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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
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(Last) (First) (Middle)
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(Street)

AKRON, OH 44308

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIRSTENERGY CORP [FE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/16/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Pres. & Chief Exec. Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount or Price			
Common Stock	02/16/2016		A		2,965.4933 (1)	A	\$ 63,306.2113 31.91 (2)	D
Common Stock	02/16/2016		D		2,965.4933 (1)	D	\$ 60,340.718 31.91 (2)	D
Common Stock							18,715.44 (3)	I
Common Stock							8,755.971 (3)	I
								By Savings Plan
								By Wife's Savings Plan

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
RSUP18	(4)	02/16/2016		A	23,951 (5)	03/01/2016	03/01/2016	Common Stock	23,951		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JONES CHARLES E 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308	X		Pres. & Chief Exec. Officer	

Signatures

Jennifer L. Geyer,
attorney-in-fact

02/18/2016

Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- The Board authorized the cash payout of the 2013 - 2015 cycle of performance shares, no earlier than February 18, 2016, based on the
- (1) high and low prices of FirstEnergy's stock for the month of December 2015. Based on performance, the amount of the cash payout was decreased to 25% of the original award amount.
 - (2) Balance includes shares acquired through dividend reinvestment.
 - (3) FE's 401(k) Plan includes a unitized fund invested in FE stock, in which the reporting person may invest, and includes dividend reinvestment and company match features. The number of shares reported as indirectly held in the 401(k) Plan in this row is an estimate of the number of shares of FE's common stock held in the unitized stock fund and allocated to the reporting person's account as of December 31, 2015.
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The RSUP18 award was granted on March 8, 2013. Fifty percent of the target amount of the RSUP18 award will vest upon the satisfaction of service requirements, regardless of the achievement of performance goals, and was previously reported in connection with (5) the granting of the award. Due to performance goals achieved, the number of RSUs under the award has been increased to 150% of the original target amount. Restricted stock units, coded "A", represent that portion of the award that was not previously reported. Amounts also reflect dividend reinvestment. RSUP18 will vest on March 1, 2016.

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\$ 8,157

\$ 6,929

Short term investments 36,309

43,306

Accounts receivable, net of allowances 12,006

12,480

Inventories

10,048

9,264

Prepaid expenses and other

2,188

2,482

Total current assets

68,708

74,461

Property, plant and equipment, net

12,069

11,323

Goodwill

24,740

24,896

Intangible assets, net

21,152

22,009

Explanation of Responses:

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Other

430

439

Total assets

\$

127,099

\$

133,128

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

Current liabilities:

Accounts payable trade

\$

4,833

\$

Explanation of Responses:

4,242

Accrued liabilities

13,516

8,426

Other current liabilities

854

1,062

Deferred taxes

210

213

Total current liabilities

19,413

13,943

Deferred revenue

38

Deferred taxes

Explanation of Responses:

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2,206

2,366

Commitments and contingencies

Stockholders' equity:

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Preferred Stock, \$.01 par value; authorized 25,000,000 shares; no shares issued or outstanding

Common Stock, \$.01 par value; authorized 75,000,000 shares; shares issued: 38,717,900 at January 31, 2010 and 38,589,880 at July 31, 2009

387

386

Additional paid-in capital

306,860

306,280

Less treasury stock at cost: 735,554 shares at January 31, 2010 and at July 31, 2009

(10,440

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Explanation of Responses:

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) (10,440
Accumulated deficit

) (191,863

) (179,721
Accumulated other comprehensive income

536

276

Total stockholders' equity

105,480

116,781

Total liabilities and stockholders' equity

\$

127,099

\$

133,128

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

ENZO BIOCHEM, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(UNAUDITED)
(in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended January 31,		Six Months Ended January 31,	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Revenues:				
Product revenues	\$ 10,767	\$ 9,497	\$ 21,511	\$ 19,474
Royalty and license fee income	1,839	1,904	5,150	4,820
Clinical laboratory services	10,580	9,515	21,690	17,687
	<u>23,186</u>	<u>20,916</u>	<u>48,351</u>	<u>41,981</u>
Operating expenses:				
Cost of product revenues	5,322	6,591	10,377	13,396
Cost of clinical laboratory services	6,979	6,314	13,759	12,337
Research and development	2,350	2,218	4,794	4,220
Selling, general, and administrative	13,542	10,583	25,122	19,842
Provision for uncollectible accounts receivable	510	1,376	1,422	3,235
Legal	826	1,288	1,082	2,498
Litigation settlement and related legal costs	3,698		3,698	
	<u>33,227</u>	<u>28,370</u>	<u>60,254</u>	<u>55,528</u>
Total operating expenses				
	<u>33,227</u>	<u>28,370</u>	<u>60,254</u>	<u>55,528</u>
Operating loss	(10,041)	(7,454)	(11,903)	(13,547)
Other income (expense):				
Interest income	5	142	14	552
Other	(64)	118	(45)	151
Foreign currency loss	(110)	(373)	(168)	(955)
	<u>(10,210)</u>	<u>(7,567)</u>	<u>(12,102)</u>	<u>(13,799)</u>
Loss before income taxes	(10,210)	(7,567)	(12,102)	(13,799)
Provision for income taxes	(118)	(106)	(40)	(243)
	<u>(10,328)</u>	<u>(7,673)</u>	<u>(12,142)</u>	<u>(14,042)</u>
Net loss	\$ (10,328)	\$ (7,673)	\$ (12,142)	\$ (14,042)
Net loss per common share:				
Basic and Diluted	\$ (0.27)	\$ (0.20)	\$ (0.32)	\$ (0.38)
	<u>(0.27)</u>	<u>(0.20)</u>	<u>(0.32)</u>	<u>(0.38)</u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding:				
Basic and Diluted	37,899	37,449	37,877	37,393
	<u>37,899</u>	<u>37,449</u>	<u>37,877</u>	<u>37,393</u>

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ENZO BIOCHEM, INC
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY
AND COMPREHENSIVE LOSS
Six months ended January 31, 2010
(UNAUDITED)
(In thousands, except share data)

	<i>Common Stock Shares</i>	<i>Treasury Stock Shares</i>	<i>Common Stock Amount</i>	<i>Additional Paid-in Capital</i>	<i>Treasury Stock Amount</i>	<i>Accumulated Deficit</i>	<i>Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income</i>	<i>Total Stockholders Equity</i>	<i>Comprehensive Loss</i>
Balance at July 31, 2009	38,589,880	735,554	\$ 386	\$ 306,280	\$ (10,440)	\$ (179,721)	\$ 276	\$ 116,781	
Net loss for the period ended January 31, 2010						(12,142)		(12,142)	\$ (12,142)
Vesting of restricted stock	128,020		1					1	
Stock based compensation charges				580				580	
Foreign currency translation adjustments							260	260	260
Comprehensive loss									\$ (11,882)
Balance at January 31, 2010	38,717,900	735,554	\$ 387	\$ 306,860	\$ (10,440)	\$ (191,863)	\$ 536	\$ 105,480	

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ENZO BIOCHEM, INC
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(UNAUDITED)
(in thousands)

	Six Months Ended	
	January 31,	
	2010	2009
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net loss	\$ (12,142)	\$ (14,042)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization of property, plant and equipment	1,359	990
Amortization of intangible assets	828	532
Provision for uncollectible accounts receivable	1,422	3,235
Write off and/or reserve taken for obsolete inventory	(42)	158
Deferred income tax benefit	(126)	(184)
Share based compensation charges	580	715
Deferred revenue recognized	(225)	(242)
Foreign currency loss on intercompany loan	77	881
Accrual for 401 (k) employer match	735	643
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(913)	871
Inventories	(666)	789
Prepaid expenses	300	981
Accounts payable trade	621	(796)
Accrued liabilities	4,477	1,461
Other current liabilities	(20)	(156)
Total adjustments	8,407	9,878
Net cash used in operating activities	(3,735)	(4,164)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of short term investments	(118,917)	(208,506)
Maturities of short term investments	125,914	144,054
Capital expenditures	(2,044)	(1,558)
Decrease in security deposits and other assets	9	165
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	4,962	(65,845)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from the exercise of stock options		348
Net cash provided by financing activities		348
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	1	(181)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,228	(69,842)
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of period	6,929	78,322
Cash and cash equivalents - end of period	\$ 8,157	\$ 8,480

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ENZO BIOCHEM, INC. NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As of January 31, 2010
and for the six month period ended
January 31, 2010 and 2009
(Unaudited)

Note 1 Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Enzo Biochem, Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Enzo Clinical Labs, Enzo Life Sciences, Enzo Therapeutics and Enzo Realty LLC, collectively referred to as the Company or Companies. The consolidated balance sheet as of January 31, 2010, the consolidated statement of stockholders equity and comprehensive loss for the six months ended January 31, 2010, the consolidated statements of cash flows for the six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, and the consolidated statements of operations for the three and six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, are unaudited. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (which include normal recurring adjustments) necessary to present fairly the financial position and operating results for the interim periods have been made. Certain information and footnote disclosure, normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, have been condensed or omitted. The consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements for the year ended July 31, 2009 and notes thereto contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The consolidated balance sheet at July 31, 2009 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date. The results of operations for the three and six months ended January 31, 2010 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the fiscal year ending July 31, 2010.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Effective August 1, 2009, the Company adopted The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC or Codification) of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles Overall. The Codification established one source for all U.S. GAAP and became the source of authoritative accounting principles for nongovernmental entities. Rules and interpretive releases of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) under authority of federal securities laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC registrants. The Codification is not intended to change existing GAAP and as such did not have an impact on the consolidated financial statements of the Company.

The adoption of the following accounting standards and updates during the first six months of fiscal 2010 did not result in a significant impact to our consolidated financial statements.

On June 15, 2009, we adopted the accounting pronouncement that amends the requirements for disclosures about fair value of financial instruments, regarding the fair value of financial instruments for annual, as well as interim, reporting periods. This pronouncement was effective prospectively for all interim and annual reporting periods ending after June 15, 2009.

Effective August 1, 2009, we adopted the revised accounting standard relating to business combinations, including assets acquired and liabilities assumed arising from contingencies. This standard requires the use of the acquisition method of accounting, defines the acquirer, establishes the acquisition date and applies to all transactions and other events in which one entity obtains control over one or more other businesses. Upon our adoption of this standard, we will be required to expense certain transaction costs and related fees associated with business combinations that were previously capitalized. In addition, with the adoption of this standard, changes to valuation allowances for acquired deferred income tax assets and adjustments to unrecognized tax benefits acquired generally are to be recognized as adjustments to income tax expense rather than goodwill.

Effective August 1, 2009, we adopted the accounting standard regarding the determination of the useful life of intangible assets that removes the requirement to consider whether an intangible asset can be renewed without substantial cost or material modifications to the existing terms and conditions, and replaces it with a requirement that an entity consider its own historical experience in renewing similar arrangements, or a consideration of market participant assumptions in the absence of historical experience. This standard also requires entities to disclose information that enables users of financial statements to assess the extent to which the expected future cash flows associated with the asset are affected by the entity's intent and/or ability to renew or extend the arrangements.

Reclassifications

Certain amounts in fiscal 2009 have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation. In Fiscal 2009, the Company reclassified certain payroll taxes and employee benefits included in selling, general and administrative expense to cost of sales. The payroll taxes and benefits reclassified were approximately \$325,000 and \$541,000, respectively for the three and six months ended January 31, 2009.

Note 2 Short-term Investments

At January 31, 2010 and July 31, 2009, the Company's short-term investments, whose fair value approximates cost, are in U.S. Government Treasury bills, which are purchased at discounts with remaining maturities of less than ninety days.

The Company has adopted the accounting pronouncement that establishes a common definition for fair value to be applied to existing GAAP that require the use of fair value measurements, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosure about such fair value measurements. The adoption of the pronouncement did not have an impact on the Company's financial position or operating results, but did expand certain disclosures.

The pronouncement defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Additionally, the pronouncement requires the use of valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. These inputs are prioritized below:

Level 1: Observable inputs such as quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2: Observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for which there is little or no market data, which require the use of the reporting entity's own assumptions.

