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

For the Quarterly Period Ended June 30, 2010

or

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

Commission File Number 001-12822

BEAZER HOMES USA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

58-2086934
(I.R.S. employer
Identification no.)

1000 Abernathy Road, Suite 1200, Atlanta, Georgia 30328
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(770) 829-3700
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Sections 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding twelve months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to the filing requirements for the past 90 days.

YES NO

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

YES NO

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 (Check One):

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

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

YES NO

Class
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value

Outstanding at July 31, 2010
75,677,360 shares

References to "we," "us," "our," "Beazer", "Beazer Homes" and the "Company" in this quarterly report on Form 10-Q refer to Beazer Homes USA, Inc.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements represent our expectations or beliefs concerning future events, and it is possible that the results described in this quarterly report will not be achieved. These forward-looking statements can generally be identified by the use of statements that include words such as “estimate,” “project,” “believe,” “expect,” “anticipate,” “intend,” “plan,” “foresee,” “likely,” “will,” “goal,” “target” or other similar words or phrases. All forward-looking statements are based upon information available to us on the date of this quarterly report.

These forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors, many of which are outside of our control, that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements, including, among other things, the matters discussed in this quarterly report in the section captioned “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.” Additional information about factors that could lead to material changes in performance is contained in Part I, Item 1A— Risk Factors of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2009. Such factors may include:

- the final outcome of various putative class action lawsuits, multi-party suits and similar proceedings as well as the results of any other litigation or government proceedings and fulfillment of the obligations in the Deferred Prosecution Agreement and other settlement agreements and consent orders with governmental authorities;
- additional asset impairment charges or writedowns;
- economic changes nationally or in local markets, including changes in consumer confidence, unemployment rates, volatility of mortgage interest rates and inflation;
- continued or increased downturn in the homebuilding industry;
- estimates related to homes to be delivered in the future (backlog) are imprecise as they are subject to various cancellation risks which cannot be fully controlled;
- continued or increased disruption in the availability of mortgage financing or number of foreclosures in the market;
- our cost of and ability to access capital and otherwise meet our ongoing liquidity needs including the impact of any further downgrades of our credit ratings or reductions in our tangible net worth or liquidity levels;
- potential inability to comply with covenants in our debt agreements, or satisfy such obligations through repayment or refinancing
- increased competition or delays in reacting to changing consumer preference in home design;
- shortages of or increased prices for labor, land or raw materials used in housing production;
- factors affecting margins such as decreased land values underlying land option agreements, increased land development costs on communities under development or delays or difficulties in implementing initiatives to reduce production and overhead cost structure;
- the performance of our joint ventures and our joint venture partners;
- the impact of construction defect and home warranty claims including those related to possible installation of drywall imported from China;
- the cost and availability of insurance and surety bonds;
- delays in land development or home construction resulting from adverse weather conditions;
- potential delays or increased costs in obtaining necessary permits as a result of changes to, or complying with, laws, regulations, or governmental policies and possible penalties for failure to comply with such laws, regulations and governmental policies;
- effects of changes in accounting policies, standards, guidelines or principles; or
- terrorist acts, acts of war and other factors over which the Company has little or no control.

Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which such statement is made, and, except as required by law, we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which such statement is made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. New factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for management to predict all such factors.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION**Item 1. Financial Statements**

BEAZER HOMES USA, INC.
UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(in thousands, except share and per share data)

| | June 30, 2010 | September 30, 2009 |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 471,958 | \$ 507,339 |
| Restricted cash | 42,608 | 49,461 |
| Accounts receivable (net of allowance of \$3,573 and \$7,545, respectively) | 33,910 | 28,405 |
| Income tax receivable | 40,936 | 9,922 |
| Inventory | | |
| Owned inventory | 1,235,073 | 1,265,441 |
| Consolidated inventory not owned | 43,285 | 53,015 |
| Total inventory | 1,278,358 | 1,318,456 |
| Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures | 8,679 | 30,124 |
| Deferred tax assets, net | 11,583 | 7,520 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 23,266 | 25,939 |
| Other assets | 44,787 | 52,244 |
| Total assets | <u>\$ 1,956,085</u> | <u>\$ 2,029,410</u> |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | |
| Trade accounts payable | \$ 67,034 | \$ 70,285 |
| Other liabilities | 198,325 | 227,315 |
| Obligations related to consolidated inventory not owned | 24,359 | 26,356 |
| Total debt (net of discounts of \$24,485 and \$27,257, respectively) | 1,211,636 | 1,508,899 |
| Total liabilities | <u>1,501,354</u> | <u>1,832,855</u> |
| Stockholders' equity: | | |
| Preferred stock (par value \$.01 per share, 5,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued) | — | — |
| Common stock (par value \$0.001 per share, 180,000,000 shares authorized, 75,677,360 and 43,150,472 issued and 75,677,360 and 39,793,316 outstanding, respectively) | 76 | 43 |
| Paid-in capital | 616,712 | 568,019 |
| Accumulated deficit | (162,057) | (187,538) |
| Treasury stock, at cost (0 and 3,357,156 shares, respectively) | — | (183,969) |
| Total stockholders' equity | <u>454,731</u> | <u>196,555</u> |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | <u>\$ 1,956,085</u> | <u>\$ 2,029,410</u> |

See Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

BEAZER HOMES USA, INC.
UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(in thousands, except per share data)

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|--------------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| Total revenue | \$ 339,942 | \$ 224,071 | \$ 756,911 | \$ 628,864 |
| Home construction and land sales expenses | 294,751 | 206,458 | 647,360 | 565,857 |
| Inventory impairments and option contract abandonments | 5,052 | 11,792 | 24,049 | 67,111 |
| Gross profit (loss) | 40,139 | 5,821 | 85,502 | (4,104) |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 54,573 | 49,623 | 145,251 | 169,807 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 3,620 | 4,960 | 9,791 | 12,934 |
| Goodwill impairment | — | — | — | 16,143 |
| Operating loss | (18,054) | (48,762) | (69,540) | (202,988) |
| Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures | (12,492) | (3,428) | (21,314) | (13,191) |
| (Loss) gain on extinguishment of debt | (9,045) | 55,214 | 43,901 | 55,214 |
| Other expense, net | (16,383) | (22,291) | (53,951) | (59,714) |
| Loss from continuing operations before income taxes | (55,974) | (19,267) | (100,904) | (220,679) |
| (Benefit from) provision for income taxes | (28,382) | 6,150 | (124,091) | (7,364) |
| (Loss) income from continuing operations | (27,592) | (25,417) | 23,187 | (213,315) |
| (Loss) income from discontinued operations, net of tax | (224) | (2,559) | 2,294 | (9,859) |
| Net (loss) income | \$ (27,816) | \$ (27,976) | \$ 25,481 | \$ (223,174) |
| Weighted average number of shares: | | | | |
| Basic | 68,310 | 38,815 | 55,079 | 38,666 |
| Diluted | 68,310 | 38,815 | 65,276 | 38,666 |
| Basic (loss) earnings per share: | | | | |
| Continuing operations | \$ (0.41) | \$ (0.65) | \$ 0.42 | \$ (5.52) |
| Discontinued operations | \$ — | \$ (0.07) | \$ 0.04 | \$ (0.25) |
| Total | \$ (0.41) | \$ (0.72) | \$ 0.46 | \$ (5.77) |
| Diluted (loss) earnings per share: | | | | |
| Continuing operations | \$ (0.41) | \$ (0.65) | \$ 0.38 | \$ (5.52) |
| Discontinued operations | \$ — | \$ (0.07) | \$ 0.03 | \$ (0.25) |
| Total | \$ (0.41) | \$ (0.72) | \$ 0.41 | \$ (5.77) |

See Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

BEAZER HOMES USA, INC.
UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(in thousands)

| | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| | 2010 | 2009 |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | |
| Net income (loss) | \$ 25,481 | \$ (223,174) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 9,795 | 13,079 |
| Stock-based compensation expense | 8,398 | 8,865 |
| Inventory impairments and option contract abandonments | 24,281 | 76,320 |
| Goodwill impairment | — | 16,143 |
| Deferred income tax benefit | (4,063) | (1,893) |
| Excess tax benefit from equity-based compensation | 2,057 | 2,267 |
| Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures | 24,045 | 13,795 |
| Cash distributions of income from unconsolidated joint ventures | 75 | 2,991 |
| Gain on early debt extinguishment | (44,602) | (58,788) |
| Provision for doubtful accounts | (3,972) | (2,786) |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: | | |
| (Increase) decrease in accounts receivable | (1,533) | 23,156 |
| (Increase) decrease in income tax receivable | (31,014) | 159,543 |
| Decrease in inventory | 20,442 | 90,833 |
| Decrease in other assets | 6,728 | 21,832 |
| Decrease in trade accounts payable | (3,251) | (13,910) |
| Decrease in other liabilities | (31,626) | (126,760) |
| Other changes | (464) | (13) |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | <u>777</u> | <u>1,500</u> |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | |
| Capital expenditures | (6,658) | (5,484) |
| Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures | (5,122) | (9,042) |
| Increases in restricted cash | (26,250) | (21,958) |
| Decreases in restricted cash | 33,103 | 10,353 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | <u>(4,927)</u> | <u>(26,131)</u> |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | |
| Repayment of debt | (617,133) | (91,154) |
| Proceeds from issuance of new debt | 373,238 | — |
| Debt issuance costs | (9,296) | (1,311) |
| Common stock redeemed | (134) | (22) |
| Proceeds from issuance of common stock | 166,719 | — |
| Proceeds from issuance of TEU prepaid stock purchase contracts | 57,432 | — |
| Excess tax benefit from equity-based compensation | (2,057) | (2,267) |
| Net cash used in financing activities | <u>(31,231)</u> | <u>(94,754)</u> |
| Decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (35,381) | (119,385) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 507,339 | 584,334 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | <u>\$ 471,958</u> | <u>\$ 464,949</u> |

See Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

BEAZER HOMES USA, INC.
NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Beazer Homes USA, Inc. (Beazer Homes or the Company) have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) for interim financial information and in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Such financial statements do not include all of the information and disclosures required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In our opinion, all adjustments (consisting solely of normal recurring accruals) necessary for a fair presentation have been included in the accompanying financial statements. For further information and a discussion of our significant accounting policies other than as discussed below, refer to our audited consolidated financial statements appearing in the Beazer Homes' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2009 (the 2009 Annual Report). Results from our mortgage origination business and our exit markets are reported as discontinued operations in the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations for all periods presented (see Note 13 for further discussion of our Discontinued Operations). We evaluated events that occurred after the balance sheet date but before the financial statements were issued or are available to be issued for accounting treatment and disclosure in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ASC), *Subsequent Events* (ASC 855).

Inventory Valuation — Held for Development. Our homebuilding inventories that are accounted for as held for development include land and home construction assets grouped together as communities. Homebuilding inventories held for development are stated at cost (including direct construction costs, capitalized indirect costs, capitalized interest and real estate taxes) unless facts and circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the assets may not be recoverable. We assess these assets no less than quarterly for recoverability in accordance with the provisions of SFAS 144, *Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets* (ASC 360). Generally, upon the commencement of land development activities, it may take three to five years (depending on, among other things, the size of the community and its sales pace) to fully develop, sell, construct and close all the homes in a typical community. However, the impact of the recent downturn in our business has significantly lengthened the estimated life of many communities. Recoverability of assets is measured by comparing the carrying amount of an asset to future undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If the expected undiscounted cash flows generated are expected to be less than its carrying amount, an impairment charge is recorded to write down the carrying amount of such asset to its estimated fair value based on discounted cash flows.

We conduct a review of the recoverability of our homebuilding inventories held for development at the community level as factors indicate that an impairment may exist. Events and circumstances that might indicate impairment include, but are not limited to, (1) adverse trends in new orders, (2) higher than anticipated cancellations, (3) declining margins which might result from the need to offer incentives to new homebuyers to drive sales or price reductions or other actions taken by our competitors, (4) economic factors specific to the markets in which we operate, including fluctuations in employment levels, population growth, or levels of new and resale homes for sale in the marketplace and (5) a decline in the availability of credit across all industries.

As a result, we evaluate, among other things, the following information for each community:

- Actual "Net Contribution Margin" (defined as homebuilding revenues less homebuilding costs and direct selling expenses) for homes closed in the current fiscal quarter, fiscal year to date and prior two fiscal quarters. Homebuilding costs include land and land development costs (based upon an allocation of such costs, including costs to complete the development, or specific lot costs), home construction costs (including an estimate of costs, if any, to complete home construction), previously capitalized indirect costs (principally for construction supervision), capitalized interest and estimated warranty costs. Direct selling expenses include commission, closing costs, and amortization related to model home furnishings and improvements;
- Projected Net Contribution Margin for homes in backlog;
- Actual and trending new orders and cancellation rates;
- Actual and trending base home sales prices and sales incentives for home sales that occurred in the prior two fiscal quarters that remain in backlog at the end of the fiscal quarter and expected future homes sales prices and sales incentives and absorption over the expected remaining life of the community;
- A comparison of our community to our competition to include, among other things, an analysis of various product offerings including the size and style of the homes currently offered for sale, community amenity levels, availability of lots in our community and our competition's, desirability and uniqueness of our community and other market factors; and
- Other events that may indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

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In determining the recoverability of the carrying value of the assets of a community that we have evaluated as requiring a test for impairment, significant quantitative and qualitative assumptions are made relative to the future home sales prices, sales incentives, direct and indirect costs of home construction and land development and the pace of new home orders. In addition, these assumptions are dependent upon the specific market conditions and competitive factors for each specific community and may differ greatly between communities within the same market and communities in different markets. Our estimates are made using information available at the date of the recoverability test, however, as facts and circumstances may change in future reporting periods, our estimates of recoverability are subject to change.

