OM GROUP INC Form 10-Q/A December 24, 2003

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q/A

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2003 Commission File Number 0-22572

OM GROUP, INC.

(exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (state or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

52-1736882 (I.R.S., Employer Identification Number)

Tower City
50 Public Square
Suite 3500
Cleveland, Ohio 44113-2204
(Address of principal executive offices)
(zip code)

(216) 781-0083 (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.

165 <u>A</u> NO
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934)
Yes <u>X</u> No <u></u>
Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer s classes of common stock, as of March 31, 2003: Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value 28,354,804 shares.

Part I Financial Information Item 1 Financial Statements

OM GROUP, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Thousands of dollars, except share data) (Unaudited)

March 31, 2003 December 31, 2002

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents \$14,026 \$11,650 Accounts receivable 121,150 99,632 Inventories 308,820 304,654 Other current assets 75,935 90,365

Total Current Assets 519,931 506,301 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Land
5,437 5,420
Buildings and improvements
178,950 178,373
Machinery and equipment
497,781 507,185
Furniture and fixtures
15,809 15,822

697,977 706,800 Less accumulated depreciation 210,196 201,571 487,781 505,229 OTHER ASSETS

Goodwill and other intangible assets 188,872 189,178 Other assets 99,970 91,451 Assets of discontinued operations 1,045,955 1,046,977

TOTAL ASSETS \$2,342,509 \$2,339,136

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Current portion of long-term debt \$7,000 \$6,750 Accounts payable 102,759 95,685 Other accrued expenses 59,644 53,519

Total Current Liabilities 169,403 155,954 LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Long-term debt
1,167,800 1,187,650
Deferred income taxes
62,986 64,136
Other long-term liabilities and minority interests
61,240 64,820
Liabilities of discontinued operations
408,339 396,691
STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value:

Authorized 2,000,000 shares; no shares issued or outstanding

Common stock, \$0.01 par value:		
Authorized 60,000,000 shares; issued 28,402,163 shares in 2003 and 2002 284 284		
Capital in excess of par value 490,741 490,741		
Retained deficit		
(24,566) (17,943) Treasury stock (47,359 shares in 2003		
and 2002, at cost)		
(2,255) (2,255) Accumulated other comprehensive		
income		
11,263 2,008 Unearned compensation		
(2,726) (2,950)		
Total Stockholders Equity		
472,741 469,885		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND		
STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY		
\$2,342,509 \$2,339,136		

OM GROUP, INC. CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED OPERATIONS

(Thousands of dollars, except per share data) (Unaudited)

Three Months Ended March 31,

	1714	ii cii 51,
	2003	20
Net sales Cost of products sold	\$213,787	\$172
183,350 122,836		
		
30,437 49,186		
Selling, general and administrative expenses		
25,662 22,065		
		
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS		
4,775 27,121 OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)		
Interest expense (10,211) (6,687)		
Foreign exchange loss		
(2,461) (299) Investment and other income, net		
433 (53)		
(12,239) (7,039)		
INCOME (LOSS) FROM		
INCOME (LUSS) FROM		

CONTINUING OPERATIONS
BEFORE INCOME TAXES AND

MINORITY INTERESTS (7,464) 20,082 Income tax (benefit) expense (1,972) 8,506 Minority interests 62 (46) INCOME (LOSS) FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS (5,554) 11,622 INCOME (LOSS) FROM DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS, NET OF TAX (1,069) 11,746 NET INCOME (LOSS) \$(6,623) \$23,368 Net income (loss) per common share basic Continuing operations \$(0.20) \$0.43 Discontinued operations \$(0.03) \$0.43 Net income (loss) \$(0.23) \$0.86 Net income (loss) per common share assuming dilution Continuing operations \$(0.20) \$0.42 Discontinued operations \$(0.03) \$0.43

Net income (loss) \$(0.23) \$0.85 Weighted average shares outstanding (000)

Basic
28,303 27,109
Assuming dilution
28,303 27,567
Dividends paid per common share
\$ \$0.14

See notes to condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

OM GROUP, INC. CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOWS

(Thousands of dollars) (Unaudited)

> Three Months Ended March 31,

2003

2002

OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Income (loss) from continuing operations \$(5,554) \$11,622
Items not affecting cash:

Depreciation and amortization 14,927 14,028
Foreign exchange loss 2,461 299
Minority interests 62 (46)
Restructuring and other charges, less cash spent 6,664
Changes in operating assets and liabilities (11,311) (6,542)

NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES 7,249 19,361 INVESTING ACTIVITIES

Expenditures for property, plant and equipment, net (1,295) (22,550)

NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES (1,295) (22,550) FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Payments of long-term debt (19,600) (225,805) Dividend payments

(3,946) Long-term and short-term borrowings 9,112 Proceeds from exercise of stock options 1,354 Proceeds from sale of common shares 225,805
NET CASH (USED IN) PROVIDED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES (19,600) 6,520
Cash (used in) provided by continuing operations (13,646) 3,331 Cash provided by (used in) discontinued operations 14,453 (4,361) Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents 1,569 (1,298)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents 2,376 (2,328) Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period 11,650 18,681
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period \$14,026 \$16,353

See notes to condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

OM GROUP, INC.

Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) March 31, 2003

(Thousands of dollars, except as noted and per share amounts)

Basis of Presentation

Note A The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted

accounting principles for

interim financial

information and

with the instructions to

Form 10-Q.

Accordingly,

they do not

include all of

the information

and footnotes

required by

generally

accepted

accounting

principles for

complete

financial

statements. In

the opinion of

management,

all adjustments

(consisting of

normal

recurring

accruals)

considered

necessary for a fair financial

presentation

have been

included. Past

operating

results are not

necessarily

indicative of

the results

which may

occur in future

periods, and the interim period results are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. This Form 10-Q/A amends the Form 10-Q related to the first quarter of 2003 as filed by the Company on May 14, 2003 for the following matters. On July 31, 2003, the Company completed the sale of its Precious Metals business (PMG business) to Umicore for 697 million (approximately \$814 million) in cash. The PMG business was comprised of the Precious Metal Chemistry and Metal Management segments, which were acquired by the Company from Degussa in

August 2001. The PMG

business was reported as a continuing operation in the Form 10-Q for the first quarter of 2003, as filed on May 14, 2003. In June 2003, the PMG business met the criteria for a discontinued operation under SFAS No. 144 and, accordingly, the results of the business were reclassified to discontinued operations in the Form 10-Q for the 2003 second quarter. On July 29, 2003, the Company filed a Form 8-K with Statements of Consolidated Operations for each of the quarterly periods included in the year ended December 31, 2002 and the six months ended June 30, 2003, reclassified to present the results of the PMG business as a discontinued operation for all periods. Accordingly, this Form 10-Q/A also presents the PMG business as a discontinued operation, since the quarterly

results contained

previously been presented in such fashion in such Form 8-K During the third quarter of 2003, the Company determined that certain restructuring and other charges of \$4.7 million more appropriately relate to the first quarter of 2003, and therefore the condensed consolidated financial statements contained herein have been amended to reflect these changes. In addition, during the fourth quarter of 2002, the Company shut down the U.S. manufacturing operations of the Fidelity electroless nickel business in Newark, New Jersey, and accounted for it as a discontinued operation. During the third quarter of 2003, the Company concluded that the revenue streams for this business have sufficiently continued through tolling arrangements with outside processors, and, accordingly, has reclassified

herein have

these results to continuing operations for all periods presented in this Form 10-Q/A. The operating results of this business are summarized as follows (in millions):

Three Months Ended March 31,

2003	2002
\$4.4	\$5.5

Net sales Operating loss(a) (3.3) (0.3)

(a) Operating loss for the three months ended March 31, 2003 includes restructuring and other charges of \$1.6 million.

Note B Restructuring and Other Charges and Discontinued Operations

During the first quarter of 2003, the Company recorded restructuring (\$4.5 million) and other (\$4.7 million) charges related to continuing operations of \$9.2 million. These charges, which represent the continuation of the Company s restructuring plan that commenced in the fourth quarter of 2002, are recorded in Cost of products sold (\$4.7 million) and Selling, general and administrative expenses (\$4.5 million)

in the

Condensed Statement of Consolidated Operations. Restructuring liabilities at December 31, 2002 related to continuing operations, charges taken in the first quarter of 2003, and amounts utilized in 2003 to date summarized as follows (in millions):

	Number of Employees	Workforce Reductions	Asset write-downs	Facility Exit and Other	Total
Balance at 12/31/02	68	\$ 5.2	\$ 0	\$ 2.0	\$7.2
Charges in 2003					
11 0.7 2.2 1.6 4.5					
Utilized in 2003					
(74) (2.6) (2.2) (1.2) (6.0)					

Balance at 3/31/03 5 \$3.3 \$0 \$2.4 \$5.7

In connection with the first quarter 2003 restructuring activities, the Company also recorded charges of \$5.6 million related to discontinued operations primarily to adjust these operations to their estimated net realizable value upon disposal.

