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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED  
March 31, 2008

Commission File No. 001-13458

SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC.  
4880 Havana Street  
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Colorado  
State of Incorporation

84-0920811  
I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer   
Accelerated filer   
Non-accelerated filer  (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)  
Smaller reporting company

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

As of March 31, 2008, the Registrant had 10,595,000 of its \$0.10 par value common stock outstanding.

PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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### Item 1. Financial Statements

#### SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC. & SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2008	2007
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Net sales	\$ 4,093,800	\$ 3,861,800
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Operating costs and expenses:		
Cost of Sales	2,201,900	2,346,500
Advertising	111,200	112,300
Selling	1,340,300	1,255,400
General and administrative	800,000	814,100
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	4,453,400	4,528,300
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Loss from operations	(359,600)	(666,500)
Interest income	8,500	24,200
Interest expense	(103,100)	(103,900)
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Loss before income taxes	(454,200)	(746,200)
Income tax expense (benefit)	-	-
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Net loss	\$ (454,200)	\$ (746,200)
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Net loss per common share (Note 3):		
Basic	\$ (0.04)	\$ (0.07)
	=====	=====
Diluted	\$ (0.04)	\$ (0.07)
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Weighted average shares outstanding:		
Basic	10,582,700	10,533,000
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Diluted	10,582,700	10,533,000
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#### SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC. & SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Balance Sheets

	March 31,	December 31,
	2008	2007
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	(Unaudited)	

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ASSETS

Current assets:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,100,100	\$ 1,483,300
Investment securities	50,500	50,400
Trade receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$62,900	1,072,200	1,004,900
Other receivables	23,300	32,500
Inventories, net	3,212,900	3,054,500
Prepaid expenses	122,800	238,100

Total current assets	5,581,800	5,863,700
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Property, plant and equipment, net	12,476,800	12,624,000
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Other assets	54,300	55,400
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$18,112,900	\$18,543,100
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LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Current liabilities:

Accounts payable	\$ 1,676,000	\$ 1,560,300
Accrued payroll and benefits	831,200	866,200
Other accrued expenses	359,500	390,500
Current maturities of long-term debt	210,200	204,900

Total current liabilities	3,076,900	3,021,900
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Long-term debt, net of current maturities	4,616,100	4,671,600
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	7,693,000	7,693,500
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Commitments and contingencies

Shareholders' equity:

Common stock; \$.10 par value, authorized 50,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 10,595,000 shares, and 10,575,000 shares, respectively	1,059,500	1,057,500
Capital in excess of par	5,112,500	5,090,100
Accumulated comprehensive income	500	400
Retained earnings	4,247,400	4,701,600

Shareholders' equity	10,419,900	10,849,600
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$18,112,900	\$18,543,100
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SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC. & SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

Three Months Ended  
March 31,

2008	2007
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Cash flows from operating activities:

Net loss	\$ (454,200)	\$ (746,200)
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Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	157,100	161,600
Stock options granted	15,200	4,000
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Trade and other receivables, net	(58,100)	(336,100)
Inventories	(158,400)	(168,400)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	115,300	31,800
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	49,700	326,800
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Total adjustments to net loss	120,800	19,700
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Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	(333,400)	(726,500)
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Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchase of property, plant & equipment	(8,800)	(1,500)
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Net Cash Used by Investing Activities	(8,800)	(1,500)
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Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	9,200	-
Principal payments on long-term borrowing	(50,200)	(47,900)
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Net Cash Used by Financing Activities	(41,000)	(47,900)
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Net Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(383,200)	(775,900)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, beginning of period	1,483,300	2,804,100
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Cash and Cash Equivalents, end of period	\$ 1,100,100	\$ 2,028,200
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Supplemental disclosures:		
Cash Paid during period for:		
Interest	\$ 103,200	\$ 104,000
	=====	=====
Income taxes	\$ -	\$ 900
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SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC. & SUBSIDIARIES  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (a) Company Background

Scott's Liquid Gold-Inc. (a Colorado corporation) was incorporated on February 15, 1954. Scott's Liquid Gold-Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiaries (collectively, "we" or "our") manufacture and market quality household and skin care products, and we fill,

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package and market our Mold Control 500 product. We act as the distributor in the United States for beauty care products contained in individual sachets and manufactured by Montagne Jeunesse. In 2006 and 2007, we began the distribution of products from COSMEX International (Davinci & Moosehead men's grooming products), and in 2007 from Baylis & Harding (bath, body and hair care products). Our business is comprised of two segments -- household products and skin care products.

