

News Release

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Boise Inc. Announces Financial Results for First Quarter 2010

BOISE, Idaho – Boise Inc. (NYSE: BZ) today reported a net loss of \$12.7 million or (\$0.16) per diluted share for first quarter 2010 compared with a first quarter 2009 net loss of \$0.9 million or (\$0.01) per diluted share. Net income excluding special items in first quarter 2010 was \$3.0 million or \$0.04 per diluted share compared with \$2.7 million or \$0.03 per diluted share in first quarter 2009.

EBITDA excluding special items was \$54.9 million for first quarter 2010 compared with \$58.6 million for first quarter 2009.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (in millions, except per-share data)

	1Q 2010	1Q 2009	4Q 2009
Sales	\$ 494.1	\$ 500.3	\$ 490.3
Net income (loss)	\$ (12.7)	\$ (0.9)	\$ 55.7
Net income (loss) per diluted share	\$ (0.16)	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.66
Net income excluding special items (a)	\$ 3.0	\$ 2.7	\$ 4.2
Net income excluding special items per diluted share (a)	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.05
EBITDA (b)	\$ 29.3	\$ 52.7	\$ 84.3
EBITDA excluding special items (b)	\$ 54.9	\$ 58.6	\$ 54.4
Net total debt	\$ 693.9	\$ 1,016.5	\$ 736.5

(a) For reconciliation of net income (loss) excluding special items to net income (loss), see "Summary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and Segment Information."

(b) For reconciliation of net income (loss) to EBITDA and EBITDA to EBITDA excluding special items, see "Summary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and Segment Information."

"We operated well during the first quarter and saw improving conditions in our key markets," said Alexander Toeldte, President and Chief Executive Officer of Boise Inc. "We grew our premium office, label and release, and flexible packaging products sales volumes 17% over the prior year, experienced strong demand in our corrugated packaging products, and continued to deliver solid results in our office papers

business. We extended debt maturities and reduced balance sheet risk through the debt refinancing we completed in March. As expected, fiber and energy input costs increased during the quarter, and we experienced seasonal increases in working capital and increased maintenance expenditures from our planned annual outage at DeRidder. Looking ahead, we expect to begin to benefit from recent price increases across our businesses in the second quarter."

Sales

Total sales for first quarter 2010 were \$494.1 million, down \$6.2 million, or 1%, from \$500.3 million for first quarter 2009 and up \$3.8 million from fourth quarter 2009 sales of \$490.3 million.

Paper segment sales increased \$1.5 million during first quarter 2010 compared with first quarter 2009, as increased sales volumes were offset partially by lower sales prices. In first quarter 2009, we took market downtime to balance supply with customer demand.

Packaging segment sales decreased \$8.9 million during first quarter 2010 compared with first quarter 2009, driven by lower sales prices for segment linerboard, newsprint, and corrugated products and lower sales volumes of newsprint due to the idling of our DeRidder #2 newsprint machine in April 2009. These declines were offset partially by higher sales volumes of segment linerboard and corrugated products.

Prices and Volumes

Pricing for uncoated freesheet improved in first quarter 2010 sequentially from fourth quarter 2009 but declined compared with first quarter 2009. Average net selling prices for uncoated freesheet papers declined \$40 per ton, or 4%, to \$941 per ton during first quarter 2010 compared with first quarter 2009 and increased 1% from fourth quarter 2009. In first quarter 2010, we implemented a \$40-per-ton price increase across most of our uncoated freesheet grades, including cut-size office papers, offset, and midweight opaque grades. In April 2010, we announced a \$60-per-ton price increase across virtually all of our uncoated office papers and printing and converting grades effective in May 2010. Overall, uncoated freesheet sales volumes were 312,000 tons during first quarter 2010, an increase of 3% versus the prior year period, and up 1% from fourth quarter 2009 due to improved demand trends and reduced market downtime. Combined sales volumes of premium office, label and release, and flexible packaging papers,

which represented 29% of our total first quarter 2010 uncoated freesheet sales volumes, increased by 17% compared with first quarter 2009.

Corrugated container and sheet sales volumes improved 14% during first quarter 2010 compared with first quarter 2009 and increased 4% from fourth quarter 2009, due primarily to increased sales of sheets from our sheet feeder plant in Texas. Corrugated container and sheet prices declined 12% in first quarter 2010 from first quarter 2009, driven by lower selling prices for containerboard and product mix changes. Corrugated container and sheet prices decreased 2% compared with fourth quarter 2009.

More favorable market conditions led to increased linerboard sales volumes to third parties, which were up 62%, to 62,000 tons, compared with first quarter 2009. Third-party sales volumes decreased by 26% sequentially from fourth quarter 2009 as improved sales volumes in our corrugated product and sheet operations during first quarter 2010 resulted in less linerboard available for sales to third parties. Linerboard net selling prices to third parties declined to \$296 per ton in first quarter 2010 from \$352 per ton in first quarter 2009 and improved 1% compared with fourth quarter 2009. In first quarter 2010, we implemented a \$50-per-ton and \$70-per-ton price increase on domestic linerboard sales in the eastern and western U.S., respectively. In April, we announced an additional \$60-per-ton increase on domestic linerboard sales.

Input Costs

Total fiber, energy, and chemical costs for first quarter 2010 were \$228.0 million, an increase of \$22.3 million, or 11%, compared with costs of \$205.7 million for first quarter 2009. The increase was driven primarily by higher fiber costs and higher consumption of all inputs due to increased production and sales volumes.

INPUT COST SUMMARY (in millions)

	1Q 2010	1Q 2009	4Q 2009
Fiber	\$ 115.5	\$ 94.1	\$ 106.5
Energy	63.4	60.8	45.7
Chemicals	49.1	50.8	52.8
Total	\$ 228.0	\$ 205.7	\$ 205.0

Total fiber costs during first quarter 2010 were \$115.5 million, an increase of \$21.4 million, or 23%, from \$94.1 million incurred in first quarter 2009. This was due to increased fiber consumption, higher pulp prices, and increased wood costs in our Alabama operating region as a result of wet weather during the quarter. Fiber costs in first quarter 2010 increased \$9.0 million, or 8%, compared with \$106.5 million in fourth quarter 2009.