Results of discontinued operations include the base metals businesses and facilities that were identified in 2002 as discontinued through sale or shut-down -- the SCM Metal Products business, and manufacturing facilities in St. George, Utah (tungsten reclamation/cobalt recycling) and Midland, Michigan (tungsten carbide fine powders). In addition, as discussed in Note A, the Company s Precious Metals business, which was sold on July 31, 2003, has also been presented as a discontinued operation in the accompanying financial statements. Operating results for discontinued operations for the respective periods ended March 31, which are included in Income (Loss) from Discontinued Operations on the Condensed Statements of Consolidated Operations, are summarized as follows (in millions):

	2003	2002
•	\$1,135.7	\$1.016.8

Net sales Operating income 17.7 26.3 Interest expense - allocated 15.1 10.9 Income tax benefit (0.1)

Note C Inventories

	March 31, 2003	December 31, 2002
Raw materials and supplies Finished goods 121,334 122,853	\$147,140	\$138,840
268,474 261,693 LIFO reserve 40,346 42,961		
Total inventories \$308,820 \$304,654		

Note D

Contingent Matters

The Company is a party to various legal proceedings incidental to its business and is subject to a variety of environmental and pollution control laws and regulations in the jurisdictions in which it operates. As is the case with other companies in

similar industries, the Company faces exposure from actual or potential claims and legal proceedings involving environmental matters. Although it is very difficult to quantify the potential impact of compliance with or liability under environmental protection laws, management believes that the ultimate aggregate cost to the Company of environmental remediation, as well as other legal proceedings arising out of operations in the normal course of business, will not result in a material adverse effect upon its financial condition or results of operations. In November 2002, the Company received notice that shareholder class action lawsuits were filed against it related to the decline in the Company s stock price after the third quarter 2002 earnings announcement.

The lawsuits allege virtually

identical claims

under

Sections 10(b)

and 20(a) of the

Securities

Exchange Act

of 1934 and

SEC

Rule 10b-5

against the

Company,

certain

executive

officers and the

Board of

Directors.

Plaintiffs seek

damages in an

unspecified

amount to

compensate

persons who

purchased the

Company s

stock between

November

2001 and

October 2002 at

allegedly

inflated market

prices. While

the ultimate

outcome of this

litigation

cannot be

determined at

this time,

management

believes that

these matters

will not have a

material

adverse effect

upon the

Company s

financial

condition or

results of

operations. In

addition, the

named

executive

officers, the Board of

Directors and

the Company

have Directors

& Officers and

Corporate

Liability

Insurance

available for

suchmatters. In October 2002, the Company was mentioned in a report issued by a United Nations panel focusing on companies and individuals operating in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and their alleged exploitation of the natural resources and other forms of wealth of the DRC. OM Group is not among the companies cited for financial sanctions in the report. As noted in the report, the Company s business in the DRC is comprised of a smelter plant, which is 55%-owned through a joint venture (Groupement Pour Le Traitement Du Terril De Lubumbashi) with the DRC state mining company (Gecamines) and a third party; as well as contractual arrangements and discussions

with

Gecamines and the third party with respect to the joint venture partners rights

to various feedstocks related to the smelter project. While the ultimate impact of this report cannot be determined at this time, management believes that this matter will not result in a material adverse effect upon the Company s financial condition or results of operations. Note \mathbf{E} Computation of Net Income (Loss) per Common Share The following table sets forth the computation of net income (loss) per common share and net income (loss) per common share assuming dilution (shares

in thousands):

Three Months Ended March 31,

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	2003	2002
Net income (loss)	\$ (6,623)	\$23,368
Weighted average number of shares outstanding Dilutive effect of stock options 458	28,303	27,109
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Weighted average number of shares outstanding assuming dilution

Note F Comprehensive Income

		Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2003	2002	
Net income (loss)	\$(6,623)	\$23,368	
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities 1,968 Foreign currency translation 9,501 4,758 Unrealized (loss) gain on cash flow hedges (246) 3,113			
Total comprehensive income			

Note G Stock Compensation-Adoption of SFAS No. 128 In

December 2002, SFAS No. 148, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation Transition and Disclosure, was issued. SFAS No. 148 amends SFAS No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation, to provide alternative methods of transition when a company voluntarily changes to the fair value-based method of recognizing expense in results of operations for stock-based employee compensation, including stock options granted to employees. Prior to 2003, the Company accounted for stock-based employee compensation under APB No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, and related Interpretations. Under APB 25, compensation expense has been recorded for restricted stock granted to certain executive officers, but no expense was recorded for stock options granted to employees, as all options had an intrinsic value of zero on the date of grant. During 2003, the Company voluntarily adopted, effective January 1, 2003, the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation. Under the prospective method of adoption selected by the Company under the provisions of SFAS No. 148, the recognition provisions will be applied to all employee awards granted, modified or settled after January 1, 2003. As such, net income

for 2003 will include expense for stock options granted to employees in 2003; there have been no such grants during the three months ended March 31, 2003. If the Company had previously elected to adopt the fair value provisions of SFAS No. 123 and thereby recorded compensation expense related to employee stock options, pro forma results of operations would have been as follows:

Three Months Ended March 31,

2003	2002
\$(6,623)	\$23,368

Net income (loss) as reported

Add: Stock-based employee compensation expense included in net income, net of tax 224 303
Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense using the fair value method for all awards, net of tax (296) (1,027)

Pro forma \$(6,695) \$22,644

Basic net income (loss) per share

As reported \$(0.23) \$0.86 Pro forma \$(0.24) \$0.84 Diluted net income (loss) per share

As reported \$(0.23) \$0.85 Pro forma \$(0.24) \$0.82

Note H

Income Taxes

The effective income tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2003 was a benefit of 26.4% compared to expense of 42.4% in the same period in 2002. The lower rate in 2003 is due primarily to valuation allowances related to losses in the United States.

