# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# **FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2002

OR

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

For the transition period from

to

Commission file number 0-20797

RUSH ENTERPRISES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

74-1733016

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

555 I.H. 35 South Suite 500 New Braunfels, Texas 78130 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(830) 626-5200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes

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Indicated below is the number of shares outstanding of the registrant's only classes of common stock, as of November 13, 2002.

Number of Shares Outstanding

Title of Class
Class A Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value

Class B Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value

7,002,044

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# RUSH ENTERPRISES, INC., AND SUBSIDIARIES

# <u>CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS</u> (In Thousands, Except Shares and Per Share Amounts)

-		September 30, 2002		December 31, 2001	
		(Unaudited)		(Audited)	
<u>ASSETS</u>					
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	20,197	\$	19,852	
Accounts receivable, net	•	29,632		26,403	
Inventories		145,753		114,305	
Prepaid expenses and other		1,053		1,244	
Deferred income taxes		747		1,508	
Total current assets		197,382		163,312	
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, net		129,535		132,196	
OTHER ASSETS, net		41,662		42,703	
Total assets	\$	368,579	\$	338,211	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
CURRENT LIABILITIES:				0= 000	
Floor plan notes payable	\$	112,076	\$	85,300	
Current maturities of long-term debt		18,760		15,594	
Advances outstanding under lines of credit Trade accounts payable		21,337 14,041		22,459 15,284	
Accrued expenses		25,166		23,047	
rectued expenses		25,100		25,047	
Total current liabilities		191,380		161,684	
LONG-TERM DEBT, net of current maturities		76,149		82,576	
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES, net		14,292		12,512	
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES					
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:					
Preferred stock, par value \$.01 per share; 1,000 shares authorized; 0 shares outstanding in 2002 and 2001		_		_	
Common stock, par value \$.01 per share; 50,000,000 shares authorized; 14,004,088 shares				_	
outstanding - 2002 and 2001		140		140	
Additional paid-in capital		39,155		39,155	
Retained earnings		47,463		42,144	
Total shareholders' equity		86,758		81,439	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	368,579	\$	338,211	

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

# RUSH ENTERPRISES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(in thousands, except earnings per share - unaudited)

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,				
		2002		2001		2002		2001
REVENUES:								
New and used truck sales	\$	156,224	\$	102,646	\$	357,553	\$	339,415
Parts and service		58,071		52,381		170,101		149,571
Construction equipment sales		10,906		20,626		35,046		52,556
Lease and rental		6,817		7,050		19,861		20,729
Finance and insurance		1,736		1,509		4,200		4,294
Retail sales		8,756		9,967		28,490		29,605
Other		420		711		1,602		2,046
TOTAL REVENUES		242,930		194,890		616,853		598,216
COST OF PRODUCTS SOLD		200,039		156,593		498,182		485,775
GROSS PROFIT		42,891		38,297		118,671		112,441
SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE		33,601		31,289		96,239		91,358
DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION		2,482		2,664		7,449		7,979
OPERATING INCOME		6,808		4,344		14,983		13,104
INTEREST INCOME (EXPENSE)		(2,075)		(2,585)		(6,161)		(9,505)
GAIN ON SALE OF ASSETS		93		18		43		871
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		4,826		1,777		8,865		4,470
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES		1,931		711		3,546		1,788
NET INCOME	\$	2,895	\$	1,066	\$	5,319	\$	2,682
EARNINGS PER SHARE:								
Basic	\$	0.21	\$	0.08	\$	0.38	\$	0.19
Diluted	\$	0.20	\$	0.07	\$	0.37	\$	0.19
Weighted average shares outstanding								
Basic		14,004		14,004		14,004		14,004
Diluted		14,536		14,284		14,505		14,139

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

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# RUSH ENTERPRISES, INC., AND SUBSIDIARIES

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In Thousands) (Unaudited)

	Nine months ended September 30,		
	 2002	-	2001
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CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Net income	\$ 5,319	\$	2,682
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities			
Depreciation and amortization	11,949		12,013
Gain on sale of property and equipment	(334)		(1,320)
Provision for deferred income tax expense	2,253		2,150
Change in accounts receivable, net	(2,231)		980
Change in inventories	(31,961)		56,543
Change in prepaid expenses and other	(19)		2,567
Change in trade accounts payable	(1,243)		(374)

Change in accrued expenses		2,911	20
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities		(13,356)	75,261
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Acquisition of property and equipment		(10,571)	(11,482)
Proceeds from the sale of property and equipment		1,608	5,127
Business acquisitions		_	(2,791)
Change in other assets		282	(43)
Net cash used in investing activities		(8,681)	(9,189)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Proceeds from long-term debt		9,170	16,667
Payments on long-term debt		(12,431)	(15,897)
Draws (payments) on lines of credit, net		(1,122)	(7,745)
Draws (payments) on floor plan notes payable, net		26,776	(56,639)
Debt issuance costs		(11)	(86)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		22,382	(63,700)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		345	2,372
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period		19,852	18,892
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period	\$	20,197	\$ 21,264
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:  Cash paid during the period for-			
Interest	\$	4,613	\$ 10.762
Income taxes	\$	774	\$ 376
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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## RUSH ENTERPRISES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

#### 1 - Principles of Consolidation and Basis of Presentation

The interim consolidated financial statements included herein have been prepared by Rush Enterprises, Inc. and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Company"), without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). All adjustments have been made to the accompanying interim consolidated financial statements, which, in the opinion of the Company's management, are necessary for a fair presentation of the Company's operating results. All adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. It is recommended that these interim consolidated financial statements be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. Results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for any other interim periods on the full fiscal year.

Certain prior year balances have been reclassified for comparison purposes.

