of \$516 million (\$300 million after tax) in the first quarter of 2006.

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Planned sale of GE Life

In March 2006, we initiated a plan to sell GE Life, our U.K.-based life insurance operation. GE Life's revenues for the second quarter and first six months of 2006 were \$63 million and \$862 million, respectively; and its earnings from operations for the second quarter and first six months of 2006 were \$12 million and \$17 million, respectively. For the first six months of 2006, we have provided for a pre-tax loss of \$320 million (\$285 million after tax), including a \$110 million loss recognized in the second quarter of 2006 based on our best estimate of sales proceeds. We do not expect to realize a tax benefit for this loss. We anticipate selling GE Life by March 31, 2007.

Summarized financial information

Summarized financial information for discontinued operations is set forth below. Gain (loss) on disposal included both actual (GE Insurance Solutions and Genworth) and estimated (GE Life) effects.

	Three months ended June 30					Six months ended June 30				
(In millions)		2006		2005		2006		2005		
Discontinued operations before disposal										
Revenues from services	\$	1,337	\$	5,017	\$	3,682	\$	10,230		
Earnings from discontinued operations before										
3	\$	203	\$	636	\$	382	\$	1,334		
Minority interest Earnings from discontinued operations before		-		145		-		244		
income taxes		203		491		382		1,090		
Income tax expense Earnings from discontinued operations before		(41)		(220)		(82)		(500)		
disposal, net of taxes	\$	162	\$	271	\$	300	\$	590		
Disposal										
Gain (loss) on disposal before income taxes	\$	(295)	\$	-	\$	11	\$	156		
Income tax benefit (expense)		131		-		(50)		(70)		
Gain (loss) on disposal, net of taxes	\$	(164)	\$	-	\$	(39)	\$	86		
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations,										
net of taxes	\$	(2)	\$	271	\$	261	\$	676		

(9)

	At						
(In millions)		6/30/06		12/31/05			
Assets							
Cash and equivalents	\$	153	\$	2,976			
Investment securities		11,776		37,633			
Other receivables		472		13,915			
Other		2,689		6,542			
Assets of discontinued operations		15,090		61,066			
Eliminations		-		-			
Total	\$	15,090	\$	61,066			
Liabilities and equity							
Investment contracts, insurance liabilities and insurance annuity	\$	13,018	\$	43,378			
benefits							
Other		1,941		6,385			
Liabilities of discontinued operations		14,959		49,763			
Eliminations		(2)		(236)			
Total	\$	14,957	\$	49,527			
Total accumulated nonowner changes other than earnings	\$	168	\$	652			

4. GECS revenues from services are summarized in the following table.

	Three mon	nths o	ended	Six months ended June 30					
(In millions)	2006		2005		2006		2005		
Interest on loans	\$ 5,627	\$	5,238	\$	10,969	\$	10,101		
Operating lease rentals	3,152		2,799		6,067		5,556		
Fees	1,009		971		2,016		1,818		
Financing leases	1,025		1,035		2,027		2,068		
Investment income	566		587		1,226		1,242		
Premiums earned by insurance activities	485		570		976		1,123		
Other income	2,731		2,097		5,440		4,320		
Total	\$ 14,595	\$	13,297	\$	28,721	\$	26,228		

(10)

5. We sponsor a number of pension and retiree health and life insurance benefit plans. Principal pension plans include the GE Pension Plan and the GE Supplementary Pension Plan. Principal retiree benefit plans generally provide health and life insurance benefits to employees who retire under the GE Pension Plan with 10 or more years of service. Other pension plans include the U.S. and non-U.S. pension plans whose pension assets or obligations exceeded \$50 million. Smaller pension plans and other retiree benefit plans are not material individually or in the aggregate. The effect on operations of the pension and retiree benefit plans follows.

	Principal Pension Plans										
	Τ	hree mor	ths e		Six months ended June 30						
		June	e 30								
(In millions)		2006		2005		2006		2005			
Expected return on plan assets	\$	(953)	\$	(970)	\$	(1,905)	\$	(1,940)			
Service cost for benefits earned		323		325		689		650			
Interest cost on benefit obligation		573		563		1,152		1,120			
Prior service cost		57		62		115		124			
Net actuarial loss recognized		181		90		369		171			
Cost of pension plans	\$	181	\$	70	\$	420	\$	125			

	Other Pension Plans										
	T	hree mor	ths e	nded		Six mont	hs end	ded			
		June	e 30		June 30						
(In millions)		2006		2005		2006		2005			
Expected return on plan assets	\$	(99)	\$	(88)	\$	(197)	\$	(176)			
Service cost for benefits earned		83		69		166		142			
Interest cost on benefit obligation		94		89		187		179			
Prior service cost		1		1		2		3			
Net actuarial loss recognized		39		26		78		57			
Cost of pension plans	\$	118	\$	97	\$	236	\$	205			

	Principal Retiree Health and											
	Life Insurance Plans											
	T	Three mor	ths e		Six months ended							
		Jun	e 30		June 30							
(In millions)		2006		2005		2006		2005				
Expected return on plan assets	\$	(32)	\$	(35)	\$	(64)	\$	(69)				
Service cost for benefits earned		54		54		108		107				
Interest cost on benefit obligation		114		127		228		253				
Prior service cost		72		74		146		149				
Net actuarial loss recognized		18		18		36		36				
Cost of principal retiree benefit plans	\$	226	\$	238	\$	454	\$	476				

6. GE's authorized common stock consists of 13,200,000,000 shares having a par value of \$0.06 each. Information related to the calculation of earnings per share follows.

