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

For the Quarterly Period Ended September 30, 2011

OR

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

For the Transition Period From to

Commission File Number 000-28820

Jones Soda Co.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Washington
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

52-2336602
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

1000 First Avenue South, Suite 100
Seattle, Washington
(Address of principal executive offices)

98134
(Zip Code)

(206) 624-3357

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name, Former Address and Former Fiscal Year, if Changed Since Last Report)

Indicate by check whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file for 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 has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). 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 November 4, 2011, there were 32,101,301 shares of the Company's common stock issued and outstanding.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires, all references in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to we, us, our, Jones, Jones Soda, and the Company are to Jones Soda[®]Co. Washington corporation, and our wholly-owned subsidiaries Jones Soda Co. (USA) Inc., Jones Soda (Canada) Inc., myJones.com Inc. and Whoopass USA Inc.

In addition, unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires, all references in this Quarterly Report to *Jones Soda* refer to our premium soda sold under the trademarked brand name *Jones Soda Co.*

CAUTIONARY NOTICE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

We desire to take advantage of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (Report) contains a number of forward-looking statements that reflect management's current views and expectations with respect to our business, strategies, products, future results and events, and financial performance. All statements made in this Report other than statements of historical fact, including statements that address operating performance, the economy, events or developments that management expects or anticipates will or may occur in the future, including statements related to potential strategic transactions, distributor channels, volume growth, revenues, profitability, new products, adequacy of funds from operations, cash flows and financing, our ability to continue as a going concern, statements regarding future operating results and non-historical information, are forward-looking statements. In particular, the words such as believe, expect, intend, anticipate, estimate, may, will, can, plan, predict, could, future, variations of such words, and similar words are forward-looking statements, but are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements and their absence does not mean that the statement is not forward-looking.

Readers should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which are based on management's current expectations and projections about future events, are not guarantees of future performance, are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions and apply only as of the date of this Report. Our actual results, performance or achievements could differ materially from historical results as well as the results expressed in, anticipated or implied by these forward-looking statements. Except as required by law, we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

In particular, our business, including our financial condition and results of operations and our ability to continue as a going concern may be impacted by a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the following:

Our ability to successfully execute on our operating plan;

Our ability to establish and maintain distribution arrangements with independent distributors, retailers, brokers and national retail accounts, most of whom sell and distribute competing products, and whom we rely upon to employ sufficient efforts in managing and selling our products, including re-stocking the retail shelves with our product, on which our business plan and future growth are dependent in part;

Our ability to successfully launch new products or our failure to achieve case sales goals with respect to existing products;

Our ability to secure additional financing or to generate sufficient cash flow from operations;

Our ability to use the net proceeds from future financings to improve our financial condition or market value;

Dilutive and other adverse effects on our existing shareholders and our stock price arising from future securities issuances;

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Our ability to manage our inventory levels and to predict the timing and amount of our sales;

Our reliance on third-party contract manufacturers of our products, which could make management of our marketing and distribution efforts inefficient or unprofitable;

Our ability to secure a continuous supply and availability of raw materials, as well as other factors affecting our supply chain;

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Rising raw material, fuel and freight costs as well as freight capacity issues may have an adverse impact on our results of operations;

Our ability to source our flavors on acceptable terms from our key flavor suppliers;

Our ability to maintain brand image and product quality and the risk that we may suffer other product issues such as product recalls;

Our ability to attract and retain key personnel, which would directly affect our efficiency and results of operations;

Our inability to protect our trademarks and trade secrets, which may prevent us from successfully marketing our products and competing effectively;

Litigation or legal proceedings, which could expose us to significant liabilities and damage our reputation;

Our ability to maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting;

Our ability to build and sustain proper information technology infrastructure;

Our inability to maintain compliance with the continued listing requirements of The Nasdaq Capital Market which may adversely affect our market price and liquidity;

Our ability to create and maintain brand name recognition and acceptance of our products, which are critical to our success in our competitive, brand-conscious industry;

Our ability to compete successfully against much larger, well-funded, established companies currently operating in the beverage industry;

Our ability to continue developing new products to satisfy our consumers' changing preferences;

Global economic conditions that may adversely impact our business and results of operations;

Our ability to comply with the many regulations to which our business is subject.

For a more detailed discussion of some of the factors that may affect our business, results and prospects, see Item 1A. Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 21, 2011. Readers are also urged to carefully review and consider the various disclosures made by us in this Report and in our other reports we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our periodic reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K, and those described from time to time in our press releases and other communications, which attempt to advise interested parties of the risks and factors that may affect our business, prospects and results of operations.

Table of Contents**PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION****ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****JONES SODA CO.****CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS****(Unaudited)****(In thousands, except share data)**

| | September 30, 2011 | December 31, 2010 |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 2,858 | \$ 5,448 |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$170 and \$166 | 2,798 | 2,220 |
| Taxes receivable | 5 | 480 |
| Inventory | 2,999 | 2,279 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 257 | 305 |
| Total current assets | 8,917 | 10,732 |
| Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation of \$1,562 and \$2,973 | 897 | 296 |
| Other assets | 602 | 435 |
| Total assets | \$ 10,416 | \$ 11,463 |
| LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 2,120 | \$ 853 |
| Accrued expenses | 1,415 | 1,592 |
| Taxes payable | 101 | 146 |
| Deferred rent, current portion | 26 | |
| Capital lease obligations, current portion | 22 | |
| Total current liabilities | 3,684 | 2,591 |
| Capital lease obligations | 88 | |
| Long-term liabilities other | 412 | 2 |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 7) | | |
| Shareholders' equity: | | |
| Common stock, no par value: | | |
| Authorized 100,000,000; issued and outstanding shares 32,101,301 and 30,418,301 at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively | 50,089 | 47,917 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 7,004 | 6,570 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | 380 | 450 |
| Accumulated deficit | (51,241) | (46,067) |
| Total shareholders' equity | 6,232 | 8,870 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | \$ 10,416 | \$ 11,463 |

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**JONES SODA CO.****CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS****(Unaudited)****(In thousands, except share data)**

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|----------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| Revenue | \$ 4,973 | \$ 5,125 | \$ 13,974 | \$ 14,383 |
| Cost of goods sold | 3,802 | 3,575 | 10,386 | 10,553 |
| Write-down of excess GABA inventory | | 166 | | 344 |
| Gross profit | 1,171 | 1,384 | 3,588 | 3,486 |
| Licensing revenue | 7 | 7 | 19 | 25 |
| Operating expenses: | | | | |
| Promotion and selling | 1,557 | 1,109 | 4,710 | 3,411 |
| General and administrative | 1,282 | 1,256 | 4,075 | 4,685 |
| | 2,839 | 2,365 | 8,785 | 8,096 |
| Loss from operations | (1,661) | (974) | (5,178) | (4,585) |
| Other income, net | 1 | 26 | 79 | 18 |
| Loss before income taxes | (1,660) | (948) | (5,099) | (4,567) |
| Income tax (expense) benefit, net | (24) | 370 | (75) | 303 |
| Net loss | \$ (1,684) | \$ (578) | \$ (5,174) | \$ (4,264) |
| Net loss per share basic and diluted | \$ (0.05) | \$ (0.02) | \$ (0.16) | \$ (0.16) |
| Weighted average basic and diluted common shares outstanding | 32,029,389 | 27,454,593 | 31,827,698 | 26,779,630 |

