UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

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

FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED: SEPTEMBER 30, 2004

OR

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

FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM TO

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER: 001-16109

CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF AMERICA

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MARYLAND

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

62-1763875

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

10 BURTON HILLS BLVD., NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

(Address of principal executive offices)

37215

(Zip Code)

(615) 263-3000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes [X] No []

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes [X] No []

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each class of common stock as of November 2, 2004: 35,266,206 shares of Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share.

CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF AMERICA

FORM 10-Q

FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2004

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PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF AMERICA AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(UNAUDITED AND AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

	September 30, 2004	December 31, 2003
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 68,651	\$ 84,231
Restricted cash	12,912	12,823
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$1,184 and \$1,999, respectively	157,650	136,465
Deferred tax assets	51,662	50,473
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	15,791	8,028
Current assets of discontinued operations	_	1,158
Total current assets	306,666	293,178
Property and equipment, net	1,650,434	1,586,979
Investment in direct financing lease	17,255	17,751
Goodwill	15,563	15,563
Deferred tax assets	_	6,739
Other assets	29,926	38,818
Total assets	\$2,019,844	\$1,959,028
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 178,261	\$ 156,806
Income taxes payable	2,572	913
Current portion of long-term debt	3,220	1,146
Current liabilities of discontinued operations	_	761
Total current liabilities	184,053	159,626
Long-term debt, net of current portion	999,868	1,002,282
Deferred tax liabilities	17,668	_
Other liabilities	21,673	21,655
Total liabilities	1,223,262	1,183,563
Commitments and contingencies		
Preferred stock – \$0.01 par value; 50,000 shares authorized:		
Series A – 300 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2003 stated at liquidation preference		
of \$25.00 per share	_	7,500
Series B – 962 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2003 stated at liquidation preference		
of \$24.46 per share	_	23,528
Common stock – \$0.01 par value; 80,000 shares authorized; 35,235 and 35,020 shares issued and		
outstanding at September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003, respectively	352	350
Additional paid-in capital	1,447,685	1,441,742
Deferred compensation	(2,019)	(1,479)
Retained deficit	(649,436)	(695,590)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	_	(586)
Total stockholders' equity	796,582	775,465

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

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(UNAUDITED AND AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
REVENUE:				
Management and other	\$291,485	\$262,486	\$857,739	\$765,080
Rental	971	945	2,874	2,797
	292,456	263,431	860,613	767,877
EXPENSES:				
Operating	223,076	199,654	655,928	575,455
General and administrative	12,328	9,819	35,350	29,366
Depreciation and amortization	14,008	13,157	40,063	39,106
	249,412	222,630	731,341	643,927
OPERATING INCOME	43,044	40,801	129,272	123,950
OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE:				
Equity in (earnings) loss of joint venture	150	(88)	450	(44)
Interest expense, net	16,831	19,078	51,809	56,459
Expenses associated with debt refinancing and				
recapitalization transactions	_	2,552	101	6,687
Change in fair value of derivative instruments	_	_	_	(2,900)
(Gain) loss on disposal of assets	59	(6)	100	(21)
Unrealized foreign currency transaction (gain) loss	30	(49)	<u>(56</u>)	(199)
	17,070	21,487	52,404	59,982
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS				
BEFORE INCOME TAXES	25,974	19,314	76,868	63,968
Income tax expense	(8,966)	(277)	(29,681)	(107)
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	17,008	19,037	47,187	63,861
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	_	_	429	(1,692)
NET INCOME	17,008	19,037	47,616	62,169
Distributions to preferred stockholders	_	(836)	(1,462)	(14,406)
NET INCOME AVAILABLE TO COMMON				
STOCKHOLDERS	\$_17,008	\$ 18,201	\$ 46,154	\$ 47,763
BASIC EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE:				
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.53	\$ 1.31	\$ 1.57
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	_	_	0.01	(0.05)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.53	\$ 1.32	\$ 1.52
DILUTED EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE:				
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.17	\$ 1.41
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	_	_	0.01	(0.05)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.18	\$ 1.36
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(UNAUDITED AND AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

For the Nine Months Ended September 30,

	Sept	ember 30,
	2004	2003
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income	\$ 47,616	\$ 62,169
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	40,063	40,180
Amortization of debt issuance costs and other non-cash interest	5,220	5,707
Expenses associated with debt refinancing and recapitalization transactions	101	6,687
Deferred income taxes	23,218	_
Equity in (earnings) loss of joint venture	450	(44)
(Gain) loss on disposal of assets	(60)	(32)
Change in fair value of derivative instruments	-	(2,900)
Unrealized foreign currency transaction gain	(56)	(199)
Other non-cash items	3,891	1,717
Changes in assets and liabilities, net:		
Accounts receivable, prepaid expenses and other assets	(28,477)	1,019
Income taxes receivable	_	32,440
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	17,360	10,952
Income taxes payable	1,659	_
Net cash provided by operating activities	110,985	157,696
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Expenditures for facility acquisitions, expansions and development	(66,016)	(48,332)
Expenditures for other capital improvements	(35,753)	(22,355)
Increase in restricted cash	(42)	(5,433)
Proceeds from sale of assets	266	43
(Increase) decrease in other assets	6,044	(107)
Payments received on direct financing lease and notes receivable receivable	439	848
Net cash used in investing activities	(95,062)	(75,336)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from issuance of debt	<u>_</u>	482,250
Scheduled principal payments	(122)	(7,352)
Other principal payments	() —	(383,766)
Payment of debt issuance and other refinancing and related costs	(993)	(18,561)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	_	124,800
Stock issuance costs	<u> </u>	(7,724)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options and warrants	2,252	986
Purchase and retirement of common stock		(65,622)
Purchase and redemption of preferred stock	(31,028)	(191,984)
Payment of dividends	(1,612)	(11,850)
Net cash used in financing activities	(31,503)	(78,823)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(15,580)	3,537
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period	84,231	65,406
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period	\$ 68,651	\$ 68,943
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:		
Cash paid during the period for:	d 0.40=0	Φ 54 544
Interest, net of amounts capitalized of \$4,448 in 2004 and \$14 in 2003	\$ 34,252	\$ 51,544
Income taxes	\$ 3,341	\$ 1,729

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2004

(UNAUDITED AND AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	Series A Preferred Stock	Series B Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Additional Paid-in Capital	Deferred Compensation	Retained Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total
Balance as of December 31, 2003	\$_7,500	\$ 23,528	\$350	\$1,441,742	\$(1,479)	\$(695,590)	\$(586)	\$775,465
Comprehensive income:								
Net income	_	_		_	_	47,616	_	47,616
Change in fair value of interest rate cap	_	_	_	_	_	_	586	586
Total comprehensive income			_			47,616	586	48,202
Distributions to preferred stockholders						(1,462)	_	(1,462)
Redemption of preferred								
stock	(7,500)	(23,528)		_	_	_	_	(31,028)
Stock issuance				33	_	_	_	33
Income tax benefit of equity compensation	_	_	_	2,176	_	_	_	2,176
Amortization of deferred compensation, net of								
forfeitures		_		(91)	1,035	_	_	944
Restricted stock grant	_	_	1	1,574	(1,575)	_	_	_
Stock options exercised			_1	2,251			_=	2,252
Balance as of								
September 30, 2004	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$352	\$1,447,685	\$(2,019)	\$(649,436)	\$	\$796,582

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

(UNAUDITED AND AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	Series A Preferred Stock	Series B Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Additional Paid-in Capital	Deferred Compensation	Retained Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total
Balance as of December 31, 2002	\$ 107,500	\$107,831	\$280	\$1,343,066	\$(1,604)	\$(822,111)	\$(964)	\$_733,998
Comprehensive income:								
Net income	_	_	_	_	_	62,169	_	62,169
Change in fair value of interest rate cap	_	_	_		_	_	144	144
Total comprehensive income			_			62,169	144	62,313
Distributions to preferred stockholders		7,736				(14,406)	_	(6,670)
Issuance of common stock, net	_	_	64	117,040	_		_	117,104
Retirement of series B preferred stock		(347)						(347)
Redemption of preferred stock	(100,000)	(91,637)		_		_		(191,637)
Conversion of subordinated	(100,000)	(91,037)	_	_	_	_	_	
notes	_	_	34	39,512	_	_	_	39,546
Repurchase of common stock	_	_	(34)	(65,588)	_	_	_	(65,622)
Warrants exercised	_	_	1	_	_	_	_	1
State stockholder litigation settlement	_	_	3	3,051	_	_	_	3,054
Amortization of deferred compensation, net of								
forfeitures	_	(55)	_	(72)	1,286	_		1,159
Restricted stock grant	_	_	1	1,594	(1,595)	_	_	_
Stock options exercised	_	_	1	984	_	_		985
Balance as of September 30, 2003	\$ 7,500	\$ 23,528	\$350	\$1,439,587	\$(1,913)	\$(774,348)	\$(820)	\$ 693,884

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

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SEPTEMBER 30, 2004

1. ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

As of September 30, 2004, Corrections Corporation of America, a Maryland corporation (together with its subsidiaries, the "Company"), owned 41 correctional, detention and juvenile facilities, three of which are leased to other operators, and one additional facility which is currently under construction and is expected to be completed during the first quarter of 2005. As of September 30, 2004, the Company operated 64 facilities, including 38 facilities that it owned, with a total design capacity of approximately 67,000 beds in 20 states and the District of Columbia. As further described in Note 6, upon expiration of the management contract on October 1, 2004, the Company transferred operation of the 500-bed state-owned Southern Nevada Women's Correctional Center located in Las Vegas, Nevada, to the Nevada Department of Corrections.

The Company specializes in owning, operating and managing prisons and other correctional facilities and providing inmate residential and prisoner transportation services for governmental agencies. In addition to providing the fundamental residential services relating to inmates, the Company's facilities offer a variety of rehabilitation and educational programs, including basic education, religious services, life skills and employment training and substance abuse treatment. These services are intended to reduce recidivism and to prepare inmates for their successful re-entry into society upon their release. The Company also provides health care (including medical, dental and psychiatric services), food services and work and recreational programs.

The Company's website address is www.correctionscorp.com. The Company makes its Form 10-K, Form 10-Q, Form 8-K, and Section 16 reports under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, available on its website, free of charge, as soon as reasonably practicable after these reports are filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared by the Company without audit and, in the opinion of management, reflect all normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of results for the unaudited interim periods presented. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been condensed or omitted. The results of operations for the interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results to be obtained for the full fiscal year. Reference is made to the audited financial statements of the Company included in its Annual Report on Form 10-K as of and for the year ended December 31, 2003 (the "2003 Form 10-K") with respect to certain significant accounting and financial reporting policies as well as other pertinent information of the Company.

3. RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In January 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51" ("FIN 46"). FIN 46 clarifies the application of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51, "Consolidated Financial Statements" to certain entities in which equity investors do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or in which equity investors do not bear the residual economic risks. FIN 46 is effective for all entities other than special purpose entities no later than the end of the first period that ends after March 15, 2004. The Company has no investments in special purpose entities. The Company adopted FIN 46 effective January 1, 2004.

The Company has determined that its joint venture, Agecroft Prison Management, Ltd. ("APM"), is a variable interest entity, of which the Company is not the primary beneficiary. APM has a management contract for a correctional facility located in Salford, England. All gains and losses under the joint venture are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. During 2000, the Company extended a working capital loan to APM, which, as of September 30, 2004, totaled \$5.9 million, including accrued interest. The outstanding working capital loan represents the Company's maximum exposure to loss in connection with APM. APM has not been, and in accordance with FIN 46 will not be, consolidated with the Company's financial statements.

4. GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

As a result of the termination during the first quarter of 2003 of the Company's contracts to manage the Okeechobee Juvenile Offender Correctional Center and the Lawrenceville Correctional Center, as further described below, the Company recognized goodwill impairment charges of \$268,000 and \$340,000, respectively, in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets." These charges are included in loss from discontinued operations, net of taxes, in the accompanying consolidated statement of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2003.

The components of the Company's amortized intangible assets and liabilities are as follows (in thousands):

	September	30, 2004	December 31, 2003			
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization		
Contract acquisition costs	\$ 873	\$ (835)	\$ 873	\$ (820)		
Customer list	765	(192)	765	(110)		
Contract values	(35,688)	16,378	(35,688)	15,336		
Total	\$(34,050)	\$ 15,351	\$(34,050)	\$14,406		

Contract acquisition costs and the customer list are included in other non-current assets, and contract values are included in other non-current liabilities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. Amortization income, net of amortization expense, for intangible assets and liabilities during the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 was \$0.8 million and \$1.0 million, respectively, while amortization income, net of amortization expense, for

intangible assets and liabilities during the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 was \$2.5 million and \$2.8 million, respectively. Estimated amortization income, net of amortization expense, for the remainder of 2004 and the five succeeding fiscal years is as follows (in thousands):

2004 (remainder)	\$ 846
2005	4,223
2006	4,552
2007	4,552
2008	4,552
2009	3,095

5. ACCOUNTING FOR STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

On December 31, 2002, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation – Transition and Disclosure" ("SFAS 148"). SFAS 148 amends Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" ("SFAS 123"), to provide alternative methods of transition to SFAS 123's fair value method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. SFAS 148 also amends the disclosure provisions of SFAS 123 and APB Opinion No. 28, "Interim Financial Reporting" to require disclosure of the effects on an entity's income and earnings per share in annual and interim financial statements. While SFAS 148 does not amend SFAS 123 to require companies to account for employee stock options using the fair value method, the disclosure provisions of SFAS 148 are applicable to all companies with stock-based employee compensation, regardless of whether they account for the compensation using the fair value method of SFAS 123 or the intrinsic value method of APB Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees" ("APB 25").

At September 30, 2004, the Company had equity incentive plans, which are described more fully in the 2003 Form 10-K. The Company accounts for those plans under the recognition and measurement principles of APB 25. No employee compensation cost for the Company's stock options is reflected in net income, as all options granted under those plans had an exercise price equal to the market value of the underlying common stock on the date of grant. The following table illustrates the effect on net income and earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 as if the Company had applied the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS 123 to stock-based employee compensation (in thousands, except per share data).