(b) Principles of Consolidation

Our consolidated financial statements include our accounts and those of our subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

(c) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates include, but are not limited to, realizability of deferred tax assets, reserves for slow moving and obsolete inventory, customer returns, coupon redemptions and allowances, and bad debts.

(d) Cash Equivalents

We consider all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the date of acquisition to be cash equivalents.

(e) Investments in Marketable Securities

We account for investments in marketable securities in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 115 "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities", which requires that we classify investments in marketable securities according to management's intended use of such investments. We invest our excess cash and have established guidelines relative to diversification and maturities in an effort to maintain safety and liquidity. These guidelines are periodically reviewed and modified to take advantage of trends in yields and interest rates. We consider all investments as available for use in our current operations and, therefore, classify them as short-term, available-for-sale investments. Available-for-sale investments are stated at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses, if any, reported net of tax, as a separate component of shareholders' equity and comprehensive income (loss). The cost of the securities sold is based on the specific identification method. Investments in corporate and government securities as of March 31, 2008, are scheduled to mature within one year.

(f) Inventories

Inventories consist of raw materials and finished goods and are stated at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out method) or market. We record a reserve for slow moving and obsolete products and raw materials. We estimate reserves for slow moving and obsolete products and raw materials based upon historical and anticipated sales.

Inventories were comprised of the following at:

	March 31, 2008	December 31, 2007
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Finished goods	\$ 2,177,200	\$ 2,178,000
Raw materials	1,429,400	1,284,200

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Inventory reserve for obsolescence	(393,700)	(407,700)
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	\$ 3,212,900	\$ 3,054,500
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(g) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at historical cost. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives of the assets ranging from three to forty-five years. Building structures and building improvements are estimated to have useful lives of 35 to 45 years and 3 to 20 years, respectively. Production equipment and production support equipment are estimated to have useful lives of 15 to 20 years and 3 to 10 years, respectively. Office furniture and office machines are estimated to have useful lives of 10 to 20 and 3 to 5 years, respectively. Carpeting, drapes and company vehicles are estimated to have useful lives of 5 to 10 years. Maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred. Improvements that extend the useful lives of the assets or provide improved efficiency are capitalized.

(h) Financial Instruments

Financial instruments which potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk include cash and cash equivalents, investments in marketable securities, and trade receivables. We maintain our cash balances in the form of bank demand deposits with financial institutions that management believes are creditworthy. As of the balance sheet date and periodically throughout the year, the Company has maintained balances in various operating accounts in excess of federally insured limits. We establish an allowance for doubtful accounts based upon factors surrounding the credit risk of specific customers, historical trends and other information. We have no significant financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk of accounting loss, such as foreign exchange contracts, option contracts or other foreign currency hedging arrangements.

The recorded amounts for cash and cash equivalents, receivables, other current assets, and accounts payable and accrued expenses approximate fair value due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments. The fair value of investments in marketable securities is based upon quoted market value. Our long-term debt bears interest at a fixed rate that adjusts annually on the anniversary date to a then prime rate. The carrying value of long-term debt approximates fair value as of March 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007.

(i) Long-Lived Assets

We account for long-lived assets in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets." This Statement requires that long-lived assets and certain identifiable intangibles be reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to future net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell.

(j) Income Taxes

We account for income taxes in accordance with the provisions

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of SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes", which requires the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of assets and liabilities and their respective income tax bases. A valuation allowance is provided when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of a deferred tax asset will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the period in which related temporary differences become deductible. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled.