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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| | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|--|-------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 |
| OPERATING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Net loss | \$ (5,174) | \$ (4,264) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 139 | 309 |
| Stock-based compensation | 401 | 601 |
| Change in allowance for doubtful accounts | 4 | 4 |
| Write-down of excess GABA inventory | | 344 |
| Loss on disposal of fixed assets | 6 | 155 |
| Deferred income taxes | | 2 |
| Other non-cash charges and credits | | 7 |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: | | |
| Accounts receivable | (617) | (598) |
| Taxes receivable | 482 | (385) |
| Inventory | (747) | 969 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 50 | 7 |
| Other assets | 15 | (58) |
| Accounts payable | 1,268 | (311) |
| Accrued expenses | (170) | (381) |
| Taxes payable | (41) | 51 |
| Deferred rent | 436 | |
| Net cash used in operating activities | (3,948) | (3,548) |
| INVESTING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Purchase of certificate of deposit, restricted | (183) | |
| Redemption of certificate of deposit, restricted | | 376 |
| Purchase of fixed assets | (746) | (16) |
| Sale of fixed assets | 3 | |
| Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities | (926) | 360 |
| FINANCING ACTIVITIES: | | |
| Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net | 2,185 | 1,050 |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options | 17 | 59 |
| Proceeds from capital lease obligation | 122 | |
| Payments on capital lease obligations | (12) | |
| Repayment of note payable | | (345) |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | 2,312 | 764 |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (2,562) | (2,424) |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash | (28) | 11 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period | 5,448 | 4,975 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period | \$ 2,858 | \$ 2,562 |

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Supplemental disclosure:

Cash received (paid) during period for:

| | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|-----|----|----|
| Interest | \$ | 53 | \$ | 4 |
| Income taxes | | 394 | | |
| Non-cash financing activity: | | | | |
| Issuance of stock as commitment fee | \$ | | \$ | 97 |

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

1. Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Jones Soda Co. develops, produces, markets and distributes premium beverages, including the following product lines and extensions:

Jones Soda[®], a premium carbonated soft drink;

Jones Zilch , with zero calories (and an extension of the *Jones Soda*[®] product line);

WhoopAss Energy Drink[®], an energy supplement drink; and

WhoopAss Zero Energy Drink[®], with zero sugar (and an extension of the *WhoopAss Energy Drink*[®] product line).

We are a Washington corporation and have three operating subsidiaries, Jones Soda Co. (USA) Inc., Jones Soda (Canada) Inc., and myJones.com, Inc., as well as one non-operating subsidiary, Whoopass USA Inc.

Basis of presentation and consolidation

The accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2010, which has been derived from audited consolidated financial statements and the unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements as of September 30, 2011, have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) and the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) rules and regulations applicable to interim financial reporting. The condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. All intercompany transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries have been eliminated in consolidation.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements contain all material adjustments, consisting only of those of a normal recurring nature, considered necessary for a fair presentation of our financial position, results of operations and cash flows at the dates and for the periods presented. The operating results for the interim periods presented are not necessarily indicative of the results expected for the full year. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010.

Use of estimates

The preparation of the condensed consolidated financial statements requires management to make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the condensed consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include, but are not limited to, inventory valuation, depreciable lives and valuation of fixed assets, valuation allowances for receivables, trade promotion liabilities, stock-based compensation expense, valuation allowance for deferred income tax assets, contingencies, and forecasts supporting the going concern assumption and related disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Seasonality

Our sales are seasonal and we experience fluctuations in quarterly results as a result of many factors. We historically have generated a greater percentage of our revenues during the warm weather months of April through September. Timing of customer purchases will vary each year and sales can be expected to shift from one quarter to another. As a result, management believes that period-to-period comparisons of results of

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operations are not necessarily meaningful and should not be relied upon as any indication of future performance or results expected for the fiscal year.

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Liquidity

As of September 30, 2011, we had cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$2.9 million and working capital of \$5.2 million. Cash used in operations during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 totaled \$3.9 million. Our cash flows vary throughout the year based on seasonality. We traditionally use more cash in the first half of the year as we build inventory to support our historically seasonally-stronger shipping months of April through September, and expect cash used by operating activities to decrease in the second half of the year as we collect receivables generated during our stronger shipping months. We incurred a net loss of \$1.7 million during the three months ended September 30, 2011.

We believe that our current cash and cash equivalents will be sufficient to meet our anticipated cash needs into the first quarter of 2012. In order to execute on our growth strategy in 2012, we will require additional financing to support our working capital needs. The amount of additional capital we will require, the timing of our capital needs and the availability of financing to fund those needs will depend on a number of factors, including the performance of our business and the market conditions for debt or equity financing. Our ability to successfully execute our operating plan, which is based on our realigned product portfolio, including our newly re-launched *WhoopAss Energy Drink*, is subject to a number of risks, and there can be no assurance that we will achieve the sales levels we expect or that justify the additional costs associated with our growth plan. We also plan to continue our efforts to reinforce and expand our distributor network by partnering with new distributors and replacing underperforming distributors. It is critical that we meet our volume projections and continue to increase volume going forward, as our operating plan already reflects prior significant cost containment measures.

Our operating plan factors in the use of cash to meet our contractual obligations. A substantial portion of these contractual obligations consists of obligations to purchase raw materials, including sugar and glass under our supply agreements. We enter into these supply agreements in order to fix the cost of these key raw materials, which we expect will be used in the ordinary course of our business. Our contractual obligations also relate to payments for sponsorships, and have been reduced by approximately \$7.0 million through 2017 as the result of our termination of the sponsorship arrangement with the New Jersey Nets (see Note 7).

We intend to continually monitor and adjust our business plans as necessary to respond to developments in our business, our markets and the broader economy. Although we are exploring debt and equity financing alternatives, there can be no assurance that any new debt or equity financing arrangement will be available to us when needed or on acceptable terms, if at all. In addition, there can be no assurance that these financing alternatives would provide us with sufficient funds to meet our long-term capital requirements. If we are able to secure additional financing, the alternatives may require significant cash payments for interest and other costs or could be highly dilutive to our existing shareholders. If necessary, we may explore strategic transactions in the best interest of the Company and our shareholders, which may include, without limitation, public or private offerings of debt or equity securities, joint ventures with one or more strategic partners, strategic acquisitions and other strategic alternatives, but there can be no assurance that we will enter into any agreements or transactions.

Our need to raise additional capital in a difficult financing environment to support our business, combined with the uncertainties relating to our ability to successfully execute our operating plan and our ability to implement further meaningful cost containment measures that do not jeopardize our growth plans, continue to raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. Our financial statements for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 were prepared assuming we would continue as a going concern, which contemplates that we will continue in operation for the foreseeable future and will be able to realize assets and settle liabilities and commitments in the normal course of business. These financial statements do not include any adjustments to reflect the possible future effects on the recoverability and classification of assets or the amounts and classifications of liabilities that could result should we be unable to continue as a going concern.