#### 2 - Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

FASB Statement No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" addresses financial accounting and reporting for acquired goodwill and other intangible assets and supersedes APB Opinion No. 17, "Intangible Assets." Statement No. 142 addresses how intangible assets that are acquired individually or with a group of other assets (but not those acquired in a business combination) should be accounted for in financial statements upon their acquisition. This Statement also addresses how goodwill and other intangible assets should be accounted for after they have been initially recognized in the financial statements. The provisions of Statement No. 142 became effective January 1, 2002. This Statement is required to be applied at the beginning of an entity's fiscal year and to be applied to all goodwill and other intangible assets recognized in its financial statements at that date. Impairment losses for goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets that arise due to the initial application of Statement No. 142 are to be reported as resulting from a change in accounting principle. The Company has completed its initial impairment review and recorded no impairment charges in its financial statements. However, the Company is exposed to the possibility that changes in market conditions could result in significant impairment charges in the future, thus resulting in a potential increase in earnings volatility. In addition, as a result of Statement No. 142, the Company's amortization expense is lower as the Company no longer amortizes goodwill. Assuming the adoption of FASB No. 142 had occurred at the beginning of 2001, net income and earnings per share would have been as follows for the nine months ended September 30, 2001:

Income before income taxes	\$ 4,470,000
Amortization expense	1,026,000
Adjusted income before income taxes	5,496,000

Provision for income taxes	2,198,000
Net Income	\$ 3,298,000
Basic shares outstanding	14,004,088
Diluted shares outstanding	14,138,588
Basic earnings per share	\$ .24
Diluted earnings per share	\$ .23
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#### 3 - Commitments and Contingencies

The Company is contingently liable to certain finance companies for certain promissory notes and finance contracts, related to the sale of trucks and construction equipment, sold to such finance companies. The Company's recourse liability related to sold finance contracts is limited to 15 to 25 percent of the outstanding balance of each note sold to a finance company. The Company provides an allowance for repossession losses and early repayment penalties.

The Company is involved in various claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. The Company believes it is unlikely that the final outcome of any of the claims or proceedings to which the Company is a party would have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position or results of operations; however, due to the inherent uncertainty of litigation, there can be no assurance that the resolution of any particular claim or proceeding would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations for the fiscal period in which such resolution occurred.

#### 4 - - Earnings Per Share

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share:

	Three months ended September 30,			Nine months ended September 30,				
		2002		2001		2002		2001
Numerator:						_		
Net income- numerator for basic and diluted earnings per								
share	\$	2,895,000	\$	1,066,000	\$	5,319,000	\$	2,682,000
Denominator:								
Denominator for basic earnings per share- weighted								
average shares		14,004,088		14,004,088		14,004,088		14,004,088
Effect of dilutive securities:								
Employee and Director stock options		531,470		279,272		500,760		134,500
Denominator for diluted earnings per share-adjusted			-					
weighted average shares		14,535,558		14,283,360		14,504,848		14,138,588
Basic earnings per share	\$	.21	\$	.08	\$	.38	\$	.19
Diluted earnings per share	\$	.20	\$	.07	\$	.37	\$	.19
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# **5 - Segment Information**

The Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 131 "Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information". This statement requires that public business enterprises report certain information about operating segments in complete sets of financial statements of the enterprise and in condensed financial statements of interim periods issued to shareholders. It also requires that public business enterprises report certain information about their products and services, the geographic areas in which they operate, and their major customers.

The Company has three reportable segments: the Heavy-Duty Truck segment, the Construction Equipment segment and the Retail Center segment. The Heavy-duty Truck segment operates a regional network of truck centers that provide an integrated one-stop source for the trucking needs of its customers, including retail sales of new Peterbilt and used heavy-duty trucks, after-market parts, service and body shop facilities, and a wide array of financial services, including the financing of new and used truck purchases, insurance products and truck leasing and rentals. The Construction Equipment segment, operates full-service John Deere dealerships that serve the Houston, Texas Metropolitan and surrounding areas and a majority of the counties in Michigan. Dealership operations include the retail sale of new and used equipment, after-market parts and service facilities, equipment rentals, and the financing of new and used equipment. The Retail Center segment (D&D) operates three farm and ranch retail locations in the San Antonio, Houston and Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas areas. D&D, a one-stop shopping center for farm and ranch supplies, sells inventory which includes hardware, lawn and garden tools and machines, tack, veterinary supplies, fencing,

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livestock feed, guards, gates, shoots and trailers, saddles, boots and designer western wear and jewelry as well as many other farm and ranch supplies.

The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. The Company evaluates performance based on income before income taxes not including extraordinary items.

The Company accounts for inter-segment sales and transfers as if the sales or transfers were to third parties, that is, at current market prices. There were no material inter-segment sales during the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001.

The Company's reportable segments are strategic business units that offer different products and services. They are managed separately because each business requires different technology and marketing strategies. Business units were maintained through expansion and acquisitions. The following table contains summarized information about reportable segment profit or loss and segment assets, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001 (in thousands):

	H	leavy-Duty Truck Segment	Construction Equipment Segment		Retail Center Segment		enter			Totals
Three months ended September30, 2002										
Revenues from external customers	\$	214,220	\$	18,051	\$	8,762	\$	1,897	\$	242,930
Segment income (loss) before taxes		4,993		276		(567)		124		4,826
Segment assets		290,456		40,218		28,400		9,505		368,579
Nine months ended September30, 2002										
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Revenues from external customers	\$	527,084	\$	55,487	\$	28,596	\$	5,686	\$	616,853
Segment income (loss) before taxes		9,641		92		(1,243)		375		8,865
Segment assets		290,456		40,218		28,400		9,505		368,579
Three months ended September30, 2001										
Revenues from external customers	\$	154,493	\$	28,386	\$	10,007	\$	2,004	\$	194,890
Segment income (loss) before taxes		2,040		237		(557)		57		1,777
Segment assets		243,433		48,728		31,326		8,919		332,406
Nine months ended September30, 2001										
Revenues from external customers	\$	487,582	\$	74,905	\$	29,645	\$	6,084	\$	598,216
Segment income (loss) before taxes	Ψ	5,658	Ψ	158	Ψ	(1,858)	Ψ	512	Ψ	4,470
Segment assets		243,433		48.728		31,326		8,919		332,406
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Revenues from segments below the reportable quantitative thresholds are attributable to three operating segments of the Company. Those segments include a tire company, an insurance company, and a hunting lease operation. None of these segments have ever met any of the quantitative thresholds for determining reportable segments.