For assets in communities for which the undiscounted future cash flows are less than the carrying value, the carrying value of that community is written down to its then estimated fair value based on discounted cash flows. The carrying value of assets in communities that were previously impaired and continue to be classified as held for development is not written up for future estimates of increases in fair value in future reporting periods. Market deterioration that exceeds our estimates may lead us to incur additional impairment charges on previously impaired homebuilding assets in addition to homebuilding assets not currently impaired but for which indicators of impairment may arise if the market continues to deteriorate.

The fair value of the homebuilding inventory held for development is estimated using the present value of the estimated future cash flows using discount rates commensurate with the risk associated with the underlying community assets. The discount rate used may be different for each community. The factors considered when determining an appropriate discount rate for a community include, among others: (1) community specific factors such as the number of lots in the community, the status of land development in the community, the competitive factors influencing the sales performance of the community and (2) overall market factors such as employment levels, consumer confidence and the existing supply of new and used homes for sale. The assumptions used in our discounted cash flow models are specific to each community tested for impairment. Historically we did not include market improvements except in limited circumstances in the latter years of long-lived communities. Beginning in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2009, we assumed limited market improvements in some communities beginning in fiscal 2011 and continuing improvement in these communities in subsequent years. We assumed the remaining communities would have market improvements beginning in fiscal 2012.

For the nine months ended June 30, 2010, we used discount rates of 14.2% to 20.0%, in our estimated discounted cash flow impairment calculations. During the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010, we recorded impairments of our inventory in our continuing operations of \$4.5 million and \$22.4 million, respectively for land under development and homes under construction. For the three and nine months ended June 30, 2009, we recorded impairments of our inventory by our continuing operations of \$6.3 million and \$53.3 million, respectively for land under development and homes under construction.

Due to uncertainties in the estimation process, particularly with respect to projected home sales prices and absorption rates, the timing and amount of the estimated future cash flows and discount rates, it is reasonably possible that actual results could differ from the estimates used in our historical analyses. Our assumptions about future home sales prices and absorption rates require significant judgment because the residential homebuilding industry is cyclical and is highly sensitive to changes in economic conditions. We calculated the estimated fair values of inventory held for development that were evaluated for impairment based on current market conditions and assumptions made by management relative to future results. Because our projected cash flows are significantly impacted by changes in market conditions, it is reasonably possible that actual results could differ materially from our estimates and result in additional impairments.

Inventory Valuation – Land Held for Future Development. For those communities for which construction and development activities are expected to occur in the future or have been idled (land held for future development), all applicable interest and real estate taxes are expensed as incurred and the inventory is stated at cost unless facts and circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the assets may not be recoverable. The future enactment of a development plan or the occurrence of events and circumstances may indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Annually, we evaluate the potential development plans of each community in land held for future development to determine if changes in facts and circumstances occurred which would give rise to a more detailed analysis for a change in the status of a community to active status or held for development.

Asset Valuation — Land Held for Sale. We record assets held for sale at the lower of the carrying value or fair value less costs to sell. The following criteria are used to determine if land is held for sale:

- management has the authority and commits to a plan to sell the land;
- the land is available for immediate sale in its present condition;
- there is an active program to locate a buyer and the plan to sell the property has been initiated;

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- the sale of the land is probable within one year;
- the property is being actively marketed at a reasonable sale price relative to its current fair value; and
- it is unlikely that the plan to sell will be withdrawn or that significant changes to the plan will be made.

Additionally, in certain circumstances, management will re-evaluate the best use of an asset that is currently being accounted for as held for development. In such instances, management will review, among other things, the current and projected competitive circumstances of the community, including the level of supply of new and used inventory, the level of sales absorptions by us and our competition, the level of sales incentives required and the number of owned lots remaining in the community. If, based on this review and the foregoing criteria have been met at the end of the applicable reporting period, we believe that the best use of the asset is the sale of all or a portion of the asset in its current condition, then all or portions of the community are accounted for as held for sale.

In determining the fair value of the assets less cost to sell, we considered factors including current sales prices for comparable assets in the area, recent market analysis studies, appraisals, any recent legitimate offers, and listing prices of similar properties. If the estimated fair value less cost to sell of an asset is less than its current carrying value, the asset is written down to its estimated fair value less cost to sell. During the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010, we recorded inventory impairments on land held for sale by our continuing operations of \$0 and \$1.1 million, respectively, compared to \$4.4 million and \$10.0 million, respectively, for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2009.

Due to uncertainties in the estimation process, it is reasonably possible that actual results could differ from the estimates used in our historical analyses. Our assumptions about land sales prices require significant judgment because the current market is highly sensitive to changes in economic conditions. We calculated the estimated fair values of land held for sale based on current market conditions and assumptions made by management, which may differ materially from actual results and may result in additional impairments if market conditions continue to deteriorate.

Goodwill. Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of assets acquired. Historically we tested goodwill for impairment annually as of April 30 or more frequently if an event occurs or circumstances indicated that the asset might be impaired. During the quarter ended December 31, 2008 we impaired our remaining goodwill of \$16.1 million and the Company had no goodwill remaining at June 30, 2010 or September 30, 2009.

Stock-Based Compensation. For the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010, our total stock-based compensation expense, included in selling, general and administrative expenses (SG&A), was approximately \$3.0 million (\$2.0 million net of tax) and \$8.4 million (\$5.7 million net of tax), respectively. For the three and nine months ended June 30, 2009, our total stock-based compensation expense was approximately \$2.6 million (\$1.9 million net of tax) and \$8.9 million (\$6.3 million net of tax), respectively. During the nine months ended June 30, 2010, employees surrendered 27,310 shares to us in payment of minimum tax obligations upon the vesting of stock awards under our stock incentive plans. We valued the stock at the market price on the date of surrender, for an aggregate value of approximately \$134,000. There were no shares surrendered during the three months ended June 30, 2010.

Compensation cost arising from nonvested stock awards granted to employees and from non-employee stock awards is recognized as an expense using the straight-line method over the vesting period. Unearned compensation is included in paid-in capital. As of June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009, there was \$11.4 million and \$9.6 million, respectively, of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested stock awards. The cost remaining at June 30, 2010 is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.6 years. Activity relating to nonvested stock awards for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 is as follows:

| | Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 | | Nine Months Ended June 30, 2010 | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|
| | Shares | Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value | Shares | Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value |
| Beginning of period | 902,250 | \$ 24.28 | 1,126,880 | \$ 27.66 |
| Granted | 1,006,145 | 5.69 | 1,006,145 | 5.69 |
| Vested | — | — | (153,098) | 40.39 |
| Forfeited | (17,647) | 34.11 | (89,179) | 41.34 |
| End of period | 1,890,748 | \$ 14.29 | 1,890,748 | \$ 14.29 |

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There were 1,006,145 options granted in the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 at an exercise price of \$5.69 per option. These options had an average fair value of \$2.55 per option as estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. This fair value computation utilized an expected volatility of 50%, a 0% dividend rate, a risk-free interest rate of 2.33% and an expected life of the options of 4.8 years. The expected volatility is based on the historic returns of our stock and the implied volatility of our publicly-traded options. We assumed no dividends would be paid since our Board of Directors has suspended the payment of dividends indefinitely. The risk-free interest rate is based on the term structure of interest rates at the time of the option grant and we have relied upon a combination of the observed exercise behavior of our prior grants with similar characteristics, the vesting schedule of the current grants, and an index of peer companies with similar grant characteristics to determine the expected life of these options.

The following table summarizes stock options and stock-based stock-settled appreciation rights (SSARs) outstanding as of June 30, 2010, as well as activity during the three and nine months then ended:

| | Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 | | Nine Months Ended June 30, 2010 | |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|
| | Shares | Weighted- Average Exercise Price | Shares | Weighted- Average Exercise Price |
| Outstanding at beginning of period | 1,581,359 | \$ 33.41 | 2,108,914 | \$ 33.07 |
| Granted | 1,006,145 | \$ 5.69 | 1,006,145 | \$ 5.69 |
| Expired/Forfeited | — | — | (61,622) | 24.73 |
| Cancelled | — | — | (465,933) | 33.04 |
| Outstanding at end of period | <u>2,587,504</u> | <u>\$ 22.63</u> | <u>2,587,504</u> | <u>\$ 22.63</u> |
| Exercisable at end of period | <u>558,925</u> | <u>\$ 55.90</u> | <u>558,925</u> | <u>\$ 55.90</u> |
| Vested or expected to vest in the future | <u>2,306,984</u> | <u>\$ 20.53</u> | <u>2,306,984</u> | <u>\$ 20.53</u> |

During the quarter ended December 31, 2009, certain executive officers and directors elected to relinquish 465,933 vested and outstanding options that had exercise prices above \$20 per share in order to provide additional shares for use in a public offering of common shares that was completed in January 2010 (see Note 6 for further discussion). At June 30, 2010, the weighted-average remaining contractual life for all options/SSARs outstanding, currently exercisable, and vested or expected to vest in the future was 5.3 years, 2.7 years and 5.4 years, respectively.

At June 30, 2010, the aggregate intrinsic value of SSARs/options outstanding, vested and expected to vest in the future and SSARs/options exercisable based on the Company's stock price of \$3.63 as of June 30, 2010 was \$0 million. The intrinsic value of a stock option is the amount by which the market value of the underlying stock exceeds the exercise price of the stock option. There were no option/SSAR exercises during the three or nine months ended June 30, 2010.

Other Liabilities. Other liabilities include the following:

| (in thousands) | June 30, 2010 | September 30, 2009 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Income tax liabilities | \$ 57,884 | \$ 50,850 |
| Accrued warranty expenses | 25,373 | 30,100 |
| Accrued interest | 18,472 | 32,533 |
| Accrued and deferred compensation | 25,299 | 29,379 |
| Customer deposits | 5,736 | 5,507 |
| Other | 65,561 | 78,946 |
| Total | <u>\$ 198,325</u> | <u>\$ 227,315</u> |

Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements. In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS 157, *Fair Value Measurements (ASC 820)*. SFAS 157 (ASC 820) provides guidance for using fair value to measure assets and liabilities. SFAS 157 (ASC 820) applies whenever other standards require (or permit) assets or liabilities to be measured at fair value but does not expand the use of fair value in any new circumstances. SFAS 157 (ASC 820) includes provisions that require expanded disclosure of the effect on earnings for items

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measured using unobservable data. In February 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position (FSP) 157-2, *Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157 (ASC 820)*, delaying the effective date of certain non-financial assets and liabilities to fiscal periods beginning after November 15, 2008. The company adopted SFAS 157 (ASC 820) on October 1, 2009 as discussed in Note 10.

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities — Including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115 (ASC 825)*. SFAS 159 (ASC 825) permits companies to measure certain financial instruments and other items at fair value. We have not elected the fair value option applicable under SFAS 159 (ASC 825).

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS 141 (revised 2007), *Business Combinations (ASC 815)*. SFAS 141R (ASC 815) amends and clarifies the accounting guidance for the acquirer's recognition and measurement of assets acquired, liabilities assumed and noncontrolling interests of an acquiree in a business combination. SFAS 141R (ASC 815) is effective for any acquisitions completed by the Company after September 30, 2009.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements — an Amendment of ARB 51 (ASC 810)*. SFAS 160 (ASC 810) requires that a noncontrolling interest (formerly a minority interest) in a subsidiary be classified as equity and the amount of consolidated net income specifically attributable to the noncontrolling interest be included in the consolidated financial statements. The adoption of SFAS 160 (ASC 810) did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial condition and results of operations as of June 30, 2010.

In June 2008, the FASB issued FSP EITF Issue No 03-6-1, *Determining Whether Instruments Granted in Share-Based Payment Transactions are Participating Securities (ASC 260)*. FSP 03-6-1 (ASC 260) clarifies that non-vested share-based payment awards that contain nonforfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents (whether paid or unpaid) are participating securities and are to be included in the computation of earnings per share under the two-class method described in SFAS 128, *Earnings per Share (ASC 260)* and requires that prior period EPS and share data be restated retrospectively for comparability. The Company grants restricted shares under a share-based compensation plan that qualify as participating securities. FSP 03-6-1 (ASC 260) was effective for the Company beginning October 1, 2009. The adoption of this guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's diluted earnings per share for the periods ended June 30, 2010 and 2009.

In May 2008, the FASB issued FSP APB 14-1, *Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash Upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement) (ASC 470)*. FSP APB 14-1 (ASC 470) applies to convertible debt instruments that have a "net settlement feature" permitting settlement partially or fully in cash upon conversion. FSP APB 14-1 (ASC 470) was effective for the Company beginning October 1, 2009. Due to the fact that the Company's convertible securities cannot be settled in cash upon conversion, the adoption of FSP APB 14-1 (ASC 470) did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial condition and results of operations.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted. In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 167, *Amendments to FASB Interpretation No. 46(R) (ASC 810)*, which revises the approach to determining the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity (VIE) to be more qualitative in nature and requires companies to more frequently reassess whether they must consolidate a VIE. SFAS 167 (ASC 810) also requires enhanced disclosures to provide more information about an enterprise's involvement in a variable interest entity. SFAS 167 (ASC 810) is effective for the Company's fiscal year beginning October 1, 2010. The Company is currently reviewing the impact of adopting SFAS 167 (ASC 810) on our consolidated financial statements.

