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FORM S-1

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Masonite International Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after this Registration Statement is declared effective.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, check the following box.

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

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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 Accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

	Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(1)(2)	Amount of Registration Fee
Common Shares		\$150,000,000	\$20,460(3)

(1) Includes shares to be sold upon exercise of the underwriters' option. See Underwriting.

(2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the amount of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(o) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

(3) Previously paid.

The registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

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The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. Neither we nor the selling shareholders may sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and we are not soliciting offers to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Subject to Completion, Dated April 8, 2013

Shares

Common Shares

This is the initial public offering of common shares of Masonite International Corporation. We are selling _____ common shares. The selling shareholders named in this prospectus are selling _____ common shares. We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of common shares by the selling shareholders.

The initial public offering price of our common shares is expected to be between \$ _____ and \$ _____ per share.

We intend to apply for listing of our common shares on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DOOR.

	Per Share	Total
Initial public offering price	\$ _____	\$ _____
Underwriting discounts and commissions	\$ _____	\$ _____
Proceeds, before expenses, to Masonite International Corporation	\$ _____	\$ _____
Proceeds, before expenses, to selling shareholders	\$ _____	\$ _____
We and the selling shareholders have granted the underwriters an option to purchase up to _____ additional common shares.		

Investing in our common shares involves risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page 11.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The underwriters expect to deliver the shares on or about _____, 2013.

Deutsche Bank Securities

Barclays

BofA Merrill Lynch

RBC Capital Markets

Wells Fargo Securities
The date of this prospectus is _____

Zelman Partners LLC
, 2013

Scotiabank

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You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. We are not, the selling shareholders are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer to sell or seeking offers to buy these securities in any state or jurisdiction where an offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of this prospectus.

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SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws, including, without limitation, statements concerning the conditions in our industry, our operations, our economic performance and financial condition, including, in particular, statements relating to our business and growth strategy and product development efforts under Prospectus Summary, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Business. Forward-looking statements include all statements that do not relate solely to historical or current facts, and can be identified by the use of words such as may, might, will, should, estimate, project, plan, expect, intend, outlook, believe and other similar expressions. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of their dates. These forward-looking statements are based on estimates and assumptions by our management that, although we believe to be reasonable, are inherently uncertain and subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. These risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, those identified under Risk Factors and elsewhere in this prospectus.

The following list represents some, but not necessarily all, of the factors that could cause actual results to differ from historical results or those anticipated or predicted by these forward-looking statements:

our ability to successfully implement our business strategy;

general economic, market and business conditions;

levels of residential new construction; residential repair, renovation and remodeling; and non-residential building construction activity;

competition;

our ability to manage our operations including integrating our recent acquisitions and companies or assets we acquire in the future;

our ability to generate sufficient cash flows to fund our capital expenditure requirements, to meet our pension obligations, and to meet our debt service obligations, including our obligations under our senior notes and our senior secured asset-based credit facility, or our ABL Facility;

labor relations (i.e., disruptions, strikes or work stoppages), labor costs and availability of labor;

increases in the costs of raw materials or any shortage in supplies;

our ability to keep pace with technological developments;

the actions by, and the continued success of, certain key customers;

our ability to maintain relationships with certain customers;

new contractual commitments;

the ability to generate the benefits of our restructuring activities;

retention of key management personnel;

environmental and other government regulations; and

limitations on operating our business as a result of covenant restrictions under our existing and future indebtedness, including our senior notes and our ABL Facility.

We caution you that the foregoing list of important factors is not exclusive. In addition, in light of these risks and uncertainties, the matters referred to in the forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus may not in fact occur. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as otherwise required by law.

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PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL AND OTHER INFORMATION

As used in this prospectus, unless otherwise specified or the context otherwise requires, Masonite, we, our, us and the Company refer to Masonite International Corporation. Effective July 4, 2011, pursuant to an amalgamation under the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia), Masonite Inc., the former parent of the Company, amalgamated with Masonite International Corporation to form an amalgamated corporation named Masonite Inc., which then changed its name to Masonite International Corporation (the amalgamation). The amalgamation had no impact, other than related expenses, on the Company's consolidated balance sheets or statements of comprehensive income (loss), changes in equity or cash flows as of December 31, 2012, or for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010.

The Company has a 52- or 53-week fiscal year that ends on the Sunday closest to December 31. In a 52-week year, each fiscal quarter consists of 13 weeks. For ease of disclosure, the 52-week periods ending on December 30, 2012, January 1, 2012, and January 2, 2011, are referred to as ending on December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. As used in this prospectus, fiscal year 2012, fiscal year 2011 and fiscal year 2010 refer to the Company's fiscal years ended December 30, 2012, January 1, 2012 and January 2, 2011, respectively.

We present Adjusted EBITDA, as defined under Summary Summary Historical Consolidated Financial Data, as a non-U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, or GAAP, financial measure in various places throughout this prospectus. Adjusted EBITDA is a measure used by management to measure operating performance. Adjusted EBITDA is not a measure of financial condition or profitability, and should not be considered as an alternative to (1) net income (loss) or net income (loss) attributable to Masonite determined in accordance with GAAP or (2) operating cash flow determined in accordance with GAAP. We believe that the inclusion of Adjusted EBITDA in this prospectus is appropriate to provide additional information to investors about our operating performance. Adjusted EBITDA is not a measure determined in accordance with GAAP and is susceptible to varying calculations. We caution investors that Adjusted EBITDA as presented may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. Moreover, our definition of Adjusted EBITDA as presented, although similar, is not the same as similar terms in the applicable covenants for the ABL Facility or our senior notes. See Summary Summary Historical Consolidated Financial Data herein for a quantitative reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to the most directly comparable GAAP financial performance measure, which is net income (loss) attributable to Masonite.

Since 2010, we have completed several acquisitions. The results of these acquired entities are included in our consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss) for the periods subsequent to the respective acquisition date.

ENFORCEABILITY OF CIVIL LIABILITIES AGAINST FOREIGN PERSONS

Masonite is organized under the laws of British Columbia, a province of Canada, and, accordingly, is governed by the applicable provincial and federal laws of Canada. There is doubt as to the enforceability, in original actions in Canadian courts, of liabilities based upon the U.S. federal securities laws or the securities laws or blue sky laws of any state within the United States and as to the enforceability in Canadian courts of judgments of U.S. courts obtained in actions based upon the civil liability provisions of the U.S. federal securities laws or any such state securities laws or blue sky laws. Accordingly, it may not be possible to enforce judgments obtained in the United States against us.

TAX CONSIDERATIONS

Prospective purchasers of the common shares offered hereby are advised to consult their own tax advisors as to the consequences of purchasing, holding and disposing of the shares, including the application of United States and Canadian federal tax laws to their particular situations, as well as any consequences to them under the laws of any other taxing jurisdiction. See also Certain Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations and Certain United States Federal Income Tax Considerations.

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MARKET AND INDUSTRY DATA

We obtained the industry, market and competitive position data referenced throughout this prospectus from our own internal estimates and research, industry and general publications and research, and surveys and studies conducted by third parties. Industry publications, studies and surveys generally state that they have been obtained from sources believed to be reliable, although they do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information. Certain of our determinations of market position are based on our conclusion on the number of participants in the particular market and represent our best estimate of our market position.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary does not contain all of the information that you should consider before making your investment decision. You should read the entire prospectus carefully, including the matters discussed under the caption Risk Factors and the detailed information and financial statements included in this prospectus. All amounts are in U.S. dollars unless we state otherwise.

Our Company

We are a leading global designer and manufacturer of interior and exterior doors for the residential new construction; the residential repair, renovation and remodeling; and the non-residential building construction markets. Since 1925, we have provided our customers with innovative products and superior service at compelling values. In order to better serve our customers and create sustainable competitive advantages, we focus on developing innovative products, advanced manufacturing capabilities and technology-driven sales and service solutions. Today, we believe we hold either the number one or two market positions in the seven product categories we target in North America: interior molded residential doors; interior stile and rail residential doors; exterior fiberglass residential doors; exterior steel residential doors; interior commercial and architectural wood doors; door core; and wood veneers and molded door facings.

We market and sell our products to remodeling contractors, builders, homeowners, retailers, dealers, lumberyards, commercial and general contractors and architects through well-established wholesale and retail distribution channels. Our broad portfolio of brands, including Masonite®, Marshfield®, Premdor®, Mohawk®, Megantic®, Algoma®, Baillargeon®, Birchwood Best® and Lemieux®, are among the most recognized in the door industry and are associated with innovation, quality and value. In 2012, we sold approximately 31 million doors to more than 6,000 customers in 70 countries. Our fiscal year 2012 net sales to our end-markets by segment and in North America are set forth below.

Net Sales		North American Net Sales	
by Segment	2012	by End-Market	2012

In response to historic declines in the residential and non-residential construction markets as a result of the recent global economic downturn, we proactively sought to optimize our geographic and operational footprint and significantly improve our cost structure. Specifically, we consolidated our manufacturing and distribution operations by closing 50 facilities between 2006 and 2012, reduced our workforce from more than 15,000 employees in 2006 to approximately 9,100 at the end of 2012, outsourced back office processes, and strengthened our balance sheet.

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At the same time, we also invested in advanced technologies to increase the automation of our manufacturing processes, increase quality and shorten lead times and introduced targeted e-commerce and other marketing initiatives to improve our sales and marketing efforts and customer experience. In addition, we implemented a disciplined tuck-in acquisition strategy that solidified our presence in both the North American residential molded and stile and rail interior door markets and created leadership positions in the attractive North American commercial and architectural interior wood door, door core and wood veneer markets.

We operate 65 manufacturing and distribution facilities in 12 countries in North America, Europe, South America, Asia, Africa and Israel, which are strategically located to serve our customers. We are one of the few vertically integrated door manufacturers in the world and one of only two in the North American residential door industry and the only vertically integrated door manufacturer in the North American non-residential interior wood door industry. Our vertical integration extends to all steps of the production process from initial design, development and production of steel press plates to produce interior molded and exterior fiberglass door facings to the manufacturing of door components, such as door cores, wood veneers and molded facings, to door slab assembly. We also offer incremental value by hanging doors in frames with glass and hardware and pre-finishing doors with paint or stain. We believe that our vertical integration and automation enhance our ability to develop new and proprietary products, provide greater value and improved customer service, and create high barriers to entry. We also believe vertical integration enhances our ability to cut costs, although our cost structure is subject to certain factors beyond our control, such as global commodity shocks.

From 2010 to 2012, we grew our net sales from \$1.4 billion to \$1.7 billion and increased adjusted EBITDA from \$81 million to \$97 million. We generated net income (loss) of \$3 million, \$(7) million and \$(23) million for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012, respectively.

Market Opportunity

According to the 2011/2012 WDMA/AAMA Study of the U.S. Market for Windows, Doors and Skylights and the April 2013 update published by the Window and Door Manufacturers Association and the American Architectural Manufacturers Association, or WDMA/AAMA, the U.S. door market consisted of approximately 52 million units¹ in 2011. Of this total, approximately 83% and 17% were residential and non-residential units, respectively, and approximately 47% and 53% were used in new construction, and repair, renovation and remodeling, respectively. WDMA/AAMA forecasts the U.S. residential door market and non-residential door market will experience 15% and 9% annual growth from 2011 to 2015, respectively.

The primary drivers of the market for doors and door products include:

Residential New Construction

The U.S. housing market has been improving since reaching historic lows during the recent global economic downturn. Housing starts declined by more than 70% from the peak of 2.1 million in 2005 to approximately 600,000 in 2011 according to the U.S. Census Bureau, and home prices declined by nearly 33% during this period according to the S&P/Case-Shiller U.S. National Home Price Index. During 2012, the new housing market and home prices began to recover with total housing starts increasing 28% and fourth quarter 2012 home prices rising approximately 7% compared to fourth quarter 2011, according to the U.S. Census Bureau and the S&P/Case-Shiller U.S. National Home Price Index. However, this level of housing starts remains significantly below the long term annual average of 1.5 million housing starts since the U.S. Census Bureau began reporting this data in 1959 and there can be no assurance that they will return to historic levels. In addition, the rate of single family

⁽¹⁾ Units are counted by individual leaf. Bi-fold doors, for example, are counted as two units.

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housing completions is currently significantly lagging behind the rate of single family housing starts. Standard & Poor's estimates that 2015 housing starts will be 1.6 million, which would represent a 26% compound annual growth rate from 2012.

Residential Repair, Renovation and Remodeling

According to the Home Improvement Research Institute, or HIRI, and IHS Global Insight, the U.S. residential repair, renovation and remodeling products market declined by an average of approximately 6% per year from 2006 to 2009 on a nominal basis. During this period, declining home prices, increasing unemployment and record foreclosures discouraged homeowners from making repairs or improvements to their homes. More recently there are positive signs that market conditions in the U.S. are beginning to improve, although U.S. economic conditions remain challenged. HIRI and IHS Global Insight forecast that the U.S. residential repair, renovation and remodeling products market will grow by an average of approximately 5% per year from 2012 to 2015 on a nominal basis driven by the improving economy, greater consumer confidence and rising home prices.

Non-Residential Building Construction

The U.S. non-residential building construction market did not begin to decline until 2008, which was well after the decline in the residential new construction market. In a pattern that is typical of prior cycles, the recovery in this market has lagged the recovery in residential new construction. According to McGraw-Hill Construction, non-residential building construction starts declined 49% on a square footage basis from 2008 to 2011. This market began to improve modestly in 2012 as the economy improved. According to McGraw-Hill Construction, non-residential building construction increased by 6% in square footage terms in 2012 as compared to 2011. This market is expected to grow by 8% in square footage in 2013, and annualized growth of 21% in square footage is expected from 2013 to 2015, according to McGraw-Hill Construction. Although the demand for doors lags non-residential building construction starts, we believe new construction activity is a strong indicator of future demand for doors.

The non-residential building construction market also includes the repair, renovation and remodeling of existing non-residential properties. According to the March 2012 Buildings Energy data book of the U.S. Department of Energy, there was approximately 81 billion square feet of installed commercial space in the U.S. in 2010. We believe that repair, renovation and remodeling activity in this market will accelerate as the economy and confidence levels continue to improve, although various factors will impact our business in this market, including non-residential building occupancy rates and the availability and cost of credit.

Competitive Strengths

We believe the following competitive strengths differentiate us from other building product companies and position us for significant growth as part of a multi-year, multi stage recovery in our end markets.

Leading Market Positions in Targeted End Markets. Within the North American door market, we believe we hold either the number one or two market position in the seven product categories we target. We are one of the largest manufacturers of doors and door components in the world, selling approximately 31 million residential, commercial and architectural interior and exterior doors in 2012; approximately 19 million of which were sold in the United States, our largest market. We believe our scale and leadership positions support our commitment to invest in advanced manufacturing and e-commerce initiatives and develop innovative new products, to effectively service regional and national customers and to offer broad product lines across our markets, while reducing our materials and unit production costs.

Extensive Portfolio with Strong Brand Recognition. Our broad portfolio of brands are among the most recognized in the door industry and are associated with superior design, innovation, reliability and quality.

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Builder Magazine recognized the Masonite® brand as one of the leading interior door brands in the United States in 2012 in the following categories: Brand Used in Past Two Years, Brand Used the Most, Brand Familiarity, and Quality Rating. The Masonite® brand was also named in the top three for exterior doors in the Brand Used in the Past Two Years and the Brand Used the Most categories.

Long-Term Customer Relationships and Well-Established Multi-Channel Distribution. As a result of our longstanding commitment to customer service and product innovation, we have well-established relationships within the wholesale and retail channels. Ninety-five percent of our top 20 customers have purchased doors from us for at least 10 years, although we generally do not enter into long-term contracts with our customers and they generally do not have an obligation to purchase our products. In addition, our manufacturing and distribution facilities are strategically located to best serve our customers. We believe that our long-term relationships with leading wholesale distributors, major homebuilders, contractors and architects will enable us to continue to increase our market penetration in the residential and non-residential construction markets.

Leading Technological Innovation Within the Door Industry. We believe we are a leader in technological innovation in the design of doors and door components and in the complex processes required to manufacture high quality products quickly and consistently. We intend to continue developing new and innovative products at our 145,245 square foot innovation center in West Chicago, Illinois, while improving critical processes in the manufacturing and selling of our products. For example, we have made significant investments to automate selected door manufacturing processes that were previously labor intensive, including our fiberglass door production line in Tennessee, and more recently our interior door slab assembly operations in South Carolina. Our future success will depend on our ability to develop and introduce new or improved products, to continue to improve our manufacturing and product service processes, and to protect our rights to the technologies used in our products. We have also created proprietary web-based sales and marketing tools, including MAX Masonite Xpress ConfiguratorSM, MC² and MConnectTM, for our wholesale dealer network to improve selection and order processes, reduce order entry errors, create more accurate quotes, improve communication and facilitate a better customer experience. As of December 31, 2012, we had 147 design patents and design patent applications and 169 utility patents and patent applications in the United States, and 78 foreign design patents and patent applications and 368 foreign utility patents and patent applications.

Fully Integrated Vertical Operations Across All Steps of the Production Process. We are one of the few fully integrated door manufacturers in the world. In North America, we are one of only two vertically integrated manufacturers of residential doors and the only vertically integrated manufacturer of non-residential interior wood doors. Our vertical integration extends to all steps of the production process, which we believe enhances our ability to develop products and respond quickly to changing consumer preferences, provides greater value and better service for our customers, and potentially lowers our costs. We leverage our assets through our vertically integrated operations in a manner that is difficult to replicate without significant capital investment. As an example, the replacement insurance value on our five molded door facing facilities is in excess of \$1 billion.

Experienced Management Team with Extensive Experience and a Successful Track Record. We are managed by results-driven executives with a proven track record of successfully managing multiple brands, winning new business, reducing costs and identifying, executing and integrating strategic tuck-in acquisitions. Several members of our management team previously worked at Fortune 500 companies, including Allied Signal Inc., Honeywell International Inc., The Procter & Gamble Company, General Electric Company and The Dow Chemical Company, where they utilized advanced technologies to improve cost structures and create competitive advantages.

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Growth Strategy

Our vision is to be the premier provider of doors and door components for the global door industry. We are committed to executing the following balanced and complementary strategies to continue to further strengthen our leadership positions, create compelling value for our customers, enhance our portfolio of leading brands and achieve our top and bottom line growth objectives.

Develop Innovative, Market-Leading Products. We intend to continue developing new and innovative products to grow our sales and enhance our returns. On average, we have introduced more than 100 new products in the last three years and have been recognized with numerous design awards. We plan to capitalize on the anticipated growth in door demand by continuing to introduce new, value-added products to build upon our comprehensive portfolio of door styles, designs, textures, components, options, applications and materials. We have consistently demonstrated the ability to develop products that are differentiated by compelling design features and recognized for their reliability and quality. For example, we recently introduced the West End Series of doors which combines a European inspired award-winning design with a patented hinge-less closing system to create an elegant look while saving interior living space.

Expand our Presence in Attractive Markets and Geographies to Accelerate Growth and Improve Margins. We plan to continue to focus our operations on attractive new market and geographic opportunities. For example, we believe we can expand our leading position in the North American commercial and architectural wood door market by focusing on strategic sectors within this market, such as education, health care and hospitality and faster growing regions such as the West Coast, Texas and Southeastern United States, although certain of these sectors continue to be affected by budgetary constraints. By expanding our market presence and achieving greater economies of scale, we intend to capitalize on the anticipated recovery in the U.S. non-residential construction market. We are also focused on expanding our business in the residential new construction market and with professional repair, renovation and remodeling contractors. Internationally, we believe that South America, India and other Asian markets represent attractive opportunities for us to increase penetration of interior molded residential doors and molded door facings.

Leverage our Marketing, Sales and Customer Service Activities to Further Drive Sales. We intend to continue to pursue additional growth opportunities by leveraging our extensive sales, marketing and customer service efforts in innovative ways. For example, we have developed several proprietary web-based tools for our customers, including MAX Masonite Xpress ConfiguratorSM, MC² and MConnectTM, to enhance communication and information flow with our customers in our wholesale dealer network by providing a more customized buying experience, customer leads and quoting capabilities and simplifying the procurement process. We also intend to capture additional share in the attractive professional repair, renovation and remodeling markets by helping professional contractors produce customized marketing materials to assist them in their sales efforts. In addition, we plan to continue developing effective marketing initiatives to expand our business with professional dealers and homebuilders.

Continue to Pursue Operational Excellence. Since 2006 we have rolled-out lean sigma to 48 facilities, awarded nearly 600 employees with various belt attainment certifications and saved over \$100 million. We plan to continue to use lean sigma tools and practices to lower costs, improve customer service and increase profitability through automation, footprint optimization and disciplined operating practices based on continuous improvement across all functional areas of the business. For example, we intend to draw on our experience with our state of the art interior door slab assembly operations in South Carolina to automate other labor-intensive manufacturing processes throughout our production system. We also plan to further optimize our manufacturing and distribution channels to eliminate cost inefficiencies and to better serve customers with shorter lead times and higher quality.

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Pursue Strategic Tuck-in Acquisitions to Create Leadership Positions. We intend to continue our disciplined approach to identifying, executing and integrating strategic tuck-in acquisitions while maintaining a strong balance sheet, although we expect competition for the best candidates. We target companies with differentiated businesses, strong brands, complementary technologies, attractive geographic footprints and opportunities for cost and distribution synergies. For example, in 2011 and 2012 we made five strategic acquisitions to create leadership positions in (i) the attractive North American commercial and architectural wood door and door core market through the acquisitions of Marshfield, Algoma and Baillargeon, (ii) the North American interior stile and rail residential door market through the acquisition of Lemieux and (iii) the production and sale of wood veneers with the acquisition of Birchwood.

Company Information

Masonite International Corporation is organized under the laws of British Columbia, a province of Canada. Masonite has been in business since September 1, 1925. On March 16, 2009, Masonite International Corporation and several affiliated companies voluntarily filed to reorganize under the Company's Creditors Arrangement Act, or the CCAA, in Canada in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice. Additionally, Masonite International Corporation and Masonite Inc. (the former parent of the Company) and all of its U.S. subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in the District of Delaware. On June 9, 2009, we emerged from reorganization proceedings under the CCAA in Canada and under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in the United States. Effective July 4, 2011, pursuant to an amalgamation under the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia), Masonite Inc. amalgamated with Masonite International Corporation to form an amalgamated corporation named Masonite Inc., which then changed its name to Masonite International Corporation. We are currently not a reporting issuer, or the equivalent, in any province or territory of Canada and our shares are not listed on any recognized Canadian stock exchange.

Our United States executive offices are located at One Tampa City Center, 201 North Franklin Street, Suite 300, Tampa, Florida 33602 and our Canadian executive offices are located at 2771 Rutherford Road, Concord, Ontario, Canada L4K 2N6. Our website is www.masonite.com.

Information on our website does not constitute part of this prospectus.

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The Offering

Common shares offered by us	common shares.
Common shares offered by the selling shareholders	common shares.
Common shares to be outstanding after this offering	common shares (shares if the underwriters exercise their option in full).
Option to purchase additional shares	We and the selling shareholders have granted the underwriters an option to purchase up to additional common shares. The underwriters may exercise this option at any time within 30 days from the date of this prospectus.
Use of Proceeds	We intend to use the net proceeds received by us from this offering for general corporate purposes, which may include funding future strategic tuck-in acquisitions. We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of common shares by the selling shareholders. See Use of Proceeds.
Risk Factors	You should read the Risk Factors section of this prospectus for a discussion of factors that you should consider carefully before deciding to invest in our common shares.
Proposed New York Stock Exchange symbol	We intend to apply for listing of our common shares on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DOOR.
The number of our common shares to be outstanding following this offering is based on 27,943,774 common shares outstanding as of December 31, 2012 and excludes:	

921,946 common shares issuable upon the vesting of unvested restricted stock units and the delivery of vested restricted stock units outstanding as of December 31, 2012;

 common shares issuable upon the vesting of stock appreciation rights outstanding as of December 31, 2012, assuming a share value equal to an initial public offering price of \$ per share, which is the midpoint of the estimated offering price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus;

5,833,335 common shares issuable upon the exercise of warrants to purchase common shares outstanding as of December 31, 2012; with an exercise price of \$ 50.77 per share; and

 common shares reserved for future issuance under our share-based compensation plans as of December 31, 2012, assuming a share value equal to an initial public offering price of \$ per share, which is the midpoint of the estimated offering price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus.

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Unless otherwise noted, the information in this prospectus assumes (1) no exercise by the underwriters of their option to purchase additional shares and (2) an initial public offering price of \$ _____ per share, the midpoint of the initial public offering range indicated on the cover of this prospectus and reflects the _____ to 1 stock split that we will effectuate prior to the pricing of this offering.

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The following table sets forth summary historical consolidated financial data as of the dates and for the periods indicated. The summary historical consolidated financial data below has been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The financial data set forth in this table is not necessarily indicative of the results of future operations and should be read in conjunction with Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, our audited consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus.

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
	(In thousands of U.S. dollars, except for share and per share amounts)		
Consolidated Statement of Operations Data:			
Net sales	\$ 1,676,005	\$ 1,489,179	\$ 1,383,271
Cost of goods sold	1,459,701	1,303,820	1,203,469
Gross profit	216,304	185,359	179,802
Selling, general and administration expenses	208,058	186,776	176,776
Restructuring costs	11,431	5,116	7,000
Operating loss	(3,185)	(6,533)	(3,974)
Interest expense, net	31,454	18,068	245
Other expense (income), net	528	1,111	1,030
Loss from continuing operations before income tax expense	(35,167)	(25,712)	(5,249)
Income tax (benefit) expense	(13,365)	(21,560)	(11,396)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(21,802)	(4,152)	6,147
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax	1,480	(303)	(1,718)
Net income (loss)	(20,322)	(4,455)	4,429
Net income attributable to non-controlling interest	2,923	2,079	1,390
Net income (loss) attributable to Masonite	\$ (23,245)	\$ (6,534)	\$ 3,039
Income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to Masonite shareholders per common share (basic and diluted)	\$ (0.89)	\$ (0.23)	\$ 0.17
Net income (loss) attributable to Masonite shareholders per common share (basic and diluted)	\$ (0.84)	\$ (0.24)	\$ 0.11
Common shares outstanding	27,943,774	27,531,792	27,523,541
Other Financial Data:			
Capital expenditures	\$ 48,419	\$ 42,413	\$ 57,823
Net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities	55,222	32,688	75,154
Net cash flow provided by (used for) investing activities	(136,103)	(186,717)	(97,974)
Net cash flow provided by (used for) financing activities	94,230	136,605	(4,797)
Adjusted EBITDA (1)	97,261	81,994	80,678

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	As Adjusted as of December 31, 2012 (3)	As of December 31,		
		2012	2011	2010
(In thousands of U.S. dollars)				
Balance Sheet Data:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	\$ 122,314	\$ 109,205	\$ 121,050
Accounts receivable, net		256,666	228,729	205,581
Inventories, net		208,783	209,041	186,400
Working capital (2)		417,584	384,822	349,248
Property, plant and equipment		648,360	632,655	645,615
Total assets		1,645,948	1,528,056	1,398,510
Total debt		378,848	275,000	
Total equity		837,815	848,483	1,012,547

- (1) Adjusted EBITDA is a measure used by management to measure operating performance. It is defined as net income (loss) attributable to Masonite plus depreciation, amortization of intangible assets, restructuring costs, loss (gain) on sale of property, plant and equipment, impairment of property, plant and equipment, interest expense, net, other expense (income), net, income tax (benefit) expense, loss (income) from discontinued operations, net of tax, net income attributable to non-controlling interest and share based compensation expense. Adjusted EBITDA is not a measure of financial condition or profitability under GAAP, and should not be considered as an alternative to (i) net income (loss) or net income (loss) attributable to Masonite determined in accordance with GAAP or (ii) operating cash flow determined in accordance with GAAP. Additionally, Adjusted EBITDA is not intended to be a measure of free cash flow for management's discretionary use, as it does not include certain cash requirements such as interest payments, tax payments and debt service requirements. We believe that the inclusion of Adjusted EBITDA in this prospectus is appropriate to provide additional information to investors about our operating performance. Because not all companies use identical calculations, this presentation of Adjusted EBITDA may not be comparable to other similarly titled measures of other companies. Moreover, Adjusted EBITDA as presented for the financial reporting purposes herein, although similar, is not the same as similar terms in the applicable covenants in our ABL Facility or our senior notes. Adjusted EBITDA, as calculated under our ABL Facility or senior notes would also include, among other things, additional add-backs for amounts related to: cost savings projected by us in good faith to be realized as a result of actions taken or expected to be taken prior to or during the relevant period; fees and expenses in connection with certain plant closures and layoffs; and the amount of any restructuring charge, integration costs or other business optimization expenses or reserve deducted in the relevant period in computing consolidated net income, including any one-time costs incurred in connection with acquisitions. The following table sets forth a reconciliation of net income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDA for the periods indicated.

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	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Reconciliation of net income (loss) attributable to Masonite to Adjusted EBITDA:			
Net income (loss) attributable to Masonite	\$ (23,245)	\$ (6,534)	\$ 3,039
Depreciation	63,348	60,784	58,633
Amortization of intangible assets	15,076	10,569	8,092
Restructuring costs	11,431	5,116	7,000
Loss (gain) on sale of property, plant and equipment	2,724	3,654	1,301
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	1,350	2,516	
Interest expense, net	31,454	18,068	245
Other expense (income), net	528	1,111	1,030
Income tax (benefit) expense	(13,365)	(21,560)	(11,396)
Loss (income) from discontinued operations, net of tax	(1,480)	303	1,718
Net income attributable to non-controlling interest	2,923	2,079	1,390
Share based compensation expense	6,517	5,888	9,626
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 97,261	\$ 81,994	\$ 80,678

- (2) Working capital is defined as current assets less current liabilities and includes cash restricted by letters of credit.
- (3) As adjusted to give effect to the issuance of the common shares offered by us hereby and the use of proceeds therefrom, assuming an initial public offering price of \$ per share, which is the midpoint of the estimated offering price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated expenses payable by us. A \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$ per share would increase (decrease) our as adjusted cash and cash equivalents by \$ million, our as adjusted total assets by \$ million and our as adjusted total equity by \$ million, assuming no change to the number of our common shares offered by us as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and estimated expenses payable by us.