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#### **6 – Accounting Pronouncements**

In June 2002, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement No. 146, "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities" (FAS 146). FAS 146 requires that a liability for a cost associated with an exit or disposal activity shall be recognized and measured initially at its fair market value in the period in which the liability is incurred except for a liability for one-time termination benefits that is incurred over time. The provisions of FAS 146 are effective for exit or disposal activities that are initiated after December 31, 2002. The Company is currently evaluating the impact on its financial statements of adopting this statement.

# 7 - Subsequent Events

On November 12, 2002 the Company announced that it plans to discontinue the operations of D&D and it's Michigan John Deere construction equipment dealerships. The Company expects the net loss from discontinued operations will be between \$7.8 million, or \$0.54 per diluted share, to \$9.0 million or \$0.62 per diluted share, and will be recorded during the fourth quarter of 2002. The loss range is dependent upon a number of factors, including but not limited to, the liquidation of inventory, the sale of real estate and costs associated with closing versus selling the operations. The Company's preliminary plans are to close the D&D facilities in Hockley and Denton, Texas by March 31, 2003, to sell the D&D Seguin store by December 31, 2003, and has signed a non-binding letter of intent to sell the Michigan John Deere construction equipment dealerships.

D&D recorded a pretax loss of \$4.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2001, and a \$1.2 million pretax loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2002. The Michigan John Deere construction equipment dealerships recorded a pretax loss of \$0.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2001, and a \$0.9 million pretax loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2002.

The Company signed a non-binding letter of intent to purchase the stock of Orange County Truck and Trailer, Inc. (Orange County), a Peterbilt dealer in central Florida. The pending acquisition will provide Rush with the exclusive rights to sell Peterbilt trucks and parts from three new locations in central Florida, including Orlando and Tampa Bay. Orange County had revenues of approximately \$55.7 million during the year ended December 21, 2001 and \$39.7 million during the first nine months of 2002. Rush anticipates the total purchase price for Orange County will be approximately \$6.0.

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

Certain statements contained in this Form 10-Q are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Specifically, all statements other than statements of historical fact included in this Form 10-Q regarding the Company's financial position, business strategy and plans and objectives of management of the Company for future operations are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on the beliefs of the Company's management as well as assumptions made by and information currently available to the Company's management. When used in this report, the words "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect" and "intend" and words or phrases of similar import, as they relate to the Company or its subsidiaries or Company management, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Such statements reflect the current view of the Company with respect to future events and are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions related to certain factors including, without limitation, competitive factors, general economic conditions, cyclicality, economic conditions in the

new and used truck and equipment markets, customer relations, relationships with vendors, the interest rate environment, governmental regulation and supervision, seasonality, distribution networks, product introductions and acceptance, technological change, changes in industry practices, onetime events and other factors described herein and in the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-03346) and in the Company's annual, quarterly and other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (collectively, "cautionary statements"). Although the Company believes that its expectations are reasonable, it can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct. Based upon changing conditions, should any one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should any underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those described herein as anticipated, believed, estimated, expected, or intended. All subsequent written and

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oral forward-looking statements attributable to the Company or persons acting on its behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the applicable cautionary statements. The Company does not intend to update these forward-looking statements.

The following comments should be read in conjunction with the Company's consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

#### General

Rush Enterprises, Inc. was incorporated in Texas in 1965 and currently consists of three reportable segments: the Heavy Duty Truck segment, the Construction Equipment segment and the Retail Center segment.

The Heavy Duty Truck segment operates a regional network of 35 truck centers that provide an integrated one-stop source for the trucking needs of its customers, including retail sales of new Peterbilt and used heavy-duty trucks; after-market parts, service and body shop facilities; and a wide array of financial services, including the financing of new and used truck purchases, insurance products and truck leasing and rentals. The Company's truck centers are strategically located in high truck traffic areas on or near major highways in Texas, California, Oklahoma, Colorado, Louisiana, Arizona and New Mexico. The Company is the largest Peterbilt truck dealer in the United States, representing approximately 21.7% of all new Peterbilt truck sales in 2001, and is the sole authorized vendor for new Peterbilt trucks and replacement parts in its market areas. The Company was named Peterbilt Dealer of the Year for North America for the 1993-1994 and 2000-2001 years. The criteria used to determine the recipients of this award include, among others, image, customer satisfaction, sales activity and profitability.

Since commencing operations as a John Deere dealer in 1997, the Company has grown to operate seven Rush Equipment Centers located in Texas and Michigan. The Company provides a full line of construction equipment for light to medium sized applications, with the primary products including John Deere backhoe loaders, hydraulic excavators, crawler dozers and four wheel drive loaders. Dealership operations include the retail sale of new and used construction equipment, after-market parts and service facilities, equipment rentals, and the financing of new and used construction equipment. The Company believes the construction equipment industry is highly-fragmented and offers opportunities for consolidation. As a result, the Company's growth strategy is to realize economies of scale, favorable purchasing power, and cost savings by developing a network of John Deere dealerships through acquisitions and growth inside existing territories. There can be no assurance that, as the Company continues to develop a network of construction equipment dealerships, that it will realize economies of scale, favorable purchasing power or cost savings.