	Three months ended June 30 2006 2005									
(In millions; per-share amounts in dollars)	Diluted		Basic		Diluted		Basic		
Consolidated Earnings from continuing operations for										
per-share calculation ^(a) Earnings from discontinued operations	\$	4,854	\$	4,854	\$	4,376	\$	4,376		
for per-share calculation ^(b)		(2)		(2)		269		271		
Net earnings available for per-share calculation	\$	4,852	\$	4,852	\$	4,645	\$	4,647		
Average equivalent shares		10.262		10.262		10.604		10.601		
Shares of GE common stock outstanding Employee compensation-related shares,		10,362		10,362		10,604		10,604		
including stock options		38		-		46		-		
Total average equivalent shares		10,400		10,362		10,650		10,604		
Per-share amounts										
Earnings from continuing operations	\$	0.47	\$	0.47	\$	0.41	\$	0.41		
Earnings from discontinued operations	\$	-	\$	-	\$	0.03	\$	0.03		
Net earnings	\$	0.47	\$	0.47	\$	0.44	\$	0.44		
		Six months ended June 30								
				months e	nded					
			Six 06		nded	20	005			
(In millions; per-share amounts in dollars)	20 Diluted		months en	nded		005	Basic		
Consolidated)				nded	20	005	Basic		
Consolidated Earnings from continuing operations for		Diluted	06	Basic		20 Diluted				
Consolidated	\$				nded \$	20	9 05 \$	Basic 7,936		
Consolidated Earnings from continuing operations for per-share calculation ^(a)		Diluted	06	Basic		20 Diluted				
Consolidated Earnings from continuing operations for per-share calculation ^(a) Earnings from discontinued operations		Diluted 8,896	06	Basic 8,896		20 Diluted 7,936		7,936		
Consolidated Earnings from continuing operations for per-share calculation ^(a) Earnings from discontinued operations for per-share calculation ^(b) Net earnings available for per-share calculation Average equivalent shares	\$	8,896 261	\$	8,896 261 9,157	\$	20 Diluted 7,936 672	\$	7,936 676 8,612		
Consolidated Earnings from continuing operations for per-share calculation ^(a) Earnings from discontinued operations for per-share calculation ^(b) Net earnings available for per-share calculation	\$	8,896 261	\$	Basic 8,896 261	\$	20 Diluted 7,936 672	\$	7,936 676		
Consolidated Earnings from continuing operations for per-share calculation ^(a) Earnings from discontinued operations for per-share calculation ^(b) Net earnings available for per-share calculation Average equivalent shares Shares of GE common stock outstanding	\$	8,896 261 9,157	\$	8,896 261 9,157	\$	7,936 672 8,608	\$	7,936 676 8,612		
Consolidated Earnings from continuing operations for per-share calculation ^(a) Earnings from discontinued operations for per-share calculation ^(b) Net earnings available for per-share calculation Average equivalent shares Shares of GE common stock outstanding Employee compensation-related shares,	\$	8,896 261 9,157	\$	8,896 261 9,157	\$	7,936 672 8,608	\$	7,936 676 8,612		
Consolidated Earnings from continuing operations for per-share calculation ^(a) Earnings from discontinued operations for per-share calculation ^(b) Net earnings available for per-share calculation Average equivalent shares Shares of GE common stock outstanding Employee compensation-related shares, including stock options	\$	8,896 261 9,157 10,403 38	\$	8,896 261 9,157	\$	7,936 672 8,608	\$	7,936 676 8,612 10,599		
Consolidated Earnings from continuing operations for per-share calculation ^(a) Earnings from discontinued operations for per-share calculation ^(b) Net earnings available for per-share calculation Average equivalent shares Shares of GE common stock outstanding Employee compensation-related shares, including stock options Total average equivalent shares	\$ \$	8,896 261 9,157 10,403 38	\$	8,896 261 9,157	\$	7,936 672 8,608	\$	7,936 676 8,612 10,599		
Consolidated Earnings from continuing operations for per-share calculation ^(a) Earnings from discontinued operations for per-share calculation ^(b) Net earnings available for per-share calculation Average equivalent shares Shares of GE common stock outstanding Employee compensation-related shares, including stock options Total average equivalent shares Per-share amounts	\$	8,896 261 9,157 10,403 38 10,441	\$	8,896 261 9,157 10,403	\$	7,936 672 8,608 10,599 45 10,644	\$	7,936 676 8,612 10,599		

- (a) Including dividend equivalents.
- (b) Including dilutive effects of subsidiary-issued stock-based awards in 2005.

(12)

Earnings-per-share amounts are computed independently each quarter for earnings from continuing operations, earnings from discontinued operations and net earnings. As a result, the sum of each quarter's per-share amount may not equal the total per-share amount for the respective year-to-date period; and the sum of per-share amounts from continuing operations and discontinued operations does not always equal the total per-share net earnings for the respective quarters.

7. Inventories consisted of the following.

	At							
(In millions)		6/30/06	-	12/31/05				
Raw materials and work in process	\$	6,615	\$	5,527				
Finished goods		5,385		5,311				
Unbilled shipments		363		333				
		12,363		11,171				
Less revaluation to LIFO		(619)		(697)				
Total	\$	11,744	\$	10,474				

8. GECS financing receivables - net, consisted of the following.

	A	t	
(In millions)	6/30/06		12/31/05
Loans, net of deferred income	\$ 240,838	\$	227,923
Investment in financing leases, net of deferred income	67,679		64,309
	308,517		292,232
Less allowance for losses	(4,618)		(4,593)
Financing receivables - net	\$ 303,899	\$	287,639

Included in the above are the financing receivables of consolidated, liquidating securitization entities as follows (see note 14):

	At						
(In millions)		6/30/06	-	12/31/05			
Loans, net of deferred income	\$	13,728	\$	15,868			
Investment in financing leases, net of deferred income		85		769			
		13,813		16,637			
Less allowance for losses		(34)		(22)			
Financing receivables - net	\$	13,779	\$	16,615			

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9. Property, plant and equipment (including equipment leased to others) - net, consisted of the following.

	At					
(In millions)		6/30/06		12/31/05		
Original cost	\$	116,708	\$	111,733		
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization		(45,703)		(44,205)		
Property, plant and equipment - net	\$	71,005	\$	67,528		

10. Intangible assets - net, consisted of the following.

	At							
(In millions)		6/30/06		12/31/05				
Goodwill	\$	72,468	\$	69,611				
Intangible assets subject to amortization		10,857		9,932				
Indefinite-lived intangible assets ^(a)		2,258		2,087				
Total	\$	85,583	\$	81,630				

(a) Indefinite-lived intangible assets principally comprised trademarks, tradenames and U.S. Federal Communications Commission licenses.

Changes in goodwill balances follow.

(In millions)	Acquisition purchase Balance accounting 1/1/06 adjustmen		rchase ounting	Currency exchange			Balance 6/30/06		
Infrastructure	\$ 10,166	\$	588	\$	115	\$	10,869		
Industrial	8,702		360		10		9,072		
Healthcare	13,404		1,095		22		14,521		
NBC Universal	17,534		754		(372)		17,916		
Commercial Finance	10,621		18		54		10,693		
Consumer Finance	9,184		62		151		9,397		
Total	\$ 69,611	\$	2,877	\$	(20)	\$	72,468		

The amount of goodwill related to new acquisitions recorded during the first six months of 2006 was \$2,709 million, the largest of which were IDX Systems Corporation (\$1,114 million) by Healthcare, iVillage Inc. (\$465 million) by NBC Universal and ZENON Membrane Solutions (\$420 million) by Infrastructure. During 2006, we increased goodwill associated with previous acquisitions by \$168 million; the largest such adjustment was an increase of \$122 million associated with the 2005 acquisition of Ionics, Inc. by Infrastructure. Also during 2006, goodwill at NBC Universal declined by \$304 million as part of the sale of four television stations.

Intangible Assets Subject to Amortization

					A	t			
	6/30/06								
	Gross						Gross		
(In millions)	arrying mount		umulated ortization		Net		arrying mount	umulated ortization	Net
Patents, licenses and trademarks	\$ 5,089	\$	(1,541)	\$	3,548	\$	5,311	\$ (1,406)	\$ 3,905
Capitalized software	5,942		(3,410)		2,532		5,586	(3,059)	2,527
All other	6,229		(1,452)		4,777		4,737	(1,237)	3,500
Total	\$ 17,260	\$	(6,403)	\$	10,857	\$	15,634	\$ (5,702)	\$ 9,932

Consolidated amortization expense related to intangible assets subject to amortization amounted to \$468 million and \$362 million for the quarters ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, respectively. Consolidated amortization expense related to intangible assets subject to amortization for the six months ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, amounted to \$900 million and \$725 million, respectively.

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11. GECS borrowings are summarized in the following table.

	A		
(In millions)	6/30/06		12/31/05
Short-term borrowings			
Commercial paper			
U.S.			
Unsecured	\$ 63,305	\$	67,643
Asset-backed ^(a)	7,620		9,267
Non-U.S.	22,845		20,456
Current portion of long-term debt ^{(b)(c)}	43,498		41,792
Other	19,059		18,514
Total	156,327		157,672
Long-term borrowings			
Senior notes			
Unsecured	205,296		180,546
Asset-backed ^(d)	6,661		6,845
Extendible notes ^(e)	13,984		14,022
Subordinated notes ^(f)	3,092		2,984
Total	229,033		204,397
Total borrowings	\$ 385,360	\$	362,069

- (a) Entirely obligations of consolidated, liquidating securitization entities. See note 14.
- (b) Included short-term borrowings by consolidated, liquidating securitization entities of \$700 million and \$697 million at June 30, 2006, and December 31, 2005, respectively. See note 14.
- (c) Included \$250 million of subordinated notes guaranteed by GE at both June 30, 2006, and December 31, 2005.
- (d) Included asset-backed senior notes issued by consolidated, liquidating securitization entities of \$5,536 million and \$6,845 million at June 30, 2006, and December 31, 2005, respectively. See note 14.
- (e) Included \$38 million of obligations of consolidated, liquidating securitization entities at December 31, 2005. See note 14.
- (f) Included \$750 million of subordinated notes guaranteed by GE at both June 30, 2006, and December 31, 2005.
- 12. A summary of increases (decreases) in shareowners' equity, net of income taxes, that did not result directly from transactions with shareowners follows.