(2) Supplemental Cash Flow Information

During the nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, we paid interest of \$103.3 million and \$111.8 million, respectively. In addition, we paid income taxes of \$0.3 million and \$9.6 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. During the nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, we received tax refunds totaling \$102.1 million and \$169.1 million, respectively. We also had the following non-cash activity (in thousands):

| | Nine Months Ended | |
|--|-------------------|-------------|
| | June 30, | |
| | 2010 | 2009 |
| Supplemental disclosure of non-cash activity: | | |
| Decrease in consolidated inventory not owned | \$ (9,730) | \$ (38,844) |
| Non-cash land acquisitions | 515 | 1,319 |
| Issuance of stock under deferred bonus stock plans | 2,337 | 1,529 |

(3) Investments in Unconsolidated Joint Ventures

As of June 30, 2010, we participated in land development joint ventures in which Beazer Homes had less than a controlling interest. The following table presents our investment in our unconsolidated joint ventures, the total equity and outstanding borrowings of these joint ventures, and our estimated maximum exposure related to our guarantees of these borrowings, as of June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009:

| (in thousands) | June 30, 2010 | September 30, 2009 |
|---|---------------|--------------------|
| Beazer's investment in joint ventures | \$ 8,679 | \$ 30,124 |
| Total equity of joint ventures | 296,902 | 328,875 |
| Total outstanding borrowings of joint ventures | 395,478 | 422,682 |
| Beazer's estimate of its maximum exposure to our loan-to-value maintenance guarantees | — | 3,850 |
| Beazer's estimate of its maximum exposure to our repayment guarantees | 15,789 | 15,789 |

The decrease in our investment in unconsolidated joint ventures from September 30, 2009 to June 30, 2010 relates primarily to additional investments of \$5.1 million offset by impairments. For the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010, the impairments of our investments in certain of our unconsolidated joint ventures, totaling \$12.5 million and \$24.0 million, respectively, were recorded in accordance with APB 18, *Equity Method of Accounting for Investments in Common Stock* (ASC 323), of which \$2.7 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2010 is included in loss from discontinued operations, net of taxes, in the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations. Similar impairments of our investments in certain of our unconsolidated joint ventures totaled \$4.8 million and \$14.4 million for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2009, respectively of which \$0.6 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2009 is included in loss from discontinued operations, net of taxes. Excluding impairments, our equity in income (loss) of unconsolidated joint ventures related to our continuing operations totaled \$18,000 and (\$38,000) for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010, respectively and excluding impairments, our equity in income of unconsolidated joint ventures related to our continuing operations totaled \$0.8 million and \$0.6 million for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2009, respectively.

The aggregate debt of the unconsolidated joint ventures was \$395.5 million and \$422.7 million at June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009, respectively. At June 30, 2010, total borrowings outstanding include \$327.9 million related to one joint venture in which we are a 2.58% member. The \$27.2 million reduction in total outstanding joint venture debt during the period resulted primarily from debt payments of \$30.4 million in accordance with loan agreements and/or negotiated settlements offset by loan draws of \$3.2 million to fund the development activities of certain joint ventures. In December 2009, together with our joint venture partner, we reached agreement with a lender to the joint venture to pay down the joint venture's outstanding debt by \$7.4 million. In connection with this loan repayment, which was funded by capital contributions from both joint venture partners, the lender released the obligations under the related loan-to-value maintenance guarantee.

One of our joint ventures is in default under its debt obligations. During fiscal 2008, the lender to this joint venture, in which we have a 2.58% investment, notified the joint venture members that it believes the joint venture is in default of certain joint venture loan agreements as a result of certain of the Company's joint venture members not complying with all aspects of the joint ventures' loan agreements. The joint venture members are currently in discussions with the lender. In December 2008, the lender filed individual lawsuits against some of the joint venture members and certain of those members' parent companies (including the Company), seeking to recover damages under completion guarantees, among other claims. We intend to vigorously defend against this legal action. The Company's share of the outstanding debt is approximately \$15.1 million at June 30, 2010. Under the terms of the agreement, our repayment guarantee is estimated at \$15.1 million, which is

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triggered in the event of bankruptcy of the joint venture. Due to discussions with our other joint venture members, and based on our revised estimates regarding the realizability of our investment, we impaired our equity interest of \$8.8 million in this joint venture during the quarter ended March 31, 2010. In addition, one member of the joint venture filed an arbitration proceeding against the remaining members related to the plaintiff-member's allegations that the other members have failed to perform under the applicable membership agreements. The arbitration proceeding in this matter was held in February 2010 and the arbitration panel issued its decision on July 6, 2010. Under the decision, the panel denied the plaintiff's specific performance claims and awarded damages in the amount well below the amount claimed. The Company does not believe that its proportional share of the award is considered material to our consolidated financial position or results of operations. The company has recorded an accrual for such matter (see Note 9 for additional information). In addition, certain of the joint venture members have curtailed their funding of their allocable joint venture obligations. Given the inherent uncertainties involved in the ongoing negotiations among the joint venture members, as of June 30, 2010, no accrual has been recorded with respect to the unfunded amounts, as obligations to Beazer, if any, related to these matters were not both probable and reasonably estimable.

Our joint ventures typically obtain secured acquisition, development and construction financing. Generally Beazer and our joint venture partners provide varying levels of guarantees of debt and other obligations for our unconsolidated joint ventures. At June 30, 2010, these guarantees included, for certain joint ventures, construction completion guarantees, loan-to-value maintenance agreements, repayment guarantees and environmental indemnities.

In assessing the need to record a liability for the contingent aspect of these guarantees in accordance with FIN 45, *Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others* (ASC 400), we consider our historical experience in being required to perform under the guarantees, the fair value of the collateral underlying these guarantees and the financial condition of the applicable unconsolidated joint ventures. In addition, we monitor the fair value of the collateral of these unconsolidated joint ventures to ensure that the related borrowings do not exceed the specified percentage of the value of the property securing the borrowings. We have not recorded a liability for the contingent aspects of any guarantees that we determined were reasonably possible but not probable.

Construction Completion Guarantees

We and our joint venture partners may be obligated to the project lenders to complete land development improvements and the construction of planned homes if the joint venture does not perform the required development. Provided the joint venture and the partners are not in default under any loan provisions, the project lenders typically are obligated to fund these improvements through any financing commitments available under the applicable loans. A majority of these construction completion guarantees are joint and several with our partners. In those cases, we generally have a reimbursement arrangement with our partner which provides that neither party is responsible for more than its proportionate share of the guarantee. However, if our joint venture partner does not have adequate financial resources to meet its obligations under such reimbursement arrangement, we may be liable for more than our proportionate share, up to our maximum exposure, which is the full amount covered by the relevant joint and several guarantee. The guarantees cover a specific scope of work, which may range from an individual development phase to the completion of the entire project. At June 30, 2010, we have a completion guarantee related to one joint venture loan which also has a repayment guarantee associated with it. No accrual has been recorded, as losses, if any, related to construction completion guarantees are not both probable and reasonably estimable.

Loan-to-Value Maintenance Agreements

We and our joint venture partners may provide credit enhancements to acquisition, development and construction borrowings in the form of loan-to-value maintenance agreements, which can limit the amount of additional funding provided by the lenders or require repayment of the borrowings to the extent such borrowings plus construction completion costs exceed a specified percentage of the value of the property securing the borrowings. The agreements generally require periodic reappraisals of the underlying property value. To the extent that the underlying property gets reappraised, the amount of the exposure under the loan-to-value-maintenance (LTV) guarantee would be adjusted accordingly and any such change could be significant. In certain cases, we may be required to make a re-balancing payment following a reappraisal in order to reduce the applicable loan-to-value ratio to the required level. As of June 30, 2010, we do not have any obligations related to LTV guarantees.

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Repayment Guarantees

We and our joint venture partners have repayment guarantees related to certain joint ventures' borrowings. These repayment guarantees require the repayment of all or a portion of the debt of the unconsolidated joint venture only in the event the joint venture defaults on its obligations under the borrowing or in some cases only in the event the joint venture files for bankruptcy. Our estimate of Beazer's maximum exposure to our repayment guarantees related to the outstanding debt of its unconsolidated joint ventures was \$15.8 million at June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009.

Environmental Indemnities

Additionally, we and our joint venture partners generally provide unsecured environmental indemnities to joint venture project lenders. In each case, we have performed due diligence on potential environmental risks. These indemnities obligate us to reimburse the project lenders for claims related to environmental matters for which they are held responsible. For the quarters ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, we were not required to make any payments related to environmental indemnities. No accrual has been recorded, as losses, if any, related to environmental indemnities are not both probable and reasonably estimable.

(4) Inventory

| <i>(in thousands)</i> | June 30, 2010 | September 30, 2009 |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Homes under construction | \$ 277,671 | \$ 219,724 |
| Development projects in progress | 452,383 | 487,457 |
| Land held for future development | 382,680 | 417,834 |
| Land held for sale | 37,373 | 42,470 |
| Capitalized interest | 38,647 | 38,338 |
| Model homes | 46,319 | 59,618 |
| Total owned inventory | \$1,235,073 | \$1,265,441 |

Homes under construction includes homes finished and ready for delivery and homes in various stages of construction. We had 319 (\$52.7 million) and 270 (\$46.3 million) completed homes that were not subject to a sales contract at June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009, respectively. Development projects in progress consist principally of land and land improvement costs. Certain of the fully developed lots in this category are reserved by a deposit or sales contract. Land held for future development consists of communities for which construction and development activities are expected to occur in the future or have been idled and are stated at cost unless facts and circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the assets may not be recoverable. All applicable interest and real estate taxes are expensed as incurred. During the current quarter, we reclassified approximately \$28 million of land held for future development to development projects in progress. During fiscal 2009 and 2008, the Company decided to reallocate capital employed through strategic sales of select properties and through the exiting of certain markets no longer viewed as strategic and has recorded such land as held for sale. Land held for sale as of June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009 principally included land held for sale in the markets we decided to exit including Colorado and Charlotte, North Carolina.

Total owned inventory, by reportable segment, is set forth in the table below (in thousands):

| | June 30, 2010 | | | | September 30, 2009 | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| | Projects in Progress | Held for Future Development | Land Held for Sale | Total Owned Inventory | Projects in Progress | Held for Future Development | Land Held for Sale | Total Owned Inventory |
| West Segment | \$ 301,897 | \$ 311,389 | \$ 5,587 | \$ 618,873 | \$ 282,753 | \$ 345,050 | \$ 8,171 | \$ 635,974 |
| East Segment | 332,643 | 47,604 | 1,375 | 381,622 | 340,859 | 49,097 | 2,927 | 392,883 |
| Southeast Segment | 117,907 | 23,687 | 423 | 142,017 | 121,621 | 23,687 | 423 | 145,731 |
| Unallocated | 57,834 | — | — | 57,834 | 56,992 | — | — | 56,992 |
| Discontinued Operations | 4,739 | — | 29,988 | 34,727 | 2,912 | — | 30,949 | 33,861 |
| Total | \$ 815,020 | \$ 382,680 | \$ 37,373 | \$ 1,235,073 | \$ 805,137 | \$ 417,834 | \$ 42,470 | \$ 1,265,441 |

Unallocated inventory above primarily includes capitalized interest and indirect construction costs that are not allocated to the segments. Projects in progress in our discontinued operations relate to homes repurchased in Denver related to soil compaction issues.

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The following tables set forth, by reportable segment, the inventory impairments and lot option abandonment charges recorded (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| Development projects and homes in process (Held for Development) | | | | |
| West | \$ 3,391 | \$ 3,534 | \$ 10,340 | \$ 31,021 |
| East | 463 | 1,260 | 2,581 | 7,884 |
| Southeast | 92 | 1,234 | 7,473 | 10,874 |
| Unallocated | 568 | 241 | 2,040 | 3,515 |
| Subtotal | \$ 4,514 | \$ 6,269 | \$ 22,434 | \$ 53,294 |
| Land Held for Sale | | | | |
| West | \$ — | \$ 4,279 | \$ 1,061 | \$ 7,236 |
| East | — | — | — | 307 |
| Southeast | — | 141 | — | 2,452 |
| Subtotal | \$ — | \$ 4,420 | \$ 1,061 | \$ 9,995 |
| Lot Option Abandonments | | | | |
| West | \$ 526 | \$ 11 | \$ 533 | \$ 87 |
| East | 7 | 1,092 | 6 | 2,808 |
| Southeast | 5 | — | 15 | 927 |
| Subtotal | \$ 538 | \$ 1,103 | \$ 554 | \$ 3,822 |
| Continuing Operations | \$ 5,052 | \$ 11,792 | \$ 24,049 | \$ 67,111 |
| Discontinued Operations | | | | |
| Held for Development | \$ — | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 93 |
| Land Held for Sale | 73 | 64 | 232 | 8,922 |
| Lot Option Abandonments | — | — | — | 194 |
| Subtotal | \$ 73 | \$ 64 | \$ 232 | \$ 9,209 |
| Total | \$ 5,125 | \$ 11,856 | \$ 24,281 | \$ 76,320 |

The inventory held for development that was impaired during the three months ended June 30, 2010 represented 131 lots in 3 communities with an estimated fair value of \$5.4 million compared to 117 lots in 4 communities with an estimated fair value of \$5.9 million for the three months ended June 30, 2009. For the nine months ended June 30, 2010, the inventory impaired represented 1,060 lots in 25 communities with an estimated fair value of \$48.7 million compared to 2,208 lots in 32 communities with an estimated fair value of \$72.5 million for the comparable period of the prior year. During the current period, for certain communities we determined that it was prudent to reduce sales prices or further increase sales incentives in response to factors including competitive market conditions. Because the projected cash flows used to evaluate the fair value of inventory are significantly impacted by changes in market conditions including decreased sales prices, the change in sales prices and changes in absorption estimates led to additional impairments in certain communities during the current quarter. In future periods, we may again determine that it is prudent to reduce sales prices, further increase sales incentives or reduce absorption rates which may lead to additional impairments, which could be material. The impairments recorded on our held for development inventory for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, primarily resulted from the competitive market conditions in those specific submarkets for the product and locations of these communities.

During the nine months ended June 30, 2010, as a result of challenging market conditions and review of recent comparable transactions, certain of the Company's land held for sale was further written down to net realizable value, less estimated costs to sell.

