

SCOTTS LIQUID GOLD INC  
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED  
March 31, 2006

Commission File No. 001-13458

SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC.  
4880 Havana Street  
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Colorado  
State of Incorporation

84-0920811  
I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.

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  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer and large accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check one):  
Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12-B-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes  No

As of March 31, 2006, the Registrant had 10,503,000 of its \$0.10 par value common stock outstanding.

PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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### Item 1. Financial Statements

#### SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC. & SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2006	2005
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Net sales	\$ 4,155,800	\$ 5,522,500
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Operating costs and expenses:		
Cost of Sales	2,243,500	3,107,500
Advertising	593,700	276,500
Selling	1,425,500	1,475,300
General and administrative	912,100	1,022,800
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	5,174,800	5,882,100
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Loss from operations	(1,019,000)	(359,600)
Interest income	12,600	12,700
Interest expense	(41,300)	(48,000)
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	(1,047,700)	(394,900)
Income tax expense (benefit)	-	-
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Net loss	\$ (1,047,700)	\$ (394,900)
	=====	=====
Net loss per common share (Note 2):		
Basic and Diluted	\$ (0.10)	\$ (0.04)
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Weighted average shares outstanding:		
Basic and Diluted	10,503,000	10,471,000
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#### SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC. & SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Balance Sheets

	March 31,	December 31,
	2006	2005
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	(Unaudited)	
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,933,000	\$ 2,260,700
Investment securities	51,400	51,900
Trade receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$62,000	1,005,200	1,633,100
Other receivables	49,900	55,300
Inventories	3,812,800	3,184,600
Prepaid expenses	469,100	326,900
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Total current assets	7,321,400	7,512,500
Property, plant and equipment, net	13,583,000	13,725,200
Other assets	9,100	11,800
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$20,913,500	\$21,249,500
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LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Current liabilities:

Line of credit	\$ 870,000	\$ 570,000
Accounts payable	2,409,000	1,745,700
Accrued payroll and benefits	901,900	939,400
Other accrued expenses	474,200	454,600
Current maturities of long-term debt	973,000	956,000

Total current liabilities	5,628,100	4,665,700
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Long-term debt, net of current maturities	688,200	938,400
	6,316,300	5,604,100

Commitments and contingencies

Shareholders' equity:

Common stock; \$.10 par value, authorized 50,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 10,503,000 shares	1,050,300	1,050,300
Capital in excess of par	4,994,200	4,994,200
Accumulated comprehensive income	1,400	1,900
Retained earnings	8,551,300	9,599,000

Shareholders' equity	14,597,200	15,645,400
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$20,913,500	\$21,249,500
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SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC. & SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

Three Months Ended  
March 31,

	2006	2005
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net loss	\$ (1,047,700)	\$ (394,900)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	175,800	185,800
Stock issued to ESOP	48,700	-
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Trade and other receivables, net	633,300	386,200
Inventories	(628,200)	(1,770,500)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(144,400)	(13,000)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	645,400	866,600
Total adjustments to net loss	730,600	(344,900)
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	(317,100)	(739,800)

Cash flows from investing activities:

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Purchase of investment securities	-	(248,400)
Purchase of property, plant & equipment	(28,700)	(5,000)
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Net Cash Used by Investing Activities	(28,700)	(253,400)
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Cash flows from financing activities:		
Short-term borrowings (payments), net	300,000	(130,000)
Purchase of stock for contribution to ESOP	(48,700)	-
Principal payments on long-term borrowings	(233,200)	(225,400)
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Net Cash Provided (Used) by Financing Activities	18,100	(355,400)
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Net Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(327,700)	(1,348,600)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, beginning of period	2,260,700	3,354,600
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Cash and Cash Equivalents, end of period	\$ 1,933,000	\$ 2,006,000
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Supplemental disclosures:		
Cash Paid during period for:		
Interest	\$ 41,300	\$ 46,000
	=====	=====
Income taxes	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,100
	=====	=====

SCOTT'S LIQUID GOLD-INC. & SUBSIDIARIES  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Company Background

Scott's Liquid Gold-Inc. (a Colorado corporation) was incorporated on February 15, 1954. Scott's Liquid Gold-Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiaries (collectively, "we" or "our") manufacture and market quality household and skin care products. Since the first quarter of 2001, we have acted as a distributor in the United States of beauty care products contained in individual sachets and manufactured by Montagne Jeunesse. Our business is comprised of two segments, household products and skin care products.