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			Months Ended mber 30,
	2004	2003	2004	2003
		(in thousands, ex	cept per share data)	
As Reported:				
Income from continuing operations after preferred stock distributions Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	\$17,008 —	\$18,201 —	\$45,725 429	\$49,455 (1,692)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$17,008	\$18,201	\$46,154	\$47,763
Pro Forma:				
Income from continuing operations after preferred stock distributions Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	\$16,533 —	\$16,616 —	\$42,709 429	\$44,432 (1,692)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 16,533	\$16,616	\$43,138	\$42,740
As Reported:				
Basic earnings (loss) per share:				
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.53	\$ 1.31	\$ 1.57
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	_	_	0.01	(0.05)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.53	\$ 1.32	\$ 1.52
As Reported:				
Diluted earnings (loss) per share:				
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.17	\$ 1.41
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	_	_	0.01	(0.05)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.18	\$ 1.36
Pro Forma:				
Basic earnings (loss) per share:				
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.48	\$ 1.22	\$ 1.41
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	_	_	0.01	(0.05)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.48	\$ 1.23	\$ 1.36
Pro Forma:				
Diluted earnings (loss) per share:				
Income from continuing operations	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.43	\$ 1.09	\$ 1.27
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	_	_	0.01	(0.05)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.43	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.22

The effect of applying SFAS 123 for disclosing compensation costs under such pronouncement may not be representative of the effects on reported net income (loss) available to common stockholders for future years.

 $Refer \ to \ Note \ 9 \ for \ further \ information \ regarding \ additional \ stock-based \ compensation \ awarded \ during \ 2004 \ and \ 2003.$

6. FACILITY OPERATIONS

In November 2003, the Company announced that the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, or TDCJ, awarded the Company new contracts to manage six state correctional facilities, as part

of a procurement re-bid process. The management contracts, all of which became effective January 15, 2004, consist of four jails and two correctional facilities. Based on the TDCJ recommendation, the Company also retained its contract to manage the Bartlett State Jail, but was not awarded the contract to continue managing the Sanders Estes Unit located in Venus, Texas, which expired January 15, 2004.

On March 4, 2004, the Company announced that it entered into an agreement with the State of Arizona to manage up to 1,200 Arizona inmates at the Company's Diamondback Correctional Facility located in Watonga, Oklahoma. The initial contract term ended June 30, 2004, corresponding with Arizona's fiscal year, and was renewed for one year on July 1, 2004. The contract allows for two more one-year extension options. As of September 30, 2004, the Company housed 727 Arizona inmates at this facility.

On March 23, 2004, the Company announced the completion of a contractual agreement with Mississippi's Delta Correctional Authority to resume operations of the state-owned Delta Correctional Facility located in Greenwood, Mississippi. The Company formerly managed the medium security correctional facility for the Delta Correctional Authority since its opening in 1996, until the State closed the facility in 2002, due to excess capacity in the State's corrections system. The new contract is for one year, with one two-year extension option. The Company began receiving inmates from the State of Mississippi at the facility on April 1, 2004. In addition, after completing the contractual agreement with the Delta Correctional Authority, the Company entered into an additional contract to manage inmates from Leflore County, Mississippi. This one-year contract provides for housing for up to 160 male inmates and up to 60 female inmates, and is renewable annually. As of September 30, 2004, the facility housed 958 and 124 inmates from the State of Mississippi and Leflore County, respectively.

On April 7, 2004, the Company announced that it resumed operations at its Northeast Ohio Correctional Center located in Youngstown, Ohio. The Company expects to manage federal prisoners from United States federal court districts that are experiencing a lack of detention space and/or high detention costs. The Company began receiving inmates at the facility on April 6, 2004. As of September 30, 2004, the Company housed 278 federal prisoners at this facility.

On May 10, 2004, the Company announced the completion of a contractual agreement to house inmates from the State of Hawaii at its owned and operated Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility, located in Tutwiler, Mississippi. The new agreement expires on June 30, 2006. The current contracts to house Hawaiian inmates in the Company's owned and operated Diamondback Correctional Facility and the Florence Correctional Facility, located in Florence, Arizona, have also been extended for an additional two years. Effective August 15, 2004, the combined contracts guarantee a minimum monthly average of 1,500 inmates to be housed at these three facilities. As of September 30, 2004, the Company housed 1,538 Hawaiian inmates at these three facilities.

On June 1, 2004, the Company announced the completion of a contractual agreement to house up to 128 maximum security inmates from the State of Colorado at the Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility. The terms of the contract include a one-year agreement effective through June 30, 2005, with four one-year renewal options. As of September 30, 2004, the Company housed 121 State of Colorado inmates at the Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility.

On July 1, 2004, the Company announced the completion of a contractual agreement with the State of Washington Department of Corrections. The Company expects to continue managing male, medium-security inmates at its owned and operated Crowley County Correctional Facility located in Olney Springs, Colorado and at its owned and operated Prairie Correctional Facility located in Appleton, Minnesota. The terms of the contract include an initial one-year period through June 30, 2005, with an unspecified number of renewal options. As of September 30, 2004, the Company housed 197 and 113 Washington inmates at the Crowley County Correctional Facility and Prairie Correctional Facility, respectively.

Effective August 9, 2004, the Company elected to terminate its contract to manage the Tall Trees juvenile facility owned by Shelby County and located in Memphis, TN.

Due to operating losses incurred at the Southern Nevada Women's Correctional Center, the Company elected to not renew its contract to manage the facility upon the expiration of the contract. Accordingly, the Company transferred operation of the facility to the Nevada Department of Corrections on October 1, 2004.

On October 25, 2004, the Company announced the completion of a contractual agreement with the Mississippi Department of Corrections. The Company will manage an initial population of 128 of the State's maximum security inmates at its owned and operated Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility. The terms of the contract include an initial period which concludes on June 30, 2006, and includes three one-year renewal options.

7. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

The results of operations, net of taxes, and the assets and liabilities of a juvenile facility located in Okeechobee, Florida, and a facility located in Lawrenceville, Virginia, each as further described below, have been reflected in the accompanying consolidated financial statements as discontinued operations in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets" for all periods presented.

During the fourth quarter of 2002, the Company was notified by the State of Florida of its intention to not renew the Company's contract to manage the Okeechobee Juvenile Offender Correctional Center upon the expiration of a short-term extension to the existing management contract, which expired in December 2002. Upon expiration of the short-term extension, which occurred March 1, 2003, operation of the facility was transferred to the State of Florida.

On March 18, 2003, the Company was notified by the Department of Corrections of the Commonwealth of Virginia of its intention to not renew the Company's contract to manage the Lawrenceville Correctional Center upon the expiration of the contract, which occurred on March 22, 2003.

During the first quarter of 2004, the Company received \$0.6 million in proceeds from the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as a settlement for repairs the Company previously made to a facility the Company formerly operated in Ponce, Puerto Rico. These proceeds, net of taxes, are also presented as discontinued operations.

The following table summarizes the results of operations for these facilities for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 (amounts in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
REVENUE:				
Managed-only	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 564	\$ 5,366
EXPENSES:				
Managed-only	_	_	8	5,979
Depreciation and amortization	_	_	_	1,074
	_		8	7,053
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)		_	556	(1,687)
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE):				
Gain (loss) on disposal of assets	_	_	160	(5)
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAXES			716	$\overline{(1,692)}$
Income tax expense	_	_	(287)	_
INCOME (LOSS) FROM DISCONTINUED				
OPERATIONS, NET OF TAXES	\$	\$ <u> </u>	\$ 429	\$(1,692)

The assets and liabilities of the discontinued operations presented in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets are as follows (in thousands):

	December 31, 2003
ASSETS	
Accounts receivable	\$1,158
Total current assets	\$1,158
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 761
Total current liabilities	\$ 761

8. DEBT

Debt outstanding as of September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003 consists of the following (in thousands):

	September 30, 2004	December 31, 2003
Senior Bank Credit Facility, with quarterly principal payments of varying amounts with unpaid balance due in March 2008; interest payable periodically at variable interest		
rates. The interest rate was 3.94% at September 30, 2004.	\$ 270,813	\$ 270,813
9.875% Senior Notes, principal due at maturity in May 2009; interest payable semi- annually in May and November at 9.875%.	250,000	250,000
7.5% Senior Notes, principal due at maturity in May 2011; interest payable semi- annually in May and November at 7.5%.	250,000	250,000
7.5% Senior Notes, principal due at maturity in May 2011; interest payable semi- annually in May and November at 7.5%. These notes were issued with a \$2.3 million premium, of which \$1.9 million and \$2.1 million was unamortized at September 30,		
2004 and December 31, 2003, respectively.	201,911	202,129
4.0% Convertible Subordinated Notes, principal due at maturity in February 2007 with		
call provisions beginning in March 2005; interest payable quarterly at 4.0%.	30,000	30,000
Other	364	486
	1,003,088	1,003,428
Less: Current portion of long-term debt	(3,220)	(1,146)
	\$ 999,868	\$1,002,282

Senior Bank Credit Facility. The Company's senior secured bank credit facility (the "Senior Bank Credit Facility") is comprised of a \$275.0 million term loan expiring March 31, 2008 (the "Term Loan C Facility") and a \$125.0 million revolving loan (the "Revolving Loan"), which includes a \$75.0 million subfacility for letters of credit, that expires on March 31, 2006. On June 4, 2004, the Company executed an amendment to the Senior Bank Credit Facility that allowed the Company to reduce the applicable interest rate spread on the term loan portion of the facility by 50 basis points (0.50%), and to increase the Company's capital expenditure capacity. The Term Loan C Facility, now referred to as the Term Loan D Facility, bears interest at a base rate plus 1.25%, or the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") plus 2.25%, at the Company's option, and had an outstanding balance of \$270.8 million at September 30, 2004. The Revolving Loan bears interest at a base rate plus 2.5%, or LIBOR plus 3.5%, at the Company's option, and had no amounts outstanding at September 30, 2004. The applicable margin for the Revolving Loan is subject to adjustment based on the Company's leverage ratio. The Company is also required to pay a commitment fee on the difference between committed amounts and amounts actually utilized under the Revolving Loan equal to 0.50% per year subject to adjustment based on the Company's leverage ratio.

The Senior Bank Credit Facility is secured by liens on a substantial portion of the Company's

assets (inclusive of its domestic subsidiaries), and pledges of all of the capital stock of the Company's domestic subsidiaries. The loans and other obligations under the facility are guaranteed by each of the Company's domestic subsidiaries and secured by a pledge of up to 65% of the capital stock of the Company's foreign subsidiaries. Prepayments of loans outstanding under the Senior Bank Credit Facility are permitted at any time without premium or penalty, upon the giving of proper notice.

The credit agreement governing the Senior Bank Credit Facility requires the Company to meet certain financial covenants, including, without limitation, a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio, leverage ratios and a minimum interest coverage ratio. As of September 30, 2004, the Company was in compliance with all such covenants. In addition, the Senior Bank Credit Facility contains certain covenants which, among other things, limit the incurrence of additional indebtedness, investments, payment of dividends, transactions with affiliates, asset sales, acquisitions, capital expenditures, mergers and consolidations, prepayments and modifications of other indebtedness, liens and encumbrances and other matters customarily restricted in such agreements. In addition, the Senior Bank Credit Facility is subject to certain cross-default provisions with terms of the Company's other indebtedness.

\$250 Million 9.875% Senior Notes. Interest on the \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of the Company's 9.875% unsecured senior notes (the "9.875% Senior Notes") accrues at the stated rate and is payable semi-annually on May 1 and November 1 of each year. The 9.875% Senior Notes are scheduled to mature on May 1, 2009. At any time on or before May 1, 2005, the Company may redeem up to 35% of the notes with the net proceeds of certain equity offerings, as long as 65% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes remains outstanding after the redemption. The Company may redeem all or a portion of the 9.875% Senior Notes on or after May 1, 2006. Redemption prices are set forth in the indenture governing the 9.875% Senior Notes. The 9.875% Senior Notes are guaranteed on an unsecured basis by all of the Company's domestic subsidiaries.

\$250 Million 7.5% Senior Notes. Interest on the \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of the Company's 7.5% unsecured senior notes (the "\$250 Million 7.5% Senior Notes") accrues at the stated rate and is payable semi-annually on May 1 and November 1 of each year. The \$250 Million 7.5% Senior Notes are scheduled to mature on May 1, 2011. At any time on or before May 1, 2006, the Company may redeem up to 35% of the notes with the net proceeds of certain equity offerings, as long as 65% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes remains outstanding after the redemption. The Company may redeem all or a portion of the notes on or after May 1, 2007. Redemption prices are set forth in the indenture governing the \$250 Million 7.5% Senior Notes. The \$250 Million 7.5% Senior Notes are guaranteed on an unsecured basis by all of the Company's domestic subsidiaries.

\$200 Million 7.5% Senior Notes. Interest on the \$200.0 million aggregate principal amount of the Company's 7.5% unsecured senior notes (the "\$200 Million 7.5% Senior Notes") accrues at the stated rate and is payable semi-annually on May 1 and November 1 of each year. However, the notes were issued at a price of 101.125% of the principal amount of the notes, resulting in a premium of \$2.25 million, which is amortized as a reduction to interest expense over the term of the notes. The \$200 Million 7.5% Senior Notes were issued under the existing indenture and supplemental indenture governing the \$250 Million 7.5% Senior Notes.

\$30 Million Convertible Subordinated Notes. As of September 30, 2004, the Company had

outstanding an aggregate of \$30.0 million of convertible subordinated notes due February 28, 2007 (the "\$30.0 Million Convertible Subordinated Notes"). The conversion price for the notes had been established at \$10.68, subject to adjustment in the future upon the occurrence of certain events, including the payment of dividends and the issuance of stock at below market prices by the Company. The distribution of shares of the Company's common stock in connection with the settlement of all outstanding stockholder litigation against the Company caused an adjustment to the conversion price of the notes. As a result of the stockholder litigation adjustment, which was finalized on May 16, 2003, the \$30.0 Million Convertible Subordinated Notes will be convertible into 3.4 million shares of the Company's common stock, subject to further adjustment in the future upon the occurrence of certain events, which translates into a current conversion price of \$8.92.

At any time after February 28, 2005, the Company may generally require the holder to convert all or a portion of the notes if the average market price of the Company's common stock meets or exceeds 150% of the notes' conversion price for 45 consecutive trading days. The Company may not prepay the indebtedness evidenced by the notes at any time prior to their maturity; provided, however, that in the event of a change of control or other similar event, the notes are subject to mandatory prepayment in full at the option of the holder. The current terms of the Company's senior indebtedness, however, would prevent such a prepayment.

9. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

During 2004 and 2003, the Company issued 52,600 shares and 94,500 shares of restricted common stock, respectively, to certain of the Company's wardens. The aggregate value of the restricted common stock issued was \$1.6 million on the respective dates of the awards. All of the shares granted during 2003 vest during 2006, while all of the shares granted during 2004 vest during 2007. During the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively, the Company expensed \$228,000 and \$125,000, while during the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively, the Company expensed \$653,000 and \$293,000, net of forfeitures, relating to the restricted common stock. As of September 30, 2004, 140,100 of these shares of restricted stock remained outstanding and subject to vesting.