Note I

On April 1, 2003, in connection with its restructuring

program, the Company

completed the sale of its copper

powders

business SCM

Metal

Products, Inc.

for proceeds of

\$65 million

less expenses.

The results of

this business

unit, which

had net sales

of \$22 million

for the three

months ended

March 31,

2003, are

included in

Loss from

Discontinued

Operations in

the Company s

Condensed

Statements of

Consolidated

Operations for

each

period. Note

J Business

Segment

Information

In connection with the sale

of the Precious

Metals

business,

which was

comprised of

its Precious

Metal

Subsequent Event

Chemistry and

Metal

Management

segments, the

Company

reorganized

how it

manages and

evaluates its

operations. As

a result of this

change, the

Company has

two reportable

segments: the

Cobalt Group

and the Nickel

Group.

Formerly,

these two

segments

comprised the

Company s

Base Metals

reportable

segment under

its prior

organizational

structure. The

information

for the first

quarter of

2003 and the

corresponding

2002 period

reflected in

this Form

10-Q/A has

been

reclassified to

conform to

this new

segment

presentation.

The Cobalt

Group derives

revenues from cobalt and

other

metal-based

organic,

inorganic,

powder and

metal

products. The

Nickel Group

derives

revenues from

nickel-based

organics,

powders and

metal

products. Transactions between segments, which are not material, are made on a basis intended to reflect the current market value of material. Differences between the reportable segments operating results and net assets and the Company s consolidated financial statements relate primarily to items held at the Corporate level. Segment financial information is as follows (in millions)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2003	2002
N . C I		
Net Sales	Φ 00.5	Φ 02.0
Cobalt Group	\$ 88.5	\$ 83.0
Nickel Group	125.3	89.0
Total Net Sales	\$213.8	\$172.0
Operating Profit		
Cobalt Group	\$ 3.7	\$ 19.1
Nickel Group	9.1	14.0
Total Operating Profit	12.8	33.1
Interest expense	(10.2)	(6.7)
Corporate expenses	(8.0)	(6.0)
Foreign exchange loss and investment and other income, net	(2.0)	(0.3)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and minority		
interests	\$ (7.4)	\$ 20.1

Operating profit for the Cobalt Group and Nickel Group for the three months ended March 31, 2003 includes restructuring and other charges of \$7.6 million and \$1.6 million, respectively.

Note K

Guarantor and Non-Guarantor Subsidiary Information

In December 2001, the Company issued \$400 million in aggregate principal amount of 9.25% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2011 (the Notes). These Notes are guaranteed by the Company s wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries. The guarantees are full, unconditional and joint and several.

The Company s foreign subsidiaries are not guarantors of these Notes. The Company, as presented below, represents OM Group, Inc. exclusive of its guarantor subsidiaries and its non-guarantor subsidiaries. Condensed consolidating financial information for the Company, the guarantor subsidiaries, and the non-guarantor subsidiaries is as follows:

MARCH 31, 2003

	THE COMPANY		COMBINED NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARIES	ELIMINATIONS	TOTAL
Balance Sheet Data		_			
Assets					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,950	\$ 582	\$ 11,494		\$ 14,026
Accounts receivable	742,953	98,850	457,600	\$(1,178,253)	121,150
Inventories		38,429	270,391		308,820
Other current assets	24,624	3,939	47,372		75,935
Total current assets	769,527	141,800	786,857	(1,178,253)	519,931
Property, plant and equipment, net	, , = .	48,016	439,765	())	487,781
Goodwill and other intangible assets	11,724	58,412	118,736		188,872
Intercompany receivables	284,369	, -	1,150,605	(1,434,974)	
Investment in subsidiaries	673,241	522,939	1,249,518	(2,445,698)	
Other assets	20,468	9,959	69,543	(, - , ,	99,970
Assets of discontinued operations	.,	235,242	810,713		1,045,955
Total assets	\$1,759,329	\$1,016,368	\$ 4,625,737	\$(5,058,925)	\$2,342,509
Total assets	\$1,739,329	\$1,010,508	\$ 4,023,737	\$(3,038,923)	\$2,342,309
Liabilities and stockholders equity					
Current liabilities:					
Short-term debt and current					
portion of long-term debt	\$ 7,000				\$ 7,000
Accounts payable	71,666	\$ 399,603	\$ 379,993	\$ (748,503)	102,759
Other accrued expenses	4,802	18,237	36,605		59,644
Total current liabilities	83,468	417,840	416,598	(748,503)	169,403
Long-term debt	1,167,800	121,010	750,670	(, ,,,,,,,,,,	1,167,800
Deferred income taxes	35,320		27,666		62,986
Minority interests and other	22,220		,		5_,,,
long-term liabilities		140	61,100		61,240
Intercompany payables		407,010	1,441,991	(1,849,001)	,
Liabilities of discontinued operations		162,941	245,398	(-,, -, -, -,	408,339
Stockholders equity	472,741	28,437	2,432,984	(2,461,421)	472,741
Stockholder oquity	.,,,,,,,	20,137	2,132,701	(2,101,121)	.,,,,,,,
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Total liabilities and stockholders	¢ 1 750 220	¢1.016.269	¢ 4.605.727	¢ (5 050 025)	¢ 2 2 4 2 5 0 0
equity	\$1,759,329	\$1,016,368	\$ 4,625,737	\$(5,058,925)	\$2,342,509

