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

### **FORM 10-O**

# **DESCRIPTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended: December 25, 2010

or

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

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission File Number: 000 03905 TRANSCAT, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio 16 0874418

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

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

35 Vantage Point Drive, Rochester, New York 14624

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(585) 352 7777

(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 þ No o Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes o No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer o

Accelerated filer o

Non-accelerated filer o

Smaller reporting company b

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No b

The number of shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.50 per share, of the registrant outstanding as of February 4, 2011 was 7,253,790.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION ITEM 1. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TRANSCAT, INC.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	•	naudited) <b>uarter Ended</b> <b>December</b>	· ·	audited) onths Ended December
	25,	26,	25,	26,
Product Sales Service Revenue	<b>2010</b> \$ 16,562 7,319	<b>2009</b> \$ 15,186 6,637	<b>2010</b> \$ 43,009 22,420	<b>2009</b> \$ 38,424 19,102
Net Revenue	23,881	21,823	65,429	57,526
Cost of Products Sold Cost of Services Sold	12,119 5,710	11,843 5,174	31,863 17,198	29,769 14,894
Total Cost of Products and Services Sold	17,829	17,017	49,061	44,663
Gross Profit	6,052	4,806	16,368	12,863
Selling, Marketing and Warehouse Expenses Administrative Expenses	2,999 1,613	2,564 1,451	8,577 4,993	7,531 4,321
Total Operating Expenses	4,612	4,015	13,570	11,852
Operating Income	1,440	791	2,798	1,011
Interest Expense Other Expense, net	13 1	9 7	41 13	34 39
Total Other Expense	14	16	54	73
Income Before Income Taxes Provision for Income Taxes	1,426 529	775 292	2,744 1,042	938 356
Net Income	897	483	1,702	582
Other Comprehensive Income	13	26	23	98

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Comprehensive Income	\$	910	\$	509	\$	1,725	\$ 680
Basic Earnings Per Share Average Shares Outstanding	\$	0.12 7,307	\$	0.07 7,343	\$	0.23 7,299	\$ 0.08 7,373
Diluted Earnings Per Share Average Shares Outstanding See accompanying notes	0.12 7,553 onsolidate 3	\$ ed finan	0.06 7,560 cial stateme	\$ nts.	0.23 7,543	\$ 0.08 7,602	

# TRANSCAT, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In Thousands, Except Share and Per Share Amounts)

	De	naudited) ecember 25, 2010	March 27, 2010		
ASSETS		2010		2010	
Current Assets:					
Cash	\$	18	\$	123	
Accounts Receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$101 and \$82 as					
of December 25, 2010 and March 27, 2010, respectively		10,387		11,439	
Other Receivables		1,357		418	
Inventory, net		7,386		5,906	
Prepaid Expenses and Other Current Assets		1,061		915	
Deferred Tax Asset		648		566	
Total Current Assets		20,857		19,367	
Property and Equipment, net		4,176		4,163	
Goodwill		10,334		10,038	
Intangible Assets, net		1,237		1,234	
Deferred Tax Asset		453		533	
Other Assets		393		378	
Total Assets	\$	37,450	\$	35,713	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY					
Current Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	\$	9,252	\$	8,798	
Accrued Compensation and Other Liabilities		3,276		3,171	
Income Taxes Payable		374		251	
Total Current Liabilities		12,902		12,220	
Long-Term Debt		1,674		2,532	
Other Liabilities		807		704	
Total Liabilities		15,383		15,456	
Shareholders Equity: Common Stock, par value \$0.50 per share, 30,000,000 shares authorized; 7,750,685 and 7,698,450 shares issued as of December 25, 2010 and March 27, 2010, respectively; 7,251,903 and 7,279,668 shares outstanding as of					
December 25, 2010 and March 27, 2010, respectively		3,875		3,849	
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Capital in Excess of Par Value		9,975		9,357	
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income		•		-	

Less: Treasury Stock, at cost, 498,782 and 418,782 shares as of December 25, 2010 and March 27, 2010, respectively	(2,194)	(1,635)
Total Shareholders Equity	22,067	20,257
Total Liabilities and Shareholders Equity	\$ 37,450	\$ 35,713

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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# TRANSCAT, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In Thousands)

	(Unaudited) Nine Months Ende December Decem		
	25, 2010	26, 2009	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	2010	2007	
Net Income	\$ 1,702	\$ 582	
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating			
Activities:			
Deferred Income Taxes	1	(86)	
Depreciation and Amortization	1,622	1,524	
Provision for Accounts Receivable and Inventory Reserves	88	52	
Stock-Based Compensation Expense	398	530	
Change in Contingent Consideration	(55)		
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:			
Accounts Receivable and Other Receivables	73	(1,143)	
Inventory	(1,517)	(706)	
Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets	(519)	(833)	
Accounts Payable	454	3,526	
Accrued Compensation and Other Liabilities	332	645	
Income Taxes Payable	113	(119)	
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	2,692	3,972	
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:			
Purchase of Property and Equipment	(1,081)	(941)	
Payments of Contingent Consideration	(1,001)	(1,093)	
Business Acquisition	(491)	(1,073)	
Business requisition	(171)		
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities	(1,572)	(2,034)	
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:			
Revolving Line of Credit, net	(842)	(1,499)	
Payments on Other Debt Obligations	(16)	(20)	
Payment of Contingent Consideration	(52)	( - )	
Issuance of Common Stock	236	169	
Repurchase of Common Stock	(559)	(647)	
Excess Tax Benefits Related to Stock-Based Compensation	10	9	
Net Cash Used in by Financing Activities	(1,223)	(1,988)	
Effect of Exchange Rate Changes on Cash	(2)	16	

Net Decrease in Cash		(105)	(34)
Cash at Beginning of Period		123	59
Cash at End of Period	\$	18	\$ 25
Supplemental Disclosures of Cash Flow Activity: Cash paid during the period for:			
Interest	\$	43	\$ 49
Income Taxes, net	\$	890	\$ 559
See accompanying notes to consolidated financial staten 5	nents.		