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RISK FACTORS

You should carefully consider the following factors in addition to the other information set forth in this prospectus before investing in our common shares. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones facing us. Additional risks and uncertainties that we do not presently know about or that we currently believe are immaterial may also adversely impact our operations. If any of the following risks actually occur, our business, financial condition or results of operations would likely suffer. In such case, the trading price of our common shares could fall, and you may lose all or part of your investment.

Risks Related to Our Business

Downward trends in our end markets or in economic conditions could negatively impact our business and financial performance.

Our business may be adversely impacted by changes in United States, Canadian, European, Asian, South American or global economic conditions, including inflation, deflation, interest rates, availability and cost of capital, consumer spending rates, energy availability and costs, and the effects of governmental initiatives to manage economic conditions. Volatility in the financial markets in the regions in which we operate and the deterioration of national and global economic conditions have in the past and could in the future materially adversely impact our operations, financial results and liquidity.

Trends in our primary end markets (residential new construction, repair, renovation and remodeling and non-residential building construction) directly impact our financial performance because they are directly correlated to the demand for doors and door components. Accordingly, the following factors may have a direct impact on our business in the countries and regions in which our products are sold:

the strength of the economy;

the amount and type of residential and non-residential construction;

housing sales and home values;

the age of existing home stock, home vacancy rates and foreclosures;

non-residential building occupancy rates;

increases in the cost of raw materials or any shortage in supplies;

the availability and cost of credit;

employment rates and consumer confidence; and

demographic factors such as immigration and migration of the population and trends in household formation.

In the United States, the housing market crisis has had a negative impact on residential housing construction and related product suppliers and the housing market remains volatile. In addition, the current housing recovery is characterized by an increased number of multi-family new construction starts, which generally use fewer of our products and generate less net sales at a lower margin as compared to typical single family homes.

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In many of the non-North American markets in which we manufacture and sell our products, including the United Kingdom, France, Central Europe, the Middle East, and South Africa, economic conditions have deteriorated as various countries are suffering from the after effects of the global financial downturn that began in the United States in 2006. Our non-North American markets were acutely affected by the housing downturn and continue to suffer from excess capacity in housing and building products, including doors and door products, which may make it difficult for us to raise prices. Due in part to both market and operating conditions, we exited certain European markets in the past several years, including the Ukraine, Turkey and Romania. In addition, we closed our production facility in Hungary and have announced that we intend to close our production facilities in Poland.

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Our relatively narrow focus within the building products industry amplifies the risks inherent in a prolonged global market downturn. The impact of this weakness on our net sales, net income and margins will be determined by many factors, including industry capacity, industry pricing, and our ability to implement our business plan.

Increases in mortgage rates, changes in mortgage interest deductions and the reduced availability of financing for the purchase of new homes and home construction and improvements could have a material adverse impact on our sales and profitability.

In general, demand for new homes and home improvement products may be adversely affected by increases in mortgage rates and the reduced availability of consumer financing. Currently, mortgage rates are near historic lows and will likely increase in the future. If mortgage rates increase and, consequently, the ability of prospective buyers to finance purchases of new homes or home improvement products is adversely affected, our business, financial condition and results of operations may be materially and adversely affected.

Members of Congress and government officials have from time to time, including recently, suggested the elimination of the mortgage interest deduction for federal income tax purposes, either entirely or in part, based on borrower income, type of loan or principal amount. Future changes in policies set to encourage home ownership and improvement, such as changes to the tax rules allowing for deductions of mortgage interest, may adversely impact demand for our products and have a material adverse impact on us.

Our performance may also depend upon consumers having the ability to finance the purchase of new homes and other buildings and repair and remodeling projects with credit from third-parties. The ability of consumers to finance these purchases is affected by such factors as new and existing home prices, homeowners' equity values, interest rates and home foreclosures. Adverse developments affecting any of these factors could result in a tightening of lending standards by financial institutions and reduce the ability of some consumers to finance home purchases or repair and remodeling expenditures. The recent economic downturn, including declining home and other building values, increased home foreclosures and tightening of credit standards by lending institutions, have negatively impacted the home and other building new construction and repair and remodeling sectors. If these credit market trends continue or worsen, our net sales and net income may be adversely affected.

We operate in a competitive business environment. If we are unable to compete successfully, we could lose customers and our sales could decline.

The building products industry is highly competitive. Some of our principal competitors may have greater financial, marketing and distribution resources than we do and may be less leveraged than we are, providing them with more flexibility to respond to new technology or shifting consumer demand. Accordingly, these competitors may be better able to withstand changes in conditions within the industry in which we operate and may have significantly greater operating and financial flexibility than we do. Also, certain of our competitors continue to have excess production capacity, which has led to continued pressure to decrease prices in order for us to remain competitive and has limited our ability to raise prices even in markets where economic and market conditions have improved. For these and other reasons, these competitors could take a greater share of sales and cause us to lose business from our customers or hurt our margins.

As a result of this competitive environment, we face pressure on the sales prices of our products. Because of these pricing pressures, we may in the future experience continued limited growth and reductions in our profit margins, sales or cash flows, and may be unable to pass on future raw material price, labor cost and other input cost increases to our customers which would also reduce profit margins.

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Because we depend on a core group of significant customers, our sales, cash flows from operations and results of operations may be negatively affected if our key customers reduce the amount of products they purchase from us.

Our customers consist mainly of wholesalers and retail home centers. Our top ten major customers together accounted for approximately 40% of our net sales in fiscal year 2012, while our two largest customers, The Home Depot and Lowe's, accounted for approximately 16% and 10% of our net sales in fiscal year 2012, respectively. We expect that a small number of customers will continue to account for a substantial portion of our net sales for the foreseeable future. However, net sales from customers that have accounted for a significant portion of our net sales in past periods, individually or as a group, may not continue in future periods, or if continued, may not reach or exceed historical levels in any period. For example, our largest customers, The Home Depot and Lowe's, perform periodic product line reviews to assess their product offerings, which have, on past occasions, led to loss of business and pricing pressures. Most recently, in the fourth quarter of 2012 we were notified of a loss of business as a result of a product line review by Lowe's relating to its Northeastern and Southwestern United States interior door business which will have an adverse impact on our net sales in 2013. In addition, as a result of competitive bidding processes, we may not be able to increase or maintain the margins at which we sell our products to our most significant customers. Moreover, if any of these customers fails to remain competitive in the respective markets or encounters financial or operational problems, our net sales and profitability may decline. We generally do not enter into long-term contracts with our customers and they generally do not have an obligation to purchase products from us. Therefore, we could lose a significant customer with little or no notice. The loss of, or a significant adverse change in, our relationships with The Home Depot, Lowe's or any other major customer could cause a material decrease in our net sales.

Our competitors may adopt more aggressive sales policies and devote greater resources to the development, promotion and sale of their products than we do, which could result in a loss of customers. The loss of, or a reduction in orders from, any significant customers, losses arising from customer disputes regarding shipments, fees, merchandise condition or related matters, or our inability to collect accounts receivable from any major customer, could have a material adverse effect on us. Also, we have no operational or financial control over these customers and have limited influence over how they conduct their businesses.

Consolidation of our customers and their increasing size could adversely affect our results of operations.

In many of the countries in which we operate, an increasingly large number of building products are sold through large retail home centers and other large retailers. In addition, we have recently experienced consolidation of distributors in our wholesale distribution channel and among businesses operating in different geographic regions resulting in more customers operating nationally and internationally. If the consolidation of our customers and distributors were to continue, leading to the further increase of their size and purchasing power, we may be challenged to continue to provide consistently high customer service levels for increasing sales volumes, while still offering a broad portfolio of innovative products and on-time and complete deliveries. If we fail to provide high levels of service, broad product offerings, competitive prices and timely and complete deliveries, we could lose a substantial amount of our customer base and our profitability, margins and net sales could decrease.

If we are unable to accurately predict future demand preferences for our products, our business and results of operations could be materially affected.

A key element to our continued success is the ability to maintain accurate forecasting of future demand preferences for our products. Our business in general is subject to changing consumer and industry trends, demands and preferences. Changes to consumer shopping habits and potential trends towards online purchases could also impact our ability to compete as we currently sell our products exclusively through our distribution channel. Our continued success depends largely on the introduction and acceptance by our customers of new product lines and improvements to existing product lines that respond to such trends, demands and preferences. Trends within the industry change often and our failure to anticipate, identify or quickly react to changes in these

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trends could lead to, among other things, rejection of a new product line and reduced demand and price reductions for our products, and could materially adversely affect us. In addition, we are subject to the risk that new products, manufacturing technologies or proprietary designs could be introduced that would replace or

reduce demand for our products. We may not have sufficient resources to make necessary investments or we may be unable to make the investments or acquire the intellectual property rights necessary to develop new products or improve our existing products.

Our business is seasonal which may affect our net sales, cash flows from operations and results of operations.

Our business is moderately seasonal and our sales vary from quarter to quarter based upon the timing of the building season in our markets. Severe weather conditions in any quarter, such as unusually prolonged warm or cold conditions, rain, blizzards or hurricanes, could accelerate, delay or halt construction and renovation activity. The impact of these types of events on our business may adversely impact our sales, cash flows from operations and results of operations. If sales were to fall substantially below what we would normally expect during certain periods, our annual financial results would be adversely impacted. Moreover, our facilities are vulnerable to severe weather conditions.

A disruption in our operations could materially affect our operating results.

We operate facilities worldwide. Many of our facilities are located in areas that are vulnerable to hurricanes, earthquakes and other natural disasters. In the event that a hurricane, earthquake, natural disaster, fire or other catastrophic event were to interrupt our operations for any extended period of time, particularly at one or more of our door facing facilities or non-residential door plants, such as when Marshfield experienced an autoclave explosion in July 2011, prior to our acquisition, it could delay shipment of merchandise to our customers, damage our reputation or otherwise have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations. Closure of one of our door facing facilities, which are our most capital intensive and least replaceable production facilities, could have a substantial negative effect on our earnings.

In addition, our operations may be interrupted by terrorist attacks or other acts of violence or war. These attacks may directly impact our suppliers or customers physical facilities. Furthermore, these attacks may make travel and the transportation of our supplies and products more difficult and more expensive and ultimately affect our operating results. The United States has entered into, and may enter into, additional armed conflicts which could have a further impact on our sales and our ability to deliver product to our customers in the United States and elsewhere. Political and economic instability in some regions of the world, including the current instabilities in the Middle East and North Africa, may also negatively impact our business. The consequences of any of these armed conflicts are unpredictable, and we may not be able to foresee events that could have an adverse effect on our business or your investment. More generally, any of these events could cause consumer confidence and spending to decrease or result in increased volatility in the United States and worldwide financial markets and economy. They could also result in economic recession in the United States or abroad. Any of these occurrences could have a significant impact on our operating results.

Manufacturing realignments may result in a decrease in our short-term earnings, until the expected cost reductions are achieved, as well as reduce our flexibility to respond quickly to improved market conditions.

We continually review our manufacturing operations and sourcing capabilities. Effects of periodic manufacturing realignments and cost savings programs have in the past and could in the future result in a decrease in our short-term earnings until the expected cost reductions are achieved. For instance, we expect to incur approximately \$3 million of additional restructuring costs related to activities initiated as of December 31, 2012. We also cannot assure you we will achieve all of our cost savings. Such programs may include the consolidation, integration and upgrading of facilities, functions, systems and procedures. The success of these efforts will depend in part on market conditions, and such actions may not be accomplished as quickly as anticipated and the expected cost reductions may not be achieved or sustained.

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In connection with our manufacturing realignment and cost savings programs, we have recently closed or consolidated a substantial portion of our global operations and significantly reduced our personnel, which may reduce our flexibility to respond quickly to improved market conditions. As a result, a failure to anticipate a sharp increase in levels of residential new construction, residential repair, renovation and remodeling and non-residential building construction activity could result in operational difficulties, adversely impacting our ability to provide our products to our customers. This may result in the loss of business to our competitors in the event they are better able to forecast or respond to market demand. There can be no assurance that we will be able to accurately forecast the level of market demand or react in a timely manner to such changes, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We are subject to the credit risk of our customers.

We provide credit to our customers in the normal course of business. We generally do not require collateral in extending such credit. An increase in the exposure, coupled with material instances of default, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flow.

Increased prices for raw materials or finished goods used in our products or interruptions in deliveries of raw materials or finished goods could adversely affect our profitability, margins and net sales.

Our profitability is affected by the prices of raw materials and finished goods used in the manufacture of our products. These prices have fluctuated and may continue to fluctuate based on a number of factors beyond our control, including world oil prices, changes in supply and demand, general economic or environmental conditions, labor costs, competition, import duties, tariffs, currency exchange rates and, in some cases, government regulation. The commodities we use may undergo major price fluctuations and there is no certainty that we will be able to pass these costs through to our customers. Significant increases in the prices of raw materials or finished goods are more difficult to pass through to customers in a short period of time and may negatively impact our short-term profitability, margins and net sales. In the current competitive environment, opportunities to pass on these cost increases to our customers may be limited.

We require a regular supply of raw materials, such as wood, wood composites, cut stock, steel, glass, core material, paint, stain and primer as well as petroleum-based products such as binders, resins and frames. In certain instances, we depend on a single or limited number of suppliers for these supplies. We typically do not have long-term contracts with our suppliers. If we are not able to accurately forecast our supply needs, the limited number of suppliers may make it difficult to obtain additional raw materials to respond to shifting or increased demand. Our dependency upon regular deliveries from particular suppliers means that interruptions or stoppages in such deliveries could adversely affect our operations until arrangements with alternate suppliers could be made. Furthermore, because our products and the components of some of our products are subject to regulation, such alternative suppliers, even if available, may not be substituted until regulatory approvals for such substitution are received, thereby delaying our ability to respond to supply changes. Moreover, some of our raw materials, especially those that are petroleum or chemical based, interact with other raw materials used in the manufacture of our products and therefore significant lead time may be required to procure a compatible substitute. Substitute materials may also not be of the same quality as our original materials.

If any of our suppliers were unable to deliver materials to us for an extended period of time (including as a result of delays in land or sea shipping), or if we were unable to negotiate acceptable terms for the supply of materials with these or alternative suppliers, our business could suffer. In the future, we may not be able to find acceptable supply alternatives, and any such alternatives could result in increased costs for us. Even if acceptable alternatives are found, the process of locating and securing such alternatives might be disruptive to our business.

Furthermore, raw material prices could increase, and supply could decrease, if other industries compete with us for such materials. For example, we are highly dependent upon our supply of wood chips used for the production of our door facings and wood composite materials. In Europe, we are experiencing supply pressure

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and increased prices for wood chips due to the high demand for wood chips for alternative energy applications. Failure to obtain significant supply may disrupt our operations and even if we are able to obtain sufficient supply, we may not be able to pass increased supply costs on to our customers in the form of price increases, thereby resulting in reduced margins and profits.

A rapid and prolonged increase in fuel prices may significantly increase our costs and have an adverse impact on our results of operations.

Fuel prices remain volatile and are significantly influenced by international, political and economic circumstances. If increased prices remain in effect, or if further price increases were to arise for any reason, including fuel supply shortages or unusual price volatility, the resulting higher fuel prices could materially increase our shipping costs, adversely affecting our results of operations. In addition, competitive pressures in our industry may have the effect of inhibiting our ability to reflect these increased costs in the prices of our products.

We are highly dependent on information technology, the disruption of which could significantly impede our ability to do business.

Our operations depend on our network of information technology systems, which are vulnerable to damage from hardware failure, fire, power loss, telecommunications failure, impacts of terrorism, breaches in security (such as the actions of computer hackers), natural disasters, or other disasters. We may not have sufficient redundant operations to cover a loss or failure in a timely manner. Any damage to our information technology systems could cause interruptions to our operations that materially adversely affect our ability to meet customers' requirements, resulting in an adverse impact to our business, financial condition and results of operations. Moreover, our recent technological initiatives and increasing dependence on technology may exacerbate this risk.

Increases in labor costs, potential labor disputes and work stoppages at our facilities or the facilities of our suppliers could materially adversely affect our financial performance.

Our financial performance is affected by the availability of qualified personnel and the cost of labor. We have approximately 9,100 employees worldwide, including approximately 3,000 unionized workers. Employees represented by these unions are subject to collective bargaining agreements. Although none of our North American collective bargaining agreements are subject to renewal in 2013, our agreements with employees and their respective work councils in France, Mexico, United Kingdom and South Africa are subject to annual negotiation. If we are unable to enter into new, satisfactory labor agreements with our unionized employees upon expiration of their agreements, we could experience a significant disruption of our operations, which could cause us to be unable to deliver products to customers on a timely basis. If our workers were to engage in strikes, such as the four week labor strike we experienced at our South African facility in 2011, a work stoppage or other slowdowns, we could also experience disruptions of our operations. Such disruptions could result in a loss of business and an increase in our operating expenses, which could reduce our net sales and profit margins. In addition, our non-unionized labor force may become subject to labor union organizing efforts, which could cause us to incur additional labor costs and increase the related risks that we now face.

We believe many of our direct and indirect suppliers and customers also have unionized workforces. Strikes, work stoppages or slowdowns experienced by these suppliers and customers could result in slowdowns or closures of facilities where components of our products are manufactured or delivered. For example, a national transportation workers' strike in South Africa in the third and fourth quarters of 2012 adversely impacted our net sales. Any interruption in the production or delivery of these components could reduce sales, increase costs and have a material adverse effect on us.

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Our pension obligations are currently significantly underfunded. We may have to make significant cash payments to our pension plans, which would reduce the cash available for our business.

As of December 31, 2012, our accumulated benefit obligations under our United States and United Kingdom defined benefit pension plans exceeded the fair value of plan assets by approximately \$40.4 million and \$8.8 million, respectively. During the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, we contributed approximately \$6.3 million, \$6.3 million and \$1.9 million, respectively, to the United States pension plan and approximately \$0.8 million, \$0.7 million and \$0.7 million, respectively, to the United Kingdom pension plan. Additional contributions will be required in future years. We currently anticipate making approximately \$3.2 million and \$0.7 million of contributions to our United States and United Kingdom pension plans, respectively, in 2013. If the performance of the assets in our pension plans does not meet our expectations or other actuarial assumptions are modified, our contributions to our pension plans could be materially higher than we expect, which would reduce the cash available for our businesses. In addition, our United States pension plans are subject to Title IV of the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, or ERISA. Under ERISA, the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, or the PBGC, generally has the authority to terminate an underfunded pension plan if the possible long-run loss to the PBGC with respect to the plan may reasonably be expected to increase substantially if the plan is not terminated. In the event our pension plans are terminated for any reason while the plans are underfunded, we may incur a liability to the PBGC which could be equal to the entire amount of the underfunding.

Our recent acquisitions and any future acquisitions, if available, could be difficult to integrate and could adversely affect our operating results.

In 2011 and 2012, we completed several strategic acquisitions of door and door component manufacturers in North America. Historically, we have made acquisitions to vertically integrate and expand our operations, such as our acquisitions of Birchwood Lumber & Veneer Co., Inc. (Birchwood) and Porta Industries, Inc (Marshfield) in 2011 and Les Portes Baillargeon, Inc. (Baillargeon), Algoma Holding Company, (Algoma), and Portes Lemieux Inc. (Lemieux), in 2012. From time to time, we have evaluated and expect to continue to evaluate possible acquisition transactions on an on-going basis. At any time we may be engaged in discussions or negotiations with respect to possible acquisitions or may have entered into non-binding letters of intent. As part of our strategy, we expect to continue to pursue complementary acquisitions and investments and may expand into product lines or businesses with which we have little or no operating experience. For example, future acquisitions may involve building product categories other than doors. We may also engage in further vertical integration. However, we may face competition for attractive targets and we may not be able to source appropriate acquisition targets at prices acceptable to us, or at all. In addition, in order to pursue our acquisition strategy, we will need significant liquidity, which, as a result of the other factors described herein, may not be available on terms favorable to us, or at all.

Our recent and any future acquisitions involve a number of risks, including:

our inability to integrate the acquired business;

our inability to manage acquired businesses or control integration and other costs relating to acquisitions;

our lack of experience with a particular business should we invest in a new product line;

diversion of management attention;

our failure to achieve projected synergies or cost savings;

impairment of goodwill affecting our reported net income;

our inability to retain the management or other key employees of the acquired business;

our inability to establish uniform standards, controls, procedures and policies;

our inability to retain customers of our acquired companies;

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risks associated with the internal controls of acquired companies;

exposure to legal claims for activities of the acquired business prior to the acquisition;

unforeseen management and operational difficulties, particularly if we acquire assets or businesses in new foreign jurisdictions where we have little or no operational experience;

damage to our reputation as a result of performance or customer satisfaction problems relating to an acquired businesses; and

the performance of any acquired business could be lower than we anticipated.

The integration of any future acquisition into our business will likely require substantial time, effort, attention and dedication of management resources and may distract our management in unpredictable ways from our ordinary operations. If we cannot successfully execute on our investments on a timely basis, we may be unable to generate sufficient net sales to offset acquisition, integration or expansion costs, we may incur costs in excess of what we anticipate, and our expectations of future results of operations, including cost savings and synergies, may not be achieved. If we are not able to effectively manage recent or future acquisitions or realize their anticipated benefits, it may harm our results of operations.

We are exposed to political, economic and other risks that arise from operating a multinational business.

We have operations in the United States, Canada, Europe and, to a lesser extent, other foreign jurisdictions. Approximately 73% of our fiscal year 2012 net sales were generated in North America and approximately 22% in Europe, Asia and Latin America and 5% in Africa. Further, certain of our businesses obtain raw materials and finished goods from foreign suppliers. Accordingly, our business is subject to political, economic and other risks that are inherent in operating in numerous countries. These risks include:

the difficulty of enforcing agreements and collecting receivables through foreign legal systems;

trade protection measures and import or export licensing requirements;

tax rates in foreign countries and the imposition of withholding requirements on foreign earnings;

the imposition of tariffs or other restrictions;

difficulty in staffing and managing widespread operations and the application of foreign labor regulations;

required compliance with a variety of foreign laws and regulations; and

changes in general economic and political conditions in countries where we operate.

Our business success depends in part on our ability to anticipate and effectively manage these and other risks. We cannot assure you that these and other factors will not have a material adverse effect on our international operations or on our business as a whole.

Fluctuating exchange and interest rates could adversely affect our financial results.

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Our financial results may be adversely affected by fluctuating exchange rates. In the year ended December 31, 2012, approximately 44% of our net sales were generated outside of the United States. In addition, a significant percentage of our costs during the same period were not denominated in U.S. dollars. For example, for most of our manufacturing facilities, the prices for a significant portion of our raw materials are quoted in the domestic currency of the country where the facility is located or other currencies that are not U.S. dollars. We also have substantial assets outside the United States. As a result, the volatility in the price of the U.S. dollar has exposed, and in the future may continue to expose, us to currency exchange risks. For example, we are subject to currency exchange rate risk to the extent that some of our costs will be denominated in currencies other than

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those in which we earn revenues. Also, since our financial statements are denominated in U.S. dollars, changes in currency exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and other currencies have had, and will continue to have, an impact on many aspects of our financial results. Changes in currency exchange rates for any country in which we operate may require us to raise the prices of our products in that country and may result in the loss of business to our competitors that sell their products at lower prices in that country.

Moreover, as our current indebtedness is denominated in a currency that is different from the currencies in which we derive a significant portion of our net sales, we are also exposed to currency exchange rate risk with respect to those financial obligations. When the outstanding indebtedness is repaid, we may be subject to taxes on any corresponding foreign currency gain.

Borrowings under our current ABL Facility are incurred at variable rates of interest, which exposes us to interest rate fluctuation risk. If interest rates increase, the payments we are required to make on any variable rate indebtedness will increase.

We may fail to continue to innovate, face claims that we infringe third party intellectual property rights, or be unable to protect our intellectual property from infringement by others except by incurring substantial costs as a result of litigation or other proceedings relating to patent or trademark rights, any of which could cause our net sales or profitability to decline.

Our continued success depends on our ability to develop and introduce new or improved products, to improve our manufacturing and product service processes, and to protect our rights to the technologies used in our products. If we fail to do so, or if existing or future competitors achieve greater success than we do in these areas, our results of operations and our profitability may decline.

We rely on a combination of United States, Canadian and, to a lesser extent, European patent, trademark, copyright and trade secret laws as well as licenses, nondisclosure, confidentiality and other contractual restrictions to protect certain aspects of our business. We have registered trademarks, copyrights and patents, and have pending trademark and patent applications in the United States, Canada and abroad. However, our patent and trademark applications may not be allowed by the applicable governmental authorities to issue as patents or register as trademarks at all, or in a form that will be advantageous to us. In addition, we have selectively pursued patent and trademark protection, and in some instances we may not have registered important patent and trademark rights in these and other countries. Furthermore, the laws of foreign countries may not protect our intellectual property rights to the same extent as the laws of the United States. The failure to obtain worldwide patent and trademark protection may result in other companies copying and marketing products based upon our technologies or under our brand or trade names outside the jurisdictions in which we are protected. This could impede our growth in existing regions and into new regions, create confusion among consumers and result in a greater supply of similar products that could erode prices for our protected products.

Our success depends in part on our ability to protect our patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets and licensed intellectual property from unauthorized use by others. We cannot be sure that the patents we have obtained, or other protections such as confidentiality, trade secrets and copyrights, will be adequate to prevent imitation of our products by others. If we are unable to protect our products through the enforcement of intellectual property rights, our ability to compete based on our current advantages may be harmed. If we fail to prevent substantial unauthorized use of our trade secrets, we risk the loss of those intellectual property rights and whatever competitive advantage they embody.

Although we are not aware that any of our products or intellectual property rights materially infringe upon the proprietary rights of third parties, third parties may accuse us of infringing or misappropriating their patents, trademarks, copyrights or trade secrets. Third parties may also challenge our trademark rights and branding practices in the future. We may be required to institute or defend litigation to defend ourselves from such accusations or to enforce our patent, trademark and copyright rights from unauthorized use by others, which,

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regardless of the outcome, could result in substantial costs and diversion of resources and could negatively affect our competitive position, sales, profitability and reputation. If we lose a patent infringement suit, we may be liable for money damages and be enjoined from selling the infringing product unless we can obtain a license or are able to redesign our product to avoid infringement. A license may not be available at all or on terms acceptable to us, and we may not be able to redesign our products to avoid any infringement, which could negatively affect our profitability. In addition, our patents, trademarks and other proprietary rights may be subject to various attacks claiming they are invalid or unenforceable. These attacks might invalidate, render unenforceable or otherwise limit the scope of the protection that our patents and trademarks afford. If we lose the use of a product name, our efforts spent building that brand may be lost and we will have to rebuild a brand for that product, which we may or may not be able to do. Even if we prevail in a patent infringement suit, there is no assurance that third parties will not be able to design around our patents, which could harm our competitive position.

If we are unable to replace our expiring patents, our ability to compete both domestically and internationally will be harmed. In addition, our products face the risk of obsolescence, which, if realized, could have a material adverse effect on our business.

We depend on our door manufacturing intellectual property and products to generate revenue. Some of our patents will begin to expire in the next several years. While we will continue to work to add to our patent portfolio to protect the intellectual property of our products, we believe it is possible that new competitors will emerge in door manufacturing. We do not know whether we will be able to develop additional proprietary designs, processes or products. If any protection we obtain is reduced or eliminated, others could use our intellectual property without compensating us, resulting in harm to our business. Moreover, as our patents expire, competitors may utilize the information found in such patents to commercialize their own products. While we seek to offset the losses relating to important expiring patents by securing additional patents on commercially desirable improvements, and new products, designs and processes, there can be no assurance that we will be successful in securing such additional patents, or that such additional patents will adequately offset the effect of the expiring patents.

Further, we face the risk that third parties will succeed in developing or marketing products that would render our products obsolete or noncompetitive. New, less expensive methods could be developed that replace or reduce the demand for our products or may cause our customers to delay or defer purchasing our products. Accordingly, our success depends in part upon our ability to respond quickly to market changes through the development and introduction of new products. The relative speed with which we can develop products, complete regulatory clearance or approval processes and supply commercial quantities of the products to the market are expected to be important competitive factors. Any delays could result in a loss of market acceptance and market share. We cannot provide assurance that our new product development efforts will result in any commercially successful products.

We may be the subject of product liability claims or product recalls, we may not accurately estimate costs related to such claims or recalls, and we may not have sufficient insurance coverage available to cover potential liabilities.

Our products are used and have been used in a wide variety of residential and commercial applications. We face an inherent business risk of exposure to product liability or other claims, including class action lawsuits, in the event our products are alleged to be defective or that the use of our products is alleged to have resulted in harm to others or to property. We may in the future incur liability if product liability lawsuits against us are successful. Moreover, any such lawsuits, whether or not successful, could result in adverse publicity to us, which could cause our sales to decline materially. In addition, it may be necessary for us to recall defective products, which would also result in adverse publicity, as well as resulting in costs connected to the recall and loss of net sales. We maintain insurance coverage to protect us against product liability claims, but that coverage may not be adequate to cover all claims that may arise or we may not be able to maintain adequate insurance coverage in the

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future at an acceptable cost. Any liability not covered by insurance or that exceeds our established reserves could materially and adversely impact our financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, consistent with industry practice, we provide warranties on many of our products and we may experience costs of warranty or breach of contract claims if our products have defects in manufacture or design or they do not meet contractual specifications. We estimate our future warranty costs based on historical trends and product sales, but we may fail to accurately estimate those costs and thereby fail to establish adequate warranty reserves for them.

The loss of certain members of our management may have an adverse effect on our operating results.

