# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **FORM 10-Q**

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2002	
( ) TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934	3 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
For the transition period from to	
Commission File Number: 1-5057	
BOISE CASCADE CORPORAT	TION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in	n its charter)
Delaware	82-0100960
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
1111 West Jefferson Street P.O. Box 50 Boise, Idaho	83728
(Address of principal executive officers)	(Zip Code)
(208) 384-6161	
(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 <u>X</u> No \_\_\_

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Class Common Stock, \$2.50 par value Shares Outstanding as of October 31, 2002 58,282,458

#### PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION BOISE CASCADE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(thousands, except per-share amounts)

### ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

		Three Months Ended September 30			
		2002 2001			
_	_	(unaudited)			
Revenues Sales	\$	1,935,231	1,874,436		
Costs and expenses	_		-		
Materials, labor, and other operating expenses		1,574,391		1,522,915	
Depreciation, amortization, and cost of company timber harvested		78,346		72,048	
Selling and distribution expenses		197,135		189,106	
General and administrative expenses		39,151		34,126	
Other (income) expense, net		(74)		3,635	
	-	1,888,949	-	1,821,830	
Equity in net loss of affiliates	_	(299)	_	(1,504)	

Income from operations	45,983	_	51,102
Interest expense	(28,731)		(31,592)
Interest income	285		451
Foreign exchange loss	(671)		(859)
	(29,117)		(32,000)
Income before income taxes and minority interest	16,866		19,102
Income tax provision	(6,324)		(4,122)
Income before minority interest	10,542		14,980
Minority interest, net of income tax	(2,032)		-
Net income	8,510		14,980
Preferred dividends	(3,262)		(3,138)
Net income applicable to common shareholders	5,248 ======	<b>\$</b> ==	11,842
Net income per common share			
Basic	\$0.09		\$0.21
Diluted	=====		=====
Diluted	\$0.09 ====		\$0.20 =====

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

#### PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION BOISE CASCADE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES STATEMENTS OF INCOME (LOSS)

(thousands, except per-share amounts)

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Nine Months Ended September 30 2002 2001 (unaudited) Revenues \$ 5,611,481 Sales \$ 5,665,475 Costs and expenses Materials, labor, and other operating expenses 4,575,402 4,574,236 Depreciation, amortization, and cost of company timber harvested 229,770 220,169 Selling and distribution expenses 583,907 597,417 General and administrative expenses 115,020 96,115 Other (income) expense, net 29,215 77,349 5,533,314 5,565,286 Equity in net loss of affiliates (2,354)(5,527)Income from operations 75,813 94,662 (88,789)(97,878)Interest expense Interest income 1,340 1,618 Foreign exchange loss (528)(3,183)(87,977) (99,443)(4,781)Loss before income taxes and minority interest (12,164)3,745 Income tax benefit 23,342

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Minority interest, net of income tax	(6,	045)	195
Net income (loss)	5,	 133	(841)
Preferred dividends	(9,	812)	(9,604)
Net loss applicable to common shareholders	\$ (4,	679) \$	(10,445)
	======	===	=======
Net loss per common share			
Basic	\$(0	.08)	\$(0.18)
		===	=====
Diluted	\$(0	.08)	\$(0.18)

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# BOISE CASCADE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES BALANCE SHEETS

September 30

(thousands)

December 31

#### **ASSETS**

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	2002			2001		2001
		 (unaud	ited)		_	
Current						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	89,529	\$	69,894	\$	56,702
Receivables, less allowances						
of \$12,695, \$10,190, and \$11,534		525,733		528,537		424,722
Inventories		618,371		627,365		652,953
Deferred income tax benefits		70,505		65,104		65,004
Other		36,575		32,502		45,646
		1,340,713	-	1,323,402	_	1,245,027
Property			_			
Property and equipment						
Land and land improvements		69,795		65,344		68,482
Buildings and improvements		701,042		661,818		675,905
Machinery and equipment		4,649,969		4,559,945		4,606,102
		5,420,806		5,287,107		5,350,489
Accumulated depreciation		(2,877,880)		(2,698,252)		(2,742,650)
		2,542,926		2,588,855		2,607,839
Timber, timberlands, and timber deposits		314,100		295,313		322,132
		2,857,026		2,884,168	_	2,929,971
Goodwill, net of amortization of						
\$56,910, \$54,115, and \$56,910		396,296		405,613		385,185
Investments in equity affiliates		35,911		119,966		62,162
Other assets		351,401		295,134		311,623
Total assets	\$	4,981,347	\$	5,028,283	\$	4,933,968
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See accompanying notes to financial statements.

(thousands, except per-share amounts)

### LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

	Septen	December 31		
	2002	2001	_	2001
	(unau	dited)	_	
Current				
Short-term borrowings	\$ 37,100	\$ 51,600	\$	48,700
Current portion of long-term debt	90,654	575,735		391,379
Income taxes payable	-	9,128		-
Accounts payable	527,472	514,364		503,402
Accrued liabilities	004.040	450,000		454.004
Compensation and benefits	221,213	156,392		151,094
Interest payable	26,027	27,617		25,510
Other	146,865	156,680		145,866
	1,049,331	1,491,516		1,265,951
Debt				
Long-term debt, less current portion	1,402,873	1,038,369		1,062,866
Guarantee of ESOP debt	71,184	99,415		80,889
	1,474,057	1,137,784		1,143,755
Other			_	
Deferred income taxes	301,040	377,462		308,305
Other long-term liabilities	411,635	282,764		465,104
	712,675	660,226	_	773,409
Minority interest			_	
Company-obligated mandatorily redeemable securities of subsidiary trust holding solely debentures of parent	172,500			172,500
Commitments and contingencies				
Shareholders' equity				
Preferred stock no par value; 10,000,000				
shares authorized;				
Series D ESOP: \$.01 stated value; 4,326,841,				
4,507,459, and 4,480,580 shares outstanding Deferred ESOP benefit	194,708	202,836		201,626
	(71,184)	(99,415)		(80,889)
Common stock \$2.50 par value; 200,000,000 shares authorized; 58,282,573, 58,027,779, and				
58,061,762 shares outstanding	145,706	145,069		145,154
Additional paid-in capital	472,944	474,175		466,952
Retained earnings	964,388	1,045,823		985,311
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(133,778)	(29,731)		(139,801)
Total shareholders' equity	1,572,784	1,738,757	_	1,578,353
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 4,981,347	\$ 5,028,283	\$	4,933,968

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# BOISE CASCADE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

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(thousands)

Nine Months Ended September 30

2002	2001

(unaudited)

Cash provided by (used for) operations		ŕ
Net income (loss)	\$ 5,133	\$ (841)
Items in net income (loss) not using (providing) cash		
Equity in net loss of affiliates	2,354	5,527
Depreciation, amortization, and cost of	200 772	000.100
company timber harvested Deferred income tax benefit	229,770 (28,910)	220,169 (11,680)
Minority interest, net of income tax	(20,510)	(195)
Restructuring activities	(750)	57,929
Write-down of assets	23,646	-
Other	(860)	14,054
Receivables	(73,225)	(25,703)
Inventories	34,722	118,672
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	28,881	(95,981)
Current and deferred income taxes	(9,413)	(6,183)
Other	11,815	(2,347)
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Cash provided by operations	223,163	273,421
Case provided by approximate		
Cash provided by (used for) investment		
Expenditures for property and equipment	(147,265)	(219,317)
Expenditures for timber and timberlands	(7,001)	(11,102)
Investments in equity affiliates	-	(783)
Purchases of facilities	(1,406)	(4,655)
Sales of assets	-	160,984
Other	(20,394)	(28,212)
Cash used for investment	(176,066)	(103,085)
Cash provided by (used for) financing		
Cash dividends paid	(00.175)	(05.040)
Common stock	(26,175)	(25,842)
Preferred stock	(7,383)	(7,709)
	(33,558)	(33,551)
Short-term borrowings	(11,600)	(400)
Additions to long-term debt	232,139	14,559
Payments of long-term debt	(196,644)	(156,664)
Other	(4,607)	12,794
Cash used for financing	(14,270)	(163,262)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	32,827	7,074
Balance at beginning of the year	56,702	62,820
Balance at September 30	\$ 89,529 ======	\$ 69,894 ======

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

#### NOTES TO QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

(1) BASIS OF PRESENTATION. We have prepared the quarterly financial statements pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Some information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States have been condensed or omitted pursuant to those rules and regulations. These statements should be read together with the statements and the accompanying notes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001.

The quarterly financial statements have not been audited by independent public accountants, but in the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary to present fairly the results for the periods

presented have been included. Net income (loss) for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, involved estimates and accruals. Actual results may vary from those estimates. Except as may be disclosed within these "Notes to Quarterly Financial Statements," the adjustments made were of a normal, recurring nature. Quarterly results are not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for the year.