Since acquiring D & D Farm and Ranch Supermarket, Inc. in 1998, the Company has grown to operate three Rush Retail Centers located in the greater San Antonio, Houston and Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas areas. D&D, a one-stop shopping center for farm and ranch supplies, sells inventory which includes hardware, lawn and garden tools and machines, tack, veterinary supplies, fencing, livestock feed, guards, gates, shoots and trailers, saddles, boots and designer western wear and jewelry as well as many other farm and ranch supplies.

Effective at the close of business on July 9, 2002 (the "Record Date"), pursuant to action taken by the shareholders at the Annual Meeting of the Company held July 9, 2002, and described in the Proxy Statement dated May 15, 2002, the Board of Directors of the Company reclassified the outstanding common stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Old Common Stock"), as Class B Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Class B Common Stock"), and declared a stock dividend of one share of a new Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share of Class B Common Stock held by shareholders of record on the Record Date. Each share of Class A Common Stock ranks substantially equal to each share of Class B Common Stock with respect to receipt of any dividends or distributions declared on shares of common stock and the right to receive proceeds on liquidation or dissolution of the Company after payment of the Company's indebtedness and liquidation preference payments to holders of preferred shares. However, holders of Class A Common Stock will have 1/20<sup>th</sup> of one vote per share on all matters requiring a shareholder vote, while holders of Class B Common Stock will retain their full vote per share. The Company's stock trades under the symbols RUSHA and RUSHB. Prior to the reclassification and stock dividend, the Company had 7,002,044 shares of Old Common Stock outstanding. Subsequent to the reclassification and stock

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dividend, the Company has 7,002,044 shares of Class A Common Stock and 7,002,004 shares of Class B Common Stock outstanding.

In November 2001, the Company acquired the assets of Perfection Equipment Company, Inc. (Perfection). Perfection's primary lines of business are oil and gas up-fitting, medium duty truck accessory and up-fitting, and parts distribution.

In August 2001, the Company purchased substantially all of the assets of El Paso Great Basin Trucks, Inc. (El Paso Trucks), which consisted of two dealership locations in El Paso, Texas and Las Cruces, New Mexico. El Paso Trucks primary line of business is the sale of new Peterbilt and used heavy-duty trucks, parts and service.

### **Results of Operations**

The following discussion and analysis includes the Company's historical results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001.

The following table sets forth for the periods indicated certain financial data as a percentage of total revenues:

	Three months en September 30		Nine months e September 3	
	2002	2001	2002	2001
New and used truck sales	64.3%	52.7%	58.0%	56.7%
Parts and service	23.9	26.8	27.6	25.0
Construction equipment sales	4.5	10.6	5.7	8.8
Lease and rental	2.8	3.6	3.2	3.5
Finance and insurance	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.7
Retail sales	3.6	5.1	4.6	5.0
Other	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.3
Total revenues	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Cost of products sold	82.3	80.3	80.8	81.2
Gross profit	17.7	19.7	19.2	18.8
Selling, general and administrative expenses	13.8	16.1	15.6	15.3
Depreciation and amortization	1.0	1.4	1.2	1.3
Operating income	2.9	2.2	2.4	2.2
Interest income (expense)	(0.9)	(1.3)	(1.0)	(1.6)
Gain on sale of assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Income before income taxes	2.0	0.9	1.4	0.7
Provision for income taxes	0.8	0.4	0.6	0.3
Net income	1.2%	0.5%	0.8%	0.4%

#### Three Months Ended September 30, 2002 Compared to Three Months Ended September 30, 2001

#### Revenues

Revenues increased by approximately \$48.0 million, or 24.6%, from \$194.9 million to \$242.9 million from the third quarter of 2001 to the third quarter of 2002. Sales of new and used trucks increased by approximately \$53.6 million, or 52.2%, from \$102.6 million to \$156.2 million from the third quarter of 2001 to the third quarter of 2002. Unit sales of new trucks increased by 64.3% while the new truck average revenue per unit decreased slightly. Unit sales of used trucks increased 12.1%, and used truck average revenue per unit decreased by 6.2%.

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The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), has mandated that heavy-duty engine manufacturers meet new, stricter emissions guidelines, regarding nitrous oxides, for all engines built subsequent to October 1, 2002. The Company expects that these new guidelines will increase the price of a new heavy-duty truck approximately \$3,000 to \$8,000 per unit and possibly reduce the operating efficiency and life of the truck. As a result, the Company experienced stronger than expected truck sales during the third quarter of 2002 as customers attempt to make purchases under the current emission laws. Due to the timing of truck deliveries, the Company expects to experience stronger than expected truck sales during the fourth quarter of 2002 as customers will purchase the remaining "old engines". The Company also anticipates a decline in truck sales during the first half of 2003 as a result of the pre-buy experienced during the last half of 2002.

Parts and service sales increased by approximately \$5.7 million, or 10.9%, from \$52.4 million to \$58.1 million from the third quarter of 2001 to the third quarter of 2002. Approximately \$4.5 million of the increase is attributable to the El Paso Trucks and Perfection acquisitions with the remainder related to same store growth.

Sales of new and used construction equipment decreased approximately \$9.7 million, or 47.1%, from \$20.6 million to \$10.9 million from the third quarter of 2001 to the third quarter of 2002. The decrease is primarily due to an overall market decline in our territories of approximately 19.3%, the consolidation of several Michigan locations, and a planned inventory liquidation of approximately \$3.3 million of construction equipment during the third quarter of 2001.

Lease and rental revenues decreased by approximately \$0.2 million, or 2.9% from \$7.0 million to \$6.8 million. Lease and rental revenues related to the truck segment were up approximately \$0.2 million while construction equipment segment lease and rental revenues decreased \$0.4 million due to the Company's planned rental fleet reduction in its construction equipment operations.