Our success will depend, in part, on the efforts of our senior management and other key employees. These individuals possess sales, marketing, engineering, manufacturing, financial and administrative skills and know-how that are critical to the operation of our business. We have significantly reduced our workforce since the beginning of 2006, including management personnel. As a result, the departure of any of our senior officers or key employees would be substantially more disruptive to our operations than in prior periods. If we lose or suffer an extended interruption in the services of one or more of our senior officers or other key employees, our financial condition and results of operations may be negatively affected. Moreover, the pool of qualified individuals may be highly competitive and we may not be able to attract and retain qualified personnel to replace or succeed members of our senior management or other key employees, should the need arise. The loss of the services of any key personnel, or our inability to hire new personnel with the requisite skills, could impair our ability to develop new products or enhance existing products, sell products to our customers or manage our business effectively.

Lack of transparency, threat of fraud, public sector corruption and other forms of criminal activity involving government officials increases risk for potential liability under anti-bribery or anti-fraud legislation, including the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

We operate facilities in 12 countries and sell our products in 70 countries around the world, respectively. As a result of these international operations, we may enter from time to time into negotiations and contractual arrangements with parties affiliated with foreign governments and their officials. In connection with these activities, we could be subject to the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, or the FCPA, the United Kingdom Bribery Act and other anti-bribery laws that prohibit improper payments or offers of payments to foreign governments and their officials and political parties by United States and other business entities for the purpose of obtaining or retaining business, or otherwise receiving discretionary favorable treatment of any kind and requires the maintenance of internal controls to prevent such payments. In particular, we may be held liable for actions taken by our local partners and agents in foreign countries where we operate, even though such parties are not always subject to our control. As part of our Masonite Values Operating Guide we have established FCPA and other anti-bribery policies and procedures and offer several channels for raising concerns in an effort to comply with applicable U.S. and international laws and regulations. However, there can be no assurance that our policies and procedures will effectively prevent us from violating these laws and regulations in every transaction in which we may engage. Any determination that we have violated the FCPA or other anti-bribery laws (whether directly or through acts of others, intentionally or through inadvertence) could result in sanctions that could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

As we continue to expand our business globally, we may have difficulty anticipating and effectively managing these and other risks that our international operations may face, which may adversely impact our business outside of North America and our financial condition and results of operations. In addition, any acquisition of businesses with operations outside of North America may exacerbate this risk.

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Environmental requirements and other government regulation may impose significant environmental and legal compliance costs and liabilities on us.

Our operations are subject to numerous Canadian (federal, provincial and local), United States (federal, state and local), European (European Union, national and local) and other laws and regulations relating to pollution and the protection of human health and the environment, including, without limitation, those governing emissions to air, discharges to water, storage, treatment and disposal of waste, releases of contaminants or hazardous or toxic substances, remediation of contaminated sites and protection of worker health and safety. From time to time, our facilities are subject to investigation by governmental regulators. Despite our efforts to comply with environmental requirements, we are at risk of being subject to civil, administrative or criminal enforcement actions, of being held liable, of being subject to an order or of incurring costs, fines or penalties for, among other things, releases of contaminants or hazardous or toxic substances occurring on or emanating from currently or formerly owned or operated properties or any associated offsite disposal location, or for contamination discovered at any of our properties from activities conducted by us or by previous occupants. Although, with the exception of costs incurred relating to compliance with Maximum Achievable Control Technology requirements (as described below), we have not incurred significant costs for environmental matters in prior years, future expenditures required to comply with any changes in environmental requirements are

anticipated to be undertaken as part of our ongoing capital investment program, which is primarily designed to improve the efficiency of our various manufacturing processes. The amount of any resulting liabilities, costs, fines or penalties may be material.

In addition, the requirements of such laws and enforcement policies have generally become more stringent over time. Changes in environmental laws and regulations or in their enforcement or the discovery of previously unknown or unanticipated contamination or non-compliance with environmental laws or regulations relating to our properties or operations could result in significant environmental liabilities or costs which could adversely affect our business. In addition, we might incur increased operating and maintenance costs and capital expenditures and other costs to comply with increasingly stringent air emission control laws or other future requirements (such as, in the United States, those relating to compliance with Maximum Achievable Control Technology requirements under the Clean Air Act, for which we made capital expenditures totaling approximately \$49 million from 2008 through 2010), which may decrease our cash flow. Also, discovery of currently unknown or unanticipated conditions could require responses that would result in significant liabilities and costs. Accordingly, we are unable to predict the ultimate costs of compliance with or liability under environmental laws, which may be larger than current projections.

Changes in government regulation may have a material effect on our results of operations.

Our manufacturing facilities are subject to numerous foreign, federal, state and local laws and regulations, including those relating to the presence of hazardous materials and protection of worker health and safety. Liability under these laws involves inherent uncertainties. Changes in such laws and regulations or in their enforcement could significantly increase our costs of operations which could adversely affect our business. Violations of health and safety laws are subject to civil, and, in some cases, criminal sanctions. As a result of these uncertainties, we may incur unexpected interruptions to operations, fines, penalties or other reductions in income which could adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Further, in order for our products to obtain the energy efficient ENERGYSTAR label, they must meet certain requirements set by the Environmental Protection Agency, or the EPA. Changes in the energy efficiency requirements established by the EPA for the ENERGYSTAR label could increase our costs, and, if there is a lapse in our ability to label our products as such or we are not able to comply with the new standards at all, negatively affect our net sales and results of operations.

Moreover, many of our products are regulated by building codes and require specific fire, penetration or wind resistance characteristics. A change in the building codes could have a material impact on the manufacturing cost for these products, which we may not be able to pass on to our customers.

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To service our consolidated indebtedness, we will require a significant amount of cash. Our ability to generate cash depends on many factors beyond our control, and any failure to meet our debt service obligations could harm our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our estimated annual payment obligations for 2013 with respect to our consolidated indebtedness consist of our estimated \$31 million of interest payments. If we draw funds under the ABL Facility, which is one of our principal sources of liquidity, we will incur additional interest expense. Our ability to satisfy our debt obligations will principally depend upon our future operating performance. As a result, prevailing economic conditions and financial, business and other factors, many of which are beyond our control, will affect our ability to make these payments. If we do not generate sufficient cash flow from operations to satisfy our consolidated debt service obligations, we may have to undertake alternative financing plans, such as refinancing or restructuring our indebtedness, selling assets, reducing or delaying capital investments or seeking to raise additional capital. Our ability to restructure or refinance our debt will depend on the capital markets and our financial condition at such time. Any refinancing of our debt could be at higher interest rates and may require us to comply with more onerous covenants, which could further restrict our business operations. In addition, the terms of existing or future debt instruments, including the ABL Facility and the indenture governing our senior notes, may restrict us from adopting some of these alternatives. If we are unable to generate sufficient cash flow to satisfy our debt service obligations, or to refinance our obligations on commercially reasonable terms, it would have an adverse effect, which could be material, on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Under such circumstances, we may be unable to comply with the provisions of our debt instruments. If we are unable to satisfy such covenants or other provisions at any future time, we would need to seek an amendment or waiver of such financial covenants or other provisions. Our lenders may not consent to any amendment or waiver requests that we may make in the future, and, if they do consent, they may not do so on terms which are favorable to us. Certain of our lenders will also have the right in these circumstances to terminate any commitments they have to provide further borrowings. If we are unable to obtain any such waiver or amendment, our inability to meet the financial covenants or other provisions in the agreements governing our indebtedness may constitute an event of default thereunder, which would permit those and other lenders to accelerate repayment of our indebtedness. Our assets and cash flow, including those of our subsidiaries, may not be sufficient to fully repay borrowings under our outstanding debt instruments if accelerated upon an event of default, and our secured lenders could proceed against the collateral securing that indebtedness. Such events would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We and our subsidiaries may also be able to incur substantial additional indebtedness, including secured indebtedness, in the future. To the extent new debt is incurred by us and our subsidiaries, our leverage risks would increase.

The terms of our ABL Facility and the indenture governing our senior notes may restrict our current and future operations, particularly our ability to respond to changes in our business or to take certain actions.

The credit agreement governing our ABL Facility and the indenture governing our senior notes contain, and the terms of any future indebtedness of ours would likely contain a number of restrictive covenants that impose significant operating and financial restrictions, including restrictions on our ability to engage in acts that may be in our best long-term interests. The indenture governing our senior notes and the credit agreement governing the ABL Facility include covenants that, among other things, restrict our and our subsidiaries' ability to:

incur additional indebtedness and issue preferred stock;

make restricted payments, including dividends and other distributions on our common shares;

sell assets;

create restrictions on the ability of our restricted subsidiaries to pay dividends or distributions;

create or incur liens;

enter into sale and lease-back transactions;

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merge or consolidate with other entities; and

enter into transactions with affiliates.

The operating and financial restrictions and covenants in our current debt agreements and any future financing agreements may adversely affect our ability to finance future operations or capital needs or to engage in other business activities.

Risks Related to this Offering and Ownership of Our Common Shares

There is no existing market for our common shares and an active, liquid trading market may not develop.

Prior to this offering, there has not been a public market for our common shares, although our common shares have been quoted on the OTC Grey Market since June 2009 under the symbol MASWF. We cannot predict the extent to which investor interest in our company will lead to the development of a trading market on the New York Stock Exchange, or NYSE, or otherwise or how active and liquid that market may become. The trading price on the NYSE may bear no relation to the historical prices on the OTC Grey Market. If an active and liquid trading market does not develop, you may have difficulty selling any of our common shares that you purchase. The initial public offering price for the common shares will be determined by negotiations between us, the selling shareholders and the underwriters and may not be indicative of prices that will prevail in the open market following this offering. The market price of our common shares may decline below the initial offering price, and you may not be able to sell your common shares at or above the price you paid in this offering, or at all.

You will incur immediate and substantial dilution in the net tangible book value of the common shares you purchase in this offering.

Prior investors have paid substantially less per common share than the price in this offering. The initial public offering price of our common shares is substantially higher than the net tangible book value per common share outstanding prior to completion of the offering. Based on our net tangible book deficit as of December 31, 2012 and upon the issuance and sale of common shares by us at an assumed initial public offering price of \$ _____ per share (the midpoint of the initial public offering price range indicated on the cover of this prospectus), if you purchase our common shares in this offering, you will pay more for your shares than the amounts paid by our existing shareholders for their shares and you will suffer immediate dilution of approximately \$ _____ per share in net tangible book value. As of December 31, 2012, 5,833,335 shares were issuable upon the exercise of outstanding warrants, _____ shares were issuable upon the exercise of vested stock appreciation rights and _____ shares were subject to outstanding unvested stock appreciation rights (assuming, in each case, a share value equal to an initial public offering price of \$ _____ per share, which is the midpoint of the estimated offering price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus), 921,946 shares were issuable upon the vesting of unvested restricted stock units and the delivery of vested restricted stock units, and _____ shares were reserved for future grant under our stock incentive plans (assuming a share value equal to an initial public offering price of \$ _____ per share, which is the midpoint of the estimated offering price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus). To the extent that these warrants and stock appreciation rights are exercised, you will experience further dilution.

Our share price may change significantly following the offering, and you could lose all or part of your investment as a result.

The trading price of our common shares is likely to be highly volatile and could fluctuate due to a number of factors such as those listed in **Risks Related to Our Business** and the following, some of which are beyond our control:

quarterly variations in our results of operations;

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results of operations that vary from the expectations of securities analysts and investors;

results of operations that vary from those of our competitors;

changes in expectations as to our future financial performance, including financial estimates by securities analysts and investors;

announcements by us, our competitors or our vendors of significant contracts, acquisitions, joint marketing relationships, joint ventures or capital commitments;

announcements by third parties of significant claims or proceedings against us;

future sales of our common shares; and

general domestic and international economic conditions.

Furthermore, the stock market has experienced extreme volatility that, in some cases, has been unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance of particular companies. These broad market and industry fluctuations may adversely affect the market price of our common shares, regardless of our actual operating performance.

In the past, following periods of market volatility, shareholders have instituted securities class action litigation. If we were involved in securities litigation, it could have a substantial cost and divert resources and the attention of executive management from our business regardless of the outcome of such litigation.

Certain shareholders' shares are restricted from immediate resale but may be sold into the market in the near future. This could cause the market price of our common shares to drop significantly.

After the completion of this offering, we will have _____ common shares outstanding (_____ shares if the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional shares in full). This number includes _____ shares that are being sold in this offering, which may be resold immediately in the public market.

We and the selling shareholders, our directors and executive officers and certain of our principal shareholders have agreed not to offer or sell, dispose of or hedge, directly or indirectly, any common shares without the permission of Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and Barclays Capital Inc. for a period of 180 days from the date of this prospectus, subject to certain exceptions and automatic extensions in certain circumstances. In addition, substantially all of our shareholders are party to our shareholders' agreement. Each of these shareholders has agreed, pursuant to that agreement, not to offer or sell, dispose of or hedge, directly or indirectly, any common shares for a period of 180 days from the date of this prospectus, subject to certain exceptions and automatic extensions in certain circumstances, and we will agree in the underwriting agreement for this offering not to release, waive or otherwise amend this provision of the shareholders' agreement without the prior written consent of Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and Barclays Capital Inc. The shares issued under our Plan of Reorganization in connection with completion of our financial restructuring and emergence from protection under both Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and the CCAA in Canada may generally be resold without registration pursuant to Section 1145 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. See *Shares Eligible for Future Sale*. In addition, pursuant to our shareholders' agreement, a minimum of 10% of our shareholders have the right to require us to file a registration statement with the SEC for the resale of our common shares at any time. To the extent not freely tradable pursuant to Section 1145 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, these shares may also be sold pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act, depending on their holding period and subject to restrictions in the case of shares held by persons deemed to be our affiliates. As restrictions on resale end or if these shareholders exercise their registration rights, the market price of our common shares could decline if the holders of restricted shares sell them or are perceived by the market as intending to sell them. See *Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions*.

As of December 31, 2012, 5,833,335 shares were issuable upon the exercise of outstanding warrants, _____ shares were issuable upon the exercise of vested stock appreciation rights and _____ shares were subject to outstanding unvested stock appreciation rights (assuming, in each case, a share value equal to an initial

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public offering price of \$ _____ per share, which is the midpoint of the estimated offering price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus), 921,946 shares were issuable upon the vesting of unvested restricted stock units and the delivery of vested restricted stock units, and _____ shares were reserved for future grant under our stock incentive plans (assuming a share value equal to an initial public offering price of \$ _____ per share, which is the midpoint of the estimated offering price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus). To the extent that these warrants and stock appreciation rights are exercised, you will experience further dilution. We also intend to file a registration statement on Form S-8 under the Securities Act covering all of the common shares subject to outstanding equity awards, as well as options and shares reserved for future issuance, under our stock incentive plans. Once we register these shares, they can be freely sold in the public market upon issuance and vesting, subject to the lock-up agreements described in the Underwriting section of this prospectus and contained in the terms of such plans, or unless they are held by affiliates, as that term is defined in Rule 144 of the Securities Act. Sales of a substantial number of our common shares following the vesting of restricted stock units and stock appreciation rights could cause the market price of our common shares to decline.

The availability of shares for sale in the future could reduce the market price of our common shares.

In the future, we may issue securities to raise cash for acquisitions or otherwise. We may also acquire interests in other companies by using a combination of cash and our common shares or just our common shares. We may also issue securities convertible into our common shares. Any of these events may dilute your ownership interest in our company and have an adverse impact on the price of our common shares.

In addition, sales of a substantial amount of our common shares in the public market, or the perception that these sales may occur, could reduce the market price of our common shares. This could also impair our ability to raise additional capital through the sale of our securities.

Because we do not currently intend to pay cash dividends on our common shares for the foreseeable future, you may not receive any return on investment unless you sell your common shares for a price greater than that which you paid for it.

We currently intend to retain future earnings, if any, for future operation, expansion and debt repayment and do not intend to pay any cash dividends for the foreseeable future. Any decision to declare and pay dividends in the future will be made at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend on, among other things, our results of operations, financial condition, cash requirements, contractual restrictions and other factors that our board of directors may deem relevant. Our ABL Facility and the indenture governing our senior notes contain, and the terms of any future indebtedness we or our subsidiaries incur may contain, limitations on our ability to pay dividends. As a result, you may not receive any return on an investment in our common shares unless you sell our common shares for a price greater than that which you paid for it.

A small number of our shareholders could be able to significantly influence our business and affairs, limiting your ability to influence corporate matters.

Following the completion of this offering, shareholders owning 5% or more of our outstanding common shares will collectively own approximately _____ % of our common shares (or _____ % if the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional shares in full). As a result of their holdings, these shareholders may be able to significantly influence the outcome of any matters requiring approval by our shareholders, including the election of directors, mergers and takeover offers, regardless of whether others believe that approval of those matters is in our best interests.

We will incur increased costs and our management will face increased demands as a result of operating as a public company.

As a public company, we will incur significant legal, accounting and other expenses that we did not incur as a private company. In addition, our administrative staff will be required to perform additional tasks. For example,

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in anticipation of becoming a public company, we will need to adopt additional internal controls and disclosure controls and procedures and bear all of the internal and external costs of preparing and distributing periodic public reports in compliance with our obligations under applicable securities laws.

In addition, changing laws, regulations and standards relating to corporate governance and public disclosure, including the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, the Dodd-Frank Act and related regulations implemented by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, and the stock exchanges are creating uncertainty for public companies, increasing legal and financial compliance costs and making some activities more time-consuming. We are currently evaluating and monitoring developments with respect to new and proposed rules and cannot predict or estimate the amount of additional costs we may incur or the timing of such costs. These laws, regulations and standards are subject to varying interpretations, in many cases due to their lack of specificity, and, as a result, their application in practice may evolve over time as new guidance is provided by regulatory and governing bodies. This could result in continuing uncertainty regarding compliance matters and higher costs necessitated by ongoing revisions to disclosure and governance practices.

We intend to invest resources to comply with evolving laws, regulations and standards, and this investment may result in increased general and administrative expenses and a diversion of management's time and attention from revenue-generating activities to compliance activities. If our efforts to comply with new laws, regulations and standards differ from the activities intended by regulatory or governing bodies due to ambiguities related to practice, regulatory authorities may initiate legal proceedings against us and our business may be harmed. We also expect that being a public company and these new rules and regulations will make it more expensive for us to obtain director and officer liability insurance, and we may be required to accept reduced coverage or incur substantially higher costs to obtain coverage. These factors could also make it more difficult for us to attract and retain qualified members of our board of directors, particularly to serve on our audit committee and compensation committee, and attract and retain qualified executive officers.

The increased costs associated with operating as a public company may decrease our net income or increase our net loss, and may cause us to reduce costs in other areas of our business or increase the prices of our products or services to offset the effect of such increased costs. Additionally, if these requirements divert our management's attention from other business concerns, they could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

If we fail to maintain an effective system of internal controls, we may not be able to report our financial results accurately or in a timely fashion, and we may not be able to prevent fraud; in such case, our shareholders could lose confidence in our financial reporting, which would harm our business and could negatively impact the price of our common shares.

Effective internal controls are necessary for us to provide reliable, timely financial reports and prevent fraud. In addition, Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 will require us to evaluate and report on our internal control over financial reporting beginning with our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ending December 31, 2014. The process of implementing our internal controls and complying with Section 404 will be expensive and time-consuming, and will require significant attention of management. We cannot be certain that these measures will ensure that we implement and maintain adequate controls over our financial processes and reporting in the future. Even if we conclude that our internal control over financial reporting provides reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect fraud or misstatements. Failure to implement required new or improved controls, including those related to information technology systems, or difficulties encountered in their implementation, could harm our results of operations or cause us to fail to meet our reporting obligations. If we discover a material weakness, the disclosure of that fact, even if quickly remedied, could reduce the market's confidence in our financial statements and harm the price of our common shares.

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United States civil liabilities may not be enforceable against us or certain experts named in this prospectus.

We exist under the laws of the Province of British Columbia, Canada. In addition, certain experts named herein reside outside the United States. As a result, it may be difficult for investors to effect service of process within the United States upon us and those experts, or to enforce outside the United States judgments obtained in United States courts, in any action, including actions predicated upon the civil liability provisions of United States securities laws. Additionally, it may be difficult for investors to enforce, in original actions brought in courts in jurisdictions located outside the United States, rights predicated upon United States securities laws. In particular, there is uncertainty as to the enforceability in Canada by a court in original actions, or in actions to enforce judgments of United States courts, of the civil liabilities predicated upon the United States securities laws. Based on the foregoing, there can be no assurance that United States investors will be able to enforce against us or certain experts named herein who are residents of countries other than the United States any judgments obtained in United States courts in civil and commercial matters, including judgments under the United States federal securities laws. In addition, there is doubt as to whether a court in the Province of British Columbia would impose civil liability on us, our directors, officers or certain experts named herein in an original action predicated solely upon the federal securities laws of the United States brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in the Province of British Columbia against us or such directors, officers or experts, respectively.

Canadian laws differ from the laws in effect in the United States and may afford less protection to holders of our securities.

We are a company that exists under the laws of the Province of British Columbia, Canada and are subject to the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia) and certain other applicable securities laws as a Canadian issuer (non-reporting issuer), which laws may differ from those governing a company formed under the laws of a United States jurisdiction. The provisions under the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia) and other relevant laws may affect the rights of shareholders differently than those of a company governed by the laws of a United States jurisdiction, and may, together with our amended and restated articles of amalgamation, have the effect of delaying, deferring or discouraging another party from acquiring control of our company by means of a tender offer, a proxy contest or otherwise, or may affect the price an acquiring party would be willing to offer in such an instance. See Description of Capital Stock.

If securities or industry research analysts do not publish or cease publishing research or reports about our business or if they issue unfavorable commentary or downgrade our common shares, our share price and trading volume could decline.

The trading market for our common shares will rely in part on the research and reports that securities and industry research analysts publish about us, our industry, our competitors and our business. We do not have any control over these analysts. Our share price and trading volumes could decline if one or more securities or industry analysts downgrade our common shares, issue unfavorable commentary about us, our industry or our business, cease to cover our company or fail to regularly publish reports about us, our industry or our business.

Our management has broad discretion in the use of the net proceeds from the offering of the common shares we are selling and our use of the net proceeds of the offering of such shares may not produce a positive rate of return.

Our management will have broad discretion in the application of the net proceeds of the offering of common shares we are selling. We cannot specify with certainty the uses to which we will apply the net proceeds we will receive from this offering and cannot assure you that our management will apply the net proceeds from this offering in ways that improve our results of operations or increase the value of your investment. The failure by our management to apply these funds in a manner that produces a positive rate of return could adversely affect our ability to continue to maintain and expand our business, which could cause our share price to decline.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the net proceeds we will receive from the sale of _____ common shares we are offering, after deducting underwriters discounts and commissions and estimated expenses payable by us, will be approximately \$ _____ million (or \$ _____ million if the underwriters exercise the option to purchase additional shares in full). This estimate assumes an initial public offering price of \$ _____ per share, the midpoint of the range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus. A \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$ _____ per share would increase (decrease) the net proceeds to us from this offering by approximately \$ _____ million, assuming the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated expenses payable by us. A one million share increase (decrease) in the number of shares offered by us in this offering would increase (decrease) the net proceeds to us by approximately \$ _____ million, assuming an initial public offering price of \$ _____ per share, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated expenses payable by us. We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of common shares by the selling shareholders.

We will use the net proceeds for general corporate purposes, which may include funding future strategic tuck-in acquisitions. Pending specific utilization of the net proceeds as described above, we intend to invest the net proceeds we will receive in short-term investment grade and U.S. government securities.

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DIVIDEND POLICY

Following completion of this offering, we do not intend to pay any cash dividends on our common shares for the foreseeable future and will retain earnings, if any, for future operations, expansion and debt repayment. Any decision to declare and pay dividends in the future will be made at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend on, among other things, our results of operations, liquidity requirements, financial condition, contractual restrictions and other factors that our board of directors may deem relevant. In addition, our ability to pay dividends is limited by covenants in our ABL Facility and in the indenture governing our senior notes. Future agreements may also limit our ability to pay dividends. See Description of Certain Indebtedness and Note 6 to our audited consolidated financial statements contained elsewhere in this prospectus for restrictions on our ability to pay dividends.

On May 17, 2011, we declared a return of capital to shareholders in the amount of \$4.54 per share. The return of capital totaled \$128.1 million, of which \$124.9 million was paid on June 30, 2011 to shareholders of record as of May 17, 2011. The remaining \$3.2 million was allocated to holders of restricted stock units in accordance with the underlying restricted stock unit agreements and will be paid when the underlying restricted stock units vest and are delivered.

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The following table sets forth our cash and cash equivalents and consolidated capitalization as of December 31, 2012 (1) on a historical basis and (2) as adjusted to give effect to (x) the issuance of the common shares offered by us hereby and the use of proceeds therefrom and (y) the to 1 stock split that will be effectuated prior to the pricing of this offering. This table should be read in conjunction with Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, Use of Proceeds, Summary Historical Consolidated Financial Data, Selected Historical Consolidated Financial Data and the historical audited consolidated financial statements and related notes appearing elsewhere in this prospectus.

	As of December 31, 2012	
	Actual	As Adjusted (3)
	(In thousands of U.S. dollars, except share amounts)	
Cash and cash equivalents (1)	\$ 122,314	\$
Debt (including current maturities):		
ABL facility (2)		
8 1/4% Senior Notes due 2021	375,000	
Unamortized premium on senior notes	3,194	
Capital leases and other long-term debt	654	
Total debt	378,848	
Share capital		
Common shares, unlimited shares authorized, 27,943,774 and shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2012 actual and as adjusted, respectively	633,910	
Additional paid-in capital	240,784	
Accumulated deficit	(49,167)	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(18,984)	
Total equity attributable to Masonite	806,543	
Equity attributable to noncontrolling interests	31,272	
Total equity	837,815	
Total capitalization	\$ 1,216,663	\$

- (1) Actual and As Adjusted cash and cash equivalents exclude \$12.6 million of cash that is restricted as collateral for letters of credit and \$0.2 million of other restricted cash as of December 31, 2012.
- (2) As of December 31, 2012, the ABL Facility remained undrawn.
- (3) A \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$ per share would increase (decrease) our as adjusted cash and cash equivalents by \$ million, our as adjusted additional paid-in-capital by \$ million, our as adjusted common shares by \$ million, our as adjusted total equity attributable to Masonite by \$ million, and our as adjusted total shareholders equity by \$ million, assuming no change to the number of our common shares offered by us as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and estimated expenses payable by us.

Table of Contents**DILUTION**

If you invest in our common shares, your interest will be diluted to the extent of the difference between the initial public offering price per share and the net tangible book value per share after this offering. Dilution results from the fact that the initial public offering price per share is substantially in excess of the net tangible book value per share attributable to the existing shareholders for our presently outstanding common shares. We calculate net tangible book value per share by dividing the net tangible book value (total consolidated tangible assets less total consolidated liabilities) by the number of outstanding common shares.

Our net tangible book value as of December 31, 2012 was approximately \$540.1 million, or \$19.33 per share, based on 27,943,774 common shares outstanding.

Without taking into account any other changes in such net tangible book value after December 31, 2012, after giving effect to the sale by us of common shares in this offering assuming an initial public offering price of \$ per share, which is the mid-point of the estimated offering price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, less the underwriting discounts and commissions and the estimated offering expenses payable by us, our pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value at December 31, 2012 would have been \$, or \$ per share. This represents an immediate increase in net tangible book value of \$ per share to the existing shareholders and an immediate dilution in net tangible book value of \$ per share, to investors purchasing our common shares in this offering. The following table illustrates this per share dilution:

Assumed initial public offering price per share	\$
Net tangible book value per share as of December 31, 2012	
Pro forma net tangible book value per share after giving effect to this offering	
Amount of dilution in net tangible book value per share to new investors in this offering	

If the underwriters were to fully exercise the underwriters' option to purchase additional common shares from us, the pro forma net tangible book value per share after giving effect to the offering would be \$ per share. This represents an increase in adjusted net tangible book value of \$ per share to existing shareholders and dilution in pro forma net tangible book value of \$ per share to new investors.

A \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$ per share would increase (decrease) our pro forma net tangible book value after giving to the offering by \$ million, or by \$ per share, assuming no change to the number of our common shares offered by us as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and estimated expenses payable by us. A 10% increase (decrease) in the number of common shares offered by us would increase (decrease) our pro forma net tangible book value after giving to the offering by \$ million, or by \$ per share, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and estimated expenses payable by us.

The following table summarizes, on a pro forma basis as of December 31, 2012, the total number of our common shares purchased from us, the total cash consideration paid to us and the average price per share effectively paid by our existing shareholders pursuant to our 2009 plan of reorganization and by new investors purchasing our common shares in this offering.

	Our Common Shares Purchased		Total Consideration		Average Price Per Share of our Common Share
	Number	Percent	Amount	Percent	
Existing shareholders		%	\$	%	\$
New investors		%	\$	%	\$
Total		%	\$	%	\$

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If the underwriters were to fully exercise the underwriters' option to purchase additional common shares from us, the percentage of our common shares held by existing shareholders would be _____%, and the percentage of our common shares held by new investors would be _____%.

To the extent that we grant equity awards to our employees in the future under our stock incentive plans, and those equity awards vest and/or are exercised, as the case may be, or other issuances of our common shares are made, there will be further dilution to new investors.

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SELECTED HISTORICAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

On March 16, 2009, Masonite Holdings Corp., Masonite International Inc. and several affiliated companies, including Masonite International Corporation, voluntarily filed to reorganize under the CCAA in Canada in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice. Additionally, Masonite Holdings Corp., Masonite International Inc., Masonite Corporation and all of its U.S. subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in the District of Delaware. Masonite's subsidiaries and affiliates outside of Canada and the United States did not initiate reorganization cases and were not materially impacted by the legal proceedings. We emerged from bankruptcy protection on June 9, 2009, referred to herein as the Effective Date.