(2) NET INCOME (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE. Net income (loss) per common share was determined by dividing net income (loss), as adjusted, by applicable shares outstanding. For the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, the computation of diluted net income (loss) per share was antidilutive; therefore, the amounts reported for basic and diluted loss were the same

		Three Months Ended September 30			Nine Mon			
	-	2002		2001	-	2002		2001
BASIC		(th	ous	ands, except	- per-sh	nare amour	nts)	
Net income (loss) Preferred dividends (a)	\$	8,510 (3,262)	\$	14,980 (3,138)	\$	5,133 (9,812)	\$	(841) (9,604)
Basic income (loss)	\$	5,248 ======	\$	11,842 ======	\$ =	(4,679)	\$	(10,445) ======
Average shares used to determine basic income (loss) per common share		58,269 =====		57,831 ======	=	58,194 ======		57,558 ======
Basic income (loss) per common share	\$	0.09	\$	0.21 ======	\$	(80.0)	\$	(0.18)
DILUTED								
Basic income (loss) Preferred dividends eliminated Supplemental ESOP contribution	\$	5,248 3,262 (2,925)	\$	11,842 3,138 (2,580)	\$	(4,679) - -	\$	(10,445)
Diluted income (loss) (b)	\$	5,585 ======	\$	12,400 ======	\$	(4,679)	\$	(10,445) ======
Average shares used to determine basic income (loss) per common share Stock options and other Series D Convertible Preferred Stock Average shares used to determine diluted		58,269 239 3,499		57,831 484 3,644	_	58,194		57,558 - -
income (loss) per common share (b)(c)  Diluted income (loss) per common share	\$	62,007 ====== 0.09	\$	61,959 ====== 0.20 ======	\$	58,194 ====== (0.08) ======	\$	57,558 ====== (0.18)

- (a) The dividend attributable to our Series D Convertible Preferred Stock held by our ESOP (employee stock ownership plan) is net of a tax benefit.
- (b) Adjustments totaling \$1.0 million and \$1.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, which would have reduced the basic loss to arrive at diluted loss, were excluded because the calculation of diluted loss per share was antidilutive. Also, for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, potentially dilutive common shares of 4.0 million and 4.2 million were excluded from average shares because they were antidilutive.
- (c) Options to purchase 6.6 million and 2.8 million shares of common stock were outstanding during the three months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the options' exercise prices were greater than the average market price of the common shares. Forward contracts to purchase 5.4 million shares of common stock were outstanding during the three months ended September 30, 2002, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the conversion price was greater than the market price of the common shares. These forward contracts are related to our adjustable conversion-rate equity security units. No similar forward purchase contracts were outstanding for the three months ended September 30, 2001.

Options to purchase 4.6 million and 2.4 million shares of common stock were outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the options' exercise prices were greater

than the average market price of the common shares. Forward contracts to purchase 5.1 million shares of common stock were outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2002, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the conversion price was greater than the market price of the common shares. These forward contracts are related to our adjustable conversion-rate equity security units. No similar forward purchase contracts were outstanding for the nine months ended September 30, 2001.

(3) OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE, NET. "Other (income) expense, net" includes nonroutine and miscellaneous income and expense items. In third quarter 2002, our Boise Office Solutions segment reversed \$1.4 million of reserves for potential claims rising from the sale in 2000 of our European office products operations. Under the terms of the sale, claims may no longer be submitted.

In first quarter 2001, our Corporate and Other segment included a \$10.9 million pretax, noncash charge to accrue for a one-time liability related to postretirement benefits for our Northwest hourly paperworkers. These workers participated in a multiemployer trust that converted to a single employer trust. The components of "Other (income) expense, net" in our Statements of Income (Loss) are as follows:

		Three Months Ended September 30			Ν	Nine Months Ended September 30			
		2002		2001	2	2002	:	2001	
	_		(thousands)						
Sales of receivables (Note 6)	\$	1,178	\$	2,047	\$	3,350	\$	7,011	
Sale of European operations		(1,388)		-		(1,388)		-	
Sale of investment in IdentityNow (Note 11) Restructuring activities (Note 13)		 (750)		(1,000)	:	23,646 (750)		 57,929	
Postretirement benefits		-		-		-		10,871	
Other, net		886		2,588		4,357		1,538	
	\$	(74)	\$	3,635	\$ 2	29,215	\$	77,349	
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(4) INCOME TAXES. Our effective tax benefit rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2002, was 191.9%, compared with an effective tax benefit rate of 78.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2001. The increase in our 2002 estimated tax benefit rate, compared with 2001, is due to the tax benefit recorded for the sale of IdentityNow (see Note 11). Before nonroutine items, our estimated effective tax provision rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2002, was 37.5%. Before nonroutine items, our annual tax provision rate in 2001 was 34%. The increase in our estimated 2002 tax provision rate, before nonroutine items, compared with our 2001 annual tax provision rate, before nonroutine items, was due primarily to our charitable donation in 2001 of surplus property in Vancouver, Washington, for which we received a tax benefit. Changes in our tax rates were also due to the sensitivity of the rate to changing income levels and the mix of domestic and foreig n sources of income.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002, we paid income taxes, net of refunds received, of \$1.0 million and \$8.2 million. We paid \$8.1 million and \$18.7 million for the same periods in 2001

**(5) COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS).** Comprehensive income (loss) for the periods include the following:

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Mont Septen	=
	2002	2001	2002	2001
Net income (loss)	\$ 8,510 \$	14,980	\$ 5,133	\$ (841)
Other comprehensive income (loss)				
Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustment, net of income taxes  Cash flow hedges, net of income taxes	(6,113) 15	(4,651) (1,651)	6,694 (671)	(8,672) (2,561)
Comprehensive income (loss), net of income taxes	\$ 2,412 \$ ======	8,678 =====	\$ 11,156 ======	\$ (12,074) ======

- (6) RECEIVABLES. We have sold fractional ownership interests in a defined pool of trade accounts receivable. At September 30, 2002 and 2001, and December 31, 2001, \$200 million of sold accounts receivable were excluded from "Receivables" in the accompanying Balance Sheets. The portion of fractional ownership interest retained by us is included in accounts receivable in the Balance Sheets. This program consists of a revolving sale of receivables committed to by the purchasers for 364 days and is subject to renewal. Costs related to the program are included in "Other (income) expense, net" in the Statements of Income (Loss). Under the accounts receivable sale agreement, the maximum amount available from time to time is subject to change based on the level of eligible receivables, restrictions on concentrations of receivables, and the historical performance of the receivables we sell.
- (7) INVENTORIES. Inventories include the following:

	Septeml	September 30		
	2002	2001		2001
		(thousands)		
Finished goods and work in process	\$ 478,839	\$ 512,013	\$	507,223
Logs	49,264	38,150		62,390
Other raw materials and supplies	141,423	140,443		135,796
LIFO reserve	(51,155)	(63,241)		(52,456)
	\$ 618,371	\$ 627,365	\$	652,953
	======	======	====	======

- (8) DEFERRED SOFTWARE COSTS. We defer costs for software intended for internal use that benefit future years. These costs are amortized on the straight-line method over the expected life of the software. "Other assets" in the Balance Sheets includes deferred software costs of \$66.2 million, \$65.8 million, and \$67.8 million at September 30, 2002 and 2001, and December 31, 2001. Amortization of deferred software costs totaled \$5.6 million and \$15.4 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002, and \$5.5 million and \$14.9 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2001.
- (9) DEBT. In March 2002, we entered into a three-year, unsecured revolving credit agreement with 14 major financial institutions. The agreement permits us to borrow as much as \$560 million at variable interest rates based on either the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) or the prime rate. The borrowing capacity under the agreement can be expanded to a maximum of \$600 million. The revolving credit agreement replaces a similar agreement that was to expire in June 2002. Borrowings of \$180 million under the old agreement were repaid. Borrowings under the new agreement were \$230 million at September 30, 2002. At September 30, 2002, our borrowing rate under the agreement was 2.8%. We have entered into interest rate swaps related to \$150 million of these borrowings, which gave us an effective interest rate for outstanding borrowings under the revolving credit agreement of 4.8% at September 30, 2002. The revolving credit ag reement contains customary conditions to borrowing, including compliance with financial covenants relating to minimum net worth, minimum interest coverage ratio, and ceiling ratio of debt to capitalization. Under this agreement, the payment of dividends depends on the existence and amount of net worth in excess of the defined minimum. Our net worth at September 30, 2002, exceeded the defined minimum by \$289.4 million. When the agreement expires in June 2005, any amount outstanding will be due and payable.

In January 2002, we sold \$150 million of 7.5% notes due in 2008. We used proceeds from this sale to reduce amounts outstanding under our revolving credit agreement and short-term debt.

In June 2002, we retired our \$125 million 9.85% notes.