(b) Principles of Consolidation

Our consolidated financial statements include our accounts and our subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

(c) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure

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of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates include, but are not limited to, realizability of deferred tax assets, reserves for slow moving and obsolete inventory, customer returns and allowances, and bad debts.

(d) Cash Equivalents

We consider all highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less at the date of acquisition to be cash equivalents.

(e) Investments in Marketable Securities

We account for investments in marketable securities in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 115 "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities", which requires that we classify investments in marketable securities according to management's intended use of such investments. We invest our excess cash and have established guidelines relative to diversification and maturities in an effort to maintain safety and liquidity. These guidelines are periodically reviewed and modified to take advantage of trends in yields and interest rates. We consider all investments as available for use in our current operations and, therefore, classify them as short-term, available-for-sale investments. Available-for-sale investments are stated at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses, if any, reported net of tax, as a separate component of shareholders' equity and comprehensive income (loss). The cost of the securities sold is based on the specific identification method. Investments in corporate and government securities as of March 31, 2006, are scheduled to mature within one year.

(f) Inventories

Inventories consist of raw materials and finished goods and are stated at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out method) or market. We record a reserve for slow moving and obsolete products and raw materials. We estimate reserves for slow moving and obsolete products and raw materials based upon historical and anticipated sales.

Inventories were comprised of the following at:

	March 31, 2006	December 31, 2005
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Finished goods	\$ 2,694,800	\$ 2,149,100
Raw materials	1,427,000	1,344,000
Inventory valuation	(309,000)	(309,000)
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	\$ 3,812,800	\$ 3,184,600
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(g) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at historical cost. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives of the assets ranging from three to forty-five years. Building structures and building improvements are estimated to have useful lives of 35 to 45 years and 3 to 20 years, respectively. Production equipment and production support equipment are estimated to have useful lives of 15 to 20 years and 3 to 10 years, respectively. Office furniture and office machines are estimated to have useful lives 10 to 20 and 3 to 5 years,

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respectively. Carpeting, drapes and company vehicles are estimated to have useful lives of 5 to 10 years. Maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred. Improvements that extend the useful lives of the assets or provide improved efficiency are capitalized.

### (h) Financial Instruments

Financial instruments which potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk include cash and cash equivalents, investments in marketable securities, and trade receivables. We maintain our cash balances in the form of bank demand deposits with financial institutions that management believes are creditworthy. We establish an allowance for doubtful accounts based upon factors surrounding the credit risk of specific customers, historical trends and other information. We have no significant financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk of accounting loss, such as foreign exchange contracts, option contracts or other foreign currency hedging arrangements.

The recorded amounts for cash and cash equivalents, receivables, other current assets, and accounts payable and accrued expenses approximate fair value due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments. The fair value of investments in marketable securities is based upon quoted market value. Our long-term debt bears interest at a variable rate, the lender's base rate, which approximates the prime rate. The carrying value of long-term debt approximates fair value as of March 31, 2006 and December 31, 2005.

### (i) Long-Lived Assets

We account for long-lived assets in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets". This Statement requires that long-lived assets and certain identifiable intangibles be reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to future net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell.

### (j) Income Taxes

We account for income taxes in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes", which requires the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of assets and liabilities and their respective income tax bases. A valuation allowance is provided when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of a deferred tax asset will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the period in which related temporary differences become deductible. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled.

### (k) Revenue Recognition

Revenue is generally recognized upon delivery of products to customers, which is when title passes. Reserves for estimated

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market development support, pricing allowances and returns are provided in the period of sale as a reduction of revenue. Reserves for returns and allowances are recorded as a reduction of revenue, and are maintained at a level that management believes is appropriate to account for amounts applicable to existing sales. Reserves for coupons and certain other promotional activities are recorded as a reduction of revenue at the later of the date at which the related revenue is recognized or the date at which the sales incentive is offered. At March 31, 2006 and December 31, 2005 approximately \$624,000 and \$794,000, respectively, had been reserved as a reduction of accounts receivable, and approximately \$50,000 and \$35,000, respectively, had been reserved as current liabilities. Co-op advertising, marketing funds, slotting fees and coupons are deducted from gross sales and total \$630,100 and \$364,000 at March 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

(l) Advertising Costs

We expense advertising costs as incurred.