Energy costs in first quarter 2010 were \$63.4 million, an increase of \$2.6 million, or 4%, compared with \$60.8 million in first quarter 2009, driven by increased consumption of energy due to higher production volumes, offset partially by lower prices for natural gas and electricity. Energy costs in first quarter 2010 increased \$17.7 million, or 39%, from \$45.7 million in fourth quarter 2009 due to seasonal increases in consumption as a result of colder winter weather.

Chemical costs in first quarter 2010 were \$49.1 million, a decrease of \$1.7 million, or 3%, compared with \$50.8 million in first quarter 2009. Chemical costs were down \$3.7 million, or 7%, compared with \$52.8 million in fourth quarter 2009. The key drivers were lower prices offset partially by higher consumption of commodity chemicals.

Refinancing

In March 2010, we refinanced our variable rate debt due in 2014 with fixed rate debt due in 2020, extending maturities, fixing interest rates, and increasing our financial flexibility. In connection with the refinancing, we recognized a \$22.2 million noncash loss on the extinguishment of debt during the three months ended March 31, 2010.

Webcast and Conference Call

Boise Inc. will host a webcast and conference call on Tuesday, May 4, 2010, at 12:00 p.m. ET, at which time we will review the company's recent performance. To participate in the conference call, dial 866-841-1001 (international callers should dial 832-445-1689). The webcast may be accessed through Boise's Internet site and will be archived for one year following the call. Go to www.BoiseInc.com and click on the link to the webcast under Webcasts & Presentations on the Investors drop-down menu.

A replay of the conference call will be available in Webcasts & Presentations from May 4 at 3:00 p.m. ET through June 4 at 11:45 p.m. ET. Playback numbers are 800-642-1687 for U.S. callers and 706-645-9291 for international callers. The passcode is 69548759.

About Boise Inc.

Headquartered in Boise, Idaho, Boise Inc. (NYSE: BZ) manufactures packaging products and papers including corrugated containers, containerboard, label and release and flexible packaging papers, imaging papers for the office and home, printing and converting papers, newsprint, and market pulp. Our employees are committed to delivering excellent value while managing our businesses to sustain environmental resources for future generations. Visit our website at www.BoiseInc.com.

Basis of Presentation

We present our consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Our earnings release also supplements the GAAP presentations by reflecting EBITDA. EBITDA represents income (loss) before interest (change in fair value of interest rate derivatives, interest expense, and interest income), income taxes, and depreciation, amortization, and depletion. EBITDA is the primary measure used by our chief operating decision makers to evaluate segment operating performance and to decide how to allocate resources to segments. We believe EBITDA is useful to investors because it provides a means to evaluate the operating performance of our segments and our company on an ongoing basis using criteria that are used by our internal decision makers and because it is frequently used by investors and other interested parties in the evaluation of companies with substantial financial leverage. We believe EBITDA is a meaningful measure because it presents a transparent view of our recurring operating performance and allows management to readily view operating trends, perform analytical comparisons, and identify strategies to improve operating performance. For example, we believe that the inclusion of items such as taxes, interest expense, and interest income distorts management's ability to assess and view the core operating trends in our segments. EBITDA, however, is not a measure of our liquidity or financial performance under GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to net income (loss), income (loss) from operations, or any other performance measure derived in accordance with GAAP or as an alternative to cash flow from operating activities as a

measure of our liquidity. The use of EBITDA instead of net income (loss) or segment income (loss) has limitations as an analytical tool, including the inability to determine profitability; the exclusion of interest and associated significant cash requirements; and the exclusion of depreciation, amortization, and depletion, which represent significant and unavoidable operating costs, given the level of our indebtedness and the capital expenditures needed to maintain our businesses. Management compensates for these limitations by relying on our GAAP results. Our measures of EBITDA are not necessarily comparable to other similarly titled captions of other companies due to potential inconsistencies in the methods of calculation.

Forward-Looking Statements

This news release contains statements that are "forward looking" as defined by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, any statement that may predict, forecast, indicate, or imply future results, performance, or achievements. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, including but not limited to economic, competitive, and technological factors outside our control that may cause our business, strategy, or actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements. Statements regarding announced price increases on our products are considered forward looking; accordingly, there can be no assurance that we will be able to implement or realize all or any part of such price increases. For further information about the risks and uncertainties associated with our business, please refer to our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The company does not intend, and undertakes no obligation, to update any forward-looking statements.

Boise Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss)
(unaudited, dollars in thousands, except share and per-share data)

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31		December 31,
	2010	2009	2009
Sales			
Trade	\$ 485,851	\$ 484,868	\$ 481,853
Related parties	8,254	15,417	8,422
	<u>494,105</u>	<u>500,285</u>	<u>490,275</u>
Costs and expenses			
Materials, labor, and other operating expenses	408,485	413,139	395,455
Fiber costs from related parties	9,831	5,703	11,897
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	32,131	31,972	33,720
Selling and distribution expenses	13,734	13,782	14,130
General and administrative expenses	11,459	10,373	14,373
St. Helens mill restructuring	128	3,648	(378)
Alternative fuel mixture credits, net	-	-	(72,698)
Other (income) expense, net	(303)	239	(378)
	<u>475,465</u>	<u>478,856</u>	<u>396,121</u>
Income from operations	<u>18,640</u>	<u>21,429</u>	<u>94,154</u>
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	687	(678)	563
Change in fair value of interest rate derivatives	(29)	(132)	(52)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(22,197)	-	(44,102)
Interest expense	(16,445)	(22,154)	(18,284)
Interest income	37	54	92
	<u>(37,947)</u>	<u>(22,910)</u>	<u>(61,783)</u>
Income (loss) before income taxes	<u>(19,307)</u>	<u>(1,481)</u>	<u>32,371</u>
Income tax (provision) benefit	6,622	565	23,349
Net income (loss)	<u>\$ (12,685)</u>	<u>\$ (916)</u>	<u>\$ 55,720</u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding:			
Basic	79,800,010	77,491,233	79,130,897
Diluted	79,800,010	77,491,233	84,232,429
Net income (loss) per common share:			
Basic	\$ (0.16)	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.70
Diluted	\$ (0.16)	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.66