At September 30, 2002 and 2001, we had \$37.1 million and \$51.6 million of short-term borrowings outstanding. The maximum amounts of combined short-term borrowings outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, were \$304.5 million and \$126.9 million. The average amounts of short-term borrowings outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, were \$52.3 million and \$55.1 million. The average interest rates for these borrowings were 2.5% for 2002 and 5.0% for 2001.

At September 30, 2002, we had \$193 million of unused borrowing capacity registered with the SEC for additional debt securities. In addition, a registration statement filed with the SEC covering \$500 million in universal shelf capacity became effective in April 2002. Under this registration statement, we may offer and sell in one or more offerings common stock, preferred stock, debt securities, warrants, and/or purchase contracts.

Cash payments for interest, net of interest capitalized, were \$31.8 million and \$88.3 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002, and \$28.7 million and \$98.1 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2001.

(10) FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS. In March 2002, we entered into an interest rate swap with a notional amount of \$50 million. This swap converts \$50 million of fixed-rate \$150 million 7.05% debentures to variable-rate debt based on six-month LIBOR plus approximately 2.2%. The effective interest rate at September 30, 2002, was 4.3%. The swap expires in May 2005. This swap is designated as a fair value hedge of a proportionate amount of the fixed-rate debentures. The swap and the proportionate amount of debentures are marked to market, with changes in the fair value of the instruments

recorded in income (loss). These swaps were fully effective in hedging the changes in fair value; accordingly, changes in the fair value of these instruments had no net impact on our reported income (loss) in the current periods.

In January and August 2002, we entered into swaps for electricity that convert 40 and 36 megawatts of usage in the Northwest to a fixed rate. The swaps expire at the end of 2002 and 2003, respectively. In January 2002, we also entered into natural gas swaps that convert 6,000 MMBtu per day of natural gas usage to a fixed price. These swaps expire in March 2003. These swaps are designated as cash flow hedges. Accordingly, the changes in fair value of these swaps, net of taxes, are recorded in "Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)" in our Balance Sheets.

Our forward exchange contracts with a notional amount of 160 million New Zealand dollars matured in February 2002 and were not renewed. Valuation gains and losses on these contracts were recognized in income (loss) as they occurred.

We are exposed to modest credit-related risks in the event of nonperformance by counterparties to our swaps. However, we do not expect the counterparties, which are all major institutions, to fail to meet their obligations.

- (11) INVESTMENTS IN EQUITY AFFILIATES. In December 2001, we wrote down our 29% investment in IdentityNow, a promotional products company that we accounted for under the equity method, by \$54.3 million to its estimated fair value of \$25 million. On May 10, 2002, we sold all the stock of our wholly owned subsidiary that held our investment in IdentityNow. We recorded a \$23.6 million loss related to this sale in our Corporate and Other segment and in "Other (income) expense, net" in the Statement of Income for the nine months ended September 30, 2002. We also recorded \$27.6 million of now-realizable tax benefits associated with this sale and our previous write-down. For the nine months ended September 30, 2002, this transaction resulted in a net after-tax gain of \$4 million, or 7 cents per basic and diluted share.
- (12) GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS. Goodwill represents the excess of purchase price and related costs over the value assigned to the net tangible and intangible assets of businesses acquired. Effective January 1, 2002, we adopted the provisions of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets. This statement requires us to assess our acquired goodwill for impairment annually. We completed our initial assessment, in accordance with the provisions of the standard, in second quarter 2002, and there was no impairment.

We stopped amortizing goodwill January 1, 2002. Goodwill amortization for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2001, was \$2.2 million and \$6.4 million after tax, or 4 cents and 12 cents per basic and diluted share. Changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by segment are as follows:

	Boise Office Solutions		Buil	Boise ding Solutions	Total		
			(th	ousands)			
Balance at December 31, 2001	\$	373,545	\$	11,640	\$	385,185	
Goodwill acquired during year		4,303		-		4,303	
Effect of foreign translation		7,206		(1)		7,205	
Purchase price adjustments		(397)		-		(397)	
Balance at September 30, 2002	\$	384,657	\$	11,639	\$	396,296	

Acquired intangible assets are recorded in "Other assets" in the accompanying Balance Sheets and totaled \$22.9 million and \$5.6 million at September 30, 2002 and 2001, and \$23.1 million at December 31, 2001.

Intangible assets represent the values assigned to customer lists and relationships, noncompete agreements, and exclusive distribution rights of businesses acquired. Intangible assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over their expected useful lives, which range from three years to 20 years. Intangible assets at September 30, 2002, consisted of the following:

		Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization (thousands)		Net Carrying Amount		
Customer lists and relationships Noncompete agreements Exclusive distribution rights	\$	23,876 4,523 2,413	\$	(3,916) (3,721) (262)	\$	19,960 802 2,151	
	\$	30,812	\$	(7,899)	\$	22,913	

Intangible asset amortization expense totaled \$0.8 million and \$2.4 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002, and \$0.5 million and \$1.4 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2001. The estimated amortization expense is \$2.5 million, \$2.1 million, \$2.1 million, \$2.0 million, and \$2.0 million in 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007, respectively.

(13) RESTRUCTURING ACTIVITIES. In February 2001, we announced the permanent closure of our plywood and lumber operations in Emmett, Idaho, and our sawmill in Cascade, Idaho, due to the significant decline in federal timber offered for sale. We completed these closures in second quarter 2001, and 373 positions were eliminated. In first quarter 2001, we recorded a pretax charge of \$54.0 million related to these closures. Sales for our Idaho operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2001, were \$59.4 million. Our operating loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2001, was \$5.5 million.

In first quarter 2001, we wrote off our investment in assets in Chile with a pretax charge of \$4.9 million. We recorded both of these charges in our Boise Building Solutions segment and in "Other (income) expense, net" in the Statement of Loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2001

Restructuring reserve liability account activity related to these 2001 charges is as follows:

	Asset Write- Downs	Employee- Related Costs		Other Exit Costs	Total
			(thousands)		
2001 expense recorded	\$ 21,300	\$ 15,000	ı	\$ 22,600	\$ 58,900
Assets written down	(21,300)	-		-	(21,300)
Pension liability recorded	-	(9,600	)	-	(9,600)
Charges against reserve	-	(5,000	)	(10,100)	(15,100)
Restructuring reserve at December 31 2001	, -	400	1	12,500	12,900
Proceeds from sales of assets	-	-		1,500	1,500
Charges against reserve	-	(300	)	(6,200)	(6,500)
Restructuring reserve at September 30, 2002	\$ -	\$ 100	1	\$ 7,800	\$ 7,900
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Asset write-downs were for plant and equipment at the closed Idaho facilities and the write-off of our equity investment in and related receivables from a joint venture in Chile. Employee-related costs include pension curtailment costs from the shutdowns of the Idaho facilities and severance costs. Other exit costs include tear-down and environmental cleanup costs related to the Idaho facilities and reserves for contractual obligations with no future benefit. The restructuring reserve liabilities are included in "Accrued liabilities, other" in the accompanying Balance Sheets.

(14) NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS. In August 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 143, Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations. This statement addresses financial accounting and reporting obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets and the associated asset retirement costs. Under the new statement, we will record both an initial asset and a liability for estimated costs of legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets. The initial asset will be depreciated over the expected useful life of the asset. This statement will change our accounting for landfill closure costs. We currently accrue the estimated costs of closure over the expected useful life of the landfill. These costs have not been material in any individual year. We are assessing the impact of this statement on our results of operations and financial position. This statement must be adopted by January 1, 2003.

In August 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 144, Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets. This statement addresses financial accounting and reporting for the impairment or disposal of long-lived assets. We adopted this statement January 1, 2002. It had no impact on our results of operations or financial position.

In July 2002, the FASB issued SFAS No. 146, Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities. This statement addresses financial reporting and accounting for exit and disposal costs. When we adopt this statement January 1, 2003, it will have no effect on our results of operations or financial position.