At January 31, 2010 and July 31, 2009, the Company's short-term investments are classified as Level 1 assets.

Note 3 Acquisitions

Assay Designs, Inc.

On March 12, 2009, Enzo Life Sciences, Inc. and Enzo Life Sciences Acquisition, Inc., a newly formed wholly owned subsidiary of Enzo Life Sciences, Inc. (Acquisition Sub), entered into an asset purchase agreement (Purchase Agreement) with Assay Designs, Inc. (Assay Designs). Assay Designs, a privately owned company with annual sales of approximately \$11 million, was engaged in researching, developing, manufacturing, distributing, marketing and selling specialty immunological and biochemical protein detection kits, assays, reagents, antibodies, recombinant proteins and related products and providing related services for use in the biotechnology, pharmaceutical and life sciences research industries (Business). Under the terms of the Purchase Agreement, Acquisition Sub purchased from Assay Designs substantially all of its assets, including trade accounts receivable, inventory, fixed assets, and intellectual property, used in or related to the Business and assumed certain of Assay Designs' liabilities, including trade accounts payable, capital lease obligations and certain other current liabilities.

The execution of the Purchase Agreement and the closing of the transaction occurred simultaneously on March 12, 2009. The purchase price consisted of \$12,228,000 in cash, exclusive of acquisition costs of approximately \$540,000, and was subject to an upward or downward post-closing purchase price adjustment based on Assay Designs' working capital as of the closing date, \$100,000 of which was held in escrow for approximately 60-90 days to secure the payment of any downward post-closing purchase price adjustment and \$750,000 of which will be held in escrow for 12 months to secure the payment of any indemnification obligations of Assay Designs under the Purchase Agreement. Subsequent to the acquisition date, the Company paid \$270,000 in additional purchase price in connection with the working capital adjustment and released the \$100,000 escrow amount. The cost of the acquisition included costs to consolidate a leased facility and the involuntary termination of certain employees, which occurred during the measurement period. The Assay Designs Acquisition strengthens the Company's position as a global provider of life sciences reagents by broadening our product offerings and manufacturing capabilities.

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The acquisition was funded with the Company's cash. Effective March 12, 2009, Assay Designs became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Enzo Life Sciences. The consolidated financial statements include the results of operations for Assay Designs from the date of acquisition.

The following table presents the preliminary estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed (in thousands) as of the date of acquisition:

Current assets	\$	4,235
Property and equipment		1,747
Other assets		11
Intangible assets		6,360
Goodwill		1,803
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Total assets acquired		14,156
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Less:		
Current liabilities		1,115
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Total liabilities assumed		1,115
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Net assets acquired	\$	13,041
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The preliminary purchase price allocation is based on management's estimate of acquired tangible and intangible assets and will be adjusted based on the final valuation to be completed within one year from the acquisition date. The excess of the total purchase price over the fair value of the net assets acquired, including the estimated fair value of the identifiable intangible assets, has been allocated to goodwill.

Biomol International, L.P.

On May 8, 2008, Enzo Life Sciences, Inc. acquired substantially all of the U.S. based assets and certain liabilities of Biomol International, LP (Biomol LP) through a newly formed US subsidiary Biomol International, Inc. and all of the stock of Biomol's wholly-owned United Kingdom subsidiary, Affinity Limited, through Axxora UK, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Enzo Life Sciences, collectively referred to as Biomol for approximately \$18.1 million in cash and stock, subject to adjustment, exclusive of acquisition costs of approximately \$800,000 and two contingent earn-out payments accounted for as additional purchase consideration if and when the contingencies are resolved beyond a reasonable doubt. At closing, the purchase price was satisfied as follows: \$12.9 million in cash was paid to Biomol LP, issuance of 352,000 shares of Enzo common stock, at fair market value, to Biomol LP, \$1.5 million in cash was paid to an escrow agent for the two-year period following the closing to satisfy any indemnification obligations of the sellers under the Agreement and \$550,000 was paid to an escrow agent, for the 60 day period following the closing to satisfy any specified purchase price adjustments. The \$550,000 was released by the escrow agent in August 2008. The earn-outs of \$2.5 million on each of the next two anniversaries of the acquisition date will be based on attaining certain revenue and EBITDA targets, as defined. The Agreement provides for the delivery of the earn-out statement within 75 days of the respective anniversary dates. Biomol was a privately owned, closely held global manufacturer and marketer of specialty life sciences research products. Effective May 8, 2008, Biomol became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Enzo Life Sciences. The acquisition was financed with the Company's cash and cash equivalents and Enzo common stock. The consolidated financial statements include the results of operations for Biomol from the date of acquisition. Effective February 2, 2009, the names of Biomol International, Inc. and Affinity Limited were changed to Enzo Life Sciences International, Inc. and Enzo Life Sciences (UK) Ltd., respectively.

In June 2009, the conditions for the first annual earn-out of \$2.5 million were met and the Company recorded \$2.5 million of additional goodwill. The Company issued 202,196 shares of Enzo common stock at fair value and paid \$1.5 million in cash to satisfy the \$2.5 million earn-out liability.

The following table presents the estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed (in thousands) as of the date of acquisition:

Current assets	\$ 5,167
Property and equipment	939
Other assets	18
Intangible assets	7,660
Goodwill	9,226
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Total assets acquired	23,010
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Less:	
Current liabilities	1,100
Deferred tax liabilities	609
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Total liabilities assumed	1,709
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Net assets acquired	\$ 21,301
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The purchase price allocation is based on a valuation of acquired tangible and intangible assets based on the final valuation completed in fiscal 2009. The Company determined the fair value of the identifiable intangible assets based on various factors including: cost, discounted cash flow and relief from royalty approaches in determining the purchase price allocation. The excess of the total purchase price over the fair value of the net assets acquired, including the estimated fair value of the identifiable intangible assets, has been allocated to goodwill.

For financial reporting purposes, useful lives for the intangibles acquired in the acquisitions have been assigned as follows:

Customer relationships	8-15 years
Trademarks	Indefinite
Other intangibles	4-5 years

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The following unaudited pro forma financial information presents the combined results of operations of the Company and the acquisition completed in fiscal 2009 as if the acquisition had occurred as of August 1, 2008. The pro forma financial information reflects appropriate adjustments primarily for amortization of intangible assets and interest expense. The pro forma financial information presented is not necessarily indicative of either the actual consolidated operating results had the acquisitions been completed at the beginning of each period or future operating results of the consolidated entities.

In thousands (except per share amounts)	Three months ended January 31, 2009	Six months ended January 31, 2009
Net revenues	\$ 23,365	\$ 47,253
Net loss	(8,018)	(14,541)
Net loss per common share basic and diluted:	\$ (0.21)	\$ (0.39)

Note 4 Net loss per share

Basic net income (loss) per share represents net income (loss) divided by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. The dilutive effect of potential common shares, consisting of outstanding stock options and unvested restricted stock, is determined using the treasury stock method. Diluted weighted average shares outstanding for the three and six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009 do not include the potential common shares from stock options and unvested restricted stock because to do so would have been antidilutive. Accordingly, basic and diluted net loss per share is the same during these periods.

The following table summarizes the potential number of shares issued from exercise of in the money stock options, net of shares repurchased with the option exercise proceeds and potential shares from restricted stock awards, which are excluded from the computation of diluted net loss per share.

(In thousands)	Three months ended January 31,		Six months ended January 31,	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Potential net shares, issued from exercise of in the money employee and director stock options and restricted stock awards, excluded from diluted net loss per share calculation			67	59

The following table summarizes the number of out of the money options excluded from the computation of diluted net loss per share because the effect of their potential exercise is anti-dilutive.

(In thousands)	Three months ended January 31,		Six months ended January 31,	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Out of the money employee and director stock options	1,177	1,783	1,177	1,907

Note 5 Share-based compensation

The following table sets forth the amount of expense related to share-based payment arrangements included in specific line items in the accompanying statements of operations:

In thousands	Three months ended January 31,		Six months ended January 31,	
	2010	2009	2010	2009

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Cost of product revenues	\$ 2	\$ 3	\$ 5	\$ 3
Research and development	3	6	6	28
Selling, general and administrative	253	312	569	684
	\$ 258	\$ 321	\$ 580	\$ 715

No excess tax benefits were recognized during the three and six month periods ended January 31, 2010 and 2009.

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Stock option plans

A summary of the activity relating to the Company's stock option plans for the six month period ended January 31, 2010 is as follows:

	<u>Options</u>	<u>Weighted Average Exercise Price</u>	<u>Aggregate Intrinsic Value</u>
Outstanding at August 1, 2009	1,191,519	\$ 14.41	\$
Exercised		\$	
Cancelled	(14,841)	\$ 11.86	
Outstanding and exercisable at end of period	<u>1,176,678</u>	\$ 14.45	<u>\$</u>

As of January 31, 2010, there was no unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested stock option-based compensation.

During the six months ended January 31, 2009, the Company received cash proceeds of approximately \$348,000 from the exercise of 44,586 stock options. The aggregate intrinsic value of stock options exercised during the six months ended January 31, 2009, including the non-cash transactions (Note 6) was approximately \$1.4 million.

Restricted Stock Awards

A summary of the activity pursuant to the Company's restricted stock awards for the six months ended January 31, 2010 is as follows:

	<u>Awards</u>	<u>Weighted Average Award Price</u>
Unvested at August 1, 2009	377,400	\$ 6.05
Awarded	61,000	\$ 5.03
Vested	(128,020)	\$ (7.33)
Forfeited	(2,100)	\$ (5.01)
Unvested at end of period	<u>308,280</u>	<u>\$ 5.33</u>

The fair value of a restricted stock award is determined based on the closing stock price on the award date. As of January 31, 2010, there was approximately \$1.3 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested restricted stock-based compensation to be recognized over a weighted average remaining period of one and half years.

The total number of shares available for grant as stock options or award as restricted stock is approximately 343,300 as of January 31, 2010.

Note 6 Supplemental disclosure for statement of cash flows

Supplemental information with respect to the Company's consolidated statements of cash flows is as follows (In thousands):

	<u>Six months ended January 31,</u>	
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2008</u>
Taxes paid net	\$ 147	\$ 112

Explanation of Responses:

During the six months ended January 31, 2009, certain officers of the Company exercised 206,576 stock options in a non-cash transaction. The officers surrendered 99,985 shares of previously acquired common stock to exercise the stock options. The Company recorded approximately \$1.1 million, the market value of the surrendered shares, as treasury stock. There were no stock options exercises during the six months ended January 31, 2010.

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Note 7 Comprehensive loss and Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income

During the three months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, total comprehensive loss was approximately \$11.0 million and \$8.2 million, respectively. During the six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, total comprehensive loss was approximately \$11.9 million and \$16.1 million, respectively.

Note 8- Inventories

At January 31, 2010 and July 31, 2009 inventories, net of reserves of \$1.0 million consist of:

In 000 s	January 31, 2010	July 31, 2009
Raw materials	\$ 607	\$ 499
Work in process	2,260	1,801
Finished products	7,181	6,964
	<u>\$ 10,048</u>	<u>\$ 9,264</u>

Note 9 Goodwill and intangible assets

The Company's change in the net carrying amount of goodwill by business segment is as follows (in thousands):

	Enzo Life Sciences	Enzo Clinical Labs	Total
Balance August 1, 2009	\$ 17,444	\$ 7,452	\$ 24,896
Other	7		7
Foreign currency translation	(163)		(163)
Balance January 31, 2010	<u>\$ 17,288</u>	<u>\$ 7,452</u>	<u>\$ 24,740</u>

Intangible assets, all of which are included in the Life Sciences segment, consist of the following (in thousands):

	January 31, 2010			July 31, 2009		
	Gross	Accumulated Amortization	Net	Gross	Accumulated Amortization	Net
Finite-lived intangible assets:						
Patents	\$ 11,027	\$ (10,091)	\$ 936	\$ 11,027	(10,030)	\$ 997
Customer relationships	12,072	(1,675)	10,397	12,125	(1,190)	10,935
Non-compete and employment agreements	474	(359)	115	469	(280)	189
Website and acquired content	1,007	(419)	588	1,005	(303)	702
Licensed technology and other	637	(229)	408	588	(83)	505
Indefinitely-lived intangible assets:						
Trademarks	8,708		8,708	8,681		8,681
Total	<u>\$ 33,925</u>	<u>\$ (12,773)</u>	<u>\$ 21,152</u>	<u>\$ 33,895</u>	<u>\$ (11,886)</u>	<u>\$ 22,009</u>

At January 31, 2010, the weighted average useful life of finite-lived intangible assets was approximately ten years.