# TRANSCAT, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY

(In Thousands) (Unaudited)

	Iss	on Stock sued Par Value Amount	Capital In Excess of Par Value	Com	umulated Other prehensive ncome	etained arnings	Outs	ry Stock tanding Cost Amount	Total
Balance as of						C			
March 27, 2010	7,698	\$ 3,849	\$ 9,357	\$	382	\$ 8,304	419	\$ (1,635)	\$ 20,257
Issuance of									
Common Stock	49	24	212						236
Repurchase of									
Common Stock							80	(559)	(559)
Stock-Based									
Compensation	_	_	376						376
Restricted Stock	3	2	20						22
Tax Benefit from									
Stock-Based			10						10
Compensation			10						10
Comprehensive									
Income:									
Currency Translation									
Adjustment					13				13
Unrecognized Prior					13				13
Service Cost, net of									
tax					10				10
Net Income					10	1,702			1,702
The medic						1,702			1,702
Balance as of			<b>+</b> 0 0 = -				105		<b>+</b>
December 25, 2010	7,750	\$ 3,875	\$ 9,975	\$	405	\$ 10,006	499	\$ (2,194)	\$ 22,067

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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# TRANSCAT, INC. NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)
(Unaudited)

### NOTE 1 GENERAL

**Description of Business:** Transcat, Inc. ( Transcat or the Company ) is a leading distributor of professional grade handheld test and measurement instruments and accredited provider of calibration, repair and weighing system services primarily for pharmaceutical and FDA-regulated, industrial manufacturing, energy and utilities, chemical process, and other industries.

Basis of Presentation: Transcat s unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) for interim financial information and in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Accordingly, the Consolidated Financial Statements do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of the Company s management, all adjustments considered necessary for a fair presentation (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) have been included. The results for the interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the fiscal year. The accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the audited Consolidated Financial Statements as of and for the fiscal year ended March 27, 2010 (fiscal year 2010) contained in the Company s 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC.

**Fair Value of Financial Instruments:** Transcat has determined the fair value of debt and other financial instruments using a valuation hierarchy. The hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value, consists of three levels. Level 1 uses observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets; Level 2 uses inputs other than quoted prices in active markets that are either directly or indirectly observable; and Level 3, which is defined as unobservable inputs in which little or no market data exists, requires the Company to develop its own assumptions. The carrying amount of debt on the Consolidated Balance Sheets approximates fair value due to variable interest rate pricing, and the carrying amounts for cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate fair value due to their short-term nature.

**Stock-Based Compensation:** The Company measures the cost of services received in exchange for all equity awards granted, including stock options, warrants and restricted stock, based on the fair market value of the award as of the grant date. The Company records compensation cost related to unvested stock awards by recognizing, on a straight-line basis, the unamortized grant date fair value over the remaining service period of each award. Excess tax benefits from the exercise of stock awards are presented in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows as a financing activity. Excess tax benefits are realized benefits from tax deductions for exercised awards in excess of the deferred tax asset attributable to stock-based compensation costs for such awards. The Company did not capitalize any stock-based compensation costs as part of an asset. The Company estimates forfeiture rates based on its historical experience. During the first nine months of the fiscal year ending March 26, 2011 (fiscal year 2011) and the first nine months of fiscal year 2010, the Company recorded non-cash stock-based compensation expense in the amount of \$0.4 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income.

Foreign Currency Translation and Transactions: The accounts of Transmation (Canada) Inc., the Company

wholly-owned subsidiary, are maintained in the local currency and have been translated to U.S. dollars. Accordingly, the amounts representing assets and liabilities, except for equity, have been translated at the period-end rates of exchange and related revenue and expense accounts have been translated at average rates of exchange during the period. Gains and losses arising from translation of Transmation (Canada) Inc. s balance sheets into U.S. dollars are recorded directly to the accumulated other comprehensive income component of shareholders equity.

Transcat records foreign currency gains and losses on Canadian business transactions. The net foreign currency loss was less than \$0.1 million in the first nine months of fiscal years 2011 and 2010. The Company utilizes foreign exchange forward contracts to reduce the risk that its earnings would be adversely affected by changes in currency exchange rates. The Company does not apply hedge accounting and therefore, the change in the fair value of the contracts, which totaled less than \$0.1 million during the first nine months of fiscal years 2011 and 2010, was

recognized as a component of other expense in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income. The change in the fair value of the contracts is offset by the change in fair value on the underlying accounts receivables denominated in Canadian dollars being hedged. On December 25, 2010, the Company had a foreign exchange contract, set to mature in January 2011, outstanding in the notional amount of \$0.8 million. The Company does not use hedging arrangements for speculative purposes.

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Earnings Per Share: Basic earnings per share of common stock are computed based on the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share of common stock reflect the assumed conversion of stock options, warrants, and unvested restricted stock awards using the treasury stock method in periods in which they have a dilutive effect. In computing the per share effect of assumed conversion, funds which would have been received from the exercise of options, warrants, and unvested restricted stock and the related tax benefits are considered to have been used to purchase shares of common stock at the average market prices during the period, and the resulting net additional shares of common stock are included in the calculation of average shares of common stock outstanding.

The average shares outstanding used to compute basic and diluted earnings per share are as follows:

	Third Qua	arter Ended	Nine Months Ended			
	December	December	December	December		
	25,	26,	25,	26,		
	2010	2009	2010	2009		
Average Shares Outstanding Basic	7,307	7,343	7,299	7,373		
Effect of Dilutive Common Stock Equivalents	246	217	244	229		
Average Shares Outstanding Diluted	7,553	7,560	7,543	7,602		
Anti-dilutive Common Stock Equivalents	594	623	596	612		

**Shareholders** Equity: In November 2010, the Company repurchased 0.1 million shares of its common stock for \$0.6 million from an officer of the Company and assigned the shares into treasury.

**Subsequent Events:** On January 11, 2011, Transcat acquired substantially all of the assets of Wind Turbine Tools, Inc. and affiliated entities. Wind Turbine Tools, Inc., located in Lincoln, Montana, is a premier provider of wind energy industry product tool kit solutions, technical assistance, torque calibration and hydraulic services. On January 15, 2011, Transcat extended its credit agreement (the Credit Agreement ) for three years. The Credit Agreement allows, within any twelve month period, business acquisitions totaling up to \$10.0 million and payments of dividends and repurchases of common stock of up to \$2.0 million. All other significant terms were unchanged. The Company has evaluated all other events and transactions that occurred subsequent to December 25, 2010. No other material subsequent events have occurred that require recognition or disclosure in the Consolidated Financial Statements

**Reclassification of Amounts:** Certain reclassifications of financial information for the prior fiscal year have been made to conform to the presentation for the current fiscal year.

