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**FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

Quarterly report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
For the quarterly period ended August 31, 2015  
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 No. 0-5131

ART'S-WAY MANUFACTURING CO., INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 42-0920725

(State or other  
jurisdiction of  
incorporation (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)  
or  
organization)

5556 Highway 9

Armstrong, Iowa 50514

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(712) 864-3131

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant 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

Number of common shares outstanding as of September 17, 2015: 4,061,052

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**PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION****Item 1. Financial Statements****ART’S-WAY MANUFACTURING CO., INC.**

## Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

|   | (Unaudited)                |                              |
|---|----------------------------|------------------------------|
|   | <b>August 31,<br/>2015</b> | <b>November<br/>30, 2014</b> |
| <b>Assets</b>   |                            |                              |
| Current assets:   |                            |                              |
| Cash  | \$643,540                  | \$511,716                    |
| Accounts receivable-customers, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$21,072 and \$35,175 in 2015 and 2014, respectively | 1,875,735                  | 2,961,834                    |
| Inventories, net  | 16,493,566                 | 15,089,280                   |
| Deferred taxes  | 1,327,079                  | 1,259,943                    |
| Cost and Profit in Excess of Billings   | 87,379                     | 17,543                       |
| Income taxes receivable   | 265,013                    | 100,417                      |
| Other current assets  | 320,740                    | 125,228                      |
| Total current assets  | 21,013,052                 | 20,065,961                   |
| Property, plant, and equipment, net   | 11,249,804                 | 11,680,792                   |
| Assets held for lease, net  | 10,636                     | 58,500                       |
| Goodwill  | 375,000                    | 993,729                      |
| Other Assets  | 56,204                     | 47,360                       |
| Total assets  | \$32,704,696               | \$32,846,342                 |
| <b>Liabilities and Stockholders’ Equity</b>   |                            |                              |
| Current liabilities:  |                            |                              |
| Line of credit  | \$4,031,278                | \$2,569,106                  |
| Current portion of term debt  | 1,312,664                  | 1,283,897                    |
| Accounts payable  | 1,225,767                  | 874,653                      |
| Customer deposits   | 115,098                    | 95,411                       |
| Billings in Excess of Cost and Profit   | 126,447                    | 96,382                       |
| Accrued expenses  | 1,229,050                  | 1,584,328                    |
| Total current liabilities   | 8,040,304                  | 6,503,777                    |
| Long-term liabilities   |                            |                              |
| Deferred taxes  | 1,021,580                  | 1,141,580                    |
| Long Term debt, excluding current portion   | 4,960,874                  | 5,949,329                    |
| Total liabilities   | 14,022,758                 | 13,594,686                   |
| Commitments and Contingencies (Notes 6 and 7)   |                            |                              |
| Stockholders’ equity:   |                            |                              |

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|  |              |              |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Undesignated preferred stock - \$0.01 par value. Authorized 500,000 shares in 2015 and 2014; issued and outstanding 0 shares in 2015 and 2014. | -            | -            |
| Common stock – \$0.01 par value. Authorized 9,500,000 shares in 2015 and 2014; issued and outstanding 4,061,052 in 2015 and 4,048,552 in 2014  | 40,610       | 40,486       |
| Additional paid-in capital   | 2,667,010    | 2,638,651    |
| Retained earnings  | 15,974,318   | 16,572,519   |
| Total stockholders' equity   | 18,681,938   | 19,251,656   |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity   | \$32,704,696 | \$32,846,342 |

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

**ART'S-WAY MANUFACTURING CO., INC.**

## Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

(Unaudited)

|  | Three Months Ended |                    | Nine Months Ended  |                    |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
|  | August<br>31, 2015 | August 31,<br>2014 | August 31,<br>2015 | August 31,<br>2014 |
| Sales  | \$6,886,077        | \$11,584,707       | \$21,979,317       | \$27,291,037       |
| Cost of goods sold   | 5,620,719          | 8,880,619          | 16,454,087         | 20,918,763         |
| Gross profit   | 1,265,358          | 2,704,088          | 5,525,230          | 6,372,274          |
| Expenses:  |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Engineering  | 145,458            | 129,131            | 380,677            | 361,031            |
| Selling  | 532,445            | 566,452            | 1,678,371          | 1,742,497          |
| General and administrative   | 972,310            | 1,100,733          | 3,107,737          | 3,212,018          |
| Impairment of goodwill   | (618,729)          | -                  | (618,729)          | -                  |
| Total expenses   | 2,268,948          | 1,796,316          | 5,785,514          | 5,315,546          |
| Income from operations   | (1,003,584)        | 907,772            | (260,284)          | 1,056,728          |
| Other income (expense):  |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Interest expense   | (85,458)           | (94,112)           | (246,524)          | (269,274)          |
| Other  | (96,058)           | 30,865             | (79,456)           | 47,971             |
| Total other income (expense)   | (181,516)          | (63,247)           | (325,980)          | (221,303)          |
| Income (loss) before income taxes  | (1,185,100)        | 844,525            | (586,264)          | 835,425            |
| Income tax expense (benefit)   | (389,507)          | 286,317            | (190,494)          | 282,374            |
| Net income (loss)  | \$(795,593)        | \$558,208          | \$(395,770)        | \$553,051          |
| Net income per share:  |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Basic net income (loss) per share  | \$(0.20)           | \$0.14             | \$(0.10)           | \$0.14             |
| Diluted net income (loss) per share  | \$(0.20)           | \$0.14             | \$(0.10)           | \$0.14             |
| Weighted average outstanding shares used to compute basic net income per share   | 4,061,052          | 4,048,552          | 4,057,496          | 4,047,544          |
| Weighted average outstanding shares used to compute diluted net income per share | 4,061,052          | 4,053,129          | 4,057,496          | 4,053,152          |