(k) Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognized when an arrangement exists to sell our product, we have delivered such product in accordance with that arrangement, the sales price is determinable, and collectibility is probable. Reserves for estimated market development support, pricing allowances and returns are provided in the period of sale as a reduction of revenue. Reserves for returns and allowances are recorded as a reduction of revenue, and are maintained at a level that management believes is appropriate to account for amounts applicable to existing sales. Reserves for coupons and certain other promotional activities are recorded as a reduction of revenue at the later of the date at which the related revenue is recognized or the date at which the sales incentive is offered. At March 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 approximately \$650,000 and \$695,700, respectively, had been reserved as a reduction of accounts receivable, and approximately \$23,000 and \$27,000, respectively, had been reserved as current liabilities. Co-op advertising, marketing funds, slotting fees and coupons are deducted from gross sales and totaled \$378,300 and \$973,100 in the quarter ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

(l) Advertising Costs

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred.

(m) Stock-based Compensation

At March 31, 2008, we had three stock-based employee compensation plans. During the first quarter of fiscal 2006, we adopted the provisions of, and account for stock-based compensation in accordance with, the Financial Accounting Standards Board's ("FASB") Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123-revised 2004 ("SFAS 123R"), "Share-Based Payment" which replaced Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" and supersedes APB Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees." Under the fair value recognition provisions of this statement, stock-based compensation cost is measured at the grant date based on the fair value of the award and is recognized as expense on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period, which is the vesting period. We elected the modified-prospective method, under which prior periods are not revised for comparative purposes. The valuation provisions of SFAS 123R apply to new grants and to grants that were outstanding as of the effective date and are subsequently modified.

Prior to January 1, 2006, we accounted for the plans described above under the recognition and measurement principles of APB Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, and related Interpretations. No stock-based employee compensation cost is reflected in net income prior to January 1, 2006, as all options granted under those plans had an exercise price not less than the

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market value of the underlying common stock on the date of grant.

During the first quarter of 2008, we granted 134,000 options for shares of our common stock to employees at \$0.55 per share. The options which vest ratably over forty-eight months, or upon a change in control, and which expire after five years, were granted at or above the market value as of the date of grant.

The weighted average fair market value of the options granted in the first quarter of 2008 was estimated on the date of grant, using a Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions:

Expected life of options (using the "simplified" method)	4.5 years
Risk-free interest rate	2.9%
Expected volatility of stock	71%
Expected dividend rate	None

Compensation cost related to stock options recognized in operating results (included in general and administrative expenses) under SFAS 123R was \$15,200 in the three months ended March 31, 2008. Approximately \$213,700 of total unrecognized compensation costs related to non-vested stock options is expected to be recognized over the next forty-seven months. In accordance with SFAS 123R, there was no tax benefit from recording the non-cash expense as relates to the options granted to employees as these were qualified stock options which are not normally tax deductible. With respect to the non-cash expense associated with the options granted to the non-employee directors, no tax benefit was recognized due to the existence of as yet unutilized net operating losses. At such time as these operating losses have been utilized and a tax benefit is realized from the issuance of non-qualified stock options, a corresponding tax benefit may be recognized.

(n) Comprehensive Income

We follow Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 130, "Reporting Comprehensive Income" which establishes standards for reporting and displaying comprehensive income and its components. Comprehensive income includes all changes in equity during a period from non-owner sources.

The following table is a reconciliation of our net loss to our total comprehensive loss for the quarters ended March 31, 2008 and 2007:

	2008	2007
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Net loss	\$ (454,200)	\$ (746,200)
Unrealized gain (loss) on investment securities	100	(200)
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Comprehensive loss	\$ (454,100)	\$ (746,400)
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(o) Operating Costs and Expenses Classification

Cost of sales includes costs associated with manufacturing and distribution including labor, materials, freight-in, purchasing and receiving, quality control, internal transfer costs, repairs, maintenance and other indirect costs, as well as warehousing and distribution costs. We classify shipping and handling costs comprised primarily of freight-out and nominal outside warehousing costs as a component of selling expense on the accompanying Consolidated



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Statement of Operations. Shipping and handling costs totaled \$403,000 and \$345,000, for the quarters ended March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

Selling expenses consist primarily of shipping and handling costs, wages and benefits for sales and sales support personnel, travel, brokerage commissions, promotional costs, as well as other indirect costs.

General and administrative expenses consist primarily of wages and benefits associated with management and administrative support departments, business insurance costs, professional fees, office facility related expenses, and other general support costs.