(15) SEGMENT INFORMATION. Other than the recording of the pretax loss related to the sale of our investment in IdentityNow in our Corporate and Other segment, there are no differences from our last annual report in our basis of segmentation or in our basis of measurement of segment profit or loss. The December 2001 write-down of our investment in IdentityNow was recorded in the Boise Office Solutions segment. In 2002, we determined that this sale and the prior write-down in December 2001 of our investment in IdentityNow should be recorded in the Corporate and Other segment in order to reflect our management of the disposal of this investment. We will conform our 2001 segment presentation to the new basis. An analysis of our operations by segment is as follows:

			шошь
			(Loss)
			Before
	Sales		Taxes and
			_ Minority
Trade	Intersegment	Total	Interest (a)

		Trade	Int	ersegment		Total	Interest (a)		
				(thous	sands	5)			
Three Months Ended									
September 30, 2002 Boise Office Solutions	\$	899,321	\$	562	\$	899,883	\$	29,783	
Boise Building Solutions	Φ	666,005	Ψ	5,472	Ψ	671,477	Ψ	14,515	
Boise Paper Solutions		363,720		121,435		485,155		17,171	
·		•		•		,		•	
Corporate and Other		6,185		13,200		19,385		(15,872)	
		1,935,231		140,669		2,075,900		45,597	
Intersegment eliminations		_,,,,_,		(140,669)		(140,669)		-	
Interest expense		-		-		-		(28,731)	
			_		_				
	\$	1,935,231	\$	-	\$	1,935,231	\$	16,866	
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Three Months Ended September 30, 2001									
Boise Office Solutions	\$	847,608	\$	534	\$	848,142	\$	36,951	
Boise Building Solutions		639,706		6,735		646,441		14,192	
Boise Paper Solutions		381,806		104,270		486,076		15,271	
Corporate and Other		5,316		12,861		18,177		(15,720)	
		1,874,436		124,400		1,998,836		50,694	
Intersegment eliminations		-		(124,400)		(124,400)		-	
Interest expense		-		-		-		(31,592)	
	\$	1,874,436	\$	-	\$	1,874,436	\$	19,102	

(a) Interest income has been allocated to our segments in the amount of \$0.3 million and \$0.5 million for the three-month periods ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

Income (Loss)

				Before Taxes and Minority				
_	Trade	Intersegment Total				Interest (a)		
			(thous	sands	s)			
\$		\$	•	\$		\$	90,603	
	1,884,269		17,251		1,901,520		37,341	
	1,071,239		351,462		1,422,701		15,176	
	18,010		39,165		57,175		(66,495) (b)	
	5,611,481		409,789		6,021,270		76,625	
	-		(409,789)		(409,789)		-	
	-		-		-		(88,789)	
\$	5,611,481	\$	-	\$	5,611,481	\$	(12,164)	
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#### Nine Months Ended September 30, 2001

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	\$	5,665,475	\$	-	\$	5,665,475	\$	(4,781)
Interest expense		-		-		-		(97,878)
Intersegment eliminations		-		(388,147)		(388,147)		-
		5,665,475		388,147		6,053,622		93,097
Corporate and Other		17,039		38,148		55,187		(50,365) (d)
Boise Paper Solutions		1,141,506		326,810		1,468,316		64,464
Boise Building Solutions		1,829,027		21,439		1,850,466		(27,794) (c)
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- (a) Interest income has been allocated to our segments in the amounts of \$1.3 million and \$1.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, respectively.
- (b) Includes a pretax loss of \$23.6 million related to the sale of our investment in IdentityNow (see Note 11).
- (c) Includes a pretax charge of \$58.9 million related to the closure of two Idaho facilities and the write-off of our assets in Chile (see Note 13).
- (d) Includes a pretax charge of \$10.9 million to accrue for a one-time liability related to postretirement benefits for our Northwest hourly paperworkers (see Note 3).
- (16) LEGAL PROCEEDINGS, COMMITMENTS, AND CONTINGENCIES. We have been notified that we are a "potentially responsible party" under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) or similar federal and state laws, or have received a claim from a private party, with respect to 21 active sites where hazardous substances or other contaminants are or may be located. In most cases, we are one of many potentially responsible parties, and our alleged contribution to these sites is relatively minor. For sites where a range of potential liability can be determined, we have established appropriate reserves. We believe we have minimal or no responsibility with regard to several other sites. We cannot predict with certainty the total response and remedial costs, our share of the total costs, the extent to which contributions will be available from other parties, or the amount of time necessary to complete the cleanups. Based on our investigations, our experience with respect to cleanup of hazardous substances, the fact that expenditures will, in many cases, be incurred over extended periods of time, and the number of solvent potentially responsible parties, we do not presently believe that the known actual and potential response costs will, in the aggregate, materially affect our financial position or results of operations.

In March 2002, Boise entered into a consent decree, filed in the U.S. District Court in Oregon, to resolve Notices of Violation issued by the U.S. EPA in March 2000 and March 2001, alleging violations of air emission permits and the New Source Review/Prevention of Significant Deterioration program at seven of our plywood plants and one particleboard plant for the period 1979 through 1998. The consent decree was entered by the court and became final in May 2002. As part of the consent decree, we agreed to install additional air pollution controls and implement supplemental environmental projects at several facilities. We expect to implement these controls and projects over the next several years at a capital cost of approximately \$14.9 million. We will depreciate these additions to property, plant, and equipment over their expected useful lives. Additionally, a \$4.35 million civil penalty was paid in June 2002. The company had previously established reserves for this penalty.

Over the past several years, and continuing in the third quarter of 2002, we have been named a defendant in a number of cases where the plaintiffs allege asbestos-related injuries from exposure to asbestos products or exposure to asbestos while working at a job site. The claims vary widely and often are not specific about the plaintiff's contacts with us or with our facilities. None of the claims seek damages from us individually, and we are generally one of numerous defendants. Most of the cases filed against us have been voluntarily dismissed, although we have settled some cases for a nominal amount. The settlements we have paid have been covered largely by insurance, and we believe any future settlements or judgments would be similarly covered. To date, no asbestos case against us has gone to trial, and the nature of these cases makes any prediction as to the outcome of pending litigation inherently subjective. At this time, however, we believe our involvement in asbestos litigation is not material to either our financial position or our results of operations.

We are involved in other litigation and administrative proceedings primarily arising in the normal course of our business. In the opinion of management, our recovery, if any, or our liability, if any, under these pending litigation or administrative proceedings would not materially affect our financial position or results of operations.

We are required to make minimum contributions to our pension plans and, in some years, we make additional discretionary contributions. For 2002, the required minimum contribution was \$1 million. In third quarter 2002, we made cash contributions to our pension plans totaling \$48 million, compared with \$17.7 million in third quarter 2001. In 2003, the required minimum contribution to our pension plans is estimated to be approximately \$26 million. However, we expect to make contributions to the plans of approximately \$80 million to \$120 million during the course of the year. See "Critical Accounting Policies" for further information.

Over the past several years, the amount of timber available for commercial harvest in the United States has declined significantly due to environmental litigation and changes in government policy. As

a result, we cannot accurately predict future log supply. Additional curtailments or closures of our wood products manufacturing facilities are possible.

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

#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

	Three Months Ended September 30				Nine Months Ended September 30			
		2002		2001		2002	_	2001
Sales	\$	1.9 billion	\$	1.9 billion	\$	5.6 billion	\$	5.7 billion
Net income (loss)	\$	8.5 million	\$	15.0 million	\$	5.1 million	\$	(0.8) million
Net income (loss) per basic share		\$0.09		\$0.21		\$(0.08)		\$(0.18)
Net income (loss) per diluted share		\$0.09		\$0.20		\$(0.08)		\$(0.18)
Net income before nonroutine items Net income (loss) per basic share	\$	8.5 million	\$	12.2 million	\$	1.1 million	\$	41.8 million
before nonroutine items  Net income (loss) per daluted share		\$0.09		\$0.16		\$(0.15)		\$0.56
before nonroutine items		\$0.09		\$0.16		\$(0.15)		\$0.55
				(percentaç	ge of	sales)		
Materials, labor, and other operating								
expenses		81.4%		81.2%		81.5%		80.7%
Selling and distribution expenses		10.2%		10.1%		10.4%		10.5%
General and administrative expenses		2.0%		1.8%		2.0%		1.7%

**Nonroutine Items**. In December 2001, we wrote down our 29% investment in IdentityNow, a promotional products company that we accounted for under the equity method, by \$54.3 million to its estimated fair value of \$25 million. On May 10, 2002, we sold all the stock of our wholly owned subsidiary that held our investment in IdentityNow. We recorded a \$23.6 million loss related to this sale in our Corporate and Other segment and in "Other (income) expense, net" in the Statement of Income for the nine months ended September 30, 2002. We also recorded \$27.6 million of now-realizable tax benefits associated with this sale and our previous write-down. For the nine months ended September 30, 2002, this transaction resulted in a net after tax gain of \$4 million, or 7 cents per basic and diluted share.

In February 2001, we announced the permanent closure of our plywood and lumber operations in Emmett, Idaho, and our sawmill in Cascade, Idaho, due to the significant decline in federal timber offered for sale. We completed these closures in second quarter 2001. In first quarter 2001, we recorded a pretax charge of \$54.0 million related to these closures. In addition, in first quarter 2001, we wrote off our investment in assets in Chile with a pretax charge of \$4.9 million. We recorded both of these charges in our Boise Building Solutions segment and in "Other (income) expense, net" in the Statement of Loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2001. Additional information on these charges is in the results of operations for Boise Building Solutions.

In first quarter 2001, our Corporate and Other segment included a \$10.9 million pretax, noncash charge to accrue for a one-time liability related to postretirement benefits for our Northwest hourly paperworkers. These workers participated in a multiemployer trust that converted to a single employer trust. This charge was recorded in "Other (income) expense, net" in the Statement of Loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2001.