Segment Information
(unaudited, dollars in thousands)

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31		December 31,
	2010	2009	2009
Segment sales			
Paper	\$ 353,489	\$ 351,995	\$ 345,602
Packaging	148,154	157,132	150,574
Intersegment eliminations and other	(7,538)	(8,842)	(5,901)
	<u>\$ 494,105</u>	<u>\$ 500,285</u>	<u>\$ 490,275</u>
Segment income (loss)			
Paper (1)	\$ 29,943	\$ 24,776	\$ 75,112
Packaging (1)	(5,770)	1,125	23,344
Corporate and Other (1)	(4,846)	(5,150)	(3,739)
	<u>19,327</u>	<u>20,751</u>	<u>94,717</u>
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EBITDA (2)			
Paper (1)	\$ 51,412	\$ 46,122	\$ 96,637
Packaging (1)	3,926	10,781	34,466
Corporate and Other (1) (3)	(26,077)	(4,180)	(46,768)
	<u>\$ 29,261</u>	<u>\$ 52,723</u>	<u>\$ 84,335</u>

- (1) The three months ended December 31, 2009, included \$50.1 million of income recorded in the Paper segment, \$22.2 million of income recorded in the Packaging segment, and \$0.4 million of income recorded in the Corporate and Other segment relating to alternative fuel mixture credits. These amounts are net of fees and expenses and before taxes.
- (2) See Summary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and Segment information for a reconciliation of our EBITDA to net income (loss).
- (3) The three months ended March 31, 2010, and December 31, 2009, include \$22.2 million and \$44.1 million, respectively, of loss on extinguishment of debt.

Boise Inc.
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(unaudited, dollars in thousands)

	March 31, 2010	December 31, 2009
ASSETS		
Current		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 91,068	\$ 69,393
Short-term investments	7,232	10,023
Receivables		
Trade, less allowances of \$760 and \$839	183,719	185,110
Related parties	1,578	2,056
Other (1)	6,167	62,410
Inventories	266,073	252,173
Deferred income taxes	11,279	-
Prepaid and other	5,836	4,819
	572,952	585,984
Property		
Property and equipment, net	1,189,743	1,205,679
Fiber farms and deposits	16,884	17,094
	1,206,627	1,222,773
Deferred financing costs	34,614	47,369
Intangible assets, net	31,670	32,358
Other assets	7,402	7,306
Total assets	\$ 1,853,265	\$ 1,895,790

- (1) December 31, 2009, includes a \$56.6 million receivable for alternative fuel mixture credits. This amount was collected during first quarter 2010.

Boise Inc.
Consolidated Balance Sheets (continued)
(unaudited, dollars in thousands, except share and per-share data)

	<u>March 31, 2010</u>	<u>December 31, 2009</u>
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 16,663	\$ 30,711
Income taxes payable	98	240
Accounts payable		
Trade	174,442	172,518
Related parties	941	2,598
Accrued liabilities		
Compensation and benefits	45,636	67,948
Interest payable	12,443	4,946
Other	17,647	23,735
	<u>267,870</u>	<u>302,696</u>
Debt		
Long-term debt, less current portion	<u>775,581</u>	<u>785,216</u>
Other		
Deferred income taxes	48,777	32,253
Compensation and benefits	120,686	123,889
Other long-term liabilities	30,681	30,801
	<u>200,144</u>	<u>186,943</u>
Commitments and contingent liabilities		
Stockholders' Equity		
Preferred stock, \$.0001 par value per share:	-	-
1,000,000 shares authorized; none issued		
Common stock, \$.0001 par value per share:	8	8
250,000,000 shares authorized;		
84,792,231 shares and 84,418,691 shares issued and outstanding		
Additional paid-in capital	579,563	578,669
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(71,027)	(71,553)
Retained earnings	101,126	113,811
Total stockholders' equity	<u>609,670</u>	<u>620,935</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 1,853,265</u>	<u>\$ 1,895,790</u>

Boise Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(unaudited, dollars in thousands)

	Three Months Ended March 31	
	2010	2009
Cash provided by (used for) operations		
Net income (loss)	\$ (12,685)	\$ (916)
Items in net income (loss) not using (providing) cash		
Depreciation, depletion, and amortization		
of deferred financing costs and other	35,066	35,030
Share-based compensation expense	894	857
Notes payable interest expense	-	2,623
Pension and other postretirement benefit expense	2,438	2,450
Deferred income taxes	(7,461)	(844)
Change in fair value of energy derivatives	3,330	2,191
Change in fair value of interest rate derivatives	29	132
(Gain) loss on sales of assets, net	(114)	(20)
Other	(687)	678
Loss on extinguishment of debt	22,197	-
Decrease (increase) in working capital, net of acquisitions		
Receivables	58,213	38,800
Inventories	(16,085)	25,258
Prepaid expenses	389	256
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(13,057)	(19,577)
Current and deferred income taxes	831	(39)
Pension and other postretirement benefit payments	(5,657)	(1,319)
Other	321	128
Cash provided by operations	<u>67,962</u>	<u>85,688</u>
Cash provided by (used for) investment		
Acquisitions of businesses and facilities	-	(543)
Expenditures for property and equipment	(14,734)	(17,171)
Purchases of short-term investments	(2,388)	-
Maturities of short-term investments	5,182	-
Sales of assets	22	61
Other	1,093	(412)
Cash used for investment	<u>(10,825)</u>	<u>(18,065)</u>
Cash provided by (used for) financing		
Issuances of long-term debt	300,000	10,000
Payments of long-term debt	(323,683)	(72,631)
Payments of deferred financing fees	(11,779)	-
Cash used for financing	<u>(35,462)</u>	<u>(62,631)</u>
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	21,675	4,992
Balance at beginning of the period	69,393	22,518
Balance at end of the period	<u>\$ 91,068</u>	<u>\$ 27,510</u>

Summary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and Segment Information

The Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss), Consolidated Balance Sheets, Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and Segment Information do not include all Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and should be read in conjunction with the Company's 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K and the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2010, as well as other reports the Company files with the SEC. Net income (loss) for all periods presented involved estimates and accruals.