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

**ART'S-WAY MANUFACTURING CO., INC.**

## Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Unaudited)

|  | Nine Months Ended |                   |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
|  | <b>August 31,</b> | <b>August 31,</b> |
|  | <b>2015</b>       | <b>2014</b>       |
| Cash flows from operations:  |                   |                   |
| Net income (loss)  | \$(395,770 )      | \$553,051         |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities: |                   |                   |
| Stock based compensation   | 28,484            | 14,504            |
| (Gain)/Loss on disposal of property, plant, and equipment  | (1,130 )          | (958 )            |
| Depreciation and amortization expense  | 692,680           | 633,123           |
| Impairment of goodwill   | 618,729           | -                 |
| Bad debt expense (recovery)  | (4,042 )          | 39,207            |
| Deferred income taxes  | (187,136 )        | (10,000 )         |
| Changes in assets and liabilities:   |                   |                   |
| (Increase) decrease in:  |                   |                   |
| Accounts receivable  | 1,090,141         | (2,023,321)       |
| Inventories  | (1,404,286)       | 103,537           |
| Income taxes receivable  | (164,596 )        | (3,821 )          |
| Other assets   | (209,337 )        | (81,517 )         |
| Increase (decrease) in:  |                   |                   |
| Accounts payable   | 351,111           | 192,203           |
| Contracts in progress, net   | (39,771 )         | (64,514 )         |
| Customer deposits  | 19,687            | (26,114 )         |
| Accrued expenses   | (355,278 )        | (209,896 )        |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities  | 39,486            | (884,516 )        |
| Cash flows from investing activities:  |                   |                   |
| Purchases of property, plant, and equipment  | (228,624 )        | (651,251 )        |
| Proceeds from sale of assets   | 20,906            | 958               |
| Net cash (used in) investing activities  | (207,718 )        | (650,293 )        |
| Cash flows from financing activities:  |                   |                   |
| Net change in line of credit   | 1,462,172         | 1,489,383         |
| Proceeds from term debt  | -                 | 1,000,000         |
| Repayment of term debt   | (959,688 )        | (933,194 )        |
| Proceeds from the exercise of stock options  | -                 | 7,760             |
| Dividends paid to stockholders   | (202,428 )        | -                 |
| Net cash provided by financing activities  | 300,056           | 1,563,949         |
| Net increase in cash   | 131,824           | 29,140            |
| Cash at beginning of period  | 511,716           | 207,950           |
| Cash at end of period  | \$643,540         | \$237,090         |

Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:

Cash paid during the period for:

|              |           |           |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| Interest     | \$242,248 | \$273,726 |
| Income taxes | 263,674   | 296,845   |

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

## Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

### 1) Description of the Company

Unless otherwise specified, as used in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, the terms “we,” “us,” “our,” “Art’s-Way,” and the “Company,” refer to Art’s-Way Manufacturing Co., Inc., a Delaware corporation headquartered in Armstrong, Iowa, and its wholly-owned subsidiaries.

We began operations as a farm equipment manufacturer in 1956. Since that time, we have become a major worldwide manufacturer of agricultural equipment. Our principal manufacturing plant is located in Armstrong, Iowa.

We have organized our business into four operating segments. Management separately evaluates the financial results of each segment because each is a strategic business unit offering different products and requiring different technology and marketing strategies. Our agricultural products segment (“Manufacturing”) manufactures farm equipment under the Art’s-Way Manufacturing label and private labels. Our pressurized vessels segment (“Vessels”) manufactures pressurized vessels. Our modular buildings segment (“Scientific”) manufactures modular buildings for various uses, commonly animal containment and research laboratories and our tools segment (“Metals”) manufactures steel cutting tools and inserts. For detailed financial information relating to segment reporting, see Note 13, “Segment Information.”

### 2) Summary of Significant Account Policies

#### Statement Presentation

The foregoing condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company are unaudited and reflect all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the financial position and operating results for the interim periods. The financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto contained in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K and the amendment thereto on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2014. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended August 31, 2015 are not necessarily indicative of the results for the fiscal year ending November 30, 2015.

The financial books of our Canadian operation are kept in the functional currency of Canadian dollars and the financial statements are converted to U.S. Dollars for consolidation. When consolidating the financial results of the Company into U.S. Dollars for reporting purposes, the Company uses the All-Current translation method. The All-Current method requires the balance sheet assets and liabilities be translated to U.S. Dollars at the exchange rate as of quarter end. Owner's equity is translated at historical exchange rates and retained earnings are translated at an average exchange rate for the period. Additionally, revenue and expenses are translated at average exchange rates for the periods presented. The resulting cumulative translation adjustment is carried on the balance sheet and distributed among various balance sheet accounts. The Company monitors the amount of the adjustment and considers it to be immaterial.

#### 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 and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the three and nine months ended August 31, 2015. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**3) Net Income (Loss) Per Share of Common Stock**

Basic net income (loss) per common share has been computed on the basis of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted net income (loss) per share has been computed on the basis of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding plus equivalent shares assuming exercise of stock options. Potential shares of common stock that have an anti-dilutive effect (i.e., those that increase income per share or decrease loss per share) are excluded from the calculation of diluted EPS.

Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per common share have been computed based on the following as of August 31, 2015 and August 31, 2014:

|   | <b>For the three months<br/>ended</b> |                            |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
|   | <b>August 31,<br/>2015</b>            | <b>August 31,<br/>2014</b> |
| <b>Basic:</b>   |                                       |                            |
| Numerator: net income (loss)                                      | \$(795,593 )                          | \$558,208                  |
| Denominator: average number of common shares outstanding          | 4,061,052                             | 4,048,552                  |
| Basic earnings (loss) per common share                            | \$(0.20 )                             | \$0.14                     |
| <b>Diluted:</b>   |                                       |                            |
| Numerator: net income (loss)                                      | \$(795,593 )                          | \$558,208                  |
| Average number of common shares outstanding                       | 4,061,052                             | 4,048,552                  |
| Effect of dilutive stock options                                  | 0                                     | 4,577                      |
| Denominator: dilutive average number of common shares outstanding | 4,061,052                             | 4,053,129                  |
| Diluted earnings (loss) per common share                          | \$(0.20 )                             | \$0.14                     |
| <br>  |                                       |                            |
|   | <b>For the nine months<br/>ended</b>  |                            |
|   | <b>August 31,<br/>2015</b>            | <b>August 31,<br/>2014</b> |
| <b>Basic:</b>   |                                       |                            |
| Numerator: net income (loss)                                      | \$(395,770 )                          | \$553,051                  |
| Denominator: average number of common shares outstanding          | 4,057,496                             | 4,047,544                  |
| Basic earnings (loss) per common share                            | \$(0.10 )                             | \$0.14                     |
| <b>Diluted:</b>   |                                       |                            |
| Numerator: net income (loss)                                      | \$(395,770 )                          | \$553,051                  |
| Average number of common shares outstanding                       | 4,057,496                             | 4,047,544                  |
| Effect of dilutive stock options                                  | 0                                     | 5,608                      |
| Denominator: dilutive average number of common shares outstanding | 4,057,496                             | 4,053,152                  |
| Diluted earnings (loss) per common share                          | \$(0.10 )                             | \$0.14                     |