The net impact of the nonroutine items in 2001 decreased net income \$42.6 million and basic and diluted income per share 74 cents and 73 cents, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2001.

**Overview Before Nonroutine Items.** Total sales for the three months ended September 30, 2002, increased slightly, compared with sales in the same period in 2001. Sales and same-location sales in Boise Office Solutions increased 6%. This was primarily the result of sales to new customers. Sales in Boise Building Solutions increased 4% due to higher unit sale volumes and stronger sales in engineered wood products and building materials distribution. Sales in Boise Paper Solutions were flat.

Total sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2002, decreased, compared with sales in the same period in 2001, due to lower product prices in Boise Paper Solutions and reduced demand in Boise Office Solutions, partially offset by increased sales in engineered wood products and building materials distribution in Boise Building Solutions. Sales decreased 3% in our paper business and 1% in our office products business, while sales in our building products business increased 3%.

Materials, labor, and other operating expenses increased as a percent of sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002, due to increased sales of lower-margin products in Boise Office Solutions and lower weighted average paper prices in Boise Paper Solutions, partially offset by increased sales volumes and lower manufacturing costs in our paper business and favorable wood costs in our building products business. Selling and distribution expenses as a percent of sales were relatively flat for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002, compared with the same period in 2001, due primarily to cost control efforts in Boise Office Solutions. General and administrative expenses increased as a percent of sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002, compared with the same period in 2001, due to higher compensation and benefits costs.

In accordance with new accounting standards, we stopped amortizing goodwill January 1, 2002. Amortization of goodwill for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2001, was \$2.2 million and \$6.4 million after tax, or 4 cents and 12 cents per basic and diluted share.

See the results of operations by segment for additional detail.

Interest expense was \$28.7 million and \$31.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, and \$88.8 million and \$97.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001. The variances were mainly due to decreases in our debt levels and, to a lesser degree, changes in interest rates.

Our effective tax benefit rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2002, was 191.9%, compared with an effective tax benefit rate of 78.3% for the

nine months ended September 30, 2001. The increase in our 2002 estimated tax benefit rate, compared with 2001, is due to the tax benefit recorded for the sale of IdentityNow discussed above. Before nonroutine items, our estimated effective tax provision rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2002, was 37.5%. Before nonroutine items, our annual tax provision rate in 2001 was 34.0%. The increase in our estimated 2002 tax provision rate, before nonroutine items, compared with our 2001 annual tax provision rate, before nonroutine items, was due primarily to our charitable donation in 2001 of surplus property in Vancouver, Washington, for which we received a tax benefit. Changes in our tax rates were also due to lower income levels and the mix of domestic and foreign sources of income.

#### **BOISE OFFICE SOLUTIONS**

		Three Months Ended September 30				Nine Months Ended September 30			
	_	2002	_	2001	-	2002	_	2001	
Sales	\$	899.9 million	\$	848.1 million	\$	2,639.9 million	\$	2,679.7 million	
Segment income	\$	29.8 million	\$	37.0 million	\$	90.6 million	\$	106.8 million	
				(percent	age of sa	ales)			
Gross profit		22.4%		24.1%		23.0%		24.0%	
Operating expenses		19.0%		19.7%		19.6%		20.0%	
Operating profit		3.3%		4.4%		3.4%		4.0%	

**Operating Results.** Both total sales and same-location sales increased 6% for the three months ended September 30, 2002, compared with the same period in 2001. U.S. sales of paper, technology, furniture, and office supplies increased 14%, 11%, 1%, and 3%, respectively. These sale increases resulted primarily from the addition of new customers.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2002, total sales and same-location sales decreased 1% and 2%, respectively. The decrease in sales is primarily the result of a sluggish U.S. economy. Customers have been more cost-conscious about their office and furniture products purchases, and with widespread white-collar layoffs, our customers are consuming fewer office products year over year.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002, segment income and operating profit as a percent of sales decreased from the same periods in 2001, due primarily to lower gross profit margins. For the three months ended September 30, 2002, our gross profit margins decreased as U.S. sales of higher-margin furniture and office supplies grew more slowly than sales of lower-margin paper and technology products. The margins on the sales of paper products also decreased, as we lagged passing on increased paper costs to our customers. Likewise, for the nine months ended September 30, 2002, U.S. sales of higher-margin furniture and office supplies decreased, while lower-margin paper and technology product sales increased, compared with the year-earlier period. Comparing our quarter-over-quarter and year-over-year results, our operating expenses as a percent of net sales decreased, primarily as a result of cost controls and, to a lesser extent, the elimination of amortization of goodwill, which ceased January 1, 2002.

#### **BOISE BUILDING SOLUTIONS**

	Three Months Ended September 30				Nine Months Ended September 30			
	2002		2001	_	2002	_	2001	
Sales	\$ 671.5 million	•	646.4 million		1,901.5 million	\$	1,850.5 million	
Segment income (loss)	\$ 14.5 million	\$	14.2 million	\$	37.3 million	\$	(27.8) million	
Segment income before								
nonroutine items	\$ 14.5 million	\$	14.2 million	\$	37.3 million	\$	31.1 million	
Sales Volumes								
Plywood (1,000 sq. ft. 3/8" basis)	460,952		453,769		1,364,125		1,388,221	
OSB (1,000 sq. ft. 3/8" basis) (a)	107,176		90,259		305,610		280,884	
Lumber (1,000 board ft.)	99,858		93,968		304,224		304,338	
LVL (100 cubic ft.)	20,879		18,016		59,618		52,170	
I-joists (1,000 equivalent lineal ft.)	46,954		41,924		129,051		123,805	
Particleboard (1,000 sq. ft. 3/4" basis)	47,617		49,518		148,548		147,847	
Building materials distribution								
(sales dollars)	\$ 470 million	\$	443 million	\$	1,309 million	\$	1,237 million	
Average Net Selling Prices (b)								
Plywood (1,000 sq. ft. 3/8" basis)	\$ 227	\$	247	\$	232	\$	238	
OSB (1,000 sq. ft. 3/8" basis)	127		142		131		132	
Lumber (1,000 board ft.)	470		459		472		444	
LVL (100 cubic ft.)	1,498		1,471		1,491		1,509	
I-ioists (1.000 equivalent lineal ft.)	890		900		890		898	

Particleboard (1,000 sq. ft. 3/4" basis) 254 245 244 250

- (a) Includes 100% of the sales of Voyageur Panel, of which we own 47%.
- (b) Gross invoice price less trade discounts and freight costs.

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**Nonroutine Items**. In February 2001, we announced the permanent closure of our plywood and lumber operations in Emmett, Idaho, and our sawmill in Cascade, Idaho, due to the significant decline in federal timber offered for sale. We completed these closures in second quarter 2001, and 373 positions were eliminated. In first quarter 2001, we recorded a pretax charge of \$54.0 million related to these closures. Sales for our Idaho operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2001, were \$59.4 million. Our operating loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2001, was \$5.5 million.

In addition, in first quarter 2001, we wrote off our investment in assets in Chile with a pretax charge of \$4.9 million. We recorded both of these charges in our Boise Building Solutions segment and in "Other (income) expense, net" in the Statement of Loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2001.

Restructuring reserve liability account activity related to these 2001 charges is as follows:

	Asset Write- Downs	Employee- Related Costs	Other Exit Costs	Total	
		(thousands)			
2001 expense recorded	\$ 21,300	\$ 15,000	\$ 22,600	\$ 58,900	
Assets written down	(21,300)	-	-	(21,300)	
Pension liability recorded	-	(9,600)	-	(9,600)	
Charges against reserve	-	(5,000)	(10,100)	(15,100)	
Restructuring reserve at December 31, 2001	-	400	12,500	12,900	
Proceeds from sales of assets	-	-	1,500	1,500	
Charges against reserve	-	(300)	(6,200)	(6,500)	
Restructuring reserve at September 30, 2002	- \$	\$ 100	\$ 7,800	\$ 7,900	
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Asset write-downs were for plant and equipment at the closed Idaho facilities and the write-off of our equity investment in and related receivables from a joint venture in Chile. Employee-related costs include pension curtailment costs from the shutdowns of the Idaho facilities and severance costs. Other exit costs include tear-down and environmental cleanup costs related to the Idaho facilities and reserves for contractual obligations with no future benefit. We estimate that approximately \$2.0 million of the remaining reserve balance will be spent in 2002, with the rest spent in 2003. The restructuring reserve liabilities are included in "Accrued liabilities, other" in the accompanying Balance Sheets.