Finance and insurance revenues increased by approximately \$0.2 million, or 13.3%, from \$1.5 million to \$1.7 million from the third quarter of 2001 to the third quarter of 2002. Finance and insurance revenues have limited direct costs and, therefore, contribute a disproportionate share of operating profits.

Retail sales decreased \$1.2 million or 12.0% from \$10.0 million to \$8.8 million from the third quarter of 2001 to the third quarter of 2002. The decrease is due primarily to the extremely high amounts of rain received in south/central Texas during the third quarter of 2002, and to a large road construction project on Texas Highway 290 that closed crossovers for a seven mile stretch in front of our largest store in Hockley, Texas.

#### Gross Profit

Gross profit increased by approximately \$4.6 million, or 12.0%, from \$38.3 million to \$42.9 million from the third quarter of 2001 to the third quarter of 2002. Gross profit as a percentage of sales decreased from 19.7% in the third quarter of 2001 to 17.7% in the third quarter of 2002, as a result of a change in product mix. Decreases in higher margin revenue categories, such as parts and service, and retail sales revenues, fell as a percentage of total revenues, while a lower margin revenue category, truck sales, increased as a percentage of total revenues.

Selling, general and administrative, or SG&A, expenses increased by approximately \$2.3 million, from \$31.3 million to \$33.6 million, or 7.3%, from the third quarter of 2001 to the third quarter of 2002. Approximately \$1.5 million of 2002 SG&A expenses are directly related to new stores and facility expansions made subsequent to or during the third quarter of 2001. SG&A expenses, net of new store openings and facility expansions increased \$0.7 million or 2.2% from the third quarter of 2001. Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of sales decreased from 16.1% to 13.8% from the third quarter of 2001 to the third quarter of 2002.

#### Interest Expense

Interest expense decreased by approximately \$0.5 million or 19.2%, from \$2.6 million to \$2.1 million, from the third quarter of 2001 to the third quarter of 2002, primarily as the result of decreased levels of indebtedness coupled with lower interest rates on the Company's variably financed debt.

#### Gain on Sale of Assets

The Company recorded a pretax gain of approximately \$0.1 million, during the third quarter of 2002. These gains are primarily related to the replacement of fixed assets used in the operation of the business.

#### Income before Income Taxes

Income before income taxes increased by \$3.0 million, or 166.7%, from \$1.8 million to \$4.8 million from the third quarter of 2001 to the third quarter of 2002, as a result of the factors described above.

#### Income Taxes

The Company has provided for taxes at a 40% effective rate.

#### Nine Months Ended September 30, 2002 Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2001

#### Revenues

Revenues increased by approximately \$18.7 million, or 3.1%, from \$598.2 million to \$616.9 million from the first nine months of 2001 to the first nine months of 2002. Sales of new and used trucks increased by approximately \$18.2 million, or 5.4%, from \$339.4 million to \$357.6 million from the first nine months of 2001 to the first nine months of 2002. Unit sales of new trucks increased by 5.5% and new truck average revenue per unit remained flat. Unit sales of used trucks increased by 2.5% and used truck average revenue per unit increased by 1.5%. The Company recognized a \$0.9 million loss provision during the first nine months of 2001 to increase the Company's reserve for truck valuation and repossession losses, no such loss provision has been recorded during 2002.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), has mandated that heavy-duty engine manufacturers meet new, stricter emissions guidelines, regarding nitrous oxides, for all engines built subsequent to October 1, 2002. The Company expects that these new guidelines will increase the price of a new heavy-duty truck approximately \$3,000 to \$8,000 per unit and possibly reduce the operating efficiency and life of the truck. As a result, the Company experienced stronger than expected truck sales during the third quarter of 2002 as customers attempt to make purchases under the current emission laws. Due to the timing of truck deliveries, the Company expects to experience stronger than expected truck sales during the fourth quarter of 2002 as customers will purchase the remaining "old engines". The Company also anticipates a decline in truck sales during the first half of 2003 as a result of the pre-buy experienced during the last half of 2002.

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Parts and service sales increased by approximately \$20.5 million, or 13.7%, from \$149.6 million to \$170.1 million from the first nine months of 2001 to the first nine months of 2002. Approximately \$15.5 million of the increase is attributable to the El Paso Trucks and Perfection acquisitions with the remainder related to same store growth.

Sale of new and used construction equipment decreased approximately \$17.6 million, or 33.5% from \$52.6 million to \$35.0 million from the first nine months of 2001 to the first nine months of 2002. The decrease is primarily due to an overall market decline in our territories of approximately 19.3%, the consolidation of several Michigan locations, and a planned inventory liquidation of approximately \$3.3 million of construction equipment during the third quarter of 2001.

Lease and rental revenues decreased by approximately \$0.8 million, or 3.9% from \$20.7 million to \$19.9 million. Lease and rental revenues related to the truck segment were up approximately \$0.6 million while construction equipment segment lease and rental revenues decreased \$1.4 million due to the Company's planned rental fleet reduction in its construction equipment operations.

Finance and insurance revenues decreased by approximately \$0.1 million, or 2.3%, from \$4.3 million to \$4.2 million from the first nine months of 2001 to the first nine months of 2002. Finance and insurance revenues have limited direct costs and, therefore, contribute a disproportionate share of operating profits.

Retail sales decreased \$1.1 million or 3.7% from \$29.6 million to \$28.5 million from the first nine months of 2001 to the first nine months of 2002.

#### Gross Profit

Gross profit increased by approximately \$6.3 million, or 5.6%, from \$112.4 million to \$118.7 million from the first nine months of 2001 to the first nine months of 2002. Gross profit as a percentage of sales increased from 18.8% in the first nine months of 2001 to 19.2% in the first nine months of 2002. This increase is the result of parts and service sales, a higher margin revenue category, growing as a percentage of total revenues, and slightly improved margins on new and used truck sales.

#### Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased by approximately \$4.8 million, from \$91.4 million to \$96.2 million, or 5.3%, from the first nine months of 2001 to the first nine months of 2002. Approximately \$5.1 million of 2002 SG&A expenses are directly related to new stores and facility expansions made subsequent to or during the first nine months of 2001. SG&A expenses, net of new store openings and facility expansions, decreased \$0.7 million or 0.8% from the first nine months of 2001. Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of sales increased from 15.3% to 15.6% from the third quarter of 2001 to the third quarter of 2002.

Interest Expense

Interest expense decreased by approximately \$3.3 million from \$9.5 million to \$6.2 million, or 34.7%, from the first nine months of 2001 to the first nine months of 2002, primarily as the result of lower interest rates on the Company's variably financed debt.

Gain on Sale of Assets

The Company recorded a non-recurring pretax gain of approximately \$0.8 million on the sale of real estate during the first nine months of 2001.

Income before Income Taxes

Income before income taxes increased by \$4.4 million, or 97.8% from \$4.5 million to \$8.9 million from the first nine months of 2001 to the first nine months of 2002, as a result of the factors described above.

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Income Taxes

The Company has provided for taxes at a 40% effective rate.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

The Company's short-term cash needs are primarily for working capital, including inventory requirements, expansion of existing facilities and the acquisition of new facilities. These short-term cash needs have historically been financed with retained earnings and borrowings under credit facilities available to the Company.

At September 30, 2002, the Company had working capital of approximately \$6.0 million, including \$20.2 million in cash and cash equivalents, \$29.6 million in accounts receivable, \$145.8 million in inventories, \$1.1 million in prepaid expenses, and \$0.7 million in deferred income taxes, less \$39.2 million of accounts payable and accrued expenses, \$40.1 million of current maturities on long-term debt and advances outstanding under lines of credit, and \$112.1 million outstanding under floor plan financing. The aggregate maximum borrowing limits under working capital lines of credit with its primary truck lender are approximately \$13.5 million. Advances on this line were \$12.7 million as of September 30, 2002. The Company has four separate secured lines-of-credit that provide for an aggregate maximum borrowing of \$26.5 million. Advances outstanding under these secured lines-of-credit in aggregate were \$13.3 million, leaving \$13.2 million available for future borrowings as of September 30, 2002.

For the first nine months of 2002, operating activities resulted in net cash used in operations of approximately \$13.4 million. Net income of \$5.3 million, an increase in accrued expenses of \$2.9 million, coupled with provisions for depreciation, amortization and deferred taxes totaling \$14.1 million was more than offset by increases in accounts receivable and inventory of \$2.2 million and \$32.0 million, respectively, a decrease in trade accounts payable totaling \$1.2 million and a gain on sale of property and equipment of \$0.3 million.

For the first nine months of 2001, operating activities resulted in net cash provided by operations of approximately \$75.3 million. Net income of \$2.7 million, decreases in inventory, accounts receivable and other current assets of \$56.5 million, \$1.0 million and \$2.6 million, respectively, coupled with provisions for depreciation, amortization and deferred taxes totaling \$14.2 million more than offset a decrease in trade accounts payable totaling \$0.4 million and a gain on sale of property and equipment of \$1.3 million.

During the first nine months of 2002, the Company used \$8.7 million in investing activities, including fixed asset purchases of \$10.6 million, offset by proceeds from the sale of property and equipment totaling \$1.6 million and a decrease in other assets of \$0.3 million.

During the first nine months of 2001, the Company used \$9.2 million in investing activities, including fixed asset purchases of \$11.5 million and business acquisitions of \$2.8 million offset by proceeds from the sale of property and equipment totaling \$5.1 million.

Net cash provided by financing activities in the first nine months of 2002 amounted to \$22.4 million. Proceeds from long-term debt and floor plan notes payable of \$9.1 million and \$26.8 million, respectively, was more than offset by principal payments on notes payable of \$12.4 million and payments on lines of credit of \$1.1 million.

Net cash used in financing activities in the first nine months of 2001 amounted to \$63.7 million. Proceeds from additional notes payable of \$16.7 million was more than offset by decreases in floor plan notes payable of \$56.6 million, principal payments on notes payable of \$15.9 million, payments on lines of credit of \$7.8 million and debt issuance costs of \$0.1 million.

Substantially all of the Company's truck purchases from PACCAR are made on terms requiring payment within 15 days or less from the date of shipment of the trucks from the factory. The Company finances all, or substantially all, of the purchase price of its new truck inventory, and 75% of the loan value of its used truck inventory, under a floor plan arrangement with GMAC under which GMAC pays PACCAR directly with respect to new trucks. The Company makes monthly interest payments on the amount financed but is not required to commence loan principal repayments prior to sale on new vehicles to GMAC for a

period of 12 months and for used vehicles for a period of three months. At September 30, 2002, the Company had approximately \$90.3 million outstanding under its floor plan financing arrangement with GMAC. GMAC permits the Company to earn, for up to 10.0% of the amount borrowed under its floor plan financing arrangement with GMAC, interest at the prime rate, less 0.90%, on overnight funds deposited by the Company with GMAC.