**4) Inventory**

Major classes of inventory are:

|                 | <b>August 31,<br/>2015</b> | <b>November<br/>30, 2014</b> |
|-----------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Raw materials   | \$10,521,170               | \$10,037,055                 |
| Work in process | 444,320                    | 467,110                      |
| Finished goods  | 9,116,182                  | 8,504,062                    |
|                 | \$20,081,672               | \$19,008,227                 |
| Less: Reserves  | (3,588,106 )               | (3,918,947 )                 |
|                 | \$16,493,566               | \$15,089,280                 |

**5) Accrued Expenses**

Major components of accrued expenses are:

|                                  | <b>August 31,<br/>2015</b> | <b>November<br/>30, 2014</b> |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Salaries, wages, and commissions | \$534,331                  | \$673,934                    |
| Accrued warranty expense         | 278,269                    | 234,266                      |
| Other                            | 416,450                    | 676,128                      |
|                                  | \$1,229,050                | \$1,584,328                  |

**6) Product Warranty**

The Company offers warranties of various lengths to its customers depending on the specific product and terms of the customer purchase agreement. The average length of the warranty period is one year from the date of purchase. The Company's warranties require it to repair or replace defective products during the warranty period at no cost to the customer. The Company records a liability for estimated costs that may be incurred under its warranties. The costs are estimated based on historical experience and any specific warranty issues that have been identified. Although historical warranty costs have been within expectations, there can be no assurance that future warranty costs will not exceed historical amounts. The Company periodically assesses the adequacy of its recorded warranty liability and

adjusts the balance as necessary. The accrued warranty balance is included in accrued expenses as shown in Note 5.

Changes in the Company's product warranty liability for the three and nine months ended August 31, 2015 and August 31, 2014 are as follows:

|                           | <b>For the three<br/>months ended</b> |                            |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
|                           | <b>August<br/>31, 2015</b>            | <b>August<br/>31, 2014</b> |
| Balance, beginning        | \$283,571                             | \$229,400                  |
| Settlements / adjustments | (70,327 )                             | (70,683 )                  |
| Warranties issued         | 65,025                                | 126,379                    |
| Balance, ending           | \$278,269                             | \$285,096                  |

|                           | <b>For the nine months ended</b> |                        |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
|                           | <b>August 31, 2015</b>           | <b>August 31, 2014</b> |
| Balance, beginning        | \$234,266                        | \$220,719              |
| Settlements / adjustments | (240,463)                        | (265,753)              |
| Warranties issued         | 284,466                          | 330,130                |
| Balance, ending           | \$278,269                        | \$285,096              |

## 7) Loan and Credit Agreements

On May 1, 2013, the Company began a banking relationship with U.S. Bank, which includes an \$8,000,000 revolving line of credit (the "Line of Credit") which was renewed in 2014 and was scheduled to mature on May 1, 2015. The Line of Credit is renewable annually with advances funding the Company's working capital needs and is secured by real property and fixed asset collateral. On May 1, 2015, we signed an extension for the line of credit extending the maturity date to July 1, 2015; on June 23, 2015 we signed an additional extension, extending the maturity date to May 1, 2016. We expect to renew the Line of Credit prior to its maturity date. The interest rate is U.S. Bank's prime interest rate, adjusted each time that the Federal prime rate changes, with a minimum rate of 3.50% per annum. As of August 31, 2015, the interest rate was the minimum of 3.50%. Monthly interest-only payments are required and the unpaid principal and accrued interest is due on the maturity date. As of August 31, 2015, the Company had a principal balance of \$4,031,278 outstanding against the Line of Credit, with \$3,141,324 remaining available, limited by the borrowing base calculation. The Line of Credit states that the borrowing base will be an amount equal to the sum of 75% of accounts receivable (discounted for aged accounts and customer balances exceeding 20% of aggregate receivables), plus 50% of inventory (this component cannot exceed \$6,000,000 and only includes finished goods and raw materials deemed to be in good condition and not obsolete), less any outstanding loan balance of the Line of Credit, and less undrawn amounts of outstanding letters of credit issued by U.S. Bank or any affiliate. The Company's obligations under the Line of Credit are evidenced by a Revolving Credit Note effective May 1, 2013, a Revolving Credit Agreement dated May 1, 2013 and certain other ancillary documents.

In addition to the Line of Credit, on May 1, 2013, the Company obtained four U.S. Bank loans totaling \$6,319,000 at a fixed interest rate of 2.98% per annum (the "2013 U.S. Bank Term Loans"). As detailed in the Company's long-term debt summary below, monthly principal and interest payments in the aggregate amount of \$93,850 are required, with final payments of principal and accrued interest on the four loans, in the aggregate amount of \$1,372,000, due on May 1, 2018.

On May 29, 2014, the Company obtained \$1,000,000 in long-term debt from U.S. Bank to partially pay down the Line of Credit draw from 2013 that it had used to finance the purchase of the building and property of Ohio Metal Working Products Company in Canton, Ohio. The maturity date of this loan is May 25, 2017, with a final payment of principal and accrued interest in the amount of \$890,000 due May 25, 2017. This loan is secured by a mortgage on the building

and property acquired from Ohio Metal Working Products Company in Canton, Ohio pursuant to a Mortgage, Security Agreement and Assignment of Rents between the Company and U.S. Bank, dated May 29, 2014, and is also subject to a Business Security Agreement between Ohio Metal Working Products/Art's Way, Inc. ("Ohio Metal") and U.S. Bank and a Continuing Guaranty (Unlimited) by Ohio Metal.

On July 16, 2015, the Company obtained an additional \$1,500,000 revolving line of credit from U.S. Bank that matures on May 1, 2016 (the "2015 Line of Credit"). The Company has begun a new sales incentive program that offers extended payment terms up to 9 months on certain products for our dealers, subject to a Dealer's Note and Dealer's Security Agreement. These notes receivable would not be included in the borrowing base of our Line of Credit, so the 2015 Line of Credit was necessary to preserve our access to capital. The 2015 Line of Credit is secured by real property and fixed asset collateral, as well as all of the Company's right, title and interest in the Dealer's Notes and Dealer's Security Agreements related to advances under the 2015 Line of Credit. The interest rate is U.S. Bank's prime interest rate, adjusted each time that the Federal prime rate changes, with a minimum rate of 3.50% per annum. As of August 31, 2015, the interest rate was the minimum of 3.50%. Advances under the 2015 Line of Credit are due at the earlier of nine months after the date of the advancement, the 2015 Line of Credit maturity date or the sale by the dealer of the equipment relating to the applicable advance. Monthly interest-only payments are required and the unpaid principal and accrued interest is due on the maturity date. As of August 31, 2015, the Company had a principal balance of \$0 outstanding against the 2015 Line of Credit, with \$1,500,000 remaining available. The Company's obligations under the 2015 Line of Credit are evidenced by a Promissory Note effective July 16, 2015 and certain other ancillary documents.