2. Equity Financing

In June 2010, we entered into an equity line of credit arrangement (Equity Line) with Glengrove Small Cap Value, Ltd (Glengrove), pursuant to which Glengrove committed to purchase, upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the purchase agreement establishing the facility, up to \$10 million worth of shares of our common stock, subject to a maximum aggregate limit of 5,228,893 common shares. The facility provided that we may, from time to time, over the 24-month term of the facility and at our sole

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discretion, present Glengrove with draw down notices to purchase our common stock at a price equal to the daily volume weighted average price of our common stock on each date during the draw down period on which shares are purchased, less a discount of 6.0%. During 2010, we completed draw downs and sales under the facility of an aggregate of 3,632,120 shares for net proceeds of approximately \$4.0 million. On February 1, 2011, we completed our final draw down and sale of 1,596,773 shares for net proceeds of approximately \$2.2 million. We sold to Glengrove a total of 5,228,893 shares, which is the maximum number of shares issuable under the terms of the Equity Line and the Equity Line by its terms automatically has terminated.

3. Inventory

Inventory consists of the following (in thousands):

| | September 30, 2011 | December 31, 2010 |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Finished goods | \$ 2,265 | \$ 1,695 |
| Raw materials | 734 | 584 |
| | \$ 2,999 | \$ 2,279 |

Finished goods primarily include product ready for shipment, as well as promotional merchandise held for sale. Raw materials primarily include ingredients, concentrate and packaging.

4. Capital Lease

In January 2011, we entered into capital lease agreements totaling \$122,000 for the lease of two branded vehicles used for marketing. The debt is payable over a 60-month period at 6.99% interest. Our remaining scheduled lease payments, which include \$18,000 in interest, are \$7,000 for 2011, \$29,000 for each of the years 2012 through 2015, and \$5,000 for 2016.

5. Lease Obligations

In June 2011, we entered into an office building sublease for use as our principal headquarters, as our previous lease expired in August 2011 and did not include an option to renew. The term of the sublease is five years with an option to extend for up to three additional five year terms. Under the terms of the sublease, we were required to deliver a Letter of Credit (LOC) issued by KeyBank National Association for a portion of the Subtenant Improvement Allowance (as defined in the sublease agreement), or \$183,000, which will be released after year three of the sublease term, provided we have not been late in the payment of rent more than five times during such period. As a condition of and to secure the LOC, KeyBank National Association required us to place \$183,000 in an interest bearing restricted reserve account, invested in a certificate of deposit which is recorded in other assets.

Our scheduled sublease payments as of September 30, 2011 are as follows (in thousands):

| | Operating Lease |
|------------|-----------------|
| 2011 | \$ |
| 2012 | 201 |
| 2013 | 206 |
| 2014 | 211 |
| 2015 | 216 |
| Thereafter | 127 |
| | \$ 961 |

6. Stock-Based Compensation

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At our Annual Meeting held on May 25, 2011, our shareholders approved the Jones Soda Co. 2011 Incentive Plan (2011 Plan). As a result, the 2002 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan (2002 Plan) was terminated, and equity awards granted after the 2011 Annual Meeting will be made under the 2011 Plan. Awards outstanding under the 2002 Plan will remain outstanding in accordance with their existing terms.

The 2011 Plan initially authorizes the issuance of 3,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock. Starting in 2012, the number of shares authorized under the 2011 Plan also may be increased each January 1st by an amount equal to the least of (a) 1,300,000 shares, (b) 4.0% of our outstanding common stock as of the end of our immediately preceding fiscal year, and (c) a lesser amount

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determined by the Board of Directors (the Board), provided that the number of shares that may be granted pursuant to awards in a single year may not exceed 10% of the Company's outstanding shares of common stock on a fully diluted basis as of the end of the immediately preceding fiscal year.

Under the terms of the 2011 Plan, the Board may grant awards to employees, officers, directors, consultants, agents, advisors and independent contractors. Awards may consist of stock options, stock appreciation rights, stock awards, restricted stock, stock units, performance awards or other stock or cash-based awards. As of September 30, 2011, there were 2,741,374 shares available for issuance under the 2011 Plan.

(a) Stock options:

A summary of our stock option activity is as follows:

| | Outstanding Options | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| | Number of Shares | Weighted Average Exercise Price |
| Balance at January 1, 2011 | 1,789,784 | \$ 1.96 |
| Options granted | 655,000 | 1.26 |
| Options exercised | (25,288) | 0.68 |
| Options cancelled/expired | (340,883) | 2.94 |
| Balance at September 30, 2011 | 2,078,613 | 1.59 |
| Exercisable, September 30, 2011 | 1,161,619 | 1.97 |
| Vested and expected to vest | 2,034,714 | \$ 1.60 |

(b) Restricted stock awards:

A summary of our restricted stock activity is as follows:

| | Restricted Shares | Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value |
|--|--------------------------|---|
| | | \$ |
| Non-vested restricted stock at January 1, 2011 | 158,581 | 1.52 |
| Granted | 108,626 | 0.63 |
| Vested | (177,961) | 1.19 |
| Cancelled/expired | (48,067) | 1.43 |
| Non-vested restricted stock at September 30, 2011 | 41,179 | \$ 0.72 |

A total of 47,352 shares were withheld by the Company as payment for withholding taxes due in connection with the vesting of restricted stock awards issued under the 2002 Plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, and the average price paid per share of \$1.32, reflects the average market value per share of the shares withheld for tax purposes. There were no shares withheld by the Company for the three months ended September 30, 2011. A total of 1,623 and 3,338 shares, at the average price paid per share of \$3.45 and \$2.61, were withheld by the Company as payment for withholding taxes due in connection with the vesting of restricted stock awards issued under the 2002 Plan for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, respectively.

(c) Stock-based compensation expense:

Stock-based compensation expense is recognized using the straight-line attribution method over the employees' requisite service period. We recognize compensation expense for only the portion of stock options or restricted stock expected to vest. Therefore, we apply estimated forfeiture rates that are derived from historical employee termination behavior. If the actual number of forfeitures differs from those estimated by management, additional adjustments to stock-based compensation expense may be required in future periods.

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At September 30, 2011, the unrecognized compensation expense related to stock options and non-vested restricted stock awards was \$629,000 and \$25,000, respectively, which is to be recognized over weighted-average periods of 2.3 years and 1.4 years, respectively.

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The following table summarizes the stock-based compensation expense (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| Type of awards: | | | | |
| Stock options | \$ 93 | \$ 83 | \$ 293 | \$ 431 |
| Restricted stock | 13 | 117 | 108 | 170 |
| | \$ 106 | \$ 200 | \$ 401 | \$ 601 |
| Income statement account: | | | | |
| Promotion and selling | \$ 27 | \$ 49 | \$ 113 | \$ 107 |
| General and administrative | 79 | 151 | 288 | 494 |
| | \$ 106 | \$ 200 | \$ 401 | \$ 601 |

We employ the following key weighted-average assumptions in determining the fair value of stock options, using the Black-Scholes option pricing model:

| | Nine Months Ended September 30 | |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2011 | 2010 |
| Expected dividend yield | | |
| Expected stock price volatility | 99.1% | 92.7% |
| Risk-free interest rate | 2.3% | 2.7% |
| Expected term (in years) | 5.9 years | 5.7 years |
| Weighted-average grant date fair-value | \$ 0.99 | \$ 0.66 |

The aggregate intrinsic value of stock options outstanding at September 30, 2011 and 2010 was \$4,000 and \$441,000 and for options exercisable was \$31,000 and \$332,000, respectively. The intrinsic value of outstanding and exercisable stock options is calculated as the quoted market price of the stock at the balance sheet date less the exercise price of the option. The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 was \$0 and \$14,000, respectively. The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 was \$0 and \$58,000, respectively.