### (p) Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 141R, "Business Combinations" ("SFAS No. 141R"). This statement replaces SFAS 141 and defines the acquirer in a business combination as the entity that obtains control of one or more businesses in a business combination and establishes the acquisition date as the date that the acquirer achieves control. SFAS No. 141R requires an acquirer to recognize the assets acquired, the liabilities assumed, and any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree at the acquisition date, measured at their fair values as of that date. SFAS No. 141R also requires the acquirer to recognize contingent consideration at the acquisition date, measured at its fair value at that date. This statement is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning on or after December 15, 2008. Earlier adoption is prohibited. The adoption of this statement is not expected to have a material effect on the Company's financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 160, "Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements - an Amendment of APB No. 51" ("SFAS No. 160"). This statement amends ARB 51 to establish accounting and reporting standards for the Noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary and for the deconsolidation of a subsidiary. This statement is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning on or after December 15, 2008. Earlier adoption is prohibited. The adoption of this statement is not expected to have a material effect on the Company's future reported financial position or results of operations.

In February 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities - Including an Amendment of SFAS No. 115" ("SFAS No. 159"). This statement permits entities to choose to measure certain financial instruments and liabilities at fair value. Most of the provisions of SFAS No. 159 apply only to entities that elect the fair value option. However, the amendment to SFAS No. 115 "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities" applies to all entities with available-for-sale and trading securities. SFAS No. 159 is effective as of the beginning of an entity's first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2007. Early adoption is permitted as of the beginning of a fiscal year that begins on or before November 15, 2007, provided the entity also elects to apply the provision of SFAS No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements". The adoption of this statement did not have a material effect on the Company's financial statements.

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In September 2006, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements" ("SFAS No. 157"). This Statement defines fair value as used in numerous accounting pronouncements, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and expands disclosure related to the use of fair value measures in financial statements. SFAS No. 157 does not expand the use of fair value measures in financial statements, but standardizes its definition and guidance in GAAP. The Standard emphasizes that fair value is a market-based measurement and not an entity-specific measurement based on an exchange transaction in which the entity sells an asset or transfers a liability (exit price). SFAS No. 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy from observable market data as the highest level to fair value based on an entity's own fair value assumptions as the lowest level. SFAS No. 157 is effective in fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. Adoption of this statement did not have a material impact on our results of operations or financial position.

### Note 2. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

We have prepared these unaudited interim consolidated financial statements in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such rules and regulations allow the omission of certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as long as the statements are not misleading. In the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of these interim statements have been included and are of a normal recurring nature. These interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with our financial statements included in our 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-KSB.

### Note 3. Earnings per Share

Per share data was determined by using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Potentially dilutive securities, including stock options, are considered only for diluted earnings per share, unless considered anti-dilutive. The potentially dilutive securities, which are comprised of outstanding stock options of 1,922,150 and 1,944,650 at March 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, were excluded from the computation of weighted average shares outstanding due to their anti-dilutive effect.

A reconciliation of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the three months ended March 31 follows:

	2008	2007
	-----	-----
Common shares outstanding, beginning of the year	10,575,000	10,533,000
Stock options exercised	7,700	-
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Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	10,582,700	10,533,000
Dilutive effect of common share equivalents	-	-
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Diluted weighted average number of common shares outstanding	10,582,700	10,533,000
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At March 31, 2008, there were authorized 50,000,000 shares of our \$.10 par value common stock and 20,000,000 shares of preferred stock issuable in one or more series. None of the preferred stock was issued or outstanding at March 31, 2008.

### Note 4. Segment Information

We operate in two different segments: household products and skin care products. Our products are sold nationally and internationally (primarily Canada), directly and through independent brokers, to mass merchandisers, drug stores, supermarkets, wholesale distributors and other retail outlets. Management has chosen to organize our business around these segments based on differences in the products sold. The household products segment includes "Scott's Liquid Gold" for wood, a wood cleaner which preserves as it cleans, Mold Control 500, a mold remediation product, and "Touch of Scent," a room air freshener. The skin care segment includes "Alpha Hydrox," alpha hydroxy acid cleansers and lotions, a retinol product, and "Diabetic Skin Care", a healing cream and moisturizer developed to address skin conditions of diabetics. We also distribute skin care and other sachets of Montagne Jeunesse, Davinci and Moosehead men's grooming products, and bath, body and hair care products from Baylis & Harding.