(m) Stock-based Compensation

At March 31, 2006, we had four stock-based employee compensation plans. During the first quarter of fiscal 2006, we adopted the provisions of, and account for stock-based compensation in accordance with, the Financial Accounting Standards Board's ("FASB") Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123-revised 2004 ("SFAS 123R"), "Share-Based Payment" which replaced Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 ("SFAS 123"), "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" and supersedes APB Opinion No. 25 ("APB 25"), "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees". Under the fair value recognition provisions of this statement, stock-based compensation cost is measured at the grant date based on the fair value of the award and is recognized as expense on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period, which is the vesting period. We elected the modified-prospective method, under which prior periods are not revised for comparative purposes. The valuation provisions of SFAS 123R apply to new grants and to grants that were outstanding as of the effective date and are subsequently modified. No grants have occurred subsequent to the adoption of SFAS 123R and all outstanding options were fully vested as of December 31, 2005.

Prior to January 1, 2006, we accounted for the plans described above under the recognition and measurement principles of APB Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, and related Interpretations. No stock-based employee compensation cost 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 effect on net income and earnings per share if we had applied the fair value recognition provisions of FASB Statement No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation, to stock-based employee compensation for the quarter ended March 31, 2005 was not material.

(n) Comprehensive Income

We follow SFAS No. 130, "Reporting Comprehensive Income" which establishes standards for reporting and displaying comprehensive income and its components. Comprehensive income includes all changes in equity during a period from non-owner sources.

The following table is a reconciliation of our net loss to our total comprehensive loss for the quarters ended March 31, 2006

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and 2005:

	2006	2005
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Net loss	\$ (1,047,700)	\$ (394,900)
Unrealized gain (loss) on investment securities	(500)	(1,500)
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Comprehensive loss	\$ (1,048,200)	\$ (396,400)
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(o) Operating Costs and Expenses Classification

Cost of sales includes costs associated with manufacturing and distribution including labor, materials, freight-in, purchasing and receiving, quality control, internal transfer costs, repairs, maintenance and other indirect costs, as well as warehousing and distribution costs. We classify shipping and handling costs comprised primarily of freight-out and nominal outside warehousing costs as a component of selling expense on the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations. Shipping and handling costs totaled \$387,700 and \$349,900 for the quarters ended March 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Selling expenses consist primarily of shipping and handling costs, wages and benefits for sales and sales support personnel, travel brokerage commissions, promotional costs, as well as other indirect costs.

General and administrative expenses consist primarily of wages and benefits associated with management and administrative support departments, business insurance costs, professional fees, office facility related expenses and other general support costs.

(p) Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2005, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 154, "Accounting Changes and Error Corrections (SFAS No. 154)". This statement replaces APB Opinion No. 20, "Accounting Changes", and FASB Statement No. 3, "Reporting Accounting Changes in Interim Financial Statements", and changes the requirements for the accounting for and reporting of a change in accounting principle. SFAS No. 154 applies to all voluntary changes in accounting principle. Opinion No. 20 previously required that most voluntary changes in accounting principle be recognized by including in net income for the period of the change the cumulative effect of changing to the new accounting principle. SFAS No. 154 requires retrospective application to prior periods' financial statements of a change in accounting principle, unless it is impracticable to determine either the period-specific effects or the cumulative effect of the change. When it is impracticable to determine the cumulative effect of applying a change in accounting principle to all prior periods, SFAS No. 154 requires that the new accounting principle be applied as if it were adopted prospectively from the earliest date practicable. SFAS No. 154 also requires that a change in depreciation, amortization, or depletion method for long-lived, nonfinancial assets be accounted for as a change in accounting estimate effected by a change in accounting principle. SFAS No. 154 is effective in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005. Adoption of this statement did not have a material impact on our results of operations or financial position.

In November 2004, the FASB issued Statement of Financial



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Accounting Standards No. 151, "Inventory Costs - an amendment of ARB No. 43, Chapter 4" (SFAS No. 151). The provisions of SFAS No. 151 are intended to eliminate narrow differences between the existing accounting standards of the FASB and the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) related to inventory costs, in particular, the treatment of abnormal idle facility expense, freight, handling costs, and spoilage. SFAS No. 151 requires that these costs be recognized as current period charges regardless of the extent to which they are considered abnormal. The provisions of SFAS No. 151 are effective for inventory costs incurred during fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2005. The adoption of SFAS No. 151 did not have a material impact on our operations, financial position or liquidity.

