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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

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

For the Quarterly Period Ended February 29, 2008

Commission File Number: 1-9852

CHASE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation of organization)

11-1797126 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

26 Summer Street, Bridgewater, Massachusetts 02324

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Including Zip Code)

(508) 279-1789

(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, and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

YES x NO o

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

Large accelerated filer o

Accelerated filer X

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

Smaller reporting company o

Indicate by checkmark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). YES o NO x

The number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of March 31, 2008 was 8,313,477.

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Part 1 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1 Unaudited Financial Statements

CHASE CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(UNAUDITED)

	February 29, 2008	August 31, 2007
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash	\$ 1,139,296	\$ 2,443,750
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$598,824 and \$579,536	16,282,446	17,653,982
Inventories	18,789,558	15,135,773
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	930,094	753,818
Deferred income taxes	729,885	729,885
Total current assets	37,871,279	36,717,208
Property, plant and equipment, net	21,890,014	19,758,276
Other Assets		
Goodwill	14,868,349	14,575,640
Intangible assets, less accumulated amortization of \$3,708,801 and \$3,134,274	6,507,812	7,063,178
Cash surrender value of life insurance	4,650,199	4,588,600
Restricted investments	975,542	1,187,488
Other assets	53,901	74,519
	\$ 86,817,096	\$ 83,964,909
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 7,720,128	\$ 7,135,266
Accrued payroll and other compensation	2,615,389	2,857,524
Accrued expenses - current	3,915,065	2,864,457
Accrued income taxes	751,736	1,092,766
Current portion of long-term debt	1,050,000	2,210,000
Total current liabilities	16,052,318	16,160,013
Long-term debt, less current portion	3,365,709	3,822,500
Deferred compensation	3,228,282	3,489,763
Accrued pension expense	3,591,161	3,271,901
Accrued expenses		254,052
Deferred income taxes	728,760	754,718
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Commitments and Contingencies (Note 8)		
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Stockholders Equity		
First Serial Preferred Stock, \$1.00 par value: Authorized 100,000 shares; none issued		
Common stock, \$.10 par value: Authorized 20,000,000 shares at February 29, 2008 and		
10,000,000 shares at August 31, 2007; 8,305,977 shares at February 29, 2008 and 8,219,350		
shares at August 31, 2007 issued and outstanding	830,598	821,935
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Additional paid-in capital	3,368,981	2,680,170
Accumulated other comprehensive income	483,981	583,799
Retained earnings	55,167,306	52,126,058
Total stockholders equity	59,850,866	56,211,962
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 86,817,096	\$ 83,964,909

CHASE CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months Ended			Six Months Ended			
	February 2	9, 2008	February 28, 2007		February 29, 2008	Feb	oruary 28, 2007
Revenue							
Sales	\$ 27	,871,519	\$	27,082,315	\$ 62,095,397	\$	57,767,743
Royalty and commissions		375,058		421,373	787,018		980,541
	28	,246,577		27,503,688	62,882,415		58,748,284
Costs and Expenses							
Cost of products and services sold	19	,708,382		20,031,761	42,672,334		41,827,359
Selling, general and administrative expenses	5	,660,308		5,133,211	11,863,485		10,348,989
Operating income	2	,877,887		2,338,716	8,346,596		6,571,936
Interest expense		(62,751)		(246,423)	(145,703)		(491,351)
Other income, net		144.808		85,000	273,965		140,737
Other income, net		144,000		85,000	213,903		140,737
Income before income taxes	2	,959,944		2,177,293	8,474,858		6,221,322
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Income taxes	1	,095,179		805,598	3,135,697		2,301,889
Net income	\$ 1	,864,765	\$	1,371,695	\$ 5,339,161	\$	3,919,433
Net income per common and common							
equivalent share							
Basic	\$	0.23	\$	0.17		\$	0.49
Diluted	\$	0.22	\$	0.16	\$ 0.62	\$	0.47
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Weighted average shares outstanding	0	200.000		0.001.670	0.004.015		7.057.206
Basic		,280,098		8,031,670	8,226,315		7,957,306
Diluted	8	,633,253		8,338,918	8,570,050		8,267,270