### NOTE 2 DEBT

**Description:** Transcat, through its Credit Agreement, has a revolving credit facility in the amount of \$15.0 million (the Revolving Credit Facility ). As of December 25, 2010, \$15.0 million was available under the Credit Agreement, of which \$1.7 million was outstanding and included in long-term debt on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Interest and Commitment Fees: Interest on the Revolving Credit Facility accrues, at Transcat s election, at either a base rate (defined as the highest of prime, a three month certificate of deposit plus 1%, or the federal funds rate plus 1/2 of 1%) (the Base Rate) or the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR), in each case, plus a margin. Commitment fees accrue based on the average daily amount of unused credit available on the Revolving Credit Facility. Interest and commitment fees are adjusted on a quarterly basis based upon the Company s calculated leverage ratio, as defined in the Credit Agreement. The Base Rate and the LIBOR rates as of December 25, 2010 were 3.3% and 0.3%, respectively. The Company s interest rate for the first nine months of fiscal year 2011 ranged from 1.2% to 2.8%. Covenants: The Credit Agreement has certain covenants with which the Company has to comply, including a fixed charge ratio covenant and a leverage ratio covenant. The Company was in compliance with all loan covenants and

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requirements throughout the first nine months of fiscal year 2011.

**Other Terms:** The Company has pledged all of its U.S. tangible and intangible personal property and the common stock of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Transmation (Canada) Inc., as collateral security for the loans made under the Revolving Credit Facility.

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### NOTE 3 STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

The Transcat, Inc. 2003 Incentive Plan, as amended (the 2003 Plan), provides for, among other awards, grants of restricted stock and stock options to directors, officers and key employees at the fair market value at the date of grant. At December 25, 2010, the number of shares available for future grant under the 2003 Plan totaled 0.2 million. In addition, Transcat maintains a warrant plan for directors (the Directors Warrant Plan). Under the Directors Warrant Plan, as amended, warrants have been granted to non-employee directors to purchase common stock at the fair market value at the date of grant. All warrants authorized for issuance pursuant to the Directors Warrant Plan have been granted and were fully vested as of August 2009.

**Restricted Stock:** During the first quarter of fiscal years 2011, 2010 and the fiscal year ended March 28, 2009 ( fiscal year 2009 ), the Company granted performance-based restricted stock awards in place of options as a primary component of executive compensation. The performance-based restricted stock awards vest after three years subject to certain cumulative diluted earnings per share growth targets over the eligible three-year period.

Compensation cost ultimately recognized for these performance-based restricted stock awards will equal the grant date fair market value of the award that coincides with the actual outcome of the performance conditions. On an interim basis, the Company records compensation cost based on an assessment of the probability of achieving the performance conditions. At December 25, 2010, the Company estimated the probability of achievement for the performance-based awards granted in fiscal years 2011, 2010 and 2009 to be 100%, 75% and 0% of the target levels, respectively. Total expense relating to performance-based restricted stock awards, based on grant date fair value and the estimated probability of achievement, was \$0.1 million in the first nine months of fiscal years 2011 and 2010, respectively. Unearned compensation totaled \$0.3 million as of December 25, 2010.

**Stock Options:** Options generally vest over a period of up to four years, using either a graded schedule or on a straight-line basis, and expire ten years from the date of grant. The expense relating to options is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period for the entire award. Total expense relating to options was \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million in the first nine months of fiscal years 2011 and 2010, respectively.

The following table summarizes the Company s options as of and for the nine months ended December 25, 2010:

		Weighted	Weighted		
	Number	Average Exercise Price	Average Remaining	Aggregate	
	Of Per		Contractual Term (in	Intrinsic	
	Shares	Share	years)	Value	
Outstanding as of March 27, 2010 Granted	674	\$ 5.72			
Exercised	(12)	2.43			
Cancelled/Forfeited	(4)	7.17			
Outstanding as of December 25, 2010	658	5.77	6	\$ 1,088	
Exercisable as of December 25, 2010	507	5.29	5	1,059	

The aggregate intrinsic value in the table above represents the total pre-tax intrinsic value (the difference between the Company s closing stock price on the last trading day of the third quarter of fiscal year 2011 and the exercise price, multiplied by the number of in-the-money stock options) that would have been received by the option holders had all holders exercised their options on December 25, 2010. The amount of aggregate intrinsic value will change based on the fair market value of the Company s stock.

Total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested stock options as of December 25, 2010 was \$0.2 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of one year. The aggregate intrinsic value of stock options exercised in the first nine months of fiscal year 2011 was less than \$0.1 million. Cash received from the exercise of options in the first nine months of fiscal year 2011 was less than \$0.1 million.

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**Warrants:** Warrants expire five years from the date of grant. The following table summarizes the Company s warrants as of and for the nine months ended December 25, 2010:

	Number	Av Exc	ighted erage ercise rice	Remaining	Agg	regate
	Of		Per	Contractual		rinsic
Outstanding as of March 27, 2010	Shares		hare	Term	V	alue
Outstanding as of March 27, 2010 Granted	41	\$	4.89			
Exercised	(20)		4.26			
Cancelled/Forfeited	(4)		4.26			
Outstanding as of December 25, 2010	17		5.80	Less than 1 year	\$	23
				Less than 1		
Exercisable as of December 25, 2010	17		5.80	year		23

The aggregate intrinsic value in the table above represents the total pre-tax intrinsic value (the difference between the Company's closing stock price on the last trading day of the third quarter of fiscal year 2011 and the exercise price, multiplied by the number of in-the-money warrants) that would have been received by the warrant holders had all holders exercised their warrants on December 25, 2010. The amount of aggregate intrinsic value will change based on the fair market value of the Company's stock. The aggregate intrinsic value of warrants exercised in the first nine months of fiscal year 2011 was less than \$0.1 million. Cash received from the exercise of warrants in the first nine months of fiscal year 2011 was less than \$0.1 million.

### NOTE 4 SEGMENT INFORMATION

Transcat has two reportable segments: Distribution Products ( Product ) and Calibration Services ( Service ). The Company has no inter-segment sales. The following table presents segment information for the third quarter and the nine months ended December 25, 2010 and December 26, 2009:

	Third Quarter Ended				Nine Months Ended		
	December	De	ecember	December	De	ecember	
	25,		26,	25,		26,	
	2010		2009	2010		2009	
Net Revenue:							
Product Sales	\$ 16,562	\$	15,186	\$43,009	\$	38,424	
Service Revenue	7,319		6,637	22,420		19,102	
Total	23,881		21,823	65,429		57,526	
Gross Profit:							
Product	4,443		3,343	11,146		8,655	
Service	1,609		1,463	5,222		4,208	
Total	6,052		4,806	16,368		12,863	

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2,826	2,457	7,997		7,114
1,786	1,558	5,573		4,738
4,612	4,015	13,570		11,852
1,440	791	2,798		1,011
14	16	54		73
529	292	1,042		356
543	308	1,096		429
\$ 897	\$ 483	\$ 1,702	\$	582
	1,786 4,612 1,440 14 529 543	1,786 1,558 4,612 4,015 1,440 791  14 16 529 292 543 308	1,786       1,558       5,573         4,612       4,015       13,570         1,440       791       2,798         14       16       54         529       292       1,042         543       308       1,096	1,786     1,558     5,573       4,612     4,015     13,570       1,440     791     2,798       14     16     54       529     292     1,042       543     308     1,096

<sup>(1)</sup> Operating expense allocations between segments were based on actual amounts, a percentage of revenues, headcount, and management s estimates.