During the first quarter of 2004, the Company completed the redemption of the remaining 300,000 shares of its 8.0% series A preferred stock at the stated rate of \$25.00 per share plus accrued dividends through the redemption date.

During the second quarter of 2004, the Company completed the redemption of the remaining 961,916 shares of its 12.0% series B preferred stock at the stated rate of \$24.46 per share plus accrued dividends through the redemption date.

10. EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE

In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 128, "Earnings Per Share" ("SFAS 128"), basic earnings per share is computed by dividing net income (loss) available to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock or resulted in the issuance of common stock that then shared in the earnings of the entity. For the Company, diluted earnings per share is computed by dividing

net income, as adjusted, by the weighted average number of common shares after considering the additional dilution related to convertible subordinated notes, shares issued under the settlement terms of the Company's stockholder litigation, restricted common stock plans and stock options and warrants.

A reconciliation of the numerator and denominator of the basic earnings per share computation to the numerator and denominator of the diluted earnings per share computation is as follows (in thousands, except per share data):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			Months Ended aber 30,	
	2004	2003	2004	2003	
NUMERATOR					
Basic:					
Income from continuing operations after preferred stock					
distributions	\$17,008	\$18,201	\$45,725	\$49,455	
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	_	_	429	(1,692)	
Net income available to common stockholders	\$17,008	\$18,201	\$46,154	\$47,763	
Diluted:					
Income from continuing operations after preferred stock	#45.000	#10 DO1	# 45 505	Φ 4O 4EE	
distributions	\$17,008	\$18,201	\$45,725	\$49,455	
Interest expense applicable to convertible notes, net of	100	202	FFO	1 205	
taxes	199	302	553	1,285	
Diluted income from continuing operations after	45.005	40.500	40.000	50 540	
preferred stock distributions	17,207	18,503	46,278	50,740	
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes			429	(1,692)	
Diluted net income available to common stockholders	\$17,207	\$18,503	\$46,707	\$49,048	
DENOMINATOR	_				
Basic:					
Weighted average common shares outstanding	35,061	34,649	35,014	31,426	
Diluted:					
Weighted average common shares outstanding	35,061	34,649	35,014	31,426	
Effect of dilutive securities:		·	·	·	
Stock options and warrants	1,330	937	1,304	860	
Stockholder litigation	_	_	_	153	
Convertible notes	3,362	3,362	3,362	3,362	
Restricted stock-based compensation	63	263	55	240	
Weighted average shares and assumed conversions	39,816	39,211	39,735	36,041	
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	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			ne Months Ended tember 30,
	2004	2003	2004	2003
BASIC EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE:				
Income from continuing operations	\$0.49	\$0.53	\$1.31	\$ 1.57
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	_	_	0.01	(0.05)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$0.49	\$0.53	\$1.32	\$ 1.52
DILUTED EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE:				
Income from continuing operations	\$0.43	\$0.47	\$1.17	\$ 1.41
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	_	_	0.01	(0.05)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$0.43	\$0.47	\$1.18	\$ 1.36

The Company's previously outstanding \$40.0 Million Convertible Subordinated Notes were convertible into 1.6 million shares of common stock for the nine months ended September 30, 2003, using the if-converted method, for the periods prior to their conversion during the second quarter of 2003. These incremental shares were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2003, as the effect of their inclusion was anti-dilutive.

11. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Legal Proceedings

General. The nature of the Company's business results in claims and litigation alleging that it is liable for damages arising from the conduct of its employees, inmates or others. The Company maintains insurance to cover many of these claims which may mitigate the risk that any single claim would have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows, provided the claim is one for which coverage is available. The combination of self-insured retentions and deductible amounts means that, in the aggregate, the Company is subject to substantial self-insurance risk. In the opinion of management, other than those described below, there are no pending legal proceedings that would have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows. Adversarial proceedings and litigation are, however, subject to inherent uncertainties, and unfavorable decisions and rulings could occur which could have a material adverse impact on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows for a period in which such decisions or rulings occur, or future periods.

Litigation

During the second quarter of 2002, the Company completed the settlement of certain claims made against it as the successor to U.S. Corrections Corporation ("USCC"), a privately-held owner and operator of correctional and detention facilities which was acquired by a predecessor of the Company in April 1998, by participants in USCC's Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP"). As a result of the settlement, the Company made a cash payment

of \$575,000 to the plaintiffs in the action. As described below, the Company is currently in litigation with USCC's insurer seeking to recover all or a portion of this settlement amount. The USCC ESOP litigation entitled *Horn v. McQueen*, continued to proceed, however, against two other defendants, Milton Thompson and Robert McQueen, both of whom were stockholders and executive officers of USCC and trustees of the ESOP prior to the Company's acquisition of USCC. In the *Horn* litigation, the ESOP participants allege numerous violations of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act, including breaches of fiduciary duties to the ESOP by causing the ESOP to overpay for employer securities. The plaintiffs in the action are seeking damages in excess of \$30.0 million plus prejudgment interest and attorneys' fees, although expert testimony in the litigation has indicated actual damages of a significantly less amount. On July 29, 2002, the United States District Court of the Western District of Kentucky found that McQueen and Thompson had breached their fiduciary duties to the ESOP, but made no determination as to the amount of any damages. A report of a special master in 2004 has fixed damages at approximately \$10.0 million (exclusive of interest, which could more than double the damages). The court has not yet acted on this report.

In or about the second quarter of 2001, Northfield Insurance Co. ("Northfield"), the issuer of the liability insurance policy to USCC and its directors and officers, filed suit against McQueen, Thompson and the Company seeking a declaration that it did not owe coverage under the policy for any liabilities arising from the *Horn* litigation. Among other things, Northfield claimed that it did not receive timely notice of the litigation under the terms of the policy. McQueen and Thompson subsequently filed a cross-claim in the *Northfield* litigation against the Company, claiming that, as the result of the Company's alleged failure to timely notify the insurance carrier of the *Horn* case on their behalf, they were entitled to indemnification or contribution from the Company for any loss incurred by them as a result of the *Horn* litigation if there were no insurance available to cover the loss, if any. On September 30, 2002, the Court in the *Northfield* litigation found that Northfield was not obligated to cover McQueen and Thompson or the Company. Though it did not resolve the cross-claim, the Court did note that there was no basis for excusing McQueen and Thompson from their independent obligation to provide timely notice to the carrier because of the Company's alleged failure to provide timely notice to the carrier. McQueen and Thompson have since filed a state court action essentially duplicating their cross-claim in the federal case, and the Company has initiated claims against the lawyer who jointly represented the Company, McQueen and Thompson in the *Horn* litigation.

The Company cannot currently predict whether it will be successful in recovering all or a portion of the amount it has paid in settlement of the *Horn* litigation. With respect to the cross-claim and the state court claims made by McQueen and Thompson, the Company believes that such cross-claim claims are without merit and that the Company will be able to defend itself successfully against such claims and/or any additional claims of such nature that may be brought in the future. In fact, on March 31, 2004 the Court granted the Company's summary judgment motion with respect to most of the contentions made by McQueen and Thompson. The Company believes the two remaining theories of liability are also without merit. No assurance can be given, however, that the Company will prevail.

In April 2003, the Company filed a lawsuit in Tennessee Chancery Court against Corrections Facilities Development, LLC ("CFD") seeking a declaratory judgment regarding the Company's obligations pursuant to a consulting agreement, as amended, with CFD and the validity of that agreement under applicable law. In the 1995 consulting agreement between the

Company and CFD, the Company agreed that for any contract between it and a governmental entity pursuant to which inmates are housed in a Company facility in California and with respect to which CFD, during the term of the consulting agreement, played "a role in bringing about," the Company would pay CFD compensation equal to \$1.00 per day per inmate (or \$0.50 per day per United States Marshals Service inmate) during the term of such government contract and any renewals. Pursuant to the agreement, the Company began making such payments to CFD in 1998 in connection with the Company's contract with the Immigration and Naturalization Service (now Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE) to house INS detainees at the Company's San Diego Correctional Facility (the "San Diego INS Contract"), as CFD played a role in bringing about that contract. In late 2001 and early 2002, CFD informed the Company's new management that CFD believed that it was entitled to compensation from the Company with respect to its September 2000 contract with the Bureau of Prisons to house inmates at California City Correctional Facility (the "Cal City BOP Contract"). The Company disputes such claim and has asked for a declaratory judgment that CFD did not play a role in obtaining the Cal City BOP Contract. The Company also seeks a declaratory judgment that payments to CFD for the San Diego INS Contract are not permitted under applicable law and that after December 31, 2004, any new contract between the Company and ICE to house detainees at the San Diego Correctional Facility is not a "renewal" under the terms of the consulting agreement, CFD has asserted a counterclaim seeking continued payments for the San Diego INS Contract, payment for any new contract between the Company and ICE to house ICE detainees at the San Diego Correctional Facility, and payment for the Cal City BOP Contract. Moreover, according to damages calculations presented by CFD, it apparently seeks to accelerate such payments and receive the present value of such payments over the life of these facilities if it prevails at trial. According to CFD, such damages could total approximately \$16 million, exclusive of interest on any past due amounts. The Company does not believe that such a lump sum payment for future contingent amounts is justified, and does not believe that there is a substantial likelihood that CFD will prevail under this theory of recovery, even if CFD is otherwise successful at trial. CFD also seeks a declaratory judgment that the consulting agreement does not violate applicable law. On July 15, 2004, the Company filed a motion for summary judgment on all claims. The court has not yet ruled on the motion for summary judgment, and in the event the court does not grant the motion in full, the Company will present its case at trial scheduled for December 7, 2004. The Company believes its claims, and its defenses to CFD's counterclaim, are meritorious. The Company also believes it is adequately reserved for a range of probable outcomes in the event the case is tried.

Guarantees

Hardeman County Correctional Facilities Corporation ("HCCFC") is a nonprofit, mutual benefit corporation organized under the Tennessee Nonprofit Corporation Act on November 17, 1995 to purchase, construct, improve, equip, finance, own and manage a detention facility located in Hardeman County, Tennessee. HCCFC was created as an instrumentality of Hardeman County to implement the County's incarceration agreement with the State of Tennessee to house certain inmates.

During 1997, HCCFC issued \$72.7 million of revenue bonds, which were primarily used for the construction of a 2,016-bed medium security correctional facility. In addition, HCCFC entered into a construction and management agreement with the Company in order to assure the timely and coordinated acquisition, construction, development, marketing and operation of

the correctional facility.

HCCFC leases the correctional facility to Hardeman County in exchange for all revenue from the operation of the facility. HCCFC has, in turn, entered into a management agreement with the Company for the correctional facility.

In connection with the issuance of the revenue bonds, the Company is obligated, under a debt service deficit agreement, to pay the trustee of the bond's trust indenture (the "Trustee") amounts necessary to pay any debt service deficits consisting of principal and interest requirements (outstanding principal balance of \$57.1 million at September 30, 2004 plus future interest payments) if there is any default. In addition, in the event the State of Tennessee, which is currently utilizing the facility to house certain inmates, exercises its option to purchase the correctional facility, the Company is also obligated to pay the difference between principal and interest owed on the bonds on the date set for the redemption of the bonds and amounts paid by the State of Tennessee for the facility plus all other funds on deposit with the Trustee and available for redemption of the bonds. Ownership of the facility reverts to the State of Tennessee in 2017 at no cost. Therefore, the Company does not currently believe the State of Tennessee will exercise its option to purchase the facility. At September 30, 2004, the outstanding principal balance of the bonds exceeded the purchase price option by \$12.2 million. The Company also maintains a restricted cash account of \$7.2 million as collateral against a guarantee it has provided for a forward purchase agreement related to the bond issuance.

Income Tax Contingencies

The Internal Revenue Service has commenced an audit of the Company's federal income tax return for the taxable year ended December 31, 2002. The IRS has not completed the audit and therefore, results of the audit have not been determined. However, the Company does not believe the outcome of such audit will have a material impact on its consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

12. INCOME TAXES

Income taxes are accounted for under the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes" ("SFAS 109"). SFAS 109 generally requires the Company to record deferred income taxes for the tax effect of differences between book and tax bases of its assets and liabilities.

Deferred income taxes reflect the available net operating losses and the net tax effect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. Realization of the future tax benefits related to deferred tax assets is dependent on many factors, including the Company's past earnings history, expected future earnings, the character and jurisdiction of such earnings, unsettled circumstances that, if unfavorably resolved, would adversely affect utilization of its deferred tax assets, carryback and carryforward periods, and tax strategies that could potentially enhance the likelihood of realization of a deferred tax asset.

Prior to December 31, 2003, the Company did not recognize an income tax provision because it had not consistently demonstrated an ability to utilize its tax net operating losses within the

carryforward period and therefore, applied a valuation allowance to reserve substantially all of its net deferred tax assets. However, at December 31, 2003, the Company concluded that it was more likely than not that substantially all of its deferred tax assets would be realized. As a result, in accordance with SFAS 109, substantially all of the valuation allowance applied to such deferred tax assets was reversed on December 31, 2003. Accordingly, during the first quarter of 2004 the Company began providing a provision for income taxes at a rate on income before taxes equal to the combined federal and state effective tax rates, which the Company currently estimates to be approximately 39.8% using current tax rates. However, the Company's effective tax rate for the third quarter of 2004 was 34.5% primarily for a change in estimated income taxes associated with certain financing transactions completed during 2003, partially offset by changes in the Company's valuation allowance applied to certain deferred tax assets. The Company's overall effective tax rate could change in the future as a result of changes in estimates, the implementation of tax strategies, changes in federal or state tax rates, or changes in state apportionment factors.

13. SEGMENT REPORTING

As of September 30, 2004, the Company owned and managed 38 correctional and detention facilities, and managed 26 correctional and detention facilities it did not own. Management views the Company's operating results in two reportable segments: owned and managed correctional and detention facilities and managed-only correctional and detention facilities. The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies in the notes to consolidated financial statements included in the Company's 2003 Form 10-K. Owned and managed facilities include the operating results of those facilities owned and managed by the Company. Managed-only facilities include the operating results of those facilities owned by a third party and managed by the Company measures the operating performance of each facility within the above two reportable segments, without differentiation, based on facility contribution. The Company defines facility contribution as a facility's operating income or loss from operations before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. Since each of the Company's facilities within the two reportable segments exhibit similar economic characteristics, provide similar services to governmental agencies, and operate under a similar set of operating procedures and regulatory guidelines, the facilities within the identified segments have been aggregated and reported as one reportable segment.