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Note 10 Accrued Liabilities and Other Current Liabilities

At January 31, 2010 and July 31, 2009, accrued liabilities consist of:

<u>In 000 s</u>	<u>January 31, 2010</u>	<u>July 31, 2009</u>
Legal	\$ 2,542	\$ 1,095
Payroll, benefits, and commissions	3,872	2,737
Research and development	727	656
Professional fees	1,679	1,752
Litigation settlement	2,700	
Other	1,996	2,186
	<u>\$ 13,516</u>	<u>\$ 8,426</u>

At January 31, 2010 and July 31, 2009, other current liabilities consist of:

<u>In 000 s</u>	<u>January 31, 2010</u>	<u>July 31, 2009</u>
Deferred revenue	669	850
Other	185	212
	<u>\$ 854</u>	<u>\$ 1,062</u>

Note 11 - Income taxes

At the end of each interim reporting period, the Company estimates its effective income tax rate expected to be applicable for the full year. This estimate is used to determine the income tax provision or benefit on a year-to-date basis and may change in subsequent interim periods.

The Company's effective tax rate provision for the three months ended January 31, 2010 was 1.2% compared to 1.4% during the three months ended January 31, 2009. The tax provision for the three months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009 was based on state and local taxes, domestic and foreign tax for tax deductible goodwill and indefinite lived intangibles, and book to tax differences for acquired inventory.

The Company's effective tax rate provision for the six months ended January 31, 2010 was 0.3% compared to 1.8% during the six months ended January 31, 2009. The tax provision for the six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009 was based on state and local taxes, domestic and foreign tax for tax deductible goodwill and indefinite lived intangibles, and book to tax differences for acquired inventory.

The Company's effective tax rate for both periods differed from the expected net operating loss carryforward benefit at the U.S. federal statutory rate of 34% primarily due to the inability to recognize such benefit. The carryforward benefit cannot be recognized because of uncertainties relating to future taxable income in terms of both its timing and its sufficiency, which would enable the Company to realize the federal carryforward benefit.

The Company files a consolidated Federal income tax return. The Company files a combined, California, and New York State and City return with certain subsidiaries. Other subsidiaries file separate state and foreign tax returns. With few exceptions, the periods that remain subject to examination are fiscal years ended July 31, 2006 through 2009. In connection with a business combination, the Company recorded as of May 31, 2007 approximately \$300,000 for an uncertain tax position, including accrued interest of \$39,000, with respect to a deemed dividend. During the six months ended January 31, 2010, the Company reduced the balance of this liability by approximately \$106,000 and recognized a corresponding tax benefit as a result of the expiration of the statute of limitations. The Company's policy is to recognize interest and penalties accrued on any uncertain tax positions as a component of income tax expense.

Note 12 Royalty and licensing income

Explanation of Responses:

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In fiscal 2005, the Company as plaintiff finalized and executed a settlement and license agreement with Digene Corporation to settle a patent litigation lawsuit (the Agreement). Digene Corporation was acquired by QIAGEN. The license agreement with the Company was assigned to QIAGEN Gaithersburg Inc. (Qiagen). The Agreement provides for the Company to receive quarterly running royalties on the net sales of Qiagen products subject to the license until the expiration of the patent in April 2018.

During the three months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company recorded royalties from the Agreement of approximately \$1.1 million and \$1.2 million, respectively, and during the six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009 recorded approximately \$3.7 million and \$3.5 million, respectively.

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During both three months periods ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company recorded \$0.7 million of royalties and license fee income under a licensing agreement with Abbott Molecular, Inc. (Abbott) entered into in fiscal 2007. During the six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company recorded \$1.4 million and \$1.3 million in royalties and license fee income respectively, from this agreement.

Note 13 Segment reporting

The Company has three reportable segments: Life Sciences, Therapeutics, and Clinical Labs. The Company's Life Sciences segment develops, manufactures, and markets products to research and pharmaceutical customers. The Company's Therapeutic segment conducts research and development activities for therapeutic drug candidates. The Clinical Labs segment provides diagnostic services to the health care community. The Company evaluates segment performance based on segment income (loss) before taxes. Costs excluded from segment income (loss) before taxes and reported as Other, consist of corporate general and administrative costs which are not allocable to the three reportable segments.

Management of the Company assesses assets on a consolidated basis only and, therefore, assets by reportable segment have not been included in the reportable segments below. The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies.

The following financial information (in thousands) represents the operating results of the reportable segments of the Company:

Three months ended January 31, 2010

	<u>Life Sciences</u>	<u>Therapeutics</u>	<u>Clinical Labs</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Consolidated</u>
<u>Revenues:</u>					
Product revenues	\$ 10,767				\$ 10,767
Royalty and license fee income	1,839				1,839
Clinical laboratory services			\$ 10,580		10,580
	<u>12,606</u>		<u>10,580</u>		<u>23,186</u>
<u>Operating expenses:</u>					
Cost of product revenues	5,322				5,322
Cost of clinical laboratory services			6,979		6,979
Research and development	1,714	\$ 636			2,350
Provision for uncollectible accounts receivable			510		510
Selling, general and administrative and legal	5,029		5,081	\$ 4,258	14,368
Litigation settlement and related legal costs				3,698	3,698
	<u>12,065</u>	<u>636</u>	<u>12,570</u>	<u>7,956</u>	<u>33,227</u>
Total operating expenses					
Operating income (loss)	541	(636)	(1,990)	(7,956)	(10,041)
<u>Other income (expense)</u>					
Interest income				5	5
Other	(80)		16		(64)
Foreign exchange loss	(110)				(110)
	<u>351</u>	<u>(636)</u>	<u>(1,974)</u>	<u>(7,951)</u>	<u>(10,210)</u>
Income (loss) before income taxes					
Depreciation and amortization included above	\$ 943	\$ 14	\$ 255	\$ 32	\$ 1,244
<u>Share-based compensation included in above:</u>					
Cost of product revenues	\$		2		\$ 2
Research and development	3	\$			3

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Selling, general and administrative and legal	<u>33</u>	<u></u>	<u>\$ 17</u>	<u>\$ 203</u>	<u>253</u>
Total	<u>\$ 36</u>	<u></u>	<u>\$ 19</u>	<u>\$ 203</u>	<u>\$ 258</u>
Capital expenditures	<u>\$ 370</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 535</u>	<u>\$ 11</u>	<u>\$ 916</u>

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Three months ended January 31, 2009

	<u>Life Sciences</u>	<u>Therapeutics</u>	<u>Clinical Labs</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Consolidated</u>
<u>Revenues:</u>					
Product revenues	\$ 9,497	\$	\$	\$	\$ 9,497
Royalty and license fee income	1,904				1,904
Clinical laboratory services			9,515		9,515
	<u>11,401</u>		<u>9,515</u>		<u>20,916</u>
<u>Operating expenses:</u>					
Cost of product revenues	6,591				6,591
Cost of clinical laboratory services			6,314		6,314
Research and development	1,236	982			2,218
Provision for uncollectible accounts receivable			1,376		1,376
Selling, general, and administrative and legal	3,187		4,161	4,523	11,871
Total operating expenses	<u>11,014</u>	<u>982</u>	<u>11,851</u>	<u>4,523</u>	<u>28,370</u>
Operating income (loss)	387	(982)	(2,336)	(4,523)	(7,454)
<u>Other income (expense):</u>					
Interest income			12	130	142
Other	97		21		118
Foreign exchange loss	(373)				(373)
Income (loss) before income taxes	<u>\$ 111</u>	<u>\$ (982)</u>	<u>\$ (2,303)</u>	<u>\$ (4,393)</u>	<u>\$ (7,567)</u>
Depreciation and amortization included above	<u>\$ 478</u>	<u>\$ 13</u>	<u>\$ 247</u>	<u>\$ 30</u>	<u>\$ 768</u>
<u>Share-based compensation included in above:</u>					
Cost of product revenues	\$	\$	\$ 3	\$	\$ 3
Research and development	6				6
Selling, general and administrative and legal	50	16	18	228	312
Total	<u>\$ 56</u>	<u>\$ 16</u>	<u>\$ 21</u>	<u>\$ 228</u>	<u>\$ 321</u>
Capital expenditures	<u>\$ 368</u>	<u>\$ 49</u>	<u>\$ 342</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 759</u>

Six months ended January 31, 2010

	<u>Life Sciences</u>	<u>Therapeutics</u>	<u>Clinical Labs</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Consolidated</u>
<u>Revenues:</u>					
Product revenues	\$ 21,511	\$	\$	\$	\$ 21,511
Royalty and license fee income	5,150				5,150
Clinical laboratory services			21,690		21,690
	<u>26,661</u>		<u>21,690</u>		<u>48,351</u>
<u>Operating expenses:</u>					
Cost of product revenues	10,377				10,377
Cost of clinical laboratory services			13,759		13,759
Research and development	3,490	1,304			4,794
Provision for uncollectible accounts receivable			1,422		1,422
Selling, general, and administrative and legal	10,202		9,333	6,669	26,204
Litigation settlement and related legal costs				3,698	3,698
Total operating expenses	<u>24,069</u>	<u>1,304</u>	<u>24,514</u>	<u>10,367</u>	<u>60,254</u>
Operating income (loss)	2,592	(1,304)	(2,824)	(10,367)	(11,903)
<u>Other income (expense):</u>					
Interest income				14	14
Other	(77)		32		(45)
Foreign exchange loss	(168)				(168)
Income (loss) before income taxes	<u>\$ 2,347</u>	<u>\$ (1,304)</u>	<u>\$ (2,792)</u>	<u>\$ (10,353)</u>	<u>\$ (12,102)</u>
Depreciation and amortization included above	<u>\$ 1,609</u>	<u>\$ 27</u>	<u>\$ 490</u>	<u>\$ 61</u>	<u>\$ 2,187</u>
<u>Share-based compensation included in above:</u>					
Cost of product revenues	\$	\$	\$ 5	\$	\$ 5
Research and development	6				6
Selling, general and administrative and legal	65		42	462	569
Total	<u>\$ 71</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 47</u>	<u>\$ 462</u>	<u>\$ 580</u>
Capital expenditures	<u>\$ 825</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 1,157</u>	<u>\$ 62</u>	<u>\$ 2,044</u>

Six months ended January 31, 2009

	<u>Life Sciences</u>	<u>Therapeutics</u>	<u>Clinical Labs</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Consolidated</u>
<u>Revenues:</u>					
Product revenues	\$ 19,474	\$	\$	\$	\$ 19,474
Royalty and license fee income	4,820				4,820
Clinical laboratory services			17,687		17,687
	<u>24,294</u>		<u>17,687</u>		<u>41,981</u>
<u>Operating expenses:</u>					
Cost of product revenues	13,396				13,396
Cost of clinical laboratory services			12,337		12,337
Research and development	2,435	1,785			4,220
Provision for uncollectible accounts receivable			3,235		3,235
Selling, general, and administrative and legal	6,378		7,852	8,110	22,340
Total operating expenses	<u>22,209</u>	<u>1,785</u>	<u>23,424</u>	<u>8,110</u>	<u>55,528</u>
Operating income (loss)	2,085	(1,785)	(5,737)	(8,110)	(13,547)
<u>Other income (expense):</u>					
Interest income			57	495	552
Other	130		21		151
Foreign exchange loss	(955)				(955)
Income (loss) before income taxes	<u>\$ 1,260</u>	<u>\$ (1,785)</u>	<u>\$ (5,659)</u>	<u>\$ (7,615)</u>	<u>\$ (13,799)</u>
Depreciation and amortization included above	<u>\$ 955</u>	<u>\$ 23</u>	<u>\$ 484</u>	<u>\$ 60</u>	<u>\$ 1,522</u>
<u>Share-based compensation included in above:</u>					
Cost of product revenues	\$	\$	\$ 3	\$	\$ 3
Research and development	13	15			28
Selling, general and administrative and legal	64	16	94	510	684
Total	<u>\$ 77</u>	<u>\$ 31</u>	<u>\$ 97</u>	<u>\$ 510</u>	<u>\$ 715</u>
Capital expenditures	<u>\$ 569</u>	<u>\$ 77</u>	<u>\$ 894</u>	<u>\$ 18</u>	<u>\$ 1,558</u>