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### NOTE 5 ACQUISITIONS

On November 1, 2010, Transcat, through Transmation (Canada) Inc., acquired certain assets of the service division of ACA TMetrix Inc. ( TMetrix ) for approximately \$0.5 million. TMetrix provides calibration and repair services throughout Canada and is located in Mississauga, Ontario. The assets were recorded under the purchase method of accounting at their estimated fair values as of the date of acquisition. Pro forma information as of the beginning of the periods presented and the operating results of TMetrix since the date of acquisition have not been disclosed as the acquisition was not considered significant.

On January 27, 2010, Transcat, through its wholly-owned subsidiary USEC Acquisition Corp., acquired United Scale & Engineering Corporation ( United Scale ). At the date of purchase, the Company accrued contingent consideration in the amount of \$0.2 million relating to certain holdback provisions under the terms of the purchase agreement. During the first nine months of fiscal year 2011, Transcat paid less than \$0.1 million in partial satisfaction of this contingency. As of December 25, 2010, \$0.1 million in contingent consideration remains accrued and is included in other current liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

On August 14, 2008, Transcat acquired Westcon, Inc. (Westcon). At closing, Transcat and the sole shareholder of Westcon entered into an earn out agreement. This agreement provides that the sole shareholder may be entitled to certain contingent earn out payments subject to continued employment and achieving certain post-closing gross profit and revenue targets. During the first nine months of fiscal years 2011 and 2010, payments totaling less than \$0.1 million were earned and recorded as compensation expense in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income. Total earn out consideration unpaid as of December 25, 2010 was less than \$0.1 million and is included in other current liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

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

Forward-Looking Statements: This report and, in particular, the Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations section of this report, contains forward-looking statements as defined by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These include statements concerning expectations, estimates, goals and projections about the industry, management beliefs and assumptions of Transcat, Inc. ( Transcat , we , us , or our ) Words such as anticipates, expects, intends, plans, believes, seeks, estimates, and variations of such words expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to forecast. Therefore, our actual results and outcomes may materially differ from those expressed or forecasted in any such forward-looking statements. When considering these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, you should keep in mind the cautionary statements contained elsewhere in this report and in any documents incorporated herein by reference. New risks and uncertainties arise from time to time and we cannot predict those events or how they may affect us. For a more detailed discussion of the risks and uncertainties that may affect Transcat s operating and financial results and its ability to achieve its financial objectives, interested parties should review the Risk Factors sections in Transcat s reports filed with the SEC, including the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 27, 2010. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

Accounts Receivable: Accounts receivable represent amounts due from customers in the ordinary course of business. These amounts are recorded net of the allowance for doubtful accounts and returns in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The allowance for doubtful accounts is based upon the expected collectibility of accounts receivable. We apply a specific formula to our accounts receivable aging, which may be adjusted on a specific account basis where the formula may not appropriately reserve for loss exposure. After all attempts to collect a receivable have failed, the receivable is written-off against the allowance for doubtful accounts. The returns reserve is calculated based upon the historical rate of returns applied to revenues over a specific timeframe. The returns reserve will increase or decrease as a result of changes in the level of revenues and/or the historical rate of returns.

**Stock-Based Compensation:** We measure the cost of services received in exchange for all equity awards granted, including stock options, warrants and restricted stock, based on the fair market value of the award as of the grant date.

We record compensation cost related to unvested stock awards by recognizing, on a straight-line basis, the unamortized grant date fair value over the remaining service period of each award. Excess tax benefits from the exercise of stock awards are presented in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows as a financing activity. Excess tax benefits are realized benefits from tax deductions for exercised awards in excess of the deferred tax asset attributable to stock-based compensation costs for such awards. We did not capitalize any stock-based compensation costs as part of an asset. We estimate forfeiture rates based on our historical experience.

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Options generally vest over a period of up to four years, using either a graded schedule or on a straight-line basis, and expire ten years from the date of grant. The expense relating to options is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period for the entire award.

During the first quarter of fiscal years 2011, 2010 and 2009, we granted performance-based restricted stock awards in place of options as a primary component of executive compensation. The performance-based restricted stock awards vest after three years subject to certain cumulative diluted earnings per share growth targets over the eligible three-year period. Compensation cost ultimately recognized for these performance-based restricted stock awards will equal the grant date fair market value of the award that coincides with the actual outcome of the performance conditions. On an interim basis, we record compensation cost based on an assessment of the probability of achievement for the performance-based awards granted in fiscal years 2011, 2010 and 2009 to be 100%, 75% and 0% of the target levels, respectively.

**Revenue Recognition:** Product sales are recorded when a product stitle and risk of loss transfer to the customer. We recognize the majority of our service revenue based upon when the calibration or other activity is performed and then shipped and/or delivered to the customer. Some service revenue is generated from managing customers calibration programs in which we recognize revenue in equal amounts at fixed intervals. We generally invoice our customers for freight, shipping, and handling charges. Provisions for customer returns are provided for in the period the related revenues are recorded based upon historical data.

**Reclassification of Amounts:** Certain reclassifications of financial information for the prior fiscal year have been made to conform to the presentation for the current fiscal year.

### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following table presents, for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal years 2011 and 2010, the components of our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

	•	nudited) <b>arter Ended</b>	*	audited) onths Ended
	December 25,	December 26,	December 25,	December 26,
Current Durch's Durch and an	2010	2009	2010	2009
Gross Profit Percentage: Product Gross Profit	26.8%	22.0%	25.9%	22.5%
Service Gross Profit	20.8%	22.0%	23.3%	22.3% 22.0%
Total Gross Profit	25.3%	22.0%	25.0%	22.4%
As a Percentage of Total Net Revenue:				
Product Sales	69.4%	69.6%	65.7%	66.8%
Service Revenue	30.6%	30.4%	34.3%	33.2%
Total Net Revenue	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Selling, Marketing and Warehouse Expenses	12.6%	11.8%	13.1%	13.2%
Administrative Expenses	6.8%	6.6%	7.6%	7.5%
Total Operating Expenses	19.4%	18.4%	20.7%	20.7%
Operating Income	5.9%	3.6%	4.3%	1.7%

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Interest Expense Total Other Expense, net	0.1% 0.0%	0.0% 0.0%	0.1% 0.0%	0.1% 0.1%
Total Other Expense	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Income Before Income Taxes Provision for Income Taxes	5.8% 2.2%	3.6% 1.3%	4.2% 1.6%	1.5% 0.6%
Net Income	3.6%	2.3%	2.6%	0.9%
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# THIRD QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 25, 2010 COMPARED TO THIRD QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 26, 2009

(dollars in thousands):

Revenue:

	Third Q	ıarter	rter Ended		
	December	December			
	25,		26,		
	2010		2009		
Net Revenue:					
Product Sales	\$ 16,562	\$	15,186		
Service Revenue	7,319		6,637		
Total	\$ 23,881	\$	21,823		

Net revenue increased \$2.1 million, or 9.4%, from the third quarter of fiscal year 2010 to the third quarter of fiscal year 2011.

Our product net sales accounted for 69.4% of our total net revenue in the third quarter of fiscal year 2011 and 69.6% of our total net revenue in the third quarter of fiscal year 2010. For the third quarter of fiscal year 2011, product net sales increased \$1.4 million, or 9.1%, compared to the third quarter of fiscal year 2010. This growth reflects the modest improvement in the economy, a better pricing environment, the success of the Company sales and marketing efforts and incremental product sales from United Scale, which we acquired during the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010. Our fiscal years 2011 and 2010 product net sales growth in relation to prior fiscal year quarter comparisons are as follows:

	FY 2011			FY 2010			
	Q3	Q2	Q1	<b>Q4</b>	Q3	Q2	Q1
<b>Product Sales Growth</b>							
(Decline)	9.1%	12.5%	15.1%	20.5%	8.5%	(7.6%)	(8.5%)

Our average product sales per business day increased to \$267 in the third quarter of fiscal year 2011, compared with \$249 in the third quarter of fiscal year 2010. Our product sales per business day for each fiscal quarter during the fiscal years 2011 and 2010 are as follows:

	FY 2011			FY 2010			
	Q3	<b>Q2</b>	<b>Q</b> 1	<b>Q4</b>	Q3	<b>Q2</b>	Q1
Product Sales Per							
Business Day	\$267	\$214	\$203	\$230	\$249	\$190	\$176

In the third quarter of fiscal year 2011, sales through our direct channel increased 15.9% from the same period in the prior fiscal year. In addition to incremental revenue from United Scale of \$0.5 million, direct sales to our traditional U.S., International and Canadian markets increased \$1.5 million. These increases were partially offset by a decline in sales to wind energy industry customers of \$0.3 million. Wind energy product sales, which represented 4.7% and 7.3% of our total product net sales in the third quarter of fiscal years 2011 and 2010, respectively, declined due to the timing of new construction projects for wind energy customers.

Sales to our reseller channel decreased 8.6% in the third quarter of fiscal year 2011 compared with our record level reseller sales in the third quarter of fiscal year 2010. With double-digit growth in sales to our direct channel and lower reseller sales, the mix of reseller sales as a percent of our total product net sales decreased 450 basis points from the third quarter of fiscal year 2010 to the third quarter of fiscal year 2011. The following table presents the percent of net sales for the significant product distribution channels for each fiscal quarter during fiscal years 2011 and 2010:

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	FY 2011			FY 2010				
	Q3	<b>Q2</b>	Q1	<b>Q4</b>	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Percent of Net Sales:								
Direct	75.2%	73.5%	74.3%	75.2%	70.8%	77.5%	75.2%	
Reseller	23.3%	24.9%	24.1%	23.2%	27.8%	21.1%	23.3%	
Freight Billed to								
Customers	1.5%	1.6%	1.6%	1.6%	1.4%	1.4%	1.5%	
	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
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Customer product orders include orders for instruments that we routinely stock in our inventory, customized products, and other products ordered less frequently, which we do not stock. Pending product shipments are primarily backorders, but also include products that are requested to be calibrated in our laboratories prior to shipment, orders required to be shipped complete, and orders required to be shipped at a future date. Our total pending product shipments for the third quarter of fiscal year 2011 increased by \$0.2 million when compared to the third quarter of fiscal year 2010. Pending product shipments in the third quarter of fiscal year 2011 included \$0.2 million for United Scale, which was not applicable in the third quarter of fiscal year 2010. The portion of pending product shipments attributable to backorders increased by 260 basis points from the third quarter of fiscal year 2010 to the third quarter of fiscal year 2011. The increase was primarily due to a higher volume of orders placed for specialized items we do not routinely stock and the resulting longer lead times associated with those items. The following table presents the percentage of total pending product shipments that are backorders at the end of the third quarter of fiscal year 2011 and our historical trend of total pending product shipments:

		FY 2011			FY 2	2010	
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	$\mathbf{Q2}$	Q1
Total Pending							
<b>Product Shipments</b>	\$2,528	\$1,962	\$1,911	\$1,774	\$2,351	\$1,904	\$1,445
% of Pending							
<b>Product Shipments</b>							
that are Backorders	85.4%	77.6%	78.6%	90.6%	82.8%	78.9%	72.2%
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Service revenue increased \$0.7 million, or 10.3%, from the third quarter of fiscal year 2010 to the third quarter of fiscal year 2011. This growth can be attributed to expansion of our existing customer base and incremental revenue associated with United Scale of \$0.4 million. Services provided to wind energy customers were relatively consistent quarter-over-quarter. Also, within any year, while we add new customers, we also have customers from the prior year whose calibrations may not repeat for any number of factors. Among those factors are variations in the timing of customer periodic calibrations on instruments and other services, customer capital expenditures and customer outsourcing decisions. Because the timing of calibration orders and segment expenses can vary on a quarter-to-quarter basis, we believe a trailing twelve month trend provides a better indication of the progress of this segment. Service segment revenue for the twelve months ended December 25, 2010 was \$31.2 million, up 20.8% when compared with \$25.9 million for the twelve months ended December 26, 2009. Our fiscal years 2011 and 2010 service revenue growth in relation to prior fiscal year quarter comparisons are as follows:

	FY 2011			FY 2010			
	Q3	<b>Q2</b>	Q1	<b>Q4</b>	Q3	Q2	Q1
Service Revenue							
Growth	10.3%	14.1%	28.8%	30.6%	10.7%	15.5%	7.2%

Within the calibration industry, there is a broad array of measurement disciplines making it costly and inefficient for any one provider to invest in facilities, equipment and uniquely-trained personnel necessary to perform all measurement disciplines with in-house calibration capabilities. Our strategy has been to focus our investments in the core electrical, temperature, pressure and dimensional disciplines. Accordingly, we have historically outsourced 15% to 20% of service segment revenue to third party vendors for calibration or services beyond our chosen scope of capabilities. In the third quarter of fiscal year 2011, we outsourced 20.0% of our service segment revenue, a decrease from the 24.0% of service revenue outsourced in the same period of the prior fiscal year. During the third quarter of fiscal year 2010, we experienced a higher percentage of outsourced revenue above our historical norms due to specific services, outside our current scope of capabilities, provided to wind energy customers. We will continue to evaluate the need for capital investments that could provide additional in-house capabilities we deem appropriate. The following table presents the source of our service segment revenue and the percent of service segment revenue for each fiscal quarter during fiscal years 2011 and 2010:

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FY 2011				)10		
Q3	<b>Q2</b>	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
77.6%	77.9%	74.4%	75.9%	73.5%	77.3%	79.3%
20.0%	19.8%	23.3%	21.6%	24.0%	20.2%	18.2%
2.4%	2.3%	2.3%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%
100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
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	77.6% 20.0% 2.4%	Q3 Q2  77.6% 77.9% 20.0% 19.8%  2.4% 2.3%	Q3 Q2 Q1  77.6% 77.9% 74.4% 20.0% 19.8% 23.3%  2.4% 2.3% 2.3%  100.0% 100.0% 100.0%	Q3     Q2     Q1     Q4       77.6%     77.9%     74.4%     75.9%       20.0%     19.8%     23.3%     21.6%       2.4%     2.3%     2.3%     2.5%       100.0%     100.0%     100.0%     100.0%	Q3       Q2       Q1       Q4       Q3         77.6%       77.9%       74.4%       75.9%       73.5%         20.0%       19.8%       23.3%       21.6%       24.0%         2.4%       2.3%       2.3%       2.5%       2.5%         100.0%       100.0%       100.0%       100.0%       100.0%	Q3         Q2         Q1         Q4         Q3         Q2           77.6%         77.9%         74.4%         75.9%         73.5%         77.3%           20.0%         19.8%         23.3%         21.6%         24.0%         20.2%           2.4%         2.3%         2.3%         2.5%         2.5%         2.5%           100.0%         100.0%         100.0%         100.0%         100.0%         100.0%

### **Gross Profit:**

	Third Q	Third Quarter Ended		
	December 25,	26,		
Gross Profit:	2010		2009	
Product	\$ 4,443	\$	3,343	
Service	1,609		1,463	
Total	\$ 6,052	\$	4,806	

Total gross profit dollars in the third quarter of fiscal year 2011 increased \$1.2 million, or 25.9%, from the third quarter of fiscal year 2010. As a percentage of total net revenue, total gross profit increased 330 basis points over the same time period.

We evaluate product gross profit from two perspectives. Channel gross profit includes net sales less the direct cost of inventory sold. Our total product gross profit includes channel gross profit as well as the impact of vendor rebates, cooperative advertising income, freight billed to customers, freight expenses and direct shipping costs. In general, our total product gross profit can vary based upon price discounting, the mix of sales to our reseller channel, which have lower margins than our direct customer base, and the timing of periodic vendor rebates and cooperative advertising income received from suppliers.

The gross profit percentage in our direct distribution channel improved 210 basis points from the third quarter of fiscal year 2010 to the third quarter of fiscal year 2011. With an improving economy and more customers in the marketplace, we were able to lessen the discounts extended to customers in comparison to the higher discounts required during the recessionary economic environment of a year ago. Within the reseller channel, we improved quarter-over-quarter gross profit percentage by 120 basis points with continued use of a volume-based pricing structure.

Total product gross profit in the third quarter of fiscal year 2011 was 26.8% of total product sales and improved 480 basis points when compared with 22.0% of total product sales in the third quarter of fiscal year 2010. Product gross profit improved \$1.1 million in the third quarter of fiscal year 2011 compared to the third quarter of fiscal year 2010 as a result of increased volume, \$0.2 million of incremental cooperative advertising income from key vendors in support of more aggressive direct marketing efforts, and \$0.3 million in increased point-of-sale rebates from a key vendor. Point-of-sale rebates are growth-based. We did not qualify for this type of rebate in the third quarter of fiscal year 2010. The following table reflects the quarterly historical trend of our product gross profit as a percent of total product sales:

	FY 2011			FY 2010			
	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Channel Gross Profit % Direct							
(1)	25.2%	25.5%	25.0%	24.7%	23.1%	23.2%	24.3%
Channel Gross Profit %	16.00	16.60	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.60	17.00
Reseller (1)	16.2%	16.6%	16.9%	16.0%	15.0%	15.6%	17.0%
Channel Gross Profit %							
Combined (2)	23.1%	23.3%	23.0%	22.6%	20.8%	21.6%	22.6%
Other Items % (3)	3.7%	0.5%	4.0%	3.1%	1.2%	0.7%	0.9%
Total Product Gross Profit %	26.8%	23.8%	27.0%	25.7%	22.0%	22.3%	23.5%

- (1) Channel gross profit % is calculated as net sales less purchase costs divided by net sales.
- (2) Represents aggregate gross profit % for direct and reseller channels, calculated as net sales less purchase costs divided by net sales.
- (3) Includes vendor rebates, cooperative advertising income, freight billed to customers, freight expenses, and direct shipping costs.