Unless we state otherwise or the context otherwise requires, references to Masonite, we, our, us, and the Company for all periods subsequent to the Effective Date refer to Masonite International Corporation and its subsidiaries, after giving effect to such reorganization and the amalgamation. Masonite International Corporation is also referred to herein as our Successor. For all periods prior to the Effective Date, these terms refer to the predecessor, Masonite International Inc., which is also referred to herein as our Predecessor, and its subsidiaries.

The following table sets forth selected historical consolidated financial data of the Predecessor and the Successor as of the dates and for the periods indicated. The selected historical consolidated financial data of the Successor as of December 31, 2011 and 2012 and for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012 have been derived from the Successor's audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected historical consolidated financial data of the Successor as of December 31, 2009 and 2010 and for the period from April 16, 2009 (the Successor's date of incorporation) to December 31, 2009 have been derived from the Successor's audited consolidated financial statements not included in this prospectus. The selected historical consolidated financial data of the Predecessor as of December 31, 2008, for the year ended December 31, 2008 and for the period from January 1, 2009 to June 9, 2009 presented in this table have been derived from the Predecessor's audited consolidated financial statements not included in this prospectus. While the Predecessor and Successor periods overlap, no results of operations of Masonite are included in the Successor period from April 16, 2009 through June 9, 2009 and therefore no offsetting adjustments or eliminations have been made to the information in the overlapping period. Further, the impact, including information for the Successor, in the period from April 16, 2009 through June 9, 2009 on our combined results of operations is not material because the Successor had no operations during the overlapping period.

Our emergence from bankruptcy resulted in our being considered a new entity for financial reporting purposes and dramatically impacted second quarter 2009 net income as certain pre-bankruptcy debts were discharged in accordance with our Plan of Reorganization, filed with the Bankruptcy Court immediately prior to emergence and assets and liabilities were adjusted to their fair values upon emergence. As a result, our financial statements for the Successor periods after the Effective Date are not comparable to the financial statements prior to that date.

This historical data includes, in the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the operating results and financial condition of the Predecessor and Successor, respectively, for such periods and as of such dates. The results of operations for any period are not necessarily indicative of the results of future operations. Since 2010, we have completed several acquisitions. The results of these acquired entities are included in our consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss) for the periods subsequent to the respective acquisition date. The selected historical consolidated financial data set forth below should be read in conjunction with,

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and are qualified by reference to, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, our audited consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus.

	Year Ended December 31,			Period From April 16, 2009 to December 31, 2009	Period From January 1, 2009 to June 9, 2009	Year Ended December 31, 2008
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2009	2008
	(Successor)			(Predecessor)		
	(In thousands of U.S. dollars, except for share and per share amounts)					
Statement of Operations Data:						
Net sales	\$ 1,676,005	\$ 1,489,179	\$ 1,383,271	\$ 778,407	\$ 616,082	\$ 1,792,692
Cost of goods sold	1,459,701	1,303,820	1,203,469	690,310	541,831	1,547,348
Gross profit	216,304	185,359	179,802	88,097	74,251	245,344
Selling, general and administration expenses	208,058	186,776	176,776	105,131	87,380	206,259
Restructuring costs	11,431	5,116	7,000	2,549	7,584	25,892
Bankruptcy reorganization costs					30,963	10,337
Impairment of goodwill and intangible assets						1,004,180
Operating loss	(3,185)	(6,533)	(3,974)	(19,583)	(51,676)	(1,001,325)
Interest expense, net	31,454	18,068	245	609	84,460	234,509
Other expense (income), net	528	1,111	1,030	(1,338)	339	48,437
Loss from continuing operations before income tax expense	(35,167)	(25,712)	(5,249)	(18,854)	(136,475)	(1,284,271)
Income tax (benefit) expense	(13,365)	(21,560)	(11,396)	(938)	2,583	(49,990)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(21,802)	(4,152)	6,147	(17,916)	(139,058)	(1,234,281)
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax	1,480	(303)	(1,718)	(3,024)	(3,274)	(24,803)
Reorganization and fresh start accounting gain, net					347,123	
Net income (loss)	(20,322)	(4,455)	4,429	(20,940)	204,791	(1,259,084)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	2,923	2,079	1,390	1,487	1,917	3,226
Net income (loss) attributable to Masonite	\$ (23,245)	\$ (6,534)	\$ 3,039	\$ (22,427)	\$ 202,874	\$ (1,262,310)
Income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to Masonite shareholders per common share (basic and diluted) (1)	\$ (0.89)	\$ (0.23)	\$ 0.17	\$ (0.71)		
Net income (loss) attributable to Masonite shareholders per common share (basic and diluted) (1)	\$ (0.84)	\$ (0.24)	\$ 0.11	(0.82)		
Common shares outstanding	27,943,774	27,531,792	27,523,541	27,500,005		
Other Financial Data:						
Capital expenditures	\$ 48,419	\$ 42,413	\$ 57,823	\$ 27,012	\$ 17,099	\$ 32,755

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Net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities	55,222	32,688	75,154	56,157	14,168	(72,895)
Net cash flow provided by (used for) investing activities	(136,103)	(186,717)	(97,974)	114,392	(28,252)	(56,003)
Net cash flow provided by (used for) financing activities	94,230	136,605	(4,797)	(17,933)	(25,900)	295,165

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	2012	2011	As of December 31,		2008
		(Successor)	2010	2009	(Predecessor)
	(In thousands of U.S. dollars)				
Balance Sheet Data:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 122,314	\$ 109,205	\$ 121,050	\$ 152,236	\$ 191,010
Accounts receivable, net	256,666	228,729	205,581	209,693	235,135
Inventories, net	208,783	209,041	186,400	178,028	227,333
Working capital	417,584	384,822	349,248	384,344	(1,831,568)
Property, plant and equipment, net	648,360	632,655	645,615	634,322	704,789
Total assets	1,645,948	1,528,056	1,398,510	1,398,977	1,611,007
Total debt	378,848	275,000		143	2,258,334
Total equity	837,815	848,483	1,012,547	1,013,492	(1,071,700)

(1) Per share amounts for the Predecessor periods are not presented due to the impact of the Plan of Reorganization.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF
FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following Management Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations is based upon accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and discusses the financial condition and results of operations for Masonite International Corporation for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010.

*This discussion should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. The following discussion contains forward-looking statements that involve numerous risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ materially from the forward-looking statements as a result of these risks and uncertainties. See *Forward-Looking Statements* for additional cautionary information.*

Overview

We are a leading global designer and manufacturer of interior and exterior doors for the residential new construction; the residential repair, renovation and remodeling; and the non-residential building construction markets. Since 1925, we have provided our customers with innovative products and superior service at compelling values. In order to better serve our customers and create sustainable competitive advantages, we focus on developing innovative products, advanced manufacturing capabilities and technology-driven sales and service solutions. Today, we believe we hold either the number one or two market position in the seven product categories we target in North America. In fiscal year 2012, 73% of our net sales were in North America, 22% in Europe, Asia and Latin America and 5% in Africa. For the same year, in North America we generated 34% of our net sales in the residential new construction market, 45% in the residential repair, renovation and remodeling market and 21% in the non-residential building construction market.

We market and sell our products to remodeling contractors, builders, homeowners, retailers, dealers, lumberyards, commercial and general contractors and architects through well-established wholesale and retail distribution channels as part of our cross-merchandising strategy. Customers are provided a broad product offering of interior and exterior doors and entry systems at various price points. We manufacture a broad line of interior doors, including residential molded, flush, stile and rail, louvre and specially-ordered commercial and architectural doors; door components for internal use and sale to other door manufacturers; and exterior residential steel, fiberglass and wood doors and entry systems. In fiscal year 2012, sales of interior and exterior products accounted for approximately 74% and 26% of net sales, respectively. In fiscal year 2012, we sold approximately 31 million doors to more than 6,000 customers in 70 countries.

We operate 65 manufacturing and distribution facilities in 12 countries in North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Asia and Israel, which are strategically located to serve our customers through multiple distribution channels. These distribution channels include: (i) direct distribution to retail home center customers; (ii) one-step distribution that sells directly to homebuilders and contractors; and (iii) two-step distribution through wholesale distributors. For retail home center customers, numerous Dorfab facilities provide value-added fabrication and logistical services, including store delivery of pre-hung interior and exterior doors. We believe our ability to provide: (i) a broad product range; (ii) frequent, rapid, on-time and complete delivery; (iii) consistency in products and merchandising; (iv) national service; and (v) special order programs enables retail customers to increase comparable store sales and helps to differentiate us from our competitors. We believe investments in innovative new product manufacturing and distribution capabilities, coupled with an ongoing commitment to operational excellence, provide a strong platform for future growth.

Our reportable segments are organized and managed principally by geographic region: North America; Europe, Asia and Latin America; and Africa. For the year ended December 31, 2012, we generated net sales of \$1,224.1 million, \$370.3 million and \$81.6 million in our North America, Europe, Asia and Latin America, and Africa segments, respectively.

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Key Factors Affecting Our Results of Operations

Product Demand

There are numerous factors that influence overall market demand for our products. Demand for new homes, home improvement products and other building construction products has a direct impact on our financial condition and results of operations. Demand for our products may be impacted by changes in United States, Canadian, European, Asian or global economic conditions, including inflation, deflation, interest rates, availability of capital, consumer spending rates, energy availability and costs, and the effects of governmental initiatives to manage economic conditions. Additionally, trends in residential new construction, repair, renovation and remodeling and non-residential building construction may directly impact our financial performance. Accordingly, the following factors may have a direct impact on our business in the countries and regions in which our products are sold:

the strength of the economy;

the amount and type of residential and non-residential construction;

housing sales and home values;

the age of existing home stock, home vacancy rates and foreclosures;

non-residential building occupancy rates;

increases in the cost of raw materials or any shortage in supplies;

the availability and cost of credit;

employment rates and consumer confidence; and

demographic factors such as immigration and migration of the population and trends in household formation.

Product Pricing and Mix

The building products industry is highly competitive and we therefore face pressure on sales prices of our products. In addition, our competitors may adopt more aggressive sales policies and devote greater resources to the development, promotion and sale of their products than we do, which could result in a loss of customers. Our business in general is subject to changing consumer and industry trends, demands and preferences. Trends within the industry change often and our failure to anticipate, identify or quickly react to changes in these trends could lead to, among other things, rejection of a new product line and reduced demand and price reductions for our products, which could materially adversely affect us. Changes in consumer preferences may also lead to increased demand for our lower margin products relative to our higher margin products, which could reduce our future profitability.

Business Wins and Losses

Our customers consist mainly of wholesalers and retail home centers. In fiscal year 2012, our top ten customers together accounted for approximately 40% of our net sales and our top two customers accounted for approximately 16% and 10%. Net sales from customers that have

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accounted for a significant portion of our net sales in past periods, individually or as a group, may not continue in future periods, or if continued, may not reach or exceed historical levels in any period. Certain customers perform periodic product line reviews to assess their product offerings, which have, on past occasions, led to business wins and losses. Most recently, in the fourth quarter of 2012 we were notified of a loss of business as a result of a product line review by Lowe's relating to its Northeastern and Southwestern United States interior door business which will have an adverse impact on our net sales in 2013. In addition, as a result of competitive bidding processes, we may not be able to increase or maintain the margins at which we sell our products to our customers.

Organizational Restructuring

Over the past several years we have initiated, and in the future we plan to initiate, restructuring plans designed to eliminate excess capacity in order to align our manufacturing capabilities with reductions in demand,

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as well as to streamline our organizational structure and reposition our business for improved long-term profitability. We expect to incur approximately \$3.0 million of additional restructuring costs related to activities initiated as of December 31, 2012.

Foreign Exchange Rate Fluctuation

Our financial results may be adversely affected by fluctuating exchange rates. In the year ended December 31, 2012, approximately 44% of our net sales were generated outside of the United States. In addition, a significant percentage of our costs during the same period were not denominated in U.S. dollars. For example, for most of our manufacturing facilities, the prices for a significant portion of our raw materials are quoted in the domestic currency of the country where the facility is located or other currencies that are not U.S. dollars. We also have substantial assets outside the United States. As a result, the volatility in the price of the U.S. dollar has exposed, and in the future may continue to expose, us to currency exchange risks. Also, since our financial statements are denominated in U.S. dollars, changes in currency exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and other currencies have had, and will continue to have, an impact on many aspects of our financial results. Changes in currency exchange rates for any country in which we operate may require us to raise the prices of our products in that country or allow our competitors to sell their products at lower prices in that country.

Inflation

An increase in inflation could have a significant impact on the cost of our raw material inputs. Increased prices for raw materials or finished goods used in our products and/or interruptions in deliveries of raw materials or finished goods could adversely affect our profitability, margins and net sales, particularly if we are not able to pass these incurred costs on to our customers. In addition, interest rates normally increase during periods of rising inflation. Historically, as interest rates increase, demand for new homes and home improvement products decreases. An environment of gradual interest rate increases may, however, signify an improving economy or increasing real estate values, which in turn may stimulate increased home buying activity.

Seasonality

Our business is moderately seasonal and our net sales vary from quarter to quarter based upon the timing of the building season in our markets. Severe weather conditions in any quarter, such as unusually prolonged warm or cold conditions, rain, blizzards or hurricanes, could accelerate, delay or halt construction and renovation activity.

Acquisitions

In the past several years, we have pursued strategic tuck-in acquisitions targeting companies with differentiated businesses, strong brands, complementary technologies, attractive geographic footprints and opportunities for cost and distribution synergies:

Lemieux: In August 2012, we completed the acquisition of Lemieux for net consideration of \$22.1 million. Lemieux manufactures interior and exterior stile and rail wood doors for residential applications at its two facilities in Windsor, Quebec. The acquisition of Lemieux complemented our residential wood door business and provides us an additional strategic growth platform.

Algoma: In April 2012, we completed the acquisition of Algoma for net consideration of \$55.6 million. Algoma manufactures interior wood doors for architectural applications. The acquisition of Algoma complemented our existing Baillargeon, Mohawk and Marshfield branded commercial and architectural interior wood door business.

Baillargeon: In March 2012, we completed the acquisition of Baillargeon for net consideration of \$9.9 million. Baillargeon is a Canadian manufacturer of interior wood doors for commercial and architectural applications.

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Birchwood: In November 2011, we completed the acquisition of Birchwood, for net consideration of \$41.0 million. We believe Birchwood is one of North America's largest producers of commercial and architectural flush wood door facings, as well as a significant producer of hardwood plywood. The Birchwood acquisition enhanced our position as a leader in the manufacturing and distribution of components for commercial and architectural wood doors, and acts as a natural complement to our existing business.

Marshfield: In August 2011, we completed the acquisition of Marshfield for net consideration of \$102.4 million. We believe Marshfield is a leading provider of doors and door components for commercial and architectural applications that enables us to provide our customers with a wider range of innovative door products.

Lifetime: In October 2010, we also acquired substantially all of the assets of Lifetime Doors Inc. for net consideration of approximately \$28.0 million. Lifetime is an interior flush door manufacturer specializing in molded, veneer, prefinished, and bifold doors.

Ledco: In March 2010, we acquired substantially all of the assets of Ledco, Inc. for net consideration of approximately \$12.8 million. Ledco is a premier interior flush door manufacturer specializing in molded, veneer, mirror, pine, and bifold doors. In 2010 we also entered into exclusive supply, manufacturing and distribution arrangements with three leading door manufacturers in India: Feroke Boards Limited, Mahsim High Tech Fab Limited, and Standard Doors. Net combined consideration with respect to the Indian transactions was approximately \$9.1 million.

Components of Results of Operations

Net Sales

Net sales are derived from the sale of products to our customers. We recognize sales of our products when an agreement with the customer in the form of a sales order is in place, the sales price is fixed or determinable, collection is reasonably assured and the customer has taken ownership and assumes risk of loss. Certain customers are eligible to participate in various incentive and rebate programs considered as a reduction of the sales price of our products. Accordingly, net sales are reported net of such incentives and rebates. Additionally, shipping and other transportation costs charged to customers are recorded in net sales in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss).

Cost of Goods Sold

Our cost of goods sold is comprised of the cost to manufacture products for our customers. Cost of goods sold includes all of the direct materials and direct labor used to produce our products. Included in our costs of goods sold is also a systematic allocation of fixed and variable production overhead incurred in converting raw materials into finished goods. Fixed production overhead reflects those indirect costs of production that remain relatively constant regardless of the volume of production, such as depreciation and maintenance of factory buildings and equipment, and the cost of factory management and administration. Variable production overhead consists of those indirect costs of production that vary directly, or nearly directly, with the volume of production, such as indirect materials and indirect labor. We incur significant fixed and variable overhead at our global component locations that manufacture interior molded door facings. Our overall average production capacity utilization at these locations was approximately 63%, 60% and 56% for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Research and development costs are primarily included within cost of goods sold. Finally, cost of goods sold also includes the distribution and transportation costs to deliver products to our customers.

Selling, General and Administration Expenses

Selling, general and administration expenses primarily include the costs for our sales organization and support staff at various plants and corporate offices. These costs include personnel costs for payroll, related benefits costs and stock based compensation expense; professional fees including legal, accounting and consulting fees; depreciation and amortization of our non-manufacturing equipment and assets; travel and

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entertainment expenses; director, officer and other insurance policies; environmental, health and safety costs; advertising expenses and rent and utilities related to administrative office facilities. Certain charges that are also incurred less frequently and are included in selling, general and administration costs include gain or loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment, asset impairments and bad debt expense.

Restructuring Costs

Restructuring costs include all salary-related severance benefits that are accrued and expensed when a restructuring plan has been put into place, the plan has received approval from the appropriate level of management and the benefit is probable and reasonably estimable. In addition to salary-related costs, we incur other restructuring costs when facilities are closed or capacity is realigned within the organization. Upon termination of a contract we record liabilities and expenses pursuant to the terms of the relevant agreement. For non-contractual restructuring activities, liabilities and expenses are measured and recorded at fair value in the period in which they are incurred.

Interest Expense, Net

Interest expense, net relates primarily to our \$375.0 million aggregate principal amount of 8.25% senior unsecured notes due April 15, 2021, \$275.0 million of which were issued in April 2011 and \$100.0 million of which were issued in March 2012. The transaction costs were capitalized as deferred financing costs and are being amortized to interest expense over their term. The senior notes issued in March 2012 were issued at 103.5% of the principal amount and resulted in a premium from the issuance that will be amortized to interest expense over their term. Additionally, we pay interest on any outstanding principal under our ABL Facility and we are required to pay a commitment fee for unutilized commitments under the ABL Facility both of which are recorded in interest expense as incurred.

Other Expense (Income), Net

Other expense (income), net includes profit and losses related to our non-majority owned unconsolidated subsidiaries that we recognize under the equity method of accounting and various miscellaneous non-operating expenses.

Income Taxes

Income taxes are recorded using the asset and liability method of accounting for income taxes. Under the asset and liability method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the deferred tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities due to a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the date of enactment. A valuation allowance is recorded to reduce deferred tax assets to an amount that is anticipated to be realized on a more likely than not basis. Our combined effective income tax rate is primarily the weighted average of federal, state and provincial rates in various countries where we have operations, including the United States, Canada, France, the United Kingdom and Ireland. Our income tax rate is also affected by estimates of our ability to realize tax assets and changes in tax laws. As of December 31, 2012, we had \$207 million of losses carried forward which are available to reduce our future income taxes.

Table of Contents**Results of Operations**

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
	<i>(In thousands, except per share amounts)</i>		
Net sales	\$ 1,676,005	\$ 1,489,179	\$ 1,383,271
Cost of goods sold	1,459,701	1,303,820	1,203,469
Gross profit	216,304	185,359	179,802
Gross profit as a % of net sales	12.9%	12.4%	13.0%
Selling, general and administration expenses	208,058	186,776	176,776
Restructuring costs	11,431	5,116	7,000
Operating income (loss)	(3,185)	(6,533)	(3,974)
Interest expense, net	31,454	18,068	245
Other expense (income), net	528	1,111	1,030
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income tax expense (benefit)	(35,167)	(25,712)	(5,249)
Income tax expense (benefit)	(13,365)	(21,560)	(11,396)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	(21,802)	(4,152)	6,147
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	1,480	(303)	(1,718)
Net income (loss)	(20,322)	(4,455)	4,429
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest	2,923	2,079	1,390
Net income (loss) attributable to Masonite	\$ (23,245)	\$ (6,534)	\$ 3,039

Year Ended December 31, 2012 Compared with Year Ended December 31, 2011**Net Sales**

Net sales in fiscal year 2012, were \$1,676.0 million, an increase of \$186.8 million or 12.5% from \$1,489.2 million in fiscal year 2011. Net sales in fiscal year 2012 were \$38.4 million lower due to a strengthening of the U.S. dollar. Excluding this exchange rate impact, net sales would have increased by \$225.2 million or 15.1% due to acquisitions, unit volume, sales price/mix and component sales. Our 2012 and 2011 acquisitions contributed \$177.2 million or 11.9% of incremental net sales in fiscal year 2012. Higher unit volumes in fiscal year 2012 increased net sales by \$34.3 million or 2.3%, primarily due to increased residential new construction in North America, partially offset by a decline in unit volumes in Europe. Changes in the average sales price per unit, driven by product, geographic and customer mix, increased net sales in fiscal year 2012 by \$8.8 million or 0.6%. The increase in average sales price per unit on a consolidated basis was realized despite a modest decline in the average sales price per unit in the North America segment. Net sales of door components were \$4.9 million higher in fiscal year 2012 compared to fiscal year 2011.

The proportion of net sales from interior and exterior products in fiscal year 2012 was 73.6% and 26.4%, respectively, compared to 71.7% and 28.3% in fiscal year 2011. The increase in interior products as a percentage of our overall net sales in fiscal year 2012 was due to our acquisitions of Lemieux, Algoma, Baillargeon, Birchwood and Marshfield, which predominantly service the commercial interior wood and residential wood door markets.

Table of Contents*Net Sales and Percentage of Net Sales by Principal Geographic Region*

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2012	2011
	<i>(In thousands)</i>	
North America	\$ 1,225,420	\$ 1,009,983
North America intersegment	(1,369)	(930)
North America net sales to external customers	\$ 1,224,051	\$ 1,009,053
Percentage of net sales	73.0%	67.8%
Europe, Asia and Latin America	\$ 385,323	\$ 406,065
Europe, Asia and Latin America intersegment	(14,988)	(15,403)
Europe, Asia and Latin America net sales to external customers	\$ 370,335	\$ 390,662
Percentage of net sales	22.1%	26.2%
Africa	\$ 81,801	\$ 89,551
Africa intersegment	(182)	(87)
Africa net sales to external customers	\$ 81,619	\$ 89,464
Percentage of net sales	4.9%	6.0%
Net sales to external customers	\$ 1,676,005	\$ 1,489,179

North America

Net sales to external customers from facilities in the North America segment in fiscal year 2012 were \$1,224.1 million, an increase of \$215.0 million or 21.3% from \$1,009.1 million in fiscal year 2011. Net sales in fiscal year 2012 were \$4.8 million lower due to a strengthening of the U.S. dollar. Excluding the impact of changes in exchange rates, net sales would have increased by \$219.8 million or 21.8% due to acquisitions, unit volume, sales price/mix and component sales. Our 2012 and 2011 North America acquisitions contributed \$177.2 million or 17.6% in incremental net sales in fiscal year 2012. Higher unit volumes in fiscal year 2012 increased net sales by \$52.5 million or 5.2% compared to fiscal year 2011, primarily due to increased residential new construction. These increases were partially offset by changes in the average sales price per unit, driven by product, geographic and customer mix, which decreased net sales in fiscal year 2012 by \$5.7 million or 0.6% compared to fiscal year 2011. Additionally, net sales of door components to external customers were \$4.2 million or 0.4% lower in fiscal year 2012 compared to fiscal year 2011.

The proportion of net sales from interior and exterior products in fiscal year 2012 was 67.4% and 32.6%, respectively, compared to 63.1% and 36.9% in fiscal year 2011. The increase in our interior products as a percentage of North America net sales in fiscal year 2012 was due to our acquisitions of Lemieux, Algoma, Baillargeon, Birchwood and Marshfield, which predominantly service the commercial interior wood and residential wood door markets.

Europe, Asia and Latin America

Net sales to external customers from facilities in the Europe, Asia and Latin America segment in fiscal year 2012 were \$370.3 million, a decrease of \$20.4 million or 5.2% from \$390.7 million in fiscal year 2011. Net sales in fiscal year 2012 were \$23.3 million lower due to a strengthening of the U.S. dollar. Excluding the impact of changes in exchange rates, net sales would have increased by \$2.9 million or 0.7% due to sales price/mix, component sales and unit volume. Changes in the average sales price per unit, driven by product, geographic and customer mix, increased net sales in fiscal year 2012 by \$8.7 million or 2.2% compared to fiscal year 2011. Net sales of door components to external customers were \$9.1 million or 2.3% higher in fiscal year 2012 compared to fiscal year 2011. Partially offsetting these increases was a decline in unit volumes due to the broader market

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downturn in these regions and our decision to discontinue certain unprofitable product lines, which resulted in a \$14.9 million or 3.8% decrease in net sales in fiscal year 2012 compared to fiscal year 2011.

The proportion of net sales from interior and exterior products in fiscal year 2012 was 88.0% and 12.0%, respectively, compared to 87.6% and 12.4% in fiscal year 2011.

Africa

Net sales to external customers from facilities in the Africa segment in fiscal year 2012 were \$81.6 million, a decrease of \$7.9 million or 8.8% from \$89.5 million in fiscal year 2011. Net sales in fiscal year 2012 were \$10.3 million lower due to a strengthening of the U.S. dollar. Excluding the impact of changes in exchange rates, net sales would have increased by \$2.4 million or 2.7% due to sales price/mix and unit volume. Changes in the average sales price per unit, driven by product, geographic and customer mix in fiscal year 2012 increased net sales by \$5.7 million or 6.4% compared to fiscal year 2011. This increase was partially offset by lower unit volumes which decreased net sales in fiscal year 2012 by \$3.3 million or 3.7% compared to fiscal year 2011. Results in both periods were adversely impacted by a three week national transportation workers strike in the third and fourth quarter of fiscal year 2012 and a four week national work strike in South Africa during the third quarter of fiscal year 2011.

Cost of Goods Sold

In fiscal year 2012, cost of goods sold as a percentage of net sales was 87.1% compared to 87.6% in fiscal year 2011, a decrease of 0.5 percentage points. Excluding the impact of acquisitions, cost of goods sold as a percentage of net sales was unchanged when compared to fiscal year 2011. Cost of goods sold as a percentage of net sales, excluding acquisitions, was impacted by a number of factors, including product pricing and mix. Additionally, materials costs and depreciation as a percentage of net sales in fiscal year 2012 decreased 0.6% and 0.2%, respectively, over fiscal year 2011. This was offset by increases in overhead costs and direct labor and distribution costs as a percentage of net sales in fiscal year 2012 of 0.5%, 0.2% and 0.1% respectively, over fiscal year 2011.

Selling, General and Administration Expenses

In fiscal year 2012, selling, general and administration expenses, as a percentage of net sales, were 12.4%, compared to 12.5% in fiscal year 2011, a decrease of 10 basis points.

Selling, general and administration expenses in fiscal year 2012 were \$208.1 million, an increase of \$21.3 million from \$186.8 million in fiscal year 2011. Selling, general and administration expenses in fiscal year 2012 were \$4.5 million lower due a strengthening of the U.S. dollar. Excluding the impact of changes in exchange rates, selling, general and administration expenses would have increased by \$25.8 million over fiscal year 2011. The increase in selling, general and administration expenses included incremental expenses of \$21.4 million from Lemieux, Algoma, Baillargeon, Birchwood and Marshfield. Net of acquisitions and foreign exchange, the overall \$4.4 million increase in selling, general and administration expenses was driven by increases in personnel costs, including share based compensation, of \$6.9 million, depreciation and amortization of \$1.6 million, advertising costs of \$0.9 million, bad debt expense of \$0.8 million and other miscellaneous increases of \$1.0 million. These increases were partially offset by the receipt of business interruption insurance proceeds related to the Marshfield acquisition, as well as decreases in losses on disposals and impairment of property, plant and equipment of \$2.0 million and professional and other fees of \$1.5 million.

Restructuring Costs

Restructuring costs in fiscal year 2012 were \$11.4 million, an increase of \$6.3 million from \$5.1 million in fiscal year 2011. Restructuring costs in fiscal year 2012 were related to implementing plans to close certain of

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our U.S. manufacturing facilities due to the expected start-up of our new highly automated interior door slab assembly plant in Denmark, South Carolina; synergy opportunities related to recent acquisitions and footprint optimization efforts resulting from declines in demand in specific markets. We also began implementing plans during fiscal year 2012 to permanently close our businesses in Hungary and Romania, due to the continued economic downturn and heightened volatility of the Eastern European economies. These restructuring activities are estimated to increase our annual earnings and cash flows by approximately \$10 million in 2013.

Interest Expense, Net

Interest expense, net in fiscal year 2012 was \$31.5 million, an increase of \$13.4 million from \$18.1 million in fiscal year 2011. This increase primarily relates to the \$100.0 million principal amount of 8.25% senior unsecured notes issued in March of 2012 and the full year impact of the \$275.0 million principal amount of 8.25% senior unsecured notes issued in April of 2011. The increase in indebtedness and related interest expense in Canada was due to the issuance by the Company of the senior unsecured notes, which was reported in the North America segment results.

Other Expense (Income), Net

Other expense (income), net in fiscal year 2012 was \$0.5 million, a decrease of \$0.6 million from \$1.1 million in fiscal year 2011. The reduction in other expense (income), net is primarily due to our portion of the net losses related to our non-majority owned unconsolidated subsidiaries that are recognized under the equity method of accounting.