Boise Inc. operates its business in three reportable segments: Paper, Packaging, and Corporate and Other (support services). Boise Inc. manufactures and sells a range of papers, including communication-based papers, packaging-demand-driven papers, and market pulp. Boise Inc. also manufactures and sells corrugated containers and sheets as well as linerboard and newsprint.

EBITDA represents income (loss) before interest (change in fair value of interest rate derivatives, interest expense, and interest income), income taxes, and depreciation, amortization, and depletion. The following table reconciles net income (loss) to EBITDA for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, and the three months ended December 31, 2009 (unaudited, dollars in thousands):

	March 31		December 31,
	2010	2009	2009
Net income (loss)	\$ (12,685)	\$ (916)	\$ 55,720
Change in fair value of interest rate derivatives	29	132	52
Interest expense	16,445	22,154	18,284
Interest income	(37)	(54)	(92)
Income tax provision (benefit)	(6,622)	(565)	(23,349)
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	32,131	31,972	33,720
EBITDA	<u>\$ 29,261</u>	<u>\$ 52,723</u>	<u>\$ 84,335</u>

The following table reconciles EBITDA to EBITDA excluding special items for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, and the three months ended December 31, 2009 (unaudited, dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		
	March 31		December 31,
	2010	2009	2009
EBITDA	\$ 29,261	\$ 52,723	\$ 84,335
St. Helens mill restructuring (a)	128	3,648	(378)
Change in fair value of energy hedges	3,330	2,191	(976)
Alternative fuel mixture credits (b)	-	-	(72,698)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	22,197	-	44,102
EBITDA excluding special items	<u>\$ 54,916</u>	<u>\$ 58,562</u>	<u>\$ 54,385</u>

- (a) In November 2008, we announced the restructuring of our St. Helens, Oregon, paper mill. We continue to incur decommissioning and other miscellaneous costs related to the restructuring of the mill. These expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred.
- (b) During the three months ended December 31, 2009, we recorded \$72.7 million of alternative fuel mixture credits, net of associated fees and expenses and before taxes. We recorded these amounts in "Alternative fuel mixture credits, net" in our Consolidated Statement of Income (Loss). At December 31, 2009, we had \$56.6 million recorded in "Receivables, other" related to these credits. During first quarter 2010, we collected \$56.6 million related to these credits.

The following table reconciles net income (loss) to net income (loss) excluding special items and presents net income (loss) excluding special items per diluted share for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, and the three months ended December 31, 2009 (unaudited, dollars in thousands, except share and per-share data):

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Alternative fuel mixture credits	-	-	(72,698)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	22,197	-	44,102
Tax impact of special items (a)	(9,928)	(2,260)	11,591
Reversal of income tax valuation allowances	-	-	(33,180)
Net income (loss) excluding special items	<u>\$ 3,042</u>	<u>\$ 2,663</u>	<u>\$ 4,181</u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding: dilute	84,194,612	79,078,590	84,232,429
Net income (loss) excluding special items per diluted share	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.05

(a) Special items are tax effected in the aggregate at an assumed combined federal and state statutory rate of 38.7%.

The following table reconciles total debt to net total debt as of March 31, 2010 and 2009, and December 31, 2009 (unaudited, dollars in thousands):

	March 31, 2010	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2009
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 16,663	\$ 7,479	\$ 30,711
Long-term debt, less current portion	775,581	967,340	785,216
Notes payable	-	69,229	-
Total debt	792,244	1,044,048	815,927
Less cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments	(98,300)	(27,510)	(79,416)
Net total debt	<u>\$ 693,944</u>	<u>\$ 1,016,538</u>	<u>\$ 736,511</u>

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EBITDA excluding special items was \$67.0 million for second quarter 2010 compared with \$53.0 million for second quarter 2009.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(in millions, except per-share data)

	2Q 2010	2Q 2009	1Q 2010
Sales	\$ 521.6	\$ 479.4	\$ 494.1
Net income (loss)	\$ 13.3	\$ 50.9	\$ (12.7)
Net income (loss) per diluted share	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.60	\$ (0.16)
Net income excluding special items (a)	\$ 11.4	\$ 3.3	\$ 3.0
Net income excluding special items per diluted share (a)	\$ 0.14	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.04
EBITDA (b)	\$ 70.1	\$ 130.6	\$ 29.3
EBITDA excluding special items (b)	\$ 67.0	\$ 53.0	\$ 54.9
Net total debt at quarter end (c)	\$ 657.1	\$ 901.7	\$ 693.9

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"During the second quarter, we began to benefit from improving pricing trends in both packaging and paper markets and experienced growth in our packaging and packaging demand-driven paper businesses," said Alexander Toeldte, President and Chief Executive Officer of Boise Inc. "Shipments in our corrugated packaging business were up 17% over the prior year, and sales volumes of our premium office,

label and release, and flexible packaging products grew 14% over the prior year period. During the second quarter, we completed planned annual outages at our International Falls and Wallula mills. Looking ahead to the third quarter, we have no planned annual maintenance outages and expect to continue to benefit from the recently implemented price increases."

Sales

Total sales for second quarter 2010 were \$521.6 million, up \$42.2 million, or 9%, from \$479.4 million for second quarter 2009 and up \$27.5 million from first quarter 2010 sales of \$494.1 million.

Paper segment sales increased \$7.8 million during second quarter 2010 compared with second quarter 2009 due primarily to increased sales prices. Packaging segment sales increased \$35.9 million during second quarter 2010 compared with second quarter 2009 driven by higher sales volumes for corrugated products and newsprint and higher sales prices for linerboard and newsprint. These increases were offset partially by lower sales prices of corrugated products compared with the prior year.