Substantially all of the Company's new equipment purchases are financed by John Deere and Citicapital. The Company finances all, or substantially all, of the purchase price of its new equipment inventory, under its floor plan facilities. The agreement with John Deere provides interest free financing for four months after which time the amount financed is required to be paid in full, or an immediate 2.25% discount with payment due in 30 days. When the equipment is sold prior to the expiration of the four-month period, the Company is required to repay the principal within approximately 10 days of the sale. Should the equipment financed by John Deere not be sold within the four-month period, it is transferred to the John Deere or the Citicapital floor plan arrangements. The Company makes principal payments to Citicapital, for sold inventory, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each month. Used and rental equipment, to a maximum of book value, is financed under a floor plan arrangement with Citicapital. The Company makes monthly interest payments on the amount financed and is required to commence loan principal repayments on rental equipment as book value reduces. Principal payments, for sold used equipment, are made the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each month following the sale. The loans are collateralized by a lien on the equipment. The Company's floor plan agreements limit the aggregate amount of borrowings based on the book value of new and used equipment units. As of September 30, 2002, the Company's floor plan arrangement with Citicapital permits the financing of up to \$22 million in construction equipment. At September 30, 2002, the Company had \$14.7 million and \$7.1 million outstanding under its floor plan financing arrangements with John Deere and Citicapital, respectively.

#### **Backlogs**

The Company enters firm orders into its backlog at the time the order is received. Currently, customer orders are being filled in approximately one month and customers have historically placed orders expecting delivery within three to six months. However, certain customers, including fleets and governments, typically place orders up to one year in advance of their desired delivery date. The Company in the past has typically allowed customers to cancel orders at any time prior to delivery, and the Company's level of cancellations is affected by general economic conditions, economic recessions and customer business cycles. As a percentage of orders, cancellations historically have ranged from 5% to 12% of annual order volume. The Company's backlogs as of September 30, 2002 and 2001, were approximately \$125 million and \$75 million, respectively.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), has mandated that heavy-duty engine manufacturers meet new, stricter emissions guidelines, regarding nitrous oxides, for all engines built subsequent to October 1, 2002. The Company expects that these new guidelines will increase the price of a new heavy-duty truck approximately \$3,000 to \$8,000 per unit and possibly reduce the operating efficiency and life of the truck. As a result, the Company experienced stronger than expected truck sales during the third quarter of 2002 as customers attempt to make purchases under the current emission laws. Due to the timing of truck deliveries, the Company expects to experience stronger than expected truck sales during the fourth quarter of 2002 as customers will purchase the remaining "old engines". The Company also anticipates a decline in truck sales during the first half of 2003 as a result of the pre-buy experienced during the last half of 2002.

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#### Seasonality

The Company's heavy-duty truck business is moderately seasonal. Seasonal effects on new truck sales related to the seasonal purchasing patterns of any single customer type are mitigated by the Company's diverse customer base, which includes small and large fleets, governments, corporations and owner operators. However, truck, parts and service operations historically have experienced higher volumes of sales in the second and third quarters. The Company has historically received benefits from volume purchases and meeting vendor sales targets in the form of cash rebates, which are typically received when received. Approximately 40% of such rebates are typically received in the fourth quarter, resulting in a seasonal increase in gross profit margin.

Seasonal effects in the construction equipment business are primarily driven by the weather. Seasonal effects on construction equipment sales related to the seasonal purchasing patterns of any single customer type are mitigated by the Company's diverse customer base that includes contractors, for both residential and commercial construction, utility companies, federal, state and local government agencies, and various petrochemical, industrial and material supply type businesses that require construction equipment in their daily operations.

# Cyclicality

The Company's business, as well as the entire retail heavy-duty truck industry, is dependent on a number of factors relating to general economic conditions, including fuel prices, interest rate fluctuations, economic recessions and customer business cycles. In addition, unit sales of new trucks have historically been subject to substantial cyclical variation based on such general economic conditions. The industry forecasts heavy-duty new truck sales in 2002 to be consistent with 2001 sales, but approximately 32% lower than year 2000 sales. Although the Company believes that its geographic expansion and diversification into truck-related services, including financial services, leasing, rentals and service and parts, will reduce the overall impact to the Company resulting from general economic conditions affecting heavy-duty truck sales, the Company's operations will continue to be adversely affected by any continuation or renewal of general downward economic pressures or adverse cyclical trends.

#### Termination of Dealership Agreements Upon a Change of Control

A substantial percentage of our revenues is derived from sales of Peterbilt trucks and John Deere products. Therefore, our business is highly dependant on the PACCAR and John Deere dealership agreements, which authorize us to sell Peterbilt and John Deere products in our market areas. Our dealership agreements with PACCAR are terminable by PACCAR in the event the aggregate voting power of Mr. W. Marvin Rush (Mr. Rush) and his family decreases below 30% with respect to the election of directors. The John Deere dealership agreements would similarly be terminable by John Deere if the aggregate voting power of Mr. Rush and his family were to decrease below 25%. Subsequent to the reclassification of Common Stock and the stock dividend on July 9, 2002, Mr. Rush and his family beneficially owned 2,759,574 shares of Class A Common Stock and 2,759,574 shares of Class B Common Stock, or approximately 39.4% of the outstanding voting power. The Company has no control over the transfer or disposition of the shares of Common Stock by Mr. Rush or by Mr. Rush's estate. If Mr. Rush were to sell his Common Stock or bequest his Common Stock to non-family members or if Mr. Rush's estate were required to liquidate shares of Common Stock of the Company to pay estate taxes or otherwise, the change of control provisions of the dealership agreements described above would be triggered and could cause the Company to lose its critical right to sell Peterbilt and John Deere products. Any loss of rights under its dealership agreements would have a severely adverse effect on the Company's results of operations.

The Company believes that the relatively moderate inflation over the last few years has not had a significant impact on the Company's revenue or profitability. The Company does not expect inflation to have any near-term material effect on the sales of its products, although there can be no assurance that such an effect will not occur in the future.

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#### ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Market risk represents the risk of loss that may impact the financial position, results of operations, or cash flows of the Company due to adverse changes in financial market prices, including interest rate risk, and other relevant market rate or price risks.