The revenue and facility contribution for the reportable segments and a reconciliation to the Company's operating income is as follows for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 (in thousands):

		For the Three Months Ended September 30,		Ionths Ended ber 30,	
	2004	2003	2004	2003	
Revenue:					
Owned and managed	\$197,136	\$185,664	\$584,984	\$541,276	
Managed-only	88,951	71,684	257,790	209,587	
Total management revenue	286,087	257,348	842,774	750,863	
Operating expenses:					
Owned and managed	142,697	135,007	419,695	388,522	
Managed-only	73,723	58,009	215,913	170,770	
Total operating expenses	216,420	193,016	635,608	559,292	
Facility contribution:					
Owned and managed	54,439	50,657	165,289	152,754	
Managed-only	15,228	13,675	41,877	38,817	
Total facility contribution	69,667	64,332	207,166	191,571	
Other revenue (expense):					
Rental and other revenue	6,369	6,083	17,839	17,014	
Other operating expense	(6,656)	(6,638)	(20,320)	(16,163)	
General and administrative	(12,328)	(9,819)	(35,350)	(29,366)	
Depreciation and amortization	(14,008)	(13,157)	(40,063)	(39,106)	
Operating income	\$ 43,044	\$ 40,801	\$129,272	\$123,950	

The following table summarizes capital expenditures for the reportable segments for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 (in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		Months Ended ber 30,
2004 2003		2004	2003
\$26,367	\$2,423	\$ 71,113	\$53,829
898	780	4,766	1,690
7,361	6,652	30,036	15,166
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\$34,626	\$9,855	\$ 105,915	\$70,687
	\$26,367 \$98 7,361	September 30, 2004 2003 \$26,367 \$2,423 898 780 7,361 6,652 — —	September 30, Septem 2004 2003 2004 \$26,367 \$2,423 \$71,113 898 780 4,766 7,361 6,652 30,036 — — —

The assets for the reportable segments are as follows (in thousands):

	September 30, 2004	December 31, 2003
Assets:		
Owned and managed	\$1,657,927	\$1,606,675
Managed-only	93,709	74,154
Corporate and other	268,208	277,041
Discontinued operations	-	1,158
Total assets	\$2,019,844	\$1,959,028

14. SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW DISCLOSURE

During the nine months ended September 30, 2003, the Company issued \$7.7 million of series B preferred stock in lieu of cash distributions to the holders of shares of series B preferred stock on the applicable record date. Also, during the nine months ended September 30, 2003, the Company issued 0.3 million shares of common stock in satisfaction of the state portion of stockholder litigation. As a result, accounts payable and accrued expenses were reduced by, and common stock and additional paid-in capital were increased by \$3.1 million. In addition, the extinguishment of a \$2.9 million subordinated promissory note resulted in a non-cash reduction to accounts payable and accrued expenses, with a corresponding increase to the

change in fair value of derivative instruments. During the nine months ended September 30, 2003, the Company issued approximately 3.4 million shares of common stock in connection with the conversion of \$40.0 million of convertible subordinated notes by the holders of such notes.

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

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this report.

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q contains statements as to our beliefs and expectations of the outcome of future events that are forward-looking statements as defined within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements other than statements of current or historical fact contained herein, including statements regarding our future financial position, business strategy, budgets, projected costs and plans and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements. The words "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "projects," "will," and similar expressions, as they relate to us, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the statements made. These include, but are not limited to, the risks and uncertainties associated with:

- fluctuations in operating results because of changes in occupancy levels, competition, increases in cost of operations, fluctuations in interest rates and risks of operations;
- · changes in the privatization of the corrections and detention industry and the public acceptance of our services;
- our ability to obtain and maintain correctional facility management contracts, including as the result of sufficient governmental appropriations, and the timing of the opening of new facilities;
- our ability to obtain and maintain correctional facility management contracts, including as the result of inmate disturbances;
- increases in costs to develop or expand correctional facilities that exceed original estimates, or the inability to complete such projects on schedule as a result of various factors, many of which are beyond our control, such as weather, labor conditions, and material shortages, resulting in increased construction costs;
- · changes in governmental policy and in legislation and regulation of the corrections and detention industry that adversely affect our business;
- the availability of debt and equity financing on terms that are favorable to us; and
- · general economic and market conditions.

Any or all of our forward-looking statements in this quarterly report may turn out to be inaccurate. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and financial trends that we believe may affect our financial condition, results of operations, business strategy and financial needs. They can be affected by inaccurate assumptions we might make or by known or unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including the risks, uncertainties and assumptions described in risk factors disclosed in detail in our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on March 12, 2004 (File No. 001-16109) (the "2003 Form 10-K") and in other reports we file with the SEC from time to time. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. We undertake no obligation to publicly revise these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are

expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained in this report and in the 2003 Form 10-K.

OVERVIEW

The Company

As of September 30, 2004, we owned 41 correctional, detention and juvenile facilities, three of which we leased to other operators, and one additional facility which is currently under construction and is expected to be completed during the first quarter of 2005. As of September 30, 2004, we operated 64 facilities, including 38 facilities that we owned, with a total design capacity of approximately 67,000 beds in 20 states and the District of Columbia. On October 1, 2004, we elected to transfer operation of the 500-bed state-owned Southern Nevada Women's Correctional Facility located in Las Vegas, Nevada, to the Nevada Department of Corrections, upon expiration of the management contract.

We specialize in owning, operating and managing prisons and other correctional facilities and providing inmate residential and prisoner transportation services for governmental agencies. In addition to providing the fundamental residential services relating to inmates, our facilities offer a variety of rehabilitation and education programs, including basic education, religious services, life skills and employment training and substance abuse treatment. These services are intended to reduce recidivism and to prepare inmates for their successful re-entry into society upon their release. We also provide health care (including medical, dental and psychiatric services), food services and work and recreational programs.

Our website address is www.correctionscorp.com. We make our Form 10-K, Form 10-Q, Form 8-K, and Section 16 reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), available on our website, free of charge, as soon as reasonably practicable after these reports are filed with or furnished to the SEC.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. As such, we are required to make certain estimates, judgments and assumptions that we believe are reasonable based upon the information available. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. A summary of our significant accounting policies is described in our 2003 Form 10-K. The significant accounting policies and estimates which we believe are the most critical to aid in fully understanding and evaluating our reported financial results include the following:

Asset impairments. As of September 30, 2004, we had \$1.6 billion in long-lived assets. We evaluate the recoverability of the carrying values of our long-lived assets, other than goodwill, when events suggest that an impairment may have occurred. Such events primarily include, but are not limited to, the termination of a management contract or a significant decrease in inmate populations within a correctional facility we own or manage. In these circumstances, we utilize estimates of undiscounted cash flows to determine if an impairment exists. If an impairment exists, it is measured as the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the estimated fair value of the asset.

Goodwill impairments. As of September 30, 2004, we had \$15.6 million of goodwill. We evaluate the carrying value of goodwill during the fourth quarter of each year, in connection with our annual budgeting process, and whenever circumstances indicate the carrying value of goodwill may not be recoverable. Such circumstances primarily include, but are not limited to, the termination of a management contract or a significant decrease in inmate populations within a reporting unit. We test for impairment by comparing the fair value of each reporting unit with its carrying value. Fair value is determined using a collaboration of various common valuation techniques, including market multiples, discounted cash flows, and replacement cost methods. Each of these techniques requires considerable judgment and estimations which could change in the future.

Income taxes. Income taxes are accounted for under the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes," or SFAS 109. SFAS 109 generally requires us to record deferred income taxes for the tax effect of differences between book and tax bases of our assets and liabilities.

Deferred income taxes reflect the available net operating losses and the net tax effect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. Realization of the future tax benefits related to deferred tax assets is dependent on many factors, including our past earnings history, expected future earnings, the character and jurisdiction of such earnings, unsettled circumstances that, if unfavorably resolved, would adversely affect utilization of our deferred tax assets, carryback and carryforward periods, and tax strategies that could potentially enhance the likelihood of realization of a deferred tax asset.

Prior to December 31, 2003, we did not recognize an income tax provision because we had not consistently demonstrated an ability to utilize our tax net operating losses within the carryforward period and therefore, applied a valuation allowance to reserve substantially all of our deferred tax assets. However, at December 31, 2003, we concluded that it was more likely than not that substantially all of our deferred tax assets would be realized. As a result, in accordance with SFAS 109, substantially all of the valuation allowance applied to such deferred tax assets was reversed on December 31, 2003. Accordingly, during the first quarter of 2004 we began providing a provision for income taxes at a rate on income before taxes equal to the combined federal and state effective tax rates, which we currently estimate to be approximately 39.8% using current tax rates. Our overall effective tax rate could change in the future as a result of changes in estimates, the implementation of tax strategies, changes in federal or state tax rates, or changes in state apportionment factors. See "Income tax expense" hereafter, for changes in estimates reflected during the third quarter of 2004.

Self-funded insurance reserves. As of September 30, 2004, we had \$35.4 million in accrued liabilities for employee health, workers' compensation, and automobile insurance claims. We are significantly self-insured for employee health, workers' compensation, and automobile liability insurance claims. As such, our insurance expense is largely dependent on claims experience and our ability to control our claims. We have consistently accrued the estimated liability for employee health insurance claims based on our history of claims experience and the time lag between the incident date and the date the cost is paid by us. We have accrued the estimated liability for workers' compensation and automobile insurance claims based on a third-party actuarial valuation of the outstanding liabilities. These estimates could change in the future. It is possible that future cash flows and results of operations could be materially affected by changes in our assumptions, new developments, or by the effectiveness of our strategies.

Legal reserves. As of September 30, 2004, we had \$17.3 million in accrued liabilities related to certain legal proceedings in which we are involved. We have accrued our estimate of the probable costs for the resolution of these claims based on a range of potential outcomes. In addition, we are subject to current and potential future legal proceedings for which little or no accrual has been reflected because our current assessment of the potential exposure is nominal. These estimates have been developed in consultation with our General Counsel's office and, as appropriate, outside counsel handling these matters, and are based upon an analysis of potential results, assuming a combination of litigation and settlement strategies. It is possible that future cash flows and results of operations could be materially affected by changes in our assumptions, new developments, or by the effectiveness of our strategies.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Our results of operations are impacted by, and the following table sets forth for the periods presented, the number of facilities we owned and managed, the number of facilities we managed but did not own, the number of facilities we leased to other operators, and the facilities we owned that were not yet in operation.

	Owned and Managed	Managed Only	Leased	Incomplete	Total
Facilities as of December 31, 2002	37	23	3	1	64
Purchase of Crowley County Correctional					
Facility	1	_	_	_	1
Expiration of the management contract for the Okeechobee Juvenile Offender		(4)			(4)
Correctional Center	_	(1)	_	_	(1)
Expiration of the management contract for the Lawrenceville Correctional Facility	=	<u>(1)</u>	=	_	(1)
Facilities as of December 31, 2003	38	21	3	1	63
Management contracts awarded by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, net	_	 5	_	_	5
Management contract awarded for the Delta Correctional Facility	_	1	_	_	1
Expiration of the management contract for the Tall Trees Facility	_	<u>(1)</u>	_		<u>(1)</u>
Facilities as of September 30, 2004	38	26	3	1	68

Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004 Compared to the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003

We generated net income available to common stockholders of \$17.0 million, or \$0.43 per diluted share, for the three months ended September 30, 2004, compared with net income available to common stockholders of \$18.2 million, or \$0.47 per diluted share, for the three months ended September 30, 2003. During the nine months ended September 30, 2004, we generated net income available to common stockholders of \$46.2 million, or \$1.18 per diluted share, compared with net income available to common stockholders of \$47.8 million, or \$1.36 per diluted share, for the same

period in the previous year.

Net income available to common stockholders was negatively impacted during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 as compared to the same periods in 2003 due to the recognition of an income tax provision in accordance with SFAS 109 during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2004, amounting to \$9.0 million, or \$0.23 per diluted share, and \$29.7 million, or \$0.75 per diluted share, respectively. During the same periods in the prior year, we provided a valuation allowance to substantially reserve our deferred tax assets. As a result, no provision for income taxes, other than for minor state taxes, was recognized during the first nine months of 2003. Although we have utilized an effective tax rate for 2004 of 39.8%, the actual effective tax rate during the third quarter of 2004 was 34.5%, a difference of \$1.4 million, or \$0.03 per diluted share, primarily for a change in estimated income taxes associated with certain financing transactions completed during 2003, partially offset by changes in our valuation allowance applied to certain deferred tax assets.

Net income available to common stockholders during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2004 was favorably impacted by the refinancing and recapitalization transactions completed during the second and third quarters of 2003. These transactions included the issuance of 6.4 million shares of common stock at a price of \$19.50 per share, along with the issuances of an aggregate \$450.0 million principal amount of 7.5% senior notes. The proceeds from these issuances were used to (i) purchase 3.4 million shares of common stock issued upon the conversion of our \$40.0 million convertible subordinated notes with a stated rate of 10.0% plus contingent interest accrued at 5.5% (and to pay accrued interest on the notes through the date of purchase) at a price of \$19.50 per share, (ii) purchase 3.7 million shares of our 12% series B preferred stock that were tendered in a tender offer at a price of \$26.00 per share, including all accrued and unpaid dividends on such shares, (iii) redeem 4.0 million shares of our 8% series A preferred stock at a price of \$25.00 per share, plus accrued dividends to the redemption date, and (iv) pay-down a portion of our senior bank credit facility. In connection with the debt issuance during the third quarter of 2003, we also obtained an amendment to our senior bank credit facility that, among other changes, lowered the interest rate applicable to the outstanding balance on the facility. These refinancing and recapitalization transactions effectively reduced the average interest rates on a significant portion of our outstanding indebtedness, and substantially reduced the after-tax dividend obligations associated with our outstanding preferred stock. Partially offsetting the favorable impacts of the refinancing and recapitalization transactions, the Company recorded a non-cash gain of \$2.9 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 associated with the extinguishment of a promissory note issued in connection with the stockholder litigation. In addition, financial res

During the first and second quarters of 2004, the Company completed the redemption of the remaining shares of both series A and series B preferred stock at the stated rates of \$25.00 per share and \$24.46 per share, respectively, plus accrued dividends to the redemption date, and obtained an additional amendment to the senior bank credit facility further lowering the interest rate spread applicable to the term loan portion of the facility.

Contributing to the net income for the three-month period in 2004, as compared to the same period in the previous year, was an increase in operating income of \$2.2 million, from \$40.8 million during the third quarter of 2003 to \$43.0 million during the third quarter of 2004, due to an increase in

occupancy levels and new management contracts as well as improved margins on our owned-and-managed facilities, partially offset by an increase in general and administrative expenses. Operating income increased \$5.3 million, from \$124.0 million to \$129.3 million, during the nine months ended September 30, 2004 compared with the nine months ended September 30, 2003.