7. Commitments and contingencies**Commitments**

In August 2011, we announced that we agreed to terminate the Amended Sponsorship Agreement with the New Jersey Nets, dated October 29, 2007, effectively ending the agreement five years early. In connection with the termination, we agreed to pay \$500,000, which included a \$150,000 payment owed under the Amended Sponsorship Agreement in connection with annual sponsorship fees for the year ended December 31, 2010 and the first half of 2011 and a termination fee of \$350,000 payable in three installments ending March 1, 2012. As of September 30, 2011, the unpaid portion of the termination fee totaled \$200,000 and is recorded in accounts payable.

With the conclusion of our sponsorship with the Portland Trailblazers effective June 30, 2011, our remaining sponsorships are comprised of several athlete and other sponsorships; these obligations vary in terms. Sponsorship obligations in future periods under these commitments, after giving effect to the termination of the New Jersey Nets Sponsorship, are expected to occur as follows (in thousands):

| | Total | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 |
|-------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| Sponsorships | \$ 310 | \$ 10 | \$ 150 | \$ 150 |
| Legal proceedings | | | | |

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We are or may be involved from time to time in various claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business, including proceedings involving product liability claims and other employee claims, and tort and other general liability claims, for which we carry insurance, as well as trademark, copyright, and related claims and legal actions. In the opinion of our management, the ultimate disposition of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

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Comprehensive loss is comprised of net loss and other adjustments, including items such as non-U.S. currency translation adjustments. We do not provide for income taxes on currency translation adjustments, as the historical earnings from our Canadian subsidiary are considered to be indefinitely reinvested.

The following table summarizes our comprehensive loss for the periods presented (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------|------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| Net loss | \$ (1,684) | \$ (578) | \$ (5,174) | \$ (4,264) |
| Currency translations | (130) | 18 | (70) | (28) |
| Comprehensive loss | \$ (1,814) | \$ (560) | \$ (5,244) | \$ (4,292) |

9. Segment Information

We have one operating segment with operations primarily in the United States and Canada. Revenues are assigned to geographic locations based on the location of customers. Geographic information is as follows (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| United States | \$ 3,762 | \$ 3,639 | \$ 10,604 | \$ 10,123 |
| Canada | 1,066 | 1,213 | 3,172 | 3,548 |
| Other Countries | 145 | 273 | 198 | 712 |
| Total revenue | \$ 4,973 | \$ 5,125 | \$ 13,974 | \$ 14,383 |

During the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, three of our customers represented approximately 30% and 30%, respectively, of revenue, one of which, A. Lassonde Inc., a Canadian direct store delivery distributor, represented approximately 19% and 20%, respectively, of revenue. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, three of our customers represented approximately 35% and 32%, respectively, of revenue, one of which, A. Lassonde Inc., represented approximately 23% and 21%, respectively, of revenue.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

You should read the following discussion and analysis in conjunction with our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Report and the 2010 audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on March 21, 2011.

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and the documents incorporated herein by reference contain forward-looking statements. These statements relate to future events or our future financial performance. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as believe, expect, intend, anticipate, estimate, may, will, can, plan, predict, could, future, variations of such words, and similar expressions. These statements are only predictions. Actual events or results may differ materially. In evaluating these statements, you should specifically consider various factors, including the risks outlined at the beginning of this report under "Cautionary Notice Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" and in Item 1A of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC. These factors may cause our actual results to differ materially from any forward-looking statements. Except as required by law, we undertake no obligation to publicly release any revisions to these forward-looking statements that may be made to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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Overview

We develop, produce, market and distribute premium beverages, including the following product lines and extensions:

Jones Soda[®], a premium carbonated soft drink;

Jones Zilch , with zero calories (and an extension of the *Jones Soda*[®] product line);

WhoopAss Energy Drink[®], an energy supplement drink; and

WhoopAss Zero Energy Drink[®], with zero sugar (and an extension of the *WhoopAss Energy Drink*[®] product line).

We sell and distribute our products primarily throughout the United States (U.S.) and Canada through our network of independent distributors, which we refer to as our direct store delivery (DSD) channel, and directly to national retail accounts, which we refer to as our direct to retail (DTR) channel. Additionally, in limited circumstances we sell concentrate for distribution or production of our products, which we refer to as our concentrate soda channel. We do not directly manufacture our products but instead outsource the manufacturing process to third-party contract manufacturers.

Our products are sold in 50 states in the U.S. and nine provinces in Canada, primarily in convenience stores, grocery stores, delicatessens, and sandwich shops, as well as through our national accounts with several large retailers. We also sell various products on-line, which we refer to as our interactive channel, including soda with customized labels, wearables, candy and other items. Our distribution landscape is evolving, with the majority of our case sales of our core products, including *Jones Soda* as well as our newly re-launched *WhoopAss Energy Drink*, sold through our DSD channel in recent years. We are strategically building our national and regional retailer network by focusing on the distribution system that will provide us the best top-line driver for our products and optimize availability of our products. We have focused our sales and marketing resources on the expansion and penetration of our products through our independent distributor network and national and regional retail accounts in our core markets throughout the U.S. and Canada. We also intend to initiate and enhance distributor relationships in international regions where we believe there may be appropriate demand for our products. Our international business outside of North America is comprised of Ireland, the United Kingdom and Australia.

Our business strategy is to increase sales by expanding distribution of our products in new and existing markets (primarily within North America). Our business strategy focuses on:

expanding points of distribution of *Jones Soda* throughout the entire U.S. in the grocery, mass and club channels;

growing our convenience and gas (C&G) distribution behind *WhoopAss Energy Drink* and our newly launched 16-ounce can format;

expanding the stock-keeping unit (SKU) offerings in the grocery stores where we are already present; and

developing innovative beverage brands that will allow us to capture share in the growing natural carbonated drink segment.

In order to compete effectively in the beverage industry, we believe that we must convince independent distributors that *Jones Soda* and *WhoopAss Energy Drink* are leading brands in the premium soda and energy drink segments of the sparkling beverage category. We believe our story is compelling as we perform well compared to our direct competitors in the premium soda segment in sales per point of distribution. Additionally, as a means of maintaining and expanding our distribution network, we introduce new products and product extensions, and when warranted, new brands. In October 2011, we announced our launch of a new format for *Jones Soda* specifically aimed at the convenience store channel a 16-ounce can, emblazoned with the bold black and white fan-submitted photos associated with our Jones brand. Although we believe

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that we will be able to continue to create competitive and relevant brands to satisfy consumers' changing preferences, there can be no assurance that we will be able to do so or that other companies will not be more successful in this regard over the long term.

We believe that our current cash and cash equivalents will be sufficient to meet our anticipated cash needs into the first quarter of 2012. In order to execute on our growth strategy in 2012, we will require additional financing to support our working capital needs. We have exited costly sponsorship arrangements to improve our working capital, as evidenced by our August 2011 announcement that we were able to terminate our sponsorship arrangement with the New Jersey Nets (see [Liquidity and Capital Resources](#)) thereby reducing our sponsorship commitments by approximately \$7.0 million through 2017 as we return our attention to grassroots marketing initiatives that focus on a nationwide audience.