We also have access to land inventory through lot option contracts, which generally enable us to defer acquiring portions of properties owned by third parties and unconsolidated entities until we have determined whether to exercise our lot option. A majority of our lot option contracts require a non-refundable cash deposit or irrevocable letter of credit based on a percentage of the purchase price of the land for the right to acquire lots during a specified period of time at a certain price. Under lot option contracts, purchase of the properties is contingent upon satisfaction of certain requirements by us and the sellers. Under option contracts, our liability is generally limited to forfeiture of the non-refundable deposits, letters of credit and other non-refundable amounts incurred, which aggregated approximately \$37.2 million at June 30, 2010. This amount includes non-refundable letters of credit of approximately \$3.7 million. The

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total remaining purchase price, net of cash deposits, committed under these option contracts was \$271.3 million as of June 30, 2010, representing 5,909 lots.

We have determined the proper course of action with respect to a number of communities within each homebuilding segment was to abandon the remaining lots under option and to write-off the deposits securing the option takedowns, as well as preacquisition costs. In determining whether to abandon a lot option contract, we evaluate the lot option primarily based upon the expected cash flows from the property that is the subject of the option. If we intend to abandon or walk-away from a lot option contract, we record a charge to earnings in the period such decision is made for the deposit amount and any related capitalized costs associated with the lot option contract.

We expect to exercise, subject to market conditions, most of our remaining option contracts. Various factors, some of which are beyond our control, such as homebuyer demand, home inventory levels, employment activity, weather conditions and the timing of the completion of development activities, will have a significant impact on the timing of option exercises or whether land options will be exercised.

Certain of our option contracts are with sellers who are deemed to be VIEs under FASB Interpretation No. 46 (Revised), *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of ARB No. 51* (ASC 470). ASC 470 defines a VIE as an entity with insufficient equity investment to finance its planned activities without additional financial support or an entity in which the equity investors lack certain characteristics of a controlling financial interest. An enterprise that absorbs a majority of the expected losses or receives a majority of the expected residual returns of a VIE is deemed to be the primary beneficiary of the VIE and must consolidate the VIE.

We have determined that we are the primary beneficiary of certain of these option contracts. Our risk is generally limited to the option deposits that we pay, and creditors of the sellers generally have no recourse to the general credit of the Company. Although we do not have legal title to the optioned land, for those option contracts for which we are the primary beneficiary, we are required to consolidate the land under option at fair value. We believe that the exercise prices of our option contracts approximate their fair value. Our unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets at June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009 reflect consolidated inventory not owned of \$43.3 million and \$53.0 million, respectively. We consolidated \$34.7 million and \$42.8 million of lot option agreements as consolidated inventory not owned pursuant to ASC 470 as of June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009, respectively. In addition, as of June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009, we recorded \$8.6 million and \$10.2 million, respectively, of land under the caption "consolidated inventory not owned" related to lot option agreements in accordance with ASC 470. Obligations related to consolidated inventory not owned totaled \$24.4 million at June 30, 2010 and \$26.4 million at September 30, 2009. The difference between the balances of consolidated inventory not owned and obligations related to consolidated inventory not owned represents cash deposits paid under the option agreements.

(5) Interest

Our ability to capitalize all interest incurred during the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 has been limited by the reduction in our inventory eligible for capitalization. The following table sets forth certain information regarding interest (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| Capitalized interest in inventory, beginning of period | \$ 41,107 | \$ 45,466 | \$ 38,338 | \$ 45,977 |
| Interest incurred | 31,561 | 35,806 | 96,977 | 103,059 |
| Capitalized interest impaired | (196) | (160) | (1,292) | (2,113) |
| Interest expense not qualified for capitalization and included as other expense | (17,381) | (23,727) | (57,478) | (65,986) |
| Capitalized interest amortized to house construction and land sales expenses | (16,444) | (12,999) | (37,898) | (36,551) |
| Capitalized interest in inventory, end of period | <u>\$ 38,647</u> | <u>\$ 44,386</u> | <u>\$ 38,647</u> | <u>\$ 44,386</u> |

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Basic and diluted earnings per share are calculated as follows (in thousands, except per share amounts):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| (Loss) income from continuing operations | \$ (27,592) | \$ (25,417) | \$ 23,187 | \$ (213,315) |
| (Loss) income from discontinued operations, net of tax | (224) | (2,559) | 2,294 | (9,859) |
| Net (loss) income | <u>\$ (27,816)</u> | <u>\$ (27,976)</u> | <u>\$ 25,481</u> | <u>\$ (223,174)</u> |
| Weighted average number of shares outstanding — basic | 68,310 | 38,815 | 55,079 | 38,666 |
| Basic (loss) earnings per share from continuing operations | \$ (0.41) | \$ (0.65) | \$ 0.42 | \$ (5.52) |
| Basic (loss) earnings per share from discontinued operations | \$ — | \$ (0.07) | \$ 0.04 | \$ (0.25) |
| Basic (loss) earnings per share | <u>\$ (0.41)</u> | <u>\$ (0.72)</u> | <u>\$ 0.46</u> | <u>\$ (5.77)</u> |
| Diluted: | | | | |
| Interest on convertible debt — net of taxes | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 1,434 | \$ — |
| (Loss) income from continuing operations for diluted EPS | \$ (27,592) | \$ (25,417) | \$ 24,621 | \$ (213,315) |
| (Loss) income from discontinued operations, net of tax for diluted EPS | (224) | (2,559) | 2,294 | (9,859) |
| (Loss) income for diluted EPS | <u>\$ (27,816)</u> | <u>\$ (27,976)</u> | <u>\$ 26,915</u> | <u>\$ (223,174)</u> |
| Weighted average number of shares outstanding — basic | 68,310 | 38,815 | 55,079 | 38,666 |
| Effect of dilutive securities: | | | | |
| Shares issuable upon conversion of convertible debt | — | — | 7,738 | — |
| Shares issuable upon conversion of TEU prepaid stock purchase contracts | — | — | 2,459 | — |
| Weighted average number of shares outstanding — diluted | <u>68,310</u> | <u>38,815</u> | <u>65,276</u> | <u>38,666</u> |
| Diluted (loss) earnings per share from continuing operations | \$ (0.41) | \$ (0.65) | \$ 0.38 | \$ (5.52) |
| Diluted (loss) earnings per share from discontinued operations | \$ — | \$ (0.07) | \$ 0.03 | \$ (0.25) |
| Diluted (loss) earnings per share | <u>\$ (0.41)</u> | <u>\$ (0.72)</u> | <u>\$ 0.41</u> | <u>\$ (5.77)</u> |

In computing diluted earnings per share for the nine months ended June 30, 2010, options/SSARs to purchase 1.9 million shares of common stock were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive. In computing diluted loss per share for the three months ended June 30, 2010 and the three and nine months ended June 30, 2009, all common stock equivalents were excluded from the computation of diluted loss per share as a result of their anti-dilutive effect.

On November 18, 2005, our Board of Directors authorized a stock repurchase plan of up to ten million shares of our common stock. During the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 we did not repurchase any shares. At June 30, 2010, there are approximately 5.4 million additional shares available for purchase pursuant to the plan; however, our repurchase program is suspended and any resumption of such program will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors and as allowed by our debt covenants and is unlikely in the foreseeable future.

Effective January 7, 2010, we amended our Section 382 Stockholder Rights Plan (the Rights Plan) to advance its expiration date to January 7, 2010. As a result, the Rights Plan is no longer in effect.

On January 12, 2010, we closed on our underwritten public offering of 22,425,000 shares of Beazer common stock. The Company utilized 3.4 million shares of treasury stock and received net proceeds of \$97.8 million from the offering, after underwriting discounts, commissions and transaction expenses.

On May 10, 2010, we concurrently closed on our underwritten public offerings of 12.5 million shares of Beazer common stock and 3.0 million 7.25% tangible equity units (TEUs) and received net proceeds of \$141.6 million from these two offerings, after underwriting

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discounts, commissions and transaction expenses. Each TEU is comprised of a prepaid stock purchase contract and a senior amortizing note due August 15, 2013 (see Note 7 for discussion of the amortizing notes) which are legally separable and detachable. The prepaid stock purchase contracts will convert to Beazer Homes stock on August 15, 2013 based on the applicable settlement factor, as defined in the offering agreement, which will be between 3.5126 shares per unit and 4.3029 shares per unit. We have accounted for the prepaid stock purchase contracts as equity and recorded \$57.4 million, the initial fair value of these contracts, based on the relative fair value method, as additional paid in capital as of June 30, 2010.

(7) Borrowings

At June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009 we had the following long-term debt (*in thousands*):

| | Maturity Date | June 30, 2010 | September 30, 2009 |
|--|---------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Secured Revolving Credit Facility | August 2011 | \$ — | \$ — |
| 8 5/8% Senior Notes | May 2011 | — | 127,254 |
| 8 3/8% Senior Notes | April 2012 | — | 303,599 |
| 6 1/2% Senior Notes | November 2013 | 164,473 | 164,473 |
| 6 7/8% Senior Notes | July 2015 | 209,454 | 209,454 |
| 8 1/8% Senior Notes | June 2016 | 180,879 | 180,879 |
| 12% Senior Secured Notes | October 2017 | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| 9 1/8% Senior Notes | June 2018 | 300,000 | — |
| TEU Senior Amortizing Notes | August 2013 | 15,738 | — |
| 4 5/8% Convertible Senior Notes | June 2024 | — | 154,500 |
| Unamortized debt discounts | | (24,485) | (27,257) |
| Total Senior Notes, net | | <u>1,096,059</u> | <u>1,362,902</u> |
| Mandatory Convertible Subordinated Notes | January 2013 | 57,500 | — |
| Junior subordinated notes | July 2036 | 46,953 | 103,093 |
| Other secured notes payable | Various Dates | 10,418 | 12,543 |
| Model home financing obligations | Various Dates | 706 | 30,361 |
| Total debt, net | | <u>\$ 1,211,636</u> | <u>\$ 1,508,899</u> |

Secured Revolving Credit Facility — On August 5, 2009, we entered into an amendment to our Secured Revolving Credit Facility that reduced the size of the facility to \$22 million. The Secured Revolving Credit Facility is provided by one lender. The Secured Revolving Credit Facility provides for future working capital and letter of credit needs collateralized by either cash or assets of the Company at our option, based on certain conditions and covenant compliance. As of June 30, 2010, we have elected to cash collateralize all letters of credit; however we have pledged approximately \$1.0 billion of inventory assets to our revolving credit facility to collateralize potential future borrowings or letters of credit. The Secured Revolving Credit Facility contains certain covenants, including negative covenants and financial maintenance covenants, with which we are required to comply. Subject to our option to cash collateralize our obligations under the Secured Revolving Credit Facility upon certain conditions, our obligations under the Secured Revolving Credit Facility are secured by liens on substantially all of our personal property and a significant portion of our owned real properties. There were no outstanding borrowings under the Secured Revolving Credit Facility as of June 30, 2010 or September 30, 2009.

We have entered into stand-alone, cash-secured letter of credit agreements with banks to maintain pre-existing letters of credit and to provide for the issuance of new letters of credit. The letter of credit arrangements combined with our revolving credit facility provide a total letter of credit capacity of approximately \$94.6 million. As of June 30, 2010, we have secured letters of credit using cash collateral in restricted accounts totaling \$41.8 million. The Company may enter into additional arrangements to provide additional letter of credit capacity.

Senior Notes — The majority of our Senior Notes are unsecured obligations ranking pari passu with all other existing and future senior indebtedness. Substantially all of our significant subsidiaries are full and unconditional guarantors of the Senior Notes and are jointly and severally liable for obligations under the Senior Notes and the Secured Revolving Credit Facility. Each guarantor subsidiary is a 100% owned subsidiary of Beazer Homes.

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The indentures under which the Senior Notes were issued contain certain restrictive covenants, including limitations on payment of dividends. At June 30, 2010, under the most restrictive covenants of each indenture, no portion of our retained earnings was available for cash dividends or for share repurchases. The indentures provide that, in the event of defined changes in control or if our consolidated tangible net worth falls below a specified level or in certain circumstances upon a sale of assets, we are required to offer to repurchase certain specified amounts of outstanding Senior Notes. Specifically, each indenture (other than the indentures governing the convertible Senior Notes and the Senior Secured Notes) requires us to offer to purchase 10% of each series of Senior Notes at par if our consolidated tangible net worth (defined as stockholders' equity less intangible assets as defined) is less than \$85 million at the end of any two consecutive fiscal quarters. If triggered and fully subscribed, this could result in our having to purchase \$82.5 million of notes, based on the original amounts of the applicable notes; however, this amount may be reduced by certain Senior Note repurchases (potentially at less than par) made after the triggering date. As of June 30, 2010, our consolidated tangible net worth was \$404.6 million.

On January 8, 2010, we redeemed our 8 5/8% Senior Notes due 2011 at par totaling \$127.3 million. This redemption resulted in a loss on debt extinguishment of \$0.9 million due primarily to the acceleration of debt discount and issuance costs. In May 2010, we redeemed our 8 3/8% Senior Notes due 2012 at par for a total of \$303.6 million. This redemption resulted in a loss on debt extinguishment of \$2.9 million, which includes the acceleration of debt issuance cost amortization. In addition, during the quarter ended June 30, 2010, we redeemed for cash all of the outstanding Convertible Senior Notes for a total of \$155.5 million. The redemption resulted in a loss on debt extinguishment of \$6.2 million, which includes the acceleration of debt issuance cost amortization.