Note 14 Contingencies

1. On April 30, 2009, Shahram K. Rabbani (Mr. Rabbani), former Secretary, Treasurer and member of the board of directors of the Company and the former President of Enzo Clinical Labs, Inc., in connection with the termination of his employment, submitted a demand for arbitration and related statement of claim to the American Arbitration Association. The statement of claim named the Company, Dr. Elazar Rabbani, the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and Barry W. Weiner, the President, Chief Financial Officer of the Company and a member of the Board, as respondents and alleged, among other things, claims relating to the termination of Mr. Rabbani's employment as President of Clinical Labs. The statement of claim purported to allege claims for breach of contract against the Company, unlawful retaliation under the Sarbanes-Oxley's whistleblower statute (the Claims) against the Company, Dr. Rabbani and Mr. Weiner, and tortious interference with contract against Dr. Rabbani and Mr. Weiner. Mr. Rabbani sought damages of no less than \$10 million consisting of contractually prescribed severance payments (approximately \$2.5 million), plus additional base salary and bonus going forward for several years, compensatory damages, and punitive damages, including attorneys' fees and costs in connection with these proceedings.

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Subsequent to April 30, 2009, the Company conducted a review, as directed by a special committee of the Board of Directors, relating to the aforementioned Claims pertaining to Enzo Clinical Labs. The review concluded that the purported Claims were unsubstantiated.

On January 28, 2010, the Company reached an agreement with Mr. Rabbani, to settle all of the Claims as well as all of his claims against Dr. Rabbani and Mr. Weiner.

Under the terms of the agreement, Mr. Rabbani discontinued all actions he commenced against the Company, Dr. Rabbani and Mr. Weiner. In exchange, the Company agreed to pay Mr. Rabbani a lump sum payment of \$2.7 million. The parties also agreed to execute mutual general releases. During the three months ended January 31, 2010, the Company recorded a settlement expense of approximately \$3.7 million, consisting of the lump sum payment of \$2.7 million and approximately \$1.0 million of legal expenses incurred in connection with the Claims. Subsequent to January 31, 2010, the parties executed the mutual general releases and the Company paid the aforementioned settlement of \$2.7 million.

2. On January 8, 2010, Mr. Rabbani commenced, as plaintiff, an action (the Action) in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York, seeking a temporary restraining order and a preliminary and permanent injunction to enjoin the Company from convening the Annual Meeting on January 29, 2010. On January 11, 2010, the Company petitioned to remove the Action to the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York (the Court), which petition was granted. A hearing on the matter was held on January 12, 2010. On January 27, 2010, the Court entered an order denying Mr. Rabbani's motion for a preliminary injunction to enjoin the Company from convening the Annual Meeting on January 29, 2010.

Note 15 Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated events and transactions subsequent to January 31, 2010. No subsequent events require recognition in the consolidated financial statements or in the notes to the consolidated financial statements by the Company, except for the update of the Contractual Obligations with respect to material changes in minimum lease commitments. (See Contractual Obligations in Item 2)

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

The following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and related notes and other information included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Forward-Looking Statements

Our disclosure and analysis in this report, including but not limited to the information discussed in this Item 2, contain forward-looking information about our Company's financial results and estimates, business prospects and products in research that involve substantial risks and uncertainties. From time to time, we also may provide oral or written forward-looking statements in other materials we release to the public. Forward-looking statements give our current expectations or forecasts of future events. You can identify these statements by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historic or current facts. They use words such as anticipate, estimate, expect, project, intend, plan, believe, will, and other words and terms of similar meaning in connection with a discussion of future operations or financial performance. In particular, these include statements relating to future actions, prospective products or product approvals, future performance or results of current and anticipated products, sales efforts, expenses, interest rates, foreign exchange rates, intellectual property matters, the outcome of contingencies, such as legal proceedings, and financial results.

We cannot guarantee that any forward-looking statement will be realized, although we believe we have been prudent in our plans and assumptions. Achievement of future results is subject to risks, uncertainties and inaccurate assumptions. Should known or unknown risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove inaccurate, actual results could vary materially from past results and those anticipated, estimated or projected. As a result, investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any of our forward-looking statements. Investors should bear this in mind as they consider forward-looking statements.

We do not assume any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement that we make, even if new information becomes available or other events occur in the future. We are also affected by other factors that may be identified from time to time in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, some of which are set forth in Item 1A - Risk Factors in our Form 10-K filing for the 2009 fiscal year. You are advised to consult any further disclosures we make on related subjects in our Forms 10-Q, 8-K and 10-K reports to the Securities and Exchange Commission. Although we have attempted to provide a list of important factors which may affect our business, investors are cautioned that other factors may prove to be important in the future and could affect our operating results. You should understand that it is not possible to predict or identify all such factors or to assess the impact of each factor or combination of factors on our business. Consequently, you should not consider any such list to be a complete set of all potential risks or uncertainties.

Overview

The Company is a life sciences and biotechnology company focused on harnessing genetic processes to develop research tools and therapeutics and the provision of diagnostic services to the medical community. Since its founding in 1976, Enzo's strategic focus has been on the development, for commercial purposes, of enabling technologies in the life sciences field. Enzo's pioneering work in genomic analysis coupled with its extensive patent estate and enabling platforms have strategically positioned Enzo to play a crucially important role in the rapidly growing life sciences and molecular medicine marketplaces.

We are comprised of three operating companies that have evolved out of our core competence: the use of nucleic acids as informational molecules and the use of compounds for immune modulation. These wholly owned operating companies conduct their operations through three reportable segments. Below are brief descriptions of each of the three operating segments (see Note 13 in the notes to consolidated financial statements):

Enzo Life Sciences is a company that manufactures, develops and markets functional biology and cellular biochemistry products and tools to research and pharmaceutical customers world-wide and has amassed a large patent and technology portfolio. The company's sources of revenues are from the direct sales of products consisting of labeling and detection reagents for the genomics and sequencing markets and royalty and licensing fee income. The pioneering platforms developed by Enzo Life Sciences enable the development of a wide range of products in the research products marketplace.

The division is internationally recognized and acknowledged as a leader in manufacturing, in-licensing, and commercialization of over 12,000 innovative high quality research reagents in the primary key research areas of epigenetics, live cell analysis, protein degradation pathways and metabolism. The division is an established source for a comprehensive panel of products to scientific experts in the fields of Antibiotics, Autophagy, Cancer, Cell Cycle, Cell Death, Cell Signaling, Cell trafficking, Genomics/Molecular Biology, Immunology, Inflammation, Lipid Signaling, Neurobiology, Protein Degradation, ROS/RNS and Stress/Heat Shock.

Enzo Clinical Labs is a regional clinical laboratory serving the greater New York and New Jersey medical community. The Company believes having clinical diagnostic services allows us to capitalize firsthand on our extensive advanced molecular and cytogenetic capabilities and the broader trends in predictive and personalized diagnostics. We offer a menu of routine and esoteric clinical laboratory tests or procedures used in general patient care by physicians to establish or support a diagnosis, monitor treatment or medication, or search for an otherwise undiagnosed condition. We operate a full-service clinical laboratory in Farmingdale, New York, a network of 30 patient service centers throughout greater New York and New Jersey, a stand alone stat or rapid response laboratory in New York City, and a full-service phlebotomy department. Payments for clinical laboratory testing services are made by the Medicare program, healthcare insurers and patients.

Enzo Therapeutics is a biopharmaceutical company that has developed multiple novel approaches in the areas of gastrointestinal, infectious, ophthalmic and metabolic diseases, many of which are derived from the pioneering work of Enzo Life Sciences. The Company has focused its efforts on developing treatment regimens for diseases and conditions in which current treatment options are ineffective, costly, and/or cause unwanted side effects. This focus has generated a clinical and preclinical pipeline, as well as more than 40 patents and patent applications.

Recent Developments

Assay Designs, Inc.

On March 12, 2009, Enzo Life Sciences, Inc. and Enzo Life Sciences Acquisition, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Enzo Life Sciences, Inc. (Acquisition Sub), entered into an asset purchase agreement (Purchase Agreement) with Assay Designs, Inc. (Assay Designs or ADI). Assay Designs, a privately owned company with annual sales of approximately \$11 million, was engaged in researching, developing, manufacturing, distributing, marketing and selling specialty immunological and biochemical protein detection kits, assays, reagents, antibodies, recombinant proteins and related products and providing related services for use in the biotechnology, pharmaceutical and life sciences research industries (Business). Under the terms of the Purchase Agreement, Acquisition Sub purchased from Assay Designs substantially all of its assets, including trade accounts receivable, inventory, fixed assets, intellectual property and goodwill, used in or related to the Business and assumed certain of Assay Designs' liabilities, including trade accounts payable, capital lease obligations and certain other accrued and other current liabilities.

The execution of the Purchase Agreement and the closing of the transaction occurred simultaneously on March 12, 2009. The purchase price consisted of \$12,228,000 in cash exclusive of acquisition costs of approximately \$540,000, subject to an upward or downward post-closing purchase price adjustment based on Assay Designs' working capital as of the closing date, \$100,000 of which will be held in escrow for approximately 60-90 days to secure the payment of any downward post-closing purchase price adjustment and \$750,000 of which will be held in escrow for 12 months to secure the payment of any indemnification obligations of Assay Designs under the Purchase Agreement. Subsequent to the acquisition date, the Company paid \$270,000 in additional purchase price in connection with the working capital adjustment and released the \$100,000 escrow amount. The cost of the acquisition included the cost to consolidate a leased facility and the involuntary termination of certain employees, which occurred during the measurement period.

The Assay Designs acquisition strengthens the Company's position as a global provider of life sciences reagents by broadening our product offerings and manufacturing capabilities. Effective March 12, 2009, Assay Designs became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Enzo Life Sciences. The acquisition was funded with the Company's cash. The consolidated financial statements include the results of operations for Assay Designs from the date of acquisition.

Biomol International L.P.

On May 8, 2008, Enzo Life Sciences, Inc. acquired substantially all of the U.S. based assets and certain liabilities of Biomol International, LP (Biomol LP) through a newly formed US subsidiary Biomol International, Inc. and all of the stock of Biomol's wholly-owned United Kingdom subsidiary, Affinity Limited, through Axxora UK, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Enzo Life Sciences, collectively referred to as Biomol for approximately \$18.1 million in cash and stock, subject to adjustment, exclusive of acquisition costs of approximately \$800,000 and two contingent earn-out payments which will be accounted for as additional purchase consideration over the next two years if and when the contingencies are resolved beyond a reasonable doubt. At closing, the purchase price was satisfied as follows: \$12.9 million in cash was paid to Biomol LP, issuance of 352,000 shares of Enzo common stock, at fair market value, to Biomol LP, \$1.5 million in cash was paid to an escrow agent for the two-year period following the closing to satisfy any indemnification obligations of the sellers under the Agreement and \$550,000 was paid to an escrow agent, for the 60 day period following the closing to satisfy any specified purchase price adjustments. The \$550,000 was released by the escrow agent in August 2008. The earn-outs of \$2.5 million on each of the first two anniversaries of the acquisition date will be based on attaining certain revenue and EBITDA targets, as defined. In June 2009, the conditions for the first annual earn-out of \$2.5 million were met and the Company recorded \$2.5 million of additional goodwill. The Company issued 202,196 shares of Enzo common stock at fair value and paid \$1.5 million in cash to satisfy the \$2.5 million earn-out liability.