December 31, 2002

Balance Sheet Data

Combin**co**mbined The Guara**ntor**-guarantor Comp**any**bsidia**Sid**ssidia**Eles**nination**T**otal

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Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents			
\$667 \$1,780 \$9,203 \$11,650			
Accounts receivable			
752,800 89,181 404,084 \$(1,146,433) 99,632			
Inventories 38,389 266,265 304,654			
38,389 266,265 304,654 Other current assets			
26,553 4,890 58,922 90,365			
,			
Total current assets			
780,020 134,240 738,474 (1,146,433) 506,301			
Property, plant and equipment, net			
48,711 456,518 505,229			
Goodwill and other intangible assets 135,503 53,675 189,178			
Intercompany receivables			
300,768 1,146,191 (1,446,959)			
Investment in subsidiaries			
655,822 522,939 1,268,535 (2,447,296)			
Other assets			
21,231 10,517 59,703 91,451			
Assets of discontinued operations 188,261 858,716 1,046,977			
188,201 838,710 1,040,977			

Total assets

\$1,757,841 \$1,040,171 \$4,581,812 \$(5,040,688) \$2,339,136	
ciabilities and stockholders equity	
Current liabilities:	
Current portion of long-term debt \$6,750 \$6,750	
Accounts payable	
65,917 \$384,198 \$373,228 \$(727,658) 95,685 Other accrued expenses	
(7,681) 4,058 57,142 53,519	
Fotal Current liabilities	
64,986 388,256 430,370 (727,658) 155,954	
Long-term debt 1,187,650 1,187,650	
Deferred income taxes 35,320 (131) 28,947 64,136	
Minority interests and other long-term liabilities	
2,161 62,659 64,820 Intercompany payables	
557,894 1,230,175 (1,788,069)	
Liabilities of discontinued operations 73,090 323,601 396,691	
75,000 525,001 570,091 Shareholder s equity 469,885 18,901 2,506,060 (2,524,961) 469,885	
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THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2003

THE COMPANY				TOTAL
	\$ 45,477	\$ 223,193	\$ (54,883)	\$213,787
	35,732	202,501	(54,883)	183,350
	9,745	20,692		30,437
	21,002	4,660		25,662
	(11,257)	16,032		4,775
\$ (9,494)	(5,341)	(16,486)	21,110	(10,211)
74	46	(2,581)		(2,461)
5,427	551	15,565	(21,110)	433
(3,993)	(16,001)	12,530		(7,464)
	7	(1,979)		(1,972)
		62		62
(3,993)	(16,008)	14,447		(5,554)
(14,100)	4,083	8,948		(1,069)
\$(18,093)	\$ (11,295)	\$ 23,395	\$	\$ (6,623)
	\$ (9,494) 74 5,427 (3,993) (3,993) (14,100)	THE COMPANY SUBSIDIARIES \$ 45,477 35,732 9,745 21,002 (11,257) \$ (9,494) (5,341) 74 46 5,427 551 (3,993) (16,001) 7 (3,993) (16,008) (14,100) 4,083	THE COMPANY SUBSIDIARIES SUBSID	THE COMPANY SUBSIDIARIES SUBSIDIARIES ELIMINATIONS \$ 45,477

THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2002

Income Statement Data	THE COMPANY		COMBINED NON-GUARANTOR S SUBSIDIARIES E		NS TOTAL
Net sales		\$ 39,983	\$ 178,022	\$ (45,983)	\$ 172,022
Cost of products sold		24,756	144,063	(45,983)	122,836
		15,227	33,959		49,186
Selling, general and administrative expenses		13,008	9,057		22,065
Income from operations		2,219	24,902		27,121
Interest expense	\$ (6,130)	(3,696)	(14,861)	18,000	(6,687)
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	(205)	(222)	128		(299)
Investment and other income, net	4,617	216	13,114	(18,000)	(53)
Income (loss) from continuing operations before					
income taxes and minority interests	(1,718)	(1,483)	23,283		20,082
Income tax (benefit) expense	(4,375)	(740)	13,621		8,506
Minority interests			(46)		(46)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	2,657	(743)	9,708		11,622
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	(10,200)	(985)	22,931		11,746
Net income (loss)	\$ (7,543)	\$ (1,728)	\$ 32,639	\$	\$ 23,368
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THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2003