Income Tax Expense (Benefit)

Our income tax benefit in fiscal year 2012 was \$13.4 million, a decrease of \$8.2 million from \$21.6 million in fiscal year 2011. Our income tax benefit is affected by recurring items, such as tax rates in foreign jurisdictions in which we have operations and the relative amount of income we earn in these jurisdictions. It is also affected by discrete items that may occur in any given year, but are not consistent from year to year. The decrease in our income tax benefit is the result of a \$5.8 million decline related to changes in our income tax valuation allowances, a \$2.6 million decline in income tax benefits related to permanent tax differences and a \$2.1 million decline in the income tax benefit related to tax rate differences on income earned in foreign jurisdictions. These amounts were partially offset by a \$2.3 million increase in our income tax benefit related to tax exempt income.

Segment Information

	North America	Europe, Asia and Latin America	Africa	Total
		Year Ended December 31, 2012		
		<i>(In thousands)</i>		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 73,786	\$ 17,060	\$ 6,415	\$ 97,261
Percentage of segment net sales	6.0%	4.6%	7.9%	5.8%
		Year Ended December 31, 2011		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 59,906	\$ 17,630	\$ 4,458	\$ 81,994
Percentage of segment net sales	5.9%	4.5%	5.0%	5.5%

Our management team has established the practice of reviewing the performance of each geographic segment based on the measures of net sales and Adjusted EBITDA. Intersegment transfers are negotiated on an arm's length basis, using market prices.

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Adjusted EBITDA in our North America segment increased \$13.9 million, or 23.2%, to \$73.8 million in 2012, from \$59.9 million in fiscal year 2011. Adjusted EBITDA in the North America segment included corporate allocations of shared costs of \$52.1 million and \$46.3 million in fiscal year 2012 and 2011, respectively. The allocations generally consist of certain costs of human resources, legal, finance, information technology, research and development and share based compensation. The following reconciles Adjusted EBITDA to net income (loss) attributable to Masonite:

	North America	
	Year Ended	
	December 31,	
	2012	2011
	<i>(In thousands)</i>	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 73,786	\$ 59,906
Less (plus):		
Depreciation	41,665	38,490
Amortization of intangible assets	12,787	8,221
Share based compensation expense	6,517	5,888
Loss (gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	2,494	3,795
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	1,350	2,516
Restructuring costs	3,721	1,337
Interest expense (income), net	60,939	39,792
Other expense (income), net	688	656
Income tax expense (benefit)	(13,007)	(21,555)
Loss (income) from discontinued operations, net of tax	(1,480)	250
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest	2,923	2,079
Net income (loss) attributable to Masonite	\$ (44,811)	\$ (21,563)

Adjusted EBITDA in our Europe, Asia and Latin America segment decreased \$0.5 million, or 2.8%, to \$17.1 million in fiscal year 2012, from \$17.6 million in fiscal year 2011. Adjusted EBITDA in the Europe, Asia and Latin America segment included corporate allocations of shared costs of \$4.4 million and \$6.3 million in fiscal year 2012 and 2011, respectively. The allocations generally consist of certain costs of human resources, legal, finance and information technology. The following reconciles Adjusted EBITDA to net income (loss) attributable to Masonite:

	Europe, Asia and Latin America	
	Year Ended December 31,	
	2012	
	2011	
	<i>(In thousands)</i>	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 17,060	\$ 17,630
Less (plus):		
Depreciation	17,540	18,006
Amortization of intangible assets	2,289	2,348
Loss (gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	230	(141)
Restructuring costs	7,710	3,779
Interest expense (income), net	(29,422)	(21,591)
Other expense (income), net	(160)	455
Income tax expense (benefit)	(828)	(117)
Loss (income) from discontinued operations, net of tax		53
Net income (loss) attributable to Masonite	\$ 19,701	\$ 14,838

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Adjusted EBITDA in our Africa segment increased \$1.9 million, or 42.2%, to \$6.4 million in fiscal year 2012, from \$4.5 million in fiscal year 2011. Adjusted EBITDA in the Africa segment included corporate allocations of shared costs of \$2.7 million and \$3.0 million in fiscal year 2012 and 2011, respectively. The allocations generally consist of certain costs of human resources, legal, finance and information technology. The following reconciles Adjusted EBITDA to net income (loss) attributable to Masonite:

	Africa	
	Year Ended December 31, 2012	Year Ended December 31, 2011
	<i>(In thousands)</i>	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 6,415	\$ 4,458
Less (plus):		
Depreciation	4,143	4,288
Interest expense (income), net	(63)	(133)
Income tax expense (benefit)	470	112
Net income (loss) attributable to Masonite	\$ 1,865	\$ 191

Year Ended December 31, 2011 Compared with Year Ended December 31, 2010**Net Sales**

Net sales in fiscal year 2011 were \$1,489.2 million, an increase of \$105.9 million or 7.7% from \$1,383.3 million in fiscal year 2010. Net sales in fiscal year 2011 were \$25.9 million higher due to a weakening of the U.S. dollar. Excluding the impact of changes in exchange rates, net sales would have increased by \$80.1 million or 5.8%. Our 2011 and 2010 acquisitions contributed \$73.0 million in incremental net sales in fiscal year 2011. Changes in the average sales price per unit, driven by product, geographic and customer mix, increased net sales in fiscal year 2011 by \$9.6 million compared to fiscal year 2010. Net sales of door components were \$12.2 million higher in fiscal year 2011 compared to fiscal year 2010. These increases were partially offset by a decline in unit volumes that resulted in a \$14.8 million decrease in fiscal year 2011 compared to fiscal year 2010.

The proportion of net sales from interior and exterior products in fiscal year 2011 was 71.7% and 28.3%, respectively, compared to 69.2% and 30.8% in fiscal year 2010. The shift towards our interior products in fiscal year 2011 was driven mainly by the acquisitions of Birchwood and Marshfield, which predominantly service the commercial interior door market.

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	Year Ended December 31,	
	2011	2010
	<i>(In thousands)</i>	
North America	\$ 1,009,983	\$ 973,297
North America intersegment	(930)	(18,279)
North America net sales to external customers	\$ 1,009,053	\$ 955,018
Percentage of net sales	67.8%	69.0%
Europe, Asia and Latin America	\$ 406,065	\$ 395,146
Europe, Asia and Latin America intersegment	(15,403)	(41,610)
Europe, Asia and Latin America net sales to external customers	\$ 390,662	\$ 353,536
Percentage of net sales	26.2%	25.6%
Africa	\$ 89,551	\$ 74,942
Africa intersegment	(87)	(225)
Africa net sales to external customers	\$ 89,464	\$ 74,717
Percentage of net sales	6.0%	5.4%
Net sales to external customers	\$ 1,489,179	\$ 1,383,271

North America

Net sales to external customers from facilities in the North America segment in fiscal year 2011 were \$1,009.1 million, an increase of \$54.1 million or 5.7% from \$955.0 million in fiscal year 2010. Net sales in fiscal year 2011 were \$10.2 million higher due to a weakening of the U.S. dollar. Excluding the impact of changes in exchange rates, net sales would have increased by \$43.9 million or 4.6%. Our 2011 and 2010 North America acquisitions contributed \$67.5 million in incremental net sales in fiscal year 2011. Net sales of door components were \$2.0 million higher in fiscal year 2011 compared to fiscal year 2010. These increases were partially offset by a decline in unit volumes that resulted in a \$17.8 million decrease in net sales in fiscal year 2011 compared to fiscal year 2010. The decline in unit volumes was partially the result of the expiration of the U.S. homebuyer tax credit in May 2010, which strengthened sales in the first and second quarters of fiscal year 2010. Changes in the average sales price per unit, driven by product, geographic and customer mix, decreased net sales in fiscal year 2011 by \$7.8 million compared to the fiscal year 2010.

The proportion of net sales from interior and exterior products in fiscal year 2011 was 63.1% and 36.9%, respectively, compared to 60.7% and 39.3% in fiscal year 2010. The shift towards our interior products in fiscal year 2011 was driven mainly by the acquisitions of Birchwood and Marshfield, which predominantly service the commercial interior door market.

Europe, Asia and Latin America

Net sales to external customers from facilities in the Europe, Asia and Latin America segment in fiscal year 2011 were \$390.7 million, an increase of \$37.2 million or 10.5% from \$353.5 million in fiscal year 2010. Net sales in fiscal year 2011 were \$15.5 million higher due to a weakening of the U.S. dollar. Excluding the impact of changes in exchange rates, net sales would have increased \$21.7 million or 6.1%. Our 2010 expansion into India contributed \$5.6 million in incremental net sales in fiscal year 2011 compared to fiscal year 2010. Changes in the average sales price per unit, driven by product, geographic and customer mix, increased net sales in 2011 by \$15.1 million compared to the fiscal year 2011 period. Net sales of door components were \$10.2 million higher in fiscal year 2011 compared to fiscal year 2010. Partially offsetting these increases was a decline in unit volumes, which resulted in a \$9.2 million decrease in net sales in fiscal year 2011 compared to the fiscal year 2010.

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The proportion of net sales from interior and exterior products in fiscal year 2011 was 87.6% and 12.4%, respectively, compared to 85.9% and 14.1% in fiscal year 2010.

Africa

Net sales to external customers from facilities in the Africa segment in fiscal year 2011 were \$89.5 million, an increase of \$14.8 million or 19.8% from \$74.7 million in fiscal year 2010. Net sales in fiscal year 2011 were \$0.3 million higher due to a weakening of the U.S. dollar. Excluding the impact of changes in exchange rates, net sales would have increased by \$14.5 million or 19.4%. Higher unit volumes in fiscal year 2011 contributed to an increase in sales of \$12.2 million compared to 2010. Changes in the average sales price per unit, driven by product, geographic and customer mix, increased net sales in 2011 by \$2.3 million compared to the fiscal year 2011 period. Results would have been stronger absent a four week national work strike in South Africa during the third quarter of fiscal year 2011.

Cost of Goods Sold

In fiscal year 2011, cost of goods sold as a percentage of net sales was 87.6% compared to 87.0% in fiscal year 2010, an increase of 0.6 percentage points. Cost of goods sold as a percentage of net sales was impacted by a number of factors, including product pricing and mix. Additionally, distribution costs, materials costs and direct labor as a percentage of net sales in fiscal year 2011 increased 0.4%, 0.3% and 0.1%, respectively, over fiscal year 2010. This was slightly offset by decreases in overhead costs as a percentage of net sales in 2011 of 0.2% over fiscal year 2010.

Selling, General and Administration Expenses

In fiscal year 2011, selling, general and administration expenses, as a percentage of net sales, were 12.5%, compared to 12.8% in fiscal year 2010, a decrease of 30 basis points.

In fiscal year 2011, selling, general and administration expenses were \$186.8 million, an increase of \$10.0 million from \$176.8 million in fiscal year 2010. The increase in selling, general and administration expenses included additional expenses of \$5.6 million from Birchwood and Marshfield. Net of acquisitions, the overall \$4.4 million increase in selling, general and administration expenses was driven by increases of \$4.9 million in losses on disposals and impairment of property, plant and equipment, \$1.0 million in depreciation and amortization, and \$1.6 million in other miscellaneous increases. The increases were partially offset by decreases in personnel and share based compensation costs of \$1.6 million and advertising costs of \$1.5 million.

Restructuring Costs

Restructuring costs in fiscal year 2011 were \$5.1 million, a decrease of \$1.9 million from \$7.0 million in fiscal year 2010. Restructuring costs in 2011 were related to costs of headcount reductions and facility rationalizations as a result of weakened market conditions. In response to the decline in demand, we reviewed the required levels of production and reduced the workforce and plant capacity accordingly, resulting in severance charges. These actions were incurred in order to rationalize capacity with existing and forecasted market demand conditions.

Interest Expense, Net

Interest expense, net in fiscal year 2011 was \$18.1 million, an increase of \$17.9 million from \$0.2 million in fiscal year 2010. This increase primarily relates to the \$275.0 million principal amount of 8.25% senior unsecured notes issued in April of 2011. The increase in indebtedness and related interest expense in Canada was due to the issuance by the Company of the senior unsecured notes, which was reported in the North America segment results.

Table of Contents**Other Expense (Income), Net**

Other expense (income), net in fiscal year 2011 was \$1.1 million, an increase of \$0.1 million from \$1.0 million in fiscal year 2010. The increase in other expense (income), net is primarily due to our portion of the net losses related to our non-majority owned unconsolidated subsidiaries that are recognized under the equity method of accounting.

Income Tax Expense (Benefit)

Our income tax benefit in fiscal year 2011 was \$21.6 million, an increase of \$10.2 million from \$11.4 million in fiscal year 2010. Our income tax benefit is affected by recurring items, such as tax rates in foreign jurisdictions in which we have operations and the relative amount of income we earn in these jurisdictions. It is also affected by discrete items that may occur in any given year, but are not consistent from year to year. The increase in our income tax benefit is the result of a \$4.5 million increase in income tax benefits related to permanent tax differences, a \$3.2 million increase in the income tax benefit related to tax rate differences on income earned in foreign jurisdictions, a \$2.8 million increase in our income tax benefit related to tax exempt income and a \$2.2 million increase in unrealized foreign exchange gains. These amounts were partially offset by a \$2.5 million decrease in our income tax benefit related to functional currency adjustments.

Segment Information

	North America	Europe, Asia and Latin America	Africa	Total
		Year Ended December 31, 2011		
		<i>(In thousands)</i>		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 59,906	\$ 17,630	\$ 4,458	\$ 81,994
Percentage of segment net sales	5.9%	4.5%	5.0%	5.5%

	North America	Europe, Asia and Latin America	Africa	Total
		Year Ended December 31, 2010		
		<i>(In thousands)</i>		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 61,868	\$ 15,769	\$ 3,041	\$ 80,678
Percentage of segment net sales	6.5%	4.5%	4.1%	5.8%

Our management team has established the practice of reviewing the performance of each geographic segment based on the measures of net sales and Adjusted EBITDA. Intersegment transfers are negotiated on an arm's length basis, using market prices.

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Adjusted EBITDA in our North America segment decreased \$2.0 million, or 3.2%, to \$59.9 million in fiscal year 2011, from \$61.9 million in fiscal year 2010. Adjusted EBITDA in the North America segment included corporate allocations of shared costs of \$46.3 million and \$41.5 million in fiscal year 2011 and 2010, respectively. The allocations generally consist of certain costs of human resources, legal, finance, information technology, research and development and share based compensation. The following reconciles Adjusted EBITDA to net income (loss) attributable to Masonite:

	North America	
	Year Ended December 31,	
	2011	2010
	<i>(In thousands)</i>	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 59,906	\$ 61,868
Less (plus):		
Depreciation	38,490	36,202
Amortization of intangible assets	8,221	5,747
Share based compensation expense	5,888	9,626
Loss (gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	3,795	1,329
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	2,516	
Restructuring costs	1,337	3,169
Interest expense (income), net	39,792	10,168
Other expense (income), net	656	1,803
Income tax expense (benefit)	(21,555)	(7,737)
Loss (income) from discontinued operations, net of tax	250	665
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest	2,079	1,390
Net income (loss) attributable to Masonite	\$ (21,563)	\$ (494)

Adjusted EBITDA in our Europe, Asia and Latin America segment increased \$1.8 million, or 11.4%, to \$17.6 million in fiscal year 2011, from \$15.8 million in fiscal year 2010. Adjusted EBITDA in the Europe, Asia and Latin America segment included corporate allocations of shared costs of \$6.3 million and \$4.7 million in fiscal year 2011 and 2010, respectively. The allocations generally consist of certain costs of human resources, legal, finance and information technology. The following reconciles Adjusted EBITDA to net income (loss) attributable to Masonite:

	Europe, Asia and Latin America	
	Year Ended December 31,	
	2011	2010
	<i>(In thousands)</i>	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 17,630	\$ 15,769
Less (plus):		
Depreciation	18,006	18,192
Amortization of intangible assets	2,348	2,345
Loss (gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(141)	(28)
Impairment of property, plant and equipment		
Restructuring costs	3,779	3,831
Interest expense (income), net	(21,591)	(9,971)
Other expense (income), net	455	(773)
Income tax expense (benefit)	(117)	(1,836)
Loss (income) from discontinued operations, net of tax	53	1,053
Net income (loss) attributable to Masonite	\$ 14,838	\$ 2,956

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Adjusted EBITDA in our Africa segment increased \$1.5 million, or 50.0%, to \$4.5 million in fiscal year 2011, from \$3.0 million in fiscal year 2010. Adjusted EBITDA in the Africa segment included corporate allocations of shared costs of \$3.0 million and \$2.7 million in fiscal year 2011 and 2010, respectively. The allocations generally consist of certain costs of human resources, legal, finance and information technology. The following reconciles Adjusted EBITDA to net income (loss) attributable to Masonite:

	Africa	
	Year Ended December 31,	
	2011	2010
	<i>(In thousands)</i>	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 4,458	\$ 3,041
Less (plus):		
Depreciation	4,288	4,239
Interest expense (income), net	(133)	48
Income tax expense (benefit)	112	(1,823)
Net income (loss) attributable to Masonite	\$ 191	\$ 577

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our liquidity needs for operations vary throughout the year. Our principal sources of liquidity are cash flows from operating activities, the borrowings under our ABL Facility and accounts receivable sales program, or AR Sales Program, and our existing cash balance. As of December 31, 2012, we had availability under our ABL Facility of \$104.8 million, availability under our AR Sales Program of \$20.0 million and \$122.3 million of cash and cash equivalents.

We believe that our cash balance on hand, future cash generated from operations, the use of our AR Sales Program, our ABL Facility, and ability to access the capital markets will provide adequate liquidity for the foreseeable future.

Other Liquidity Matters

Our anticipated uses of cash in the near term include working capital needs, especially in the case of a market recovery, and capital expenditures. As of December 31, 2012, we do not have any material commitments for capital expenditures but anticipate capital expenditures in fiscal year 2013 in an amount less than \$50 million. On a continual basis, we evaluate and consider tuck-in and strategic acquisitions, divestitures, and joint ventures to create shareholder value and enhance financial performance. Additionally, we currently have assets held for sale at a book value of \$7.2 million.

Our cash and cash equivalents balance includes cash held in foreign countries in which we operate. Cash held outside Canada, in which we are incorporated, is free from significant restrictions that would prevent the cash from being accessed to meet our liquidity needs including, if necessary, to fund operations and service debt obligations in Canada. However, earnings from certain jurisdictions are indefinitely reinvested in those jurisdictions. Upon the repatriation of any earnings to Canada, in the form of dividends or otherwise, we may be subject to Canadian income taxes and withholding taxes payable to the various foreign countries. As of December 31, 2012, we do not believe adverse tax consequences exist that restrict our use of cash or cash equivalents in a material manner.

We also routinely monitor the changes in the financial condition of our customers and the potential impact on our results of operations. There has not been a change in the financial condition of a customer that has had a material adverse effect on our results of operations. However, if economic conditions were to deteriorate, it is possible that there could be an impact on results of operations in a future period, and this impact could be material.

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Cash provided by operating activities of continuing operations was \$55.7 million during fiscal year 2012. This amount is primarily driven by certain noncash items in net income (loss) including depreciation and amortization of \$79.0 million, share based compensation costs of \$6.5 million and loss on sale and impairment of property, plant and equipment of \$5.3 million. Additionally, cash inflows were generated by dividends from equity investees of \$1.3 million, an increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses of \$16.3 million, a decrease in prepaid expenses of \$1.3 million and other operating inflows of \$0.1 million. These cash inflows were partially offset by our net loss of \$20.3 million, pension and post-retirement funding (net of expenses) of \$3.7 million, income related to discontinued operations of \$1.5 million, an increase in accounts receivable of \$9.6 million correlating to our increased sales, an increase in inventories of \$3.1 million and a net decrease in deferred income taxes, income taxes receivable and income taxes payable of \$15.9 million.

Cash provided by operating activities of continuing operations was \$32.9 million during fiscal year 2011. The primary sources of cash in operations were depreciation and amortization of \$72.2 million, loss on sale and impairment of property, plant and equipment of \$6.2 million, share based compensation costs of \$5.9 million, non-cash interest and other accruals of \$3.6 million, dividends from equity investees of \$1.2 million, a decrease of prepaid expenses of \$3.1 million and other operating inflows of \$1.2 million. These cash inflows were partially offset by our net loss of \$4.5 million, pension and post-retirement funding (net of expenses) of \$3.6 million, an increase in accounts receivable of \$8.6 million, an increase in inventories of \$9.0 million, a decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses of \$1.1 million and a net decrease in deferred income taxes, income taxes receivable and income taxes payable of \$33.7 million. The increase in accounts receivable correlates to our increased sales, and the increase in inventories relates to a modest build of inventory at certain locations.

Cash provided by operating activities of continuing operations was \$75.6 million during fiscal year 2010. The primary sources of cash in operations were our net income of \$4.4 million, depreciation and amortization of \$66.7 million, share based compensation costs of \$9.6 million, a decrease of accounts receivable of \$7.2 million, an increase of accounts payable and accrued expenses of \$3.8 million, a decrease in prepaid expenses of \$1.6 million and other operating inflows of \$1.2 million. These cash inflows were partially offset by a net decrease in deferred income taxes, income taxes receivable and income taxes payable of \$18.9 million. The increase in accounts payable was the result of higher North American purchases of inventory.

Cash flows from Investing Activities of Continuing Operations

Cash used in investing activities of continuing operations was \$137.8 million during fiscal year 2012. The primary uses of cash in investing activities were cash used in acquisitions of \$88.4 million (net of cash acquired), additions to property, plant and equipment of \$48.4 million and other investing outflows of \$1.0 million. The cash used in acquisitions relates to the Lemieux, Algoma and Baillargeon acquisitions, as well as portions of holdbacks paid for our 2010 acquisitions.

Cash used in investing activities of continuing operations was \$186.7 million during fiscal year 2011. The primary uses of cash in investing activities were cash used in acquisitions of \$145.5 million (net of cash acquired) and additions to property, plant and equipment of \$42.4 million. These outflows were partially offset by other investing inflows of \$1.2 million. The cash used in acquisitions relates to the Birchwood and Marshfield acquisitions, as well as portions of holdbacks paid for our 2010 acquisitions.

Cash used in investing activities of continuing operations was \$100.5 million during fiscal year 2010. The primary uses of cash in investing activities were additions to property, plant and equipment of \$57.8 million and cash used in acquisitions of \$43.9 million (net of holdbacks). These outflows were partially offset by other investing inflows of \$1.2 million. Approximately half of the property, plant and equipment additions were related

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to the cost of complying with regulations enacted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency related to Maximum Achievable Control Technology. The cash used in acquisitions relates to the Lifetime, Ledco and India acquisitions.

Cash flows from Financing Activities of Continuing Operations

Cash provided by financing activities of continuing operations was \$94.2 million during fiscal year 2012. The primary source of cash provided by financing activities was the proceeds from the issuance of the \$100 million aggregate principal amount of additional senior notes in the amount of \$103.5 million. This cash inflow was partially offset by the payment of financing costs relating to the additional notes of \$2.0 million, dividends paid to the minority owners of our non-wholly-owned subsidiaries of \$5.7 million and the return of capital paid to recipients of share based awards in the amount of \$1.5 million.

Cash provided by financing activities of continuing operations was \$136.6 million during fiscal year 2011. The primary source of cash provided by financing activities was the proceeds from the issuance of the \$275 million aggregate principal amount of senior notes in the amount of \$275.0 million. This cash inflow was partially offset by the return of capital paid to shareholders in the amount of \$125.0 million, payment of financing costs relating to the senior notes of \$9.5 million and dividends paid to the minority owners of our non-wholly-owned subsidiaries of \$3.9 million.

Cash used in financing activities of continuing operations was \$4.4 million during fiscal year 2010. The primary use of cash in financing activities was dividends paid to the minority owners of our non-wholly owned subsidiaries of \$4.3 million and other financing outflows of \$0.1 million.

Sources

Accounts Receivable Sales Program

We maintain an AR Sales Program with a third party. Under the AR Sales Program, we can transfer ownership of eligible trade accounts receivable of a large retail customer without recourse or ongoing involvement to a third party purchaser in exchange for cash. Transfers of receivables under this program are accounted for as sales. Proceeds from the transfers reflect the face value of the accounts receivable less a discount. Receivables sold under the AR Sales Program are excluded from trade accounts receivable in the consolidated balance sheets and are reflected as cash provided by operating activities in the consolidated statements of cash flows. The discount on the sales of trade accounts receivable sold under the AR Sales Program were not material for any of the periods presented and were recorded to selling, general and administration expense within the consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss).

Senior Notes

In April 2011, we issued \$275.0 million aggregate principal senior unsecured notes, or the Initial Notes, and in March 2012, we issued an additional \$100.0 million aggregate principal senior unsecured notes, or the Add-On Notes. The Add-On Notes have the same terms, rights and obligations as the Initial Notes, and were issued in the same series as the Initial Notes, or, collectively, the Senior Notes. In total, we issued \$375.0 million aggregate principal amount of 8.25% senior unsecured notes due April 15, 2021. The Senior Notes bear interest at 8.25% per annum, payable in cash semiannually in arrears on April 15 and October 15 of each year. We received net proceeds of \$101.5 million in 2012 from the Add-On Notes and \$265.5 million in 2011 from the Initial Notes, after deducting \$2.0 million and \$9.5 million of transaction issuance costs, respectively. The transaction costs were capitalized as deferred financing costs (included in other assets) and are being amortized to interest expense over the term of the Senior Notes using the effective interest rate method. The Initial Notes were issued at par, while the Add-On Notes were issued at 103.5 percent of the principal amount. The resulting premium of \$3.5 million from the issuance of the Add-On Notes will be amortized to interest expense over the term of the Add-On Notes using the effective interest method. Part of the net proceeds from the Initial Notes were used to

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fund a \$125.0 million return of capital to shareholders during 2011, in the form of cash, in the amount of \$4.54 per share; as well as the \$41.0 million and \$102.4 million acquisitions of Birchwood and Marshfield, respectively. The net proceeds from the Add-On Notes were used to fund the aggregate \$87.6 million acquisitions of Lemieux, Algoma and Baillargeon. The remaining proceeds from the Add-On Notes are intended for general corporate purposes, which may include funding future acquisitions. Interest expense relating to the Senior Notes was \$30.0 million and \$16.5 million for 2012 and 2011, respectively.

Obligations under the Senior Notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed, jointly and severally, on a senior unsecured basis, by certain of our directly or indirectly wholly-owned subsidiaries. We may redeem the Senior Notes under certain circumstances specified therein. The indenture governing the Senior Notes contains restrictive covenants that, among other things, limit our ability and our subsidiaries' ability to: (i) incur additional debt and issue disqualified or preferred stock, (ii) make restricted payments, (iii) sell assets, (iv) create or permit restrictions on the ability of our restricted subsidiaries to pay dividends or make other distributions to us, (v) create or incur certain liens, (vi) enter into sale and leaseback transactions, (vii) merge or consolidate with other entities and (viii) enter into transactions with affiliates. The foregoing limitations are subject to exceptions as set forth in the indenture governing the Senior Notes. In addition, if in the future the Senior Notes have an investment grade rating from at least two nationally recognized statistical rating organizations, certain of these covenants will be replaced with a less restrictive covenant. The indenture governing the Senior Notes contains customary events of default (subject in certain cases to customary grace and cure periods). As of both December 31, 2012 and 2011, we were in compliance with all covenants under the indenture governing the Senior Notes.

ABL Facility

In May 2011, we and certain of our subsidiaries, as borrowers, entered into a \$125.0 million ABL Facility. The borrowing base is calculated based on a percentage of the value of selected U.S. and Canadian accounts receivable and U.S. and Canadian inventory, less certain ineligible amounts. Based upon the borrowing base as of December 31, 2012, we had \$104.8 million of availability under the ABL Credit Facility. In conjunction with this ABL Facility, our \$30.0 million Bilateral Loan Facility was terminated during 2011.

Obligations under the ABL Facility are secured by a first priority security interest in substantially all of our current assets, including those of our subsidiaries. In addition, obligations under the ABL Facility are fully and unconditionally guaranteed, jointly and severally, on a senior unsecured basis, by certain of our directly or indirectly wholly-owned subsidiaries.

Borrowings under the ABL Facility will bear interest at a variable rate per annum equal to, at our option, (i) the London Interbank Offered Rate, or LIBOR, plus a margin ranging from 2.00% to 2.50% per annum, or (ii) the Base Rate (as defined under Description of Certain Indebtedness ABL Facility), plus a margin ranging from 1.00% to 1.50% per annum.

In addition to paying interest on any outstanding principal under the ABL Facility, we are required to pay a commitment fee in respect of unutilized commitments of 0.25% of the aggregate commitments under the ABL Facility if the average utilization is greater than 50% for any applicable period, and 0.375% of the aggregate commitments under the ABL Facility if the average utilization is less than or equal to 50% for any applicable period. We must also pay customary letter of credit fees and agency fees.

The ABL Facility contains various customary representations, warranties and covenants by us, that, among other things, and subject to certain exceptions, restrict our ability and our subsidiaries' ability to: (i) incur additional indebtedness, (ii) pay dividends on our common shares and make other restricted payments, (iii) make investments and acquisitions, (iv) engage in transactions with our affiliates, (v) sell assets, (vi) merge and (vii) create liens. As of both December 31, 2012 and 2011, we were in compliance with all covenants under the credit agreement governing the ABL Facility and there were no amounts outstanding under the ABL Facility.