Except for the 2015 Line of Credit and the U.S. Bank UHC Loan (as defined below), each of the Company's term loans from U.S. Bank is governed by a Term Note and a Term Loan Agreement. Each Term Loan Agreement and the Revolving Credit Agreement require the Company to provide monthly internally prepared financial reports, year-end audited financial statements, and a monthly aging of accounts receivable. The Company, as of the end of each fiscal quarter, must maintain a debt to tangible net worth ratio of not more than 1.5 to 1.0 and a fixed charge coverage ratio of at least 1.15 to 1.00. The loans are secured by a first position security interest on the assets of the Company and its subsidiaries, including but not limited to, inventories, machinery, equipment and real estate, in accordance with the Business Security Agreements entered into by the Company and its subsidiaries, the Pledge Agreements entered into by the subsidiaries and the Collateral Assignment of Dealer's Notes and Security Agreements entered into by the Company. Additionally, the Company has mortgaged certain real property in favor of U.S. Bank as documented by mortgage agreements dated May 1, 2013 and May 29, 2014 (together, the "Mortgages").

If the Company or its subsidiaries (as guarantors pursuant to continuing guaranties) commits an event of default under the Term Loan Agreements, Business Security Agreements, Pledge Agreements, Mortgages, or Revolving Credit Agreement and fails or is unable to cure that default, the interest rate on each of the loans and Line of Credit could increase by 5.0% per annum and by 10.0% per annum with respect to the 2015 Line of Credit, and U.S. Bank can immediately terminate its obligation, if any, to make additional loans to the Company. In addition, U.S. Bank may accelerate the Company's obligations under the 2015 Line of Credit, collect any and all money otherwise due or to become due and shall have all other rights and remedies for default provided by the Uniform Commercial Code, as well as any other applicable law and the various loan agreements, including, without limitation, the right to repossess, render unusable and/or dispose of the collateral without judicial process. In addition, in an event of default, U.S. Bank may foreclose on mortgaged property pursuant to the terms of the Mortgages.

The Company was in compliance with all covenants under the Term Loan Agreements and the Revolving Credit Agreement as measured on August 31, 2015, other than its covenant to maintain a fixed charge coverage ratio of at least 1.15 to 1.00. The fixed charge coverage ratio is based on a rolling 12 month calculation and measures the

Company's ability to cover fixed expenses such as loan payments, tax payments, rental payments, and dividends. The net loss in the third quarter of 2015 from operations was the main reason for the non-compliance result as of August 31, 2015. US Bank has issued a waiver forgiving the non-compliance for the quarter and no event of default occurred. The next measurement date is November 30, 2015.

On May 10, 2012, the Company obtained \$880,000 in long-term debt from U.S. Bank issued to acquire the building and property of Universal Harvester Co., Inc. located in Ames, Iowa (the “U.S. Bank UHC Loan”). The maturity date of this loan is May 10, 2017, with a final payment of principal and accrued interest in the amount of \$283,500 due May 10, 2017. This loan is secured by a mortgage on the building and property acquired from Universal Harvester Co., Inc. in Ames, Iowa, pursuant to a Mortgage, Security Agreement and Assignment of Rents between the Company and U.S. Bank, dated May 10, 2012. On May 1, 2013, the U.S. Bank UHC Loan and the mortgage were amended to extend the mortgage to secure the 2013 U.S. Bank Term Loans in addition to the U.S. Bank UHC Loan.

If the Company or its subsidiaries (as guarantors) commits an event of default under the agreement governing the U.S. Bank UHC Loan and fails or is unable to cure during any applicable cure periods, the lender may cause the entire amount of the loan to be immediately due and payable, may foreclose on the property, or may increase the interest rate to 5.00% per annum, plus the interest rate otherwise payable under the U.S. Bank UHC Loan.

On May 1, 2010, the Company obtained a loan to finance the purchase of an additional facility located in West Union, Iowa to be used as a distribution center, warehouse facility, and manufacturing plant for certain products under the Art’s-Way brand. The funds for this loan were made available by the Iowa Finance Authority by the issuance of tax exempt bonds. This loan had an original principal amount of \$1,300,000, an interest rate of 3.5% per annum and a maturity date of June 1, 2020. On February 1, 2013, the interest rate was decreased to 2.75% per annum. The other terms of the loan remain unchanged.

This loan from the Iowa Finance Authority, which has been assigned to The First National Bank of West Union (n/k/a Bank 1<sup>st</sup>), is governed by a Manufacturing Facility Revenue Note dated May 28, 2010 as amended February 1, 2013 and a Loan Agreement dated May 1, 2010 and a First Amendment to Loan Agreement dated February 1, 2013 (collectively, “the IFA Loan Agreement”), which requires the Company to provide quarterly internally prepared financial reports and year-end audited financial statements and to maintain a minimum debt service coverage ratio of 1.5 to 1.0, which is measured at November 30 of each year. Among other covenants, the IFA Loan Agreement also requires the Company to maintain proper insurance on, and maintain in good repair, the West Union Facility, and continue to conduct business and remain duly qualified to do business in the State of Iowa. The loan is secured by a mortgage on the Company’s West Union Facility, pursuant to a Mortgage, Security Agreement, Assignment of Leases and Rents and Fixture Financing Statement dated May 1, 2010 between the Company and The First National Bank of West Union (the “West Union Mortgage”).

If the Company commits an event of default under the IFA Loan Agreement and does not cure the event of default within the time specified by the IFA Loan Agreement, the lender may cause the entire amount of the loan to be immediately due and payable and take any other action that it is lawfully permitted to take or in equity to enforce the Company’s performance.

The Company was in compliance with all covenants under the IFA Loan Agreement as measured on November 30, 2014. The next measurement date is November 30, 2015.