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		Three months ended June 30				Six months ended June 30			
(In millions)		2006		2005		2006		2005	
Net earnings	\$	4,852	\$	4,647	\$	9,157	\$	8,612	
Investment securities - net		(706)		1,496		(1,378)		676	
Currency translation adjustments - net		1,995		(3,734)		1,735		(3,673)	
Cash flow hedges - net		313		(431)		586		198	
Minimum pension liabilities - net		(28)		11		(43)		24	
Total	\$	6,426	\$	1,989	\$	10,057	\$	5,837	

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13. We adopted the 2004 revision to Statement of Financial Accounting Standards 123, *Share-Based Payment* (SFAS 123R), on January 1, 2006, using the modified prospective method. Among other things, SFAS 123R requires expensing the fair value of stock options, a previously optional accounting method that we adopted voluntarily in 2002. The transitional effects of this provision of SFAS 123R consisted of reductions in net earnings of \$3 million and \$6 million for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2006, respectively, to expense the unvested portion of options granted in 2001.

A comparison of reported net earnings for 2006 and 2005, and pro-forma net earnings for 2005, including effects of expensing stock options, follows.

		Three months ended June 30				Six months ended June 30			
(In millions; per-share amounts in dollars)		2006		2005		2006		2005	
Net earnings, as reported	\$	4,852	\$	4,647	\$	9,157	\$	8,612	
Earnings per share, as reported									
Diluted		0.47		0.44		0.88		0.81	
Basic		0.47		0.44		0.88		0.81	
Stock option expense included in net earnings		26		21		50		58	
Total stock option expense		26		36 ^(a)		50		100 ^(a)	
Pro-forma effects									
Net earnings, on pro-forma basis				4,632				8,570	
Earnings per share, on pro-forma basis									
Diluted				0.43				0.81	
Basic				0.44				0.81	

Other share-based compensation expense recognized in net earnings amounted to \$31 million and \$30 million for the three months ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, respectively. The total income tax benefit recognized in earnings for all share-based compensation arrangements amounted to \$29 million and \$28 million for the three months ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, respectively. Other share-based compensation expense recognized in net earnings amounted to \$57 million and \$51 million for the six months ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, respectively. The total income tax benefit recognized in earnings for all share-based compensation arrangements amounted to \$56 million and \$59 million for the six months ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

(a) As if we applied SFAS 123R to expense stock options in all periods. Included amounts we actually recognized in earnings.

SFAS 123R also required us to change the statement of cash flow classification of certain tax benefits from share-based compensation deductions beginning on January 1, 2006. As a result, we classified \$64 million as cash from financing activities rather than cash from operating activities for the six months ended June 30, 2006.

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Other Stock-Related Information

We grant stock options, restricted stock units (RSUs) and performance share units (PSUs) to employees under the 1990 Long-Term Incentive Plan as described in our current Proxy Statement. In addition, we grant options and RSUs in limited circumstances to consultants, advisors and independent contractors (primarily non-employee talent at NBC Universal) under a plan approved by our Board of Directors in 1997 (the consultants' plan). There are outstanding grants under two separate shareowner-approved option plans for non-employee directors. Share requirements for all plans may be met from either unissued or treasury shares. Stock options expire 10 years from the date they are granted and vest over service periods that range from one to five years. RSUs give recipients the right to receive shares of our stock upon the lapse of their related restrictions. Restrictions on RSUs lapse in various increments and at various dates, beginning after three years from date of grant through grantee retirement. Although the plan permits us to issue RSUs settleable in cash, we have only issued RSUs settleable in shares of our stock. PSUs give recipients the right to receive shares of our stock upon the achievement of certain performance targets.

All grants of GE options under all plans must be approved by the Management Development and Compensation Committee, which consists entirely of outside directors.

Stock Option Activity

	Shares (in thousands)	Weighted- Average Exercise Price	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Term (in years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in millions)
Outstanding at January 1, 2006	259,116	\$ 33.07		
Granted	9,898	33.99		
Exercised	(10,104)	16.05		
Forfeited	(1,833)	32.08		
Expired	(2,755)	40.75		
Outstanding at June 30, 2006	254,322	\$ 33.70	4.6	\$ 892
Exercisable at June 30, 2006	193,117	\$ 34.16	3.6	\$ 793
Options expected to vest	55,077	\$ 32.19	7.6	\$ 94

We measure the fair value of each stock option grant at the date of grant using a Black-Scholes option pricing model. The weighted-average grant-date fair value of options granted during the six months ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, amounted to \$8.41 and \$9.44, respectively. The following assumptions were used in arriving at the fair value of options granted during the six months ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, respectively: risk-free interest rates of 5.0% and 4.0%; dividend yields of 2.9 and 2.4%; expected volatility factors of 25% and 28%; and expected lives of 6 years and 6 years. Risk free interest rate reflects the yield on zero-coupon U.S. Treasury securities. Expected dividend yield presumes a set dividend rate. Expected volatility is based on implied volatility from traded options and historical volatility of our stock. The expected option life is based on our historical experience of employee exercise behavior.

The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the six months ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, amounted to \$183 million and \$454 million, respectively. As of June 30, 2006,

there was \$191 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested options. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 3 years and 10 months.

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RSU Activity

	Shares (in thousands)	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Term (in years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in millions)
Outstanding at January 1, 2006	33,078		
Granted	3,814		
Vested	(587)		
Forfeited	(1,146)		
Outstanding at June 30, 2006	35,159	5.7	\$ 1,159
RSUs expected to vest	31,774	5.3	\$ 1,047

The fair value of each restricted stock unit is the market price of our stock on the date of grant. The weighted-average grant-date fair value of RSUs granted during the six months ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, amounted to \$34.12 and \$35.22, respectively. The total intrinsic value of RSUs vested during the six months ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, amounted to \$20 million and \$45 million, respectively. As of June 30, 2006, there was \$530 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested RSUs. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 5 years and 3 months.

PSU Activity

As of June 30, 2006, 1.1 million PSUs with a weighted-average remaining contractual term of 2 years and 1 month, an aggregate intrinsic value of \$37 million and \$16 million of unrecognized compensation cost were outstanding.

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14. The following table represents assets in securitization entities, both consolidated and off-balance sheet.