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Although we are exploring debt and equity financing alternatives, there can be no assurance that any new debt or equity financing arrangement will be available to us when needed or on acceptable terms, if at all. In addition, there can be no assurance that these financing alternatives would provide us with sufficient funds to meet our long-term capital requirements. If we are able to secure additional financing, the alternatives may require significant cash payments for interest and other costs or could be highly dilutive to our existing shareholders. If necessary, we may explore strategic transactions in the best interest of the Company and our shareholders, which may include, without limitation, public or private offerings of debt or equity securities, joint ventures with one or more strategic partners, strategic acquisitions and other strategic alternatives, but there can be no assurance that we will enter into any agreements or transactions.

Our need to raise additional capital in a difficult financing environment to support our business, combined with the uncertainties relating to our ability to successfully execute our operating plan and our ability to implement further meaningful cost containment measures that do not jeopardize our growth plans, continue to raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern (see Liquidity and Capital Resources).

Results of Operations

The following selected unaudited financial and operating data are derived from our condensed consolidated financial statements and should be read in conjunction with Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and our condensed consolidated financial statements.

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | | | |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|---------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| | 2011 | % of Revenue | 2010 | % of Revenue | 2011 | % of Revenue | 2010 | % of Revenue |
| (Dollars in thousands, except share data) | | | | | | | | |
| Consolidated statements of operation data: | | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | \$ 4,973 | 100.0 | \$ 5,125 | 100.0 | \$ 13,974 | 100.0 | \$ 14,383 | 100.0 |
| Cost of goods sold | (3,802) | (76.5) | (3,575) | (69.8) | (10,386) | (74.3) | (10,553) | (73.4) |
| Write-down of excess GABA inventory | | | (166) | (3.2) | | | (344) | (2.4) |
| Gross profit | 1,171 | 23.5 | 1,384 | 27.0 | 3,588 | 25.7 | 3,486 | 24.2 |
| Licensing revenue | 7 | 0.1 | 7 | 0.1 | 19 | 0.1 | 25 | 0.2 |
| Promotion and selling expenses | (1,557) | (31.3) | (1,109) | (21.6) | (4,710) | (33.7) | (3,411) | (23.7) |
| General and administrative expenses | (1,282) | (25.8) | (1,256) | (24.5) | (4,075) | (29.2) | (4,685) | (32.6) |
| Loss from operations | (1,661) | (33.5) | (974) | (19.0) | (5,178) | (37.1) | (4,585) | (31.9) |
| Other income, net | 1 | 0.0 | 26 | 0.5 | 79 | 0.6 | 18 | 0.1 |
| Loss before income taxes | (1,660) | (33.5) | (948) | (18.5) | (5,099) | (36.5) | (4,567) | (31.8) |
| Income tax (expense) benefit, net | (24) | (0.5) | 370 | 7.2 | (75) | (0.5) | 303 | 2.1 |
| Net loss | \$ (1,684) | (34.0) | \$ (578) | (11.3) | \$ (5,174) | (37.0) | \$ (4,264) | (29.7) |
| Basic and diluted net loss per share | \$ (0.05) | | \$ (0.02) | | \$ (0.16) | | \$ (0.16) | |

| | As of | |
|--|--------------------|-------------------|
| | September 30, 2011 | December 31, 2010 |
| (Dollars in thousands) | | |
| Balance sheet data: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable, net | \$ 5,656 | \$ 7,668 |
| Fixed assets, net | 897 | 296 |
| Total assets | 10,416 | 11,463 |
| Long-term liabilities | 500 | 2 |
| Working capital | 5,233 | 8,141 |

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| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| Case sale data (288-ounce equivalent): | | | | |
| Finished products cases | 375,600 | 394,800 | 1,035,900 | 1,095,900 |
| Concentrate cases | | | | 110,800 |
| Total cases | 375,600 | 394,800 | 1,035,900 | 1,206,700 |

Quarter Ended September 30, 2011 Compared to Quarter Ended September 30, 2010*Revenue*

For the quarter ended September 30, 2011, revenue was approximately \$5.0 million, a decrease of \$152,000, or 3.0%, from \$5.1 million in revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2010. This decrease is in part attributable to a 6.6% decline in revenue due to the discontinuation of underperforming product lines, *Jones Naturals*[®], *Jones Organics*[™], *Jones 24C*[®] and *Jones GABA*[®], and certain underperforming *Jones Soda* flavors (which we refer to as stock keeping units, or SKUs) totaling \$339,000 compared to the same period in 2010. This product line and SKU rationalization was initiated in the second half of 2010, after the arrival of our new Chief Executive Officer in April of that year, as part of our strategic decision to focus our business on our higher-margin, core products, including *Jones Soda* SKUs that we believe have demonstrated strong sales performance at retail (measured by the number of units of a particular SKU sold per point of distribution within a specific period of time, referred to as sales velocity) and our newly re-launched *WhoopAss Energy Drink*. As a result, for the third quarter of 2011 we earned no revenue from these discontinued products and SKUs and expect similar results for the remainder of 2011 as we no longer have inventory relating to these discontinued products and SKUs. The following table summarizes the case sales and revenue for the three months ended September 30:

| | Case Sales (288-ounce equivalent) | | Revenue (in thousands) | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|------------------------|----------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| Core products North America | 357,000 | 326,800 | \$ 4,828 | \$ 4,513 |
| Core products International | 18,600 | 24,000 | 145 | 273 |
| Discontinued products | | 26,000 | | 214 |
| Discontinued SKUs | | 18,000 | | 125 |
| Total | 375,600 | 394,800 | \$ 4,973 | \$ 5,125 |

Also contributing to the decrease in revenue was a decline of \$128,000 in our international market. During the third quarter of 2011, we transitioned to a new distributor to serve the Ireland market to replace our previous underperforming distributor who ultimately sought bankruptcy protection. This distributor issue was the primary driver behind this 2.5% decrease in revenue in the third quarter of 2011 compared to the same period in 2010.

The decrease in revenue for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010 was offset, in part, by a 6.1% increase in revenue compared to the prior year period driven by revenue growth of our continuing core product offerings in North America, *Jones Soda* and *WhoopAss Energy Drink*, which increased by \$315,000. We believe our efforts with respect to reinforcing and expanding our distribution network by partnering with new distributors and replacing underperforming distributors, coupled with our strategic refocus to emphasize our higher-margin core products, are beginning to positively impact our core products and are expected to further contribute to revenue growth in our core products for the remainder of the year.

For the quarter ended September 30, 2011, promotion allowances and slotting fees, which are a reduction to revenue, totaled \$536,000, an increase of \$30,000, or 5.9%, from \$506,000 a year ago. The increase in promotion allowances and slotting fees was primarily attributable to the growth of our core products through our DSD channel due to our expanding distribution network, and is likely to continue for the remainder of 2011.

Gross Profit

For the quarter ended September 30, 2011, gross profit decreased by approximately \$213,000, or 15.4%, to \$1.2 million as compared to \$1.4 million in gross profit for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. Gross profit was negatively impacted by a rise in

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fuel and logistics costs during the third quarter of 2011 compared to the same period in the prior year, as well as a decrease in revenue during the quarter for the factors outlined above under "Revenue." Additionally, the prior year gross profit was negatively impacted by a \$166,000 write-down of excess GABA inventory. For the quarter ended September 30, 2011, gross profit as a percentage of revenue decreased to 23.5% from 27.0% for the third quarter of 2010.