Prices and Volumes

Pricing for uncoated freesheet improved in second quarter 2010 compared with second quarter 2009 and first quarter 2010. Average net selling prices for uncoated freesheet papers increased \$12 per ton, or 1%, to \$970 per ton during second quarter 2010 compared with second quarter 2009 and increased \$29 per ton from first quarter 2010. In first quarter 2010, we implemented a \$40-per-ton price increase across most of our uncoated freesheet grades, including cut-size office papers, offset, and midweight opaque grades. In April 2010, we announced a \$60-per-ton price increase effective in May across virtually all of our uncoated office papers and printing and converting grades, from which we expect to further benefit beginning in third quarter 2010. Overall, uncoated freesheet sales volumes were 312,000 tons during second quarter 2010, a decrease of 1% versus the prior year period, and flat from first quarter 2010. Combined sales volumes of premium office, label and release, and flexible packaging papers, which represented 32% of our total second quarter 2010 uncoated freesheet sales volumes, increased by 14% compared with second quarter 2009.

Corrugated container and sheet sales volumes improved 17% during second quarter 2010 compared with second quarter 2009 and increased 4% from first quarter 2010. This increase was due primarily to increased sales of sheets from our sheet feeder plant in Texas as a result of improving

industrial markets in the area. Corrugated container and sheet prices increased 6% sequentially from first quarter 2010 driven by higher selling prices for containerboard. Corrugated container and sheet prices decreased 5% in second quarter 2010 from second quarter 2009 driven primarily by an increased sales mix of corrugated sheets relative to corrugated containers.

Linerboard net selling prices to third parties increased \$38 per ton, or 13%, to \$340 per ton in second quarter 2010 compared with \$302 per ton in second quarter 2009 and improved \$44 per ton sequentially from first quarter 2010. In first quarter 2010, we implemented a \$50-per-ton and \$70-per-ton price increase on domestic linerboard sales in the eastern and western U.S., respectively. During second quarter, we implemented an additional \$60-per-ton increase on domestic linerboard sales. In July, we announced an additional \$60-per-ton increase on domestic linerboard sales effective on August orders. Linerboard sales volumes to third parties were 54,000 tons during second quarter 2010, flat from second quarter 2009. Third-party sales volumes decreased 13% sequentially from first quarter 2010 as improved sales volumes in our corrugated product and sheet operations during second quarter 2010 resulted in less linerboard available for sales to third parties.

Input Costs

Total fiber, energy, and chemical costs for second quarter 2010 were \$215.1 million, an increase of \$31.4 million, or 17%, compared with costs of \$183.7 million for second quarter 2009. The increase was driven primarily by higher fiber costs and higher consumption of all inputs due to increased production volumes.

INPUT COST SUMMARY			
(in millions)			
	<u>2Q 2010</u>	<u>2Q 2009</u>	<u>1Q 2010</u>
Fiber	\$ 117.1	\$ 92.2	\$ 115.5
Energy	48.1	40.5	63.4
Chemicals	49.9	51.0	49.1
Total	<u>\$ 215.1</u>	<u>\$ 183.7</u>	<u>\$ 228.0</u>

Total fiber costs during second quarter 2010 were \$117.1 million, an increase of \$24.9 million, or 27%, from \$92.2 million incurred in second quarter 2009. This was due to higher purchased pulp prices

and increased fiber consumption. Fiber costs in second quarter 2010 increased \$1.6 million, or 1%, compared with \$115.5 million in first quarter 2010.

Energy costs in second quarter 2010 were \$48.1 million, an increase of \$7.6 million, or 19%, compared with \$40.5 million in second quarter 2009. This was driven by increased consumption of energy due to higher production volumes, offset partially in the Paper segment by lower electrical prices and more favorable energy mix. Energy costs in second quarter 2010 decreased \$15.3 million, or 24%, from \$63.4 million in first quarter 2010 due to seasonal decreases in consumption and lower natural gas prices.

Chemical costs in second quarter 2010 were \$49.9 million, a decrease of \$1.1 million, or 2%, compared with \$51.0 million in second quarter 2009 as lower prices were offset partially by higher consumption of commodity chemicals. Chemical costs were up \$0.8 million, or 2%, compared with \$49.1 million in first quarter 2010 due to higher prices.

Webcast and Conference Call

Boise Inc. will host a webcast and conference call on Tuesday, August 3, 2010, at 12:00 p.m. ET, at which time we will review the company's recent performance. To participate in the conference call, dial 866-841-1001 (international callers should dial 832-445-1689). The webcast may be accessed through Boise's Internet site and will be archived for one year following the call. Go to www.BoiseInc.com and click on the link to the webcast under Webcasts & Presentations on the Investors drop-down menu.

A replay of the conference call will be available in Webcasts & Presentations from August 3 at 3:00 p.m. ET through August 31 at 11:45 p.m. ET. Playback numbers are 800-642-1687 for U.S. callers and 706-645-9291 for international callers. The passcode is 88822731.

About Boise Inc.

Headquartered in Boise, Idaho, Boise Inc. (NYSE: BZ) manufactures packaging products and papers including corrugated containers, containerboard, label and release and flexible packaging papers, imaging papers for the office and home, printing and converting papers, newsprint, and market pulp. Our employees are committed to delivering excellent value while managing our businesses to sustain environmental resources for future generations. Visit our website at www.BoiseInc.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This news release contains statements that are "forward looking" as defined by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, any statement that may predict, forecast, indicate, or imply future results, performance, or achievements. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, including but not limited to economic, competitive, and technological factors outside our control that may cause our business, strategy, or actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements. Statements regarding announced price increases on our products and the benefits we expect to derive from such increases are considered forward looking; accordingly, there can be no assurance that we will be able to implement or realize all or any part of such price increases. For further information about the risks and uncertainties associated with our business, please refer to our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The company does not intend, and undertakes no obligation, to update any forward-looking statements.