Facility Operations

A key performance indicator we use to measure the revenue and expenses associated with the operation of the facilities we own or manage is expressed in terms of a compensated man-day, and represents the revenue we generate and expenses we incur for one inmate for one calendar day. Revenue and expenses per compensated man-day are computed by dividing facility revenue and expenses by the total number of compensated man-days during the period. A compensated man-day represents a calendar day for which we are paid for the occupancy of an inmate. We believe the measurement is useful because we are compensated for operating and managing facilities at an inmate per-diem rate based upon actual or minimum guaranteed occupancy levels. We also measure our ability to contain costs on a per-compensated man-day basis, which is largely dependent upon the number of inmates we accommodate. Further, per manday measurements are also used to estimate our potential profitability based on certain occupancy levels relative to design capacity. Revenue and expenses per compensated man-day for all of the facilities we owned or managed, exclusive of those discontinued (see further discussion below regarding discontinued operations), were as follows for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003:

		For the Three Months Ended September 30,		ine Months otember 30,
	2004	2003	2004	2003
Revenue per compensated man-day	\$48.98	\$50.82	\$48.98	\$50.89
Operating expenses per compensated man-day:				
Fixed expense	27.88	28.00	27.74	28.10
Variable expense	9.17	10.12	9.20	9.81
Total	37.05	38.12	36.94	37.91
Operating margin per compensated man-day	\$ 11.93	\$12.70	\$12.04	\$12.98
Operating margin	24.4%	25.0%	24.6%	25.5%
Average compensated occupancy	94.9%	93.7%	95.5%	92.1%

Business from our federal customers, including the Federal Bureau of Prisons, or the BOP, the U.S. Marshals Service, or the USMS, and the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or the ICE, remains strong, while many of our state customers continue to experience budget difficulties. Our federal customers generated approximately 38% of our total management revenue for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003. While the budget difficulties experienced by our state customers present challenges with respect to our per-diem rates resulting in pressure on our management revenue in future quarters, these governmental entities are also constrained with respect to funds available for prison construction. We believe the lack of new bed supply combined with state budget difficulties has contributed to the increase in our occupancy and has led several states, some of which have never utilized the private sector, to outsource their correctional needs to us. We currently expect these trends to continue.

Additionally, as expected, we experienced slight reductions in our revenue per compensated man-day and in our operating margins during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004,

compared with the same periods in 2003 as a result of recent contract awards for facilities we manage but do not own, which, as further described hereafter, provide per-diem rates and operating margins at lower levels than our owned and managed business. We entered into these contracts knowing our overall per-diem rates and operating margins would decrease slightly; however, the opportunity to both expand our level of service with existing customers and provide services to new customers with very little capital requirements outweighed the effects of the operating margin reductions. Our operating margins were also negatively impacted by the expenses incurred in connection with the resumption of operations and the process of ramping up occupancy at our Northeast Ohio Correctional Center during the second and third quarters of 2004. The operating revenues for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, were \$0.9 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, while the operating expenses were \$2.1 million and \$6.2 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, respectively, at our Northeast Ohio Correctional Center. As discussed further below, our operating margins were also negatively impacted for the nine month period ended September 30, 2004 by the start-up activities and the process of ramping up occupancy at both our Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility located in Tutwiler, Mississippi and the Delta Correctional Facility located in Greenwood, Mississippi.

Operating expenses totaled \$223.1 million and \$199.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively, while operating expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 totaled \$655.9 million and \$575.5 million, respectively. Operating expenses consist of those expenses incurred in the operation and management of adult and juvenile correctional and detention facilities, and for our inmate transportation subsidiary.

Salaries and benefits represent the most significant component of fixed operating expenses. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, salaries and benefits expense increased \$15.6 million and \$51.9 million, respectively, as compared to the same periods in the prior year. The increase in salaries and benefits expense was primarily due to the commencement of operations during January 2004 at six correctional facilities located in Texas pursuant to management contracts awarded by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice ("TDCJ"), as well as marginal increases in staffing levels at numerous facilities across the portfolio to meet rising inmate population needs. However, due to the increase in occupancy, actual salaries and benefits per compensated man-day declined \$0.58 and \$0.45 per compensated man-day during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, respectively, as compared to the same periods in the prior year, as we were able to leverage our salaries and benefits over a larger inmate population.

Variable operating expenses per compensated man-day decreased \$0.95 and \$0.61 per compensated man-day during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2004, respectively, compared to the same periods in the prior year. While we were successful in containing or reducing most types of variable expenses, the largest reductions in variable expenses per compensated man-day occurred as a result of a reduction in expenses related to legal proceedings in which we are involved, and a decrease in inmate medical expenses. Under the terms of the new Texas management contracts, the TDCJ retained responsibility for all inmate medical requirements.

The operation of the facilities we own carries a higher degree of risk associated with a management contract than the operation of the facilities we manage but do not own because we incur significant capital expenditures to construct or acquire facilities we own. Additionally, correctional and detention facilities have a limited or no alternative use. Therefore, if a management contract is terminated on a facility we own, we continue to incur certain operating expenses, such as real estate taxes, utilities, and insurance, that we would not incur if a management contract was terminated for a

managed-only facility. As a result, revenue per compensated man-day is typically higher for facilities we own and manage than for managed-only facilities. Because we incur higher expenses, such as repairs and maintenance, real estate taxes, and insurance, on the facilities we own and manage, our cost structure for facilities we own and manage is also higher than the cost structure for the managed-only facilities. The following tables display the revenue and expenses per compensated man-day for the facilities we own and manage and for the facilities we manage but do not own:

		For the Three Months Ended September 30,		Months Ended nber 30,
	2004	2003	2004	2003
Owned and Managed Facilities:				
Revenue per compensated man-day	\$57.09	\$55.02	\$56.60	\$55.24
Operating expenses per compensated man-day:				
Fixed expense	31.45	29.33	30.78	29.52
Variable expense	9.87	10.68	9.83	10.13
Total	41.32	40.01	40.61	39.65
Operating margin per compensated man-day	\$ <u>15.77</u>	\$15.01	\$15.99	\$15.59
Operating margin	27.6%	27.3%	28.3%	28.2%
Average compensated occupancy	90.0%	89.4%	91.4%	87.6%
Managed Only Facilities:	_			
Revenue per compensated man-day	\$37.24	\$42.43	\$37.52	\$42.29
Operating expenses per compensated man-day:				
Fixed expense	22.73	25.34	23.17	25.30
Variable expense	8.14	9.00	8.25	9.16
Total	30.87	34.34	31.42	34.46
Operating margin per compensated man-day	\$ 6.37	\$ 8.09	\$ 6.10	\$ 7.83
Operating margin	17.1%	19.1%	16.3%	18.5%
Average compensated occupancy	103.1%	103.8%	102.2%	102.6%

The following discussions under "Owned and Managed Facilities" and "Managed-Only Facilities" address significant events that impacted our results of operations for the respective periods, and events that will affect our results of operations in the future.

Owned and Managed Facilities

On May 30, 2002, we were awarded a contract by the BOP to house 1,524 federal detainees at our McRae Correctional Facility located in McRae, Georgia. The three-year contract, awarded as part of the Criminal Alien Requirement Phase II Solicitation, or CAR II, also provides for seven one-year renewals. The contract with the BOP guarantees at least 95% occupancy on a take-or-pay basis, and commenced full operations in December 2002. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2003 this facility had an average physical occupancy of 90% and 61%, respectively, despite generating revenues at the guaranteed 95% rate. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, average physical occupancy was 109% and 111%, respectively, which resulted in an increase in operating expenses despite only a modest increase in revenues for occupancy in excess of the guaranteed 95% rate, resulting in a decrease in operating margins during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, compared with the same periods in 2003.

Due to a combination of rate increases and/or an increase in population at four of our facilities, including our 2,304-bed Central Arizona Detention Center, 1,600-bed Florence Correctional Center,

1,232-bed San Diego Correctional Facility, and 866-bed D.C. Correctional Treatment Facility, primarily from the USMS, the ICE, and the District of Columbia, total management revenue increased during the three and nine month period ended September 30, 2004 from the comparable period in 2003, by \$8.6 and \$26.2 million at these facilities.

During July 2004, an inmate disturbance at the Crowley County Correctional Facility resulted in damage to the facility, requiring us to immediately transfer approximately 120 inmates to other of our facilities and approximately 65 inmates to facilities owned by the State of Colorado. As of September 30, 2004, repair of the facility was substantially complete. Revenues lost as a result of the transfer of inmates to the State of Colorado, are expected to be mitigated by insurance. It is possible, however, that certain incremental costs resulting from the incident, and/or a portion of lost revenues, will not be recovered. Further, the timing of insurance recoveries have impacted short-term results.

During the third quarter of 2003, we transferred all of the Wisconsin inmates housed at our 1,440-bed medium security North Fork Correctional Facility located in Sayre, Oklahoma to our 2,160-bed medium security Diamondback Correctional Facility located in Watonga, Oklahoma in order to satisfy a contractual provision mandated by the State of Wisconsin. As a result of the transfer, North Fork Correctional Facility will remain closed for an indefinite period of time. Accordingly, total management revenue decreased by \$1.3 and \$12.4 million at this facility during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, compared with the same periods in 2003. We are currently pursuing new management contracts and other opportunities to take advantage of the beds that became available at the North Fork Correctional Facility but can provide no assurance that we will be successful in doing so.

During 2004, as expected, the State of Wisconsin reduced the number of inmates housed at both our Diamondback Correctional Facility and our Prairie Correctional Facility by opening various facilities owned by the State. As further discussed below, the available beds at Diamondback Correctional Facility, which resulted from the declining inmate population from the State of Wisconsin, have been filled with inmates from the State of Arizona. As of September 30, 2004, the State of Wisconsin housed 408 inmates at the Prairie Correctional Facility, a decrease from 493 at June 30, 2004. We currently expect a further reduction in the population of Wisconsin inmates by year-end, which would have an adverse impact on future financial results.

On May 20, 2004, we announced the completion of new agreements with the states of Minnesota and North Dakota to house portions of those states' inmates at the Prairie Correctional Facility. Under the Minnesota agreement, we are managing an unspecified number of medium-security, male inmates at the Prairie facility. The population will fluctuate based on the State's needs and the space available at the Prairie facility. The terms of the contract include an initial one-year period through June 30, 2005, with two one-year renewal options. The North Dakota agreement, which became effective in March 2004, has an initial term through February 2005 with an indefinite number of annual renewal options. This contract, similar to the Minnesota agreement, does not indicate a specific inmate population to be managed by us and is also expected to vary based on the State's needs and space availability. While inmates received pursuant to these contracts will partially offset the reduction in inmate populations from Wisconsin, in the near term we do not expect these inmate populations to reach the levels previously housed at this facility from Wisconsin. At September 30, 2004, we housed 113 Minnesota and 45 North Dakota inmates.

On March 4, 2004, we announced that we entered into an agreement with the State of Arizona to

initially manage up to 1,200 Arizona inmates at our Diamondback Correctional Facility. The initial contract term ended June 30, 2004, corresponding with Arizona's fiscal year, and was renewed for one year on July 1, 2004. The contract allows for two more one-year extension options. As of September 30, 2004, we housed 727 inmates from the State of Arizona at this facility.

On April 7, 2004, we announced that we resumed operations at our 2,016-bed Northeast Ohio Correctional Center located in Youngstown, Ohio. We are managing federal prisoners from United States federal court districts that are experiencing a lack of detention space and/or high detention costs. As of September 30, 2004, we housed 278 federal prisoners at this facility. The operating revenues for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 were \$0.9 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, while the operating expenses were \$2.1 million and \$6.2 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, respectively, at our Northeast Ohio Correctional Center. We expect this facility to become profitable in early 2005. We also continue to pursue additional opportunities to utilize the remaining available capacity at this facility. We believe that resuming operations at this facility, which contains 1,700 available beds, puts us in a competitive position to win contract awards for the utilization of the facility. However, we can provide no assurance that we will be successful in utilizing the remaining available capacity.

During June 2003, we announced our first inmate management contract with the State of Alabama to house up to 1,440 medium security inmates in our Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility, located in Tutwiler, Mississippi, under a temporary emergency agreement to provide the State of Alabama immediate relief of its overcrowded prison system. The facility first received Alabama inmates in July 2003. Prior to receiving inmates from the State of Alabama, this facility was substantially idle. During January 2004, we received notice from the Alabama Department of Corrections that it would withdraw its inmates housed at the facility. Although the Alabama Department of Corrections withdrew all of their inmates from this facility by mid-March 2004, staffing levels were not reduced significantly at the facility due to ongoing negotiations with several potential customers to utilize the beds that became available at this facility. The facility incurred an operating loss (including depreciation and amortization of \$0.6 million and \$1.9 million) during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 of \$0.8 million and \$3.8 million, respectively, compared with an operating loss (including depreciation and amortization of \$0.6 million and \$1.8 million) of \$1.2 million and \$3.8 million, respectively, during the same periods in 2003.

On May 10, 2004, we announced the completion of a contractual agreement to house inmates from the State of Hawaii at the Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility. The new agreement expires on June 30, 2006. In addition, during July 2004 we extended our current contracts to house Hawaiian inmates in our owned and operated Diamondback Correctional Facility, and our Florence Correctional Facility, located in Florence, Arizona for two additional years. Effective August 15, 2004, the combined contracts guarantee a minimum monthly average of 1,500 inmates to be housed at these three facilities. As of September 30, 2004, we housed 1,538 Hawaiian inmates at these three facilities.

In addition, on June 1, 2004, we announced the completion of a contractual agreement to house up to 128 maximum security inmates from the State of Colorado at the Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility. The terms of the contract include a one-year agreement effective through June 30, 2005, with four one-year renewal options. As of September 30, 2004, we housed 803 inmates from the States of Hawaii and Colorado at the Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility.

In addition, on October 25, 2004, we announced the completion of a contractual agreement with the

Mississippi Department of Corrections. We expect to manage an initial population of 128 of the State's maximum security inmates at the Tallahatchie facility. The terms of the contract include an initial period which concludes on June 30, 2006, and includes three one-year renewal options.

On July 1, 2004, we announced the completion of a contractual agreement with the State of Washington Department of Corrections. We expect to continue managing male, medium-security inmates at our owned and operated Crowley County Correctional Facility located in Olney Springs, Colorado and at our owned and operated Prairie Correctional Facility pursuant to this contract. The terms of the contract include an initial one-year period through June 30, 2005, with an unspecified number of renewal options. As of September 30, 2004, we housed 310 Washington inmates at these two facilities.