Service gross profit increased \$0.1 million, or 10.0%, from the third quarter of fiscal year 2010 to the third quarter of fiscal year 2011. As a percent of service revenue, service gross profit remained consistent over the same time period as service-related costs grew in line with revenue growth. During the third quarter of fiscal 2011, the primary driver of service revenue growth was due to United Scale, which was accompanied by incremental service costs. The following table reflects our service gross profit growth in relation to prior fiscal year quarters:

	FY 2011			FY 2010			
	Q3	Q2	Q1	<b>Q4</b>	Q3	Q2	Q1
Service Gross Profit Dollar Growth	10.0%	16.4%	50.1% 15	25.4%	15.0%	25.5%	2.9%

### **Operating Expenses:**

	Third Quarter Ended		
	December 25, 2010	December 26, 2009	
Operating Expenses: Selling, Marketing and Warehouse Administrative	\$ 2,999 1,613	\$	2,564 1,451
Total	\$ 4,612	\$	4,015

Operating expenses increased \$0.6 million, or 14.9%, from the third quarter of fiscal year 2010 to the third quarter of fiscal year 2011. As a percentage of net revenue, operating expenses in the current period were 19.3%, up from 18.4% in the prior year period. The increase was primarily due to higher employee-related expenses, including the addition of United Scale personnel, and increased direct marketing expenses, which were mostly funded by increased cooperative advertising income. Selling, marketing and warehouse expenses increased \$0.4 million, or 17.0%, to \$3.0 million in the third quarter of fiscal year 2011 compared with the third quarter of fiscal year 2010. For the same time period, administrative expenses increased \$0.2 million, or 11.2%, to \$1.6 million, primarily due to acquisition-related expenses, which accounted for 64.8% of the increase.

### Taxes:

	Third Qua	arter Ended	
	December	December	
	25,	26,	
	2010	2009	
Provision for Income Taxes	\$529	\$ 292	

Our effective tax rates for the third quarter of fiscal years 2011 and 2010 were 37.1% and 37.7%, respectively. We continue to evaluate our tax provision on a quarterly basis and make adjustments, as deemed necessary, to our effective tax rate given changes in facts and circumstances expected for the entire fiscal year.

NINE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 25, 2010 COMPARED TO NINE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 26, 2009

(dollars in thousands):

### Revenue:

	Nine M	Nine Months Ended		
	December 25, 2010	December 26, 2009		
Net Revenue:				
Product Sales	\$43,009	\$	38,424	
Service Revenue	22,420		19,102	
Total	\$ 65,429	\$	57,526	

Net revenue increased \$7.9 million, or 13.7%, from the first nine months of fiscal year 2010 to the first nine months of fiscal year 2011. Both organic growth on our existing business, fueled by targeted marketing efforts as well as an improved economy, and incremental revenue from United Scale of \$2.8 million contributed to the increase in revenue.

Our product net sales accounted for 65.7% and 66.8% of our total net revenue in the first nine months of fiscal years 2011 and 2010, respectively. For the first nine months of fiscal year 2011, product net sales increased \$4.6 million, or 11.9%, compared with the first nine months of fiscal year 2010. During this same period, product net sales to our direct channel increased by \$3.5 million and consisted of a \$3.9 million improvement in sales to our traditional U.S., International and Canadian markets, \$1.4 million of incremental revenue associated with United Scale, offset by a \$1.8 million decline in sales to wind energy customers due to the timing of projects. In the first nine months of fiscal year 2011, wind energy product sales were \$2.1 million and represented 4.8% of our total product net sales. The improved economy also had a positive impact on our reseller channel as sales increased \$1.0 million, or 10.4%, for the first nine months of fiscal year 2011 compared with the first nine months of fiscal year 2010.

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Service revenue increased \$3.3 million, or 17.4%, from the first nine months of fiscal year 2010 to the first nine months of fiscal year 2011. The revenue increase was comprised of \$1.4 million in organic growth, \$1.4 million in incremental revenue from United Scale and \$0.5 million in increased services provided to customers in the wind energy industry. In addition, within any nine month period, while we add new customers, we also have customers from the prior year whose calibrations may not repeat for any number of factors. Among those factors are variations in the timing of customer periodic calibrations on instruments and other services, customer capital expenditures and customer outsourcing decisions.

### **Gross Profit:**

	Nine Mo	<b>Nine Months Ended</b>		
	December 25, 2010	December 26, 2009		
Gross Profit: Product Service	\$ 11,146 5,222	\$	8,655 4,208	
Total	\$ 16,368	\$	12,863	

Total gross profit dollars in the first nine months of fiscal year 2011 increased \$3.5 million, or 27.2%, from the first nine months of fiscal year 2010. As a percentage of total revenue, total gross profit improved 260 basis points over the same time period.

The gross profit percentage in our direct and reseller channels increased 170 basis points and 90 basis points, respectively, from the first nine months of fiscal year 2010 to the first nine months of fiscal year 2011. With an improving economy and more customers in the marketplace, we were able to lessen the discounts extended to customers in comparison to the higher discounts required during the recessionary economic environment of a year ago.

Total product gross profit in the first nine months of fiscal year 2011 was 25.9% of total product sales and increased 340 basis points when compared with 22.5% of total product sales in the first nine months of fiscal year 2010. Product gross profit increased \$2.5 million in the first nine months of fiscal year 2011 compared to the first nine months of fiscal year 2010, which was the result of increased volume due to an improved economy, reduced price discounting and higher manufacturer point of sale rebates. Point-of-sale rebates are growth-based. We did not qualify for this type of rebate in the first nine months of fiscal year 2010.

Service gross profit dollars increased 24.1% from the first nine months of fiscal year 2010 to the first nine months of fiscal year 2011. As a percent of service revenue, service gross profit increased 130 basis points over the same time period. We realized a period-over-period increase in the cost of services sold of 15.5% in the first nine months of fiscal year 2011 compared to the first nine months of fiscal year 2010, which was primarily due to incremental costs associated with United Scale and additional expenses associated with increased third party calibrations provided to the wind energy industry.

# **Operating Expenses:**

	Nine Mo	Nine Months Ended		
	December 25, 2010		ecember 26, 2009	
Operating Expenses:				
Selling, Marketing and Warehouse	\$ 8,577	\$	7,531	
Administrative	4,993		4,321	

Total \$13,570 \$ 11,852

Operating expenses increased \$1.7 million, or 14.5%, from the first nine months of fiscal year 2010 to the first nine months of fiscal year 2011. Despite the increase in costs during this time period, operating expenses remained consistent as a percentage of total revenue. Sales, marketing and warehouse expenses increased \$1.0 million from the first nine months of fiscal year 2010 to the first nine months of fiscal year 2011, while administrative expense increased \$0.7 million during the same period. The primary drivers of increased operating expenses were higher employee-related expenses, including incremental costs for United Scale personnel, and investments in sales and marketing to drive organic growth in the Service segment and increase market share in the Product segment.

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Taxes:

	Nine Mor	nths Ended
	December	December
	25,	26,
	2010	2009
Provision for Income Taxes	\$1,042	\$ 356

Our effective tax rate for the first nine months of fiscal years 2011 and 2010 was 38.0%. We continue to evaluate our tax provision on a quarterly basis and make adjustments, as deemed necessary, to our effective tax rate given changes in facts and circumstances expected for the entire fiscal year.