Boise Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss)
(unaudited, dollars and shares in thousands, except per-share data)

	Three Months Ended		
	June 30		March 31,
	2010	2009	2010
Sales			
Trade	\$ 511,012	\$ 469,877	\$ 485,851
Related parties	10,549	9,490	8,254
	<u>521,561</u>	<u>479,367</u>	<u>494,105</u>
Costs and expenses			
Materials, labor, and other operating expenses	419,594	386,013	408,485
Fiber costs from related parties	5,168	8,933	9,831
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	32,267	32,892	32,131
Selling and distribution expenses	14,254	14,024	13,734
General and administrative expenses	12,569	12,691	11,459
St. Helens mill restructuring	(434)	1,133	128
Alternative fuel mixture credits, net	-	(75,337)	-
Other (income) expense, net	(11)	2,434	(303)
	<u>483,407</u>	<u>382,783</u>	<u>475,465</u>
Income from operations	<u>38,154</u>	<u>96,584</u>	<u>18,640</u>
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	(323)	1,157	687
Change in fair value of interest rate derivatives	(13)	627	(29)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(28)	-	(22,197)
Interest expense	(16,165)	(21,389)	(16,445)
Interest income	61	91	37
	<u>(16,468)</u>	<u>(19,514)</u>	<u>(37,947)</u>
Income (loss) before income taxes	21,686	77,070	(19,307)
Income tax (provision) benefit	(8,376)	(26,187)	6,622
Net income (loss)	<u>\$ 13,310</u>	<u>\$ 50,883</u>	<u>\$ (12,685)</u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding:			
Basic	80,624	78,142	79,800
Diluted	84,093	84,254	79,800
Net income (loss) per common share:			
Basic	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.65	\$ (0.16)
Diluted	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.60	\$ (0.16)

Segment Information
(unaudited, dollars in thousands)

	Three Months Ended		
	June 30		March 31,
	2010	2009	2010
Segment sales			
Paper	\$ 364,199	\$ 356,401	\$ 353,489
Packaging	166,143	130,237	148,154
Intersegment eliminations and other	(8,781)	(7,271)	(7,538)
	\$ 521,561	\$ 479,367	\$ 494,105
Segment income (loss)			
Paper (1)	\$ 25,708	\$ 84,505	\$ 29,943
Packaging (1)	17,105	20,330	(5,770)
Corporate and Other (1)	(4,982)	(7,094)	(4,846)
	37,831	97,741	19,327
Change in fair value of interest rate derivatives	(13)	627	(29)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(28)	-	(22,197)
Interest expense	(16,165)	(21,389)	(16,445)
Interest income	61	91	37
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ 21,686	\$ 77,070	\$ (19,307)
EBITDA (2)			
Paper (1)	\$ 47,406	\$ 105,604	\$ 51,412
Packaging (1)	26,684	31,108	3,926
Corporate and Other (1) (3)	(4,020)	(6,079)	(26,077)
	\$ 70,070	\$ 130,633	\$ 29,261

- (1) The three months ended June 30, 2009, included \$57.0 million of income recorded in the Paper segment, \$19.9 million of income recorded in the Packaging segment, and \$1.6 million of expenses recorded in the Corporate and Other segment relating to alternative fuel mixture credits. These amounts are net of fees and expenses and before taxes.
- (2) See Summary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and Segment Information for a reconciliation of our EBITDA to net income (loss).
- (3) The three months ended March 31, 2010, included \$22.2 million of loss on extinguishment of debt.

Boise Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Income
(unaudited, dollars and shares in thousands, except per-share data)

	Six Months Ended	
	June 30	
	2010	2009
Sales		
Trade	\$ 996,863	\$ 954,745
Related parties	18,803	24,907
	<u>1,015,666</u>	<u>979,652</u>
Costs and expenses		
Materials, labor, and other operating expenses	828,079	799,152
Fiber costs from related parties	14,999	14,636
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	64,398	64,864
Selling and distribution expenses	27,988	27,806
General and administrative expenses	24,028	23,064
St. Helens mill restructuring	(306)	4,781
Alternative fuel mixture credits, net	-	(75,337)
Other (income) expense, net	(314)	2,673
	<u>958,872</u>	<u>861,639</u>
Income from operations	<u>56,794</u>	<u>118,013</u>
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	364	479
Change in fair value of interest rate derivatives	(42)	495
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(22,225)	-
Interest expense	(32,610)	(43,543)
Interest income	98	145
	<u>(54,415)</u>	<u>(42,424)</u>
Income before income taxes	2,379	75,589
Income tax (provision) benefit	(1,754)	(25,622)
Net income	<u>\$ 625</u>	<u>\$ 49,967</u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding:		
Basic	80,214	77,818
Diluted	84,143	81,906
Net income per common share:		
Basic	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.64
Diluted	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.61

Segment Information
(unaudited, dollars in thousands)

	Six Months Ended	
	June 30	
	2010	2009
Segment sales		
Paper	\$ 717,688	\$ 708,396
Packaging	314,297	287,369
Intersegment eliminations and other	(16,319)	(16,113)
	<u>\$ 1,015,666</u>	<u>\$ 979,652</u>
Segment income		
Paper (1)	\$ 55,651	\$ 109,281
Packaging (1)	11,335	21,455
Corporate and Other (1) (2)	(9,828)	(12,244)
	<u>57,158</u>	<u>118,492</u>
Change in fair value of interest rate derivatives	(42)	495
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(22,225)	-
Interest expense	(32,610)	(43,543)
Interest income	98	145
Income (loss) before income taxes	<u>\$ 2,379</u>	<u>\$ 75,589</u>
EBITDA (2)		
Paper (1)	\$ 98,818	\$ 151,726
Packaging (1)	30,610	41,889
Corporate and Other (1) (3)	(30,097)	(10,259)
	<u>\$ 99,331</u>	<u>\$ 183,356</u>

- (1) The six months ended June 30, 2009, included \$57.0 million of income recorded in the Paper segment, \$19.9 million of income recorded in the Packaging segment, and \$1.6 million of expenses recorded in the Corporate and Other segment relating to alternative fuel mixture credits. These amounts are net of fees and expenses and before taxes.
- (2) See Summary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and Segment Information for a reconciliation of our EBITDA to net income.
- (3) The six months ended June 30, 2010, included \$22.2 million of loss on extinguishment of debt.