During the first quarter of 2005, we expect to complete construction on our Stewart County Correctional Facility located in Stewart County, Georgia. Although we currently do not have a contract to house inmates at the 1,524-bed facility, our decision to complete construction was based on anticipated demand from several government customers having a need for inmate bed capacity in the Southeast region of the country. However, we can provide no assurance that we will be successful in utilizing the increased bed capacity. Once construction is complete we will incur depreciation expense on the new facility and will cease capitalizing interest on this project, which will have a negative affect on our results of operations. During the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2004, we capitalized \$1.1 million and \$3.2 million, respectively, in interest costs incurred on this facility. We estimate the book value of the facility to be approximately \$70.7 million upon completion of construction. We also expect our occupancy percentage to decline slightly as a result of the additional vacant beds available at the Stewart facility.

Managed-Only Facilities

In November 2003, we announced that the TDCJ awarded us new contracts to manage six state correctional facilities, as part of a procurement re-bid process. The management contracts, all of which became effective January 15, 2004, consist of four jails and two correctional facilities. Based on the TDCJ recommendation, we also retained our contract to manage the Bartlett State Jail, but were not awarded the contract to continue managing the Sanders Estes Unit located in Venus, Texas, which expired January 15, 2004. Total management revenue increased \$11.8 million and \$33.3 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, compared with the previous quarters of 2003, due to the operation of these facilities, net of a reduction in revenue for the management contract not renewed.

In addition to the aforementioned savings generated in variable expenses across the portfolio, our total revenue per compensated man-day and total variable expenses per compensated man-day were further reduced for our managed-only facilities because we did not assume responsibility for medical services for inmates provided under terms of our new contracts with the TDCJ. Eliminating this responsibility results in a lower per-diem rate; however, it also reduces the risk that our profitability will be eroded in the future by increasing medical costs.

Due to operating losses incurred at the state-owned 500-bed Southern Nevada Women's Correctional Center located in Las Vegas, Nevada, on February 20, 2004, we provided notice to the Nevada Department of Corrections that we did not intend to renew our contract to manage the facility upon the expiration of the contract in October 2004. Accordingly, we transferred operation of the facility to the Nevada Department of Corrections on October 1, 2004. The operating loss incurred at this

facility was \$0.2 million and \$0.6 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, respectively, compared to operating losses of \$0.4 million and \$0.7 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2003, respectively.

On March 23, 2004, we announced the completion of a contractual agreement with Mississippi's Delta Correctional Authority to resume operations of the state-owned 1,016-bed Delta Correctional Facility located in Greenwood, Mississippi. We formerly managed the medium security correctional facility for the Delta Correctional Authority since its opening in 1996, until the State closed the facility in 2002, due to excess capacity in the State's corrections system. The new contract is for one year, with one two-year extension option. We began receiving inmates from the State of Mississippi at the facility on April 1, 2004. In addition, after completing the contractual agreement with the Delta Correctional Authority, we entered into an additional contract to manage inmates from Leflore County, Mississippi. This one-year contract provides for housing for up to 160 male inmates and up to 60 female inmates, and is renewable annually. As of September 30, 2004, we housed 958 and 124 inmates from the State of Mississippi and Leflore County, respectively.

Effective August 9, 2004, we elected to terminate our contract to manage the 63-bed Tall Trees juvenile facility owned by Shelby County and located in Memphis, TN. The operating revenues for this facility for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 were \$29,000 and \$0.5 million, respectively, while the operating expenses were \$0.1 million and \$0.9 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, respectively.

General and administrative expense

For the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, general and administrative expenses totaled \$12.3 million and \$9.8 million, respectively, while general and administrative expenses totaled \$35.4 million and \$29.4 million, respectively, during the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003. General and administrative expenses consist primarily of corporate management salaries and benefits, professional fees and other administrative expenses, and increased from the same periods in 2003 primarily due to an increase in professional services and salaries and benefits during 2004 compared with 2003.

We have expanded our corporate office infrastructure over the past several quarters to implement and support numerous technology initiatives, to maintain closer relationships with existing and potentially new customers in order to identify their needs, and to focus on reducing facility operating expenses. While this is expected to result in an annual increase in general and administrative expense in 2004, we believe our expanded infrastructure and investments in technology will provide long-term benefits enabling us to provide enhanced quality service to our customers while creating scalable operating efficiencies.

During the third quarter of 2004, we incurred increasing expenses associated with (a) the implementation of certain tax strategies, which contributed to a reduction in income tax expense during the third quarter of 2004, and (b) tax planning initiatives that we believe could lower our overall effective tax rate during 2005. See "income tax expense" hereafter for additional information. We have also experienced increasing expenses over the past several quarters in complying with increasing corporate governance requirements, a significant portion of which is being incurred to comply with section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. We expect these higher levels of expenses to continue during the fourth quarter of 2004 as we implement these tax planning strategies, and as we approach the year-end deadline for compliance under section 404 of

the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. We also continue to evaluate the potential need to expand our corporate office infrastructure to help ensure the quality and effectiveness of our facility operations. These initiatives could also lead to higher general and administrative expenses in the future.

Interest expense, net

Interest expense, net, is reported net of interest income and capitalized interest for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003. Gross interest expense was \$17.8 million and \$20.0 million, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and gross interest expense was \$54.7 million and \$59.1 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003. Gross interest expense is based on outstanding borrowings under our senior bank credit facility, 9.875% senior notes, 7.5% senior notes, convertible subordinated notes payable balances, and amortization of loan costs and unused facility fees. Although gross interest expense did not change significantly from the first nine months of 2003, our capital structure has changed significantly due to the aforementioned refinancing and recapitalization transactions completed during the second and third quarters of 2003, which also resulted in a reduction to our preferred stock distributions from the prior year.

Gross interest income was \$1.0 million and \$0.9 million, respectively, for three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003. For the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, gross interest income was \$2.9 million and \$2.6 million, respectively. Gross interest income is earned on cash collateral requirements, a direct financing lease, notes receivable and investments of cash and cash equivalents.

Capitalized interest was \$1.7 million and \$4.4 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, respectively, and was associated with six construction and expansion projects and the installation of a new inmate management system. There was virtually no capitalized interest in the comparable 2003 periods.

Expenses associated with debt refinancing and recapitalization transactions

Expenses associated with debt refinancing and recapitalization transactions were \$0.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2004. The charges in 2004 were associated with the redemption of the remaining series A preferred stock in the first quarter of 2004 and the redemption of the remaining series B preferred stock in the second quarter of 2004, as well as third party fees associated with the amendment to our senior bank credit facility obtained during the second quarter of 2004.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2003, costs of refinancing and recapitalization were \$2.6 million and \$6.7 million, respectively. Charges during the third quarter of 2003 primarily resulted from the write-off of existing deferred loan costs associated with the repayment of the term loan portion of our senior bank credit facility (which repayment was made with proceeds from the issuance of the \$200 Million Senior Notes), premiums paid to defease the remaining outstanding 12% Senior Notes, and certain fees paid to amend the term portion of our senior bank credit facility. Charges during the second quarter of 2003 included expenses associated with the tender offer for our series B preferred stock, the redemption of our series A preferred stock, and the write-off of existing deferred loan costs associated with the repayment of the term loan portions of our senior bank credit facility made with proceeds from the common stock and note offerings, a tender premium paid to the holders of the 12% Senior Notes who tendered their notes to us at a price of 120% of par, and fees

associated with the modifications to the terms of the \$30.0 million of convertible subordinated notes.

Change in fair value of derivative instruments

On May 16, 2003, approximately 0.3 million shares of common stock were issued, along with a \$2.9 million subordinated promissory note, in connection with the final settlement of the state court portion of our stockholder litigation settlement. Under the terms of the promissory note, the note and accrued interest were extinguished in June 2003 once the average closing price of our common stock exceeded a "termination price" equal to \$16.30 per share for fifteen consecutive trading days following the note's issuance. The terms of the note, which allowed the principal balance to fluctuate dependent on the trading price of our common stock, created a derivative instrument that was valued and accounted for under the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities." Since we had previously reflected the maximum obligation of the contingency associated with the state portion of the stockholder litigation on the balance sheet, the extinguishment of the note in June 2003 resulted in a \$2.9 million non-cash gain during the second quarter of 2003.

Income tax expense

We incurred income tax expense of \$9.0 million and \$29.7 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, respectively, while we incurred income tax expense of approximately \$0.3 million and \$0.1 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2003, respectively. As further discussed under "Critical Accounting Policies – Income Taxes," prior to December 31, 2003, we had not consistently demonstrated an ability to utilize our tax net operating losses within the carryforward period and therefore, applied a valuation allowance to reserve substantially all of our net deferred tax assets. Thus, no income tax provision, other than for certain state taxes, was recorded during these periods. However, at December 31, 2003, we concluded that it was more likely than not that substantially all of our deferred tax assets would be realized. As a result, in accordance with SFAS 109, substantially all of the valuation allowance applied to such deferred tax assets was reversed on December 31, 2003. Accordingly, in the first quarter of 2004 we began providing a provision for income taxes at a rate on income before taxes equal to the combined federal and state effective tax rates using current tax rates.

Although we have utilized an effective tax rate for 2004 of 39.8%, the actual effective tax rate during the third quarter of 2004 was 34.5%, a difference of \$1.4 million, or \$0.03 per diluted share, primarily for a change in estimated income taxes associated with certain financing transactions completed during 2003, partially offset by changes in our valuation allowance applied to certain deferred tax assets. Our overall effective tax rate could change in the future as a result of further changes in estimates, the implementation of tax strategies, changes in federal or state tax rates, or changes in state apportionment factors. During the fourth quarter of 2004, we expect to implement certain tax planning strategies that we believe could lower our overall effective tax rate during 2005. The full impact has not been quantified, however, because we have not completed our analysis.

Discontinued Operations

During the fourth quarter of 2002, we were notified by the State of Florida of its intention to not renew our contract to manage the 96-bed Okeechobee Juvenile Offender Correctional Center located in Okeechobee, Florida, upon the expiration of a short-term extension to the existing management contract, which expired in December 2002. Upon expiration of the short-term extension, which

occurred March 1, 2003, operation of the facility was transferred to the State of Florida. During the nine months ended September 30, 2003, the facility generated total revenue of \$0.8 million, and incurred total operating expenses of \$0.7 million. Additionally, the expiration of the contract resulted in the impairment of all goodwill previously recorded in connection with this facility, which totaled \$0.3 million, during the first quarter of 2003. These results are reported as discontinued operations.

On March 18, 2003, we were notified by the Department of Corrections of the Commonwealth of Virginia of its intention to not renew our contract to manage the 1,500-bed Lawrenceville Correctional Center located in Lawrenceville, Virginia, upon the expiration of the contract, which occurred on March 22, 2003. During the nine months ended September 30, 2003, the facility generated total revenue of \$4.6 million, and incurred total operating expenses of \$5.3 million. Additionally, the expiration of the contract resulted in the impairment of all goodwill previously recorded in connection with this facility, which totaled \$0.3 million, during the first quarter of 2003. Results for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 include residual activity from the operation of this facility, including primarily proceeds received from the sale of fully depreciated equipment. These results are reported as discontinued operations.

During the first quarter of 2004, we received \$0.6 million in proceeds from the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as a settlement for repairs we previously made to a facility we formerly operated in Ponce, Puerto Rico. These proceeds, net of taxes, are presented as discontinued operations for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2004.

Distributions to preferred stockholders

For the three months ended September 30, 2003, distributions to preferred stockholders totaled \$0.8 million while distributions to preferred stockholders totaled \$1.5 million and \$14.4 million, respectively, during the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003.

Following the completion of the common stock and notes offering in May 2003, we purchased approximately 3.7 million shares of series B preferred stock for approximately \$97.4 million pursuant to the terms of a cash tender offer. The tender offer price for the series B preferred stock (inclusive of all accrued and unpaid dividends) was \$26.00 per share. The tender premium payment of the difference between the tender price (\$26.00) and the liquidation preference (\$24.46) for the shares tendered was reported as a preferred stock distribution in the second quarter of 2003. The payment of the \$1.54 tender premium resulted in approximately \$5.8 million of preferred stock dividends in the second quarter of 2003. During the second quarter of 2004, we redeemed the remaining 1.0 million outstanding shares of our series B preferred stock at a price of \$24.46 per share, plus accrued dividends to the redemption date.

Also during the second quarter of 2003, we redeemed 4.0 million, or approximately 93%, of our 4.3 million shares of outstanding series A preferred stock at a price of \$25.00 per share plus accrued dividends to the redemption date as part of the recapitalization. During the first quarter of 2004, we redeemed the remaining 0.3 million outstanding shares of our series A preferred stock at a price of \$25.00 per share, plus accrued dividends to the redemption date.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our principal capital requirements are for working capital, capital expenditures and debt service

payments. Capital requirements may also include cash expenditures associated with our outstanding commitments and contingencies, as further discussed in the notes to the financial statements and as further described in our 2003 Form 10-K. Additionally, we may incur capital expenditures to expand the design capacity of certain of our facilities in order to retain management contracts, and to increase our inmate bed capacity for anticipated demand from current and future customers. We may acquire additional correctional facilities that we believe have favorable investment returns and increase value to our stockholders. We will also consider opportunities for growth, including potential acquisitions of businesses within our line of business and those that provide complementary services, provided we believe such opportunities will broaden our market share and/or increase the services we can provide to our customers.

On September 10, 2003, we announced our intention to expand by 594 beds the Crowley County Correctional Facility located in Olney Springs, Colorado, a facility we acquired in January 2003. The cost of the expansion was approximately \$23.8 million and was substantially complete as of September 30, 2004. This expansion was undertaken in anticipation of increasing demand from the States of Colorado and Wyoming, the current customers at this facility, and new demand from the State of Washington. We also announced on September 10, 2003, our intention to complete construction of the Stewart County Correctional Facility located in Stewart County, Georgia. The anticipated cost to complete the Stewart facility is approximately \$27.7 million, with completion estimated to occur during the first quarter of 2005. Construction on the 1,524-bed Stewart County Correctional Facility began in August 1999 and was suspended in May 2000. Our decision to complete construction of this facility is based on anticipated demand from several government customers having a need for inmate bed capacity in the Southeast region of the country. However, we can provide no assurance that we will be successful in utilizing the increased bed capacity resulting from these projects. Additionally, in October 2003, we announced the signing of a new contract with ICE for up to 905 detainees at our Houston Processing Center located in Houston, Texas. We also announced our intention to expand the facility by 494 beds from its current 411 beds to 905 beds. The anticipated cost of the expansion is approximately \$28.1 million and is estimated to be completed during the first quarter of 2005. This expansion is being undertaken in order to accommodate additional detainee populations that are anticipated as a result of this contract, which contains a guarantee that ICE will utilize 679 beds at such time as the expansion is completed.