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

On January 15, 2011, we extended our credit agreement, which has a revolving credit facility in the amount of \$15.0 million, for three years. The credit agreement allows, within any twelve month period, business acquisitions totaling up to \$10.0 million and payments of dividends and repurchases of common stock of up to \$2.0 million. All other significant terms were unchanged. We believe that amounts available under our credit agreement and our cash on hand are sufficient to satisfy our expected working capital and capital expenditure needs as well as our lease commitments for the foreseeable future.

Cash Flows: The following table is a summary of our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (dollars in thousands):

	Nine Mor	nths Ended
	December	December
	25,	26,
	2010	2009
Cash Provided by (Used in):		
Operating Activities	\$ 2,692	\$ 3,972
Investing Activities	(1,572)	(2,034)
Financing Activities	(1,223)	(1,988)

**Operating Activities:** Net cash provided by operations was \$2.7 million for the first nine months of fiscal year 2011 compared to \$4.0 million in the first nine months of fiscal year 2010. Significant working capital fluctuations were as follows:

Inventory/Accounts Payable: Our inventory balance at December 25, 2010 was \$7.4 million, an increase of \$1.5 million when compared to \$5.9 million on-hand on March 27, 2010. The increase was primarily due to our strategic decision to maintain higher inventory levels of specific, higher-volume products, in support of greater sales growth and in response to increased lead times from manufacturers. In general, our accounts payable balance increases or decreases as a result of timing of vendor payments for inventory receipts. However, this correlation may vary at a quarter-end due to the timing of vendor payments for inventory receipts and inventory shipped directly to customers, as well as the timing of product sales.

Receivables: We continue to maintain strong collections on our accounts receivable. The following table illustrates our days sales outstanding for the fiscal quarters ended December 25, 2010 and December 26, 2009:

	December	December
	25,	26,
	2010	2009
Net Sales, for the last two fiscal months	\$ 17,086	\$ 15,559
Accounts Receivable, net	\$ 10,387	\$ 9,997
Days Sales Outstanding	36	39

**Investing Activities**: During the first nine months of fiscal years 2011 and 2010, we invested \$1.1 million and \$0.9 million, respectively, of cash primarily for additional service capabilities and infrastructure improvements that included facility expansion and investment in information technology. Also during the first nine months of fiscal year 2011, we spent \$0.5 million to acquire TMetrix. During the first nine months of fiscal year 2010, we paid \$1.1 million in contingent consideration under the terms of the merger agreement with Westcon. See Note 5 of our Consolidated Financial Statements in this report for more information on our acquisitions.

**Financing Activities**: During the first nine months of fiscal year 2011, we used approximately \$1.2 million in net cash for financing activities, compared to \$2.0 million in the first nine months of fiscal year 2010, primarily to reduce debt and repurchase common stock.

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#### **OUTLOOK**

We believe we can continue to develop our Product and Service businesses through organic efforts and through acquisitions with the greatest growth potential being realized in the Service business. Our goal remains to increase our Service business over time through double digit revenue growth and realize the significant leverage inherent in that business in order to have more rapid growth in earnings.

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

Our exposure to changes in interest rates results from our borrowing activities. In the event interest rates were to move by 1%, our yearly interest expense would increase or decrease by less than \$0.1 million assuming our average-borrowing levels remained constant. As of December 25, 2010, \$15.0 million was available under our credit facility, of which \$1.7 million was outstanding and included in long-term debt on the Consolidated Balance Sheet. Under our credit facility described in Note 2 of our Consolidated Financial Statements in this report, interest is adjusted on a quarterly basis based upon our calculated leverage ratio. We mitigate our interest rate risk by electing the lower of the base rate available under the credit facility or the LIBOR rate, plus a margin. As of December 25, 2010, the base rate and the LIBOR rate were 3.3% and 0.3%, respectively. Our interest rate for the first nine months of fiscal year 2011 ranged from 1.2% to 2.8%. On December 25, 2010, we had no hedging arrangements in place to limit our exposure to upward movements in interest rates.

### **FOREIGN CURRENCY**

Over 90% of our net revenue for the first nine months of fiscal years 2011 and 2010 was denominated in U.S. dollars, with the remainder denominated in Canadian dollars. A 10% change in the value of the Canadian dollar to the U.S. dollar would impact our net revenue by less than 1%. We monitor the relationship between the U.S. and Canadian currencies on a continuous basis and adjust sales prices for products and services sold in Canadian dollars as we believe to be appropriate.

We utilize foreign exchange forward contracts to reduce the risk that future earnings would be adversely affected by changes in currency exchange rates. We do not apply hedge accounting and therefore, the change in the fair value of the contracts, which totaled less than \$0.1 million during the first nine months of fiscal years 2011 and 2010, was recognized as a component of other expense in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income. The change in the fair value of the contracts is offset by the change in fair value on the underlying accounts receivables denominated in Canadian dollars being hedged. On December 25, 2010, we had a foreign exchange forward contract, set to mature in January 2011, outstanding in the notional amount of \$0.8 million. We do not use hedging arrangements for speculative purposes.

### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) Conclusion Regarding the Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls and Procedures: Our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer evaluated our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report. Disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission s rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our principal executive officer and principal financial officer to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Based on this evaluation, our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of such date.
- (b) Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting: There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the last fiscal quarter covered by this quarterly report (our third fiscal quarter) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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# PART II. OTHER INFORMATION ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities:

		(a)	<b>(b)</b>	(c)	<b>(d)</b>
				<b>Total Number</b>	Maximum
				of	Number (or
				Shares	Approximate
		Total		Purchased as	Dollar Value)
				Part of	of Shares that May
		Number of	Price	Publicly	Yet Be
				announced	<b>Purchased Under</b>
		Shares	Paid per	Plans or	the Plans
	Period	Purchased	Share	<b>Programs</b>	or Programs
09/25/10	12/25/10 (1)	80,000	\$6.90	_	S

<sup>(1)</sup> The Company repurchased these common shares in a private transaction and assigned the shares into treasury. **ITEM 6. EXHIBITS** 

See Index to Exhibits.

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### **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.

### TRANSCAT, INC.

Date: February 8, 2011 /s/ Charles P. Hadeed

Charles P. Hadeed

President, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating

Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: February 8, 2011 /s/ John J. Zimmer

John J. Zimmer

Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting

Officer)

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### **INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

- (31) Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certifications
  - 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
  - 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- (32) Section 1350 Certifications
  - 32.1 Certification Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

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