		At		
(In millions)		6/30/06		12/31/05
Receivables secured by:	\$	10,201	\$	12,949
Equipment Commercial real estate	Þ	12,122	Ф	13,010
Residential real estate Other assets		7,478 14,206		8,882 12,869
Credit card receivables GE trade receivables		11,355 3,640		10,039 3,960
Total securitized assets	\$	59,002	\$	61,709
			At	
(In millions)		6/30/06		12/31/05
Off-balance sheet ^{(a)(b)}	\$	44,133	\$	43,805
On-balance sheet ^(c) Total securitized assets	\$	14,869 59,002	\$	17,904 61,709

- (a) At June 30, 2006, and December 31, 2005, liquidity support amounted to \$1,793 million and \$1,931 million, respectively. These amounts are net of \$3,293 million and \$3,786 million, respectively, participated or deferred beyond one year. Credit support amounted to \$5,138 million and \$5,988 million at June 30, 2006, and December 31, 2005, respectively.
- (b) Liabilities for recourse obligations related to off-balance sheet assets amounted to \$65 million and \$93 million at June 30, 2006, and December 31, 2005, respectively.
- (c) At June 30, 2006, and December 31, 2005, liquidity support amounted to \$8,204 million and \$10,044 million, respectively. These amounts are net of \$21 million and \$138 million, respectively, participated or deferred beyond one year. Credit support amounted to \$3,830 million and \$4,780 million at June 30, 2006, and December 31, 2005, respectively.

Assets in consolidated, liquidating securitization entities are shown in the following captions in the Condensed Statement of Financial Position.

	At					
(In millions)		6/30/06		12/31/05		
Financing receivables - net (note 8)	\$	13,779	\$	16,615		
All other assets		1,090		1,289		
Total	\$	14,869	\$	17,904		

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

A. Results of Operations

General Electric Company's consolidated financial statements represent the combination of the industrial manufacturing and product services businesses of General Electric Company (GE) and the financial services businesses of General Electric Capital Services, Inc. (GECS or financial services).

In the accompanying analysis of financial information, we sometimes use information derived from consolidated financial information but not presented in our financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Certain of these data are considered "non-GAAP financial measures" under the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) rules. For such measures, we have provided supplemental explanations and reconciliations in Exhibit 99 to this report on Form 10-Q.

Unless otherwise indicated, we refer to captions such as revenues and earnings from continuing operations simply as "revenues" and "earnings" throughout this Management's Discussion and Analysis. Similarly, discussion of other matters in our consolidated financial statements relates to continuing operations unless otherwise indicated.

Overview

General Electric Company earnings from continuing operations increased 11% to \$4.854 billion in the second quarter of 2006 compared with \$4.376 billion in 2005. Earnings per share (EPS) from continuing operations were \$0.47 in the second quarter of 2006, up 15% from last year's \$0.41. Five of our six segments contributed double-digit earnings growth for the quarter.

For the first six months of 2006, earnings from continuing operations increased 12% to \$8.896 billion compared with \$7.936 billion in 2005. EPS from continuing operations were \$0.85 in the first six months of 2006, up 13% from last year's \$0.75.

Loss from discontinued operations was an inconsequential amount for the second quarter of 2006 compared with earnings of \$0.3 billion in 2005 and included the results of Genworth Financial, Inc. (Genworth), GE Life and most of GE Insurance Solutions Corporation (GE Insurance Solutions).

Earnings from discontinued operations were \$0.3 billion for the first six months of 2006 compared with \$0.7 billion in 2005.

Net earnings increased 4% to \$4.852 billion and EPS increased 7% to \$0.47 in the second quarter of 2006 compared with \$4.647 billion and \$0.44, respectively, in 2005.

For the first six months of 2006, net earnings increased 6% to \$9.157 billion compared with \$8.612 billion in 2005, and EPS increased 9% to \$0.88, compared with last year's \$0.81.

Revenues of \$39.9 billion in the second quarter of 2006 were 9% higher reflecting strong organic growth of 8%. A reconciliation between reported and organic revenues is shown in Exhibit 99. Industrial sales increased 9% to \$24.4 billion, primarily reflecting organic growth. Sales of product services (including sales of spare parts and related services) increased 11% to \$7.4 billion in the second quarter of 2006. Financial services revenues grew 10% to \$15.3 billion, reflecting organic growth and the effects of acquisitions.

Revenues for the first six months of 2006 rose 10% to \$77.7 billion, compared with \$70.9 billion last year. Industrial sales of \$47.5 billion were 10% higher than in 2005 reflecting strong organic growth, the effects of the first quarter 2006 Olympics broadcasts and acquisitions. Financial Services revenues for the first six months of 2006 were \$30.0 billion, a \$2.4 billion, or 9%, increase over the first six months of last year. Revenues increased as a result of acquisitions and organic revenue growth, partially offset by dispositions.

Overall, acquisitions contributed \$0.7 billion and \$3.7 billion to consolidated revenues in the second quarters of 2006 and 2005, respectively. Our consolidated net earnings in the second quarters of 2006 and 2005 included approximately \$0.1 billion and \$0.3 billion, respectively, from acquired businesses. We integrate acquisitions as quickly as possible. Only revenues and earnings from the date we complete the acquisition through the end of the fourth following quarter are attributed to such businesses. Dispositions also affected our operations through lower revenues of \$0.1 billion and \$0.2 billion in the second quarters of 2006 and 2005, respectively. The effects of dispositions on earnings were increases in net earnings of \$0.1 billion and \$0.3 billion in the second quarter of 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Acquisitions contributed \$1.7 billion and \$7.5 billion to consolidated revenues in the first six months of 2006 and 2005, respectively. Our consolidated net earnings in the first six months of 2006 and 2005 included approximately \$0.2 billion and \$0.7 billion, respectively, from acquired businesses. Dispositions also affected our operations through lower revenues of \$0.4 billion in the first six months of both 2006 and 2005. The effects of dispositions on earnings were increases in net earnings of \$0.1 billion and \$0.2 billion in the first six months of 2006 and 2005, respectively.

The most significant acquisitions affecting Healthcare, Infrastructure and NBC Universal results in 2006 were IDX Systems Corporation, Edwards System Technology and the consolidation of MSNBC, respectively. The most significant acquisitions affecting Commercial Finance and Consumer Finance results in 2006 were a strategic joint venture with Garanti Bank, a full service bank in Turkey; the Transportation Financial Services Group of CitiCapital; the Inventory Finance division of Bombardier Capital; Antares Capital Corp., a unit of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co.; and a strategic joint venture with Hyundai Card Company, a credit card lender in South Korea. These acquisitions collectively contributed \$0.4 billion and \$0.1 billion to second quarter revenues and earnings, respectively. Contributions to revenues and earnings for the first six months of 2006 were \$0.8 billion and \$0.2 billion, respectively.

Segment Operations

Operating segments comprise our six businesses focused on the broad markets they serve: Infrastructure, Industrial, Healthcare, NBC Universal, Commercial Finance and Consumer Finance. For segment reporting purposes, certain GECS businesses are included in the industrial operating segments that actively manage such businesses and report their results for internal performance measurement purposes. These include Aviation Financial Services, Energy Financial Services and Transportation Finance reported in the Infrastructure segment, and Equipment Services reported in the Industrial segment.

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Segment profit is determined based on internal performance measures used by the Chief Executive Officer to assess the performance of each business in a given period. In connection with that assessment, the Chief Executive Officer may exclude matters such as charges for restructuring; rationalization and other similar expenses; in-process research and development and certain other acquisition-related charges and balances; technology and product development costs; certain gains and losses from dispositions; and litigation settlements or other charges, responsibility for which preceded the current management team.

Segment profit always excludes the effects of principal pension plans, results reported as discontinued operations and accounting changes. Segment profit excludes or includes interest and other financial charges and income taxes according to how a particular segment's management is measured - excluded in determining segment profit, which we refer to as "operating profit," for Healthcare, NBC Universal and the industrial businesses of the Industrial and Infrastructure segments; included in determining segment profit, which we refer to as "net earnings," for Commercial Finance, Consumer Finance, and the financial services businesses of the Infrastructure segment (Aviation Financial Services, Energy Financial Services and Transportation Finance) and the Industrial segment (Equipment Services).