Accounting policies for our segments are the same as those described in Note 1, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies." Our Management evaluates segment performance based on segment income or loss before profit sharing, bonuses, income taxes and nonrecurring gains and losses. The following provides information on our segments as of and for the three months ended March:

	2008		2007	
	Household Products	Skin Care Products	Household Products	Skin Care Products
Net sales to external customers	\$ 1,732,300	\$ 2,361,500	\$ 2,305,500	\$ 1,556,300
Income (loss) before profit sharing, bonuses and income taxes	\$ (224,100)	\$ (230,100)	\$ 60,300	\$ (806,500)
Identifiable assets	\$ 3,077,400	\$ 5,631,200	\$ 3,599,000	\$ 5,664,600

The following is a reconciliation of segment information to consolidated information for the three months ended March 31:

	2008	2007
Net sales to external customers	\$ 4,093,800	\$ 3,861,800
Loss before profit sharing, bonuses and income taxes	\$ (454,200)	\$ (746,200)
Consolidated loss before income taxes	\$ (454,200)	\$ (746,200)
Identifiable assets	\$ 8,708,600	\$ 9,263,600
Corporate assets	9,404,300	10,599,700

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Consolidated total assets	\$18,112,900	\$19,863,300
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Corporate assets noted above are comprised primarily of our cash and investments, and property and equipment not directly associated with the manufacturing, warehousing, shipping and receiving activities.

### Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis or Plan of Operation

#### Results of Operations

During the first quarter of 2008, we experienced an overall increase in net sales and a decrease in our net loss as compared to the first quarter of 2007. Our net loss was \$454,200 in the first quarter of 2008 versus a net loss of \$746,200 in the first quarter of 2007. The decrease in our loss for the first quarter of 2008 compared to the first quarter of 2007 resulted from a reduction in our sales promotion expenses which are deducted from gross sales.

#### Summary of Results as a Percentage of Net Sales

	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Three Months Ended March 31, 2008	2007
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Net sales			
Scott's Liquid Gold			
household products	44.9%	42.3%	59.7%
Neoteric Cosmetics	55.1%	57.7%	40.3%
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Total Net Sales	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Cost of Sales	56.5%	53.8%	60.8%
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Gross profit	43.5%	46.2%	39.2%
Other revenue	0.4%	0.2%	0.6%
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	43.9%	46.4%	39.8%
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Operating expenses	48.9%	55.0%	56.5%
Interest expense	2.3%	2.5%	2.7%
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	51.2%	57.5%	59.2%
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Loss before income taxes	(7.3%)	(11.1%)	(19.4%)
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Our gross margins may not be comparable to those of other entities, because some entities include all of the costs related to their distribution network in cost of sales and others, like us, exclude a portion of them (freight out to customers and nominal outside warehouse costs) from gross margin, including them instead in the selling expense line item. See Note 1(o), Operating Costs and Expenses Classification, to the unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements in this Report.

#### Comparative Net Sales

Percentage

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	2008	2007	Increase (Decrease)
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Scott's Liquid Gold and other household products	\$ 1,553,100	\$ 1,960,100	(20.8%)
Touch of Scent	179,200	345,400	(48.1%)
	-----	-----	-----
Total household chemical products	1,732,300	2,305,500	(24.9%)
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Alpha Hydrox and other skin care	980,200	860,400	13.9%
Montagne Jeunesse and other distributed skin care	1,381,300	695,900	98.5%
	-----	-----	-----
Total skin care products	2,361,500	1,556,300	51.7%
	-----	-----	-----
Total Net Sales	\$ 4,093,800	\$ 3,861,800	6.0%
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Three Months Ended March 31, 2008  
Compared to Three Months Ended March 31, 2007

Consolidated net sales for the first quarter of the current year were \$4,093,800 versus \$3,861,800 for the first three months of 2007, an increase of \$232,000. Average selling prices for the first quarter of 2008 were up by \$199,600 over the first quarter of 2007. Average selling prices of household products were up by \$82,200, while average selling prices of skin care products were up by \$117,400. This increase in selling prices was primarily due to a decrease in coupon usage in 2008 versus 2007. Co-op advertising, marketing funds, slotting fees, and coupons paid to retailers are deducted from gross sales, and totaled \$378,300 in the first quarter of 2008 versus \$973,100 in the same quarter in 2007, a decrease of \$594,800 or 61.1%. This decrease consisted of a decrease in coupon expense of \$461,100 (Included in the 2007 coupon expense was a one-time charge from one retailer of \$314,000.), a decrease in co-op marketing funds of \$147,000, and an increase in slotting fee expenses of \$13,300. In the first quarter we announced price increases for the majority of our product lines.