In December 2004, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 153, "Exchanges of Nonmonetary Assets, an amendment of APB Opinion No. 29" ("SFAS No. 153"). This Statement amends APB Opinion No. 29 to permit the exchange of nonmonetary assets to be recorded on a carryover basis when the nonmonetary assets do not have commercial substance. This is an exception to the basic measurement principle of measuring a nonmonetary asset exchange at fair value. A nonmonetary asset exchange has commercial substance if the future cash flows of the entity are expected to change significantly as a result of the exchange. SFAS No. 153 is effective for nonmonetary asset exchanges occurring in fiscal periods beginning after June 15, 2005. We have not entered into exchanges of nonmonetary assets in the past and do not expect to enter into any nonmonetary assets exchanges in the foreseeable future; however, if we enter into significant nonmonetary asset exchanges in the future, SFAS No. 153 could have a material effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

(q) Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2005 financial statements to conform to the current period presentation.

### Note 2. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

We have prepared these unaudited interim consolidated financial statements in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such rules and regulations allow the omission of certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as long as the statements are not misleading. In the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of these interim statements have been included and are of a normal recurring nature. These interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with our financial statements included in our 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

### Note 3. Earnings per Share

Per share data was determined by using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Potentially dilutive securities, including stock options, are considered only for diluted earnings per share, unless considered anti-dilutive. The potentially dilutive securities, which are comprised of outstanding stock options of 1,680,600 and 1,115,500 at March 31, 2006 and 2005, were excluded from the computation of weighted average shares outstanding due to their anti-dilutive effect.

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A reconciliation of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the three months ended March 31 follows:

	2006	2005
	-----	-----
Common shares outstanding, beginning of the year	10,503,000	10,471,000
Stock options exercised	-	-
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Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	10,503,000	10,471,000
Dilutive effect of common share equivalents	-	-
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Diluted weighted average number of common shares outstanding	10,503,000	10,471,000
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At March 31, 2006, there were authorized 50,000,000 shares of our \$.10 par value common stock and 20,000,000 shares of preferred stock issuable in one or more series. None of the preferred stock was issued or outstanding at March 31, 2006.

#### Note 4. Segment Information

We operate in two different segments: household products and skin care products. Our products are sold in the United States and internationally (primarily Canada), directly and through independent brokers, to mass merchandisers, drug stores, supermarkets, wholesale distributors and other retail outlets. Our Management has chosen to organize our business around these segments based on differences in the products sold. The household products segment includes "Scott's Liquid Gold" for wood, a wood cleaner which preserves as it cleans, and "Touch of Scent, " a room air freshener. The skin care segment includes: "Alpha Hydrox", alpha hydroxy acid cleansers and lotions; a retinol product; "Diabetic Skin Care", a healing cream and moisturizer developed to address skin conditions of diabetics; and skin care and other sachets of Montagne Jeunesse distributed by us.

The following provides information on our segments for the three months ended March 31:

	2006		2005	
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	Household Products	Skin Care Products	Household Products	Skin Care Products
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Net sales to external customers	\$ 2,065,000	\$ 2,090,800	\$ 2,092,200	\$ 3,430,300
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Income (loss) before profit sharing, bonuses and income taxes	\$ (327,100)	\$ (720,600)	\$ (421,300)	\$ 26,400
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Identifiable assets	\$ 3,660,700	\$ 6,401,800	\$ 4,041,300	\$ 7,427,100
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The following is a reconciliation of segment information to consolidated information for the three months ended March 31:

	2006	2005
	-----	-----
Net sales to external customers	\$ 4,155,800	\$ 5,522,500
	=====	=====
Loss before profit sharing, bonuses and income taxes	\$ (1,047,700)	\$ (394,900)
	=====	=====
Identifiable assets	\$10,062,500	\$11,468,400
Corporate assets	10,851,000	11,333,900
	-----	-----
Consolidated total assets	\$20,913,500	\$22,802,300
	=====	=====

Corporate assets noted above are comprised primarily of our cash and investments, deferred income tax assets and property and equipment not directly associated with the manufacturing, warehousing, shipping and receiving activities.

### Note 5. Subsequent Event; Agreements

On March 28, 2006, we entered into an Asset Purchase and Sale Agreement (the "Agreement") with Keltec Dispensing Systems USA Inc., a Delaware corporation. Pursuant to the Agreement, we will sell a portion of our plastic molding equipment and related machinery (the "plastics equipment"), for a purchase price of \$85,000 in cash. This equipment has been used to make plastic components, such as caps, used on the containers for our products. The Agreement provides for a closing at a mutually agreeable date prior to July 1, 2006.

As a condition to the Agreement, we also entered into a Lease Agreement with Keltec (the "Lease") pursuant to which we will lease to Keltec the space that is located in our Denver facility and has been used for the operations of the plastics equipment. The lease also includes the use of certain common areas and equipment. The annual Lease payment is \$108,450 plus a portion of the utility payments for the building that includes the leased space. The term of the Lease is three years beginning upon the closing of the Agreement. Keltec may renew the lease for an additional term of three years upon advance written notice under the same terms and conditions, except that during the renewal term the rent will be increased by the same percentage as the increase in the CPI-Denver from the commencement date to the initial expiration date.