Results of Operations
Three months ended January 31, 2010 as compared to January 31, 2009

Comparative Financial Data for the Three Months Ended January 31,

(In thousands)

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Revenues:				
Product revenues	\$ 10,767	\$ 9,497	\$ 1,270	13%
Royalty and license fee income	1,839	1,904	(65)	(3)
Clinical laboratory services	10,580	9,515	1,065	11
Total revenues	23,186	20,916	2,270	11
Operating expenses:				
Cost of product revenues	5,322	6,591	(1,269)	(19)
Cost of clinical laboratory services	6,979	6,314	665	11
Research and development	2,350	2,218	132	6
Selling, general, and administrative	13,542	10,583	2,959	28
Provision for uncollectible accounts receivable	510	1,376	(866)	(63)
Legal	826	1,288	(462)	(36)
Litigation settlement and related legal costs	3,698		3,698	
Total operating expenses	33,227	28,370	4,857	17
Operating loss	(10,041)	(7,454)	(2,587)	35
Other income (expense):				
Interest income	5	142	(137)	(96)
Other	(64)	118	(182)	(154)
Foreign currency loss	(110)	(373)	263	71
Loss before income taxes	\$ (10,210)	\$ (7,567)	\$ (2,643)	35

Consolidated Results:

The 2010 period and the 2009 period refer to the three months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The 2010 period includes the three months results of ADI which was acquired on March 12, 2009.

Product revenues increased overall by \$1.3 million in 2010 to \$10.8 million as compared to the 2009 period. Our core product revenues demonstrated organic growth of 7% or \$0.5 million and the revenue from the recently acquired ADI contributed acquisition growth of 27% or \$2.6 million. Foreign currency fluctuation positively affected revenues by \$0.3 million. This overall growth was impacted by declines in our low margin third-party distribution business of \$2.9 million of which one customer accounted for \$2.1 million of the decline.

Royalty and license fee income during the 2010 period was \$1.8 million compared to \$1.9 million in the 2009 period, a decrease of \$0.1 million or 3%. Royalties are primarily earned from the reported net sales of Qiagen products subject to a license agreement and from a license agreement with Abbott. During the 2010 period, the Company recognized royalties of approximately \$1.1 million from Qiagen and royalties and license fees under the Abbott License Agreement of approximately \$0.7 million. There are no direct expenses relating to royalty and license fee income.

Clinical laboratory revenues during the 2010 period were \$10.6 million compared to \$9.5 million in the 2009 period. The 2010 period's increase over the 2009 period was \$1.1 million or 11%. During the 2010 period revenue increased due to higher service volume.

Explanation of Responses:

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The cost of product revenues during the 2010 period was \$5.3 million compared to \$6.6 million in the 2009 period, a decrease of \$1.3 million or 19%. The decrease is primarily due to the impact of \$1.9 million in lower costs from low margin third party distribution business, reduced fair value accounting adjustments of \$0.3 million in accordance with purchase accounting rules and reclassification of \$0.5 million in costs relating to the realignment of manufacturing facilities and personnel. Such amounts in 2010 were partially offset by product cost relating to ADI of \$1.2 million. We believe that cost of product revenues for future periods will be affected by, among other things, the further integration of acquired businesses in addition to sales volumes, competitive conditions and foreign currency rates.

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The cost of clinical laboratory services during the 2010 period was \$7.0 million as compared to \$6.3 million in the 2009 period, an increase of \$0.7 million or 11%. The Company incurred increased costs partially due to increased service volume in 2010. Increases occurred in reagent costs and supplies of \$0.2 million, laboratory personnel costs of \$0.2 million and outside reference lab costs of \$0.2 million. Laboratory personnel costs increased primarily due to additional headcounts in phlebotomists to expand patient collection sites and other personnel to manage expanded internal operations.

Research and development expenses were approximately \$2.3 million during the 2010 period, compared to \$2.2 million in the 2009 period, an increase of \$0.1 million or 6%. The increase was principally attributed to higher costs of \$0.5 million at Enzo Life Sciences primarily from the acquired ADI offset by \$0.4 million in lower clinical trial and related activities at the Therapeutics segment.

Selling, general and administrative expenses were approximately \$13.5 million during the 2010 period as compared to \$10.6 million in the 2009 period, an increase of \$2.9 million or 28%. The increase was primarily due to the net increase at the Enzo Life Sciences segment of \$1.8 million in the 2010 period which included approximately \$0.9 million of selling, general and administrative expenses related to Assay Designs operations, the impact of realigning manufacturing facilities and certain personnel of \$0.5 million and additional payroll costs. The Clinical Lab segment's selling general and administrative increased \$0.9 million primarily due to increased payroll and related benefits of \$0.4 million, computer related costs of \$0.2 million, and other expenses of \$0.3 million.

The provision for uncollectible accounts receivable, primarily relating to the Clinical Labs segment was \$0.5 million for the 2010 period as compared to \$1.4 million in the 2009 period, a decrease of \$0.9 million or 63%. During the 2009 period, the Company recorded a charge attributed to increased provisions for the Clinical Labs legacy billing system, which was replaced in August 2008, due to reduced collection efforts relating to the legacy billing system, the correction of an immaterial error relating to fiscal 2008, and increased provisions required based on changes in payer mix, offset by a reduced requirement under the new billing system.

Legal expense was \$0.8 million during the 2010 period compared to \$1.3 million in the 2009 period, a decrease of \$0.5 million or 36%, due to reduction of \$1.1 million in legal services provided relating to certain patent litigation and general matters offset by approximately \$0.6 million in incremental legal costs incurred for proxy related matters in 2010.

Interest income was \$5,000 during the 2010 period as compared to \$0.1 million during the 2009 period. The interest income decrease during the 2010 period is attributed to the decline in interest rates in response to monetary policy actions taken by the U.S. Federal Reserve. Furthermore, the Company had higher average invested balances during the 2009 period. The Company earns interest by investing primarily in short term US treasury bills, and money market accounts.

In connection with the litigation settlement with Mr. Shahram K. Rabbani to settle all of his claims against the Company, and certain of its executive officers, the Company agreed to pay a lump sum payment of \$2.7 million. The Company recorded a settlement expense of approximately \$3.7 million, consisting of the lump sum payment of \$2.7 million and approximately \$1.0 million of legal expenses incurred in connection with the claims.

The loss on foreign currency was \$0.1 million during the 2010 period, primarily due to a non-cash loss on an intercompany term loan denominated in British pounds sterling and the slight strengthening of other foreign currencies relative to the US dollar during the period and the impact that had on settled transactions during the period. During the 2009 period, the loss on foreign currency transactions was \$0.4 million primarily due to a non-cash loss on the intercompany term loan denominated in British pounds sterling. The British currency depreciated significantly against the US dollar during the 2009 period but only slightly in the 2010 period.

The Company's effective income tax rate provision for the 2010 period was 1.2% compared to 1.4% during the 2009 period. The tax provisions for the 2010 and 2009 periods were based on state and local taxes, domestic and foreign tax for tax deductible goodwill and indefinite lived intangibles, and book to tax differences for acquired inventory and differed from the expected net operating loss carry forward benefit at the U.S. federal statutory rate of 34% primarily due to the inability to recognize such benefit. The carry forward benefit cannot be recognized because of uncertainties relating to future taxable income, in terms of both its timing and its sufficiency.

Segment Results

The Life Sciences segment's income before taxes was \$0.4 million for the 2010 period as compared to \$0.1 million for the 2009 period. Product revenues increased by \$1.3 million in the 2010 period primarily due to the contribution of product revenues from the March 2009 acquisition of Assay Designs and organic growth from our core products which replaced low margin, high volume distribution product revenues principally to one customer. Royalty and license fee income decreased \$0.1 million from the Qiagen agreement and the Abbott license agreement. The segment's gross margin increased \$2.5 million to \$7.3 million. Gross profit margins increased to 58% from 42% due to favorable impact from ADI's higher margin, which replaced lower margin revenue in 2009, lower inventory fair value adjustments and realignment of personnel from manufacturing to trading activity. The segment's other operating expenses, including selling, general and administrative, legal and research and development, increased by approximately \$2.3 million during the 2010 period primarily due to the inclusion of Assay Designs expenses and the impact of the aforementioned realignment of personnel. The segment experienced a non-cash foreign currency loss of \$0.1 million during the 2010 period resulting from the impact that slightly strengthening foreign currencies had on settled transactions and on an intercompany loan denominated in pounds sterling. In aggregate, the inventory fair value adjustment and amortization of intangibles negatively impacted the segment operating results in the 2010 period by \$0.6 million.

The Clinical Laboratory segment's loss before taxes was \$2.0 million for the 2010 period as compared to a loss of \$2.3 million in the 2009 period. The revenue from laboratory services increased in the 2010 period by \$1.1 million due to increased service volume. The gross profit of \$3.6 million, which increased \$0.4 million in 2010, was impacted by higher service volume in 2010 offset by the increase in the cost of laboratory services of \$0.7 million. In the 2010 period, selling, general and administrative costs increased by approximately \$0.9 million primarily due to increases in payroll and payroll related costs of \$0.4 million and other operating costs of \$0.5 million. The provision for uncollectible accounts receivable decreased by \$0.9 million as compared to the 2009 period.

The Therapeutics segment's loss before income taxes was approximately \$0.6 million for the 2010 period as compared to a loss of \$1.0 million for the 2009 period. The decrease in the segment loss of \$0.4 million was primarily due to decreases in clinical trial activities of \$0.3 million and salaries and related costs of \$0.1 million.

The Other segment's loss before taxes for the 2010 period was approximately \$7.9 million as compared to \$4.4 million in the 2009 period, an increase of \$3.5 million. The Other segment's 2010 period loss reflects the litigation settlement and related legal costs of \$3.7 million and an increase in professional fees and consulting costs and public relations of \$0.2 million partially offset by a decrease in other operating expenses of \$0.1 million. Legal expenses decreased \$0.3 million due to reduced services provided relating to certain patent litigation activity and general matters offset by incremental legal costs relating to proxy matters. Interest income declined \$0.1 million due to the decline in interest rates. The Company earns interest by investing primarily in short term US government treasury bills, and money market accounts.

Results of Operations
Six months ended January 31, 2010 as compared to January 31, 2009

Comparative Financial Data for the Six Months Ended January 31,

(in thousands)

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Revenues:				
Product revenues	\$ 21,511	\$ 19,474	\$ 2,037	10%
Royalty and license fee income	5,150	4,820	330	7
Clinical laboratory services	21,690	17,687	4,003	23
Total revenues	<u>48,351</u>	<u>41,981</u>	<u>6,370</u>	<u>15</u>
Operating expenses:				
Cost of product revenues	10,377	13,396	(3,019)	(23)
Cost of clinical laboratory services	13,759	12,337	1,422	12
Research and development	4,794	4,220	574	14
Selling, general, and administrative	25,122	19,842	5,280	27
Provision for uncollectible accounts receivable	1,422	3,235	(1,813)	(56)
Legal	1,082	2,498	(1,416)	(57)
Litigation settlement and related legal costs	3,698		3,698	
Total operating expenses	<u>60,254</u>	<u>55,528</u>	<u>4,726</u>	<u>8</u>
Operating loss	(11,903)	(13,547)	1,644	12
Other income (expense):				
Interest income	14	552	(538)	(97)
Other	(45)	151	(196)	(130)
Foreign currency loss	(168)	(955)	787	(82)
Loss before income taxes	<u>\$ (12,102)</u>	<u>\$ (13,799)</u>	<u>\$ 1,697</u>	<u>12</u>

Consolidated Results:

The 2010 period and the 2009 period refer to the six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The 2010 period includes the six months results of ADI which was acquired on March 12, 2009.