Operating Results Before Nonroutine Items. The increase in sales in both periods of 2002, compared with 2001, was primarily due to stronger sales in engineered wood products and building materials distribution. Third-quarter sales were also favorably impacted by increased unit sales volumes. In third quarter 2002, sales of engineered wood products increased 17%, while year-to-date sales of engineered wood products increased 9%. Third-quarter and year-to-date building materials distribution sales increased 6%, while physical volumes increased 10% and 3%, respectively. Third-quarter oriented strand board, plywood, and lumber sales volumes were 19%, 2%, and 6% higher than a year ago. Year-to-date oriented strand board unit sales volume increased 9%, plywood unit sales volume decreased 2%, and lumber unit sales volumes were flat. These sales increases were partially offset by decreased plywood and oriented strand board prices in both periods of 2002, compared with 2001. Third quarter average pl ywood and oriented strand board prices declined 8% and 11%, respectively, while year-over-year average plywood and oriented strand board prices declined 3% and 1%, respectively. Average prices for our mix of lumber products, which is mostly ponderosa pine appearance and industrial grades, increased 2% and 6% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002, compared with the same periods in 2001.

Segment income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2002, increased from the same periods in 2001, due to the increased sales of engineered wood products and building materials distribution discussed above and favorable wood costs. Third quarter 2002 was also favorably affected by the increased unit sales volumes discussed above.

#### **BOISE PAPER SOLUTIONS**

		nths Ended mber 30		Nine Months Ended September 30		
	2002	2001	2002	2001		
Sales Segment income (loss)	\$ 485.2 million \$ 17.2 million	\$ 486.1 million \$ 15.3 million	• •	\$ 1,468.3 million \$ 64.5 million		

#### **Sales Volumes**

(thousands of short tons)

Uncoated free Sheet	304	330	±,∪o∋	1,∪3∠
Containerboard	168	172	495	479
Newsprint	110	101	305	280
Other	37	45	148	116
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	679	654	2,037	1,907
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Average Net Selling Prices (a)				
(per short ton)				
Uncoated free sheet	\$ 722	\$ 736	\$ 715	\$ 752
Containerboard	351	376	337	383
Newsprint	367	485	361	502

(a) Gross invoice price less trade discounts and freight cost.

Operating Results. Boise Paper Solutions sales were flat for the three months ended September 30, 2002, compared with the same period in 2001. Weighted average paper prices declined on average \$33 per ton, or 6%. The price decrease was offset by a 4% increase in unit sales volume. The 3% decrease in sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2002, compared with the same period in 2001, was the result of a 9% decrease in weighted average net selling prices, partially offset by a 7% increase in unit sales volume. During third quarter 2002, we took approximately 16,000 tons of market-related curtailment, compared with 47,000 tons during third quarter 2001, and 108,000 tons for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001.

The 12% increase in segment income for the three months ended September 30, 2002, compared with the same period in 2001, was due to the increased sales volume discussed above and a 4% decrease in unit manufacturing costs. Fixed and variable manufacturing costs decreased 2% and 7%, respectively. The largest cost improvements resulted from falling energy and chemical costs. These favorable results were partially offset by the 6% decline in weighted average paper prices. Segment income decreased 76% for the nine months ended September 30, 2002, compared with the same period in 2001, due to lower weighted average paper prices. The lower weighted average paper prices were partially offset by the increased unit sales volume and lower unit manufacturing costs discussed above. Year-to-date unit manufacturing costs decreased 5%, compared with the prior year. The largest cost improvements year-to-date resulted from falling fiber and energy costs.

#### FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY

**Operating Activities.** For the first nine months of 2002, operations provided \$223.2 million in cash, compared with \$273.4 million for the same period in 2001. For the nine months ended September 30, 2002, net income items provided \$230.4 million of cash, and unfavorable changes in working capital items used \$7.2 million. For the first nine months of 2001, net income items provided \$284.9 million of cash, and unfavorable working capital items used \$11.5 million.

We are required to make minimum contributions to our pension plans and, in some years, we make additional discretionary contributions. For 2002, the required minimum contribution was \$1 million. In third quarter 2002, we made cash contributions to our pension plans totaling \$48 million, compared with \$17.7 million in third quarter 2001. In 2003, the required minimum contribution to our pension plans is estimated to be approximately \$26 million. However, we expect to make contributions to the plans of approximately \$80 million to \$120 million during the course of the year. See "Critical Accounting Policies" for further information.

Our current ratio was 1.28:1 at September 30, 2002, and 0.89:1 at September 30, 2001, compared with 0.98:1 at December 31, 2001. The change in the current ratio is primarily the result of the reclassification of our revolving credit debt to long-term debt with the signing of a new agreement that expires in 2005.

**Investing Activities**. Cash expenditures for property and equipment, timber and timberlands, and investments in equity affiliates totaled \$154.3 million for the first nine months of 2002 and \$231.2 million for the same period in 2001. In 2001, we received a final payment, net of forward exchange contracts, of \$159.6 million for the note receivable from the sale of our European office products operations, which we used to reduce debt. As a result, net cash used for investment was \$176.1 million for the first nine months of 2002 and \$103.1 million for the same period in 2001.

We expect our capital investment in 2002 to be \$250 million to \$270 million, excluding acquisitions. These amounts include approximately \$20 million for our environmental compliance program. In 2001, we began construction of a new facility in Elma, Washington, to manufacture wood-plastic composite building products. The total cost of this facility is expected to be approximately \$93 million. We have spent \$82 million to date. The balance will be spent by the end of first quarter 2003, when start-up is scheduled to begin.

In October 2002, we acquired assets of Mendocino Forest Products Company, LLC, relating to the wholesale building products distribution and reload operation in Riverside, California, for \$6.1 million.

The balance of our capital spending will be for quality and efficiency projects, replacement, and modest purchases of timber and timberlands.

**Financing Activities**. Cash used for financing was \$14.3 million for the first nine months of 2002 and \$163.3 million for the first nine months of 2001. Dividend payments totaled \$33.6 million for the first nine months of 2002 and 2001. In both years, our quarterly dividend was 15 cents per common share.

Changes in short-term borrowings represent net changes in notes payable. Additions to long-term debt for the nine months ended September 30, 2002, included \$150 million of 7.5% notes due in 2008, a \$20 million floating-rate term loan, and \$62 million in medium-term notes. Payments of long-term debt in this period included \$125 million of 9.85% notes, \$32.5 million for industrial revenue bonds, a net \$20 million under our revolving credit agreement, repayment of \$15.5 million of bank debt for our Australian operations, and repayment of \$2.3 million of medium-term notes. Additions to long-term debt for the nine months ended September 30, 2001, included \$14.6 million of bank debt for our Australian operations. Payments of long-term debt in this period included \$125.0 million under our revolving credit agreement and repayment of \$30.0 million of medium-term notes.

At September 30, 2002 and 2001, we had \$1.6 billion and \$1.8 billion of debt outstanding. At December 31, 2001, we had \$1.6 billion of debt outstanding. Our debt-to-equity ratio was 1.02:1 at September 30, 2002 and 2001. Our debt-to-equity ratio was 1.00:1 at December 31, 2001.

In March 2002, we entered into a three-year, unsecured revolving credit agreement with 14 major financial institutions. The agreement permits us to borrow as much as \$560 million at variable interest rates based on either the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) or the prime rate. The borrowing capacity under the agreement can be expanded to a maximum of \$600 million. The revolving credit agreement replaces a similar agreement that was to expire in June 2002. Borrowings of \$180 million under the old agreement were repaid. Borrowings under the new agreement were \$230 million at September 30, 2002. At September 30, 2002, our borrowing rate under the agreement was 2.8%. We have entered into interest rate swaps related to \$150 million of these borrowings, which gave us an effective interest rate for outstanding borrowings under the revolving credit agreement of 4.8% at

September 30, 2002. The revolving credit agreement contains customary conditions to borrowing, i ncluding compliance with financial covenants relating to minimum net worth, minimum interest coverage ratio, and ceiling ratio of debt to capitalization. Under this agreement, the payment of dividends depends on the existence and amount of net worth in excess of the defined minimum. Our net worth at September 30, 2002, exceeded the defined minimum by \$289.4 million. When the agreement expires in June 2005, any amount outstanding will be due and payable.

In March 2002, we entered into an interest rate swap with a notional amount of \$50 million with respect to \$50 million of fixed-rate \$150 million 7.05% debentures. This swap converts \$50 million of this fixed-rate debt to variable-rate debt based on six-month LIBOR plus approximately 2.2%. At September 30, 2002, the interest rate was 4.3%. This swap expires in May 2005.

In January 2002, we sold \$150 million of 7.5% notes due in 2008. We used proceeds from this sale to reduce amounts outstanding under our revolving credit agreement and short-term debt.

At September 30, 2002 and 2001, we had \$37.1 million and \$51.6 million of short-term borrowings outstanding. The maximum amounts of combined short-term borrowings outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, were \$304.5 million and \$126.9 million. The average amounts of short-term borrowings outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, were \$52.3 million and \$55.1 million. The average interest rates for these borrowings were 2.5% for 2002 and 5.0% for 2001.