Concurrently with the signing of the Agreement, we entered into a Supply Agreement with Keltec (the "Supply Agreement"), pursuant to which Keltec will manufacture and supply to us certain plastic components used on our product containers. The initial term of the Supply Agreement is for a period of 18 months, with a pricing adjustment possible for the last six months of the term. In addition, the Supply Agreement may be renewed for an additional twelve months upon mutual consent of the parties provided the parties agree to renewal pricing based on guidelines in the Supply Agreement. The Supply Agreement may also be terminated by mutual agreement, upon a material breach of the terms, or upon 30-days notice by either party during any renewal period.

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On April 4, 2006, we and our subsidiary, SLG Chemicals, Inc. entered into a Product Development, Production and Marketing Agreement (the "Agreement") with Modec, Inc., a Colorado corporation. Pursuant to the Agreement, we will purchase from Modec a product for the treatment of mold. We will fill and package the product at our facilities and market the product to retail stores in North America. The Agreement provides us with a license for this purpose. We are required to use our commercially reasonable efforts to develop a consumer market for the product in North America. The initial term of the Agreement is until December 31, 2007, and is automatically renewable for successive one-year terms.

We began our marketing activity for these products in the second quarter of 2006 and, if sales are achieved, with shipments to commence during that quarter.

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

#### Results of Operations

During the first quarter of 2006, we experienced an increase in sales of our Scott's Liquid Gold wood care products and our Neoteric line of skin care products, while experiencing a decrease in sales of our Montagne Jeunesse line of skin care products and a decrease in sales of our Touch of Scent air freshener line of products. Our net loss for the first quarter of 2006 was \$1,047,700 versus a loss of \$394,900 in the first quarter of 2005. The loss for 2006 was primarily due to lower sales of the Montagne Jeunesse product line coupled with an increase in advertising of our Alpha Hydrox skin care line.

#### Summary of Results as a Percentage of Net Sales

	Year Ended December 31, 2005 -----	Three Months Ended March 31, 2006      2005 -----      -----	
Net sales			
Scott's Liquid Gold household products	34.8%	49.7%	37.9%
Neoteric Cosmetics	65.2%	50.3%	62.1%
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Total Net Sales	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Cost of Sales	56.1%	54.0%	56.3%
	-----	-----	-----
Gross profit	43.9%	46.0%	43.7%
Other revenue	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%
	-----	-----	-----
	44.1%	46.3%	43.9%
	-----	-----	-----
Operating expenses	44.2%	70.5%	50.2%
Interest expense	0.8%	1.0%	0.9%
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	45.0%	71.5%	51.1%
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Loss before income taxes	(0.9%)	(25.2%)	(7.2%)
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Our gross margins may not be comparable to those of other entities,

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since some entities include all of the costs related to their distribution network in cost of sales while others, like us, exclude a portion of them (freight out to customers and nominal outside warehouse costs) from gross margin, including them instead in the selling expense line item. See Note 1(o), Operating Costs and Expenses Classification, to the Consolidated Financial Statements in this Report.

### Comparative Net Sales

	2006	2005	Percentage Increase (Decrease)
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Scott's Liquid Gold wood care products	\$ 1,681,200	\$ 1,555,700	8.1%
Touch of Scent	383,800	536,500	(28.5%)
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Total household chemical products	2,065,000	2,092,200	(1.3%)
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Alpha Hydrox and other skin care	1,028,700	735,700	39.8%
Montagne Jeunesse skin care	1,062,100	2,694,600	(60.6%)
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Total skin care products	2,090,800	3,430,300	(39.0%)
	-----	-----	-----
Total Net Sales	\$ 4,155,800	\$ 5,522,500	(24.7%)
	=====	=====	=====

Three Months Ended March 31, 2006  
Compared to Three Months Ended March 31, 2005

Consolidated net sales for the first quarter of the current year were \$4,155,800 versus \$5,522,500 for the first three months of 2005, a decrease of \$1,366,700. Average selling prices of household products were up by \$104,400. This increase in average selling prices was primarily due to an increase in pricing on our Scott's Liquid Gold for wood products. The average selling prices of skin care products were down by \$87,700 as a result of greater price promotions in the first quarter 2006 versus 2005. Co-op advertising, marketing funds, slotting fees, and coupons paid to retailers are deducted from gross sales, and totaled \$630,100 in the first quarter of 2006 versus \$364,000 in the same quarter in 2005, an increase of \$266,100 or 73.1%. This increase consisted of an increase in coupon expense of \$115,000, an increase in co-op marketing funds of \$105,500, and an increase in slotting fee expenses of \$45,600.