During January 2004, we announced our intention to expand the Florence Correctional Center located in Florence, Arizona by 224 beds. The anticipated cost of the expansion is approximately \$7.1 million and is estimated to be completed during the fourth quarter of 2004. Upon completion of the expansion, the Florence Correctional Center will have a total design capacity of 1,824 beds. The facility currently houses federal inmates as well as inmates from Hawaii and Alaska. The expansion is being undertaken in anticipation of increasing demand from our federal customers. During January 2004, we also announced the signing of a new contract with the USMS to manage up to 800 inmates at our Leavenworth Detention Center located in Leavenworth, Kansas. To fulfill the requirements of this contract, we will expand this facility by 284 beds from its current design capacity of 483 beds increasing its total beds to 767 beds. The new contract provides a guarantee that the USMS will utilize 400 beds. The anticipated cost to expand the facility is approximately \$11.2 million, with completion estimated to occur during the fourth quarter of 2004.

The following table summarizes the aforementioned construction and expansion projects expected to be completed through the first quarter of 2005:

Facility	No. of beds	Estimated completion date	Estimated remaining cost to complete as of September 30, 2004 (thousands)
Stewart County Correctional Facility Stewart County, GA	1,524	First quarter 2005	\$ 6,552
Leavenworth Detention Center Leavenworth, KS	284	Fourth quarter 2004	1,646
Houston Processing Center Houston, TX	494	First quarter 2005	9,762
Florence Correctional Center Florence, AZ	224	Fourth quarter 2004	1,032
Total	2,526		\$18,992

We may also pursue additional expansion opportunities to satisfy the needs of an existing or potential customer or when the economics of an expansion are compelling.

Additionally, we believe investments in technology can enable us to operate safe and secure facilities with more efficient, highly skilled and better-trained staff, and to reduce turnover through the deployment of innovative technologies, many of which are unique and new to the corrections industry. These investments in technology are expected to provide long-term benefits enabling us to provide enhanced quality service to our customers while creating scalable operating efficiencies. Accordingly, we expect to incur approximately \$7.1 million in information technology expenditures during the remainder of 2004, bringing the total estimated information technology expenditures to \$20.6 million for 2004.

We expect to fund our capital expenditure requirements including our construction projects, as well as our information technology expenditures, working capital, and debt service requirements, with cash on hand, net cash provided by operations, and borrowings available under our revolving credit facility.

During the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, we were not required to pay income taxes, other than primarily for the alternative minimum tax and certain state taxes, due to the utilization of existing net operating loss carryforwards to offset our taxable income. During 2005 we expect to generate sufficient taxable income to utilize our remaining federal net operating loss carryforwards. As a result, we expect to begin paying federal income taxes during

As of September 30, 2004, our liquidity was provided by cash on hand of \$68.7 million and \$89.9 million available under our \$125.0 million revolving credit facility. During the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, we generated \$111.0 million and \$157.7 million, respectively, in cash through operating activities, and as of September 30, 2004 we had net working capital of \$122.6 million. We currently expect to be able to meet our cash expenditure requirements for the next year utilizing these resources. In addition, we have an effective "shelf" registration statement under which we may issue up to \$279.6 million in equity or debt securities, preferred stock and warrants. This registration statement provides us with the flexibility to issue additional equity or debt securities, preferred stock, and warrants from time to time when we determine that market conditions and the opportunity to utilize the proceeds from the issuance of such securities are favorable.

On June 4, 2004, we executed an amendment to our senior bank credit facility that allowed us to

reduce the applicable interest rate spread on the term loan portion of the facility by 50 basis points (0.50%), and to increase our capital expenditure capacity. The Term Loan C Facility, now referred to as the Term Loan D Facility, bears interest at a base rate plus 1.25%, or the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") plus 2.25%, at our option. The credit agreement governing the senior bank credit facility requires us to meet certain financial covenants, including, without limitation, a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio, leverage ratios and a minimum interest coverage ratio. As of September 30, 2004, we were in compliance with all such covenants. In addition, the senior bank credit facility contains certain covenants which, among other things, limit the incurrence of additional indebtedness, investments, payment of dividends, transactions with affiliates, asset sales, acquisitions, capital expenditures, mergers and consolidations, prepayments and modifications of other indebtedness, liens and encumbrances and other matters customarily restricted in such agreements. In addition, the senior bank credit facility is subject to certain cross-default provisions with terms of our other indebtedness.

As a result of our refinancing and recapitalization transactions completed over the past year, we have significantly reduced our exposure to variable rate debt, lowered our overall interest rates, re-paid all of our outstanding preferred stock (the dividends of which were not tax deductible), and extended our weighted average debt maturities. We have no debt maturities on outstanding indebtedness until 2007. The revolving portion of our senior bank credit facility, which has no amounts outstanding, matures March 31, 2006. Although we believe we will be able to refinance and extend the maturity of the senior bank credit facility upon maturity, we can provide no assurance that we will be able to refinance the facility on commercially reasonable or any other terms.

At September 30, 2004, our total weighted average effective interest rate was 7.6% and our total weighted average debt maturity was 5.1 years. We have historically been able to refinance debt when it has become due on terms which we believe to be commercially reasonable. While we currently expect to fund long-term liquidity requirements primarily through a combination of cash generated from continuing operations and with borrowings under the senior bank credit facility, there can be no assurance that we will be able to repay or refinance our indebtedness when due on commercially reasonable or any other terms.

Operating Activities

Our net cash provided by operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, was \$111.0 million, compared with \$157.7 million for the same period in the prior year. Cash provided by operating activities represents the year to date net income plus depreciation and amortization, changes in various components of working capital, and adjustments for various non-cash charges, including primarily deferred income taxes. The decrease in cash provided by operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 was due to the receipt of income tax refunds totaling \$33.7 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 as well as the refinancing of our outstanding preferred stock with long-term debt. Distributions on preferred stock are included in financing activities while interest on outstanding indebtedness is included in operating activities on the statement of cash flows. Negative fluctuations in working capital during the first nine months of 2004 compared with the first nine months of 2003 also contributed to the decrease in cash provided by operating activities. Cash paid of \$15.5 million in connection with the recapitalization during May 2003 for contingent interest on the \$40.0 million convertible subordinated notes that had accrued but remained unpaid since June 2000 in accordance with the terms of such notes, was offset by the collection during the nine months ended September 30, 2003, of \$13.5 million from the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as final payment for all outstanding balances owed from three

facilities we formerly managed.

Investing Activities

Our cash flow used in investing activities was \$95.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, and was primarily attributable to capital expenditures during the nine month period of \$101.8 million, including capital expenditures of \$66.0 million related to the five ongoing aforementioned facility expansion and development projects and one completed expansion project, as well as \$13.5 million in information technology expenditures. Our cash flow used in investing activities was \$75.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2003, and was primarily attributable to capital expenditures during the nine month period of \$70.7 million, which included capital expenditures of \$47.5 million in connection with the purchase of the Crowley County Correctional Facility. In addition, during the first nine months in the prior year cash was used to fund restricted cash for a capital improvements, replacements, and repairs reserve totaling \$5.6 million for our San Diego Correctional Facility.

Financing Activities

Our cash flow used in financing activities was \$31.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and was primarily attributable to the redemption of the remaining 0.3 million shares of series A preferred stock during March 2004, which totaled \$7.5 million, and the redemption of the remaining 1.0 million shares of series B preferred stock during the second quarter of 2004, which totaled \$23.5 million.

Our cash flow used in financing activities was \$78.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2003. During January of 2003, we financed the purchase of the Crowley County Correctional Facility through \$30.0 million in borrowings under our senior bank credit facility pursuant to an expansion of a then-existing term portion of the credit facility. During May 2003, we completed the recapitalization transactions, which included the sale and issuance of \$250.0 million of 7.5% senior notes and 6.4 million shares of common stock for \$124.8 million. The proceeds received from the sale and issuance of the senior notes and the common stock were largely offset by the redemption of \$192.0 million of our series A preferred stock and our series B preferred stock; the prepayment of \$132.0 million on the then-existing term portion of the credit facility with proceeds from the recapitalization, cash on hand, and an income tax refund; the prepayment of \$7.6 million aggregate principal of our then-outstanding 12% senior notes; the repurchase and subsequent retirement of 3.4 million shares of common stock for \$65.6 million; and the payment of \$10.8 million in costs primarily associated with the recapitalization transactions and prepayment of the 12% senior notes. During August 2003, we completed the sale and issuance of \$200.0 million of 7.5% senior notes at a price of 101.125% of the principal amount of the notes, resulting in a premium of \$2.25 million. The proceeds received from the sale and issuance of the senior notes were offset by the prepayment of \$240.6 million on the term loan portion of the senior bank credit facility. We also paid \$7.7 million in costs primarily associated with the debt refinancing transactions during the third quarter of 2003. We also paid \$7.4 million in scheduled principal repayments during the first nine months of 2003, and cash dividends of \$11.9 million on our preferred stock, including a tender premium of \$5.8 million in connection with the completion of a tender offer for our series B pr

Contractual Obligations

The following schedule summarizes our contractual cash obligations by the indicated period as of

September 30, 2004 (in thousands):

Payments Due By Year Ended December 31,

	2004 (remainder)	2005	2006	2007	2008	Thereafter	Total
Long-term debt	\$ 722	\$2,892	\$2,843	\$228,709	\$66,011	\$700,000	\$1,001,177
Houston Processing							
Center expansion	6,090	3,672	_	_	_	_	9,762
Leavenworth Detention							
Center expansion	1,646	_	_	_	_	_	1,646
Operating leases	190	278	_	_	_	_	468
Total contractual cash							
obligations	\$8,648	\$6,842	\$2,843	\$228,709	\$66,011	\$700,000	\$1,013,053
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Under terms of a contract with the USMS, we have elected to expand our Leavenworth Detention Center in order to meet our commitment to provide housing for up to 800 inmates, and therefore have determined to treat the expansion as a contractual obligation for purposes of this disclosure. Although we currently have no intention to do so, we could fulfill this obligation by utilizing other available beds. Further, the cash obligations in the table above do not include future cash obligations for interest associated with our outstanding indebtedness. During the nine months ended September 30, 2004, we paid \$38.7 million in interest, including capitalized interest. We had \$35.1 million of letters of credit outstanding at September 30, 2004 primarily to support our requirement to repay fees under our workers' compensation plan in the event we do not repay the fees due in accordance with the terms of the plan. The letters of credit are renewable annually. We did not have any draws under any outstanding letters of credit during the nine months ended September 30, 2004 or 2003.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In January 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51," or FIN 46. FIN 46 clarifies the application of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51, "Consolidated Financial Statements" to certain entities in which equity investors do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or in which equity investors do not bear the residual economic risks. FIN 46 is effective for all entities other than special purpose entities no later than the end of the first period that ends after March 15, 2004. We have no investments in special purpose entities. We adopted FIN 46 effective January 1, 2004.

We have determined that our joint venture, Agecroft Prison Management, Ltd., or APM, is a variable interest entity, of which we are not the primary beneficiary. APM has a management contract for a correctional facility located in Salford, England. All gains and losses under the joint venture are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. During 2000, we extended a working capital loan to APM, which, as of September 30, 2004, totaled \$5.9 million, including accrued interest. The outstanding working capital loan represents our maximum exposure to loss in connection with APM. APM has not been, and in accordance with FIN 46 will not be, consolidated with our financial statements.

Inflation

We do not believe that inflation has had or will have a direct adverse effect on our operations. Many of our management contracts include provisions for inflationary indexing, which mitigates an

adverse impact of inflation on net income. However, a substantial increase in personnel costs, workers' compensation or food and medical expenses could have an adverse impact on our results of operations in the future to the extent that these expenses increase at a faster pace than the per diem or fixed rates we receive for our management services.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.

Our primary market risk exposures are to changes in U.S. interest rates and fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and the British pound. We are exposed to market risk related to our senior bank credit facility, which had an outstanding balance of \$270.8 million as of September 30, 2004. The interest on our senior bank credit facility is subject to fluctuations in the market. If the interest rate for our outstanding indebtedness under the senior bank credit facility was 100 basis points higher or lower during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, our interest expense, net of amounts capitalized, would have been increased or decreased by approximately \$0.7 million and \$2.1 million, respectively.

As of September 30, 2004, we had outstanding \$250.0 million of senior notes with a fixed interest rate of 9.875%, \$450.0 million of senior notes with a fixed interest rate of 7.5%, and \$30.0 million of convertible subordinated notes with a fixed interest rate of 4.0%. Because the interest rates with respect to these instruments are fixed, a hypothetical 10.0% increase or decrease in market interest rates would not have a material impact on our financial statements.

In order to satisfy a requirement of the senior bank credit facility, we purchased an interest rate cap agreement, capping LIBOR at 5.0% (prior to the applicable spread) on outstanding balances of \$200.0 million through the expiration of the cap agreement on May 20, 2004, for a price of \$1.0 million. We do not currently intend to enter into any additional interest rate protection agreements in the short-term.

We may, from time to time, invest our cash in a variety of short-term financial instruments. These instruments generally consist of highly liquid investments with original maturities at the date of purchase of three months or less. While these investments are subject to interest rate risk and will decline in value if market interest rates increase, a hypothetical 100 basis point increase or decrease in market interest rates would not materially affect the value of these investments.

Our exposure to foreign currency exchange rate risk relates to our construction, development and leasing of the Agecroft facility located in Salford, England, which we sold on April 10, 2001. We extended a working capital loan to the operator of this facility, of which we own 50% through a wholly-owned subsidiary. Such payments to us are denominated in British pounds rather than the U.S. dollar. As a result, we bear the risk of fluctuations in the relative exchange rate between the British pound and the U.S. dollar. At September 30, 2004, the receivable due to us and denominated in British pounds totaled 3.3 million British pounds. A hypothetical 10% increase in the relative exchange rate would have resulted in an increase of \$0.6 million in the value of this receivable and a corresponding unrealized foreign currency transaction gain, and a hypothetical 10% decrease in the relative exchange rate would have resulted in a decrease of \$0.6 million in the value of this receivable and a corresponding unrealized foreign currency transaction loss.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

An evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of our senior management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report. Based on that evaluation, our senior management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, concluded that as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report our disclosure controls and procedures are effective in causing material information relating to us (including our consolidated subsidiaries) to be recorded, processed, summarized and reported by management on a timely basis and to ensure that the quality and timeliness of our public disclosures complies with SEC disclosure obligations. There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by this report that have materially affected, or are likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II – OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

See Note 11 to the financial statements included in Part I.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS.