From time to time, our customers return product to us. For our household chemicals products, we permit returns only for a limited time, and generally only if there is a manufacturing defect. With regard to our skin care products, returns are more frequent under an unwritten industry standard that permits returns for a variety of reasons. In the event a skin care customer requests a return of product, the Company will consider the request, and may grant such request in order to maintain or enhance relationships with customers, even in the absence of an enforceable right of the customer to do so. Some retailers have not returned products to us. Return price credit (used in exchanges typically, or rarely, refunded in cash) when authorized is based on the original sale price plus a handling charge of the retailer that ranges from 8-10%. The handling charge covers costs associated with the return and shipping of the product. Additions to our reserves for estimated returns are subtracted from gross sales.

From January 1, 2006 through March 31, 2008, our product returns (as a percentage of gross revenue) have averaged as follows: household products 0.3%, Montagne Jeunesse products 3.0%, and our Alpha Hydrox

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and other skin care products 6.8%. The level of returns as a percentage of gross revenue for the household products and Montagne Jeunesse products have remained fairly constant as a percentage of sales over that period while the Alpha Hydrox and other skin care products return levels have fluctuated. More recently, as our sales of the skin care products have declined we have seen a decrease in returns as a percentage of gross revenues. The products returned in the three months ended March 31, 2008 (indicated as a percentage of gross revenues) were: household products 0.1%, Montagne Jeunesse products 0.9%, and our Alpha Hydrox and other skin care products 0.9%. We are not aware of any industry trends, competitive product introductions or advertising campaigns at this time which would cause returns as a percentage of gross sales to be materially different for the current fiscal year than for the above averages. Furthermore, the Company's management is not currently aware of any changes in customer relationships that we believe would adversely impact anticipated returns. However, we review our reserve for returns quarterly and we regularly face the risk that the existing conditions related to product returns will change.

During the first quarter of 2008, net sales of skin care products accounted for 57.7% of consolidated net sales compared to 40.3% for the same quarter of 2007. Net sales of these products for that period were \$2,361,500 in 2008 compared to \$1,556,300 in 2007, an increase of \$805,200 or 51.7%. Our increase in net sales of Alpha Hydrox and other skin care was due to the decrease in promotions to retailers, which are deducted from gross sales, in 2008 versus 2007. This increase was offset by a decrease in our sales of our Alpha Hydrox products introduced in 2005 and the massage oils introduced in 2007. (The first quarter 2007 sales of the massage oils included initial pipeline sales to retailers.) We have continued to experience a drop in unit sales of our more recently introduced Alpha Hydrox products and our earlier-established alpha hydroxy acid-based products due primarily to maturing in the market for alpha hydroxy acid-based skin care products, intense competition from producers of similar or alternative products, many of which are considerably larger than Neoteric Cosmetics, Inc. and reduced distribution of these products at retail stores in current and prior periods. For the first quarter of 2008, the sales of our Alpha Hydrox products accounted for 22.1% of net sales of skin care products and 12.8% of total net sales, compared to 19.7% of net sales of skin care products and 7.9% of total net sales in 2007. During 2007 we introduced four new items to the Alpha Hydrox line of products; it is too early to tell about consumer acceptance of these additions.

For 2008, net sales of Montagne Jeunesse and other distributed skin care products were \$1,381,300 in the first quarter versus \$695,900 for the comparable quarter of 2007, an increase of \$685,400 or 98.5%. This sales increase was due primarily to the sales of Davinci and Moosehead men's grooming products and bath, body and hair care products of Baylis & Harding, which were not sold during the first quarter of 2007 or only had nominal sales during that period, offset by a slight decrease in Montagne Jeunesse skin care sales in the first quarter of 2008 versus the first quarter of 2007. The first quarter of 2007 includes this product's placement in additional stores.