We have reclassified certain prior-period amounts to conform to the current period's presentation. In addition to providing information on segments in their entirety, we have also provided supplemental information for certain businesses within the segments.

Infrastructure

	Three months ended June 30				Six months ended June 30			
(In millions)	2006		2005		2006		2005	
Revenues	\$ 11,332	\$	10,221	\$	21,484	\$	19,595	
Segment profit	\$ 2,107	\$	1,916	\$	3,810	\$	3,456	
Revenues								
Aviation	\$ 3,291	\$	2,971	\$	6,332	\$	5,561	
Aviation Financial Services	981		819		1,915		1,636	
Energy	4,442		3,884		8,277		7,835	
Energy Financial Services	364		382		665		610	
Oil & Gas	1,094		763		1,866		1,404	
Transportation	1,002		892		2,025		1,648	
Segment profit								
Aviation	\$ 728	\$	690	\$	1,373	\$	1,217	
Aviation Financial Services	310		185		516		348	
Energy	689		625		1,125		1,202	
Energy Financial Services	146		179		263		273	
Oil & Gas	108		75		163		102	
Transportation	165		101		369		183	

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Infrastructure revenues increased 11%, or \$1.1 billion, in the second quarter of 2006 reflecting higher volume (\$1.1 billion) and higher prices (\$0.1 billion) at the industrial businesses of the segment. The increase in volume reflected increased sales at the power generation equipment business at Energy, primarily wind related, strong equipment sales at Oil & Gas and Transportation, and increased commercial engine sales at Aviation. Higher prices were primarily at Aviation. Revenues also increased as a result of organic revenue growth at Aviation Financial Services (\$0.2 billion). Intra-segment revenues, which increased \$0.2 billion, were eliminated from total Infrastructure revenues.

Segment profit rose 10%, or \$0.2 billion, in the second quarter as higher volume (\$0.2 billion) and higher prices (\$0.1 billion) were partially offset by higher material and other costs (\$0.1 billion) at the industrial businesses of the segment. Volume increases were primarily at Energy, Aviation and Oil & Gas. Higher prices and higher material and other costs were primarily at Aviation. Segment profit from the financial services businesses increased \$0.1 billion as a result of core growth at Aviation Financial Services, including growth in lower-taxed earnings from global operations.

Infrastructure revenues rose 10% to \$21.5 billion for the six months ended June 30, 2006, as higher volume (\$1.9 billion) was partially offset by the effects of the strengthening U.S. dollar (\$0.2 billion) at the industrial businesses of the segment. The increase in volume reflected increased sales of power generation equipment at Energy, commercial and military services and commercial engines at Aviation and equipment at Oil & Gas, as well as increased locomotive sales at Transportation. Revenues also increased as a result of organic revenue growth at Aviation Financial Services (\$0.3 billion) and Energy Financial Services (\$0.1 billion). Intra-segment revenues, which increased \$0.3 billion, were eliminated from total Infrastructure revenues.

Segment profit for the first six months of 2006 rose 10% to \$3.8 billion, compared with \$3.5 billion in 2005, as higher volume (\$0.3 billion) and productivity (\$0.1 billion) were partially offset by higher material and other costs (\$0.2 billion) at the industrial businesses of the segment. Volume increases were primarily at Aviation, Energy, Transportation and Oil & Gas. We realized productivity improvements at Transportation and Aviation. Higher material and other costs were primarily at Aviation. Segment profit from the financial services businesses increased \$0.2 billion as a result of core growth at Aviation Financial Services. Core growth included growth in lower-taxed earnings from global operations and lower one-time benefits from our aircraft leasing reorganization.

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Industrial

	ŗ	Three months ended June 30			Six months ended June 30			
(In millions)		2006		2005		2006		2005
Revenues	\$	8,788	\$	8,253	\$	16,928	\$	15,921
Segment profit	\$	729	\$	635	\$	1,329	\$	1,161
Revenues								
Consumer & Industrial	\$	3,852	\$	3,576	\$	7,386	\$	6,837
Equipment Services		1,797		1,652		3,431		3,226
Plastics		1,684		1,640		3,328		3,288
Segment profit								
Consumer & Industrial	\$	318	\$	227	\$	538	\$	392
Equipment Services		60		36		76		46
Plastics		183		208		408		448

Industrial revenues rose 6%, or \$0.5 billion, in the second quarter of 2006 reflecting higher volume (\$0.5 billion) at the industrial businesses in the segment. The increase in volume was primarily at Consumer & Industrial and Plastics. Revenues also increased at Equipment Services as a result of the consolidation of GE SeaCo, an entity previously accounted for using the equity method (\$0.1 billion) and organic revenue growth (\$0.1 billion).

Segment profit rose 15%, or \$0.1 billion, in the second quarter of 2006 as productivity (\$0.3 billion), primarily at Consumer & Industrial and Plastics, was partially offset by higher material and other costs (\$0.2 billion), primarily at Consumer & Industrial and Plastics. Segment profit was not significantly affected by price as higher prices at Consumer & Industrial partially offset lower prices at Plastics.

Industrial revenues rose 6% for the six months ended June 30, 2006 as higher volume (\$1.0 billion) was partially offset by the effects of the strengthening U.S. dollar (\$0.2 billion) at the industrial businesses in the segment, primarily Consumer & Industrial, Plastics and Security, which acquired Edwards Systems Technology late in the first quarter of 2005. Revenues also increased at Equipment Services as a result of organic revenue growth (\$0.1 billion) and the consolidation of GE SeaCo (\$0.1 billion).

Segment profit rose 14% for the six months ended June 30, 2006, as productivity (\$0.4 billion), primarily at Consumer & Industrial, Advanced Materials and Plastics, and higher volume (\$0.1 billion) were partially offset by higher material and other costs (\$0.3 billion), primarily at Consumer & Industrial, Advanced Materials and Plastics. Segment profit was not significantly affected by price as higher prices at Consumer & Industrial offset lower prices at Plastics. See Corporate items and eliminations for a discussion of items not allocated to this segment.

Healthcare revenues rose \$0.4 billion, or 10%, in the second quarter of 2006 as higher volume (\$0.5 billion) more than offset the effect of lower prices (\$0.1 billion). The rise in volume related to increases in healthcare services including the effects of the 2006 acquisition of IDX and stronger equipment sales. Operating profit of \$0.8 billion in 2006 was 18% higher than in the second quarter of 2005 as the effects of productivity (\$0.1 billion) and higher volume (\$0.1 billion) more than offset the effect of lower prices (\$0.1 billion).

Healthcare revenues rose 10% to \$7.8 billion in the first six months of 2006 as higher volume (\$1.0 billion) more than offset the effect of lower prices (\$0.2 billion) and the effects of the strengthening U.S. dollar (\$0.1 billion). The rise in volume related to increases in healthcare services including the effects of the 2006 acquisition of IDX, stronger equipment sales and growth at Biosciences. Operating profit of \$1.3 billion in the first six months of 2006 was 19% higher than in 2005 as productivity (\$0.2 billion) and the effects of higher volume (\$0.1 billion) more than offset the effects of lower prices (\$0.2 billion) and higher material and other costs (\$0.1 billion).

NBC Universal reported revenues of \$3.9 billion in the second quarter of 2006, the same as second quarter 2005. We achieved improvements in our cable business, including \$0.1 billion from consolidating MSNBC, and realized a \$0.1 billion increase from the net effects of certain strategic actions, including 2006 gains from sale of four television stations and a favorable settlement compared with 2005's gain on acquisition of preferred shares net of effects of an impairment. Revenues were reduced by lower ratings on network and station ad sales (\$0.1 billion) and the combination of lower home video sales and license fees (\$0.1 billion). Segment profit declined 10% in the second quarter of 2006 as \$0.1 billion lower earnings from network and station operations and \$0.1 billion lower film profitability (the result of timing of theatrical releases and lower home video sales) exceeded the net effects of the above-mentioned strategic actions (\$0.1 billion).