Product revenues increased overall by \$2.0 million in 2010 to \$21.5 million as compared to the 2009 period. Our core product revenues demonstrated organic growth of 4% or \$0.6 million and the revenue from the recently acquired ADI contributed acquisition growth of 27% or \$5.3 million. Foreign currency fluctuation positively affected revenues by \$0.4 million. This overall growth was partially offset by declines in our low margin third-party distribution business of \$5.4 million of which one customer accounted for \$4.2 million of the decline.

Royalty and license fee income during the 2010 period was \$5.1 million compared to \$4.8 million in the 2009 period, an increase of \$0.3 million or 7%. Royalties are primarily earned from the reported net sales of Qiagen products subject to a license agreement and from a license agreement with Abbott. During the 2010 period, the Company recognized royalties of approximately \$3.7 million from Qiagen, an increase of approximately \$0.2 million over the 2009 period, and royalties and license fees under the Abbott License Agreement of approximately \$1.4 million, an increase of \$0.1 million over the 2009 period. There are no direct expenses relating to royalty and license fee income.

Clinical laboratory revenues during the 2010 period were \$21.7 million compared to \$17.7 million in the 2009 period. The 2010 period's increase over the 2009 period was \$4.0 million or 23%. During the 2010 period revenue increased due to higher service

volume. During the 2009 period, revenues were adversely affected by contractual adjustments of \$2.3 million. These immaterial contractual adjustments in 2009 related to computational errors that affected the calculated expected reimbursement rate in fiscal 2008, 2007 and 2006 and for periods prior to August 1, 2005 for the majority of payers and credits issued which were not accrued for timely.

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The cost of product revenues during the 2010 period was \$10.4 million compared to \$13.4 million in the 2009 period, a decrease of \$3.0 million or 23%. The decrease is primarily due to the impact of \$4.6 million in lower costs from low margin third-party distribution business, reduced fair value accounting adjustments of \$0.6 million in accordance with purchase accounting rules and reclassification of \$0.7 million in costs relating to the realignment of manufacturing facilities and personnel. Such amounts in 2010 were partially offset by product cost relating to ADI of \$2.5 million and by the cost of sales of organic growth. We believe that cost of product revenues for future periods will be affected by, among other things, the further integration of acquired businesses in addition to sales volumes, competitive conditions and foreign currency rates.

The cost of clinical laboratory services during the 2010 period was \$13.8 million as compared to \$12.3 million in the 2009 period, an increase of \$1.4 million or 12%. The Company incurred increased costs partially due to increased service volume in 2010. Increases occurred in reagent costs and supplies of \$0.5 million, laboratory personnel costs of \$0.5 million and outside reference lab costs of \$0.4 million. Laboratory personnel costs increased primarily due to additional headcounts in phlebotomists to expand patient collection sites and other personnel to manage expanded internal operations.

Research and development expenses were approximately \$4.8 million during the 2010 period, compared to \$4.2 million in the 2009 period, an increase of \$0.6 million or 14%. The increase was principally attributed to higher costs of \$1.1 million at Enzo Life Sciences primarily related to Assay Designs offset by \$0.5 million in lower clinical trial and related activities and payroll costs at the Therapeutics segment.

Selling, general and administrative expenses were approximately \$25.1 million during the 2010 period as compared to \$19.8 million in the 2009 period, an increase of \$5.3 million or 27%. The increase was primarily due to the net increase at the Enzo Life Sciences segment of \$3.8 million in the 2010 period which included approximately \$2.0 million of selling, general and administrative expenses related to Assay Designs operations, the impact of realigning manufacturing facilities and certain personnel of \$0.7 million, \$0.4 million in payroll and related marketing costs of \$0.2 million. The Clinical Lab segment's selling general and administrative increased \$1.5 million primarily due to increased payroll and related benefits of \$0.7 million, information technology costs of \$0.2 million, and other expenses of \$0.4 million. These increases were offset by a decrease in the Other segment's selling general and administrative of approximately \$0.3 million, primarily due to decreases in payroll and payroll related costs of \$0.2 million.

The provision for uncollectible accounts receivable, primarily relating to the Clinical Labs segment was \$1.4 million for the 2010 period as compared to \$3.2 million in the 2009 period, a decrease of \$1.8 million or 56%. During the 2009 period, the Company recorded a charge attributed to increased provisions for the Clinical Labs legacy billing system, which was replaced in August 2008, due to reduced collection efforts relating to the legacy billing system, the correction of an immaterial error relating to fiscal 2008, and increased provisions required based on changes in payer mix, offset by a reduced requirement under the new billing system.

Legal expense was \$1.1 million during the 2010 period compared to \$2.5 million in the 2009 period, a decrease of \$1.4 million or 57%, due to reduction in \$1.5 million in legal services provided relating to certain patent litigation matters and general matters and the reimbursement of \$0.5 million in legal costs under our insurance policy offset by approximately \$0.6 million in incremental legal costs incurred for proxy related costs in the three months ended January 31, 2010.

Interest income was \$14,000 during the 2010 period as compared to \$0.6 million during the 2009 period. The interest income decrease during the 2010 period is attributed to the decline in interest rates in response to monetary policy actions taken by the U.S. Federal Reserve. Furthermore, the Company had higher average invested balances during the 2009 period. The Company earns interest by investing primarily in short term US treasury bills, and money market accounts.

In connection with the litigation settlement with Mr. Shahram K. Rabbani to settle all of his claims against the Company, and certain of its executive officers, the Company agreed to pay a lump sum payment of \$2.7 million. The Company recorded a settlement expense of approximately \$3.7 million, consisting of the lump sum payment of \$2.7 million and approximately \$1.0 million of legal expenses incurred in connection with the claims (See Note 14).

The loss on foreign currency was \$0.2 million during the 2010 period, due to a non-cash loss on an intercompany term loan denominated in British pounds sterling and the slight strengthening of other foreign currencies relative to the US dollar during the period and the impact that had on settled transactions during the period. During the 2009 period, the loss on foreign currency transactions was \$1.0 million primarily due to a non-cash loss on the intercompany term loan denominated in British pounds sterling. The British currency depreciated significantly against the US dollar during the 2009 period but only slightly in the 2010 period.

The Company's effective income tax rate for the 2010 period was 0.3% compared to 1.8% during the 2009 period. The tax provision for the 2010 and 2009 periods were based on state and local taxes, domestic and foreign tax for tax deductible goodwill and indefinite lived intangibles, and book to tax differences for acquired inventory and differed from the expected net operating loss carry forward benefit at the U.S. federal statutory rate of 34% primarily due to the inability to recognize such benefit. The carry forward benefit cannot be recognized because of uncertainties relating to future taxable income, in terms of both its timing and its sufficiency. In the 2010 period, the Company recognized a benefit of \$0.1 million primarily as a result of the expiration of the statute of limitations for an uncertain tax position.

Segment Results

The Life Sciences segment's income before taxes was \$2.3 million for the 2010 period as compared to \$1.3 million for the 2009 period. Product revenues increased by \$2.0 million in the 2010 period primarily due to the contribution of product revenues from the March 2009 acquisition of Assay Designs and organic growth from our core products which replaced low margin, high volume distribution product revenues principally to one customer. Royalty and license fee income increased \$0.3 million from the Qiagen agreement and the Abbott license agreement. The segment's gross margin of \$16.3 million, which increased \$5.4 million in 2010, was negatively impacted by \$0.3 million representing the fair value adjustment attributed to the sale of inventory acquired from Assay Designs. The remaining fair value adjustment attributed to inventory acquired from Assay Designs of \$0.1 million will negatively impact gross margins in the third quarter of fiscal 2010. Gross profit margins increased to 61% from 45% due to favorable impact from ADI's higher margin, which replaced lower margin revenue in 2009, lower inventory fair value adjustments and realignment of personnel from manufacturing to trading activity. The segment's other operating expenses, including selling, general and administrative, legal and research and development, increased by approximately \$4.9 million during the 2010 period primarily due to the inclusion of Assay Designs expenses of \$2.8 million and the impact of the aforementioned realignment of personnel of \$0.7 million and payroll and related costs of \$0.4 million. The segment experienced a non-cash foreign currency loss of \$0.2 million during the 2010 period resulting from the impact that slightly strengthening foreign currencies had on settled transactions and on an intercompany loan denominated in pounds sterling. In aggregate, the inventory fair value adjustment and amortization of intangibles negatively impacted the segment operating results in the 2010 period by \$1.1 million.

The Clinical Laboratory segment's loss before taxes was \$2.8 million for the 2010 period as compared to a loss of \$5.7 million in the 2009 period. The revenue from laboratory services increased in the 2010 period by \$4.0 million due to increased service volume and during the 2009 period revenues were adversely affected by contractual adjustments of \$2.3 million. The 2010 period gross profit of \$7.9 million increased \$2.6 million over the 2009 period due to service volume increases and the impact the aforementioned \$2.3 million contractual adjustment had on the 2009 period gross profit. In the 2010 period, the selling, general and administrative costs increased by approximately \$1.5 million primarily due to increases in payroll and payroll related costs of \$0.7 million, information technology costs of \$0.2 million, and other operating costs of \$0.6 million. The provision for uncollectible accounts receivables decreased by \$1.8 million as compared to the 2009 period. During the 2009 period, the Company recorded a charge attributed to increased provisions for the Clinical Labs legacy billing system, which was replaced in August 2008, due to reduced collection efforts relating to the legacy billing system, the correction of an immaterial error relating to fiscal 2008, and increased provisions required based on changes in payer mix, offset by a reduced requirement under the new billing system.

The Therapeutics segment's loss before income taxes was approximately \$1.3 million for the 2010 period as compared to a loss of \$1.8 million for the 2009 period. The decrease in the segment loss of \$0.5 million was primarily due to decreases in clinical trial activities of \$0.3 million and decreases in salaries and related costs of \$0.2 million.

The Other segment's loss before taxes for the 2010 period was approximately \$10.4 million as compared to \$7.6 million in the 2009 period, an increase of \$2.8 million. The Other segment's 2010 period loss reflects the litigation settlement of \$3.7 million, a decrease in payroll and payroll related costs of \$0.2 million, and an increase in professional fees and consulting costs and public relations of \$0.1 million. Legal expenses decreased \$1.2 million due to the reimbursement of \$0.5 million in legal fees and reduced services provided relating to certain patent litigation activity and general matters, offset by incremental legal costs incurred for proxy related matters in 2010. Interest income declined \$0.5 million due to the decline in interest rates. The Company earns interest by investing primarily in short term US government treasury bills, and money market accounts.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

At January 31, 2010, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$8.2 million and short-term investments of \$36.3 million, or \$44.5 million in aggregate as compared to \$50.2 million at July 31, 2009. Short term investments are in US Government treasury bills. The Company had working capital of \$49.3 million at January 31, 2010 compared to \$60.5 million at July 31, 2009. The decrease in working capital was primarily the result of funding capital expenditures and the 2010 period net loss.

Net cash used in operating activities for the six months ended January 31, 2010 was approximately \$3.7 million as compared to \$4.1 million for the six months ended January 31, 2009. The decrease in net cash used in operating activities in the 2010 period over the 2009 period of approximately \$0.4 million was primarily due to the decrease in the period net loss of \$1.9 million and by changes in operating assets and liabilities of \$0.6 million, partially offset by the effect of lower non-cash adjustments in the 2010 period over the 2009 period aggregating \$2.1 million.

Net cash provided by investing activities was approximately \$5.0 million as compared to a use of cash of \$65.8 million in the year ago period. The change is primarily due to the net increase in short term investments in US Government instruments of \$64.5 million in the 2009 period. In the 2010 period net maturities of short-term investments of \$7 million were offset by capital expenditures of \$2 million.

There were no financing activities in 2010. Net cash provided by financing activities was approximately \$0.3 million in the 2009 period, attributed primarily to stock option exercise proceeds. There were no stock option exercises in the 2010 period.

Biomol International L.P.