During the first quarter of 2006, net sales of skin care products accounted for 50.3% of consolidated net sales compared to 62.1% for the same quarter of 2005. Net sales of these products for that period were \$2,090,800 in 2006 compared to \$3,430,300 in 2005, a decrease of \$1,339,500 or 39.0%. During the first quarter of 2005 we began introduction of four new items in our Alpha Hydrox line of cosmetic products. Because of this, our sales of Alpha Hydrox products (with and without alpha hydroxy acid) have increased in the first quarter of 2006 versus the first quarter of 2005. The

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new items accounted for approximately 49% of our sales of Alpha Hydrox and other skin care sales in the first quarter of 2006. There were no sales of the new items in the first quarter of 2005. Although we are optimistic that this trend will continue, it is still too early to tell the consumer acceptance of these products which is necessary for reorders of these products and expanding the distribution of these products. We have continued to experience a drop in unit sales of our earlier-established alpha hydroxy acid-based products due primarily to maturing in the market for alpha hydroxy acid-based skin care products, intense competition from producers of similar or alternative products, many of which are considerably larger than Neoteric Cosmetics, Inc. and reduced distribution of these products at retail stores in current and prior periods. For the first quarter of 2006, the sales of our Alpha Hydrox products accounted for 32.9% of net sales of skin care products and 16.6% of total net sales, compared to 9.6% of net sales of skin care products and 6.0% of total net sales in 2005.

For 2006, net sales of Montagne Jeunesse products were \$1,062,100 in the first quarter versus \$2,694,600 for the comparable quarter of 2005, a decrease of \$1,632,500 or 60.6%. The decrease reflects changes in product positioning at several key retailers in 2006 as they have revised the amount of shelf and floor space allocated to these types of products, including the elimination at approximately 1,500 Wal-Mart Stores of the department where Montagne Jeunesse products were previously displayed.

Sales of household products for the first quarter of this year accounted for 49.7% of consolidated net sales compared to 37.9% for the same period in 2005. These products are comprised of Scott's Liquid Gold wood care products, and Touch of Scent, a room air freshener. During the quarter ended March 31, 2006 sales of household products were \$2,065,000 as compared to \$2,092,200 for the same quarter in 2005, a decrease of \$27,200, or 1.3%. Sales of Scott's Liquid Gold wood care products increased from \$1,555,700 in 2005 to \$1,681,200 in 2006 an increase of \$125,500 or 8.1%. This increase in the amount of sales is primarily due to sales of our wood wash products in 2006 which are included in the sales shown for Scott's Liquid Gold for wood. Sales of "Touch of Scent" were down by \$152,700 or 28.5%, primarily due to a decrease in distribution. In the second quarter of 2005 we began introducing a wood wash under the Scott's Liquid Gold product line. It is too early to determine if this introduction will be successful.

As sales of a consumer product decline, there is the risk that retail stores will stop carrying the product. The loss of any significant customer for any skin care products, "Scott's Liquid Gold" for wood or "Touch of Scent", could have a significant adverse impact on our revenues and operating results. We believe that our future success is highly dependent on favorable acceptance in the marketplace of Montagne Jeunesse products, the sales of our new Alpha Hydrox products and our "Scott's Liquid Gold" for wood products.

We also believe that the introduction of successful new products, including line extensions of existing products, such as the wood wash using the name "Scott's Liquid Gold", are important to maintaining or growing our revenue. We currently plan to make one to three product introductions during 2006, one of which is a mold control product. We will use our facilities

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to fill and package the mold control product. The agreement regarding this product is described in Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in this Report. We began our marketing activity in the second quarter. To the extent that we manufacture a new product rather than purchase it from external parties, we are also benefited by the use of existing capacity in our facilities. The actual introduction of additional products, the timing of any additional introductions and any revenues realized from new products is uncertain.

On a consolidated basis, cost of goods sold was \$2,243,500 during the first three months of 2006 compared to \$3,107,500 for the same period of 2005, a decrease of \$864,000 or 27.8%, on a sales decrease of 24.7%. As a percentage of consolidated net sales, cost of goods sold was 54.0% in 2006 versus 56.3% in 2005, a decrease of about 4.1%, which reflects sales price increases on Scott's Liquid Gold products initiated in the latter part of 2005, as well as a reflection of the higher margins attained on our new Alpha Hydrox products which we did not begin to ship to retailers until after the first quarter of 2005 and the effect of a decrease in the percentage of sales from Montagne Jeunesse products which have a lower gross margin.