Sales of household products for the first quarter of this year accounted for 42.3% of consolidated net sales compared to 59.7% for the same period in 2007. These products are comprised primarily of Scott's Liquid Gold wood care products (Scott's Liquid Gold for wood, a wood wash and wood wipes), mold remediation products and Touch of Scent. During the quarter ended March 31, 2008 sales of

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household products were \$1,732,300 as compared to \$2,305,500 for the same quarter in 2007, a decrease of \$573,200 or 24.9%. Sales of Scott's Liquid Gold wood care and other household products decreased from \$1,960,100 in 2007 to \$1,553,100 in 2008 a decrease of \$407,000 or 20.8%. We believe this reduction to be a result of a decrease in media advertising of our products in the last two years. Mold Control 500 sales were \$94,400 for the first quarter of 2008 versus \$213,100 for the first quarter of 2007. Sales of "Touch of Scent" were down by \$166,200 or 48.1%, primarily due to a decrease in distribution in past quarters. During the third quarter of 2007, we introduced the Odor Extinguisher air fragrance product line; it is too early to tell about consumer acceptance of this addition.

As sales of a consumer product decline, there is the risk that retailers will stop carrying the product. The loss of any significant customer for any skin care products, "Scott's Liquid Gold" wood care or mold remediation products could have a significant adverse impact on our revenues and operating results. We believe that our future success is highly dependent on favorable acceptance in the marketplace of Montagne Jeunesse products, of our new Alpha Hydrox products and of our "Scott's Liquid Gold" wood care and mold remediation products.

We also believe that the introduction of successful new products, including line extensions of existing products such as the wood wash and our new mold remediation product, using the name "Scott's Liquid Gold", are important in our efforts to maintain or grow our revenue. Late in the fourth quarter of 2007, we introduced new items within the Moosehead men's grooming products and bath, body and hair care products of Baylis & Harding. We regularly review possible additional products to sell through distribution agreements or to manufacture ourselves. To the extent that we manufacture a new product rather than purchase it from external parties, we are also benefited by the use of existing capacity in our facilities. We are using our facilities to fill and package the mold control products. The actual introduction of additional products, the timing of any additional introductions and any revenues realized from new products is uncertain.

On a consolidated basis, cost of goods sold was \$2,201,900 during the first three months of 2008 compared to \$2,346,500 for the same period of 2007, a decrease of \$144,600 or 6.2%, on a sales increase of 6.0%. As a percentage of consolidated net sales, cost of goods sold was 53.8% in 2008 versus 60.8% in 2007, a decrease of about 11.5%. This was essentially due to a decrease in sales promotion expenses, which are deducted from gross sales, and thus affected our margins particularly in the skin care line of products, offset somewhat by lower plant utilization and increase costs of steel cans and petroleum based raw materials.

### Operating Expenses, Interest Expense and Other Income

	2008	2007	Percentage Increase (Decrease)
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Operating Expenses			
Advertising	\$ 111,200	\$ 112,300	(1.0%)
Selling	1,340,300	1,255,400	6.8%
General & Administrative	800,000	814,100	(1.7%)
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Total operating expenses	\$ 2,251,500	\$ 2,181,800	3.2%
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Interest Income	\$	8,500	\$	24,200	(64.9%)
Interest Expense	\$	103,100	\$	103,900	(0.8%)

Operating expenses, comprised of advertising, selling and general and administrative expenses, increased by \$69,700 in the first quarter of 2008 when compared to first quarter of 2007. The various components of operating expenses are discussed below.

Advertising expenses for the first three months of 2008 were \$111,200 compared to \$112,300 for the comparable quarter of 2007, a decrease of \$1,100 or 1.0%.

Selling expenses for the first quarter of 2008 were \$1,340,300 compared to \$1,255,400 for the comparable three months of 2007, an increase of \$84,900 or 6.8%. That increase was comprised of an increase in salaries and fringe benefits and related travel expense of \$55,800 primarily because of an increase in personnel in 2008 versus 2007, an increase in freight expenses of \$49,700, an increase in promotional selling expenses of \$56,700 a decrease in royalty fee expenses of \$35,000 and a net decrease in other selling expenses of \$42,300.