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Our obligations under the Senior Notes and the ABL Facility are fully and unconditionally guaranteed, jointly and severally, on a senior unsecured basis by certain of our directly or indirectly wholly-owned subsidiaries. The following unaudited supplemental financial information for our non-guarantor subsidiaries is presented:

Our non-guarantor subsidiaries generated external net sales of \$1,472.9 million, \$1,256.9 million and \$1,126.0 million for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Our non-guarantor subsidiaries generated Adjusted EBITDA of \$97.0 million, \$59.4 million and \$70.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Our non-guarantor subsidiaries had total assets of \$1.6 billion and \$1.5 billion as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively; and total liabilities of \$759.5 million and \$709.4 million as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

Contractual Obligations

The following table presents our contractual obligations over the periods indicated:

	Year Ended December 31,						Total
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Thereafter	
	<i>(In thousands)</i>						
Long-term debt maturities	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 375,000	\$ 375,000
Scheduled interest payments	30,938	30,938	30,938	30,938	30,938	101,882	256,569
Operating leases	21,588	16,775	13,990	9,982	7,939	27,581	97,855
Pension contributions	3,641	6,372	7,396	7,623	6,599	4,096	32,727
Other liabilities	938	522	118				1,578
Total	\$ 57,105	\$ 54,606	\$ 57,441	\$ 48,543	\$ 45,476	\$ 508,559	\$ 766,730

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not have any material off-balance sheet arrangements.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our significant accounting policies are fully disclosed in our annual consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. We consider the following policies to be most critical in understanding the judgments that are involved in preparing our consolidated financial statements.

Business Acquisition Accounting

We use the acquisition method of accounting for all business acquisitions. We allocate the purchase price of our business acquisitions based on the fair value of identifiable tangible and intangible assets. The difference between the total cost of the acquisitions and the sum of the fair values of the acquired tangible and intangible assets less liabilities is recorded as goodwill.

Goodwill

We evaluate all business combinations for intangible assets that should be recognized and reported apart from goodwill. Goodwill is not amortized but instead is tested annually for impairment on November 30, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount may not be recoverable. The test for impairment is performed at the reporting unit level by comparing the reporting unit's carrying amount to its

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fair value. Possible impairment in goodwill is first analyzed using qualitative factors such as macroeconomic and market conditions, changing costs and actual and projected performance, amongst others, to determine whether it is more likely than not that the book value of the reporting unit exceeds its fair value. If it is determined more likely than not that the book value exceeds fair value, a quantitative analysis is performed to test for impairment. When quantitative steps are determined necessary, the fair values of the reporting units are estimated through the use of discounted cash flow analyses and market multiples. If the carrying amount exceeds fair value, then goodwill is impaired. Any impairment in goodwill is measured by allocating the fair value of the reporting unit in a manner similar to a purchase price allocation and comparing the notional goodwill from the fair value allocation to the carrying value of the goodwill. We performed a quantitative impairment test during the fourth quarter of 2012 and determined that goodwill was not impaired. The estimated fair value of our goodwill significantly exceeded the estimated carrying value.

Intangible Assets

Intangible assets with definite lives include customer relationships, non-compete agreements, patents, supply agreements, certain acquired trademarks and system software development. Definite-lived intangible assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. Amortizable intangible assets are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be greater than the fair value. An impairment loss is recognized when the estimate of undiscounted future cash flows generated by such assets is less than the carrying amount. Measurement of the impairment loss is based on the fair value of the asset, determined using discounted cash flows when quoted market prices are not readily available. Indefinite-lived intangible assets are tested for impairment annually on November 30, or more frequently if events or circumstances indicated that the carrying value may exceed the fair value. The inputs utilized to derive projected cash flows are subject to significant judgments and uncertainties. As such, the realized cash flows could differ significantly from those estimated. We performed a quantitative impairment test during the fourth quarter of 2012 and determined that indefinite-lived intangible assets were not impaired.

Long-lived Assets

Long-lived assets other than goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets, which are separately tested for impairment, are evaluated for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable. When evaluating long-lived assets for potential impairment, we first compare the carrying value of the asset to the estimates of asset's useful lives and undiscounted future cash flows based on market participant assumptions. If the undiscounted expected future cash flows are less than the carrying amount of the asset and the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its fair value, an impairment loss is recognized.

Income Taxes

As a multinational corporation, we are subject to taxation in many jurisdictions and the calculation of our tax liabilities involves dealing with inherent uncertainties in the application of complex tax laws and regulations in various taxing jurisdictions. We assess the income tax positions and record tax liabilities for all years subject to examination based upon our evaluation of the facts, circumstances and information available as of the reporting date. We account for income taxes using the asset and liability method. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences of temporary differences between the carrying amounts and the tax basis of assets and liabilities at enacted rates. We base our estimate of deferred tax assets and liabilities on current tax laws and rates and, in certain cases, business plans and other expectations about future outcomes. We record a valuation allowance to reduce our deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. While we have considered future taxable income and ongoing prudent and feasible tax planning strategies in assessing the need for the valuation allowance, in the event that we were to determine that we would be able to realize our deferred tax assets in the future in excess of our net recorded amount, an adjustment to the deferred tax asset would be a credit to income in the period such determination was made. The consolidated financial statements include increases in the valuation allowances as a result of uncertainty regarding our ability to realize certain deferred tax assets in the future.

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Our accounting for deferred tax consequences represents our best estimate of future events that can be appropriately reflected in the accounting estimates. Changes in existing tax laws, regulations, rates and future operating results may affect the amount of deferred tax liabilities or the valuation of deferred tax assets over time.

The application of tax laws and regulations is subject to legal and factual interpretation, judgment and uncertainty. Tax laws and regulations themselves are also subject to change as a result of changes in fiscal policy, changes in legislation, the evolution of regulations and court rulings. Although we believe the measurement of liabilities for uncertain tax positions is reasonable, no assurance can be given that the final outcomes of these matters will not be different than what is reflected in the historical income tax provisions and accruals. If we ultimately determine that the payment of these liabilities will be unnecessary, the liability is reversed and a tax benefit is recognized in the period in which such determination is made. Conversely, additional tax charges are recorded in a period in which it is determined that a recorded tax liability is less than the ultimate assessment is expected to be. If additional taxes are assessed as a result of an audit or litigation, there could be a material effect on our income tax provision and net income in the period or periods for which that determination is made.

Inventory

We value inventories at the lower of cost or replacement cost for raw materials, and the lower of cost or net realizable value for finished goods, with expense estimates made for obsolescence or unsaleable inventory. In determining net realizable value, we consider such factors as yield, turnover and aging, expected future demand and market conditions, as well as past experience. A change in the underlying assumptions related to these factors could affect the valuation of inventory and have a corresponding effect on cost of goods sold. Historically, actual results have not significantly deviated from those determined using these estimates.

Employee Future Benefit Plans

Measurements of the obligations under our defined benefit pension plans are subject to several significant estimates. These estimates include the rate of return on plan assets and the rate at which the future obligations are discounted to value the liability. Additionally, the cost of providing benefits depends on demographic assumptions including retirements, mortality, turnover and plan participation. We typically use actuaries to assist us in preparing these calculations and determining these assumptions. Our annual measurement date is December 31 for our defined benefit pension plans. Changes in these assumptions could impact future pension expense. The excess of the net actuarial gain (loss) over 10% of the greater of the benefit obligation and the fair value of plan assets at the beginning of the year is amortized over the average remaining service lives of its members. These estimates may differ from actual results that will occur over an extended period of time. Any significant differences may have an effect on the recorded pension expense and carrying value of the plans' net assets or net liabilities.

Share Based Compensation Plan

We have a share based compensation plan, which dictates the issuance of common shares to employees as compensation through various grants of share instruments. We apply the fair value method of accounting using the Black-Scholes-Merton option pricing model to determine the compensation expense for stock appreciation rights. The compensation expense for the Restricted Stock Units awarded is based on the fair value of the restricted stock units at the date of grant. Compensation expense is recorded in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss) and is recognized over the requisite service period. The determination of obligations and compensation expense requires the use of several mathematical and judgmental factors, including stock price, expected volatility, the anticipated life of the option, and estimated risk free rate and the number of shares or share options expected to vest. Any difference in the number of shares or share options that actually vest can affect future compensation expense. Other assumptions are not revised after the original estimate.

Deferred Compensation Plan

Effective August 13, 2012, the Board of Directors adopted a Deferred Compensation Plan, or DCP, whereby certain employees and directors in the United States may elect to defer to a later date a portion of their base pay,

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bonuses, restricted stock awards and director fees. The DCP is an unfunded participant-directed plan where we have the option to contribute the deferrals into a rabbi trust where investments could be made.

Assets of the rabbi trust, other than Company shares, are recorded at fair value and included in other assets in the consolidated balance sheets. These assets in the rabbi trust are classified as trading securities and changes in their fair values are recorded in other income (loss) in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss). The liability relating to deferred compensation represents our obligation to distribute funds to the participants in the future and is included in other liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets. Any unfunded gain or loss relating to changes in the fair value of the deferred compensation liability are recognized in selling, general and administration expense in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income (loss).

Variable Interest Entity

The accounting method used for our investments is dependent upon the influence we have over the investee. We consolidate subsidiaries when we are able to exert control over the financial and operating policies of the investee, which generally occurs if we own a 50% or greater voting interest.

Pursuant to ASC 810, Consolidation, for certain investments where the risks and rewards of ownership are not directly linked to voting interests (variable interest entities or VIEs), an investee may be consolidated if we are considered the primary beneficiary of the VIE. The primary beneficiary of a VIE is the party that has the power to direct the activities of the VIE which most significantly impact the VIE's economic performance and that has the obligation to absorb losses of the VIE which could potentially be significant to the VIE.

Significant judgment is required in the determination of whether we are the primary beneficiary of a VIE. Estimates and assumptions made in such analyses include, but are not limited to, the market price of input costs, the market price for finished products, market demand conditions within various regions and the probability of certain other outcomes.

Changes in Accounting Standards and Policies

Adoption of Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In September 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, or the FASB, issued Accounting Standards Update, or ASU, 2011-08, Testing Goodwill for Impairment. This ASU addresses annual impairment testing for goodwill as contemplated in Accounting Standards Codification, or ASC, 350, Intangibles Goodwill and Other, and permits an entity to first perform an assessment of qualitative factors to determine whether goodwill is impaired. If the qualitative assessment leads to the determination that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is greater than its carrying amount, then performing the current two-step quantitative impairment test is unnecessary. The guidance is effective for all reporting periods, including interim periods, beginning after December 15, 2011, and early adoption is permitted. We have adopted this guidance early, beginning in the year ended December 31, 2011, which did not have a material impact on our reported results of operations or financial position.

In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-05, which provides an entity with the option to present the total of comprehensive income, the components of net income and the components of other comprehensive income in either a single continuous statement of comprehensive income, or in two separate but consecutive statements. In the two-statement approach, an entity is required to present components of net income and total net income in the statement of net income (or operations). The statement of other comprehensive income should immediately follow the statement of income and include the components of other comprehensive income and a total for other comprehensive income, along with a total for comprehensive income. These changes apply to both annual and interim financial statements, and should be applied retrospectively. This ASU is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2011. The adoption of this standard only impacted the location of the disclosure of comprehensive income within our financial statements and did not result in any change to the accounting treatment of comprehensive income.

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In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-04, which changes the wording used to describe the requirements in GAAP for measuring fair value and disclosing information about fair value measurements. This ASU is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011, and should be applied prospectively. The adoption of this standard did not have any impact on our reported disclosures.

Other Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2012, the FASB issued ASU 2012-02, Testing Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets for Impairment. This ASU addresses annual impairment testing for indefinite-lived intangible assets other than goodwill as contemplated in ASC 350, Intangibles Goodwill and Other, and was issued to simplify how an entity tests indefinite-lived intangible assets other than goodwill for impairment by permitting an entity to perform a qualitative assessment to determine whether an indefinite-lived intangible asset other than goodwill is impaired. If the qualitative assessment leads to the determination that it is more likely than not that an indefinite-lived intangible asset other than goodwill is impaired, further impairment testing is necessary using the current two-step quantitative impairment test. This pronouncement is effective for reporting periods beginning after September 15, 2012, and early adoption is permitted. We are in the process of evaluating this guidance, which is not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We are exposed to market risk from changes in foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates and commodity prices, which can affect our operating results and overall financial condition. We manage exposure to these risks through our operating and financing activities and, when deemed appropriate, through the use of derivative financial instruments. Derivative financial instruments are viewed as risk management tools and are not used for speculation or for trading purposes. Derivative financial instruments are generally contracted with a diversified group of investment grade counterparties to reduce exposure to nonperformance on such instruments. We held no such material derivative financial instruments as of December 31, 2012 or 2011.

We have in place an enterprise risk management process that involves systematic risk identification and mitigation covering the categories of enterprise, strategic, financial, operation and compliance and reporting risk. The enterprise risk management process receives Board of Directors and Management oversight, drives risk mitigation decision-making and is fully integrated into our internal audit planning and execution cycle.

Foreign Exchange Rate Risk

We have foreign currency exposures related to buying, selling, and financing in currencies other than the local currencies in which we operate. When deemed appropriate, we enter into various derivative financial instruments to preserve the carrying amount of foreign currency-denominated assets, liabilities, commitments, and certain anticipated foreign currency transactions. We held no such material derivative financial instruments as of December 31, 2012 or 2011.

Interest Rate Risk

We are subject to market risk from exposure to changes in interest rates with respect to borrowings under our ABL Facility to the extent it is drawn on and due to our other financing, investing, and cash management activities. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, there were no outstanding borrowings under our ABL Facility.

Impact of Inflation, Deflation and Changing Prices

We have experienced inflation and deflation related to our purchase of certain commodity products. We believe that volatile prices for commodities have impacted our net sales and results of operations. We maintain strategies to mitigate the impact of higher raw material, energy and commodity costs, which include cost reduction, sourcing and other actions, which typically offset only a portion of the adverse impact. Inflation and deflation related to our purchases of certain commodity products could have an adverse impact on our operating results in the future.

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INDUSTRY

We compete in the multi-billion dollar global door market. We derived approximately 73% of our fiscal year 2012 net sales from the North American market, which we believe will continue to represent our most significant market opportunity over the next several years.

U.S. Door Market

According to the 2011/2012 WDMA/AAMA Study of the U.S. Market for Windows, Doors and Skylights and the April 2013 update published by the WDMA/AAMA, the U.S. door market consisted of approximately 52 million units¹ in 2011. Of the 52 million units, approximately 47% were used in new construction and 53% were used in repair, renovation and remodeling, and approximately 83% were residential units and 17% were non-residential units, according to WDMA/AAMA. The composition of the U.S. door market in 2011 by type of door was as follows:

U.S. Door Market by Type of Door

Source: WDMA/AAMA

Residential Door Market

According to WDMA/AAMA, the U.S. residential door market consisted of 43.4 million units in 2011, which is more than 45% below the 79.6 million units sold in 2006. WDMA/AAMA forecasts this market will grow to 75.2 million units in 2015, representing 15% annual growth from 2011 levels. Demand for residential doors is primarily driven by new construction (approximately 42%) and repair, renovation and remodeling activities (approximately 58%). Of the 43.4 million residential units sold in 2011, 35.3 million were interior units and 8.1 million were exterior units, according to WDMA/AAMA.

Interior Doors. Approximately 46% of residential interior units sold were used in new construction and approximately 54% were used in repair, renovation and remodeling in 2011, according to WDMA/AAMA. Interior residential doors, such as passageway, bi-fold and closet doors, are predominantly constructed of wood and wood composite materials. There are three primary types of residential interior doors: (i) flush doors, which are constructed by covering a frame and a hollow or solid core with veneers, plywood or hardboard; (ii) molded panel doors, which are constructed by covering a frame and a hollow or solid core with two molded hardboard facings; and (iii) stile and rail doors, which are constructed using vertical stiles, horizontal rails and panels.

(1) Units are counted by individual door leaf. Bi-fold doors, for example, are counted as two units.

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Exterior Doors. Approximately 23% of residential exterior units sold were used in new construction and 77% were used in repair, renovation and remodeling in 2011, according to WDMA/AAMA. There are three primary types of residential exterior doors: (i) steel doors, where steel facings are secured to a wood or metal frame with an insulated core; (ii) fiberglass doors, where fiberglass facings are secured to a wood or wood composite frame with an insulated core; and (iii) stile and rail wood doors, which consist of traditional construction of stiles, rails and panels with wood, veneered or composite/engineered substrates. Although the market for residential exterior doors has historically been dominated by insulated steel exterior doors, the use of fiberglass exterior doors has grown in recent years.

U.S. Residential Exterior Doors by Material

Source: WDMA/AAMA

Non-Residential Door Market

The U.S. non-residential door market includes doors used in non-residential buildings across various industries including retail, office, education, healthcare, hospitality and government. According to WDMA/AAMA, the U.S. non-residential interior and exterior door market consisted of 8.6 million units in 2011. WDMA/AAMA forecasts this market will grow to 12.2 million units in 2015, representing 9% annual growth from 2011 levels. Demand for non-residential doors is primarily driven by new construction and repair, renovation and remodeling activities. Of the 8.6 million non-residential units sold in 2011, 6.3 million were interior units, according to WDMA/AAMA, which is the focus of our non-residential construction business. The composition of U.S. non-residential interior doors in 2011 by material and end use was:

U.S. Non-Residential Interior Doors by Material

Source: WDMA/AAMA

U.S. Non-Residential Interior Doors by End Use

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Long-Term Drivers of the Door Market

The primary drivers of the market for doors are residential new construction; residential repair, renovation and remodeling; and non-residential building construction.

Residential New Construction

Residential new construction levels in the United States have been improving since reaching historic lows during the recent economic downturn. Housing starts declined by more than 70% from the peak of 2.1 million in 2005 to approximately 600,000 in 2011 according to the U.S. Census Bureau, and home prices declined by nearly 33% during this period according to the S&P/Case-Shiller U.S. National Home Price Index. During 2012, the new housing market and home prices began to recover with total housing starts increasing 28% over the prior year according to the U.S. Census Bureau, and home prices rising approximately 7% over the prior year in the fourth quarter of 2012, according to the S&P/Case-Shiller U.S. National Home Price Index.

While the average size of completed single family homes fell from an annual high of approximately 2,520 square feet in 2007 to a recent annual low of approximately 2,390 square feet in 2010, it has since recovered to approximately 2,510 square feet in the fourth quarter of 2012, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. As of February 2012, the average single-family new housing start required 24.3 doors and the average multi-family housing start required 12.4 doors according to market research.

We believe that a multi-year housing recovery is underway in the United States driven by consumers who are increasingly optimistic about their economic prospects and supported by improving employment rates, rising home prices, near record low interest rates and declining new and existing home inventories. Demographic trends relating to population growth and household formation are also expected to be positive drivers of new housing starts over the long term, according to the Joint Center for Housing Studies, or JCHS. Although new housing starts began to increase in 2012, this level remains significantly below the long term annual average of 1.5 million since the U.S. Census Bureau began reporting this data in 1959 and the rate of single family housing completions is currently significantly lagging behind the rate of single family housing starts. According to Standard & Poor's, housing starts are expected to exceed the long term annual average of 1.5 million in 2015 and grow to 1.6 million, which represents a 26% annual growth rate from 2012 levels.

U.S. Housing Starts

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Standard & Poor's projections

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The continued recovery of residential new construction will depend on a number of key factors, including:

Employment rates. Higher employment levels increase the demand for residential new construction. The U.S. unemployment rate has improved from its recent peak of 10.0% in October 2009 to 7.6% in March 2013 according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Standard & Poor's forecasts that the U.S. unemployment rate will further decline to 6.4% in 2015.

U.S. Historical and Projected Unemployment Rate

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Standard & Poor's projections

Household formation and demographic trends. Increased household formation drives greater demand for residential new construction. According to JCHS, the entrance of the echo-boomers (adults in their mid to late 20s) into adulthood has been driving increased household formation in recent years. Over the longer term, increasing population and immigration, as well as increasing household formation trends, are expected to drive growth in residential new construction.

Total U.S. Households

Source: US Census Bureau

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Housing affordability. Improved housing affordability makes home ownership more attractive. As indicated below, housing affordability is at 40 year highs due to lower home prices since the recent economic downturn, as well as historically low mortgage interest rates.

U.S. Housing Affordability Index

Source: National Association of Realtors

S&P / Case-Shiller Home Price Index

30-Year Fixed Mortgage Rate

Source: S&P / Case-Shiller

Source: Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation

New home supply. There has been a dramatic contraction in the supply of new homes for sale since 2006 and the supply of new homes today is at its lowest level in 40 years, despite a U.S. population today that is more than double the levels seen in the 1960s. As demand for new homes returns, we expect this reduction in new home supply to fuel growth in housing starts.

U.S. New Homes for Sale

Source: US Census Bureau

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Residential Repair, Renovation and Remodeling

The total U.S. residential repair, renovation and remodeling products market declined significantly during the recent economic downturn from \$300 billion in 2006 to \$254 billion in 2009, this market is expected to recover to more than \$330 billion in 2015, according to the Home Improvement Institute, or HIRI, and IHS Global Insight.

Total U.S. Home Improvement Products Sales

Source: HIRI and IHS Global Insight

Residential repair, renovation and remodeling activity is primarily a function of homeowners' willingness to invest in their homes and on housing turnover. During the recent economic downturn, declining home prices, increasing unemployment, record levels of foreclosures, tighter credit and a weak housing market resulted in a declining residential repair, renovation and remodeling market. From 2005 to 2011, home prices declined by nearly 33%, according to the S&P/Case-Shiller Composite-20 Home Price Index. As a result, nearly a quarter of U.S. homeowners with mortgages had negative equity in their homes in 2012, according to JCHS, and were less willing to invest in repairs, renovation and remodeling having only restricted access to funds for these activities. High unemployment rates and low consumer confidence levels also caused homeowners to defer discretionary residential repair, renovation and remodeling projects.

Since the recent economic downturn, the overall economic outlook has improved considerably and continues to drive a stronger repair, renovation and remodeling market. The following highlights how various economic and housing related metrics improved during 2012:

Home prices reversed multi-year declines in the first half of 2012, rising approximately 7% compared to the fourth quarter of 2011, according to the S&P/Case-Shiller U.S. National Home Price Index;

Unemployment levels declined from 10.0% in October 2009 to 7.6% in March 2013 according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics;

Consumer confidence levels have recovered from a multi-year low of 25.3 in February 2009 to 59.7 in March 2013, according to the Conference Board's Consumer Confidence Index;

Mortgage delinquency rates have declined significantly from 7.7% of mortgage loans in foreclosure or over 90 days late in the third quarter of 2011 to 6.8% in the fourth quarter of 2012, according to the Mortgage Bankers Association;

More than 4.2 million distressed homes were sold between 2009 and 2012, which contributed to growth in home improvement expenditures, and an additional 2.9 million homes were in foreclosure or at serious risk of foreclosure as of January 2012, which is expected to drive additional home improvement expenditures in the future, according to JCHS; and

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According to the U.S. Census Bureau's American Housing Surveys, median age of total U.S. housing stock has increased from 31 years in 2005 to 35 years in 2011.

As a result of these and other trends, the repair, renovation and remodeling market has begun to improve and is expected to continue to recover over the next several years. According to JCHS, home improvement spending increased by a double-digit percentage in the second half of 2012 as compared to the same period in 2011.

Non-Residential Building Construction

The U.S. non-residential building construction market did not begin to decline until 2008, which was well after the decline in the residential new construction market. In a pattern that is typical of prior cycles, the recovery in this market has lagged the recovery in residential new construction. According to McGraw-Hill Construction, non-residential building construction starts declined 49% on a square footage basis from 2008 to 2011. This market began to improve modestly in 2012 as the economy improved. According to McGraw-Hill Construction, forecasts that non-residential building construction increased by 6% in square footage terms in 2012 as compared to 2011. This market is expected to grow by 8% in square footage in 2013, and annualized growth of 21% in square footage is expected from 2013 to 2015, according to McGraw-Hill Construction. Although the demand for doors generally lags non-residential building construction starts since extensive construction work needs to be completed before doors are required, we believe new construction activity is a strong indicator of future demand for doors.

Non-Residential Building Construction Starts

Source: McGraw-Hill Construction

In addition, the American Institute of Architects' survey for inquiry and billing activity for the industrial, commercial and institutional sectors, which has historically been a leading indicator for non-residential building construction growth, also indicates that the non-residential building construction market is beginning to recover.

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Architectural Market Activity

Note: An ABI reading above 50 indicates an increase in month-to-month seasonally adjusted billings and a reading below 50 indicates a decrease in month-to-month seasonally adjusted billings.

Source: *American Institute of Architects*

The non-residential building construction market also includes the repair, renovation and remodeling of existing non-residential properties. According to the March 2012 Buildings Energy data book of the U.S. Department of Energy, there was approximately 81 billion square feet of installed commercial space in the U.S. in 2010. We believe that repair, renovation and remodeling activity of this large installed base will accelerate as the economy and confidence levels continue to improve.

Market Participants

The North American door industry is highly competitive and includes a number of global and local participants. In the U.S. residential interior door market, the primary participants are Masonite and JELD-WEN which are the only vertically integrated manufacturers of door facings. There are also a number of smaller regional competitors in the residential interior door market that primarily source door facings from third party suppliers, or produce stile and rail products. In the U.S. residential exterior door market, the primary participants are Masonite, JELD-WEN, Plastpro and Therma-Tru, as well as a number of smaller regional players. In the U.S. non-residential building construction door market, the primary participants are Masonite, VT Industries, Graham Wood Doors and Eggers Industries. Competition in these markets is primarily based on product quality, design characteristics, brand awareness, service ability, distribution capabilities and value.

Distribution Channels

Residential doors are primarily sold through wholesale and retail distribution channels.

Wholesale. In the wholesale channel, door manufacturers sell their products to homebuilders, contractors, lumber yards, dealers and building products retailers in two-steps or one step. Two-step distributors typically purchase doors from manufacturers in bulk and customize them by installing windows, or lites, and pre-hanging them. One-step distributors sell doors directly to homebuilders and remodeling contractors who install the doors.

Retail. The retail channel generally targets consumers and smaller remodeling contractors who purchase doors through retail home centers and smaller specialty retailers. Retail home centers offer large, warehouse size retail space with large selections, while specialty retailers are niche players that focus on certain styles and types of doors.

Non-residential doors are primarily sold direct from manufacturers to contractors and installers or through one-step wholesale distribution channels where such distributors sell to contractors and installers.

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BUSINESS

We are a leading global designer and manufacturer of interior and exterior doors for the residential new construction; the residential repair, renovation and remodeling; and the non-residential building construction markets. Since 1925, we have provided our customers with innovative products and superior service at compelling values. In order to better serve our customers and create sustainable competitive advantages, we focus on developing innovative products, advanced manufacturing capabilities and technology-driven sales and service solutions. Today, we believe we hold either the number one or two market positions in the seven product categories we target in North America: interior molded residential doors; interior stile and rail residential doors; exterior fiberglass residential doors; exterior steel residential doors; interior commercial and architectural wood doors; door core; and wood veneers and molded door facings.

Our leadership position in each of the seven product categories above is defined as a number one or number two market position.

We market and sell our products to remodeling contractors, builders, homeowners, retailers, dealers, lumberyards, commercial and general contractors and architects through well-established wholesale and retail distribution channels. Our broad portfolio of brands, including Masonite®, Marshfield®, Premdor®, Mohawk®, Megantic®, Algoma®, Baillargeon®, Birchwood Best® and Lemieux®, are among the most recognized in the door industry and are associated with innovation, quality and value. In 2012, we sold approximately 31 million doors to more than 6,000 customers in 70 countries. Our fiscal year 2012 net sales to our end-markets by segment and in North America are set forth below.

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Net Sales	
by Segment 2012	North American Net Sales by End-Market 2012

In response to historic declines in the residential and non-residential construction markets as a result of the recent global economic downturn, we proactively sought to optimize our geographic and operational footprint and significantly improve our cost structure. Specifically, we consolidated our manufacturing and distribution operations by closing 50 facilities between 2006 and 2012, reduced our workforce from more than 15,000 employees in 2006 to approximately 9,100 at the end of 2012, outsourced back office processes, and strengthened our balance sheet.

At the same time, we also invested in advanced technologies to increase the automation of our manufacturing processes, increase quality and shorten lead times and introduced targeted e-commerce and other marketing initiatives to improve our sales and marketing efforts and customer experience. In addition, we implemented a disciplined tuck-in acquisition strategy that solidified our presence in both the North American residential molded and stile and rail interior door markets and created leadership positions in the attractive North American commercial and architectural interior wood door, door core and wood veneer markets.

We operate 65 manufacturing and distribution facilities in 12 countries in North America, Europe, South America, Asia, Africa and Israel, which are strategically located to serve our customers. We are one of the few vertically integrated door manufacturers in the world and one of only two in the North American residential door industry and the only vertically integrated door manufacturer in the North American non-residential interior wood door industry. Our vertical integration extends to all steps of the production process from initial design, development and production of steel press plates to produce interior molded and exterior fiberglass door facings to the manufacturing of door components, such as door cores, wood veneers and molded facings, to door slab assembly. We also offer incremental value by hanging doors in frames with glass and hardware and pre-finishing doors with paint or stain. We believe that our vertical integration and automation technologies enhance our ability to develop new and proprietary products, provide greater value and improved customer service, and create high barriers to entry. We also believe vertical integration enhances our ability to cut costs, although our cost structure is subject to certain factors beyond our control, such as global commodity shocks.

Market Opportunity

We compete in the multi-billion dollar global door market. According to the 2011/2012 WDMA/AAMA Study of the U.S. Market for Windows, Doors and Skylights and the December 2012 update published by the WDMA/AAMA, the U.S. door market consisted of approximately 52 million units in 2011. Of this total, approximately 83% and 17% were residential and non-residential units, respectively, and approximately 47% and 53% were used in new construction, and repair, renovation and remodeling, respectively. WDMA/AAMA forecasts the U.S. residential door market and non-residential door market will experience 15% and 9% annual growth from 2011 to 2015, respectively.

The primary drivers of the market for doors and door products are the residential new construction, the residential repair, renovation and remodeling, and the non-residential building construction markets.