None

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES.

None

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

None.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION.

Audit Committee Matters.

Section 10A(i)(1) of the Exchange Act, as added by Section 202 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, requires that the Company's Audit Committee (or one or more designated members of the Audit Committee who are independent directors of the Company's board of directors) pre-approve all audit and non-audit services provided to the Company by its external auditor, Ernst & Young LLP. Section 10A(i)(2) of the Exchange Act further requires that the Company disclose in its periodic reports required by Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act any non-audit services approved by the Audit Committee to be performed by Ernst & Young.

Consistent with the foregoing requirements, during the third quarter, the Company's Audit Committee pre-approved the engagement of Ernst & Young to perform the audit of the Company's 2004 financial statements. During the third quarter, the Company's Audit Committee also pre-approved non-audit services to be provided by Ernst & Young comprised of tax compliance and consulting services, and the subscription to accounting research services.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS.

The following exhibits are filed herewith:

Exhibit Number Description of Exhibits				
10.1	Amendment No. 1 to Amended and Restated Corrections Corporation of America 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.			
10.2	Form of Non-qualified Stock Option Agreement			
31.1	Certification of the Company's Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Securities and Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.			
31.2	Certification of the Company's Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Securities and Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.			
32.1	Certification of the Company's Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.			
32.2	Certification of the Company's Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.			
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SIGNATURES

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

Date: November 5, 2004

CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF AMERICA

/s/ John D. Ferguson

John D. Ferguson President and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Irving E. Lingo, Jr.

Irving E. Lingo, Jr.
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer,
Assistant Secretary and Principal Accounting Officer

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AMENDED AND RESTATED CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF AMERICA 2000 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, Corrections Corporation of America, a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), has adopted the Amended and Restated Corrections Corporation of America 2000 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan");

WHEREAS, the Plan is administered by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Compensation Committee");

WHEREAS, Section 6(h) of the Plan currently provides, among other things, that, except as otherwise provided in an Award Agreement (as defined in the Plan), Options (as defined in the Plan) granted under the Plan shall not be transferable by an Optionee otherwise than by will or by the laws of descent and distribution;

WHEREAS, the Company desires to amend the Plan to also permit an Optionee to transfer Nonqualified Stock Options (as defined in the Plan) granted to him or her under the Plan to a "permitted transferee" (as defined below); and

WHEREAS, the Company's Board of Directors and the Compensation Committee considered and approved the foregoing through this Amendment to the Plan (the "Amendment"), and the Company intends that all Options granted under the Plan (unless otherwise provided for in any individual Award Agreement) be subject to the Plan as amended hereby.

NOW, THEREFORE, effective as of September 23, 2004, Section 6(h) of the Plan is hereby amended as follows:

By deleting Section 6(h) of the Plan in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

"(h) Transferability of Options. Except as provided in this Section 6(h), no Options shall be (i) transferable otherwise than by will or the laws of descent and distribution, or (ii) exercisable during the lifetime of the Participant by anyone other than the Participant. Nonqualified Options granted to a Participant, may be transferred by such Participant to a permitted transferee (as defined below), provided that (i) such Nonqualified Options shall be fully vested; (ii) there is no consideration for such transfer (other than receipt by the Participant of interests in an entity that is a permitted transferee); (iii) the Participant (or such Participant's estate or representative) shall remain obligated to satisfy all income or other tax withholding obligations associated with the exercise of such Nonqualified Options; (iv) the Participant shall notify the Company in writing prior to such transfer and disclose to the Company the name and address of the permitted transferee and the relationship of the permitted transferee to the Participant; and

(v) such transfer shall be effected pursuant to transfer documents in a form approved by the Company. A permitted transferee may not further assign or transfer any such transferred Nonqualified Options otherwise than by will or the laws of descent and distribution. Following the transfer of Nonqualified Options to a permitted transferee, such Nonqualified Options shall continue to be subject to the same terms and conditions that applied to them prior to their transfer by the Participant, except that they shall be exercisable by the permitted transferee to whom such transfer was made rather than by the transferring Participant. For the purposes of the Plan, the term "permitted transferee" means, with respect to a Participant, (i) any child, stepchild, grandchild, parent, stepparent, grandparent, spouse, sibling, mother-in-law, father-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law or sister-in-law of the Participant, including adoptive relationships, and (ii) a trust in which the Participant or the persons described in clause (i) above have more than fifty percent of the beneficial interest."

FURTHER, all references to Section 6(h) of the Plan and all other terms and provisions of the Plan for which an amendment is necessary to further the purpose of this Amendment are hereby amended to conform with the terms of this Amendment.

CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF AMERICA

By: _____

Name: David Garfinkle

Title: Vice President, Finance

NON-QUALIFIED STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT

This NON-QUALIFIED STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made this

day of,, by and between CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF AMERICA a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), and, a resident of, (the "Optionee").	,
WITNESSETH:	
WHEREAS, the Company has adopted the Corrections Corporation of America 2000 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended (the "Plan"), which authorizes the Compa to grant non-qualified stock options ("Options") to key employees of the Compa and/or its affiliates; and	,
WHEREAS, the Company and Optionee wish to confirm the terms and conditio of an Option granted to Optionee on, (the "Date of Grant").	ns
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, it is agreed between the parties	

- 1. Definitions. Except as provided in this Agreement, or unless the context otherwise requires, the terms used herein shall have the same meaning as in the Plan.
- 2. Grant of Option. Upon and subject to the terms, restrictions, limitations and conditions stated herein, the Company hereby grants to Optionee an Option to purchase up to _____ shares of the Company's Common Stock (collectively, the "Option Shares").
- 3. Option Price. The purchase price per Option Share shall be \$_____ (the "Option Price").
 - 4. Exercise; Vesting; Forfeiture.

hereto as follows:

- (i) Except as otherwise provided herein, Optionee shall have the right to exercise the Option, if and to the extent the Option has vested in accordance with subparagraphs (iii) and (iv) below, at any time during the ten-year period commencing on the Date of Grant; provided, however, that except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (iv) below, Optionee may not exercise the Option unless Optionee is on the date of exercise and continuously after the Date of Grant an employee of: (a) the Company; (b) an Affiliate Corporation; or (c) a corporation issuing or assuming the Option in a Transaction to which Code Section 424 applies (or a Subsidiary Corporation of such corporation) ((a), (b) and (c) known collectively, herein, as the "Employer").
- (ii) The Option shall be exercised by giving written notice of such exercise to the Company in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A; provided, however, that an Option may not be exercised at any one time as to fewer than one hundred (100) shares (or such number of shares as to which the Option is then exercisable if such number of shares is less than one hundred (100)). The

Option Price shall be paid or satisfied in full, at the time of exercise, in cash, in shares of Common Stock owned by Optionee for at least six months having a Fair Market Value equal to such Option Price or in a combination of cash and such shares of Common Stock. In addition, payment may also be made in whole or in part in the form of an option to acquire Common Stock or in the form of another Award (based, in each case, on the Fair Market Value of such option or Award on the date the Option is exercised, as determined by the Committee).

- (iii) Subject to the provisions of subparagraph (iv) below, the Option shall vest with respect to _____ of the Option Shares on each Vesting Date (as herein defined). For purposes hereof, the term "Vesting Date" shall mean each of the following ____ dates: ____
- (iv) In the event that: (a) Optionee dies while in the employ of the Employer or within three (3) months after the termination of employment with Employer for any reason; or (b) Optionee's employment with the Employer terminates by reason of Optionee's Disability or Retirement, then in any such case the Option shall vest in full and may be, unless earlier terminated or expired, exercised by Optionee (or by Optionee's estate or by a person who acquired the right to exercise such Option by bequest or inheritance or otherwise by reason of the death or Disability of Optionee) at any time during the stated term of the Option. In the event that there occurs a Change of Control, then in such case the Option shall vest in full and, unless earlier terminated or expired, may be exercised by Optionee (or by Optionee's estate or by a person who acquired the right to exercise such Option by beguest or inheritance or otherwise by reason of the death or Disability of Optionee) within one (1) year following the Change in Control. Subject to the first sentence of this subparagraph (iv), in the event that Optionee's employment with the Employer terminates other than by reason of Optionee's death, Disability or Retirement, then the Option, to the extent the Option has vested and unless it earlier terminates or expires, may be exercised within three (3) months following the termination of such employment, with the unvested portion of the Option being forfeited. Nothing in this Agreement or in any Option granted pursuant hereto shall confer upon Optionee any right to continue in the employ or service of the Employer or interfere in any way with the right of the Employer to terminate Optionee's employment at any time.
- 5. Option and Option Shares Subject to Plan. The Option and the Option Shares shall be subject to, and the Company and Optionee agree to be bound by, all of the terms and conditions of the Plan, as the same shall be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof. A copy of the Plan, as amended, is attached hereto as Exhibit B and made a part hereof as if fully set out herein.
- 6. Covenants and Representations of Optionee. Optionee represents, warrants, covenants and agrees with the Company as follows:
- (i) Optionee is not acquiring the Option Shares based upon any representation, oral or written, by any person with respect to the future value of, or income from, the Option Shares but rather upon an independent examination and judgment as to the prospects of the Company;
- (ii) Optionee is able to bear the economic risks of the investment in the Option Shares, including the risk of a complete loss of his or her investment therein;
- (iii) Optionee understands and agrees that the Option Shares may be issued and sold to Optionee without registration under any state law relating to the registration of securities for

sale, and in such event will be issued and sold in reliance on exemptions from registration under appropriate state laws;

- (iv) The Option Shares cannot be offered for sale, sold or transferred by Optionee other than pursuant to: (A) an effective registration under applicable state securities laws or in a transaction which is otherwise in compliance with such laws; (B) an effective registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"), or in a transaction otherwise in compliance with the 1933 Act; and (C) evidence satisfactory to the Company of compliance with the securities laws of all applicable jurisdictions. The Company shall be entitled to rely upon an opinion of counsel satisfactory to it with respect to compliance with the foregoing laws;
- (v) The Company will be under no obligation to register the Option Shares or to comply with any exemption available for sale of the Option Shares without registration. The Company is under no obligation to act in any manner so as to make Rule 144 promulgated under the 1933 Act available with respect to sales of the Option Shares;
- (vi) A legend indicating that the Option Shares have not been registered under the applicable state securities laws and referring to any applicable restrictions on transferability and sale of the Option Shares may be placed on the certificate or certificates delivered to Optionee and any transfer agent of the Company may be instructed to require compliance therewith;
- (vii) Optionee realizes that the purchase of the Option Shares is a speculative investment and that any possible profit therefrom is uncertain;
- (viii) Optionee will notify the Company prior to any sale of the Option Shares within one year of the date of the exercise of all or any portion of the Option; and
- (ix) The agreements, representations, warranties and covenants made by Optionee herein extend to and apply to all of the Common Stock of the Company issued to Optionee from time to time pursuant to this Option. Acceptance by Optionee of the certificate(s) representing such Common Stock shall constitute a confirmation by Optionee that all such agreements, representations, warranties and covenants made herein shall be true and correct at such time.
- 7. Withholding. If Optionee recognizes compensation income as a result of the exercise of the Option granted hereunder, Optionee shall remit in cash to the Company the minimum amount of federal and state income and employment tax withholding which the Company is required to remit to the Internal Revenue Service or applicable state department of revenue in accordance with the then current provisions of the Code or applicable state law. Optionee shall pay the full amount of such withholding simultaneously with the exercise of the Option or upon the occurrence of any other event that results in the recognition of compensation income by Optionee. The failure by Optionee to remit the full amount of withholding due may, in the discretion of the Company, result in the forfeiture of the related benefit notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement.
- 8. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construed, administered and enforced according to the laws of the State of Maryland, without regard to the conflicts of laws provisions thereof; provided, however, the Option may not be exercised except, in the reasonable judgment of the Committee, in compliance with exemptions under applicable state securities laws of the state in which Optionee resides, and/or any other applicable securities laws.

- 9. Successors. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefits of the heirs, legal representatives, successors and permitted assigns of the parties.
- 10. Notice. Except as otherwise specified herein, all notices and other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given if personally delivered or if sent by registered or certified United States mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed to the proposed recipient at the last known address of such recipient. Any party may designate any other address to which notices shall be sent by giving notice of such address to the other parties in the same manner provided herein.
- 11. Severability. In the event that any one or more of the provisions or portion thereof contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the same shall not invalidate or otherwise affect any other provisions of this Agreement and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision or portion thereof had never been contained herein.
- 12. Entire Agreement. Subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan, this Agreement expresses the entire understanding and agreement of the parties hereto with respect to such terms, restrictions and limitations. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed and original but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 13. Violation. Any transfer, pledge, sale, assignment or hypothecation of the Option except in accordance with this Agreement shall be a violation of the terms hereof and shall be void and without effect.
- 14. Headings. Section headings used herein are for convenience of reference only and shall not be considered in interpreting this Agreement.
- 15. Specific Performance. In the event of any actual or threatened default in, or breach of, any of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement, the party or parties who are thereby aggrieved shall have the right to specific performance and injunction in addition to any and all other rights and remedies at law or in equity, and all such rights and remedies shall be cumulative.
- 16. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed by the signatures of each of the parties hereto, or to a counterpart of this Agreement, and all such counterparts shall collectively constitute one Agreement. Facsimile signatures shall constitute original signatures for purposes of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed and sealed this Agreement on the day and year first set forth above.

Ву:			
Title:			

CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF AMERICA

OPTIONEE:
Signature:
Name (printed):

CERTIFICATION

I, John D. Ferguson, certify that:

- I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Corrections Corporation of America;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
 - evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report based on such evaluation; and
 - c) disclosed in this quarterly report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 5, 2004

/s/ John D. Ferguson
John D. Ferguson
President and Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION

- I, Irving E. Lingo, Jr., certify that:
 - I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Corrections Corporation of America;
 - 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
 - 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
 - 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
 - evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report based on such evaluation; and
 - c) disclosed in this quarterly report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
 - 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 5, 2004

/s/ Irving E. Lingo, Jr.

Irving E. Lingo, Jr.

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant Secretary and Principal Accounting Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Corrections Corporation of America (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending September 30, 2004 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, John D. Ferguson, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

/s/ John D. Ferguson

John D. Ferguson President and Chief Executive Officer November 5, 2004

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Corrections Corporation of America (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending September 30, 2004 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Irving E. Lingo, Jr., Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

/s/ Irving E. Lingo, Jr.

Irving E. Lingo, Jr.
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer
November 5, 2004