At September 30, 2002, we had \$193 million of unused borrowing capacity registered with the SEC for additional debt securities. In addition, a registration statement filed with the SEC covering \$500 million in universal shelf capacity became effective in April 2002. Under this registration statement, we may offer and sell in one or more offerings common stock, preferred stock, debt securities, warrants, and/or purchase contracts.

Additional information about our credit agreements and debt is in Note 9 accompanying our financial statements.

Our cash requirements going forward will be funded through a combination of cash flow from operations, borrowings under our existing credit facilities, issuance of new debt or equity securities, and possible sales of assets.

We believe inflation has not had a material effect on our financial condition or results of operations; however, there can be no assurance that we will not be affected by inflation in the future. Our overall sales are not subject to significant seasonal variations.

#### **NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS**

In July 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 141, Business Combinations, and SFAS No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets. The provisions of Statement No. 141 became effective July 1, 2001. The provisions of Statement No. 142 became effective January 1, 2002. Statement No. 141 had little impact on us. We have used the purchase method to account for recent acquisitions, which is continued under the new standard. Statement No. 142 requires us to assess our acquired goodwill for impairment annually. We completed our initial assessment, in accordance with the provisions of the standard, in second quarter 2002, and there was no impairment. Also in accordance with the provisions of this standard, we stopped amortizing goodwill January 1, 2002. Amortization of goodwill for the nine months ended September 30, 2001, increased net loss for that period \$6.4 million, or 12 cents per basic and diluted share.

In August 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 143, Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations. This statement addresses financial accounting and reporting obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets and the associated asset retirement costs. Under the new statement, we will record both an initial asset and a liability for estimated costs of legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets. The initial asset will be depreciated over the expected useful life of the asset. This statement will change our accounting for landfill closure costs. We currently accrue the estimated costs of closure over the expected useful life of the landfill. These costs have not been material in any individual year. We are assessing the impact of this statement on our results of operations and financial position. This statement must be adopted January 1, 2003.

In August 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 144, Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets. This statement addresses financial accounting and reporting for the impairment or disposal of long-lived assets. We adopted this statement January 1, 2002. It had no impact on our results of operations or financial position.

In July 2002, the FASB issued SFAS No. 146, Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities. This statement addresses financial reporting and accounting for exit and disposal costs. When we adopt this statement on January 1, 2003, it will have no effect on our results of operations or financial position.

#### TIMBER SUPPLY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

For information on timber supply and environmental issues, see our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001, Exhibit 13.1, Financial Review.

#### **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

For information on critical accounting policies, see our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001, our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31 and June 30, 2002, Exhibit 13.1, Financial Review, and the information described below.

Pensions. Most of our United States employees are covered by noncontributory defined benefit pension plans. We account for these costs in accordance with SFAS No. 87, Employer's Accounting for Pensions. That statement requires us to calculate our pension expense and liabilities using actuarial assumptions, including a discount rate assumption and a long-term asset return assumption. For 2002, our discount rate assumption is 7.25%, and our long-term asset return assumption is 9.25%, approximately equal to our long-term historical returns. Using these assumptions, we estimate that our 2002 pension expense will be approximately \$32 million, following \$11.1 million of expense in 2001. If weak equity market performance continues in 2002, inflation remains low, and we decrease our long-term asset return assumption for 2003 to 8.5%, we would expect our 2003 expense to increase to approximately \$75 million to \$85 million.

Plan contributions include required minimums and, in some years, additional discretionary amounts. For 2002, the required minimum contribution was \$1 million. In third quarter 2002, we made cash contributions to our pension plans totaling \$48 million, compared with \$17.7 million in third quarter 2001. In 2003, the required minimum contribution to our pension plans is estimated to be approximately \$26 million. However, we expect to make contributions to the plans of approximately \$80 million to \$120 million during the course of the year.

The amount of required minimum pension liability is determined based on the value of plan assets in comparison to the plans' accrued benefit obligation. Because of a negative return on plan assets in 2001, our minimum liability increased significantly, resulting in a decrease of \$109.4 million in shareholders' equity in "Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)." This adjustment to the minimum pension liability was a noncash charge and did not affect net income in 2001. Assuming that U.S. equity markets remain weak and that we reduce our discount rate assumption for 2003, we would expect to record an additional increase in our minimum pension liability and a net-of-tax decrease of \$180 million to \$220 million in shareholders' equity on December 31, 2002. Again, these adjustments will be noncash charges and will not affect net income in 2002.

### OUTLOOK

Assuming that the U.S. economy continues to strengthen, however slowly, Boise's financial performance should continue to improve.

In the near term, year-over-year same-store sales comparisons in Boise Office Solutions have turned positive and should continue to be positive as the economy strengthens and purchases of furniture and office supplies increase. We've added sales staff and reduced operating staff in order to grow sales and control costs at the same time. Assuming our sales mix doesn't change, we expect operating margins to range between 3% and 4% in the fourth quarter.

In Boise Building Solutions, we're heading into the slower time of the year with oversupplied markets. As a result, we expect weaker product prices, lower volumes, and higher manufacturing costs. Boise Building Solutions' financial performance will decline in the fourth quarter from the third-quarter level.

Boise Paper Solutions should post stronger results in the fourth quarter because of gradually tightening uncoated free sheet markets, positive benefits of price increases implemented throughout the third quarter in containerboard and newsprint, and our continued focus on reducing costs.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, including the Outlook section, includes statements concerning our expectations about our future events and performance. These are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The accuracy of these statements is subject to a number of risks, uncertainties, and assumptions that may cause our actual results to differ materially from our expectations. Factors that could cause actual results to differ from our expectations include, among other things:

- the activity of our competitors and the impact of such activity on production capacity and customer demand across pulp, paper, and wood products markets;
- 1 changes in the general economic conditions, including the level of interest rates and housing starts;
- 1 changes in foreign economies and competition, which tends to effect the level of imports and exports of paper and wood products;
- <sup>1</sup> market demand for our products, which may be tied to the relative strength of various business segments - for instance, the level of white-collar employment may affect customer demand for office supplies, technology products, and furniture;
- 1 the performance of our manufacturing operations and the amount of capital required to maintain these operations;
- 1 changes in the banking markets, which can impact the cost of our financing activities;
- variations in the performance of the financial markets, which could cause us to re-evaluate the assumptions we use in determining pension plan funding requirements and our contributions to those plans:
- the effect of forestry, land use, environmental, and other governmental laws and regulations, and the impact of these regulations on our cost structure;
- <sup>1</sup> changes in the price or availability of raw materials, including energy; and
- <sup>1</sup> fires, floods, and other catastrophic events beyond our control.

We cannot determine which, if any, of these factors might affect the expectations we have made in this filing. We undertake no obligation to update any of the forward-looking statements within this filing after the date of this report.

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

Changes in interest and currency rates expose the company to financial market risk. Our debt is predominantly fixed-rate. We experience only modest changes in interest expense when market interest rates change. Most foreign currency transactions are conducted in local currencies, limiting our exposure to changes in currency rates. Consequently, our market risk-sensitive instruments do not subject us to material market risk exposure. Changes in our debt structure and international expansion could increase these risks. To manage volatility relating to these exposures, we may enter into various derivative transactions, such as interest rate swaps, rate hedge agreements, forward purchase contracts, and forward exchange contracts. We do not use derivative financial instruments for trading purposes.

In March 2002, we entered into an interest rate swap with a notional amount of \$50 million. This swap converts \$50 million of fixed-rate \$150 million 7.05% debentures to variable-rate debt based on six-month LIBOR plus approximately 2.2%. The effective interest rate at September 30, 2002, was 4.3%. The swap expires in May 2005. This swap is designated as a fair value hedge of a proportionate amount of the fixed-rate debentures. The swap and the proportionate amount of debentures are marked to market, with changes in the fair value of the instruments recorded in income (loss). These swaps were fully effective in hedging the changes in fair value; accordingly, changes in the fair value of these instruments had no net impact on our reported loss in the current period.

In January and August 2002, we entered into swaps for electricity that convert 40 and 36 megawatts of usage in the Northwest to a fixed rate. The swaps expire at the end of 2002 and 2003, respectively. In January 2002, we also entered into natural gas swaps that convert 6,000 MMBtu per day of natural gas usage to a fixed price. These swaps expire in March 2003. These swaps are designated as cash flow hedges. Accordingly, the changes in fair value of these swaps, net of taxes, are recorded in "Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)" in our Balance Sheets.

Our forward exchange contracts with a notional amount of 160 million New Zealand dollars matured in February 2002 and were not renewed. Valuation gains and losses on these contracts were recognized in income (loss) as they occurred.

We are exposed to modest credit-related risks in the event of nonperformance by counterparties to our swaps. However, we do not expect the counterparties, which are all major institutions, to fail to meet their obligations.

#### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

(a) Within ninety days prior to filing this report, the chief executive officer and chief financial officer directed and supervised an evaluation of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The evaluation was conducted to determine whether the company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective in bringing material information about the company to the attention of senior management. Based on that evaluation, our chief executive officer and chief financial officer concluded that the company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective in alerting them in a timely manner to material information that the company is required to disclose in its filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Since our evaluation, we have made no significant changes in the design or operation of our internal controls. Likewise, we have not taken corrective actions or made changes to other factors that could significantly affect the design or operation of these controls.

#### **PART II - OTHER INFORMATION**

#### ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

See our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001, and our quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2002, for information concerning other legal proceedings.

ITEM 2. CHANGES IN SECURITIES

None.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

None.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

Our SEC filings are available online at www.bc.com, Investor Relations, SEC filings.

#### ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

(a) Exhibits.

Required exhibits are listed in the Index to Exhibits and are incorporated by reference.

(b) Reports on Form 8-K.

None.

#### **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.

**BOISE CASCADE CORPORATION** 

/s/ Thomas E. Carlile

Thomas E. Carlile
Vice President and Controller
(As Duly Authorized Officer and
Chief Accounting Officer)

Date: November 12, 2002

### CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14 PROMULGATED UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED

- I, George J. Harad, chief executive officer of Boise Cascade Corporation, certify that:
  - 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Boise Cascade Corporation;
  - 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;

- 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; 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 functions): 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 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. Date: November 12, 2002 /s/ George J. Harad George J. Harad Chief Executive Officer CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14 PROMULGATED UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED I, Theodore Crumley, chief financial officer of Boise Cascade Corporation, certify that: 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Boise Cascade Corporation; 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; 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
  - 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:

and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;

- 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;
- 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
- 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 functions):
  - 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.

Date: November 12, 2002

/s/ Theodore Crumley

Theodore Crumley Chief Financial Officer

#### BOISE CASCADE CORPORATION INDEX TO EXHIBITS Filed With the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2002

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## BOISE CASCADE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES Computation of Per-Share Earnings

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Mon Septen	
	2002	2001	2002	2001
		(thousands, exce	ept per-share amounts	 S)
Basic				
Net income (loss)	\$ 8,510	\$ 14,980	\$ 5,133	\$ (841)
Preferred dividends (a)	(3,262)	(3,138)	(9,812)	(9,604)
Basic income (loss)	\$ 5,248	<b>\$ 11,842</b>	\$ (4,679)	\$ (10,445)
	======	======	======	======
Average shares used to determine basic income (loss) per common share	58,269	57,831	58,194	57,558
	======	======	======	======
Basic income (loss) per common share	\$ 0.09 =====	\$ 0.21 ======	\$ (0.08) ======	\$ (0.18) ======
Diluted				
Basic income (loss)	\$ 5,248	\$ 11,842	\$ (4,679)	\$ (10,445)
Preferred dividends eliminated	3,262	3,138	9,812	9,604
Supplemental ESOP contribution	(2,925)	(2,580)	(8,822)	(7,944)
Diluted income (loss)	\$ 5,585	\$ 12,400	\$ (3,689)	\$ (8,785)
	======	======	=====	======
Average shares used to determine basic income (loss) per common share	58,269	57,831	58,194	57,558
Stock options and other	239	484	424	487
Series D Convertible Preferred Stock	3,499	3,644	3,539	3,691
Average shares used to determine diluted income (loss) per common share	62,007 =====	61,959 =====	62,157 ======	61,736 =====
Diluted income (loss) per common share	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.20	<b>\$ (0.06</b> ) (b)	<b>\$ (0.14)</b> (b)

<sup>(</sup>a) The dividend attributable to the company's Series D Convertible Preferred Stock held by the company's ESOP (employee stock ownership plan) is net of a tax benefit.

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<sup>(</sup>b) For the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, the computation of diluted net loss per share was antidilutive; therefore, amounts reported for basic and diluted loss were the same.

# BOISE CASCADE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

	Year Ended December 31						Nine Months Ended September 30			
	1997	199	8	1999	2000	2001	2001		2002	
					(thousa	nds)		-		
Interest costs	\$ 137,350	\$ 159	,870 \$	\$ 146,124	\$ 152,322	\$ 128,970	\$ 98,797	\$	90,285	
Guarantee of interest on ESOP debt	16,341	14	,671	12,856	10,880	8,732	6,638		4,906	
Interest capitalized during the period	10,575	1	,341	238	1,458	1,945	1,174		3,776	
Interest factor related to noncapitalized leases (a)	11,931	11	,308	13,065	13,394	11,729	8,598		8,178	
Adjustable conversion-rate equity security unit distributions						947			9,908	
Total fixed charges	\$ 176,197 ======	\$ <b>187</b>	 ,190	\$ 172,283 ======	\$ 178,054 ======	\$ 152,323 ======	\$ 115,207	\$	117,053	
Income (loss) before income taxes, minority interest, and cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ (28,930)	\$ (16	,878) \$	\$ 355,940	\$ 298,331	\$ (47,611)	\$ (4,781)	\$	(12,164)	
Undistributed (earnings) losses of less than 50%- owned entities, net of distributions received	5.180	3	791	(6,115)	(2,061)	8.039	5.527		2,354	
Total fixed charges	176,197		,190	172,283	178,054	152,323	115,207		117,053	
Less: Interest capitalized	(10,575)		341)	(238)			(1,174)	,	(3,776)	
Guarantee of interest on ESOP debt	(16,341)	•	,671)	(12,856)	(10,880)	, ,	(6,638)		(4,906)	
Total earnings before fixed charges	\$ 125,531	\$ 158	,091	\$ 509,014	\$ 461,986	\$ 102,074	\$ 108,141	•	98,561	
	======	====	===	======	======	======	======	=	=====	
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	-		-	2.95	2.59	-	-		-	
Excess of fixed charges over earnings before fixed charges	\$ 50,666	\$ 29	,099 \$	\$	\$	\$ 50,249	\$ 7,066	\$	18,492	

<sup>(</sup>a) Interest expense for operating leases with terms of one year or longer is based on an imputed interest rate for each lease.

#### BOISE CASCADE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES Ratio of Earnings to Combined Fixed Charges and Preferred Dividend Requirements

		Year E		Nine Months Ended September 30			
	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2001	2002
				(thousa	nds)		
Interest costs	\$ 137,350	\$ 159,870	\$ 146,124	\$ 152,322	\$ 128,970	\$ 98,797 \$	90,285
Interest capitalized during the period	10,575	1,341	238	1,458	1,945	1,174	3,776
Interest factor related to noncapitalized leases (a)	11,931	11,308	13,065	13,394	11,729	8,598	8,178
Adjustable conversion-rate equity security unit distributions					947		9,908
Total fixed charges	159,856	172,519	159,427	167,174	143,591	108,569	112,147
Preferred stock dividend requirements - pretax	44,686	19,940	17,129	16,019	15,180	15,075	14,441
Combined fixed charges and preferred							
dividend requirements	\$ 204,542 ======	\$ 192,459 ======	<b>\$ 176,556</b>	\$ 183,193 ======	\$ 158,771 ======	\$ 123,644 \$ ======	126,588 ======
Income (loss) before income taxes, minority interest, and cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ (28,930)	\$ (16,878)	\$ 355,940	\$ 298,331	\$ (47,611)	\$ (4,781) \$	
Undistributed (earnings) losses of less than 50%- owned entities, net of distributions received	5,180	3,791	(6,115)	(2,061)	8,039	5,527	2,354
Total fixed charges	159,856	172,519	159,427	167,174	143,591	108,569	112,147
Less interest capitalized	(10,575)	•	· ·	-		(1,174)	(3,776)
Total earnings before fixed charges	\$ 125,531 ======	\$ 158,091 ======	\$ 509,014 ======	\$ 461,986 ======	\$ 102,074 ======	\$ 108,141 \$ =====	98,561 =====
Ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred dividend requirements			2.88	2.52			
Excess of combined fixed charges and preferred dividend requirements over total earnings before fixed charges	\$ 79,011	\$ 34,368	\$	\$	\$ 56,697	\$ 15,503 \$	28,027

<sup>(</sup>a) Interest expense for operating leases with terms of one year or longer is based on an imputed interest rate for each lease.

### CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OF **BOISE CASCADE CORPORATION**

We are providing this Certificate pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, 18 U.S.C., Section 1350. It accompanies Boise Cascade Corporation's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2002.

- I, George J. Harad, Boise Cascade Corporation's chief executive officer, certify that:
- the Form 10-Q fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a) or 78o(d)); and
- the information contained in the Form 10-O fairly presents, in all material respects, Boise Cascade Corporation's financial condition and results of operations.

/s/ George J. Harad George J. Harad Chief Executive Officer

- I, Theodore Crumley, Boise Cascade Corporation's chief financial officer, certify that:
- the Form 10-Q fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a) or 78o(d)); and
- the information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, Boise Cascade Corporation's financial condition and results of operations.

/s/ Theodore Crumley Theodore Crumley

Chief Financial Officer

Dated: November 12, 2002