During the quarter ended March 31, 2010, we completed an offer to exchange substantially all of the \$250 million 12% Senior Secured Notes due 2017 (the Senior Secured Notes), which were registered under the Securities Act of 1933. These notes were originally issued at a price of 89.5% of their face amount (before underwriting and other issuance costs). Interest on the Senior Secured Notes is payable semi-annually in cash in arrears, commencing April 15, 2010. The Senior Secured Notes were issued under an indenture, dated as of September 11, 2009. The indenture contains covenants which, subject to certain exceptions, limit the ability of the Company and its restricted subsidiaries to, among other things, incur additional indebtedness, engage in certain asset sales, make certain types of restricted payments, engage in transactions with affiliates and create liens on assets of the Company. Upon a change of control, as defined, the indenture requires us to make an offer to repurchase the Senior Secured Notes at 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest. If we sell certain assets and do not reinvest the net proceeds in compliance with the indenture, then we must use the net proceeds to offer to repurchase the Senior Secured Notes at 100% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest. After October 15, 2012, we may redeem some or all of the Senior Secured Notes at redemption prices set forth in the indenture. The Senior Secured Notes are secured on a second priority basis by, subject to exceptions specified in the related agreements, substantially all of the tangible and intangible assets of the Company as defined.

In May 2010, we issued \$300 million aggregate principal amount of 9 1/8% Senior Notes due June 15, 2018. Interest on these notes is payable semi-annually in cash in arrears, commencing on June 15, 2010. These notes are unsecured and rank equally with our unsecured indebtedness. We may, at our option, redeem the 9 1/8% Senior Notes in whole or in part at any time at specified redemption prices which include a "make whole" provision through June 15, 2014.

Also in May 2010, we issued 3 million 7.25% tangible equity units which were comprised of prepaid stock purchase contracts (see Note 6) and senior amortizing notes. The amortizing notes had an aggregate initial principal amount of \$15,738,000 as determined under the relative fair value method. These notes will pay quarterly installments of principal and interest aggregating approximately \$1.4 million per quarter, beginning August 15, 2010 through August 15, 2013, and in the aggregate, these installments will be equivalent to a 7.25% cash payment per year with respect to each \$25 stated amount of the TEUs. The amortizing notes will be unsecured senior obligations and will rank equally with all of our other unsecured indebtedness. If we elect to settle the prepaid stock purchase contracts early, we may be required to repurchase certain amortizing notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest as provided for in the TEU agreement.

As of June 30, 2010, we were in compliance with all covenants under our Senior Notes.

Mandatory Convertible Subordinated Notes — On January 12, 2010, we issued \$57.5 million aggregate principal amount of 7 1/2% Mandatory Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2013 (the Mandatory Convertible Subordinated Notes). Interest on the Mandatory Convertible Subordinated Notes is payable quarterly in cash in arrears, commencing April 15, 2010. Holders of the Mandatory Convertible Subordinated Notes have the right to convert their notes, in whole or in part, at any time prior to maturity, into shares of our common stock at a variable conversion rate based on the price of our stock. The conversion rate will range from 4.4547 to 5.4348

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shares per \$25 principal amount of notes. On the stated maturity date, the Mandatory Convertible Subordinated Notes, unless previously converted, will automatically convert into shares of our common stock, based on the conversion rate applicable on that date.

Junior Subordinated Notes — On June 15, 2006, we completed a private placement of \$103.1 million of unsecured junior subordinated notes which mature on July 30, 2036 and are redeemable at par on or after July 30, 2011 and pay a fixed rate of 7.987% for the first ten years ending July 30, 2016. Thereafter, the securities have a floating interest rate equal to three-month LIBOR plus 2.45% per annum, resetting quarterly. These notes were issued to Beazer Capital Trust I, which simultaneously issued, in a private transaction, trust preferred securities and common securities with an aggregate value of \$103.1 million to fund its purchase of these notes. The transaction is treated as debt in accordance with GAAP. The obligations relating to these notes and the related securities are subordinated to the Secured Revolving Credit Facility and the Senior Notes.

On January 15, 2010, we completed an exchange of \$75 million of our trust preferred securities issued by Beazer Capital Trust I for a new issue of \$75 million of junior subordinated notes due July 30, 2036 issued by the Company (the New Junior Notes). The exchanged trust preferred securities and the related junior subordinated notes issued in 2006 were cancelled effective January 15, 2010. The material terms of the New Junior Notes are identical to the terms of the original trust securities except that when the New Junior Notes change from a fixed rate to a variable rate in August 2016, the variable rate is subject to a floor of 4.25% and a cap of 9.25%. In addition, the Company now has the option to redeem the New Junior Notes beginning on June 1, 2012 at 75% of par value and beginning on June 1, 2022, the redemption price of 75% of par value will increase by 1.785% per year.

The aforementioned exchange has been accounted for as an extinguishment of debt and, as such, the New Junior Notes were recorded at their estimated fair value at the exchange date. Over the remaining life of the New Junior Notes, we will increase their carrying value until this carrying value equals the face value of the notes. During the nine months ended June 30, 2010, we recorded a pre-tax gain on extinguishment of \$53.6 million in connection with this exchange.

Other Secured Notes Payable — We periodically acquire land through the issuance of notes payable. As of June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009, we had outstanding notes payable of \$10.4 million and \$12.5 million, respectively, primarily related to land acquisitions. These notes payable expire at various times through 2011 and had fixed rates ranging from 8.0% to 9.0% at June 30, 2010. These notes are secured by the real estate to which they relate.

The agreements governing these secured notes payable contain various affirmative and negative covenants. There can be no assurance that we will be able to obtain any future waivers or amendments that may become necessary without significant additional cost or at all. In each instance, however, a covenant default can be cured by repayment of the indebtedness.

Model Home Financing Obligations - Due to a continuing interest in certain model home sale-leaseback transactions, we have recorded \$0.7 million and \$30.4 million of debt as of June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009, respectively, related to these “financing” transactions. These model home transactions incur interest at a variable rate of one-month LIBOR plus 450 basis points, 4.85% as of June 30, 2010. The model homes financed in these transactions are recorded as inventory until such homes are sold to the ultimate homebuyer and the related financing obligation is repaid. At such time, we recognize revenue and related costs, and the inventory associated with the model homes and the model home financing obligations are reduced. We expect to conclude this “financing transaction” by September 30, 2010. The sale transaction above is reflected as cash provided by operating activities and the reduction in the model home financing obligation is presented as cash used in financing activities in the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated statements of cash flows.

(8) Income Taxes

Due to *The Worker, Homeownership and Business Assistance Act of 2009* which allowed us to carry back a portion of our fiscal 2009 federal tax losses, the Company received a federal income tax refund of approximately \$101 million during the quarter ended March 31, 2010. During the third quarter of fiscal 2010, we finalized our carry back claim and we requested an additional refund of \$32 million for a total carry back claim of approximately \$133 million. These carry back claims allowed us to claim a refund of taxes paid in prior years and to monetize a deferred tax asset that had previously had a valuation allowance recorded against it. Subsequent to June 30, 2010, we received the additional \$32 million refund.

Our tax benefit from continuing operations of \$28.4 million and \$124.1 million for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 primarily resulted from the enacted tax legislation that allowed us to carry back a portion of our fiscal 2009 federal tax losses and claim a refund on prior year taxes paid. The difference between the additional carry back claim requested during the quarter and our tax benefit from continuing operations results from changes to our estimates of future sources of taxable income and unrecognized tax

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benefits. The principal difference between our effective rate and the U.S. federal statutory rate for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 relates to the carry back of federal tax losses and valuation allowance.

We experienced an “ownership change” as defined in Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code as of January 12, 2010. Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code contains rules that limit the ability of a company that undergoes an “ownership change” to utilize its net operating loss carryforward and certain built-in losses or deductions recognized during the five-year period after the ownership change. Therefore our ability to utilize our pre-ownership change net operating loss (NOL) carryforwards and certain recognized built-in losses or deductions is limited by Section 382 to a maximum annual amount of approximately \$11.4 million.

We established, during fiscal 2008, a valuation allowance for substantially all of our deferred tax assets. Due to a combination of Section 382 limitations and the maximum 20-year carryforward of our NOLs, we will be unable to fully recognize certain deferred tax assets. Accordingly, we have reduced our gross deferred tax assets and corresponding valuation allowance by \$5.9 million during the quarter ended June 30, 2010. As a result, as of June 30, 2010, our remaining valuation allowance was \$372.3 million and we expect to continue to add to our gross deferred tax assets for anticipated NOLs that will not be limited by Section 382. Additionally, as of September 30, 2009, we had approximately \$174.3 million of gross deferred tax assets related to accrued losses on our inventory, an undeterminable portion of which will not be recoverable due to the Section 382 limitation. Due to the continued uncertainty regarding the recoverability of the remaining deferred tax assets, we still believe that a valuation allowance is needed for substantially all of our deferred tax assets. In future periods, the allowance could be modified based on sufficient evidence indicating that more likely than not a portion or all of the Company’s deferred tax assets will be realized.

The IRS is currently conducting a routine examination of our federal income tax returns for fiscal years 2007 through 2009, and certain state taxing authorities are examining various fiscal years. The final outcome of these examinations is not yet determinable. The statute of limitations for our major tax jurisdictions remains open for examination for fiscal 2007 and subsequent years. During the third quarter of fiscal 2010, we closed the federal statute for fiscal year 2006.

(9) Contingencies

Beazer Homes and certain of its subsidiaries have been and continue to be named as defendants in various construction defect claims, complaints and other legal actions that include claims related to Chinese drywall. The Company is subject to the possibility of loss contingencies arising in its business and such contingencies are accounted for in accordance with SFAS 5, *Accounting for Contingencies* (ASC 7). In determining loss contingencies, we consider the likelihood of loss as well as the ability to reasonably estimate the amount of such loss or liability. An estimated loss is recorded when it is considered probable that a liability has been incurred and when the amount of loss can be reasonably estimated.

Warranty Reserves. We currently provide a limited warranty (ranging from one to two years) covering workmanship and materials per our defined performance quality standards. In addition, we provide a limited warranty (generally ranging from a minimum of five years up to the period covered by the applicable statute of repose) covering only certain defined construction defects. We also provide a defined structural element warranty with single-family homes and townhomes in certain states.

Since we subcontract our homebuilding work to subcontractors who generally provide us with an indemnity and a certificate of insurance prior to receiving payments for their work, many claims relating to workmanship and materials are the primary responsibility of the subcontractors.

Warranty reserves are included in other liabilities and the provision for warranty accruals is included in home construction and land sales expenses in the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements. We record reserves covering anticipated warranty expense for each home closed. Management reviews the adequacy of warranty reserves each reporting period based on historical experience and management’s estimate of the costs to remediate the claims and adjusts these provisions accordingly. Our review includes a quarterly analysis of the historical data and trends in warranty expense by operating segment. An analysis by operating segment allows us to consider market specific factors such as our warranty experience, the number of home closings, the prices of homes, product mix and other data in estimating our warranty reserves. In addition, our analysis also contemplates the existence of any non-recurring or community-specific warranty related matters that might not be contemplated in our historical data and trends.

As of June 30, 2010, our warranty reserves includes an estimate for the repair of less than 50 homes in southwest Florida where certain of our subcontractors installed defective Chinese drywall in homes that were delivered during our 2006 and 2007 fiscal years. As of June 30, 2010, we have completed repairs on approximately 40% of these homes and have begun repairing a number of the remaining homes. In the future we may inspect additional homes in order to determine whether they also contain the defective Chinese drywall.

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The outcome of these potential future inspections or an unexpected increase in repair costs may require us to increase our warranty reserve in the future. However, the amount of additional liability, if any, is not reasonably estimable. In addition, the Company has been named as defendants in a number of legal actions related to Chinese drywall (see Other Matters below).

As a result of our analyses, we adjust our estimated warranty liabilities. While we believe that our warranty reserves are adequate as of June 30, 2010, historical data and trends may not accurately predict actual warranty costs, or future developments could lead to a significant change in the reserve. Our warranty reserves are as follows (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| Balance at beginning of period | \$ 26,666 | \$ 32,379 | \$ 30,100 | \$ 40,822 |
| Accruals for warranties issued | 2,349 | 1,753 | 5,112 | 4,633 |
| Changes in liability related to warranties existing in prior periods | 779 | 866 | 731 | (1,548) |
| Payments made | (4,421) | (3,110) | (10,570) | (12,019) |
| Balance at end of period | \$ 25,373 | \$ 31,888 | \$ 25,373 | \$ 31,888 |

Litigation

ERISA Class Actions. On April 30, 2007, a putative class action complaint was filed on behalf of a purported class consisting of present and former participants and beneficiaries of the Beazer Homes USA, Inc. 401(k) Plan against the Company and certain employees and directors of the Company. The complaint alleges breach of fiduciary duties, including those set forth in the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), as a result of the investment of retirement monies held by the 401(k) Plan in common stock of Beazer Homes at a time when participants were allegedly not provided timely, accurate and complete information concerning Beazer Homes. Four additional lawsuits were filed subsequently making similar allegations and the court consolidated these five lawsuits. The parties have reached a settlement which will be largely funded by insurance proceeds and is subject to court approval. Under the terms of the settlement, the lawsuit will be dismissed with prejudice and there will be a release of all claims. The Company has accrued a liability for such matter which is not material to the Company's financial position or results of operations and is included in the total litigation accrual discussed below.

Homeowners Class Action Lawsuits and Multi-Plaintiff Lawsuit. A putative class action was filed on April 8, 2008 in the United States District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina, Salisbury Division, against Beazer Homes, U.S.A., Inc., Beazer Homes Corp. and Beazer Mortgage Corporation. The Complaint alleges that Beazer violated the Real Estate Settlement Practices Act (RESPA) and North Carolina Gen. Stat. § 75-1.1 by (1) improperly requiring homebuyers to use Beazer-owned mortgage and settlement services as part of a down payment assistance program, and (2) illegally increasing the cost of homes and settlement services sold by Beazer Homes Corp. The purported class consists of all residents of North Carolina who purchased a home from Beazer, using mortgage financing provided by and through Beazer that included seller-funded down payment assistance, between January 1, 2000 and October 11, 2007. The parties have reached a tentative agreement to settle the lawsuit, which will be partially funded by insurance proceeds and is subject to court approval. Under the terms of the settlement, the action will be dismissed with prejudice, and the Company and all other defendants will not admit any liability. The Company has accrued a liability for such matter which is not material to the Company's financial position or results of operations and is included in the total litigation accrual discussed below.