On May 8, 2008, the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Enzo Life Sciences, acquired substantially all of the U.S. based assets of Biomol International, L.P. (Biomol) through Enzo Life Sciences' newly-formed subsidiary, Biomol International, Inc., and all of the outstanding capital stock of Biomol's two wholly owned United Kingdom subsidiaries through Enzo Life Sciences' wholly owned subsidiary, Axxora (UK) Ltd. (the Biomol Acquisition), for a purchase price of \$18 million, comprised of \$15 million in cash, subject to downward adjustment based on net asset value on the closing date, and \$3 million of unregistered common stock of the Company. In addition, Biomol may be entitled to receive a maximum of \$5 million in earn-out payments over the next two years, payable in two installments of \$2.5 million on each of the next two anniversaries of the closing date, if certain revenues and EBITDA targets for the acquired business are attained. The earn-out payments, if any, will be payable in a combination of cash and shares of the Company's common stock, provided no more than 50% of the earn-out payments will be paid in stock. In June 2009, the conditions for the first annual earn-out of \$2.5 million were met and the Company recorded \$2.5 million of additional goodwill. The Company issued 202,196 shares of Enzo common stock at fair value and paid \$1.5 million in cash to satisfy the \$2.5 million earn-out liability.

The Company believes that its current cash position is sufficient for its foreseeable liquidity and capital resource needs over the next 12 months, including the settlement of the litigation described in Note 14 and any potential earn-out payments, although there can be no assurance that future events will not alter such view.

Contractual Obligations

There have been no material changes to our Contractual Obligations reported in our Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2009, except for the increase in future minimum lease obligations relating to our corporate office. In connection with a lease amendment and extension, our minimum lease commitments increased \$5.6 million reflective of both a lease extension and an increase in square feet. The increase in the presentation periods (in thousands) based on the July 31, 2009 fiscal year end is: less than 1 year: \$0; 1-3 years: \$0.5 million; 4-5 years: \$0.7 million; and over 5 years: \$4.4 million. We are currently seeking to sublease the additional space, which aggregates \$2.7 million in future rental costs, until such time it is needed by the Company.

Management is not aware of any material claims, disputes or settled matters concerning third party reimbursement that would have a material effect on our financial statements.

Critical Accounting Policies

The Company's discussion and analysis of its financial condition and results of operations are based upon Enzo Biochem, Inc.'s consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of these financial statements requires the Company to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses; these estimates and judgments also affect related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to contractual adjustments, allowance for uncollectible accounts, inventory, intangible assets and income taxes. The Company bases its estimates on experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Product revenues

Revenues from product sales are recognized when the products are shipped and title transfers, the sales price is fixed or determinable and collectibility is reasonably assured. During the three and six months ended January 31, 2009, one customer in the Life Science segment represented \$2.2 million and \$4.3 million respectively of total product revenues.

Royalties

Royalty revenues are recorded in the period earned. Royalties received in advance of being earned are recorded as deferred revenues.

License fees and multiple element arrangements

When evaluating multiple element arrangements, the Company considers whether the components of the arrangement represent separate units of accounting, which requires subjective determinations and requires management to make judgments about the fair value of the individual elements and whether such elements are separable from the other aspects of the contractual relationship.

Revenues Clinical laboratory services

Revenues from the clinical laboratory are recognized upon completion of the testing process for a specific patient and reported to the ordering physician. These revenues and the associated accounts receivable are based on gross amounts billed or billable for services rendered, net of a contractual adjustment, which is the difference between amounts billed to payers and the expected approved reimbursable settlements from such payers.

The following are tables of the Clinical Labs segment's net revenues and percentages by revenue category for the three and six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009:

Clinical Labs net revenues

Net revenues

	Three months ended January 31, 2010		Three months ended January 31, 2009	
	(In thousands)	(in %)	(In thousands)	(in %)
<u>Revenue category</u>				
Medicare	\$ 2,716	26	\$ 2,300	25
Third-party payer	4,681	44	4,686	49
Patient self-pay	2,020	19	1,558	16
HMO s	1,163	11	971	10
Total	\$ 10,580	100%	\$ 9,515	100%

Net revenues

	Six months ended January 31, 2010		Six months ended January 31, 2009	
	(In thousands)	(in %)	(In thousands)	(in %)
<u>Revenue category</u>				
Medicare	\$ 5,570	26	\$ 4,601	26
Third-party payer	9,551	44	8,565	48

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Patient self-pay	4,157	19	2,785	16
HMO s	2,412	11	1,736	10
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Total	\$ 21,690	100%	\$ 17,687	100%
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The Company provides services to certain patients covered by various third-party payers, including the Federal Medicare program. Laws and regulations governing Medicare are complex and subject to interpretation for which action for noncompliance includes fines, penalties and exclusion from the Medicare programs. The Company believes that it is in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations and is not aware of any pending or threatened investigations involving allegations of potential wrongdoing.

Other than the Medicare program, one provider whose programs are included in the Third-party payer and Health Maintenance Organizations (HMO s) categories represented 25% of the Clinical Labs services net revenues for the three months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009 and 26% for the six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009.

Contractual Adjustment

The Company's estimate of contractual adjustment is based on significant assumptions and judgments, such as its interpretation of payer reimbursement policies, and bears the risk of change. The estimation process is based on the experience of amounts approved as reimbursable and ultimately settled by payers, versus the corresponding gross amount billed to the respective payers. The contractual adjustment is an estimate that reduces gross revenue, based on gross billing rates, to amounts expected to be approved and reimbursed. Gross billings are based on a standard fee schedule we set for all third party payers, including Medicare, HMOs and managed care. The Company adjusts the contractual adjustment estimate quarterly, based on its evaluation of current and historical settlement experience with payers, industry reimbursement trends, and other relevant factors. The other relevant factors that affect our contractual adjustment include the monthly and quarterly review of: 1) current gross billings and receivables and reimbursement by payer, 2) current changes in third party arrangements, 3) the growth of in-network provider arrangements and managed care plans specific to our Company.

Our clinical laboratory business is primarily dependent upon reimbursement from third-party payers, such as Medicare (which principally serves patients 65 and older) and insurers. We are subject to variances in reimbursement rates among different third-party payers, as well as constant changes of reimbursement rates. Changes that decrease reimbursement rates or coverage would negatively impact our revenues.

The number of individuals covered under managed care contracts or other similar arrangements has grown over the past several years and may continue to grow in the future. In addition, Medicare and other government healthcare programs continue to shift to managed care. These trends may negatively affect our revenues per test.

During the three months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, the contractual adjustment percentages, determined using current and historical reimbursement statistics, were 83.1% and 77.1%, respectively, of gross billings. During the six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, the contractual adjustment percentages, determined using current and historical reimbursement statistics, were 82.8%, and 77.4%, respectively, of gross billings. During the six months ended January 31, 2009 the Company also made a \$2.3 million adjustment increasing the contractual allowance to correct immaterial errors in the computation of the contractual allowance percentages affecting the periods August 1, 2005 through July 31, 2008 and periods prior to August 1, 2005, and credits not recorded correctly. The adjustment increased the 2009 period's loss before income tax by \$2.3 million or \$0.06 per share.

The Company believes the negative impact on revenues from the decline in reimbursement rates or the shift to managed care, other primary third party payers, or similar arrangements may be offset by the positive impact of the number of tests we perform. However, there can be no assurance that we can increase the number of tests we perform or that if we do increase the number of tests we perform, that we can maintain that higher number of tests performed, or that an increase in the number of tests we perform would result in increased revenue.

The Company estimates (by using a sensitivity analysis) that each 1% point change in the contractual adjustment percentage could result in a change in clinical laboratory services revenues of approximately \$1,260,000, and \$763,000 for the six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively, and a change in the net accounts receivable of approximately \$307,000 as of January 31, 2010.

Our clinical laboratory financial billing system records gross billings using a standard fee schedule for all payers and does not record contractual adjustment by payer at the time of billing. Adjustments to our standard fee schedule will impact the contractual adjustment recorded. Therefore, we are unable to quantify the effect of contractual adjustment recorded during the current period that relates to revenue recorded in a previous period. However, we can reasonably estimate our contractual adjustment to revenue on a timely basis based on our quarterly review process, which includes:

an analysis of industry reimbursement trends;

an evaluation of third-party reimbursement rates changes and changes in reimbursement arrangements with third-party payers;

a variance reimbursement analysis of current and historical claim settlement and reimbursement experience with payers;

an analysis of current gross billings and receivables by payer.

Accounts Receivable and Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

Accounts receivable are reported at realizable value, net of allowances for doubtful accounts, which is estimated and recorded in the period of the related revenue.

The following is a table of the Company's net accounts receivable by segment. The clinical laboratory segment's net receivables are detailed by billing category and as a percent to its total net receivables. At January 31, 2010 and July 31, 2009, approximately 44% and 40%, respectively, of the Company's net accounts receivable relates to its clinical laboratory business, which operates in the New York and New Jersey Metropolitan areas.

The Life Sciences segment's accounts receivable, of which \$2.0 million or 30% and \$2.1 million or 28% represents foreign receivables as of January 31, 2010 and July 31, 2009 respectively, includes royalty receivables of \$1.7 million and \$2.5 million, as of January 31, 2010 and July 31, 2009, respectively, of which approximately \$1.1 million and \$1.9 million, respectively is from Qiagen Corporation (Note 12).

Net accounts receivable

Billing category	As of January 31, 2010		As of July 31, 2009	
	(In 000 s)	(in %)	(In 000 s)	(in %)
Clinical Labs				
Medicare	\$ 944	18	\$ 1,113	22
Third party payers	2,218	42	2,003	40
Patient self-pay	1,798	34	1,635	32
HMO s	310	6	303	6
Total clinical labs	\$ 5,270	100%	\$ 5,054	100%
Total life sciences	6,736		7,426	
Total accounts receivable	\$ 12,006		\$ 12,480	

Changes in the Company's allowance for doubtful accounts are as follows:

In 000 s	January 31, 2010	July 31, 2009
Beginning balance	\$ 4,786	\$ 886
Provision for doubtful accounts	1,422	5,189
Write-offs, net	(1,265)	(1,289)
Ending balance	\$ 4,943	\$ 4,786

For the Clinical Labs segment, the allowance for doubtful accounts represents amounts that the Company does not expect to collect after the Company has exhausted its collection procedures. The Company estimates its allowance for doubtful accounts in the period the related services are billed and adjusts the estimate in future accounting periods as necessary. It bases the estimate for the allowance on the evaluation of historical collection experience, the aging profile of accounts receivable, the historical doubtful account write-off percentages, payer mix, and other relevant factors.

The allowance for doubtful accounts includes the balances, after receipt of the approved settlements from third party payers for the insufficient diagnosis information received from the ordering physician, which result in denials of payment and the uncollectible portion of receivables from self payers, including deductibles and copayments, which are subject to credit risk and patients' ability to pay. During the three and six months ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company determined an allowance for doubtful accounts less than 210 days and wrote off 100% of accounts receivable over 210 days, as it assumed those accounts are

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uncollectible, except for certain fully reserved balances, principally related to Medicare. These accounts have not been written off because the payer's filing date deadline has not occurred or the collection process has not been exhausted. The Company's collection experience on Medicare receivables beyond 210 days has been insignificant. The Company adjusts the historical collection analysis for recoveries, if any, on an ongoing basis.

The Company's ability to collect outstanding receivables from third party payers is critical to its operating performance and cash flows. The primary collection risk lies with uninsured patients or patients for whom primary insurance has paid but a patient portion remains outstanding. The Company also assesses the current state of its billing functions in order to identify any known collection or reimbursement issues in order to assess the impact, if any, on the allowance estimates, which involves judgment. The Company believes that the collectibility of its receivables is directly linked to the quality of its billing processes, most notably, those related to obtaining the correct information in order to bill effectively for the services provided.