A summary of the Company's term debt is as follows:

|   | <b>August 31,<br/>2015</b> | <b>November<br/>30, 2014</b> |
|---|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| U.S. Bank loan payable in monthly installments of \$42,500 including interest at 2.98%, due May 1, 2018               | \$1,313,881                | \$1,662,311                  |
| U.S. Bank loan payable in monthly installments of \$11,000 including interest at 2.98%, due May 1, 2018               | 770,351                    | 850,930                      |
| U.S. Bank loan payable in monthly installments of \$12,550 including interest at 2.98%, due May 1, 2018               | 873,843                    | 965,889                      |
| U.S. Bank loan payable in monthly installments of \$27,800 including interest at 2.98%, due May 1, 2018               | 1,186,756                  | 1,407,366                    |
| U.S. Bank loan payable in monthly installments of \$11,700 including interest at 3.15%, due May 10, 2017              | 495,816                    | 588,101                      |
| U.S. Bank loan payable in monthly installments of \$5,556 including interest at 2.98%, due May 25, 2017               | 952,818                    | 980,940                      |
| Iowa Finance Authority loan payable in monthly installments of \$12,500 including interest at 2.75%, due June 1, 2020 | 680,073                    | 777,689                      |
| Total term debt   | \$6,273,538                | \$7,233,226                  |
| Less current portion of term debt   | 1,312,664                  | 1,283,897                    |
| Term debt, excluding current portion  | \$4,960,874                | \$5,949,329                  |

## **8) Related Party Transactions**

During the three- and nine-month periods ending August 31, 2015 the Company recognized revenues of \$0 and \$15,718, respectively, for transactions with a related party, compared to \$38,348 and \$47,588 in the same periods of fiscal 2014.

## **9) Goodwill**

The Company's Agricultural Products segment contains goodwill related to our acquisition of the Miller Pro product line in 2007 and our acquisition of Universal Harvester in 2012. Changes in the Company's carrying amount of goodwill for the nine months ended August 31, 2015 are as follows:

|                               | <b>August</b>   | <b>November</b> |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                               | <b>31, 2015</b> | <b>30, 2014</b> |
| Balance, beginning            | \$993,729       | \$ 993,729      |
| Accumulated impairment losses | (618,729)       | -               |
| Balance, ending               | \$375,000       | \$ 993,729      |

We typically test goodwill for impairment in the fourth quarter of our fiscal year. Based on the continued decreased demand for Universal Harvester reels and a decrease in the creditworthiness of a major customer, we determined that it was appropriate to test our goodwill for impairment prior to our fourth quarter. Based on these trends, we have prepared an estimated present value of future cash flows using our projections of sales for the next five years, which was used to evaluate the fair value of the carrying amount of the intangible asset relative to the probable future cash flows. In August 2015, a noncash goodwill impairment loss of \$618,729 was recognized in the Agricultural Products segment.

## **10) Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

### Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit

In July 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-11, "Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit When a Net Operating Loss Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists" that clarifies how an unrecognized tax benefit should be presented in the financial statements when a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss, or a tax credit carryforward exists; as a reduction to a deferred tax asset or as a liability. The amendments are meant to eliminate the diversity that exists in the financial statement presentation of the unrecognized tax benefits. The amendments in this ASU do not require new recurring disclosures and are effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2013. The amendments should be applied prospectively to all unrecognized tax benefits that exist at the effective date. The effective date for the Company is our current fiscal year, which began on December 1, 2014. The Company currently has no unrecognized tax benefits that are impacted by the amendment and the implementation of this standard has not had a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

### Revenue from Contracts with Customers

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers" which supersedes the guidance in "Revenue Recognition (Topic 605)" and requires entities to recognize revenue in a way that depicts the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled to in exchange for those goods or services. ASU 2014-09 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within that reporting period and is to be applied retrospectively, with early application not permitted. We are evaluating the new standard, but do not at this time expect this standard to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.



### Going Concern

In August 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-15, "Presentation of Financial Statements – Going Concern" which is authoritative guidance on management's responsibility to evaluate whether there is substantial doubt about an entity's ability to continue as a going concern and provide related footnote disclosures, codified in ASC 205-40, *Going Concern*. The guidance provides a definition of the term substantial doubt, requires an evaluation every reporting period including interim periods, provides principles for considering the mitigating effect of management's plans, requires certain disclosures when substantial doubt is alleviated as a result of consideration of management's plans, requires an express statement and other disclosures when substantial doubt is not alleviated, and requires an assessment for a period of one year after the date that the financial statements are issued (or available to be issued). ASU No. 2015-15 is effective for annual reporting periods ending after December 15, 2017. The Company will adopt this guidance for the fiscal year ending November 30, 2017, and it will apply to each interim and annual period thereafter. Its adoption is not expected to have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

### **11) Equity Incentive Plan and Stock Based Compensation**

On January 27, 2011, the Board of Directors of the Company authorized and approved the Art's-Way Manufacturing Co., Inc. 2011 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2011 Plan"). The 2011 Plan was approved by the stockholders on April 28, 2011. It replaced the Employee Stock Option Plan and the Directors' Stock Option Plan (collectively, the "Prior Plans"), and no further stock options will be awarded under the Prior Plans. Awards to directors and executive officers under the 2011 Plan will be governed by the forms of agreement approved by the Board of Directors.

The 2011 Plan permits the plan administrator to award nonqualified stock options, incentive stock options, restricted stock awards, restricted stock units, performance awards, and stock appreciation rights to employees (including officers), directors, and consultants. The Board of Directors has approved a director compensation policy pursuant to which non-employee directors are automatically granted non-qualified stock options to purchase 2,000 shares of common stock annually or initially upon their election to the Board, which are fully vested.

Stock options granted prior to January 27, 2011 are governed by the applicable Prior Plan and the forms of agreement adopted thereunder.

Stock-based compensation expense reflects the fair value of stock-based awards measured at the grant date and recognized over the relevant vesting period. We estimate the fair value of each stock-based award on the measurement date using the Black-Scholes option valuation model which incorporates assumptions as to stock price volatility, the

expected life of the options, risk-free interest rate, and dividend yield. Expected volatility is based on historical volatility of the Company's stock and other factors. The Company uses historical option exercise and termination data to estimate the expected term the options are expected to be outstanding. The risk-free rate is based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant. The expected dividend yield is calculated using historical dividend amounts and the stock price at the option issuance date. We incurred \$0 and \$28,484 of stock-based compensation expense during the three and nine months ended August 31, 2015, respectively, compared to \$0 and \$14,504 of stock-based compensation expense for the same respective periods of fiscal 2014.

## **12) Disclosures About the Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

The fair value of a financial instrument is defined as the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties. At August 31, 2015, and November 30, 2014, the carrying amount approximated fair value for cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable, notes payable to bank, and other current and long-term liabilities. The carrying amounts approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments. We performed a nonrecurring fair value assessment of goodwill related to the Universal Harvester acquisition using a present value of estimated future cash flows calculation, described in more detail in Note 9. The fair value of the Company's installment term loans payable also approximate recorded value because the interest rates charged under the loan terms are not substantially different than current interest rates.

**13) Segment Information**

There are four reportable segments: agricultural products, pressurized vessels, modular buildings and tools. The agricultural products segment fabricates and sells farming products as well as related equipment and replacement parts for these products in the United States and worldwide. The pressurized vessels segment produces and services pressurized tanks. The modular buildings segment manufactures and installs modular buildings for animal containment and various laboratory uses. The tools segment manufactures steel cutting tools and inserts.