NBC Universal reported revenues of \$8.3 billion in the first six months of 2006, a 12% increase from 2005, resulting primarily from absence of a prior-year counterpart to the 2006 Olympic Games broadcasts (\$0.7 billion), the effects of exiting a film distribution agreement (\$0.2 billion), improvements in the cable business (\$0.3 billion) and the above-mentioned strategic actions (\$0.1 billion), partially offset by the effects of lower ratings on network and station ad sales (\$0.3 billion). Segment profit declined 9%, or \$0.2 billion, in the first six months of 2006 as the effects of lower earnings from network and station operations (\$0.3 billion), including the 2006 Olympics broadcasts (\$0.1 billion), and lower earnings from the film business (\$0.1 billion), including the \$0.1 billion favorable effects of the film distribution exit, were partially offset by higher earnings from the cable business (\$0.1 billion) and the net effects of the above-mentioned strategic actions (\$0.1 billion). See Corporate items and eliminations for a discussion of items not allocated to this segment.

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Commercial Finance

	Three months ended June 30		Six months ended June 30			ded		
(In millions)		2006		2005		2006		2005
Revenues	\$	5,527	\$	4,929	\$	11,011	\$	10,001
Segment profit	\$	1,057	\$	872	\$	2,231	\$	1,798
				At				
(In millions)		6/30/06		6/30/05		12/31/05		
Total assets	\$	206,510	\$	185,665	\$	190,546		
	Three months ended			Six months end June 30		ded		
(In millions)		2006	e 30	2005		2006	e 30	2005
Revenues								
Capital Solutions Real Estate	\$	3,047 1,047	\$	2,856 744	\$	5,867 2,122	\$	5,745 1,642
Real Estate		1,047		/ 44		2,122		1,042
Segment profit	¢	422	¢	205	¢.	770	Φ	C1.1
Capital Solutions Real Estate	\$	433 334	\$	325 240	\$	772 775	\$	611 550
				-				
				At				
(In millions)		6/30/06		6/30/05		12/31/05		
Assets								
Capital Solutions	\$	90,710	\$	85,069	\$	87,306		
Real Estate		44,144		35,619		35,323		

Commercial Finance revenues and net earnings increased 12% and 21%, respectively, in the second quarter of 2006. 2006 revenues included \$0.2 billion from acquisitions, but were reduced by dispositions (\$0.1 billion). Revenues for the second quarter also increased as organic revenue growth (\$0.6 billion) exceeded effects of the strengthening U.S. dollar (\$0.1 billion). The increase in net earnings resulted primarily from core growth (\$0.3 billion), including growth in lower-taxed earnings from global operations.

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Commercial Finance revenues and net earnings increased 10% and 24%, respectively, in the first six months of 2006. Revenues for the first six months of 2006 and 2005 included \$0.4 billion and \$0.1 billion from acquisitions, respectively, and in 2006 were reduced by dispositions (\$0.2 billion). Revenues for the first six months also increased as organic revenue growth (\$1.1 billion) exceeded effects of the strengthening U.S. dollar (\$0.2 billion). The increase in net earnings resulted primarily from core growth (\$0.5 billion), including growth in lower-taxed earnings from global operations, and acquisitions (\$0.1 billion), partially offset by the strengthening U.S. dollar (\$0.1 billion).

Consumer Finance

	Three months ended June 30				Six months ended June 30		
(In millions)		2006		2005	2006		2005
Revenues	\$	5,268	\$	4,928	\$ 10,358	\$	9,617
Segment profit	\$	880	\$	735	\$ 1,716	\$	1,470
(In millions)		6/30/06		At 6/30/05	12/31/05		
Total assets	\$	169,416	\$	149,568	\$ 158,829		

Consumer Finance revenues and net earnings increased 7% and 20%, respectively, in the second quarter of 2006. 2006 revenues included \$0.2 billion from acquisitions. Revenues for the second quarter also increased as organic revenue growth (\$0.3 billion) exceeded effects of the strengthening U.S. dollar (\$0.2 billion). The increase in net earnings resulted primarily from core growth (\$0.1 billion), including growth in lower-taxed earnings from global operations.

Consumer Finance revenues and net earnings increased 8% and 17%, respectively, in the first six months of 2006. 2006 revenues included \$0.4 billion from acquisitions. Revenues for the first six months also increased as organic revenue growth (\$0.7 billion) exceeded effects of the strengthening U.S. dollar (\$0.4 billion). The increase in net earnings resulted primarily from core growth (\$0.2 billion), including growth in lower-taxed earnings from global operations, and acquisitions (\$0.1 billion).

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Discontinued Insurance Operations

	Three months ended June 30				Six months ended June 30			
(In millions)		2006		2005		2006		2005
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations,								
net of taxes	\$	(2)	\$	271	\$	261	\$	676

In June 2006, we completed the sale of the property and casualty insurance and reinsurance businesses and the European life and health operations of GE Insurance Solutions Corporation (GE Insurance Solutions) to Swiss Reinsurance Company (Swiss Re) for \$9.3 billion, including the assumption of \$1.7 billion of debt. We received \$5.4 billion in cash and \$2.2 billion of newly issued Swiss Re common stock, representing a 9% interest in Swiss Re, that we are not permitted to sell until June 4, 2007, under the agreement we have with Swiss Re.

In March 2006, we completed the sale of our remaining 18% investment in Genworth Financial, Inc. (Genworth) through a secondary public offering of 71 million shares of Class A Common Stock and direct sale to Genworth of 15 million shares of Genworth Class B Common Stock. As a result, we recognized a pre-tax gain of \$0.5 billion (\$0.3 billion after tax).

In March 2006, we initiated a plan to sell GE Life, our U.K.-based life insurance operation. For the first six months of 2006, we have provided a loss of \$0.3 billion, including a \$0.1 billion loss recognized in the second quarter of 2006, based on our best estimate of sales proceeds. We do not expect to realize a tax benefit for this loss. We anticipate selling GE Life by March 31, 2007.

Discontinued operations comprise GE Life; the property and casualty insurance and reinsurance businesses and the European life and health operations of GE Insurance Solutions and most of its affiliates; and Genworth, our formerly wholly-owned subsidiary that conducted most of our consumer insurance business, including life and mortgage insurance operations. Results of these businesses are reported as discontinued operations for all periods presented.

Earnings from discontinued operations, net of taxes, for the second quarter of 2006 reflected earnings from GE Insurance Solutions through the date of disposal (\$0.2 billion), loss on disposal of GE Insurance Solutions (\$0.1 billion) and a provision for estimated loss on the planned sale of GE Life (\$0.1 billion). GE Life results will be included in our discontinued operations until a transaction is completed.

Earnings from discontinued operations, net of taxes, for the second quarter of 2005 reflected operations of GE Insurance Solutions (\$0.2 billion) and our share of Genworth's earnings from operations (\$0.1 billion).

Earnings from discontinued operations, net of taxes, for the first six months of 2006 reflected earnings from GE Insurance Solutions through the date of disposal (\$0.3 billion), the gain on the sale of our remaining 18% investment in Genworth common stock (\$0.3 billion), partially offset by a provision for estimated loss on the planned sale of GE Life (\$0.3 billion) and the loss on disposal of GE Insurance Solutions (\$0.1 billion).