General and administrative expenses for the first three months of 2008 were \$800,000 compared to \$814,100 for the same period of 2007, a decrease of \$14,100 or 1.7%.

Interest expense for the first quarter of 2008 was \$103,100 versus \$103,900 for the comparable quarter of 2007. Interest income for the three months ended March 31, 2008 was \$8,500 compared to \$24,200 for the same period of 2007, which consists of interest earned on our cash reserves in 2008 and 2007.

During the first quarter of 2008 and of 2007, expenditures for research and development were not material (under 2% of revenues).

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

On June 28, 2006, we entered into a loan with a fifteen year amortization with Citywide Banks for \$5,156,600 secured by the land, building and fixtures at our Denver, Colorado facilities. Interest on the bank loan (8.25% at March 31, 2008) is at the prime rate as published in The Wall Street Journal, adjusted annually each June. This loan requires 180 monthly payments of approximately \$50,500, which commenced on July 28, 2006. The loan agreement contains a number of covenants, including the requirement for maintaining a current ratio of at least 1:1 and a ratio of consolidated long-term debt to consolidated net worth of not more than 1:1. We may not declare any dividends that would result in a violation of either of these covenants. The foregoing requirements were met at the end of the first three months of 2008.

During the first quarter of 2008 our working capital decreased by \$336,900, and concomitantly, our current ratio (current assets divided by current liabilities) decreased from 1.9:1 at December 31, 2007 to 1.8:1 at March 31, 2008. This decrease in working capital is attributable to a net loss in the first three months of 2008 of \$454,200, and a reduction in long-term debt of \$55,500, offset by depreciation in excess of capital additions of \$147,200.



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At March 31, 2008, trade accounts receivable were \$1,072,200 versus \$1,004,900 at the end of 2007, largely because sales in the last two months of the quarter ended March 31, 2008 were more than those of the last two months of the quarter ended December 31, 2007. Accounts payable increased from the end of 2007 through March of 2008 by \$115,700 corresponding primarily with the increase and timing of purchases of inventory over that period. At March 31, 2008 inventories were \$158,400 more than at December 31, 2007, due to the increase in household chemical products inventory resulting from lower than anticipated sales in the first quarter. Prepaid expenses decreased from the end of 2007 by \$115,300 primarily due to the expensing of prepaid promotional expenses and reductions in the amount of deposits required on raw material purchases.

We have no significant capital expenditures planned for 2008 and have no current plans for any external financing, other than our existing bank loan. We expect that our available cash and cash flows from operating activities will fund the next twelve months' cash

Our dependence on operating cash flow means that risks involved in our business can significantly affect our liquidity. Any loss of a significant customer, any further decreases in distribution of our skin care or household products, any new competitive products affecting sales levels of our products, or any significant expense not included in our internal budget could result in the need to raise cash, such as through a bank financing. We have no arrangements for any additional external financing of debt or equity, and we are not certain whether any such financing would be available on acceptable terms. In order to improve our operating cash flow, we need to achieve profitability.

### Forward-Looking Statements

This report may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of U.S. federal securities laws. These statements are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements and our performance inherently involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements. Factors that would cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, continued acceptance of each of our significant products in the marketplace; the degree of success of any new product or product line introduction by us; uncertainty of consumer acceptance of the new Alpha Hydrox products introduced in 2005 and 2007, and Mold Control 500 and wood wash products; competitive factors; any decrease in distribution of (i.e., retail stores carrying) our significant products; continuation of our distributorship agreement with Montagne Jeunesse; the need for effective advertising of our products; limited resources available for such advertising; new competitive products and/or technological changes; dependence upon third party vendors and upon sales to major customers; changes in the regulation of our products, including applicable environmental regulations; continuing losses which could affect our liquidity; the loss of any executive officer; and other matters discussed in this Report. We undertake no obligation to revise any forward-looking statements in order to reflect events or circumstances that may arise after the date of this Report.

### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risks.

Not Applicable



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Exhibit

No.	Document
31.1	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of the Chief Executive Officer
31.2	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of the Chief Financial Officer
32.1	Section 1350 Certification