COMBINED COMBINED THE GUARANTONON-GUARANTOR **Cash Flow Data** COMPANY SUBSIDIARIES UBSIDIARIES LIMINATIONS TOTAL Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities \$20,883 \$(4,432) \$(9,202) \$ \$7,249 Investing activities: Expenditures for property plant and equipment (230) (1,065) (1,295)Net cash used in investing activities (230) (1,065) (1,295)Financing activities: Payments of long-term debt (19,600)(19,600)Net cash used in financing activities (19,600) (19,600)

Cash provided by (used in) continuing operations
1,283 (4,662) (10,267) (13,646)
Cash provided by discontinued operations
3,464 10,989 14,453 Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash
equivalents
1,569 1,569
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-
-
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents 1,283 (1,198) 2,291 2,376
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the
period
667 1,780 9,203 11,650
-
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period \$1,950 \$582 \$11,494 \$ \$14,026
\$1,930 \$382 \$11,494 \$ \$14,020

THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2002

Cash Flow Data	COMBINED COMBINED THE GUARANTONON-GUARANTOR COMPANYSUBSIDIARIESUBSIDIARIESLIMINATIONS			TOTAL	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$604	\$4,086	\$14,671	\$	\$19,361
Investing activities:	φ σσ .	Ψ 1,000	Ψ1.,071	Ψ	Ψ1>,001
Expenditures for property, plant and equipment net (1,747) (20,803) (22,550)					
Net cash used in investing activities (1,747) (20,803) (22,550) Financing activities:					
Payments of long-term and short-term debt (225,805) (225,805) Dividend payments (3,946) (3,946) Long-term and short-term borrowings 9,112 9,112 Proceeds from exercise of stock options 1,354 1,354 Proceeds from sale of common shares 225,805 225,805					
Net cash provided by financing activities					
6,520 6,520					

Cash provided by (used in) continuing operations 7,124 2,339 (6,132) 3,331 Cash used in discontinued operations (1,142) (3,219) (4,361) Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents (1,298) (1,298)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents 7,124 1,197 (10,649) (2,328) Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period 638 1,647 16,936 18,681
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period \$7,762 \$2,844 \$5,747 \$ \$16,353

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

On July 31,

2003, the

Company

completed the

sale of its

Precious Metals

business (PMG

business) to

Umicore for

697 million

(approximately

\$814 million) in

cash. The PMG

business was

comprised of

the Precious

Metal

Chemistry and

Metal

Management

reportable

segments,

which were

acquired by the

Company from

Degussa in

August 2001.

On April 1,

2003, the

Company

completed the

sale of its

copper powders

business, SCM

Metal Products,

Inc., for cash

proceeds of \$65

million less

costs and

expenses. The

PMG business

and copper

powders

business each

had been

classified as a

discontinued

operation prior

to the sale, and

the

accompanying

financial

statements for

the first quarter

of 2003 and the

corresponding

2002 period

reflect these

businesses as discontinued operations. The continuing operations of the Company represent the historical base metals business and are organized into two segments: the Cobalt Group and the Nickel Group. The Nickel Group includes the results of the Company s Fidelity electroless nickel business, which has been reclassified from discontinued operations to continuing operations during the third quarter of 2003, for all periods presented (See Note A). Three Months Ended March 31, 2003 Compared to Three Months Ended March 31, 2002 Continuing **Operations** Net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2003 were \$213.8 million, an increase of 24.3% compared to the same period in 2002. The increase was primarily the result of higher

cobalt and nickel market prices resulting in higher selling prices and a

15.9% increase in cobalt sales volumes. The following information summarizes market prices of the primary raw materials used by the Company:

Market Price Ranges per Pound Three Months Ended March 31,

		·		
	2003	2002		
Cobalt - 99.3% Grade	\$6.45 to \$8.60	\$6.40 to \$7.30		
Nickel				

\$3.28 to \$4.07 \$2.63 to \$3.03

The following information summarizes the physical volumes of cobalt and nickel products sold by the Company:

Three Months Ended March 3	1,
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(in millions of pounds)	2003	2002	Percentage Change
Cobalt Nickel	5.1	4.4	15.9%

30.9 30.4 1.6%

Gross profit decreased to \$30.4 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2003, a 38.1% decrease compared to \$49.2 million for the same period in 2002. The decrease in gross profit was primarily due to restructuring and other charges of \$4.7 million in 2003; the negative impact of lower production in 2003; the negative impact of the strengthening euro against the dollar; a LIFO charge associated with the cobalt and nickel businesses; and the negative impact of the nickel salts plant operating below capacity. This decrease was partially offset by the positive impact of higher cobalt and nickel prices, which results in higher gross profit dollars due to higher selling prices.