The accounting policies applied to determine the segment information are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies. Management evaluates the performance of each segment based on profit or loss from operations before income taxes, exclusive of nonrecurring gains and losses.

Approximate financial information with respect to the reportable segments is as follows.

|                                 | <b>Three Months Ended August 31, 2015</b> |                        |                      |           |                |
|---------------------------------|---|------------------------|----------------------|-----------|----------------|
|                                 | Agricultural<br>Products                  | Pressurized<br>Vessels | Modular<br>Buildings | Tools     | Consolidated   |
| Revenue from external customers | \$4,911,000                               | \$372,000              | \$1,103,000          | \$500,000 | \$6,886,000    |
| Income (loss) from operations   | (861,000 )                                | (105,000 )             | 45,000               | (83,000 ) | \$(1,004,000 ) |
| Income (loss) before tax        | (1,019,000 )                              | (113,000 )             | 38,000               | (91,000 ) | \$(1,185,000 ) |
| Total Assets                    | 24,540,000                                | 2,511,000              | 2,691,000            | 2,963,000 | \$32,705,000   |
| Capital expenditures            | 71,000                                    | 8,000                  | 6,000                | 6,000     | \$91,000.00    |
| Depreciation & Amortization     | 159,000                                   | 27,000                 | 31,000               | 30,000    | \$247,000      |

|                                 | <b>Three Months Ended August 31, 2014</b> |                        |                      |           |              |
|---------------------------------|---|------------------------|----------------------|-----------|--------------|
|                                 | Agricultural<br>Products                  | Pressurized<br>Vessels | Modular<br>Buildings | Tools     | Consolidated |
| Revenue from external customers | \$9,362,000                               | \$606,000              | \$820,000            | \$797,000 | \$11,585,000 |
| Income (loss) from operations   | 1,034,000                                 | (59,000 )              | 7,000                | (74,000 ) | \$908,000    |
| Income (loss) before tax        | 991,000                                   | (64,000 )              | -                    | (82,000 ) | \$845,000    |
| Total Assets                    | 26,426,000                                | 2,489,000              | 2,842,000            | 3,334,000 | \$35,091,000 |
| Capital expenditures            | 39,000                                    | -                      | -                    | 1,000     | \$40,000     |
| Depreciation & Amortization     | 147,000                                   | 27,000                 | 36,000               | 29,000    | \$239,000    |

**Nine Months Ended August 31, 2015**

|                                 | Agricultural<br>Products | Pressurized<br>Vessels | Modular<br>Buildings | Tools       | Consolidated |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Revenue from external customers | \$16,592,000             | \$1,374,000            | \$2,162,000          | \$1,851,000 | \$21,979,000 |
| Income (loss) from operations   | 158,000                  | (171,000 )             | (119,000 )           | (128,000 )  | \$(260,000 ) |
| Income (loss) before tax        | (83,000 )                | (191,000 )             | (139,000 )           | (173,000 )  | \$(586,000 ) |
| Total Assets                    | 24,540,000               | 2,511,000              | 2,691,000            | 2,963,000   | \$32,705,000 |
| Capital expenditures            | 204,000                  | 10,000                 | 4,000                | 11,000      | \$229,000    |
| Depreciation & Amortization     | 426,000                  | 80,000                 | 98,000               | 89,000      | \$692,000    |

**Nine Months Ended August 31, 2014**

|                                 | Agricultural<br>Products | Pressurized<br>Vessels | Modular<br>Buildings | Tools       | Consolidated |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Revenue from external customers | \$21,366,000             | \$1,504,000            | \$1,818,000          | \$2,603,000 | \$27,291,000 |
| Income (loss) from operations   | 1,430,000                | (168,000 )             | (233,000 )           | 28,000      | \$1,057,000  |
| Income (loss) before tax        | 1,292,000                | (190,000 )             | (249,000 )           | (18,000 )   | \$835,000    |
| Total Assets                    | 26,426,000               | 2,489,000              | 2,842,000            | 3,334,000   | \$35,091,000 |
| Capital expenditures            | 629,000                  | 11,000                 | -                    | 11,000      | \$651,000    |
| Depreciation & Amortization     | 356,000                  | 81,000                 | 110,000              | 86,000      | \$633,000    |

**14) Subsequent Event**

Management evaluated all other activity of the Company and concluded that no subsequent events have occurred that would require recognition in the condensed consolidated financial statements.

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

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in Item 1 of Part I of this report and the audited consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and the amendment thereto on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2014. Some of the statements in this report may contain forward-looking statements that reflect our current view on future events, future business, industry and other conditions, our future performance, and our plans and expectations for future operations and actions. In some cases you can identify forward-looking statements by the use of words such as "may," "should," "anticipate," "believe," "expect," "plan," "future," "intend," "could," "predict," "hope," "potential," "continue," or the negative of these terms or other similar expressions. Many of these forward-looking statements are located in this report under "Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" but they may appear in other sections as well. Forward-looking statements in this report generally relate to: (i) our expectations regarding our warranty costs and order backlog; (ii) our beliefs regarding the sufficiency of working capital and cash flows, and our continued ability to renew or obtain financing on reasonable terms when necessary; (iii) the impact of recently issued accounting pronouncements; (iv) our intentions and beliefs relating to our costs and business strategies; (v) our expected financial results; and (vi) our expectations concerning our primary capital and cash flow needs.

You should read this report thoroughly with the understanding that our actual results may differ materially from those set forth in the forward-looking statements for many reasons, including events beyond our control and assumptions that prove to be inaccurate or unfounded. We cannot provide any assurance with respect to our future performance or results. Our actual results or actions could and likely will differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements for many reasons, including but not limited to: (i) the impact of tightening credit markets on our ability to continue to obtain financing on reasonable terms; (ii) our ability to continue to meet debt obligations and comply with financial covenants; (iii) obstacles related to integration of acquired product lines and businesses; (iv) the effect of general economic conditions, including consumer and governmental spending, on the demand for our products and the cost of our supplies and materials; (v) fluctuations in seasonal demand and our production cycle; and (vi) other factors described from time to time in our reports to the SEC. We do not intend to update the forward-looking statements contained in this report other than as required by law. We caution you not to put undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this report. You should read this report and the documents that we reference in this report and have filed as exhibits completely and with the understanding that our actual future results may be materially different from what we currently expect. We qualify all of our forward-looking statements by these cautionary statements.