We are working on ways to more fully utilize our production capacity at our manufacturing facilities in Denver. We discuss from time to time manufacturing private label products, but those discussions have not resulted in any agreements to date. In late March 2006 we entered into agreements with a plastics parts manufacturer to lease space that is located in our Denver facility and has been used for the operations of our plastics equipment. This manufacturer will purchase a portion of our plastics equipment, and supply us with the plastic parts we presently manufacture ourselves. These agreements should provide better utilization of our facilities and reduce the cost of the plastic parts we presently produce. For additional information on these agreements, see Note 5 of the Consolidated Financial Statements in this Report.

### Operating Expenses, Interest Expense and Other Income

	2006	2005	Percentage Increase (Decrease)
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Operating Expenses			
Advertising	\$ 593,700	\$ 276,500	114.7%
Selling	1,425,500	1,475,300	(3.4%)
General & Administrative	912,100	1,022,800	(10.8%)
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Total operating expenses	\$ 2,931,300	\$ 2,774,600	5.6%
	=====	=====	=====
Interest Income	\$ 12,600	\$ 12,700	(0.8%)
Interest Expense	\$ 41,300	\$ 48,000	(14.0%)

Operating expenses, comprised of advertising, selling and general and administrative expenses, increased by \$156,700 in the first quarter of 2006 when compared to first quarter of 2005. The various components of operating expenses are discussed below.

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Advertising expenses for the first three months of 2006 were \$593,700 compared to \$276,500 for the comparable quarter of 2005, an increase of \$317,200 or 14.7%. A majority of that increase was due to an increase in advertising expenses applicable to our Alpha Hydrox skin care products.

Selling expenses for the first quarter of 2006 were \$1,425,500 compared to \$1,475,300 for the comparable three months of 2005, a decrease of \$49,800 or 3.4%. That decrease was comprised of a decrease in salaries and fringe benefits and related travel expense of \$82,400 primarily because of a decrease in personnel in 2006 versus 2005, offset by a net increase in other selling expenses, none of which by itself is significant, of \$32,600.

General and administrative expenses for the first three months of 2006 were \$912,100 compared to \$1,022,800 for the comparable period of 2005, a decrease of \$110,700 or 10.8%. That decrease was primarily attributable to a decrease in salaries and fringe benefits resulting from a reduction in both personnel and net health care costs.

Interest expense for the first quarter of 2006 was \$41,300 versus \$48,000 for the comparable quarter of 2005. Interest income for the three months ended March 31, 2006 was \$12,600 compared to \$12,700 for the same period of 2005, which consists of interest earned on our cash reserves in 2006 and 2005.

During the first quarter of 2006 and of 2005, expenditures for research and development were not material (under 2% of revenues).

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

On August 8, 2005 we obtained a new \$1,800,000 line of credit with Citywide Banks of Aurora, Colorado. This line replaced the \$1,500,000 line of credit dated August 8, 2004, from the same bank. Initially the original line of credit was to assist with inventory for the 2004 holiday sales; we continue to use the line of credit for inventory and other working capital purposes. The line of credit bears interest at a rate of .5% over the bank's base rate (7.75% at March 31, 2006) and matures on August 8, 2006. The line of credit is secured by inventory and accounts receivable. Under its terms, events of default include a material adverse change in our financial condition. The covenants remain the same as the bank loan described below.

We have a bank loan for approximately \$1.66 million at the bank's base rate, adjustable annually each November (the interest rate on this loan was 7.00% at December 31, 2005) secured by our land and buildings, with principal and interest payable monthly through November 2007. The loan agreement contains a number of covenants, including the requirement for maintaining a current ratio of at least 1:1 and a ratio of consolidated long-term debt to consolidated net worth of not more than 1:1. We may not declare any dividends that would result in a violation of either of these covenants. The foregoing requirements were met at the end of the first three months of 2006.

During the first quarter of 2006 our working capital



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decreased by \$1,153,500, and concomitantly, our current ratio (current assets divided by current liabilities) decreased from 1.6:1 at December 31, 2005 to 1.3:1 at March 31, 2006. This decrease in working capital is attributable to a net loss in the first three months of 2006 of \$1,047,700, and a reduction in long-term debt of \$250,200, a decrease in accumulated comprehensive income of \$500, offset by depreciation in excess of capital additions of \$142,200, and a decrease in other assets of \$2,700.