Promotion and Selling Expenses

Promotion and selling expenses for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 were \$1.6 million, an increase of \$448,000, or 40.4%, from \$1.1 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. Promotion and selling expenses as a percentage of revenue increased to 31.3% for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, from 21.6% in the same period in 2010. The increase in promotion and selling expenses was primarily due to an increase in selling expenses year over year of \$370,000, to \$1.0 million, or 20.7% of revenue driven by added sales personnel to support our growth strategy. Also contributing to the increase was trade promotion and marketing expenses, which grew from \$450,000 to \$528,000, or 10.6% of revenue for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in the prior year, in conjunction with summer sampling programs throughout the U.S. and Canada. We anticipate increased promotion and selling expenses for the remainder of the year compared to prior year periods due to our hiring of additional sales personnel to support our strategy of securing and growing larger distributor and national retail accounts, as well as our efforts to grow our *Jones Soda* and *WhoopAss Energy Drink* core product lines.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 were \$1.3 million, an increase of \$26,000, or 2.1%, compared to \$1.3 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. General and administrative expenses as a percentage of revenue increased to 25.8% for the three months ended September 30, 2011 from 24.5% in the same period of 2010. The increase in general and administrative expenses during the third quarter of 2011 was primarily due to increases in professional fees and was offset by a decrease in public company costs for the third quarter of 2011 compared to the prior year due to the fact that we held our 2010 shareholder meeting in September rather than in May as is our normal practice (including for 2011).

Income Tax Expense, Net

Provision for income taxes for the quarters ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 was an expense of \$24,000 and a benefit of \$370,000, respectively. The tax provision relates primarily to the tax on income from our Canadian operations and for the 2010 period, also reflects a non-recurring credit due to a tax refund allowed. No tax benefit is recorded for the loss in our U.S. operations as we have recorded a full valuation allowance on our U.S. net deferred tax assets. We expect to continue to record a full valuation allowance on our U.S. net deferred tax assets until we sustain an appropriate level of taxable income through improved U.S. operations. Our effective tax rate is based on recurring factors, including the forecasted mix of income before taxes in various jurisdictions, estimated permanent differences and the recording of a full valuation allowance on our U.S. net deferred tax assets.

Net Loss

Net loss for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 increased to \$1.7 million from a net loss of \$578,000 for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. This was primarily due to an increase in promotion and selling expenses of \$448,000, a decrease in gross margin for the reasons discussed above and a \$392,000 tax refund allowed in 2010 resulting from our Canadian operations which reduced the net loss in the prior year.

Nine Month Period Ended September 30, 2011 Compared to Nine Month Period Ended September 30, 2010*Revenue*

For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, revenue was approximately \$14.0 million, a decrease of \$409,000, or 2.8%, from \$14.4 million in revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. This decrease is primarily attributable to an 8.0% decline in revenue due to the discontinuation of underperforming products lines, *Jones Naturals*[®], *Jones Organics*[™], *Jones 24C*[®] and *Jones GABA*[®], and certain underperforming *Jones Soda* flavors (which we refer to as stock keeping units, or SKUs) of \$1.2 million compared to the prior year period. This product line and SKU rationalization was initiated in the second half of 2010, after the arrival of our new Chief Executive Officer in April of that year, as part of our strategic decision to focus our business on our higher-margin, core products, including *Jones Soda* SKUs that we believe have demonstrated strong sales performance at retail (measured by the number of units of a particular SKU sold per point of distribution within a specific period of time, referred to as sales velocity) and our newly re-launched *WhoopAss Energy Drink*. As a

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result, for the first nine months of 2011 we earned significantly less revenue from these discontinued products and SKUs compared to the same period in the prior year. We expect revenue related to these discontinued products and SKUs to continue to decline in 2011 compared to the same period in 2010 as we no longer have inventory relating to these discontinued products and SKUs. The following table summarizes the case sales and revenue for the nine months ended September 30:

| | Case Sales (288-ounce equivalent) | | Revenue (in thousands) | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------|
| | 2011 | 2010 | 2011 | 2010 |
| Core products North America | 999,600 | 886,100 | \$ 13,727 | \$ 12,368 |
| Core products International | 22,300 | 59,500 | 198 | 712 |
| Discontinued products | 12,700 | 102,700 | 39 | 763 |
| Discontinued SKUs | 1,300 | 47,600 | 10 | 439 |
| Concentrate | | 110,800 | | 101 |
| Total | 1,035,900 | 1,206,700 | \$ 13,974 | \$ 14,383 |

Also contributing to the decrease in revenue was a significant decline of \$514,000 in our international market. During the third quarter of 2011, we transitioned to a new distributor to serve the Ireland market to replace our previous underperforming distributor who ultimately sought bankruptcy protection. This distributor issue was the primary driver behind this 3.6% decrease in revenue in the first nine months of 2011 compared to the prior year period. We expect our international revenues to continue to be negatively impacted for 2011 compared to a year ago. In addition, there were no case sales of concentrate during the first nine months of 2011 compared to 110,800 cases during the same period a year ago.

The decrease in revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period of 2010 was offset, in part, by a 9.4% increase in revenue compared to the prior year period driven by revenue growth of our continuing core product offerings in North America, *Jones Soda* and *WhoopAss Energy Drink*, which increased by \$1.4 million. We believe this was the direct result of our efforts, beginning in the latter part of 2010, to reinforce and expand our distributor network by partnering with new distributors and replacing underperforming distributors, in addition to our transition out of underperforming products and SKUs as we focus on our core product lines. Additionally, we expect our efforts and our strategic refocus on our core products will result in revenue growth in our core products for the full year as compared to a year ago.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, promotion allowances and slotting fees, which are a reduction to revenue, totaled \$1.4 million, an increase of \$178,000, or 14.1%, from \$1.2 million a year ago. The increase in promotion allowances and slotting fees was primarily attributable to a focus on more traditional trade spend strategies for core products through our DSD channel in order to increase sales velocity, coupled with our expanding distribution network. We expect promotional allowances and slotting fees to be higher in 2011 compared to 2010 as we concentrate on these traditional trade spend strategies and continue to increase distribution.

Gross Profit

For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, gross profit increased by approximately \$102,000, or 2.9%, to \$3.6 million as compared to \$3.5 million in gross profit for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Despite the overall decrease in revenue during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the same period in the prior year for the reasons outlined above under Revenue, this increase in gross profit was primarily a result of a reduction in cost of goods sold for the first nine months of 2011 compared to the same period in the prior year as a result of our transition out of underperforming product lines which had a higher cost to produce. Additionally, gross profit was negatively impacted by rising fuel costs in 2011 compared to 2010, and in 2010, it was negatively impacted by a \$344,000 write-down of excess GABA inventory. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, gross profit as a percentage of revenue increased to 25.7% from 24.2% for the nine months of 2010.