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Should circumstances change (e.g. shift in payer mix, decline in economic conditions or deterioration in aging of receivables), our estimates of net realizable value of receivables could be reduced by a material amount. During the three and six month periods ended January 31, 2010 versus 2009, our bad debt expense decreased by \$0.9 million and \$1.8 million, respectively. During the three and six month period ended January 31, 2009 period, the Company recorded a charge of \$1.5 million and \$2.6 million, respectively attributed to increased provisions for the Clinical Labs legacy billing system, which was replaced in August 2008, due to reduced collection efforts relating to the legacy billing system, increased provisions required based on changes in payer mix, and the correction of an immaterial error in the allowance for doubtful accounts relating to fiscal 2008. The Company is presently managing two systems until the legacy system collection efforts are deemed completed. Billing for laboratory services is complicated because of many factors, especially: the differences between our standard gross fee schedule for all payers and the reimbursement rates of the various payers we deal with, disparity of coverage and information requirements among the various payers, and disputes with payers as to which party is responsible for reimbursement.

The following table indicates the Clinical Labs aged gross receivables by payer group (in thousands), which is prior to adjustment to gross receivables for: 1) contractual adjustment, 2) fully reserved balances not yet written off, and 3) other revenue adjustments.

As of January 31, 2010	Total Amount	%	Medicare Amount	%	Third Party Payers Amount	%	Self-pay Amount	%	HMO s Amount	%
1-30 days	\$ 19,608	65%	\$ 2,992	57%	\$ 10,130	67%	\$ 3,165	53%	\$ 3,321	90%
31-60 days	4,300	14%	473	9%	2,234	15%	1,220	20%	373	10%
61-90 days	2,263	8%	372	7%	1,013	7%	866	15%	12	%
91-120 days	1,519	5%	218	4%	642	4%	654	12%	5	%
121-150 days	670	2%	177	4%	472	3%	19	%	2	%
Greater than 150 days*	1,661	6%	999	19%	621	4%	37	%	4	%
Totals	\$ 30,021	100%	\$ 5,231	100%	\$ 15,112	100%	\$ 5,961	100%	\$ 3,717	100%

As of July 31, 2009	Total Amount	%	Medicare Amount	%	Third Party Payers Amount	%	Self-pay Amount	%	HMO s Amount	%
1-30 days	\$ 19,251	70%	\$ 3,193	61%	\$ 9,695	73%	\$ 2,882	51%	\$ 3,481	99%
31-60 days	4,508	17%	894	16%	1,957	15%	1,635	29%	22	1%
61-90 days	1,783	6%	256	5%	680	5%	836	15%	11	%
91-120 days	1,019	4%	249	5%	483	4%	280	5%	7	%
121-150 days	340	1%	134	3%	202	2%	%	%	4	%
Greater than 150 days**	636	2%	536	10%	100	1%	%	%	%	%
Totals	\$ 27,537	100%	\$ 5,262	100%	\$ 13,117	100%	\$ 5,633	100%	\$ 3,525	100%

* Total includes \$709 fully reserved over 210 days as of January 31, 2010.

** Total includes \$340 fully reserved over 210 days as of July 31, 2009.

Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes under the liability method of accounting for income taxes. Under the liability method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. The liability method requires that any tax benefits recognized for net operating loss carry forwards and other items be reduced by a valuation allowance where it is not more likely than not the benefits will be realized in the foreseeable future.

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Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. Under the liability method, the effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

In fiscal 2008, the Company adopted the accounting pronouncement that prescribes a more-likely-than-not threshold for the recognition and derecognition of tax positions, provides guidance on the accounting for interest and penalties relating to tax positions and requires that the cumulative effect of applying the provisions of the pronouncement be reported as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings or other appropriate components of equity or net assets in the statement of financial position. The Company did not have any significant unrecognized tax positions and there was no material effect on our financial condition or results of operations as a result of implementing the pronouncement.

Inventory

The Company values inventory at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market. Work-in-process and finished goods inventories consist of material, labor, and manufacturing overhead. On a quarterly basis, we review inventory quantities on hand and analyze the provision for excess and obsolete inventory based on our estimate of sales forecasts based on sales history and anticipated future demand. Our estimate of future product demand may not be accurate and we may understate or overstate the provision for excess and obsolete inventory. Accordingly, unanticipated changes in demand could have a significant impact on the value of our inventory and results of operations. At January 31, 2010 and July 31, 2009, our reserve for excess and obsolete inventory was \$1.0 million.

Goodwill and Indefinite-Lived Intangibles

Goodwill, representing the cost of acquired businesses in excess of the fair value of net assets acquired, and indefinite-lived intangibles are not amortized, but are evaluated annually for impairment. The Company performs its annual impairment test as of the first day of its fiscal fourth quarter or if indicators of potential impairment exist. Goodwill is considered impaired if the carrying amount of the reporting unit exceeds its estimated fair value. In assessing the recoverability of goodwill, the Company reviews both quantitative as well as qualitative factors to support its assumptions with regard to fair value. The fair value of a reporting unit, which is based on geographic region, is estimated using both a discounted cash flow model and a weighted average multiple of earnings before interest and taxes from comparable companies. To date, there have been no impairment charges recorded. As of May 1, 2009, one of the Company's reporting unit's fair value exceeded its carrying value by 10%. This reporting unit's goodwill was \$5.3 million at the date of our annual impairment test. In determining fair value, the Company makes certain judgments, including the identification of reporting units and the selection of comparable companies. If these estimates or their related assumptions change in the future as a result of changes in strategy and/or market conditions, the Company may be required to record an impairment charge.

Intangible Assets

Intangible assets (exclusive of patents), arose primarily from acquisitions and primarily consist of customer relationships, trademarks, licenses, employment and non-compete agreements, and website and database content. Finite-lived intangible assets are amortized according to their estimated useful lives, which range from 4 to 15 years. The Company has capitalized certain legal costs directly incurred in pursuing patent applications as patent costs. When such applications result in an issued patent, the related costs are amortized over a ten year period or the life of the patent, whichever is shorter, using the straight-line method. The Company reviews its issued patents and pending patent applications, and if it determines to abandon a patent application or that an issued patent no longer has economic value, the unamortized balance in deferred patent costs relating to that patent is immediately expensed.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Effective August 1, 2009, the Company adopted The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC or Codification) of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles Overall. The Codification established one source for all U.S. GAAP and became the source of authoritative accounting principles for nongovernmental entities. Rules and interpretive releases of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) under authority of federal securities laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC registrants. The Codification is not intended to change existing GAAP and as such did not have an impact on the consolidated financial statements of the Company.

The adoption of the following accounting standards and updates during the first three months of fiscal 2010 did not result in a significant impact to our consolidated financial statements.

On June 15, 2009, we adopted the accounting pronouncement that amends the requirements for disclosures about fair value of financial instruments, regarding the fair value of financial instruments for annual, as well as interim, reporting periods. This pronouncement was effective prospectively for all interim and annual reporting periods ending after June 15, 2009.

Effective August 1, 2009, we adopted the revised accounting standard relating to business combinations, including assets acquired and liabilities assumed arising from contingencies. This standard requires the use of the acquisition method of accounting, defines the acquirer, establishes the acquisition date and applies to all transactions and other events in which one entity obtains control over one or more other businesses. Upon our adoption of this standard, we will be required to expense certain transaction costs and related fees associated with business combinations that were previously capitalized. In addition, with the adoption of this standard, changes to valuation allowances for acquired deferred income tax assets and adjustments to unrecognized tax benefits acquired generally are to be recognized as adjustments to income tax expense rather than goodwill.

Effective August 1, 2009, we adopted the accounting standard regarding the determination of the useful life of intangible assets that removes the requirement to consider whether an intangible asset can be renewed without substantial cost or material modifications to the existing terms and conditions, and replaces it with a requirement that an entity consider its own historical experience in renewing similar arrangements, or a consideration of market participant assumptions in the absence of historical experience. This standard also requires entities to disclose information that enables users of financial statements to assess the extent to which the expected future cash flows associated with the asset are affected by the entity's intent and/or ability to renew or extend the arrangements.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

We are exposed to market risk from changes in foreign currency exchange rates and, to a much lesser extent, interest rates on investments in short-term instruments, which could impact our results of operations and financial position. We do not currently engage in any hedging or market risk management tools. There have been no material changes with respect to market risk previously disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for our 2009 fiscal year.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

The financial reporting of our non-U.S. subsidiaries is denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar. Since the functional currency of our non-U.S. subsidiaries is the local currency, foreign currency translation adjustments are accumulated as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income in stockholders' equity. Assuming a hypothetical aggregate change of 10% in the exchange rates of foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar at January 31, 2010, our assets and liabilities would increase or decrease by \$2.0 million and \$0.9 million, respectively, and our net sales and net (loss) or earnings would increase or decrease by \$1.5 million and \$0.6 million, respectively, on an annual basis.

We also maintain intercompany balances and loans receivable with subsidiaries with different local currencies. These amounts are at risk of foreign exchange losses if exchange rates fluctuate. Assuming a hypothetical aggregate change of 10% in the exchange rates of foreign currencies against the U.S. dollar at January 31, 2010, our pre-tax earnings would be favorably or unfavorably impacted by approximately \$0.4 million, on an annual basis.

Interest Rate Risk

Our excess cash is invested in highly liquid short term money market funds and short term investments in US Government agency discount notes with high credit ratings. Changes in interest rates may affect the investment income we earn on money market funds and short term investments and therefore affect our cash flows and results of operations. As of January 31, 2010, we were exposed to interest rate change market risk with respect to our money market accounts and short term investments totaling \$39.1 million. The money market accounts and short-term investments yield or bear interest rates ranging from 0% to 0.5%. Each 100 basis point (or 1%) fluctuation in interest rates will increase or decrease interest income on the money market funds and short-term investments by approximately \$0.4 million on an annual basis.

As of January 31, 2010, we did not maintain any fixed or variable interest rate financing.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

(a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this report, the Company's management conducted an evaluation (as required under Rules 13a-15(b) and 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act)) of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined under the Exchange Act), under the supervision and with the participation of the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer. Based on this evaluation, the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective as of the end of the period covered by this report, and that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported in a timely manner and is accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that it will detect or uncover failures within the Company to disclose material information otherwise required to be set forth in the Company's periodic reports.

(b) Changes in Internal Controls over Financial Reporting

There was no change in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter covered by this report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

On January 8, 2010, Mr. Shahram Rabbani, the former president of the Clinical Labs segment, commenced, as plaintiff, an action (the Action) in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York, seeking a temporary restraining order and a preliminary and permanent injunction to enjoin the Company from convening the Annual Meeting on January 29, 2010. On January 11, 2010, the Company petitioned to remove the Action to the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York (the Court), which petition was granted. A hearing on the matter was held on January 12, 2010. On January 27, 2010, the Court entered an order denying Mr. Rabbani's motion for a preliminary injunction to enjoin the Company from convening the Annual Meeting on January 29, 2010.

On January 28, 2010, the Company and Mr. Rabbani reached a settlement in the arbitration lawsuit brought by Mr. Rabbani in connection with the termination of Mr. Rabbani's employment, as previously disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended July 31, 2009. For a full description regarding this settlement, please see Note 14 to the financial statements in Part 1, Item 1 of this Form 10-Q.

There have been no other material developments with respect to other previously reported legal proceedings discussed in the annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2009 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes from the risk factors disclosed in Part 1, Item 1, of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2009.

Item 5. Other Information

(a) The Annual Meeting of Shareholders was held on January 29, 2010.

(b) The following matters were voted upon and the results were as follows:

(1) Mr. Irwin C. Gerson, Mr. Gregory M. Bortz, and Dr. Stephen B. H. Kent were nominated by management and elected by the shareholders to serve as a Class I Directors until the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders or until their respective successors have been duly elected and qualified. The shareholders voted as follows:

	Affirmative	Withheld
Irwin C. Gerson	21,573,755	4,750,900
Gregory Bortz	23,970,273	2,354,382
Stephen B. Kent	23,968,597	2,356,058

(2) The shareholders voted 33,601,116 shares in the affirmative with respect to the ratification of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent auditors for the fiscal year ending July 31, 2010, 1,998,033 shares against and 61,743 shares abstained.

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.

ENZO BIOCHEM, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: March 12, 2010

by: /s/ Barry Weiner

Chief Financial Officer, Principal Accounting Officer, Treasurer and Director