At March 31, 2006, trade accounts receivable were \$1,005,200 versus \$1,633,100 at year-end, largely because sales in the quarter ended March 31, 2006 were less than those of the quarter ended December 31, 2005. Accounts payable increased from the end of 2005 through March of 2006 by \$663,300 corresponding primarily with the increase in inventory over that period, as well as, an increase in advertising activity during the first quarter of 2006 when compared to the fourth quarter of 2005. At March 31, 2006 inventories were \$628,200 more than at December 31, 2005, due to the increase in Montagne Jeunesse inventory, resulting partially from lower than anticipated sales in the first quarter, and due to an increase in household chemical products inventory to support sales of these products in the upcoming quarters. Prepaid expenses increased from the end of 2005 by \$142,200 primarily due to prepaid promotional costs related to our new mold product.

We have no significant capital expenditures planned for 2006 and have no current plans for any external financing, other than our existing bank loans. We expect that our available cash and cash flows from operating activities will fund the next twelve months' cash requirements.

Our dependence on operating cash flow means that risks involved in our business can significantly affect our liquidity. Any loss of a significant customer, any further decreases in distribution of our skin care or household chemical products, any new competitive products affecting sales levels of our products, or any significant expense not included in our internal budget could result in the need to raise cash, such as through a bank financing. Except for the short-term line of credit described above, we have no arrangements for an external financing of debt or equity, and we are not certain whether any such financing would be available on acceptable terms. Please also see other risks summarized in "Forward Looking Statements" below. We expect our operating cash flows to improve if we achieve profitability in 2006.

### Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Market risk represents the risk of loss due to adverse changes in financial and commodity market prices and rates. Except to the extent changes in the prime rate affect our line of credit, we are not materially exposed to market risks regarding interest rates. The interest on our long-term debt is at the lender's base rate, which approximates the prime rate, adjustable yearly. Our investments in debt and equity securities are short-term and not subject to significant fluctuations in fair value. If interest rates were to rise 10% from year-end levels, the fair value of our debt and equity securities would have decreased by approximately \$600. Further, we do not use foreign currencies in our business. Currently, we receive payments for sales to parties in foreign countries in U.S. dollars. Additionally, we do not use derivative instruments or engage in hedging activities. As a result, we do not believe that near-term changes in market risks will have a

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material effect on results of operations, financial position or our cash flows.

### Forward-Looking Statements

This report may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of U.S. federal securities laws. These statements are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements and our performance inherently involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements. Factors that would cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, continued acceptance of each of our significant products in the marketplace; the degree of success of any new product or product line introduction by us; consumer acceptance of the new Alpha Hydrox products; competitive factors; any decrease in distribution of (i.e., retail stores carrying) our significant products; continuation of our distributorship agreement with Montagne Jeunesse; the need for effective advertising of our products; limited resources available for such advertising; new competitive products and/or technological changes; dependence upon third party vendors and upon sales to major customers; changes in the regulation of our products, including applicable environmental regulations; adverse developments in pending litigation; the loss of any executive officer; and other matters discussed in our 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K. We undertake no obligation to revise any forward-looking statements in order to reflect events or circumstances that may arise after the date of this report.

### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Please see "Market Risks" in Item 2 of Part I of this Report which information is incorporated herein by this reference.

### Item 4. Controls and Procedures

As of March 31, 2006, we conducted an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures. Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms as of March 31, 2006. There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended March 31, 2006 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II OTHER INFORMATION

### Item 1. Not Applicable

### Item 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes from risk factors as previously disclosed in our 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K.



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Exhibit

No.	Document
10.1	Asset Purchase and Sale Agreement dated as of March 28, 2006 between us and Keltec Dispensing Systems USA, Inc.; Form of Bill of Sale by us to Keltec Dispensing Systems USA, Inc.; Form of Lease for Keltec Dispensing Systems USA, Inc.
10.2	Supply Agreement dated as of March 28, 2006 between us and Keltec Dispensing Systems USA, Inc.
10.3	Second Amendment to September 1, 2000 License Agreement between Neoteric Cosmetics, Inc. and TriStrata Technology, Inc.*
10.4	License Agreement dated as of September 1, 2000 between TriStrata Technology, Inc. and Neoteric Cosmetics, Inc.*
31.1	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of the Chief Executive Officer
31.2	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of the Chief Financial Officer
32.1	Section 1350 Certification

\* This Exhibit is currently subject to a Confidential Treatment Request with the Securities and Exchange Commission.