CHASE CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

SIX MONTHS ENDED FEBRUARY 29, 2008

(UNAUDITED)

				Additional	Ac	cumulated Other		Total	
	Comm	on St			Con	prehensive	Retained	Stockholders	Comprehensive
	Shares	I	Amount	Capital		Income	Earnings	Equity	Income
Balance at August 31, 2007	8,219,350	\$	821,935 \$	2,680,170	\$	583,799 \$	52,126,058 \$	56,211,962	
Change in accounting for income									
tax uncertainties pursuant to									
adoption									
of FIN 48							(230,198)	(230,198))
Restricted stock grants	53,169		5,317	(5,317))				
Amortization of restricted stock									
grants				148,638				148,638	
Stock grants	400		40	7,600				7,640	
Exercise of stock options	27,500		2,750	145,687				148,437	
Common stock received for									
payment of stock option exercise	(1,091)		(109)	(20,891))			(21,000))
Tax benefit from exercise of stock									
options				308,759				308,759	
Common stock issuance pursuant									
to fully vested restricted stock									
units	6,649		665	104,335				105,000	
Cash dividend paid, \$0.25 per									
share							(2,067,715)	(2,067,715))
Foreign currency translation									
adjustment, net of tax						(23,545)		(23,545))\$ (23,545
Net unrealized (loss) on restricted						(= < 0= 0)			
investments, net of tax						(76,273)	7 220 4 44	(76,273)	
Net income							5,339,161	5,339,161	5,339,161
Comprehensive income	0.205.077	Φ.	020 700 *	2.260.001	Ф	400.001	55 165 206 *	50.050.655	\$ 5,239,343
Balance at February 29, 2008	8,305,977	\$	830,598 \$	3,368,981	\$	483,981 \$	55,167,306 \$	59,850,866	

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(UNAUDITED)

	Six Months Ended				
	Feb	oruary 29, 2008	February 28, 2007		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Net income	\$	5,339,161	\$	3,919,433	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities					
Depreciation		1,342,836		1,178,224	
Amortization		587,484		431,483	
Provision for losses on trade receivables		19,582		122,471	
Stock based compensation		925,590		430,011	
Excess tax benefit from exercise of stock options		(308,759)		(1,929,730)	
Increase (decrease) from changes in assets and liabilities		(===,==,		()= = , = = ,	
Accounts receivable		1,426,881		1,151,144	
Inventories		(3,290,128)		(2,156,784)	
Prepaid expenses & other assets		(178,182)		(1,760,262)	
Accounts payable		284,944		(219,646)	
Accrued expenses		(125,630)		1,336,188	
Accrued income taxes		(285,603)		1,153,416	
Deferred compensation		(823,531)		(474,650)	
Net cash provided by operating activities		4,914,645		3,181,298	
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES					
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(1,497,078)		(565,109)	
Purchases of intangible assets				(5,999)	
Contingent purchase price for acquisition		(5,277)		(-,)	
Payments for acquisitions, net of cash acquired		(1,489,769)		(1,690,000)	
Investment in restricted investments, net of withdrawals		135,673		2,579	
Distributions from cost based investment		20,619		,	
Payments for cash surrender value life insurance, net of valuation decrease		(61,599)		(61,599)	
Net cash used in investing activities		(2,897,431)		(2,320,128)	
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CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES					
Borrowings on long-term debt		14,719,810		19,460,749	
Payments of principal on debt		(16,336,601)		(19,882,820)	
Dividend paid		(2,067,715)		(1,589,162)	
Proceeds from exercise of common stock options		127,437		684,768	
Excess tax benefit from exercise of stock options		308,759		1,929,730	
Payments of statutory minimum taxes on stock options and restricted stock				(1,444,852)	
Net cash used in financing activities		(3,248,310)		(841,587)	
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH		(1,231,096)		19,583	
Effect of foreign exchange rates on cash		(73,358)		101,626	
CASH, BEGINNING OF PERIOD		2,443,750		2,416,097	
CASH, END OF PERIOD	\$	1,139,296	\$	2,537,306	
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Non-cash Investing and Financing Activities					
Issuance of stock based compensation previously accrued for	\$	105,000	\$	113,933	
Common stock received for payment of stock option exercises	\$	21,000	\$	3,079,588	
Accrued contingent payments related to acquisitions	\$		\$	110,000	