Promotion and Selling Expenses

Promotion and selling expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 were \$4.7 million, an increase of \$1.3 million, or 38.1%, from \$3.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Promotion and selling expenses as a percentage of revenue increased to 33.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, from 23.7% in the same period in 2010. The increase in promotion and selling expenses was primarily due to an increase in selling expenses year over year of \$931,000, to \$2.8 million, or 19.7% of revenue, driven by added sales and marketing personnel to support our growth strategy. Also contributing to the increase was trade promotion and marketing expenses which grew

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from \$1.6 million, to \$1.9 million, or 14.0% of revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, due primarily to a \$350,000 charge accrued to the second quarter in connection with the termination of our New Jersey Nets sponsorship agreement in August 2011. We anticipate increased promotion and selling expenses for the full year compared to 2010 due to our hiring of additional sales and marketing personnel to support our strategy of securing and growing larger distributor and national retail accounts, as well as our efforts to grow our *Jones Soda* and *WhoopAss Energy Drink* core product lines.

Table of Contents*General and Administrative Expenses*

General and administrative expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 were \$4.1 million, a decrease of \$610,000, or 13.0%, compared to \$4.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. General and administrative expenses as a percentage of revenue decreased to 29.2% for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 from 32.6% in the same period of 2010. The decrease in general and administrative expenses was primarily due to decreases in salaries and benefits, driven by a decrease in stock-based compensation, as well as a decrease in professional fees and depreciation expense. In addition, general and administrative expenses were favorably impacted due to a loss on disposal of fixed assets in the prior year period. Offsetting these decreases was an increase in bad debt expense.

Income Tax Expense, Net

Provision for income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 was an expense of \$75,000 and a benefit of \$303,000, respectively. The tax provision relates primarily to the tax provision on income from our Canadian operations and for the 2010 period, also reflects a non-recurring credit due to a tax refund allowed. No tax benefit is recorded for the loss in our U.S. operations as we have recorded a full valuation allowance on our U.S. net deferred tax assets. We expect to continue to record a full valuation allowance on our U.S. net deferred tax assets until we sustain an appropriate level of taxable income through improved U.S. operations. Our effective tax rate is based on recurring factors, including the forecasted mix of income before taxes in various jurisdictions, estimated permanent differences and the recording of a full valuation allowance on our U.S. net deferred tax assets.

Net Loss

Net loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 increased to \$5.2 million from a net loss of \$4.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. This was primarily, for the reasons discussed above, due to an increase in promotion and selling expenses of \$1.3 million and a tax refund allowed in 2010 resulting from our Canadian operations which reduced the net loss in the prior year. Offsetting these increases to net loss was a decrease in general and administrative expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 of \$610,000.

Liquidity and Capital Resources*Liquidity*

As of September 30, 2011, we had cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$2.9 million and working capital of \$5.2 million. Cash used in operating activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 totaled \$3.9 million. Our cash flows vary throughout the year based on seasonality. We traditionally use more cash in the first half of the year as we build inventory to support our historically seasonally-stronger shipping months of April through September, and expect cash used by operating activities to decrease in the second half of the year as we collect receivables generated during our stronger shipping months. Additionally, for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, net cash used by investing activities totaled \$926,000, due primarily to the investments in a certificate of deposit and in conjunction with tenant improvements for our new operating lease, while net cash provided by financing activities totaled \$2.3 million due to the proceeds from our final draw down on our equity line, and to a lesser extent, proceeds from the capital lease obligation for the financing of the purchased branded vehicles. We incurred a net loss of \$1.7 million during the three months ended September 30, 2011.

We believe that our current cash and cash equivalents will be sufficient to meet our anticipated cash needs into the first quarter of 2012. In order to execute on our growth strategy in 2012, we will require additional financing to support our working capital needs. The amount of additional capital we will require, the timing of our capital needs and the availability of financing to fund those needs will depend on a number of factors, including the performance of our business and the market conditions for debt or equity financing. Our ability to successfully execute our operating plan, which is based on our realigned product portfolio, including our newly re-launched *WhoopAss Energy Drink*, is subject to a number of risks, and there can be no assurance that we will achieve the sales levels we expect or that justify the additional costs associated with our growth plan. We also plan to continue our efforts to reinforce and expand our distributor network by partnering with new distributors and replacing underperforming distributors. It is critical that we meet our volume projections and continue to increase volume going forward, as our operating plan already reflects prior significant cost containment measures.

Our operating plan factors in the use of cash to meet our contractual obligations. A substantial portion of these contractual obligations consists of obligations to purchase raw materials, including sugar and glass under our supply agreements. We enter into

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these supply agreements in order to fix the cost of these key raw materials, which we expect will be used in the ordinary course of our business. Our contractual obligations also relate to payments for sponsorships, and have been reduced by approximately \$7.0 million through 2017 as the result of the termination of our sponsorship arrangement with the New Jersey Nets (see *Contractual Obligations*).

We intend to continually monitor and adjust our business plans as necessary to respond to developments in our business, our markets and the broader economy. Although we are exploring debt and equity financing alternatives, there can be no assurance that any new debt or equity financing arrangement will be available to us when needed or on acceptable terms, if at all. In addition, there can be no assurance that these financing alternatives would provide us with sufficient funds to meet our long-term capital requirements. If we are able to secure additional financing, the alternatives may require significant cash payments for interest and other costs or could be highly dilutive to our existing shareholders. If necessary, we may explore strategic transactions in the best interest of the Company and our shareholders, which may include, without limitation, public or private offerings of debt or equity securities, joint ventures with one or more strategic partners, strategic acquisitions and other strategic alternatives, but there can be no assurance that we will enter into any agreements or transactions.

Our need to raise additional capital in a difficult financing environment to support our business, combined with the uncertainties relating to our ability to successfully execute our operating plan and our ability to implement further meaningful cost containment measures that do not jeopardize our growth plans, continue to raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. Our financial statements for the quarter ended September 30, 2011 were prepared assuming we would continue as a going concern, which contemplates that we will continue in operation for the foreseeable future and will be able to realize assets and settle liabilities and commitments in the normal course of business. These financial statements do not include any adjustments to reflect the possible future effects on the recoverability and classification of assets or the amounts and classifications of liabilities that could result should we be unable to continue as a going concern.

Contractual Obligations

In June 2011, we entered into an office building sublease for use as our principal headquarters as our previous lease expired in August 2011 and did not include an option to renew. The term of the sublease is five years with an option to extend for up to three additional five year terms.

Under the terms of the sublease, we were required to deliver a Letter of Credit (LOC) issued by KeyBank National Association for a portion of the Subtenant Improvement Allowance (as defined in the sublease agreement), or \$183,000, which will be released after year three of the sublease term, provided we have not been late in the payment of rent more than five times during such period. As a condition of and to secure the LOC, KeyBank National Association required us to place \$183,000 in an interest bearing restricted reserve account, invested in a certificate of deposit.

In August 2011, we announced that we agreed to terminate the Amended Sponsorship Agreement with the New Jersey Nets, dated October 29, 2007, effectively ending the agreement five years early. In connection with the termination, we agreed to pay \$500,000, which included a \$150,000 payment owed under the Amended Sponsorship Agreement in connection with annual sponsorship fees for the year ended December 31, 2010 and the first half of 2011, and a termination fee of \$350,000 payable in three installments ending March 1, 2012.