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Earnings from discontinued operations, net of taxes, for the first six months of 2005 reflected earnings from GE Insurance Solutions (\$0.3 billion), our share of Genworth's earnings from operations (\$0.3 billion) and the gain related to Genworth's secondary public offering (\$0.1 billion).

Corporate items and eliminations expense for the second quarter and first six months of 2006, increased \$0.1 billion and \$0.2 billion, respectively, compared with 2005, principally from higher costs of our principal pension plans.

Certain amounts included in this caption are not allocated to GE operating segments because they are excluded from the measurement of their operating performance for internal purposes. In the second quarter and first six months of 2006, these comprised \$0.1 billion for a gain on sale of a business interest at the Equipment Services business of Industrial, offset by \$0.1 billion for technology and product development costs at NBC Universal.

B. Statement of Financial Position

Overview of Financial Position

Major changes in our financial position resulted from the following:

- During the second quarter of 2006, we completed the sale of the property and casualty insurance and reinsurance businesses and the European life and health operations of GE Insurance Solutions to Swiss Re. This transaction reduced assets and liabilities of discontinued operations by \$43.8 billion and \$36.0 billion, respectively.
- · During the first quarter of 2006, we completed the sale of our remaining 18% investment in Genworth common stock and we initiated a plan to sell GE Life. We have separately reported the assets and liabilities related to these discontinued operations for all periods presented.
- During the first six months of 2006, we completed the acquisitions of IDX Systems Corporation at Healthcare;
 iVillage Inc. at NBC Universal; ZENON Membrane Solutions at Infrastructure; Arden Realty, Inc., a fully integrated real estate company at Commercial Finance; and the private-label credit card portfolio of Hudson's Bay Co. at Consumer Finance.
 - The U.S. dollar was weaker at June 30, 2006, than it was at December 31, 2005, increasing the translated levels of our non-U.S. dollar assets and liabilities. However, on average, the U.S. dollar in 2006 has been stronger than during the comparable 2005 period, decreasing the translated levels of our non-U.S. dollar operations, as noted in the preceding Results of Operations section.

Consolidated assets were \$662.4 billion at June 30, 2006, a decrease of \$10.9 billion from December 31, 2005. GE assets decreased \$1.0 billion, while financial services' assets decreased \$12.3 billion.

GE assets were \$188.7 billion at June 30, 2006, a \$1.0 billion decrease from December 31, 2005. The decrease reflects a \$2.8 billion decrease in current receivables and a \$2.2 billion decrease in GE's investment in GECS, partially offset by a \$2.9 billion increase in intangible assets, primarily related to the acquisition of IDX Systems Corporation by Healthcare, and a \$1.3 billion increase in inventories.

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Financial services assets were \$528.3 billion at June 30, 2006. The \$12.3 billion decrease from December 31, 2005, was primarily attributable to decreases in assets of discontinued operations of \$46.0 billion, partially offset by increases in financing receivables of \$16.3 billion, other assets of \$6.2 billion, property, plant and equipment of \$3.3 billion and investment securities of \$2.8 billion.

Consolidated liabilities of \$545.4 billion at June 30, 2006, were \$10.6 billion lower than the year-end 2005 balance. GE liabilities decreased \$0.6 billion, while financial services' liabilities decreased \$10.1 billion.

GE liabilities were \$74.0 billion at June 30, 2006. During 2006, accounts payable decreased \$1.3 billion to \$10.6 billion and total borrowings increased \$0.4 billion to \$10.6 billion (\$1.5 billion short term and \$9.1 billion long term) at June 30, 2006, compared with December 31, 2005. The ratio of borrowings to total capital invested for GE at the end of the second quarter was 8.5% compared with 8.1% at the end of last year and 8.8% at June 30, 2005.

Financial services liabilities decreased \$10.1 billion to \$477.4 billion reflecting a decrease in liabilities of discontinued operations of \$34.8 billion, offset by an increase in total borrowings of \$23.3 billion, from year-end 2005.

Consolidated cash and equivalents were \$11.1 billion at June 30, 2006, an increase of \$2.3 billion during the first six months of 2006. Cash and equivalents amounted to \$9.0 billion at June 30, 2005, a decrease of \$3.0 billion from December 31, 2004. GE cash from operating activities (CFOA) is a useful measure of performance for our non-financial services businesses and totaled \$14.3 billion in the first six months of 2006 and \$8.0 billion in the first six months of 2005.

With respect to GE CFOA, we believe that it is useful to supplement our GE Condensed Statement of Cash Flows and to examine in a broader context the business activities that provide and require cash.

	Six mont Jun	ded
(In billions)	2006	2005
Operating cash collections	\$ 48.6	\$ 44.5
Operating cash payments	(41.9)	(38.3)
Cash dividends from GECS	7.6	1.8
GE cash from operating activities	\$ 14.3	\$ 8.0

The most significant source of cash in CFOA is customer-related activities, the largest of which is collecting cash following a product or services sale. GE operating cash collections increased by about \$4.1 billion during the first six months of 2006. These increases are consistent with the changes in comparable GE operating segment revenues. Analyses of operating segment revenues discussed in the preceding Segment Operations section is the best way of understanding their customer-related CFOA.

The most significant operating use of cash is to pay our suppliers, employees, tax authorities and others for the wide range of material and services necessary in a diversified global organization. GE operating cash payments increased in the first six months of 2006 by about \$3.6 billion, comparable to the increases in GE total costs and expenses.

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Dividends from GECS represented distribution of a portion of GECS retained earnings, including proceeds from certain business sales, and are distinct from cash from continuing operating activities within the financial services businesses, which increased in the first six months of 2006 by \$0.9 billion to \$8.8 billion. The amount we show in CFOA is the total dividend, including the normal dividend as well as any special dividends from excess capital primarily resulting from GECS business sales. Special dividends of \$5.7 billion were paid by GECS to GE in the first six months of 2006; no special dividends were paid by GECS during the first six months of 2005.

Based on past performance and current expectations, in combination with the financial flexibility that comes with a strong balance sheet and the highest credit ratings, we believe that we are in a sound position to grow dividends, continue to execute on our announced \$25 billion share repurchase program and continue making selective investments for long-term growth.

C. Financial Services Portfolio Quality

Investment securities comprise mainly available-for-sale investment-grade debt securities supporting obligations to annuitants and policyholders. We regularly review investment securities for impairment based on criteria that include the extent to which cost exceeds market value, the duration of that market decline, our intent and ability to hold to recovery and the financial health and specific prospects for the issuer. Of available-for-sale securities with unrealized losses at June 30, 2006, an immaterial amount was at risk of being charged to earnings in the next 12 months. Impairment losses for the first six months of 2006 totaled \$0.1 billion compared with an inconsequential amount in the 2005 period. We do not believe that any of the 2006 impairment losses indicate likely future impairments in the remaining portfolio.

Financing receivables is our largest category of assets and represents one of our primary sources of revenues. The portfolio of financing receivables, before allowance for losses, amounted to \$308.5 billion at June 30, 2006, and \$292.2 billion at December 31, 2005. The related allowance for losses amounted to \$4.6 billion at both June 30, 2006, and December 31, 2005, representing our best estimate of probable losses inherent in the portfolio. A discussion of the quality of certain elements of the financing receivables portfolio follows. For purposes of that discussion, "delinquent" receivables are those that are 30 days or more past due; and "nonearning" receivables are those that are 90 days or more past due (or for which collection has otherwise become doubtful).