Boise Inc.
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(unaudited, dollars in thousands)

	June 30, 2010	December 31, 2009
ASSETS		
Current		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 128,062	\$ 69,393
Short-term investments	10,606	10,023
Receivables		
Trade, less allowances of \$616 and \$839	205,268	185,110
Related parties	2,236	2,056
Other (1)	4,274	62,410
Inventories	255,335	252,173
Deferred income taxes	12,151	-
Prepaid and other	10,829	4,819
	628,761	585,984
Property		
Property and equipment, net	1,186,072	1,205,679
Fiber farms and deposits	17,825	17,094
	1,203,897	1,222,773
Deferred financing costs	32,980	47,369
Intangible assets, net	30,981	32,358
Other assets	7,546	7,306
Total assets	\$ 1,904,165	\$ 1,895,790

- (1) December 31, 2009, included a \$56.6 million receivable for alternative fuel mixture credits. This amount was collected during first quarter 2010.

Boise Inc.
Consolidated Balance Sheets (continued)
(unaudited, dollars and shares in thousands, except per-share data)

	<u>June 30, 2010</u>	<u>December 31, 2009</u>
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current		
Short-term borrowings	\$ 3,536	\$ -
Current portion of long-term debt	29,163	30,711
Income taxes payable	63	240
Accounts payable		
Trade	193,238	172,518
Related parties	931	2,598
Accrued liabilities		
Compensation and benefits	53,690	67,948
Interest payable	11,319	4,946
Other	17,019	23,735
	<u>308,959</u>	<u>302,696</u>
Debt		
Long-term debt, less current portion	<u>763,081</u>	<u>785,216</u>
Other		
Deferred income taxes	53,065	32,253
Compensation and benefits	122,446	123,889
Other long-term liabilities	33,729	30,801
	<u>209,240</u>	<u>186,943</u>
Commitments and contingent liabilities		
Stockholders' equity		
Preferred stock, \$.0001 par value per share: 1,000 shares authorized; none issued	-	-
Common stock, \$.0001 par value per share: 250,000 shares authorized; 84,760 shares and 84,419 shares issued and outstanding	8	8
Additional paid-in capital	579,211	578,669
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(70,770)	(71,553)
Retained earnings	114,436	113,811
Total stockholders' equity	<u>622,885</u>	<u>620,935</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 1,904,165</u>	<u>\$ 1,895,790</u>

Boise Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(unaudited, dollars in thousands)

	Six Months Ended June 30	
	2010	2009
Cash provided by (used for) operations		
Net income	\$ 625	\$ 49,967
Items in net income not using (providing) cash		
Depreciation, depletion, and amortization		
of deferred financing costs and other	68,864	71,178
Share-based compensation expense	1,834	1,744
Notes payable interest expense	-	5,349
Pension and other postretirement benefit expense	4,705	4,877
Deferred income taxes	912	16,593
Change in fair value of energy derivatives	617	(1,277)
Change in fair value of interest rate derivatives	42	(495)
(Gain) loss on sales of assets, net	45	10
Other	(364)	(385)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	22,225	-
Decrease (increase) in working capital, net of acquisitions		
Receivables	37,899	12,982
Inventories	(5,347)	68,237
Prepaid expenses	1,503	(2,650)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	6,352	(7,121)
Current and deferred income taxes	344	8,420
Pension and other postretirement benefit payments	(5,864)	(7,031)
Other	(101)	331
Cash provided by (used for) operations	<u>134,291</u>	<u>220,729</u>
Cash provided by (used for) investment		
Acquisitions of businesses and facilities	-	(543)
Expenditures for property and equipment	(37,481)	(35,854)
Purchases of short-term investments	(11,825)	(10,000)
Maturities of short-term investments	11,247	-
Sales of assets	575	317
Other	230	571
Cash provided by (used for) investment	<u>(37,254)</u>	<u>(45,509)</u>
Cash provided by (used for) financing		
Issuances of long-term debt	300,000	10,000
Payments of long-term debt	(323,683)	(92,631)
Payments of short-term borrowings	(1,752)	-
Payments of deferred financing fees	(11,613)	-
Other	(1,320)	-
Cash provided by (used for) financing	<u>(38,368)</u>	<u>(82,631)</u>
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	58,669	92,589
Balance at beginning of the period	69,393	22,518
Balance at end of the period	<u>\$ 128,062</u>	<u>\$ 115,107</u>

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Summary Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and Segment Information

The Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss), Consolidated Balance Sheets, Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and Segment Information do not include all Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and should be read in conjunction with the Company's 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K and the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2010, as well as other reports the Company files with the SEC. Net income (loss) for all periods presented involved estimates and accruals.

Boise Inc. operates its business in three reportable segments: Paper, Packaging, and Corporate and Other (support services). Boise Inc. manufactures and sells a range of papers, including communication-based papers, packaging-demand-driven papers, and market pulp. Boise Inc. also manufactures and sells corrugated containers and sheets as well as linerboard and newsprint.

This release contains several financial measures that are not measures under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). These measures include EBITDA, EBITDA excluding special items, net income excluding special items, net total debt, and other similar measures. Management uses these measures to evaluate ongoing operations and believes they are useful to investors because they enable them to perform meaningful comparisons of past and present operating results. The following charts reconcile these non-GAAP measures with the most directly comparable GAAP measures.