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The U.S. housing market has been improving since reaching historic lows during the recent global economic downturn. Housing starts declined by more than 70% from the peak of 2.1 million in 2005 to approximately 600,000 in 2011 according to the U.S. Census Bureau, and home prices declined by nearly 33% during this period according to the S&P/Case-Shiller U.S. National Home Price Index. During 2012, the new housing market and home prices began to recover with total housing starts increasing 28% and fourth quarter 2012 home prices rising approximately 7% compared to fourth quarter 2011, according to the U.S. Census Bureau and the S&P/Case-Shiller U.S. National Home Price Index. However, this level remains significantly below the long term annual average of 1.5 million housing starts since the U.S. Census Bureau began reporting this data in 1959 and there can be no assurance that they will return to historic levels. Standard & Poor's estimates that 2015 housing starts will be 1.6 million, which would represent a 26% compound annual growth rate from 2012.

Demographic trends relating to population growth and household formation are also expected to be positive drivers of new housing starts over the long term, according to the Joint Center for Housing Studies, or JCHS. While the average size of completed single family homes fell from an annual high of approximately 2,520 square feet in 2007 to a recent annual low of approximately 2,390 square feet in 2010, it has since recovered to approximately 2,510 square feet in the fourth quarter of 2012, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. In addition, the average number of doors per home has remained relatively constant over the years. According to market research, new single family homes will use an average of 24 doors (20 interior and 4 exterior), and new multi-family homes will use an average of 12 doors (9 interior and 3 exterior). Based on this data, and supported by improving employment rates, record low interest rates and declining new and existing home inventories, we believe a multi-year housing recovery is underway and that we are well positioned to capitalize on it.

Residential Repair, Renovation and Remodeling

According to the Home Improvement Research Institute, or HIRI, and IHS Global Insight, the U.S. residential repair, renovation and remodeling products market declined by an average of approximately 5% per year from 2006 to 2009 on a nominal basis. During this period, declining home prices, increasing unemployment and record foreclosures discouraged homeowners from making repairs or improvements to their homes. More recently there are positive signs that market conditions in the U.S. are beginning to improve, although U.S. economic conditions remain challenged. For example, HIRI estimates that the U.S. residential repair, renovation and remodeling products market grew approximately 5% in 2012 from 2011 levels. HIRI and IHS Global Insight also forecast that the U.S. residential repair, renovation and remodeling products market will grow by an average of approximately 5% per year from 2012 to 2015 on a nominal basis driven by the improving economy, greater consumer confidence and rising home prices.

Non-Residential Building Construction

The U.S. non-residential building construction market did not begin to decline until 2008, which was well after the decline in the residential new construction market. In a pattern that is typical of prior cycles, the recovery in this market has lagged the recovery in residential new construction. According to McGraw-Hill Construction, non-residential building construction starts declined 50% on a square footage basis from 2008 to 2011. This market began to improve modestly in 2012 as the economy improved. According to McGraw-Hill Construction, non-residential building construction increased by 6% in square footage terms in 2012 as compared to 2011. This market is expected to grow by 8% in square footage in 2013, and annualized growth of 21% in square footage is expected from 2013 to 2015, according to McGraw-Hill Construction. Although the demand for doors lags non-residential building construction starts, we believe new construction activity is a strong indicator of future demand for doors.

The non-residential building construction market also includes the repair, renovation and remodeling of existing non-residential properties. According to the March 2012 Buildings Energy data book of the U.S. Department of Energy, there was approximately 81 billion square feet of installed commercial space in the U.S. in 2010. We believe that repair, renovation and remodeling activity in this market will accelerate as the economy and confidence levels continue to improve, although various factors will impact our business in this market, including non-residential building occupancy rates and the availability and cost of credit.

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Competitive Strengths

As a result of the actions we have taken and the improvements we made during the economic downturn, including efforts to optimize our operational and geographic footprints, investments in technology and automation, disciplined cost reduction efforts, strategic tuck-in acquisitions and the strengthening of our balance sheet, we expect to benefit from significant growth opportunities and operating leverage as our end markets continue to recover. We believe the following competitive strengths differentiate us from other building product companies and position us for sustainable growth.

Leading Market Positions in Targeted End Markets

Within the North American door market, we believe we hold either the number one or two market position in the seven product categories we target: interior molded residential doors; interior stile and rail residential doors; exterior fiberglass residential doors; exterior steel residential doors; interior commercial and architectural wood doors; door core; and wood veneers and molded door facings. We are also one of the largest manufacturers of doors and door components in the world, selling approximately 31 million residential, commercial and architectural interior and exterior doors in 2012; approximately 19 million of which were sold in the United States, our largest market. We believe our scale and leadership positions support our commitment to invest in advanced manufacturing and e-commerce initiatives and develop innovative new products, to effectively service regional and national customers and to offer broad product lines across our markets, while reducing our materials and unit production costs.

Extensive Portfolio with Strong Brand Recognition

Our broad portfolio of brands, including Masonite[®], Marshfield[®], Premdor[®], Mohawk[®], Megantic[®], Algoma[®], Baillargeon[®], Birchwood Best[®] and Lemieux[®], are among the most recognized in the door industry and are associated with superior design, innovation, reliability and quality. Builder Magazine recognized the Masonite[®] brand as one of the leading interior door brands in the United States in 2012 in the following categories: Brand Used in Past Two Years, Brand Used the Most, Brand Familiarity, and Quality Rating. The Masonite[®] brand was also named in the top three for exterior doors in the Brand Used in the Past Two Years and the Brand Used the Most categories. Our brand recognition is further strengthened by the numerous design awards we have won, including our LBM Research Institute 2010 Best In Class Award in the category of steel exterior doors.

Long-Term Customer Relationships and Well-Established Multi-Channel Distribution

As a result of our longstanding commitment to customer service and product innovation, we have well-established relationships within the wholesale and retail channels. Ninety-five percent of our top 20 customers have purchased doors from us for at least 10 years, although we generally do not enter into long-term contracts with our customers and they generally do not have an obligation to purchase our products. In addition, our manufacturing and distribution facilities are strategically located to serve our customers. We believe that our robust and growing sales network, customized marketing initiatives and service-focused culture will continue to reinforce our customer relationships. We also believe that our long-term relationships with leading wholesale distributors, major homebuilders, contractors and architects will enable us to continue to increase our market penetration in the residential and non-residential construction markets.

Leading Technological Innovation Within the Door Industry

We believe we are a leader in technological innovation in the design of doors and door components and in the complex processes required to manufacture high quality products quickly and consistently. We believe that research and development is a key competitive advantage for us, and we intend to continue developing new and innovative products at our 145,245 square foot innovation center in West Chicago, Illinois while improving critical processes in the manufacturing and selling of our products. For example, we have made significant investments to automate selected door manufacturing processes that were previously labor intensive, including our fiberglass door production line in Tennessee, and more recently our interior door slab assembly operations in

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South Carolina. These investments have reduced our direct labor costs, improved overall product quality, increased throughput rates, and decreased lead times. Our future success will depend on our ability to develop and introduce new or improved products, to continue to improve our manufacturing and product service processes, and to protect our rights to the technologies used in our products. We have also created proprietary web-based sales and marketing tools, including MAX Masonite Xpress ConfiguratorSM, MC² and MConnectTM, for our wholesale dealer network, to improve selection and order processes, reduce order entry errors, create more accurate quotes, improve communication and facilitate a better customer experience. Further, we introduced our patented Torrefied exterior stile and rail wood door which uses advanced processing technology to dramatically enhance anti-weathering characteristics such as water resistance and was named one of the top five products displayed during the 2013 International Builder Show. As of December 31, 2012, we had 147 design patents and design patent applications and 169 utility patents and patent applications in the United States, and 78 foreign design patents and patent applications and 368 foreign utility patents and patent applications.

Fully Integrated Vertical Operations Across All Steps of the Production Process

We are one of the few fully integrated door manufacturers in the world. In North America, we are one of only two vertically integrated manufacturers for residential doors and the only vertically integrated manufacturer of non-residential interior wood doors. Our vertical integration extends to all steps of the production process from initial design, development and production of steel press plates to produce interior molded and exterior fiberglass door facings to the manufacturing of door components, such as door cores, wood veneers and molded facings, to door slab assembly. We also offer incremental value by hanging doors in frames with glass and hardware and pre-finishing doors with paint or stain. We believe that our vertical integration enhances our ability to develop products and respond quickly to changing consumer preferences, provides greater value and better service for our customers, and potentially lowers our costs. As part of our integration strategy, we own several advanced manufacturing facilities for the production of wood composite molded door facing components, as well as over 1,000 customized steel press plates for the production of interior molded and exterior fiberglass door facings with a replacement value of \$75 million. We leverage these assets through our vertically integrated operations in a manner that is difficult to replicate without significant capital investment. For example, the replacement insurance value on our five molded door facing facilities is in excess of \$1 billion.

Experienced Management Team with Extensive Experience and a Successful Track Record

We are managed by results-driven executives with a proven track record of successfully managing multiple brands, winning new business, reducing costs and identifying, executing and integrating strategic tuck-in acquisitions. Several members of our management team previously worked at Fortune 500 companies, including Allied Signal Inc., Honeywell International Inc., The Procter & Gamble Company, General Electric Company and The Dow Chemical Company, where they utilized advanced technologies to improve cost structures and create competitive advantages.

Growth Strategy

Our vision is to be the premier provider of doors and door components for the global door industry. We believe our philosophy of continuous improvement through research and development, superior product innovation, advanced manufacturing practices, and effective sales and marketing techniques will continue to strengthen our core operations and drive profitable organic growth. By leveraging our competitive strengths and the improvements we achieved in our cost structure, we believe we are well positioned to capitalize on the anticipated multi-year rebound in our target markets. We are committed to executing the following balanced and complementary strategies to continue to further strengthen our leadership positions, create compelling value for our customers, enhance our portfolio of leading brands and achieve our top and bottom line growth objectives.

Develop Innovative, Market-Leading Products

We intend to continue developing new and innovative products to grow our sales and enhance our returns. On average we have introduced more than 100 new products in the last three years and have been recognized

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with numerous design awards. We plan to capitalize on the anticipated growth in door demand by continuing to introduce new, value-added products to build upon our comprehensive portfolio of door styles, designs, textures, components, options, applications and materials. We have consistently demonstrated the ability to develop products that are differentiated by compelling design features and recognized for their reliability and quality. For example, we recently introduced the West End Series of doors which combines a European inspired award winning design with a patented hinge-less closing system to create an elegant look while saving interior living space. In addition, in order to capture more value per door opening, we continue to invest in next generation ink-jetting technology to support our AvantGuard™ fiberglass exterior doors and have significantly expanded our pre-finishing capabilities.

Expand our Presence in Attractive Markets and Geographies to Accelerate Growth and Improve Margins

We plan to continue to focus our operations on attractive new market and geographic opportunities. For example, we believe we can expand our leading position in the North American commercial and architectural wood door market by focusing on strategic sectors within this market, such as education, health care and hospitality and faster growing regions such as the West Coast, Texas and South-Eastern United States, although certain of these sectors continue to be affected by budgetary constraints. By expanding our market presence and achieving greater economies of scale, we intend to capitalize on the anticipated recovery in the U.S. non-residential construction market. We are also focused on expanding our business in the residential new construction market and with professional repair, renovation and remodeling contractors. Internationally, we believe that South America, India and other Asian markets represent attractive opportunities for us to increase penetration of interior molded residential doors and molded door facings.

Leverage Our Marketing, Sales and Customer Service Activities to Further Drive Sales

We intend to continue to pursue additional growth opportunities by leveraging our extensive sales, marketing and customer service efforts in innovative ways. For example, we have developed several proprietary web-based tools for our customers, including MAX Masonite Xpress ConfiguratorSM, MC² and MConnectTM, which complement our website to enhance communication and information flow with our customers in our wholesale dealer network providing a more customized buying experience, customer leads and quoting capabilities and simplifying the procurement process. We also intend to capture additional share in the attractive professional repair, renovation and remodeling markets by helping professional contractors produce customized marketing materials to assist them in their sales effort. In addition, we plan to continue developing effective marketing initiatives to expand our business with professional dealers and homebuilders. We also plan to further develop our All Product Distributor program by leveraging our proprietary web-based tools to assist our distributors in improving their sales efficiency and marketing materials, managing their supply chain and sharing best practices with other distributors in our program. We actively leverage the information we gather from our sales, marketing and customer service activities in our product development, production and other strategic decision making processes.

Continue to Pursue Operational Excellence

In 2006 we began our lean sigma journey. Since that time we have rolled-out lean sigma to 48 facilities, awarded nearly 600 employees with various belt attainment certifications and saved over \$100 million. We plan to continue to use lean sigma tools and practices to lower costs, improve customer service and increase profitability through automation, footprint optimization and disciplined operating practices based on continuous improvement across all functional areas of the business. For example, we intend to draw on our experience with our state of the art interior door slab assembly operations in South Carolina to automate other labor-intensive manufacturing processes throughout our production system. We also plan to further optimize our manufacturing and distribution channels to eliminate cost inefficiencies and to better serve customers with shorter lead times and higher quality.

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Pursue Strategic Tuck-in Acquisitions to Create Leadership Positions

We intend to continue our disciplined approach to identifying, executing and integrating strategic tuck-in acquisitions while maintaining a strong balance sheet, although we expect competition for the best candidates. We target companies with differentiated businesses, strong brands, complementary technologies, attractive geographic footprints and opportunities for cost and distribution synergies. For example, in 2011 and 2012 we made five strategic acquisitions to create leadership positions in (i) the attractive North American commercial and architectural wood door and door core market through the acquisitions of Marshfield, Algoma and Baillargeon, (ii) the North American interior stile and rail residential doors market through the acquisition of Lemieux and (iii) the production and sale of wood veneers with the acquisition of Birchwood.

Product Lines

Residential Doors

We sell an extensive range of interior and exterior doors in a wide array of designs, materials, and sizes. While substantially all interior doors are made with wood and related materials such as hardboard (including wood composite molded and flat door facings), the use of wood in exterior doors in North America has declined over the last two decades as a result of the introduction of steel and fiberglass doors. Our exterior doors are made primarily of steel or fiberglass. Our residential doors are molded panel, flush, stile and rail, routed medium-density fiberboard (MDF), steel or fiberglass.

Molded panel doors are interior doors available either with a hollow or solid core and are made by assembling two molded door skin panels around a wood or MDF frame. Molded panel doors are routinely used for closets, bedrooms, bathrooms and hallways. Our molded panel product line is subdivided into four distinct product groups: our original Molded Panel series is a combination of classic styling, durable construction, and variety of design preferred by our customers when price sensitivity is a critical component in the product selection; our Palazzo® series is comprised of three distinct patented designs that accentuate the beauty and flexibility of molding wood fiber to replicate high end, historically labor intensive door designs; the four doors within our Anniversary Collection® embody themed, period, and architectural style specific designs; and our newest introduction to the molded panel line, the West End Collection, strengthens our tradition of design innovation by introducing the clean and simple aesthetics found in modern linear designs to the molded panel interior door category. All of our molded panel doors except for the Palazzo® series can be upgraded with our proprietary, wheat straw based, Safe N Sound® door core or our environmentally friendly Emerald door construction which enables home owners, builders, and architects to meet specific product requirements and green specifications to attain LEED certification for a building or dwelling.

Flush interior doors are available either with a hollow or solid core and are made by assembling two facings of plywood, MDF, composite wood, or hardboard over a wood or MDF frame. These doors can either have a wood veneer surface suitable for staining or a composite wood surface suitable for paint. Our flush doors range from base residential flush doors consisting of unfinished composite wood, to the ultrahigh end wood veneer door used in the commercial and architectural door market.

Stile and rail doors are made from wood or MDF with individual vertical stiles, horizontal rails and panels, which have been cut, milled, veneered, and assembled from lumber such as clear pine, knotty pine, oak and cherry. Within our stile and rail line, glass panels can be inserted to create what is commonly referred to as a French door and we have over 30 glass designs for use in making French doors. Where horizontal slats are inserted between the stiles and rails, the resulting door is referred to as a louver door. For interior purposes stile and rail doors are primarily used for hallways, room dividers, closets and bathrooms. For exterior purposes these doors are used as entry doors with decorative glass inserts (known as lites) often inserted into these doors.

Routed MDF doors are produced by using a computer controlled router carver to machine a single piece of double refined MDF. Our routed MDF door category is comprised of two distinct product lines known as the

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Bolection® and Cyma door. The offering of designs in this category is extensive, as the manufacturing of routed MDF doors is based on a routing program where the milling machine selectively removes material to reveal the final design.

Steel doors are exterior doors made by assembling two interlocking steel facings (paneled or flat) or attaching two steel facings to a wood or steel frame and injecting the core with polyurethane insulation. With our functional Utility Steel series, the design centric High Definition family, and the prefinished Sta-Tru® HD, we offer customers the freedom to select the right combination of design, protection, and compliance required for essentially any paint grade exterior door application. In addition, our product offering is significantly increased through our variety of compatible clear or decorative glass designs.

Fiberglass doors are considered premier exterior doors and are made by assembling two fiberglass door facings to a wood frame or composite material and injecting the core with polyurethane insulation. Led by the Barrington® door, our fiberglass door lines offer innovative designs, construction, and finishes. The Barrington® family of doors is specifically designed to replicate the construction, look, and feel of a real wood door. We believe that our patented panel designs, sophisticated wood grain texturing and multiple application-specific construction processes will help our Barrington® and Belleville® fiberglass lines retain a distinct role in the exterior product category in the future.

All of our residential doors can be pre-assembled into door frames.

Non-Residential Doors

Non-residential doors in the commercial and architectural category are typically highly specified products designed, constructed, and tested to ensure regulatory compliance. We offer an extensive line of non-residential interior doors meeting all market requirements and ranging from the entry level molded panel doors to the high end custom designed flush wood doors with exotic veneer inlay designs. Our non-residential doors are molded panel, flush, stile and rail, or routed MDF and can be offered with radiation shielding as well as varying levels of fire and sound rating. Our non-residential flush doors can also be produced with a laminate veneer facing. High pressure laminates are used when durability and aesthetics are the customer's main concern, while low pressure laminates are utilized when consistency in surface color, texture, and value are equal requirements.

Components

In addition to residential and non-residential doors, we also sell several door products to the building materials industry. Within the residential new construction market, we provide interior door facings, wheat straw door cores, MDF and wood cut-stock components to multiple manufacturers. Within the non-residential building construction market, we are a leading component supplier of various critical door components and the largest wood veneer door skin supplier. Additionally, through our commercial and architectural door businesses, we are one of the leading providers of mineral door cores to the North American door market.

Molded door facings are thin sheets of molded hardboard produced by grinding or defibrating wood chips, adding resin and other ingredients, creating a thick fibrous mat composed of dry wood fibers and pressing the mat between two steel presses to form a molded sheet, the surface of which may be smooth or may contain a wood grain pattern. Following pressing, molded door facings are trimmed, painted and shipped to door manufacturing plants where they are mounted on frames to produce molded doors.

Door framing materials, commonly referred to as cut stock, are wood or MDF components that constitute the frame on which interior and exterior door facings are attached.

Door cores are molded fiber mats or particle boards used in the construction of solid core doors. Where doors must achieve a fire rating higher than 45 minutes, the door core consists of an inert mineral core.

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New Products

We develop and engineer innovative products designed to influence the mix of products sold and provide the end user with doors and entry systems that enhance beauty and functionality while creating greater value to our customers. For example, on average we have introduced over 100 new products in each of the past three years, including the West End series of smooth surfaced interior doors which combines a European inspired award winning design with a patented hinge-less, barn door, closing system to create an elegant look while saving interior living space. The West End Collection is a direct response to recent interior design trends that embody linear patterns and geometric shapes. We also introduced our patented Torrefied exterior stile and rail wood door which uses advanced processing technology to significantly enhance weathering characteristics such as water and sun resistance. We have also launched a significant number of new fiberglass door designs, including a new fir wood grain and broadened the number of designs across our range. We have added more than 20 new fiberglass door designs in the last year and have one of the most extensive fiberglass offerings in the industry.

Recently, more consumers are requesting products that are factory finished and we have introduced two distinct approaches to supplying prefinished doors and entry systems. One is the more traditional and more economical application of applying paints and stains utilizing an automated spray on finish. The other is AvantGuard™, a next generation digital ink jet printing technology that applies a superior finish to fiberglass doors that replicates exotic wood species and provides a longer lasting and more durable exterior finish and is available through both our retail and wholesale channel partners.

Through our acquisition of Marshfield, we expanded our line of interior doors to include the Bolection® and Cyma router carved MDF doors. These lines of doors are constructed by a highly automated process where any one of hundreds of door designs are routed from a solid piece of medium density fiberboard. The resulting door is a high-end paint grade product for niche applications. The addition of these routed MDF doors and the full complement of interior and exterior Lemieux Wood Doors have strengthened our position as a leader in the residential wood door market.

Sales and Marketing

Our sales and marketing efforts are focused around several key initiatives designed to drive organic growth, influence the mix sold and strengthen our customer relationships.

Multi-Level/Segment Distribution Strategy

We market our products through and to retail stores, wholesale distributors, independent and pro dealers, builders, remodelers, architects, door and hardware distributors and general contractors.

In the residential market, we deploy an All Products cross merchandising strategy, which provides our retail and wholesale customers with access to our entire product range. Our All Products customers benefit from consolidating their purchases, leveraging our branding, marketing and selling strategies and improving their ability to influence the mix of products sold to generate greater value. We service our big box retail customers directly from our own door fabrication facilities which provide value added services and logistics, including store direct delivery of doors and entry systems and a full complement of in-store merchandising, displays and field service. Our wholesale residential channel customers are managed by our own sales professionals who focus on down channel initiatives designed to ensure our products are pulled through our North American wholesale distribution network.

Our non-residential building construction customers are serviced by a separate and distinct sales team providing architects, door and hardware distributors, and general contractors and project owners a wide variety of technical specifications, specific brand differentiation, compliance and regulatory approvals, product application advice and multi-segment specialization work across North America.

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Service Innovation

We leverage our marketing, sales and customer service activities to ensure our products are strategically pulled through our multiple distribution channels rather than deploying a more common, tactical push strategy like certain of our competitors. Our marketing approach is designed to increase the value of each and every door opening we fill with our doors and entry systems, regardless of the channel being used to access our products.

Our proprietary web based tools accessible on our website also provide our customers with a direct link to our information systems to allow for accelerated and easier access to a wide variety of information and selling aids designed to increase customer satisfaction. Our web based tools include MConnect™, an on line service allowing our customers access to several other E-Commerce tools designed to enhance the manufacturer/customer relationship. Once connected to our system, customers have access to MAX, Masonite's Xpress Door Configurator, a web based tool created to design entry systems and influence the mix, improve selection and ordering processes, reduce order entry and quoting errors, and improve overall communication throughout the channel; MC2, our self-service, custom literature tool; the Product Corner, a section advising customers of the features and benefits of our newest products; Market Intelligence Section, which provides some of the latest economic statistics influencing our industry; the Treasure Chest, which is a collection of discontinued glass products providing customers with promotional based pricing on obsolete products; and Order Tracker, which allows customers to follow their purchase orders through the production process and confirm delivery dates. MConnect™, in conjunction with our web site, improves transaction execution, enhances communication and information flow with our customers and their dealers providing a more customized buying experience.

New Market Segments and Geographies

We continue to expand in attractive segments of the residential and non-residential door market in North America and in growing international markets including South America, India and the Middle East.

We plan to expand our leading position in the North American commercial and architectural wood door market by increasing our focus in specific sectors within the market, such as education, health care and hospitality. We also plan to increase our presence in underserved growing geographies in the United States such as west of the Rockies, Texas and the Southeast.

We are also increasing our focus on multi-location in-home remodeling distributors and contractors. This channel is expected to grow with a shift in certain demographics from a Do it Yourself to a Do it For You offering. Using enhanced marketing, training and e-commerce tools, our teams will target specific multi-location remodeling distributors and contractors thereby increasing our overall presence in the important repair, renovation and remodeling business.

We have also allocated resources to promote our door and door component products in fast growing international markets in South America, India and the Middle East. As a first mover, we have established a strong presence in many of these markets and believe we are poised for strong growth going forward.

Customers

We sell our products worldwide to more than 6,000 customers. We have developed strong relationships with these customers through our all products cross merchandising strategy. Our vertical integration facilitates our all products strategy with our Dorfab facilities in particular providing value-added fabrication and logistical services to our customers, including store delivery of pre-hung interior and exterior doors to our customers in North America. Ninety-five percent of our top 20 customers have purchased doors from us for at least 10 years.

Although we have a large number of customers worldwide, our two largest customers, The Home Depot and Lowes, accounted for approximately 16% and 10% of our total gross sales in fiscal year 2012, respectively. Due

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to the depth and breadth of the relationship with these two customers, which operate in multiple North American geographic regions and which sell a variety of our products, our management believes that these relationships are likely to continue.

Distribution

Residential doors are primarily sold through wholesale and retail distribution channels.

Wholesale. In the wholesale channel, door manufacturers sell their products to homebuilders, contractors, lumber yards, dealers and building products retailers in two-steps or one step. Two-step distributors typically purchase doors from manufacturers in bulk and customize them by installing windows, or lites, and pre-hanging them. One-step distributors sell doors directly to homebuilders and remodeling contractors who install the doors.

Retail. The retail channel generally targets consumers and smaller remodeling contractors who purchase doors through retail home centers and smaller specialty retailers. Retail home centers offer large, warehouse size retail space with large selections, while specialty retailers are niche players that focus on certain styles and types of doors.

Non-residential doors are primarily sold direct from manufacturers to contractors and installers or through one-step wholesale distribution channels where such distributors sell to contractors and installers.

Research and Development

We believe we are a leader in technological innovation and development in doors, door components and door entry systems and the manufacturing processes involved in making such products. We believe that research and development is a competitive advantage for us, and we intend to capitalize on our leadership in this area through the development of more new and innovative products. Our research and development and engineering capability enables us to develop and implement product and process improvements related to the manufacturing of our products that enhance manufacturing efficiency and reduce costs.

As an integrated manufacturer, we believe that we are well positioned to take advantage of the growing global demand for a variety of molded door facing designs. This capability is particularly important outside North America where we believe newer molded door designs are rapidly replacing traditional wood doors. We have an internal capability to create new molded door facing designs and manufacture our own molds for use in our own facilities. We believe this provides us with the ability to develop proprietary designs that enjoy a strong identity in the marketplace; more flexibility in meeting customer demand; quicker reaction time in the production of new designs or design changes; and greater responsiveness to customer needs. This capability also enables us to develop and implement product and process improvements with respect to the production of molded door facings and doors which enhance production efficiency and reduce costs.

In the past few years, our research and development activities, which we have concentrated in our 145,245 square foot innovation center in West Chicago, Illinois, have had a significant focus on process and material improvements in our products. These improvements have led to significant reductions in manufacturing costs and quality improvements in our products. Research and development activities also resulted in several new products including exterior fiberglass doors with a finish that is applied through digital printing technology and branded under the trademark AvantGuard™.

Manufacturing Process

Our Manufacturing System consists of three major unit operations: (1) component manufacturing, (2) residential door slab assembly and (3) value-added door fabrication.

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We have a leading position in the manufacturing of door components, including internal framing components (stile and rails), glass inserts (lites), door core, interior veneer and molded door facings, and exterior door facings. The manufacturing of interior molded door facings is the most complex of these processes requiring a significant investment in large scale engineered wood processing equipment. We operate five interior molded door facing plants around the world, two in North America and one in each of South America, Europe and Asia. Our sole United States based plant in Laurel, Mississippi is the largest door facing plant in the world and we believe one of the most technologically advanced in the industry. Interior molded door facings are produced by combining fine wood particles, synthetic resins and other additives under heat and pressure in large semi-continuous automated presses utilizing Masonite proprietary steel plates. The facings are then cut, painted and inspected in a second highly automated continuous operation prior to being packed for shipping to our door assembly plants.

Interior residential hollow core door manufacturing is an assembly operation that until recently has been primarily accomplished in the United States through the use of skilled manual labor. In 2012 we invested in a fully automated interior door line in Denmark, South Carolina that exemplifies advanced engineering processes and quality control. The automated line uses single piece flow principles to assemble doors more quickly and reliably than ever before, using improved internal components and advanced adhesive technologies. Whether manual or automated, the construction process for a standard interior door is based on assembly of door facings and various internal framing and support components, following which doors are trimmed to their final specifications.

The assembly process varies by type of door, from a relatively simple process for flush doors, where the door facings are glued to a wood frame, to more complex procedures for the many pieces of a louvre or stile and rail door. Non-residential interior doors require another level of sophistication employing the use of solid cores with varying degrees of sound dampening and fire retarding attributes, furniture quality wood veneer facings, as well as secondary machining operations to incorporate more sophisticated commercial hardware, openers and locks.

The manufacturing of steel and fiberglass exterior door slabs is an automated process that entails combining wooden or synthetic internal framing components between two door facings and then injecting the resulting hollow core with insulating polyurethane expanding foam core materials. We invested in fiberglass manufacturing technology, including the backward integration into basic raw material, with the construction of our fiberglass sheet molding compound plant at our Laurel MS facility in 2006. In 2008 we consolidated fiberglass slab manufacturing from multiple locations throughout North America into a single highly automated facility in Dickson, TN significantly improving the reliability and quality of these products while simultaneously lowering cost.

Short set-up times, proper production scheduling and coordinated material movement are essential to achieve a flexible process capable of producing a wide range of door types, sizes, materials and styles. We make use of flexible manufacturing operations together with scalable logistics primarily through the use of common carriers to fill customers' orders and to manage our investment in finished goods inventory.

Finally, interior molded, stile and rail, louvre and exterior door slabs manufactured at our door assembly plants are either sold directly to our customers or transferred to our door fabrication facilities where value added services are performed. These value added services include machining doors for hinges and locksets, installing the door in easy to install frames, adding glass inserts and side lites, painting and staining, packaging and logistical services to large retail home center customers throughout North America.