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(UNAUDITED)

Note 1 - Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial reporting and instructions to Form 10-Q and Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X. Therefore, they do not include all information and footnote disclosure necessary for a complete presentation of Chase Corporation's financial position, results of operations and cash flows, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Chase Corporation (Chase or the Company) filed audited financial statements which included all information and notes necessary for such presentation for the three years ended August 31, 2007 in conjunction with the Company's 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring items) which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the Company s financial position as of February 29, 2008, the results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods ended February 29, 2008 and February 28, 2007, and changes in stockholders equity for the interim period ended February 29, 2008.

The financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation. The Company uses the U.S. dollar as the reporting currency for financial reporting. Foreign currency translation gains and losses are determined using current exchange rates for monetary items and historical exchange rates for other balance sheet items.

Certain amounts reported in prior years have been reclassified to be consistent with the current year presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on the Company s financial position or results of operations.

The results of operations for the interim period ended February 29, 2008 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for any future period or the entire fiscal year. These interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended August 31, 2007, which are contained in the Company s 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

On June 27, 2007, Chase Corporation completed a two-for-one stock split, in the form of a 100% stock dividend. The stock split entitled all stockholders of record at the close of business on June 13, 2007 to receive one additional share of the Company s common stock, par value \$.10 per share, for each share of Common Stock held on that date. All references to common shares and per share amounts herein have been restated to reflect the stock split for all periods presented.

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Note 2 Inventories

Inventories consist of the following as of February 29, 2008 and August 31, 2007:

	February 29, 2008	August 31, 2007
Raw materials	\$ 10,596,436 \$	8,245,933
Finished and in process	8,193,122	6,889,840
Total Inventories	\$ 18,789,558 \$	15,135,773

Note 3 Net Income Per Share

Net income per share is calculated as follows:

	Three Months Ended				Six Months Ended			
	Febru	ıary 29, 2008	Feb	ruary 28, 2007	Fel	bruary 29, 2008	Feb	ruary 28, 2007
Net income	\$	1,864,765	\$	1,371,695	\$	5,339,161	\$	3,919,433
Weighted average common shares								
outstanding		8,280,098		8,031,670		8,226,315		7,957,306
Additional dilutive common stock								
equivalents		353,155		307,248		343,735		309,964
Diluted shares outstanding		8,633,253		8,338,918		8,570,050		8,267,270
Net income per share - Basic	\$	0.23	\$	0.17	\$	0.65	\$	0.49
Net income per share - Diluted	\$	0.22	\$	0.16	\$	0.62	\$	0.47

Note 4 Stock Based Compensation

As part of their annual retainer, non-employee members of the Board of Directors receive \$15,000 of Chase Corporation common stock, in the form of Restricted Stock or Restricted Stock Units valued at the closing price of the day preceding the first day of the new year of Board service which generally coincides with the Company s annual shareholder meeting. The stock award will vest one year from the date of grant. In January 2008 non-employee members of the Board received a total grant of 4,569 shares of restricted stock for service for the period from February 1, 2008 through February 1, 2009. The shares of restricted stock will vest at the conclusion of this service period. The Company is recognizing this compensation expense over the twelve month vesting period on a ratable basis.

In August 2007, the Board of Directors of Chase Corporation approved a plan for issuing a performance and service based restricted stock grant of approximately 48,600 shares to key members of management with an issue date of September 1, 2007 and a vesting date of August 31, 2010. These shares are subject to a performance measurement based upon the results of fiscal 2008 which will determine the final calculation of the number of shares that will be issued (which may be greater than or less than 48,600 shares). Compensation expense is being recognized on a ratable basis over the vesting period based on quarterly probability assessments.

Note 5 Segment Information

The Company operates in two business segments, a Specialized Manufacturing segment and an Electronic Manufacturing Services segment. Specialized Manufacturing products include insulating and conducting materials for wire and cable manufacturers, custom pressure sensitive labels, protective coatings for pipeline applications and moisture protective coatings for electronics, as well as high performance polymeric asphalt additives. Electronic Manufacturing Services include printed circuit board and electro-mechanical

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