EBITDA represents income (loss) before interest (change in fair value of interest rate derivatives, interest expense, and interest income), income taxes, and depreciation, amortization, and depletion. The following table reconciles net income (loss) to EBITDA for the three months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, and the three months ended March 31, 2010 (unaudited, dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		
	June 30		March 31,
	2010	2009	2010
Net income (loss)	\$ 13,310	\$ 50,883	\$ (12,685)
Change in fair value of interest rate derivatives	13	(627)	29
Interest expense	16,165	21,389	16,445
Interest income	(61)	(91)	(37)
Income tax provision (benefit)	8,376	26,187	(6,622)
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	32,267	32,892	32,131
EBITDA	\$ 70,070	\$ 130,633	\$ 29,261

The following table reconciles net income to EBITDA for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 (unaudited, dollars in thousands):

	Six Months Ended	
	June 30	
	2010	2009
Net income	\$ 625	\$ 49,967
Change in fair value of interest rate derivatives	42	(495)
Interest expense	32,610	43,543
Interest income	(98)	(145)
Income tax provision (benefit)	1,754	25,622
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	64,398	64,864
EBITDA	\$ 99,331	\$ 183,356

The following table reconciles segment income (loss) and EBITDA to EBITDA excluding special items for the three months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, and the three months ended March 31, 2010 (unaudited, dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		
	June 30		March 31,
	2010	2009	2010
Paper			
Segment income	\$ 25,708	\$ 84,505	\$ 29,943
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	21,698	21,099	21,469
EBITDA	<u>\$ 47,406</u>	<u>\$ 105,604</u>	<u>\$ 51,412</u>
St. Helens mill restructuring	(434)	1,133	128
Change in fair value of energy hedges	(2,312)	(2,797)	2,832
Alternative fuel mixture credits, net	-	(56,967)	-
EBITDA excluding special items	<u>\$ 44,660</u>	<u>\$ 46,973</u>	<u>\$ 54,372</u>
Packaging			
Segment income (loss)	\$ 17,105	\$ 20,330	\$ (5,770)
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	9,579	10,778	9,696
EBITDA	<u>\$ 26,684</u>	<u>\$ 31,108</u>	<u>\$ 3,926</u>
Change in fair value of energy hedges	(401)	(671)	498
Alternative fuel mixture credits, net	-	(19,947)	-
EBITDA excluding special items	<u>\$ 26,283</u>	<u>\$ 10,490</u>	<u>\$ 4,424</u>
Corporate and Other			
Segment loss	\$ (4,982)	\$ (7,094)	\$ (4,846)
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	990	1,015	966
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(28)	-	(22,197)
EBITDA	<u>\$ (4,020)</u>	<u>\$ (6,079)</u>	<u>\$ (26,077)</u>
Alternative fuel mixture credits, net	-	1,577	-
Loss on extinguishment of debt	28	-	22,197
EBITDA excluding special items	<u>\$ (3,992)</u>	<u>\$ (4,502)</u>	<u>\$ (3,880)</u>
EBITDA	<u>\$ 70,070</u>	<u>\$ 130,633</u>	<u>\$ 29,261</u>
EBITDA excluding special items	<u>\$ 66,951</u>	<u>\$ 52,961</u>	<u>\$ 54,916</u>

The following table reconciles segment income (loss) and EBITDA to EBITDA excluding special items for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 (unaudited, dollars in thousands):

	Six Months Ended June 30	
	2010	2009
Paper		
Segment income	\$ 55,651	\$ 109,281
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	43,167	42,445
EBITDA	<u>\$ 98,818</u>	<u>\$ 151,726</u>
St. Helens mill restructuring	(306)	4,781
Change in fair value of energy hedges	521	(994)
Alternative fuel mixture credits, net	-	(56,967)
EBITDA excluding special items	<u>\$ 99,033</u>	<u>\$ 98,546</u>
Packaging		
Segment income	\$ 11,335	\$ 21,455
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	19,275	20,434
EBITDA	<u>\$ 30,610</u>	<u>\$ 41,889</u>
Change in fair value of energy hedges	96	(283)
Alternative fuel mixture credits, net	-	(19,947)
EBITDA excluding special items	<u>\$ 30,706</u>	<u>\$ 21,659</u>
Corporate and Other		
Segment loss	\$ (9,828)	\$ (12,244)
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	1,956	1,985
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(22,225)	-
EBITDA	<u>\$ (30,097)</u>	<u>\$ (10,259)</u>
Alternative fuel mixture credits, net	-	1,577
Loss on extinguishment of debt	22,225	-
EBITDA excluding special items	<u>\$ (7,872)</u>	<u>\$ (8,682)</u>
EBITDA	<u>\$ 99,331</u>	<u>\$ 183,356</u>
EBITDA excluding special items	<u>\$ 121,867</u>	<u>\$ 111,523</u>

The following tables reconcile net income (loss) to net income excluding special items and presents net income excluding special items per diluted share for the three months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, the three months ended March 31, 2010, and the six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 (unaudited, dollars and shares in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		
	June 30		March 31,
	2010	2009	2010
Net income (loss)	\$ 13,310	\$ 50,883	\$ (12,685)
St. Helens mill restructuring	(434)	1,133	128
Change in fair value of energy hedges	(2,713)	(3,468)	3,330
Alternative fuel mixture credits, net	-	(75,337)	-
Loss on extinguishment of debt	28	-	22,197
Tax impact of special items (a)	1,207	30,059	(9,928)
Net income excluding special items	\$ 11,398	\$ 3,270	\$ 3,042
Weighted average common shares outstanding: diluted	84,093	84,254	84,195
Net income excluding special items per diluted share	\$ 0.14	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.04

	Six Months Ended	
	June 30	
	2010	2009
Net income	\$ 625	\$ 49,967
St. Helens mill restructuring	(306)	4,781
Change in fair value of energy hedges	617	(1,277)
Alternative fuel mixture credits, net	-	(75,337)
Loss on extinguishment of debt	22,225	-
Tax impact of special items (a)	(8,721)	27,799
Net income excluding special items	\$ 14,440	\$ 5,933
Weighted average common shares outstanding: diluted	84,143	81,906
Net income excluding special items per diluted share	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.07

(a) Special items are tax effected in the aggregate at an assumed combined federal and state statutory rate of 38.7%.

The following table reconciles total debt to net total debt as of June 30, 2010 and 2009, and March 31, 2010 (unaudited, dollars in thousands):

	June 30, 2010	June 30, 2009	March 31, 2010
Short-term borrowings	\$ 3,536	\$ -	\$ -
Current portion of long-term debt	29,163	14,890	16,663
Long-term debt, less current portion	763,081	939,929	775,581
Notes payable	-	71,955	-
Total debt	795,780	1,026,774	792,244
Less cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments	(138,668)	(125,108)	(98,300)
Net total debt	\$ 657,112	\$ 901,666	\$ 693,944