Beazer Homes and several subsidiaries were named as defendants in a putative class action lawsuit originally filed on March 12, 2008, in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Placer. The purported class is defined as all persons who purchased a home from the defendants or their affiliates, with the assistance of a federally related mortgage loan, from March 25, 1999, to the present where Security Title Insurance Company received any money as a reinsurer of the transaction. The complaint alleges that the defendants violated RESPA and asserts claims under a number of state statutes alleging that defendants engaged in a uniform and systematic practice of giving and/or accepting fees and kickbacks to affiliated businesses including affiliated and/or recommended title insurance companies. The complaint also alleges a number of common law claims. Plaintiffs seek an unspecified amount of damages under RESPA, unspecified statutory, compensatory and punitive damages and injunctive and declaratory relief, as well as attorneys' fees and costs. Defendants removed the action to federal court and plaintiffs filed a Second Amended Complaint which substituted new named-plaintiffs. The Company filed a motion to dismiss the Second Amended Complaint, which the federal court granted in part. The federal court dismissed the sole federal claim, declined to rule on the state law claims, and remanded the case to the Superior Court of Placer County. The Company filed a supplemental motion to dismiss/demurrer regarding the remaining state law claims in the Second Amended Complaint and the state court sustained defendants' demurrer but granted the plaintiffs leave to amend their claims. Plaintiffs thereafter filed a Third Amended Complaint which defendants removed to federal court based on the presence of a federal

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question and pursuant to the Class Action Fairness Act and thereafter moved to dismiss. Plaintiffs filed a motion to remand the case. The federal court granted the plaintiffs' motion and remanded the case to the Superior Court of Placer County. The defendants filed a petition with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit for permission to appeal the remand order and a demurrer in state court as to all counts of the Third Amended Complaint. The state court granted the defendants' demurrer as to the plaintiffs' breach of contract claim, but the unfair competition claim remains. The Company filed its answer to the Third Amended Complaint on June 11, 2010. The Company intends to continue to vigorously defend against the action. Given the inherent uncertainties in this litigation, as of June 30, 2010, no accrual has been recorded, as losses, if any, related to this matter are not both probable and reasonably estimable.

We cannot predict or determine the timing or final outcome of the lawsuits or the effect that any adverse findings or adverse determinations in the pending lawsuits may have on us. In addition, an estimate of possible loss or range of loss, if any, cannot presently be made with respect to the above pending matters. An unfavorable determination resulting from any governmental investigation could result in the filing of criminal charges, payment of substantial criminal or civil restitution, the imposition of injunctions on our conduct or the imposition of other penalties or consequences, including but not limited to the Company having to adjust, curtail or terminate the conduct of certain of our business operations. Any of these outcomes could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. An unfavorable determination in any of the pending lawsuits could result in the payment by us of substantial monetary damages which may not be fully covered by insurance. Further, the legal costs associated with the lawsuits and the amount of time required to be spent by management and the Board of Directors on these matters, even if we are ultimately successful, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Other Matters

As disclosed in our 2009 Form 10-K, on July 1, 2009, the Company announced that it has resolved the criminal and civil investigations by the United States Attorney's Office in the Western District of North Carolina (the U.S. Attorney) and other state and federal agencies concerning matters that were the subject of the independent investigation, initiated in April 2007 by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors (the Investigation) and concluded in May 2008. Under the terms of the deferred prosecution agreement (DPA), the Company's liability for fiscal 2010 will be equal to the greater of \$1 million or 4% of the Company's adjusted EBITDA (as defined in the DPA) and in each of the fiscal years after 2010 through a portion of fiscal 2014 (unless extended as described in Note 9) will also be equal to 4% of the Company's adjusted EBITDA (as defined in the DPA). The total amount of such obligations will be dependent on several factors; however, the maximum liability under the DPA and other settlement agreements discussed above will not exceed \$55.0 million of which \$14 million was paid during fiscal 2009. As of June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009, we accrued \$2.0 million for fiscal 2010 obligations under the DPA and HUD agreements, of which \$1.0 million was paid subsequent to June 30, 2010. While we believe that our accrual for this liability is adequate as of June 30, 2010, positive adjusted EBITDA results in future years will require us to increase our accrual and incur additional expense in the future.

In November 2003, Beazer Homes received a request for information from the EPA pursuant to Section 308 of the Clean Water Act seeking information concerning the nature and extent of storm water discharge practices relating to certain of our communities completed or under construction. The EPA has since requested information on additional communities and has conducted site inspections at a number of locations. In certain instances, the EPA or the equivalent state agency has issued Administrative Orders identifying alleged instances of noncompliance and requiring corrective action to address the alleged deficiencies in storm water management practices. As of June 30, 2010, no monetary penalties had been imposed in connection with such Administrative Orders. Consistent with its approach with other homebuilders, the EPA has contacted the Company about a possible resolution of these issues. Settlement negotiations are proceeding. The EPA has reserved the right to impose monetary penalties at a later date, the amount of which, if any, cannot currently be estimated. Beazer Homes has taken action to comply with the requirements of each of the Administrative Orders and is working to otherwise maintain compliance with the requirements of the Clean Water Act.

In 2006, we received two Administrative Orders issued by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. The Orders allege certain violations of wetlands disturbance permits. The two Orders assess proposed fines of \$630,000 and \$678,000, respectively. We have met with the Department to discuss their concerns on the two affected communities and have requested hearings on both matters. We believe that we have significant defenses to the alleged violations and intend to contest the agency's findings and the proposed fines. We are currently pursuing settlement discussions with the Department.

On June 3, 2009, a purported class action complaint was filed by the owners of one of our homes in our Magnolia Lakes' community in Ft. Myers, Florida. The complaint names the Company and certain distributors and suppliers of drywall and was filed in the Circuit Court for Lee County, Florida on behalf of the named plaintiffs and other similarly situated owners of homes in Magnolia Lakes or alternatively in the State of Florida. The plaintiffs allege that the Company built their homes with defective drywall, manufactured in China, that contains sulfur compounds that allegedly corrode certain metals and that are allegedly capable of harming the health of

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individuals. Plaintiffs allege physical and economic damages and seek legal and equitable relief, medical monitoring and attorney's fees. This case has been transferred to the Eastern District of Louisiana pursuant to an order from the United States Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation. In addition, the Company has been named in other complaints filed in the multidistrict litigation and continues to pursue recovery against responsible subcontractors and drywall suppliers. The Company believes that the claims asserted in these actions are governed by its home warranty or are without merit. Accordingly, the Company intends to vigorously defend against this litigation. Given the inherent uncertainties in this litigation, as of June 30, 2010, no accrual has been recorded, as losses, if any, related to this matter are not both probable and reasonably estimable.

We and certain of our subsidiaries have been named as defendants in various claims, complaints and other legal actions, most relating to construction defects, moisture intrusion and product liability. Certain of the liabilities resulting from these actions are covered in whole or part by insurance. In our opinion, based on our current assessment, the ultimate resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

The lender of one of our unconsolidated joint ventures has filed individual lawsuits against some of the joint venture members and certain of those members' parent companies (including the Company), seeking to recover damages under completion guarantees, among other claims. We intend to vigorously defend against this legal action. We are a 2.58% member in this joint venture (see Note 3 for additional information). An estimate of possible loss or range of loss, if any cannot presently be made. Given the inherent uncertainties and complexities in this litigation, as of June 30, 2010, no accrual has been recorded, as losses, if any related to this matter are not both probable and reasonably estimable. In addition, one member of the joint venture filed an arbitration proceeding against the remaining members related to the plaintiff-member's allegations that the other members have failed to perform under the applicable membership agreements. The arbitration proceeding in this matter was held in February 2010 and the arbitration panel issued its decision on July 6, 2010. Under the decision, the panel denied the plaintiff's claims for specific performance claims and awarded damages in an amount well below the amount claimed. The Company does not believe that its proportional share of the award is considered material to our consolidated financial position or results of operations. The Company has accordingly accrued a liability consistent with our policy for such matters that is included in the total litigation accrual discussed below.

We have accrued \$19.6 million and \$19.7 million in other liabilities related to all of the above matters as of June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009, respectively.

We had outstanding letters of credit and performance bonds of approximately \$40.3 million and \$192.1 million, respectively, at June 30, 2010 related principally to our obligations to local governments to construct roads and other improvements in various developments. Our outstanding letters of credit include \$3.7 million relating to our land option contracts discussed in Note 4.

(10) Fair Value Measurements

ASC 820 *Fair Value Measurement and Disclosures* provides guidance for using fair value to measure assets and liabilities and applies whenever other standards require (or permit) assets or liabilities to be measured at fair value but does not expand the use of fair value in any new circumstances. ASC 820 includes provisions that require expanded disclosure of the effect on earnings for items measured using unobservable data.

Certain of our assets are required to be recorded at fair value on a non-recurring basis when events and circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recovered. ASC 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy as follows: Level 1 — Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities; Level 2 — Inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable either directly or indirectly through corroboration with market data; Level 3 — Unobservable inputs that reflect our own estimates about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. The following table presents our assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis for each hierarchy level and represents only those assets whose carrying values were adjusted to fair value during fiscal year 2010 (in thousands):

| | <u>Level 1</u> | <u>Level 2</u> | <u>Level 3</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Development projects in progress | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 48,741 | \$ 48,741 |
| Land held for sale | — | — | 2,039 | 2,039 |

As previously disclosed, we review our long-lived assets, including inventory for recoverability when factors that indicate an impairment may exist, but no less than quarterly. Fair value is based on estimated cash flows discounted for market risks associated with the long-lived assets. During the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010, we recorded total inventory impairments of \$4.5 million and \$22.4 million for development projects in progress and total inventory impairments for land held for sale of \$0.1 million

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and \$1.3 million, respectively. See Notes 1 and 4 for additional information related to the fair value accounting for the assets listed above.

The fair values of our investments in unconsolidated joint ventures are determined primarily using a discounted cash flow model to value the underlying net assets of the respective entities. During the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010, we recorded the writedown of our investment in certain of our unconsolidated joint ventures to a fair value of \$0, resulting in impairments of \$12.5 million and \$24.0 million, respectively, \$2.7 million of which is included in loss from discontinued operations for the nine months ended June 30, 2010, net of tax in the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated statement of operations (see Note 3 for additional information related to the fair value accounting for our unconsolidated joint ventures).

Determining which hierarchical level an asset or liability falls within requires significant judgment. We evaluate our hierarchy disclosures each quarter.

The fair value of our cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, accounts receivable, trade accounts payable, other liabilities and other secured notes payable approximate their carrying amounts due to the short maturity of these assets and liabilities. Obligations related to consolidated inventory not owned are recorded at estimated fair value. The fair value of our model home financing obligations approximate their carrying amounts due to the variable interest rates associated with those obligations. The carrying values and estimated fair values of other financial assets and liabilities were as follows:

| | <u>As of June 30, 2010</u> | | <u>As of September 30, 2009</u> | |
|--|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| | <u>Carrying Amount</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> | <u>Carrying Amount</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
| Senior Notes | <u>\$ 1,096,059</u> | <u>\$ 1,056,247</u> | \$ 1,362,902 | \$ 1,200,612 |
| Mandatory Convertible Subordinated Notes | <u>57,500</u> | <u>48,369</u> | — | — |
| Junior Subordinated Notes | <u>46,953</u> | <u>46,953</u> | 103,093 | 52,377 |
| | <u>\$ 1,200,512</u> | <u>\$ 1,151,569</u> | <u>\$ 1,465,995</u> | <u>\$ 1,252,989</u> |

The estimated fair values shown above for our publicly held Senior Notes have and Mandatory Convertible Subordinated Notes been determined using quoted market rates. The fair value of our publicly held junior subordinated notes is estimated by discounting scheduled cash flows through maturity. The discount rate is estimated using market rates currently being offered on loans with similar terms and credit quality. Judgment is required in interpreting market data to develop these estimates of fair value. Accordingly, the estimates presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amounts that we could realize in a current market exchange.

(11) Segment Information

As defined in SFAS 131, *Disclosures About Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information* (ASC 280), we have three homebuilding segments operating in 16 states and one financial services segment. Revenues in our homebuilding segments are derived from the sale of homes which we construct and from land and lot sales. Revenues in our financial services segment are derived primarily from title services provided predominantly to customers of our homebuilding operations. Our reportable segments, described below, have been determined on a basis that is used internally by management for evaluating segment performance and resource allocations. The reportable homebuilding segments include operations conducting business in the following states:

West: Arizona, California, Nevada, New Mexico and Texas

East: Delaware, Indiana, Maryland, New Jersey, North Carolina (Raleigh), Pennsylvania, Tennessee (Nashville) and Virginia

Southeast: Florida, Georgia and South Carolina

We have ceased all of our homebuilding operating activities in the markets previously included in our Other Homebuilding segment. As a result, the financial information related to these markets are reported as discontinued operations in the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and are further discussed in Note 13.