Selling, general and administrative expenses in 2003 declined as a percentage of sales, to 12.0% in 2003 compared to 12.8% in the 2002 period. This decline was primarily the result of higher sales and cost reductions from restructuring activities

initiated in the fourth quarter of 2002, partially offset restructuring and other charges of \$4.5 million and strengthening euro against the dollar. Other expense net was \$12.2 million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2003, compared to \$7.0 million for the same period in 2002, due primarily to increased interest expense as a result of higher borrowing rates under the Company s amended credit facilities. In addition, the Company had foreign exchange losses in 2003 of \$2.5 million, compared to \$0.3 million in 2002. Income taxes as a percentage of income before income taxes, minority interests and equity income were a benefit of 26.4% compared to expense of 42.4% in the same period in 2002. The lower rate in 2003 is due primarily to valuation allowances

related to losses in the United

States. Loss from continuing operations for the three-month period ended March 31, 2003 \$5.6 million, compared to income of \$11.6 million for the corresponding period in 2002, due to the aforementioned factors. Loss from discontinued operations was \$1.1 million compared to income of \$11.7 million in 2002, due primarily to restructuring charges of \$5.6 million in 2003 and higher interest expense in 2003 due to higher interest rates. Net loss for the 2003 period was \$6.6 million, compared to net income of \$23.4 million for the corresponding period in 2002, due primarily to aforementioned

factors.

Cobalt Group

Net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2003 were \$88.5 million compared to \$83.0 million for the same period in 2002, due primarily to higher metal market prices, resulting in higher selling prices for the Company s products and a 15.9% increase in sales volumes.

Operating profit for the period was \$3.7 million compared to \$19.1 million in the 2002 period. The amount in 2003 includes restructuring and other charges of \$7.6 million. Before these charges, operating profit decreased by \$7.8 million due primarily to the negative impact of the euro and higher LIFO charges.

Nickel Group

Net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2003 were \$125.3 million compared to \$89.0 million for the same period in 2002, due primarily to higher metal market prices for nickel, resulting in higher selling prices for the Company s products.

Operating profit for the period was \$9.1 million compared to \$14.0 million in the 2002 period. The amount in 2003 includes restructuring and other charges of \$1.6 million. Before these charges, operating profit decreased by \$3.3 million due primarily the negative impact of the euro and higher LIFO charges.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

During the three-month period ended March 31, 2003, the Company s net working capital increased approximately \$0.2 million due primarily to higher accounts receivable at March 31, 2003, as a result of higher sales in the first quarter of 2003 compared to the fourth quarter of 2002, partially offset by an increase in accounts payable and other accrued expenses due to timing of payments. Capital expenditures in 2003 were \$1.3 million and were funded primarily through cash flow from operations. During the three months ended March 31, 2003, the Company s total debt balances decreased to \$1.175 billion from \$1.194 billion. This decrease represents cash repayments using cash flow from operations. Effective April 1, 2003, the Company

completed the sale of its

copper powders business SCM Metal Products, Inc. for cash proceeds of \$65 million before expenses. The net proceeds from this disposition have been used to further reduce the Company s bank borrowings during the second quarter of 2003. The Company s credit facilities include covenants that require the Company to reduce its debt in relation to total capital, and its debt in relation to earnings before interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization. The Company was in compliance with its debt covenants at March 31, 2003 and believes that it will have sufficient cash generated by operations and from divestitures to meet future covenant requirements through December 31, 2003. If the Company is unable to generate sufficient cash from operations and divestitures during 2003, the Company may be in default of its credit

facilities, and the bank group may choose not to provide additional funding to the Company under the credit facilities. If that were the case, the Company might not have sufficient capital to meet the needs of the business. Under the existing credit agreements, certain financial covenants become more stringent each quarter, with the most stringent covenants applicable in the first quarter of 2004. Unless the Company s results of operations improve during the next twelve months compared to the preceding twelve months, the Company may need to renegotiate these covenants prior to March 31, 2004. During the first quarter of 2003, as originally announced in the fourth quarter of 2002, the Company continued to explore strategic alternatives regarding a potential investor for some or all of its precious metals business. Subsequent

Events On July

31, 2003, the Company sold its Precious Metals business to Umicore for cash proceeds of \$814 million. The net proceeds from the sale of this business were used to repay all of the Company s outstanding indebtedness under its then-existing Senior Credit Facilities. On August 7, 2003, the Company entered into a new \$150 million Senior Secured Credit Facility with a group of lending institutions, containing covenants that are more favorable to the Company than those in the previous Senior

Critical

Accounting

Policies The

Credit Facility.

consolidated

financial

statements

include accounts

of the company

and all

majority-owned

subsidiaries.