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With the conclusion of our sponsorship with the Portland Trailblazers effective June 30, 2011, our remaining sponsorships are comprised of several individual athlete sponsorships and other sponsorships; these obligations vary in terms. Our commitments as of September 30, 2011 with respect to known contractual obligations were as follows (in thousands):

| Contractual Obligations | Total | Payments Due by Period | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|
| | | Less Than | | | More Than |
| | | 1 | 2-3 Years | 4-5 Years | 5 Years |
| Operating lease obligations | \$ 961 | \$ 150 | \$ 415 | \$ 396 | \$ |
| Capital lease obligations | 128 | 29 | 58 | 41 | |
| Sponsorships ⁽¹⁾ | 310 | 85 | 225 | | |
| Purchase obligations | 2,947 | 2,947 | | | |
| TOTAL | \$ 4,346 | \$ 3,211 | \$ 698 | \$ 437 | \$ |

- (1) Excludes remaining liability of \$200,000 recorded in accounts payable as of September 30, 2011 in connection with the termination of the New Jersey Nets Sponsorship arrangement, as discussed above.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements.

Seasonality

Our sales are seasonal and we experience significant fluctuations in quarterly results as a result of many factors. We historically have generated a greater percentage of our revenues during the warm weather months of April through September. Timing of customer purchases will vary each year and sales can be expected to shift from one quarter to another. As a result, management believes that period-to-period comparisons of results of operations are not necessarily meaningful and should not be relied upon as any indication of future performance or results expected for the fiscal year.

Critical Accounting Policies

See the information concerning our critical accounting policies included under Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Critical Accounting Policies in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 21, 2011. There have been no material changes in our critical accounting policies during the three months ended September 30, 2011.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**Procedures***(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures*

The Company maintains disclosure controls and procedures (as defined under Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended). Management, under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and our Interim Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(b) as of September 30, 2011. Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and the Interim Chief Financial Officer concluded that these disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of September 30, 2011.

(b) Changes in internal controls

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There were no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the three months ended September 30, 2011 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are or may be involved from time to time in various claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business, including proceedings involving product liability claims and other employee claims, and tort and other general liability claims, for which we carry insurance, as well as trademark, copyright, and related claims and legal actions. In the opinion of our management, the ultimate disposition of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

In addition to the other information set forth in this report, you should carefully consider the factors discussed in Part I, Item 1A. Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 (the Form 10-K), which could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results. The Company amends and restates its risk factor set forth in the Form 10-K, and identified as *We may not be able to maintain the listing of our common stock on the Nasdaq Capital Market, which would make it more difficult for investors to sell shares of our common stock* in its entirety as follows:

We may not be able to maintain the listing of our common stock on the Nasdaq Capital Market, which would make it more difficult for investors to sell shares of our common stock.

Our common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market. The Nasdaq Capital Market has several quantitative and qualitative requirements with which companies must comply in order to maintain this listing, including a \$1.00 per share minimum bid price. On September 16, 2011, we received a deficiency letter from The Nasdaq Stock Market indicating that, for the thirty consecutive business days ending September 15, 2011, the bid price for the Company's common stock has closed below the minimum \$1.00 per share requirement for continued listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market under Nasdaq Marketplace Rule 5550(a)(2). In accordance with Nasdaq Marketplace Rule 5810(c)(3)(A), the Company has been provided an initial period of 180 calendar days, or until March 14, 2012, to regain compliance. The letter states that the Nasdaq Staff will provide written notification that the Company has achieved compliance with the minimum bid price listing requirement if at any time before March 14, 2012, the bid price of the Company's common stock closes at \$1.00 per share or more for a minimum of ten consecutive business days, although the Nasdaq Staff has discretion to require compliance for a period in excess of ten consecutive business days, but generally no more than twenty consecutive business days, under certain circumstances.

If the Company is unable to regain compliance by March 14, 2012, the Company may be eligible for an additional 180 calendar day compliance period, or until September 10, 2012, to demonstrate compliance with the bid price requirement. To qualify, the Company will be required to meet the continued listing requirement for market value of publicly held shares set forth in Market Place Rule 5550(a) and all other initial listing standards for the Nasdaq Capital Market set forth in Marketplace Rule 5505, and will need to provide written notice to Nasdaq of its intention to cure the deficiency during the second compliance period, by effecting a reverse stock split, if necessary. If the Company does not qualify for the second compliance period or fails to regain compliance during the second 180 day period, then Nasdaq will notify the Company of its determination to delist the Company's common stock, at which point the Company would have an opportunity to appeal the delisting determination to a Hearings Panel.

There can be no assurance that we will be able to regain compliance with the minimum bid price requirement, that we would succeed in an appeal of a delisting determination to a Hearings Panel, or that, if we regain compliance or succeed in an appeal, that we will be able to continue to satisfy the minimum bid price requirement or any of the other requirements for continued listing on the Nasdaq Capital Market. The level of trading activity of our common stock may decline if it is no longer listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market. As such, if our common stock ceases to be listed for trading on the Nasdaq Capital Market for any reason, it may harm our stock price, increase the volatility of our stock price, lead to decreases in analyst coverage, investor demand and information available concerning trading prices and volume, or make it more difficult for investors to buy or sell shares of our common stock. Further, we may no longer qualify for exemptions from state securities registration requirements. Without an exemption from registration, we may need to file time-consuming and costly registration statements for future securities transactions and issuances and to amend our stock option and stock purchase plans. Furthermore, if our common stock is delisted, we would be required to utilize the long-form registration statement on SEC Form S-1 in order to register any future securities under the Securities Act either for sale by us or for resale by investors who previously acquired securities from us in a private placement. The SEC Form S-1 requires more information than SEC Form S-3 and will take longer and be more costly to prepare and keep current than SEC Form S-3. If our common stock is delisted, there can be no assurance whether we will satisfy the standards for listing on an exchange or that an exchange will approve our listing in the future.

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The risks described above and in our Form 10-K are not the only risks facing our company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results. However, there have been no other material changes that we are aware of from the risk factors set forth in Part I, Item 1A in our Form 10-K.

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ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

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| 10.1* | Independent Contractor Agreement, between Jennifer Cue and Jones Soda Co., effective September 12, 2011 (Filed herewith.) |
| 10.2* | Stock Option Agreement under Jones Soda Co. 2011 Incentive Plan, granted to Jennifer Cue, dated September 12, 2011 (Filed herewith.) |
| 31.1 | Section 302 Certification of CEO William R. Meissner, Chief Executive Officer (Filed herewith.) |
| 31.2 | Section 302 Certification of CFO Jennifer Cue, Interim Chief Financial Officer (Filed herewith.) |
| 32.1 | Section 906 Certification of CEO William R. Meissner, Chief Executive Officer of Jones Soda Co., pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (Filed herewith.) |
| 32.2 | Section 906 Certification of CFO Jennifer Cue, Interim Chief Financial Officer of Jones Soda Co., pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (Filed herewith.) |
| 101.INS** | XBRL Instance Document. |
| 101.SCH** | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document. |
| 101.CAL** | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document. |
| 101.LAB** | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document. |
| 101.PRE** | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document. |

* Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

** Pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, these interactive data files are deemed not filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Sections 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933 or Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and otherwise are not subject to liability.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

November 14, 2011

JONES SODA CO.

By: /s/ WILLIAM R. MEISSNER
William R. Meissner
President and Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ JENNIFER CUE
Jennifer Cue
Interim Chief Financial Officer