Management's evaluation of segment performance is based on segment operating income, which for our homebuilding segments is defined as homebuilding and land sale revenues less home construction, land development and land sales expense, depreciation and amortization and certain selling, general and administrative expenses which are incurred by or allocated to our homebuilding segments. Segment operating income for our Financial Services segment is defined as revenues less costs associated with our title operations and certain selling, general and administrative expenses incurred by or allocated to the Financial Services segment. The accounting policies of our segments are those described in Note 1. The following information is in thousands:

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| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| Revenue | | | | |
| West | \$ 121,706 | \$ 87,328 | \$ 291,832 | \$ 264,428 |
| East | 162,274 | 95,043 | 347,488 | 240,029 |
| Southeast | 55,289 | 41,343 | 116,170 | 123,250 |
| Financial Services | 673 | 357 | 1,421 | 1,157 |
| Total | <u>\$ 339,942</u> | <u>\$ 224,071</u> | <u>\$ 756,911</u> | <u>\$ 628,864</u> |
| Operating income (loss) | | | | |
| West | \$ 2,717 | \$ (6,467) | \$ 6,437 | \$ (33,147) |
| East | 11,446 | (923) | 22,696 | (14,760) |
| Southeast | 3,568 | (3,877) | (3,800) | (20,546) |
| Financial Services | 473 | 172 | 853 | 228 |
| Segment total | 18,204 | (11,095) | 26,186 | (68,225) |
| Corporate and unallocated (a) | (36,258) | (37,667) | (95,726) | (134,763) |
| Total operating loss | (18,054) | (48,762) | (69,540) | (202,988) |
| Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures | (12,492) | (3,428) | (21,314) | (13,191) |
| (Loss)/gain on early extinguishment of debt | (9,045) | 55,214 | 43,901 | 55,214 |
| Other expense, net | (16,383) | (22,291) | (53,951) | (59,714) |
| Loss from continuing operations before income taxes | <u>\$ (55,974)</u> | <u>\$ (19,267)</u> | <u>\$ (100,904)</u> | <u>\$ (220,679)</u> |
| Depreciation and amortization | | | | |
| West | \$ 1,485 | \$ 1,765 | \$ 3,992 | \$ 4,536 |
| East | 940 | 1,570 | 2,599 | 4,105 |
| Southeast | 664 | 515 | 1,506 | 1,156 |
| Financial Services | 1 | — | 2 | 9 |
| Segment total | 3,090 | 3,850 | 8,099 | 9,806 |
| Corporate and unallocated (a) | 530 | 1,110 | 1,692 | 3,128 |
| Consolidated total | <u>\$ 3,620</u> | <u>\$ 4,960</u> | <u>\$ 9,791</u> | <u>\$ 12,934</u> |

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| | <u>June 30,</u> <u>2010</u> | September 30, 2009 |
|-------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Assets | | |
| West | \$ 639,840 | \$ 664,857 |
| East | 399,012 | 428,673 |
| Southeast | 166,974 | 182,155 |
| Financial Services (b) | 36,741 | 35,720 |
| Corporate and unallocated (c) | 677,996 | 680,047 |
| Discontinued operations | 35,522 | 37,958 |
| Consolidated total | <u>\$ 1,956,085</u> | <u>\$ 2,029,410</u> |
| | <u>Nine Months Ended June 30,</u> <u>2010</u> | <u>2009</u> |
| Capital Expenditures | | |
| West | \$ 2,558 | \$ 1,476 |
| East | 1,429 | 1,181 |
| Southeast | 669 | 805 |
| Corporate and unallocated | 2,002 | 2,022 |
| Consolidated total | <u>\$ 6,658</u> | <u>\$ 5,484</u> |

- (a) Corporate and unallocated includes amortization of capitalized interest and numerous shared services functions that benefit all segments, the costs of which are not allocated to the operating segments reported above including information technology, national sourcing and purchasing, treasury, corporate finance, legal, branding and other national marketing costs. For the nine months ended June 30, 2009, corporate and unallocated includes \$16.1 million of goodwill impairments.
- (b) Primarily consists of intercompany receivables for services rendered on behalf of other Beazer Homes' consolidated entities which are eliminated in consolidation.
- (c) Primarily consists of cash and cash equivalents, consolidated inventory not owned, deferred taxes, capitalized interest and other corporate items that are not allocated to the segments.

(12) Supplemental Guarantor Information

As discussed in Note 7, our obligations to pay principal, premium, if any, and interest under certain debt are guaranteed on a joint and several basis by substantially all of our subsidiaries. Certain of our title, warranty and immaterial subsidiaries do not guarantee our Senior Notes or our Secured Revolving Credit Facility. The guarantees are full and unconditional and the guarantor subsidiaries are 100% owned by Beazer Homes USA, Inc. We have determined that separate, full financial statements of the guarantors would not be material to investors and, accordingly, supplemental financial information for the guarantors is presented.

Beazer Homes USA, Inc.
Unaudited Consolidating Balance Sheet Information
June 30, 2010
(in thousands)

| | Beazer Homes USA, Inc. | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Consolidating Adjustments | Consolidated Beazer Homes USA, Inc. |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| ASSETS | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 470,287 | \$ 4,461 | \$ 393 | \$ (3,183) | \$ 471,958 |
| Restricted cash | 41,795 | 813 | — | — | 42,608 |
| Accounts receivable (net of allowance of \$3,573) | — | 33,896 | 14 | — | 33,910 |
| Income tax receivable | 40,936 | — | — | — | 40,936 |
| Owned inventory | — | 1,235,073 | — | — | 1,235,073 |
| Consolidated inventory not owned | — | 43,285 | — | — | 43,285 |
| Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures | 773 | 7,906 | — | — | 8,679 |
| Deferred tax assets, net | 11,583 | — | — | — | 11,583 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | — | 23,266 | — | — | 23,266 |
| Investments in subsidiaries | 269,230 | — | — | (269,230) | — |
| Intercompany | 875,043 | (882,029) | 3,803 | 3,183 | — |
| Other assets | 21,451 | 18,339 | 4,997 | — | 44,787 |
| Total assets | <u>\$ 1,731,098</u> | <u>\$ 485,010</u> | <u>\$ 9,207</u> | <u>\$ (269,230)</u> | <u>\$ 1,956,085</u> |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | | | |
| Trade accounts payable | \$ — | \$ 67,034 | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 67,034 |
| Other liabilities | 74,704 | 119,165 | 4,456 | — | 198,325 |
| Intercompany | 445 | — | (445) | — | — |
| Obligations related to consolidated inventory not owned | — | 24,359 | — | — | 24,359 |
| Total debt (net of discounts of \$24,485) | 1,201,218 | 10,418 | — | — | 1,211,636 |
| Total liabilities | <u>1,276,367</u> | <u>220,976</u> | <u>4,011</u> | <u>—</u> | <u>1,501,354</u> |
| Stockholders' equity | 454,731 | 264,034 | 5,196 | (269,230) | 454,731 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | <u>\$ 1,731,098</u> | <u>\$ 485,010</u> | <u>\$ 9,207</u> | <u>\$ (269,230)</u> | <u>\$ 1,956,085</u> |

Beazer Homes USA, Inc.
Consolidating Balance Sheet Information
September 30, 2009
(in thousands)

| | Beazer Homes USA, Inc. | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Consolidating Adjustments | Consolidated Beazer Homes USA, Inc. |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| ASSETS | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 495,692 | \$ 11,482 | \$ 2,915 | \$ (2,750) | \$ 507,339 |
| Restricted cash | 48,326 | 1,135 | — | — | 49,461 |
| Accounts receivable (net of allowance of \$7,545) | — | 28,377 | 28 | — | 28,405 |
| Income tax receivable | 9,922 | — | — | — | 9,922 |
| Owned inventory | — | 1,265,441 | — | — | 1,265,441 |
| Consolidated inventory not owned | — | 53,015 | — | — | 53,015 |
| Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures | 3,093 | 27,031 | — | — | 30,124 |
| Deferred tax assets | 7,520 | — | — | — | 7,520 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | — | 25,939 | — | — | 25,939 |
| Investments in subsidiaries | 210,730 | — | — | (210,730) | — |
| Intercompany | 977,956 | (984,511) | 3,805 | 2,750 | — |
| Other assets | 26,750 | 22,419 | 3,075 | — | 52,244 |
| Total assets | <u>\$ 1,779,989</u> | <u>\$ 450,328</u> | <u>\$ 9,823</u> | <u>\$ (210,730)</u> | <u>\$ 2,029,410</u> |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | | | |
| Trade accounts payable | \$ — | \$ 70,285 | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 70,285 |
| Other liabilities | 86,717 | 134,655 | 5,943 | — | 227,315 |
| Intercompany | 361 | — | (361) | — | — |
| Obligations related to consolidated inventory not owned | — | 26,356 | — | — | 26,356 |
| Total debt (net of discounts of \$27,257) | 1,496,356 | 12,543 | — | — | 1,508,899 |
| Total liabilities | <u>1,583,434</u> | <u>243,839</u> | <u>5,582</u> | <u>—</u> | <u>1,832,855</u> |
| Stockholders' equity | 196,555 | 206,489 | 4,241 | (210,730) | 196,555 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | <u>\$ 1,779,989</u> | <u>\$ 450,328</u> | <u>\$ 9,823</u> | <u>\$ (210,730)</u> | <u>\$ 2,029,410</u> |

Beazer Homes USA, Inc.
Unaudited Consolidating Statement of Operations Information
(in thousands)

| | Beazer Homes USA, Inc. | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Consolidating Adjustments | Consolidated Beazer Homes USA, Inc. |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 | | | | | |
| Total revenue | \$ — | \$ 339,660 | \$ 282 | \$ — | \$ 339,942 |
| Home construction and land sales expenses | 16,444 | 278,307 | — | — | 294,751 |
| Inventory impairments and option contract abandonments | 196 | 4,856 | — | — | 5,052 |
| Gross (loss) profit | (16,640) | 56,497 | 282 | — | 40,139 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | — | 54,542 | 31 | — | 54,573 |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 3,620 | | | 3,620 |
| Operating (loss) income | (16,640) | (1,665) | 251 | — | (18,054) |
| Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures | — | (12,492) | — | — | (12,492) |
| Loss on extinguishment of debt | (9,045) | — | — | — | (9,045) |
| Other (expense) income, net | (17,381) | 992 | 6 | — | (16,383) |
| (Loss) income before income taxes | (43,066) | (13,165) | 257 | — | (55,974) |
| (Benefit from) provision for income taxes | (16,258) | (12,213) | 89 | — | (28,382) |
| Equity in loss of subsidiaries | (784) | — | — | 784 | — |
| (Loss) income from continuing operations | (27,592) | (952) | 168 | 784 | (27,592) |
| (Loss) income from discontinued operations, net of tax | — | (224) | — | — | (224) |
| Equity in loss of subsidiaries | (224) | — | — | 224 | — |
| Net income (loss) | \$ (27,816) | \$ (1,176) | \$ 168 | \$ 1,008 | \$ (27,816) |
| Nine Months Ended June 30, 2010 | | | | | |
| Total revenue | \$ — | \$ 755,392 | \$ 1,519 | \$ — | \$ 756,911 |
| Home construction and land sales expenses | 37,898 | 609,462 | — | — | 647,360 |
| Inventory impairments and option contract abandonments | 1,292 | 22,757 | — | — | 24,049 |
| Gross (loss) profit | (39,190) | 123,173 | 1,519 | — | 85,502 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | — | 145,151 | 100 | — | 145,251 |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 9,791 | | | 9,791 |
| Operating (loss) income | (39,190) | (31,769) | 1,419 | — | (69,540) |
| Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures | — | (21,314) | — | — | (21,314) |
| Gain on extinguishment of debt | 43,625 | 276 | — | — | 43,901 |
| Other (expense) income, net | (57,478) | 3,477 | 50 | — | (53,951) |
| (Loss) income before income taxes | (53,043) | (49,330) | 1,469 | — | (100,904) |
| (Benefit from) provision for income taxes | (20,024) | (104,581) | 514 | — | (124,091) |
| Equity in income of subsidiaries | 56,206 | — | — | (56,206) | — |
| Income from continuing operations | 23,187 | 55,251 | 955 | (56,206) | 23,187 |
| Income from discontinued operations, net of tax | — | 2,294 | — | — | 2,294 |
| Equity in income of subsidiaries | 2,294 | — | — | (2,294) | — |
| Net income | \$ 25,481 | \$ 57,545 | \$ 955 | \$ (58,500) | \$ 25,481 |

Beazer Homes USA, Inc.
Unaudited Consolidating Statement of Operations Information
(in thousands)

| | Beazer Homes USA, Inc. | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Consolidating Adjustments | Consolidated Beazer Homes USA, Inc. |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Three Months Ended June 30, 2009 | | | | | |
| Total revenue | \$ — | \$ 223,927 | \$ 144 | \$ — | \$ 224,071 |
| Home construction and land sales expenses | 12,999 | 193,459 | — | — | 206,458 |
| Inventory impairments and option contract abandonments | 160 | 11,632 | — | — | 11,792 |
| Gross (loss) profit | (13,159) | 18,836 | 144 | — | 5,821 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | — | 49,751 | (128) | — | 49,623 |
| Depreciation and amortization | — | 4,960 | — | — | 4,960 |
| Operating (loss) income | (13,159) | (35,875) | 272 | — | (48,762) |
| Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures | — | (3,428) | — | — | (3,428) |
| Gain on extinguishment of debt | 55,214 | — | — | — | 55,214 |
| Other (expense) income, net | (23,728) | 1,645 | (208) | — | (22,291) |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes | 18,327 | (37,658) | 64 | — | (19,267) |
| Provision for (benefit from) income taxes | 7,615 | (1,479) | 14 | — | 6,150 |
| Equity in (loss) income of subsidiaries | (36,129) | — | — | 36,129 | — |
| (Loss) income from continuing operations | (25,417) | (36,179) | 50 | 36,129 | (25,417) |
| Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax | — | (2,559) | — | — | (2,559) |
| Equity in loss of subsidiaries | (2,559) | — | — | 2,559 | — |
| Net (loss) income | \$ (27,976) | \$ (38,738) | \$ 50 | \$ 38,688 | \$ (27,976) |

| | Beazer Homes USA, Inc. | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Consolidating Adjustments | Consolidated Beazer Homes USA, Inc. |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Nine Months Ended June 30, 2009 | | | | | |
| Total revenue | \$ — | \$ 628,384 | \$ 480 | \$ — | \$ 628,864 |
| Home construction and land sales expenses | 36,551 | 529,306 | — | — | 565,857 |
| Inventory impairments and option contract abandonments | 2,113 | 64,998 | — | — | 67,111 |
| Gross (loss) profit | (38,664) | 34,080 | 480 | — | (4,104) |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | — | 169,842 | (35) | — | 169,807 |
| Depreciation and amortization | — | 12,934 | — | — | 12,934 |
| Goodwill impairment | — | 16,143 | — | — | 16,143 |
| Operating (loss) income | (38,664) | (164,839) | 515 | — | (202,988) |
| Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures | — | (13,191) | — | — | (13,191) |
| Gain on extinguishment of debt | 55,214 | — | — | — | 55,214 |
| Other (expense) income, net | (65,987) | 6,485 | (212) | — | (59,714) |
| (Loss) income from continuing operations before income taxes | (49,437) | (171,545) | 303 | — | (220,679) |
| (Benefit from) provision for income taxes | (17,071) | 9,592 | 115 | — | (7,364) |
| Equity in (loss) income of subsidiaries | (180,949) | — | — | 180,949 | — |
| (Loss) income from continuing operations | (213,315) | (181,137) | 188 | 180,949 | (213,315) |
| Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax | — | (9,859) | — | — | (9,859) |
| Equity in loss of subsidiaries | (9,859) | — | — | 9,859 | — |
| Net (loss) income | \$ (223,174) | \$ (190,996) | \$ 188 | \$ 190,808 | \$ (223,174) |