Financing receivables, before allowance for losses, increased \$16.3 billion from December 31, 2005, primarily as a result of core growth (\$32.6 billion), the effects of the weaker U.S. dollar at June 30, 2006 (\$4.5 billion) and acquisitions (\$2.6 billion), partially offset by securitizations and sales (\$20.9 billion) and loans transferred to assets held for sale (\$1.3 billion). Related nonearning receivables were \$4.5 billion (1.5% of outstanding receivables) at June 30, 2006, compared with \$4.1 billion (1.4% of outstanding receivables) at year-end 2005. This increase was primarily related to the weaker U.S. dollar and higher nonearning receivables in our European secured financing business at Consumer Finance, a business that tends to experience relatively higher delinquencies but lower losses than the rest of our consumer portfolio.

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Delinquency rates on managed Commercial Finance equipment loans and leases and managed Consumer Finance financing receivables follow.

	Deli	nquency rates	s at
	6/30/06 ^(a)	12/31/05	6/30/05
Commercial Finance	1.29%	1.31%	1.31%
Consumer Finance	5.22	5.08	5.15

(a) Subject to update.

Delinquency rates at Commercial Finance decreased from December 31, 2005, and June 30, 2005, to June 30, 2006, primarily resulting from improved credit quality across all portfolios.

Delinquency rates at Consumer Finance increased from December 31, 2005, to June 30, 2006, as a result of higher delinquencies in our European secured financing business, discussed above, and our Australian business, which generally obtains credit insurance for certain receivables, partially offset by decreases in our U.S. business resulting from a continued strong economic environment. The increase from June 30, 2005, to June 30, 2006, reflected higher delinquencies in our European secured financing and Australian businesses, discussed above.

D. Debt Instruments

During the first six months of 2006, GECS and GECS affiliates issued \$43 billion of senior, unsecured long-term debt. This debt was both fixed and floating rate and was issued to institutional and retail investors in the U.S. and 15 other global markets. Maturities for these issuances ranged from one to forty years. We used the proceeds for repayment of maturing long-term debt, and to fund acquisitions and organic growth. We anticipate that we will issue between \$22 billion and \$32 billion of additional long-term debt during the remainder of 2006, mostly to repay maturing long-term debt. The ultimate amount we issue will depend on our needs and on the markets.

E. Other Information

New Accounting Standards

In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued two related standards that address accounting for income taxes: FASB Interpretation No. (FIN) 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes*, and FASB Staff Position (FSP) FAS 13-2, *Accounting for a Change in the Timing of Cash Flows Relating to Income Taxes Generated by a Leveraged Lease Transaction*. Among other things, FIN 48 requires applying a "more likely than not" threshold to the recognition and derecognition of tax positions, while FSP FAS 13-2 requires a recalculation of returns on leveraged leases if there is a change or projected change in the timing of cash flows relating to income taxes generated by the leveraged lease. The new guidance will be effective for us on January 1, 2007. We expect the transition effects to be modest and to consist of reclassification of certain income tax-related liabilities in our Statement of Financial Position and an immaterial adjustment to the balance of retained earnings. Prior periods will not be restated as a result of this required accounting change.

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Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Under the direction of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we evaluated our disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting and concluded that (i) our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of June 30, 2006, and (ii) no change in internal control over financial reporting occurred during the quarter ended June 30, 2006, that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, such internal control over financial reporting.

Part II. Other Information

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

As previously reported, since January 2005, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) staff has been conducting an investigation of the use of hedge accounting for derivatives by us and General Electric Capital Corporation (GE Capital). In August 2005 the SEC staff advised us that the SEC had issued a formal order of investigation in the matter. The SEC staff has subpoenaed documents and is taking testimony, and we and GE Capital continue to respond to staff inquiries in connection with the matter. We and GE Capital have been cooperating fully with the investigation.

Item 2. Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliated Purchasers

Period ^(a) (Shares in thousands)	Total number of shares purchased ^(b)	Average price paid per share	Total number of shares purchased as part of our share repurchase program ^(c)	Approximate dollar value of shares that may yet be purchased under our share repurchase program
2006				
April	36,962	\$34.19	27,474	
May	26,943	\$34.38	23,640	
June	30,952	\$33.77	29,240	
Total	94,857	\$34.10	80,354	\$13.9 billion

- (a) Information is presented on a fiscal calendar basis, consistent with our quarterly financial reporting.
- (b) This category includes 14,503 thousand shares repurchased from our various benefit plans, primarily the GE Savings and Security Program (the S&SP). Through the S&SP, a defined contribution plan with Internal Revenue Service Code 401(k) features, we repurchase shares resulting from changes in investment options by plan participants.
- (c) This balance represents the number of shares that were repurchased through the 2004 GE Share Repurchase Program as modified by the GE Board in November 2005 (the Program) under which we were authorized to repurchase up to \$25 billion of our common stock through 2008. The Program is flexible and shares are acquired with a combination of borrowings and free cash flow from the public markets and other

sources, including GE Stock Direct, a stock purchase plan that is available to the public. As major acquisitions or other circumstances warrant, we modify the frequency and amount of share repurchases under the Program.

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

- (a) The annual meeting of Shareowners of General Electric Company was held on April 26, 2006.
- (b) All director nominees were elected.
- (c) Certain matters voted upon at the meeting and the votes cast with respect to such matters are as follows:

Proposals and Vote Tabulations

Votes Cast					Broker
Managem	ent Proposals	For	Against	Abstain	Non-votes
Ratification independent auditors for		8,327,308,580	363,656,494	74,246,892	-
Shareown	er Proposals				
(1)	Relating to cumulative				
	voting	1,414,418,654	4,919,628,553	404,894,997	2,026,269,762
(2)	Relating to over-extended				
(0)	directors	2,199,744,907	4,317,716,499	221,480,798	2,026,269,762
(3)	Relating to director nominee from retiree ranks	s 274,809,542	6,344,083,122	120,049,540	2,026,269,762
(4)	Relating to independent				
(5)	board chairman	994,941,918	5,627,575,028	116,425,258	2,026,269,762
(5)	Relating to majority vote standard	1,277,578,892	5,317,444,285	143,919,027	2,026,269,762
(6)	Relating to global				
	warming	427,409,472	5,735,885,995	575,646,737	2,026,269,762

Election of Directors

Votes Received	Votes Withheld
8,355,930,396	409,281,570
8,541,699,426	223,512,540
8,381,907,695	383,304,271
6,847,945,319	1,917,266,647
8,526,295,069	238,916,897
8,481,139,428	284,072,538
8,613,471,726	151,740,240
8,613,657,332	151,554,634
8,611,685,496	153,526,470
8,609,289,841	155,922,125
	Received 8,355,930,396 8,541,699,426 8,381,907,695 6,847,945,319 8,526,295,069 8,481,139,428 8,613,471,726 8,613,657,332 8,611,685,496

Sam Nunn	8,568,765,821	196,446,145
Roger S. Penske	8,319,117,105	446,094,861
Robert J. Swieringa	8,361,462,892	403,749,074
Douglas A. Warner III	8,287,722,690	477,489,276
Robert C. Wright	8,541,959,442	223,252,524

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Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibit 11 Computation of Per Share Earnings*.

Exhibit 12 Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.

Exhibit Certification Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as

31(a) Amended.

Exhibit Certification Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as

31(b) Amended.

Exhibit 32 Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350.

Exhibit 99 Financial Measures That Supplement Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

* Data required by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No.

128, *Earnings per Share*, is provided in note 6 to the condensed, consolidated financial statements in this report.

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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.

General Electric Company

(Registrant)

July 24, 2006 /s/ Philip D. Ameen
Date Philip D. Ameen

Vice President and Comptroller Duly Authorized Officer and Principal Accounting Officer

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