### **Critical Accounting Policies**

Our critical accounting policies involving the more significant judgments and assumptions used in the preparation of the financial statements as of August 31, 2015 have remained unchanged from November 30, 2014. Disclosure of these critical accounting policies is incorporated by reference from Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2014.

## Results of Operations

### *Net Sales and Cost of Sales*

Our consolidated corporate sales for the three- and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2015 were \$6,886,000 and \$21,979,000, respectively, compared to \$11,585,000 and \$27,291,000 during the same respective periods in 2014, a \$4,699,000, or 40.6%, decrease for the quarter and a \$5,312,000 or 19.5% decrease year-to-date. The decreases in revenue are primarily due to decreased sales of our agricultural products segments. We are experiencing decreased demand for nearly all agricultural products, but our Universal Harvester reel sales were down nearly 70% during the year-to-date as compared to the prior year. Consolidated gross margin for the three- and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2015 was 18.4% and 25%, respectively, compared to 23.3% and 23.4% for the same respective periods in fiscal 2014. The decreased revenue amounts coupled with relatively static fixed costs has put negative pressure on our gross margins both quarterly and year-to-date.

Our third quarter agricultural segment sales were \$4,911,000 compared to \$9,362,000 during the same period of 2014, a decrease of \$4,451,000, or 47.5%. This decrease is due to decreased demand for all of our agricultural products, but most specifically our Universal Harvester reels. Our year-to-date agricultural segment sales were \$16,592,000 in 2015 as compared to \$21,366,000 in 2014, a \$4,774,000, or 22.3% decrease. The gross margin of our agricultural products segment for the three- and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2015 was 18.0% and 27.2%, respectively, compared to 25.0% and 24.8% for the same respective periods in 2014. Our decreased gross margin for the third quarter of fiscal 2015 is directly related to our decreased sales volume. We have implemented several cost cutting measures to align our resources more closely with the current demand for agricultural products. We believe these measures will somewhat decrease the pressures on our gross margin profile moving forward.

Our third quarter and year-to-date sales at our pressurized vessels segment were \$372,000 and \$1,374,000, respectively, compared to \$606,000 and \$1,504,000 for the same respective periods in 2014. Gross margin for the quarter and year-to-date periods ended August 31, 2015 was 0.8% and 7.9% respectively, compared to 6.9% and 6.4% for the same respective periods in 2014. The year-to-date increase was due to efficiencies gained in our manufacturing process for our pressurized vessels. Our decrease in gross margin for the quarterly period was due to the decreased levels of revenue while maintaining the level of fixed costs.

Our three- and nine-month sales for our modular building segment were \$1,103,000 and \$2,162,000, respectively, compared to \$820,000 and \$1,818,000 for the same respective periods in fiscal 2014, an increase of \$283,000, or 34.5%, for the three-month period and a \$344,000, or 18.9%, increase for the nine-month period. Gross margin for the quarter and year-to-date periods ended August 31, 2015 was 24.8% and 20.5%, respectively, compared to 20.1% and 15.6% for the same respective periods in 2014. The increases were attributable to our higher levels of revenue resulting from higher sales volumes.

Our tools segment had sales of \$500,000 during the three months ended August 31, 2015, compared to \$797,000 for the same period in 2014, a 37.3% decrease. Year-to-date sales for our tools segment were \$1,851,000 in 2015 compared to \$2,603,000 in 2014, a \$752,000, or 28.9%, decrease. These decreases are largely due to a general decline in the energy industry. Gross margin for our tools segment was 20.6% and 25.1% for the three-and nine-month periods ending August 31, 2015, respectively, compared to 19.8% and 26.9% for the same respective periods of fiscal 2014.

### *Expenses*

Our third fiscal quarter consolidated selling expenses were \$532,000 compared to \$566,000 for the same period in 2014. Our year-to-date consolidated selling expenses were \$1,678,000 in 2015 compared to \$1,742,000 for the same period in 2014. The decreases in selling expenses for the third quarter and year-to-date are largely due to decreased commission and salary expense compared to prior year periods. Selling expenses as a percentage of sales were 7.7% and 7.6% for the three- and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2015, respectively, compared to 4.9% and 6.4% for the same respective periods in 2014.

Consolidated engineering expenses were \$145,000 and \$381,000 for the three and nine month periods ended August 31, 2015, respectively, compared to \$129,000 and \$361,000 for the same respective periods in 2014. Engineering expenses as a percentage of sales were 2.1% and 1.7% for the three- and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2015, respectively, compared to 1.1% and 1.3% for the same respective periods in 2014.

Consolidated administrative expenses for the three and nine month periods ended August 31, 2015 were \$972,000 and \$3,108,000, respectively, compared to \$1,101,000 and \$3,212,000 for the same respective periods in 2014. Administrative expenses as a percentage of sales were 14.0% and 14.1% for the three- and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2015, respectively, compared to 9.5% and 11.8% for the same respective periods in 2014.

### *Income*

Consolidated net income (loss) was \$(796,000) for the three-month period ended August 31, 2015, compared to net income of \$558,000 for the same period in 2014. The decrease was primarily due to the decreases in revenue described above and a noncash charge for impairment of the goodwill from our UHC reporting unit, part of the Agricultural Products segment. During the third quarter of fiscal 2015, we evaluated our goodwill for impairment based on economic factors related to that particular product line. As a result of our evaluation, as further described in Note 9 to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included in Part I, Item 1 of this report, we incurred a noncash impairment charge for the full amount of goodwill associated with our acquisition of the UHC product line of \$618,729. The remaining portion of the decreased net income is directly attributable to our decreased sales volume. Consolidated net income (loss) for the nine-month period ended August 31, 2015 was \$(396,000) compared to a net income of \$553,000 in the same period of 2014. This decrease in income reflects the noncash impairment charge along with decreased operating income across all our segments.

### *Order Backlog*

The consolidated order backlog net of discounts as of September 29, 2015 was \$3,607,000 compared to \$5,198,000 as of September 29, 2014. The agricultural products segment order backlog was \$1,545,000 as of September 29, 2015 compared to \$3,534,000 in fiscal 2014. We continue to see decreased order volume as a result of the overall downturn in the agricultural economy. The backlog for the pressurized vessels segment was \$628,000 as of September 29, 2015, compared to \$312,000 in fiscal 2014. We are currently working on a large tank order that we expect to deliver in the next two fiscal quarters. The backlog for the modular buildings segment was \$890,000 as of September 29, 2015, compared to \$903,000 in fiscal 2014. The backlog for the tools segment was \$544,000 as of September 29, 2015, compared to \$449,000 in fiscal 2014. Our order backlog is not necessarily indicative of future revenue to be generated from such orders due to the possibility of order cancellations and dealer discount arrangements we may enter into from time to time.