Raw Materials

While Masonite is vertically integrated, we require a regular supply of raw materials, such as wood, wood composites, cut stock, steel, glass, core material, paint, stain and primer as well as petroleum-based products such

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as binders, resins and frames to manufacture our products, which accounts for approximately 50% of the total cost of the finished product. In certain instances, we depend on a single or limited number of suppliers for these supplies. Wood chips, logs, resins, binders and other additives utilized in the manufacturing of interior molded facings, exterior fiberglass door facings and door cores are purchased from global, regional and local suppliers taking into account the relative freight cost of these materials. Internal framing components, both wood and synthetic wood cut-stock, and internal door cores are manufactured both internally at our facilities as well as purchased from suppliers located throughout the world. We utilize a network of suppliers based in North America, Europe, South America and Asia to purchase other components including steel coils for the stamping of steel door facings, MDF, plywood and hardboard facings, door jambs and frames, and glass frames and inserts.

Safety

We believe that safety is as important to the success of the company as productivity and quality. We also believe that incidents can be prevented through proper management, employee involvement and attention to detail. Safety programs and training are provided throughout the company to ensure employees and managers have effective tools to help identify and address both unsafe conditions and risky behaviors. We strive to minimize any adverse impact our operations might have to our employees, the general public and the communities of which we are a part.

Through a sustained commitment to improve our safety performance, we have been successful in reducing the number of injuries sustained by our employees. In 2012, we experienced a total incident rate of 1.41% compared to 3.42% in 2007, despite the fact that during this period we acquired 16 facilities which, at the time of acquisition, had an incident rate of more than twice the Masonite average.

Environmental and Other Regulatory Matters

We are subject to extensive environmental laws and regulations. The geographic breadth of our facilities subjects us to environmental laws, regulations and guidelines in a number of jurisdictions, including, among others, the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Mexico, Chile, Israel, India, Czech Republic, Poland, South Africa and the Republic of Ireland. Such laws, regulations and guidelines relate to, among other things, the discharge of contaminants into water and air and onto land, the storage and handling of certain regulated materials used in the manufacturing process, the disposal of wastes and the remediation of contaminated sites. Many of our products are also subject to various regulations such as building and construction codes, product safety regulations, health and safety laws and regulations and mandates related to energy efficiency.

Our efforts to ensure environmental compliance include the review of our operations on an ongoing basis utilizing in-house staff and on a selective basis by specialized environmental consultants. Although such reviews do not guarantee the identification of all material issues, environmental assessments are typically conducted as part of our due diligence review prior to the completion of acquisitions.

Based on recent experience and current projections, environmental protection requirements and liabilities are not expected to have a material effect on our business, capital expenditures, operations or financial position.

In addition to the various environmental laws and regulations, our operations are subject to numerous foreign, federal, state and local laws and regulations, including those relating to the presence of hazardous materials and protection of worker health and safety, consumer protection, trade, labor and employment, tax, and others. We believe we are in compliance in all material respects with existing applicable laws and regulations affecting our operations.

Intellectual Property

In North America, our doors are marketed primarily under the Masonite® brand. Other North American brands include: Premdor®, Belleville®, Barrington®, Oakcraft®, Sta-Tru® HD, AvantGuard™, Flagstaff™,

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Hollister™, Sierra™, Specialty®, Fast-Frame™, Safe N Sound®, Palazzo Series®, Bellagio®, Capri®, Treviso™, Cheyenne™, Glenview™, Riverside™, Saddlebrook™, West End™, Mohawk®, Marshfield®, Birchwood Best®, Algoma™, Novodor™, Artisan™, Artisan SF™, RhinoDoor™, Weldrock™, Superstile™, Unicol™ and Lemieux Doors™

In Europe, doors are marketed under the Premdor®, Ekem™, Fonmarty™, Magri™, Monnerie™, Batimetal™ and Crosby™ brands. We consider the use of trademarks and trade names to be important in the development of product awareness, and for differentiating products from competitors and between customers.

We protect the intellectual property that we develop through, among other things, filing for patents in the United States and various foreign countries. In the United States, we currently have approximately 147 design patents and design patent applications and 169 utility patents and patent applications. We have approximately 368 foreign utility patents and patent applications and 78 foreign design patents and patent applications.

Competition

The North American door industry is highly competitive and includes a number of global and local participants. In the U.S. residential interior door market, the primary participants are Masonite and JELD-WEN which are the only vertically integrated manufacturers of door facings. There are also a number of smaller competitors in the residential interior door market that primarily source door facings from third party suppliers. In the U.S. residential exterior door market, the primary participants are Masonite, JELD-WEN, Plastpro and Therma-Tru. In the U.S. non-residential building construction door market, the primary participants are Masonite, VT Industries, Graham Wood Doors and Eggers Industries. Competition in these markets is primarily based on product quality, design characteristics, brand awareness, service ability, distribution capabilities and value.

We also face competition in the other countries we operate. Competitors based in Canada include other manufacturers that distribute on a national basis as well as smaller regional manufacturers, which focus on particular products. In Europe, South America, Asia and Africa, we face significant competition from a number of regionally based competitors and importers.

There is meaningful competition both in North America and Europe as several firms manufacture similar products using similar raw materials and manufacturing methods. In addition, due to the recent economic downturn there has been excess capacity in the industry.

A large portion of our products is sold through large home centers and other large retailers. The consolidation of our customers and our reliance on fewer larger customers has increased the competitive pressures as some of our largest customers, such as The Home Depot and Lowe's, perform periodic product line reviews to assess their product offerings.

We are one of the largest manufacturers of molded door facings in the world. The rest of the industry consists of one other large, integrated door manufacturer and a number of smaller regional manufacturers. Competition in the molded door facing business is based on quality, price, product design, logistics and customer service. We produce molded door facings to meet our own requirements and outside of North America we serve as an important supplier to the door industry at large. We manufacture molded door facings at facilities in Mississippi, Ireland, Chile, Canada and Malaysia.

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Our principal executive offices are located in Tampa, Florida. The following table provides certain information regarding our properties of 2,000 square feet and more as of December 31, 2012.

Country	Facility Location	Principal Purpose	Square Footage/ Acreage	Status
United States	Haleyville, AL	Manufacturing	260,000	Owned
	Los Banos, CA	Closed	140,435	Owned
	Moreno Valley, CA	Manufacturing	251,630	Leased
	Stockton, CA	Manufacturing	120,000	Leased
	Stockton, CA	Manufacturing	95,779	Owned
	Stockton, CA	Manufacturing	91,809	Owned
	Stockton, CA	Office/Warehouse	50,000	Owned
	Stockton, CA	Maintenance/Storage	3,000	Owned
	Stockton, CA	Storage	2,500	Owned
	Ukiah, CA	Vacant Land	48 acres	Owned
	Astatula, FL	Closed	128,000	Owned ⁽²⁾
	Largo, FL	Manufacturing	50,000	Leased
	Tampa, FL	Display Center	44,000	Leased
	Tampa, FL	Office	40,357	Leased
	Yulee, FL	Manufacturing	136,320	Leased
	Lawrenceville, GA	Manufacturing	220,100	Leased
	Watska, IL	Closed	138,720	Owned
	West Chicago, IL	R&D	145,245	Owned
	South Bend, IN	Closed	117,700	Owned
	Walkerton, IN	Manufacturing	190,000	Owned
	Pittsburg, KS	Manufacturing	338,082	Owned
	Pittsburg, KS	Warehouse	65,970	Owned
	Pittsburg, KS	Warehouse	28,125	Leased
	Shelbyville, KY	Manufacturing	117,200	Leased
	Shelbyville, KY	Warehouse	39,000	Leased
	Lake Charles, LA	Manufacturing	150,000	Leased
	Laurel, MS	Manufacturing	2,079,520	Owned
	North Platte, NE	Manufacturing	96,002	Owned
	North Platte, NE	Warehouse	17,030	Leased
	Kirkwood, NY	Manufacturing	137,500	Leased
	Kirkwood, NY	Warehouse	15,000	Leased
	Charlotte, NC	Manufacturing	334,264	Leased
	Wahpeton, ND	Manufacturing	92,500	Leased
	Broken Bow, OK	Manufacturing	199,660	Owned ⁽¹⁾
	Vandalia, OH	Manufacturing	102,400	Leased
	Northumberland, PA	Manufacturing	198,000	Owned
	Northumberland, PA	Warehouse	22,000	Leased
Denmark, SC	Manufacturing	170,000	Owned	
Denmark, SC	Manufacturing	132,842	Owned	
Dickson, TN	Manufacturing	217,375	Owned	
Jefferson City, TN	Manufacturing	150,000	Leased	
Jefferson City, TN	Warehouse	50,000	Leased	
Dallas, TX	Manufacturing	108,000	Leased	
Garland, TX	Manufacturing	83,850	Leased	
Garland, TX	Warehouse	57,286	Leased	

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Country	Facility Location	Principal Purpose	Square Footage/ Acreage	Status
	Greenville, TX	Manufacturing	254,000	Owned
	Greenville, TX	Warehouse	105,000	Owned
	Hearne, TX	Closed	141,088	Owned
	Mansfield, TX	Manufacturing	14,837	Leased
	Danville, VA	Warehouse	16,000	Leased
	Fredricksburg, VA	Manufacturing	40,480	Leased
	Luray, VA	Warehouse	74,972	Leased
	Stanley, VA	Manufacturing	112,800	Owned
	Winchester, VA	Manufacturing	109,781	Leased
	Algoma, WI	Manufacturing	600,000	Leased
	Algoma, WI	Warehouse	5,000	Leased
	Birchwood, WI	Manufacturing	139,299	Owned
	Marshfield, WI	Manufacturing	699,882	Owned
	Rice Lake, WI	Retail/Outlet Store	6,000	Leased
	Thorp, WI	Manufacturing	61,920	Owned
Canada	Calgary, AB	Warehouse	19,677	Leased
	Langley, BC	Manufacturing	100,000	Leased
	Langley, BC	Warehouse	60,000	Leased
	Surrey, BC	Manufacturing	87,995	Leased
	Yarrow, BC	Manufacturing	186,000	Owned
	Toronto, ON	Manufacturing	214,066	Leased
	Berthierville, QC	Manufacturing	154,408	Owned
	Berthierville, QC	Warehouse	114,352	Leased
	Berthierville, QC	Warehouse	7,825	Owned
	Lac-Mégantic, QC	Manufacturing	171,714	Owned
	Lac-Mégantic, QC	Manufacturing	148,220	Owned
	Lac-Mégantic, QC	Warehouse	42,400	Owned
	Lac-Mégantic, QC	Warehouse	18,000	Owned
	Lac-Mégantic, QC	Warehouse	15,000	Owned
	Lac-Mégantic, QC	Warehouse	15,000	Leased
	Lac-Mégantic, QC	Warehouse	15,000	Leased
	Lac-Mégantic, QC	Warehouse	6,000	Owned
	Sacre-Coeur, QC	Manufacturing	90,000	Owned ⁽¹⁾
	Saint Ephrem, QC	Manufacturing	70,000	Owned
	Saint Ephrem, QC	Warehouse	4,440	Leased
	Saint Romuald, QC	Manufacturing	71,926	Leased
	Saint Romuald, QC	Warehouse	40,331	Leased
	Windsor, QC	Manufacturing	149,845	Owned
	Windsor, QC	Manufacturing	48,004	Owned
	Windsor, QC	Warehouse	12,000	Leased
Chile	Cabrero	Manufacturing	272,819	Owned
	Cabrero	Warehouse	18,988	Leased
	Colina	Warehouse	8,650	Leased
China	Shanghai-Huangpa	Office	2,917	Leased
Costa Rica	Limon/Guapiles	Forest	16,732 acres	Owned
Czech Republic	Jihlava	Manufacturing	295,576	Leased
France	Bazas	Manufacturing	412,715	Owned
	Bordeaux	Manufacturing	139,461	Owned
	Douvres la Delivrande	Manufacturing	196,838	Owned

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Country	Facility Location	Principal Purpose	Square Footage/Acreage	Status
	Giberville	Manufacturing	19,073	Leased
	Orange	Manufacturing	75,000	Owned
	Thignonville	Manufacturing	99,700	Owned
	Tillieres	Manufacturing	82,602	Owned
Hungary	Kenderes-Banhalma	Closed	68,179	Owned
	Vecses	Closed	54,950	Owned
Ireland	Carrick-on-Shannon	Manufacturing	620,329	Owned
Israel	Ashkelon	Manufacturing	58,653	Leased
	Karmiel	Manufacturing	152,901	Owned
	Rishon	Warehouse	25,833	Leased
Malaysia	Bintulu	Manufacturing	151,073	Leased ⁽¹⁾
	Sungai Buloh	Warehouse	31,000	Leased ⁽¹⁾
Mexico	Cienega de Flores	Manufacturing	180,687	Owned
Poland	Jaslo	Manufacturing	125,625	Leased
South Africa	Estcourt	Manufacturing	7,350	Owned ⁽¹⁾
	Kwa-Zulu Natal	Forest	55,599 acres	Owned ⁽¹⁾
	Riverhorse Valley	Office	10,440	Leased ⁽¹⁾
United Kingdom	Barnsley	Manufacturing	503,528	Owned
	Barnsley	Warehouse	55,000	Leased
	Hedingham	Closed	200,000	Owned ⁽²⁾
	Middlesbrough	Manufacturing	12,000	Leased
	Stockton-on-Tees	Closed	80,000	Leased
	Swindon	Closed	10,000	Leased

(1) Less than wholly owned facility

(2) Under contract for sale

History

Masonite was founded in 1925 in Laurel, Mississippi, by William H. Mason, to utilize vastly available quantities of sawmill waste to manufacture a usable end product. Masonite was acquired by Premdor from International Paper Company in August 2001.

Prior to 2005, Masonite was a public company with shares of our predecessor's common stock listed on both the NYSE and Toronto Stock Exchange. In March 2005, we were acquired by an affiliate of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L.P.

As a result of a liquidity shortfall triggered by the unprecedented downturn in the U.S. housing and construction market that commenced in 2006, on March 16, 2009, Masonite and several affiliated Canadian companies, including the Company, voluntarily filed to reorganize under the CCAA in Canada in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice. In addition, Masonite, its U.S. subsidiaries and the Company filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. On June 9, 2009, we completed our financial restructuring and emerged from protection under both Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and the CCAA in Canada, 85 days after our initial filings. We emerged from Chapter 11 and CCAA protection as Masonite Worldwide Holdings Inc. after meeting all closing conditions to our Plan of Reorganization in the United States and Canada. The Plan was confirmed by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware on May 29, 2009. The Ontario Superior Court of Justice approved the CBCA Plan on June 1, 2009. Shortly after emergence from bankruptcy, Masonite Worldwide Holdings Inc. changed its name to Masonite Inc.

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Effective July 4, 2011, pursuant to an amalgamation under the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia), Masonite Inc., the former parent of the Company, was amalgamated with Masonite International Corporation to form an amalgamated corporation named Masonite Inc., which then changed its name to Masonite International Corporation.

In the past several years, we have pursued strategic tuck-in acquisitions targeting companies with differentiated businesses, strong brands, complementary technologies, attractive geographic footprints and opportunities for cost and distribution synergies. See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Acquisitions.

Employees

As of December 31, 2012, we employed approximately 9,100 employees and contract laborers. There are approximately 3,000 other unionized employees, approximately half of whom are located in various foreign locations with the remainder in North America. Employees in many European countries participate in industry-wide unions with centralized bargaining. Local issues are, however, typically negotiated separately.

Legal Proceedings

We are involved in various legal proceedings, claims and governmental audits in the ordinary course of business, including various legal proceedings that are currently stayed by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, which if not settled will in the future resume active status in federal or state court. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of these proceedings, claims and audits will not have a material adverse effect on the financial position, results of our operations, or cash flows.

Canadian Non-Reporting Issuer Status

We are currently not a reporting issuer, or the equivalent, in any province or territory of Canada and our shares are not listed on any recognized Canadian stock exchange.

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The following table sets forth information as of December 31, 2012 regarding each of our executive officers and current directors:

Name	Age	Positions
Frederick J. Lynch	48	President and Chief Executive Officer, Director
Mark J. Erceg	43	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Lawrence P. Repar	51	Executive Vice President, Global Sales and Marketing, and Chief Operating Officer
Glenwood E. Coulter, Jr	56	Executive Vice President, Global Operations and Europe
Robert E. Lewis	52	Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
Christopher A. Virostek	40	Senior Vice President, Strategy Implementation and Corporate Development
Gail N. Auerbach	57	Senior Vice President, Human Resources
Robert J. Byrne	51	Director and Chairman of the Board
Jonathan F. Foster	52	Director
Kenneth W. Freeman	62	Director
George A. Lorch	71	Director
Francis M. Scricco	63	Director
John C. Wills	59	Director

Biographies

The present principal occupations and recent employment history of each of the executive officers and directors listed above are as follows:

Frederick J. Lynch, (age 48) has served as President of Masonite since July 2006 and as President and Chief Executive Officer of Masonite since May 2007. Mr. Lynch has served as a Director of Masonite since June 2009. Mr. Lynch joined Masonite from Alpha Inc., where he served as President of the human generics division and Senior Vice President of global supply chain from 2003 until 2006. Prior to joining Alpha Inc. in 2003, Mr. Lynch spent nearly 18 years at Honeywell International Inc. (formerly AlliedSignal Inc.), most recently as vice president and general manager of the specialty chemical business. Mr. Lynch is a founding Director and Chief Financial Officer of the Michael Lynch Memorial Foundation, a non-profit organization that provides college scholarships to children of firefighters and victims of 9/11.

Mark J. Erceg, (age 43) is Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Masonite. Prior to joining Masonite in June 2010, Mr. Erceg spent 18 years in a variety of progressive positions at The Procter & Gamble Company, where he most recently held one of the top finance positions as vice president and general manager of global investor relations from 2008 until 2010. Prior to that assignment, Mr. Erceg was based in Geneva, Switzerland, serving as the finance director for the Western Europe Fabric Care Division.

Lawrence P. Repar, (age 51) joined Masonite (then known as Premdor) in 1995 and has served in a variety of executive roles, most recently as Executive Vice President of Global Sales and Marketing and Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Repar has more than 20 years of experience in the door business. Prior to joining Masonite, Mr. Repar worked for Sanwa McCarthy Securities Limited from 1992 to 1995, most recently as director of institutional sales and trading focusing on companies in the building products sector. Previously he owned his own window and door company in Toronto, Canada. He is a member of the board of trustees for The Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto.

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Glenwood E. Coulter, Jr., (age 56) joined Masonite in 2006 and has served in a number of executive operations roles, most recently as Executive Vice President of Global Operations and Europe. Mr. Coulter joined Masonite from W.R. Grace & Co., a global supplier of catalysts and engineered materials, where he served as vice president of global operations for the GraceDavison Division from 2005 to 2006. Prior to joining W.R. Grace & Co., Mr. Coulter spent 24 years in operations and supply chain leadership for several major corporations, including AlliedSignal (now Honeywell), Rhone-Poulenc, The Dow Chemical Company and Rockwell International.

Robert E. Lewis, (age 52) has served as the Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Masonite since April 2012. Mr. Lewis joined Masonite from Gerdau Ameristeel Corporation, a mini-mill steel producer, where he served as Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary January 2005 to May 2012. Prior to joining Gerdau, Mr. Lewis served as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Eckerd Corporation, a national retail drugstore chain from 1994 to January 2005. Prior to joining Eckerd, Mr. Lewis was an attorney and shareholder with the Tampa law firm of Shackelford, Farrior, Stallings & Evans, P.A.

Christopher A. Virostek, (age 39) has served as Senior Vice President, Strategy Implementation and Corporate Development of Masonite since December 2012. He served as Senior Vice President, Corporate Development of Masonite from June 2010 to December 2012. Prior to June 2010, Mr. Virostek was Vice President Finance and Chief Accounting Officer for Masonite. Mr. Virostek joined Masonite in March 2002 from Arthur Andersen, LLP, where he served as a senior audit manager in the manufacturing practice.

Gail N. Auerbach, (age 57) has served as Senior Vice President of Human Resources for Masonite since September 2007 and is responsible for Masonite's global human resources and employee communications. She launched her 30-year career in human resources with GE, spending 10 years in progressive human resources roles in several GE business divisions. She joined the Ray Ban division of Bausch & Lomb and was promoted to vice president of human resources for the Oral Care Division in 1992. For the next 10 years she managed the human resources function for international based businesses including the Dutch based Randstad HR Solutions from 2002 to 2006.

Robert J. Byrne, (age 51) has served as a Director of Masonite since June 2009 and has been Chairman of the Board of Masonite since July 2010. Mr. Byrne is the founder and has served as the President of Power Pro-Tech Services, Inc., which specializes in the installation, maintenance and repair of emergency power and solar photovoltaic power systems since 2002. Power Pro-Tech is Mr. Byrne's fourth start-up. His other entrepreneurial ventures have been in telecommunications, private equity and educational software. From 1999 to 2001, Mr. Byrne was Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of EPIK Communications, a start-up telecommunications company which merged with Progress Telecom in 2001 and was subsequently acquired by Level3 Communications. Having begun his career in investment banking, Mr. Byrne served as Partner at Advent International, a global private equity firm, from 1997 to 1999 and immediately prior to that, from 1993 to 1997, served as a Director of Orion Capital Partners.

Jonathan F. Foster, (age 52) has served as a Director of Masonite since June 2009. Mr. Foster is the founder and Managing Director of Current Capital LLC, a private equity firm and portfolio company management firm. Previously, from 2007 until 2008, Mr. Foster served as a Managing Director and Co-Head of Diversified Industrials and Services at Wachovia Securities. From 2005 until 2007, he served as Executive Vice President Finance and Business Development of Revolution LLC. From 2002 until 2004, Mr. Foster was a Managing Director of The Cypress Group, a private equity investment firm and from 2001 until 2002, he served as a Senior Managing Director of Bear Stearns & Co. From 1999 until 2000, Mr. Foster served as the Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer of ToysRUs.com, Inc. Previously, Mr. Foster was with Lazard Frères & Company LLC for over ten years in various positions, including as a Managing Director. Mr. Foster is a Director of Lear Corporation and Chemtura Corporation.

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Kenneth W. Freeman, (age 62) has served as a Director of Masonite since October 2005, and served as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Masonite from October 2005 until May 2007 and Chairman of the Board of Masonite until July 2010. Mr. Freeman has been a senior advisor of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. since August 2010 and, in August 2010, was appointed Dean of Boston University School of Management. From October 2009 to August 2010, Mr. Freeman was a member of KKR Management LLC, the general partner of KKR & Co. L.P. Before that, he was a member of the limited liability company which served as the general partner of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. L.P. since 2007 and joined the firm as Managing Director in May 2005. From May 2004 to December 2004, Mr. Freeman was Chairman of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated, and from January 1996 to May 2004, he served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated. From May 1995 to December 1996, Mr. Freeman was President and Chief Executive Officer of Corning Clinical Laboratories, the predecessor company to Quest Diagnostics. Prior to that, he served in various general management and financial roles with Corning Incorporated. Mr. Freeman currently serves as a director of Accellent, Inc., and HCA Holdings, Inc., and is chairman of the board of trustees of Bucknell University.

George A. Lorch, (age 71) has served as a Director of Masonite since June 2009. Mr. Lorch spent over 37 years with Armstrong World Industries, Inc., which designs and manufactures flooring and ceilings. From 1993 to 1994 Mr. Lorch served as the Chief Executive Officer and President of Armstrong World Industries, Inc. and from 1994 to 2000, he served as Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President. In 2000, he became Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Armstrong Holdings, Inc. and upon retirement at the end of 2000, he was named Chairman Emeritus. Currently, Mr. Lorch serves as Lead Director of the board of Pfizer, Inc. and has been a member of their board since 2000. He is also currently a Director on the boards of WPX Energy, Autoliv Inc. and HSBC North America Holdings Inc. and HSBC Finance Company, both subsidiaries of HSBC, a global bank based in the United Kingdom.

Francis M. Scricco, (age 63) has served as a Director of Masonite since June 2009. Prior to joining our Board, Mr. Scricco was with Avaya, Inc., a global business communications provider, where he served as senior vice president, global services from March 2004 to February 2007 and subsequently as senior vice president, manufacturing, logistics and procurement until his retirement in October 2008. Prior to joining Avaya, Inc., he was employed by Arrow Electronics as its COO from 1997 to 2000 and then as its president and CEO from 2000 to 2002. Mr. Scricco's first operating role was as a general manager for General Electric. He began his career with The Boston Consulting Group in 1973. Mr. Scricco is currently a Director of Tembec, Inc., an integrated forest products company, and Chairman of the Board of Visteon Corporation, a global automotive supplier.

John C. Wills, (age 59) has served as a Director of Masonite since June 2009. Mr. Wills retired from Masco Corporation in 2007 where as Group President he was responsible for their worldwide plumbing business. He started his career with Procter & Gamble Corporation and entered the building product industry in 1985 when he joined Moen Incorporated in Canada. He also has retail big box experience participating in the start-up of The Home Depot in Canada in 1991, which at the time was called Aikenhead's Home Improvement Warehouse. Mr. Wills is currently a member of the boards of Armstrong Cabinets, Phillips Service Industries, Inc. and Global Emission Systems, Inc.

Director Qualifications

The board of directors seeks to ensure that the board is composed of members whose particular experience, qualifications, attributes and skills, when taken together, will allow the board to satisfy its oversight responsibilities effectively. More specifically, in identifying candidates for membership on the board, the nominating and corporate governance committee takes into account (1) individual qualifications, such as strength of character, mature judgment and industry knowledge or business experience, and (2) all other factors it considers appropriate, including alignment with our shareholders.

When determining whether our current directors have the experience, qualifications, attributes and skills, taken as a whole, to enable our board to satisfy its oversight responsibilities effectively in light of our business and structure, our board focused primarily on our directors contributions to our success in recent years and on

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the information discussed in the biographies set forth under Management Executive Officers and Directors Biographies. With respect to Mr. Fred Lynch, our board considered in particular his current role as our Chief Executive Officer, his familiarity with our business operations, and his extensive management expertise. With respect to Mr. John Foster, our board considered in particular his experience as a Chief Financial Officer and member of the audit committee and board of directors of public companies, as well as his financial, investment banking and transactional experience. With respect to Mr. Bob Byrne, our board considered in particular his financial, investment banking and transactional experience and his proven entrepreneurial and operational skills in the industrial services industry. With respect to Mr. Ken Freeman, our board considered in particular his prior role as our Chief Executive Officer, his familiarity with our business operations, his extensive management expertise and board experience at public companies and his position as a Dean of a major business school. With respect to Mr. George Lorch, our board considered in particular his extensive management expertise and board experience at public companies, including serving as non-executive chairman of Pfizer and as a director, chairman and Chief Executive Officer of a public company in the building products industry. With respect to Mr. Fran Scricco, our board considered in particular his extensive management experience, including as Chief Executive Officer of an electronics distribution business, his prior public-company board experience, his strategy consulting experience, and his familiarity with product marketing, distribution channels and branding. With respect to Mr. John Wills, our board considered in particular his sales and marketing experience in a large multiproduct public company in the building products industry and specifically his familiarity with big box retail customers such as The Home Depot.

Board and Committee Membership

Our business, property and affairs are managed under the direction of our board of directors. Our board consists of seven directors, all of whom are independent as defined under applicable NYSE listing standards other than Frederick Lynch, our Chief Executive Officer. Members of our board are kept informed of our business through discussions with our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and other officers, by reviewing materials provided to them, by visiting our offices and facilities, and by participating in meetings of the board and its committees. While retaining overall responsibilities, our board of directors assigns certain of its responsibilities to permanent committees consisting of board members appointed by it. We currently have the following committees: Audit Committee, Human Resources and Compensation Committee and Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee, each of which has the responsibilities and composition described below.

The Audit Committee currently consists of Jonathan Foster (Chair), Robert Byrne and John Wills. Each member of our Audit Committee is independent under applicable NYSE listing standards and meets the standards for independence required by U.S. securities law requirements applicable to public companies, including Rule 10A-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or the Exchange Act. Each member is financially literate under applicable NYSE listing standards and we anticipate that our board of directors will determine that one member is qualified as an audit committee financial expert within the meaning of applicable SEC regulations. The Audit Committee oversees and evaluates and, where necessary or advisable, makes recommendations as to the quality and integrity of the financial statements of the Company, the internal control and financial reporting systems of the Company, the compliance by the Company with legal and regulatory requirements in respect of financial disclosure, the qualification, independence and performance of the Company's independent auditors and the performance of the Company's internal audit functions. In addition, the Audit Committee is directly responsible for the appointment, compensation, retention, termination and oversight of the work of the independent auditor (including oversight of the resolution of any disagreements between management and the independent auditor regarding financial reporting) for the purpose of preparing audit reports or performing other audit, review or attest services for the Company, subject to any applicable approvals required from our board of directors or our shareholders.

The Human Resources and Compensation Committee currently consists of Francis Scricco (Chair), Kenneth Freeman and George Lorch. Each member of our Human Resources and Compensation Committee is

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independent under applicable NYSE listing standards and qualifies as a non-employee director for purposes of Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act. The Human Resources and Compensation Committee reviews and, as it deems appropriate, recommends to the board of directors policies, practices and procedures relating to the compensation and succession planning for the executive officers and other managerial employees and the establishment and administration of employee benefit plans. The Human Resources and Compensation Committee also exercises all authority under the Company's employee equity incentive plans, subject to any applicable approvals required from our board of directors or our shareholders.

The Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee currently consists of George Lorch (Chair), Francis Scricco and Kenneth Freeman. Each member of our Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee is independent under applicable NYSE listing standards. The Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee reviews and, as it deems appropriate, recommends to the board of directors policies and procedures relating to director and board of directors committee nominations and corporate governance policies, oversees compliance with the Company's ethics training and compliance programs, reviews policies with respect to risk assessment and risk management and provides oversight for risk management processes, and establishes and administers assessment of board, committee and individual director performance.

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EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

Introduction

Our Compensation Discussion and Analysis, or CD&A, explains the philosophy and objectives of our compensation program and our process for setting compensation for our named executive officers. The discussion relates primarily to fiscal year 2012, although we also discuss compensation-related actions taken in fiscal year 2013 through the date of this prospectus.

Our executive compensation program is o