The Company is exposed to some market risk through interest rates, related to its floor plan borrowing arrangements, variable rate debt and discount rates related to finance sales. Floor plan borrowings are based on the prime rate of interest and are used to meet working capital needs. As of September 30, 2002, the Company had floor plan borrowings of approximately \$112,076,000. Assuming an increase in the prime rate of interest of 100 basis points, interest expense could increase by \$1,120,760. The interest rate variability on all other debt would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial statements. The Company provides all customer financing opportunities to various finance providers. The Company receives all finance charges, in excess of a negotiated discount rate, from the finance providers within 30 days. The negotiated discount rate is variable, thus subject to interest rate fluctuations. This interest rate risk is mitigated by the Company's ability to pass discount rate increases to customers through higher financing rates.

#### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Within the 90 days prior to the date of this report (the "Evaluation Date"), the Company carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-14(c) and 15d-14(c) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended). Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the Evaluation Date, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

Changes in Internal Controls

There have been no significant changes in the Company's internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the Evaluation Date.

#### PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Not Applicable

Item 2. Changes in Securities

Effective at the close of business on July 9, 2002 (the "Record Date"), pursuant to action taken by the shareholders at the Annual Meeting of the Company held July 9, 2002, and described in the Proxy Statement dated May 15, 2002, the Board of Directors of the Company reclassified the outstanding common stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Class B Common Stock"), and declared a stock dividend of one share of a new Class A Common Stock, \$0.1 par value per share, for each share of Class B Common Stock held by shareholders of record on the Record Date. Each share of Class A Common Stock ranks substantially equal to each share of Class B Common Stock with respect to receipt of any dividends or distributions declared on shares of common stock and the right to receive proceeds on liquidation or dissolution of the Company after payment of the Company's indebtedness and liquidation preference payments to holders of preferred shares. However, holders of Class A Common Stock will have 1/20<sup>th</sup> of one vote per share on all matters requiring a shareholder vote, while holders of Class B Common Stock will retain their full vote per share. The Company's stock trades under the symbols RUSHA and RUSHB. Prior to the reclassification and stock dividend, the Company had 7,002,044 shares of Old Common Stock outstanding. Subsequent to the reclassification and stock dividend, the Company has 7,002,044 shares of Class B Common Stock outstanding.

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Item 3. Defaults upon Senior Securities

Not Applicable

- Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders
  - (a) The Annual Meeting of Shareholders was held on July 9, 2002.
  - (b) The following directors were elected to serve until the next Annual Meeting of Shareholders on until their successors have been elected and qualified:

W. Marvin Rush
Robin M. Rush
Ronald J. Krause

W.M. "Rusty" Rush
Harold D. Marshall
John D. Rock

#### (c) (1) The director's in (b) above were elected by the following number of votes:

NAME	NUMBER OF VOTES	NUMBER OF VOTES WITHHELD
W. Marvin Rush	6,442,789	46,090
W.M. "Rusty" Rush	6,442,789	46,090
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Robin M. Rush	6,442,789	46,090
Ronald J. Krause	6,442,789	46,090
John D. Rock	6,442,789	46,090
Harold D. Marshall	6,442,789	46,090

Of the 6,488,879 shares of Common Stock voting at the meeting, 5,397,769 shares voted for an amendment to the Company's Articles of Incorporation to effect a reverse split of the Company's Common Stock by a ratio of two-for-three. The implementation of such amendment was to be at the discretion of the Board of Directors. The number of shares that voted against the amendment was 127,914 and the holders of 963,196 shares abstained from the voting. The Board of Directors did not implement the reverse split of the Company's Common Stock.

Of the 6,488,879 shares of Common Stock voting at the meeting, 4,424,663 shares voted for an amendment to the Company's Articles of Incorporation that: (i) increased the number of shares of all classes of stock that the Company is authorized to issue from 26,000,000 to 51,000,000; (ii) reclassified the existing common stock as Class B Common Stock, (iii) authorized a new class of 40,000,000 shares to be designated Class A Common Stock and (iv) established the express terms of the Class A Common Stock and the Class B Common Stock. The number of shares that voted against the amendment was 223,580. The holders of 974,516 shares abstained from the voting, and 866,120 shares were unvoted.

Of the 6,488,879 shares of Common Stock voting at the meeting, 6,482,757 shares voted for the ratification of the appointment of the firm Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent accountants for 2002. The number of shares that voted against the ratification was 1,846 and the holders of 4,276 shares abstained from the voting.

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Item 5. Other Information

Not Applicable

Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

- a) Exhibits
- 3.1 Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of the Registrant dated as of July 9, 2002 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed July 9, 2002).
- 3.2 Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, for the quarter ended June 30, 2000).
- 3.3 Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant dated as of July 9, 2002 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.3 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed July 9, 2002).
- b) Reports on Form 8-K

None

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### **SIGNATURES**

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

RUSH ENTERPRISES, INC.

Date: November 13, 2002

By: /s/ W. MARVIN RUSH

Name: W. Marvin Rush

Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: November 13, 2002

By: /s/ MARTIN A. NAEGELIN, JR.
Name: Martin A. Naegelin, Jr.

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

#### I, W. Marvin Rush, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Rush Enterprises, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and we have:
- a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
- b) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this quarterly report (the "Evaluation Date"); and
- c) presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
- a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
- b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and
- 6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this quarterly report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Dated: November 13, 2002

By /s/ W. MARVIN RUSH W. Marvin Rush

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

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#### CERTIFICATIONS

#### I, Martin A. Naegelin, Jr., certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Rush Enterprises, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and we have:
- a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
- b) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this quarterly report (the "Evaluation Date"); and

- c) presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
- a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
- b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and
- 6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this quarterly report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Dated: November 13, 2002

By /s/ MARTIN A. NAEGELIN, JR

Martin A. Naegelin, Jr.
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)