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our primary sources of funds for the nine months ended August 31, 2015 were proceeds from the U.S. Bank lines of credit and a reduction in our accounts receivable; our primary uses of cash were for inventories, payments on term debt, decreased accrued expenses, and dividends paid to stockholders. We expect our primary capital needs for the remainder of the fiscal year to relate to costs of operation, including production.

We have an \$8,000,000 revolving line of credit with U.S. Bank, which, as of August 31, 2015, had an outstanding principal balance of \$4,031,278, and a \$1,500,000 equipment financing line of credit with U.S. Bank, which, as of August 31, 2015 had an outstanding principal balance of \$0. The lines of credit are scheduled to mature on May 1, 2016, with the \$8,000,000 line of credit being renewable annually. For additional information about our financing activities, please refer to Note 8 to the audited consolidated financial statements and to the discussion entitled "Liquidity and Capital Resources," each contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and our amendment thereto on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2014, as well as Note 7 to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included in Part I, Item 1 of this Report.

We believe that our cash flows from operations and current financing arrangements provide sufficient cash to finance operations for the next twelve months. We expect to continue to rely on cash from financing activities to supplement our cash flows from operations in order to meet our liquidity and capital expenditure needs in the near future. We expect to continue to be able to procure financing upon reasonable terms.

## **Off Balance Sheet Arrangements**

None.

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

As a smaller reporting company, we are not required to provide disclosure pursuant to this item.

## **Item 4. Controls and Procedures.**

### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

The persons serving as our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and Rule 15d-15(e), as of the end of the period subject to this Report. Based on this evaluation, the persons serving as our principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective and provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in the periodic and current reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the periods specified by the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

### **Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

There were no changes in our internal controls over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

**PART II – OTHER INFORMATION**

**Item 1. Legal Proceedings.**

We are currently not a party to any material pending legal proceedings.

**Item 1A. Risk Factors.**

As a smaller reporting company, we are not required to provide disclosure pursuant to this item.

**Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.**

None.

**Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.**

None.

**Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.**

Not applicable.

**Item 5. Other Information.**

On July 16, 2015, the Company obtained a \$1,500,000 revolving line of credit (the “2015 Line of Credit”) from U.S. Bank National Association (the “Lender”). The 2015 Line of Credit is in addition to the Company’s existing \$8,000,000 revolving line of credit with the Lender and will be used in connection with extended payment terms to be offered by the Company to its dealers. Advances under the 2015 Line of Credit will accrue interest at the Lender’s prime rate, with a minimum rate of 3.50% per annum. As of August 31, 2015, the interest rate was the minimum of 3.50%. The 2015 Line of Credit is scheduled to mature on May 1, 2016, with advances thereunder due at the earlier of nine months after the date of the advancement, the 2015 Line of Credit maturity date or the sale by the dealer of the equipment relating to the applicable advance. Monthly interest-only payments are required; any unpaid principal and accrued and unpaid interest is due on the maturity date. As of August 31, 2015, the Company had a principal balance of \$0 outstanding against the 2015 Line of Credit, with \$1,500,000 remaining available.

If the Company or its subsidiaries (as guarantors) commits an event of default under the agreements governing the 2015 Line of Credit, which includes failing to make any payment when due, becoming insolvent, failing to provide collateral or evidence of perfection of security interests provided to secure advancements under the 2015 Line of Credit within the time specified therein, the Lender may, among other remedies, cause the entire outstanding principal and accrued interest to become immediately due and payable and may foreclose on the property securing the Company’s obligations. In addition, any payment under the 2015 Line of Credit that is not made within 10 days or after the due date shall bear interest at a rate of 10.0% per annum.

The Company's obligations under the 2015 Line of Credit are evidenced by a Promissory Note dated July 16, 2015, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and secured by the Pledge Agreements, Business Security Agreements and Continuing Guaranties previously entered into among the Company and its subsidiaries and the Lender, which the Company has previously filed as exhibits 10.12 through 10.21 to Form 10-Q for the Quarterly Period Ending May 31, 2013 and exhibit 10.6 to Form 10-Q for the Quarterly Period Ended May 31, 2014, as well as a Business Security Agreement dated October 25, 2013 entered into among the Company and its subsidiaries and the Lender, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.2, a Continuing Guaranty dated October 25, 2013 entered into among the Company and its subsidiaries and the Lender, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.3, and a Collateral Assignment of Dealer's Notes and Security Agreements dated July 16, 2015, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.4 and by which the Company has agreed to assign all of its right, title and interest in certain Dealer's Notes and Dealer's Security Agreements related to advances under the 2015 Line of Credit, in order to secure repayment of such advances. The foregoing summaries of the 2015 Line of Credit, the Collateral Assignment of Dealer's Notes and Security Agreements and other ancillary documents do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the full text of such documents, which are attached as the above-referenced exhibits to the Company's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and are incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 6. Exhibits.**

See "Exhibit Index" on page 24 of this report.

**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.

ART'S-WAY MANUFACTURING  
CO., INC.

Date: October 1, 2015 By: /s/ Carrie L. Majeski  
Carrie L. Majeski  
President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: October 1, 2015 By: /s/ Amber J. Murra  
Amber J. Murra  
Chief Financial Officer

**Art's-Way Manufacturing Co., Inc.**

**Exhibit Index**

**Form 10-Q for the Quarterly Period Ended August 31, 2015**

**Exhibit**

| <b>No.</b> | <b>Description</b>   |
|------------|--|
| 10.1       | Promissory Note dated July 16, 2015 – filed herewith.  |
| 10.2       | Business Security Agreement, by Ohio Metal and U.S. Bank N.A., dated October 25, 2013 – filed herewith.  |
| 10.3       | Continuing Guaranty (Unlimited), by Ohio Metal and U.S. Bank N.A., dated October 25, 2013 – filed herewith.  |
| 10.4       | Collateral Assignment of Dealer's Notes and Security Agreements by Art's-Way Manufacturing Co., Inc., dated July 16, 2015 – filed herewith.  |
| 31.1       | Certificate of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 17 CFR 13a-14(a) – filed herewith.  |
| 31.2       | Certificate of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 17 CFR 13a-14(a) – filed herewith.  |
| 32.1       | Certificate of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 - filed herewith.  |
| 32.2       | Certificate of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 - filed herewith.  |
| 101        | The following materials from this report, formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language) are filed herewith: (i) condensed consolidated balance sheets, (ii) condensed consolidated statement of operations, (iii) condensed consolidated statements of cash flows, and (iv) the notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements. |