The preparation

of financial

statements in

conformity with

accounting

principles

generally

accepted in the

United States

requires

management to

make estimates

and assumptions

in certain

circumstances that affect amounts reported in the accompanying consolidated financial statements and related footnotes. In preparing these financial statements, management has made its best estimates and judgments of certain amounts included in the financial statements, giving due consideration to materiality. Application of these accounting policies involves the exercise of judgment and use of assumptions as to future uncertainties and, as a result, actual results could differ from these estimates. There has been no change in the company s critical accounting policies as disclosed in Form 10-K filed for the year ended December 31, 2002. In

addition, no new

critical accounting policies have been adopted since December 31, 2002, except for the adoption of SFAS No. 123, as amended by SFAS No. 148, effective January 1, 2003, related to stock-based employee compensation (See Note G).

Cautionary Statements

The Company is making this statement in order to satisfy the safe harbor provisions contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. This report contains statements that the Company believes may be forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements are not historical facts and generally can be identified by use of statements that include phrases such as believe, expect, anticipate, intend, plan, foresee or other words or phrases of similar import. Similarly, statements that describe the Company s objectives, plans or goals also are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that are difficult to predict, may

be beyond the Company s control and could cause actual results to differ materially from those currently anticipated. Factors that could materially affect these forward-looking statements can be found in this report. Important facts that may affect the Company s expectations, estimates or projections include:

the price and supply of raw materials, particularly cobalt, nickel, copper, platinum, palladium, rhodium, gold and silver;

metal-based specialty chemicals and products in the Company s markets; the effect of non-currency risks of investing in and conducting operations in foreign countries, including political, social, economic and regulatory factors; the effects of the substantial debt we have incurred in connection with the Company s acquisition of the operations of dmc2 and the Company s ability to refinance or repay that debt; the effect of fluctuations in currency exchange rates on the Company s international

the demand for

operations; the impact of the Company s restructuring program on its continuing operations; the ability of the Company to identify potential buyers for its assets held for sale, and a potential investor for its precious metal chemistry business, which in turn may impact the Company s ability to meet its debt covenants with respect to net proceeds from assets sales; the potential impact of the Company being named in a 2002 United Nations panel report focusing on companies and individuals operating in the Democratic Republic of Congo; the potential impact of an adverse result of the shareholder class action lawsuits filed against the Company and the

The Company does not assume any obligation to update these forward-looking statements.

Item 3
Quantitative
and
Qualitative
Disclosures
About
Market
Risk A
discussion of
market risk
exposures is
included in
Part II,
Item 7a,
Qualitative

named executives.

and

Quantitative

Disclosure

About Market

Risk , of the

Company s

2002 Annual

Report on

Form 10-K.

There have

been no

material

changes

during the

three months

ended March

31, 2003.

Item 4 **Controls and Procedures**

Evaluation of

Disclosure

Controls and

Procedures

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 defined in

Exchange Act

Rules

13a-15(c) and

15d-15(e)) as

of March 31,

2003. Based

on that

evaluation,

the Chief

Executive

Officer and Chief

Financial

Officer have

concluded the

Company s

disclosure

controls and procedures

are effective

in timely

alerting them

to material

information

relating to the

Company and

its

consolidated

subsidiaries

that is

required to be

included in

the

Company s

SEC filings.

(b) Changes

in Internal

Controls

There were

no significant

changes in the

Company s

internal

control over

financial

reporting that

occurred

during the

period

covered by

this report

that has

materially

affected, or

that is

reasonably

likely to

materially affect, our

internal

control over

financial

reporting.

Part II Other

InformationItem 6

Exhibits and

Reports on

Form 8-K

EXHIBITS

(12)

Computation of

Ratio of

Earnings to

Fixed Charges

(31.1)

Certification

pursuant to

Section 302 of

the

Sarbanes-Oxley

Act of 2002

Chief Executive

Officer (31.2)

Certification

pursuant to

Section 302 of

the

Sarbanes-Oxley

Act of 2002

Chief Financial

Officer (32.1)

Certification

pursuant to

Section 906 of

the

Sarbanes-Oxley

Act of 2002

Chief Executive

Officer (32.2)

Certification

pursuant to

Section 906 of

the

Sarbanes-Oxley

Act of 2002

Chief Financial

Officer (99.3)

Earnings

Statement with

respect to the

twelve months

ended March 31,

2003

REPORTS ON

FORM 8-K

There were no

reports on Form

8-K filed during the three months

ended March 31,

2003.

SIGNATURE

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.

December 23, 2003 OM GROUP, INC.
/s/ Thomas R. Miklich

Thomas R. Miklich Chief Financial Officer (Duly authorized signatory of OM Group, Inc.)