Beazer Homes USA, Inc.
Unaudited Consolidating Statements of Cash Flow Information
(in thousands)

| | Beazer Homes USA, Inc. | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Consolidating Adjustments | Consolidated Beazer Homes USA, Inc. |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| For the nine months ended June 30, 2010 | | | | | |
| Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities | \$ (108,436) | \$ 111,653 | \$ (2,440) | \$ — | \$ 777 |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | | | | |
| Capital expenditures | — | (6,658) | — | — | (6,658) |
| Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures | — | (5,122) | — | — | (5,122) |
| Increases in restricted cash | (25,156) | (1,094) | — | — | (26,250) |
| Decreases in restricted cash | 31,880 | 1,223 | — | — | 33,103 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities | 6,724 | (11,651) | — | — | (4,927) |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | | | | |
| Repayment of debt | (615,008) | (2,125) | — | — | (617,133) |
| Proceeds from issuance of new debt | 373,238 | — | — | — | 373,238 |
| Debt issuance costs | (9,296) | — | — | — | (9,296) |
| Common stock redeemed | (134) | — | — | — | (134) |
| Proceeds from the issuance of common stock | 166,719 | — | — | — | 166,719 |
| Proceeds from the issuance of TEU prepaid stock purchase contracts | 57,432 | — | — | — | 57,432 |
| Excess tax benefit from equity-based compensation | (2,057) | — | — | — | (2,057) |
| Advances to/from subsidiaries | 105,413 | (104,898) | (82) | (433) | — |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | 76,307 | (107,023) | (82) | (433) | (31,231) |
| Decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (25,405) | (7,021) | (2,522) | (433) | (35,381) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 495,692 | 11,482 | 2,915 | (2,750) | 507,339 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ 470,287 | \$ 4,461 | \$ 393 | \$ (3,183) | \$ 471,958 |

| | Beazer Homes USA, Inc. | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Consolidating Adjustments | Consolidated Beazer Homes USA, Inc. |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| For the nine months ended June 30, 2009 | | | | | |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | \$ 61,635 | \$ (63,616) | \$ 3,481 | \$ — | \$ 1,500 |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | | | | |
| Capital expenditures | — | (5,484) | — | — | (5,484) |
| Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures | — | (9,042) | — | — | (9,042) |
| Increases in restricted cash | (21,290) | (668) | — | — | (21,958) |
| Decreases in restricted cash | 9,963 | 390 | — | — | 10,353 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (11,327) | (14,804) | — | — | (26,131) |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | | | | |
| Repayment of debt | (79,159) | (11,995) | — | — | (91,154) |
| Debt issuance costs | (1,311) | — | — | — | (1,311) |
| Common stock redeemed | (22) | — | — | — | (22) |
| Excess tax benefit from equity-based compensation | (2,267) | — | — | — | (2,267) |
| Advances to/from subsidiaries | (79,978) | 78,579 | (735) | 2,134 | — |
| Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities | (162,737) | 66,584 | (735) | 2,134 | (94,754) |
| (Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents | (112,429) | (11,836) | 2,746 | 2,134 | (119,385) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 575,856 | 14,806 | 5 | (6,333) | 584,334 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ 463,427 | \$ 2,970 | \$ 2,751 | \$ (4,199) | \$ 464,949 |

(13) Discontinued Operations

On February 1, 2008, the Company determined that it would discontinue its mortgage origination services through Beazer Mortgage Corporation (BMC). In February 2008, the Company entered into a new marketing services arrangement with a major financial institution, whereby the Company would market this institution as the preferred mortgage provider to its customers.

In fiscal 2008, we completed a comprehensive review of each of our markets in order to refine our overall investment strategy and to optimize capital and resource allocations in an effort to enhance our financial position and to increase shareholder value. This review entailed an evaluation of both external market factors and our position in each market and resulted in the decision formalized and announced on February 1, 2008, to discontinue homebuilding operations in Charlotte, NC, Cincinnati/Dayton, OH, Columbia, SC, Columbus, OH and Lexington, KY. During the third quarter of fiscal 2008, we announced our decision to discontinue homebuilding operations in Colorado and Fresno, CA. During fiscal 2009, the homebuilding operating activities in the markets we exited and which were historically reported in our Other Homebuilding segment ceased.

We have classified the results of operations of BMC and our exit markets as discontinued operations in the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations for all periods presented. Discontinued operations were not segregated in the unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets or statements of cash flows. Therefore, amounts for certain captions in the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of cash flows will not agree with the respective data in the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations. The results of operations of the BMC and the exit markets classified as discontinued operations in the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 were as follows (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| Total revenue | \$ 186 | \$ 582 | \$ 886 | \$ 16,476 |
| Home construction and land sales expenses | (64) | 718 | 1,090 | 15,063 |
| Inventory impairments and lot option abandonments | 73 | 64 | 232 | 9,209 |
| Gross profit (loss) | 177 | (200) | (436) | (7,796) |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 719 | 1,846 | 2,289 | 5,303 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 4 | (3) | 4 | 145 |
| Operating loss | (546) | (2,043) | (2,729) | (13,244) |
| Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures | — | (613) | (2,731) | (604) |
| Gain on extinguishment of debt | — | — | — | 3,574 |
| Other income (expense), net | 43 | (63) | 117 | (202) |
| Loss from discontinued operations before income taxes | (503) | (2,719) | (5,343) | (10,476) |
| Benefit from income taxes | (279) | (160) | (7,637) | (617) |
| (Loss) income from discontinued operations, net of tax | <u>\$ (224)</u> | <u>\$ (2,559)</u> | <u>\$ 2,294</u> | <u>\$ (9,859)</u> |

Assets and liabilities from discontinued operations at June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009, which relates to BMC and the exit markets, consist of the following (in thousands):

| | June 30, 2010 | September 30, 2009 |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Accounts receivable | \$ 344 | \$ 979 |
| Inventory | 34,726 | 33,861 |
| Other | 452 | 3,118 |
| Assets of discontinued operations | <u>\$ 35,522</u> | <u>\$ 37,958</u> |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Trade accounts payable and other liabilities | \$ 4,501 | \$ 5,719 |
| Accrued warranty expenses | 5,218 | 6,486 |
| Liabilities of discontinued operations | <u>\$ 9,719</u> | <u>\$ 12,205</u> |

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

Executive Overview and Outlook

The homebuilding environment has suffered extensively during the recession of the past several years. Declining levels of employment and consumer confidence due to our slowing national economy led to increased home mortgage delinquencies, foreclosures and an excessive supply of new and existing homes for sale. While the homebuilding environment shows some signs of improving conditions, we see homebuyers caught between the factors that favor a resumption of growth in the new home market and those that weigh against a meaningful recovery. For example, attractive interest rates, historically high affordability and recent reports of home price stabilization are all positive factors; however, the expiration of the federal new homebuyer tax credit, stagnant employment growth and the overhang of foreclosures are significant factors impeding a quick and full housing market recovery.

Our third fiscal quarter and fiscal 2010 year-to-date financial and operational results have shown signs of improvement, yet still reflect extremely difficult economic and home building conditions. We have benefitted from the impending expiration of the homebuyer tax credit which concluded in June 2010 and which may have incentivized certain homebuyers to accelerate purchases into the first nine months of our fiscal 2010; however, we experienced a significant reduction in new home orders once the qualification period for the credit expired on April 30, 2010 — an indication that we have not yet begun a sustainable recovery in the new home market. As a result, we expect that new home orders in the remainder of fiscal 2010 will pose challenges for us. With this challenging market as a backdrop, we continue to exercise discipline in land acquisition. We benefit from an ample supply of finished lots for our immediate needs. We have also been successful in acquiring new land positions which meet our return criteria in many of our markets and, as a result, we expect that our land spending in fiscal 2010 will likely slightly exceed the level from the prior year.

During the quarter ended June 30, 2010, we completed a series of capital raising transactions. Specifically, we issued 12.5 million shares of common stock, 3 million 7.25% tangible equity units and \$300 million in senior unsecured notes due 2018. We also redeemed in full our outstanding 8 3/8 senior notes due 2012 and our convertible senior notes due 2024. Combined, these transactions raised approximately \$437 million of additional capital and reduced our total debt by \$142.4 million. These transactions followed successful capital raising transactions in prior quarters of fiscal 2010, where we issued \$57.5 million of 7.5% Mandatory Convertible Subordinated Notes and 22,425,000 shares of common stock, redeemed in full of our outstanding 8 5/8% senior notes due 2011, and completed a partial exchange of \$75 million of our Junior Subordinated Notes due 2036 (see Notes 6 and 7 to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements), for which we recorded a gain of \$53.6 million. As a result, our stockholders' equity increased from \$196.6 million as of September 30, 2009 to \$454.7 million as of June 30, 2010. Tangible Net Worth (stockholders' equity less certain intangible assets, as defined in our Senior Notes' indentures) also increased by \$267.6 million to \$404.6 million at June 30, 2010.

We will continue to focus on maintaining a significant liquidity position as we selectively invest in the growth of the business. We may also, from time to time, continue to seek to retire or purchase our outstanding debt through cash purchases and/or exchanges for equity or other debt securities, in open market purchases, privately negotiated transactions or otherwise. There can be no assurance that we will be able to complete any of these transactions in the future on favorable terms or at all.

Critical Accounting Policies: Some of our critical accounting policies require the use of judgment in their application or require estimates of inherently uncertain matters. Although our accounting policies are in compliance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, a change in the facts and circumstances of the underlying transactions could significantly change the application of the accounting policies and the resulting financial statement impact. As disclosed in our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2009, our most critical accounting policies relate to inventory valuation (inventory held for development and land held for sale), homebuilding revenues and costs, warranty reserves, investments in unconsolidated joint ventures and income tax valuation allowances. Since September 30, 2009, there have been no significant changes to those critical accounting policies.

Seasonal and Quarterly Variability: Our homebuilding operating cycle generally reflects escalating new order activity in the second and third fiscal quarters and increased closings in the third and fourth fiscal quarters. However, beginning in the second half of fiscal 2006 and continuing through the third quarter of fiscal 2010, we experienced challenging conditions in most of our markets which contributed to decreased revenues and closings as compared to prior periods including prior quarters, thereby reducing typical seasonal variations. In addition, the availability of the \$8,000 First Time Homebuyer Tax Credit for homes sold by April 30, 2010 and closed by June 30, 2010, appears to have incentivized certain homebuyers to purchase homes through the April 30, 2010, thereby further impacting typical seasonal variations.

RESULTS OF CONTINUING OPERATIONS:

| (\$ in thousands) | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| Revenues: | | | | |
| Homebuilding | \$ 338,808 | \$ 222,895 | \$ 750,160 | \$ 626,338 |
| Land sales and other | 461 | 819 | 5,330 | 1,369 |
| Financial Services | 673 | 357 | 1,421 | 1,157 |
| Total | <u>\$ 339,942</u> | <u>\$ 224,071</u> | <u>\$ 756,911</u> | <u>\$ 628,864</u> |
| Gross profit (loss): | | | | |
| Homebuilding | \$ 39,018 | \$ 5,393 | \$ 81,397 | \$ (5,317) |
| Land sales and other | 448 | 71 | 2,684 | 56 |
| Financial Services | 673 | 357 | 1,421 | 1,157 |
| Total | <u>\$ 40,139</u> | <u>\$ 5,821</u> | <u>\$ 85,502</u> | <u>\$ (4,104)</u> |
| Gross margin: | | | | |
| Homebuilding | 11.5% | 2.4% | 10.9% | -0.8% |
| Land and other sales | 97.2% | 8.7% | 50.4% | 4.1% |
| Total | 11.8% | 2.6% | 11.3% | -0.7% |
| Selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses: | | | | |
| Homebuilding | \$ 54,373 | \$ 49,438 | \$ 144,685 | \$ 168,887 |
| Financial Services | 200 | 185 | 566 | 920 |
| Total | <u>\$ 54,573</u> | <u>\$ 49,623</u> | <u>\$ 145,251</u> | <u>\$ 169,807</u> |
| SG&A as a percentage of total revenue | 16.1% | 22.1% | 19.2% | 27.0% |
| Depreciation and amortization | \$ 3,620 | \$ 4,960 | \$ 9,791 | \$ 12,934 |
| Goodwill impairment | \$ — | \$ — | \$ — | \$ 16,143 |
| Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures from: | | | | |
| Joint venture activities | \$ 18 | \$ 758 | \$ (38) | \$ 621 |
| Impairments | (12,510) | (4,186) | (21,276) | (13,812) |
| Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures | <u>\$ (12,492)</u> | <u>\$ (3,428)</u> | <u>\$ (21,314)</u> | <u>\$ (13,191)</u> |
| (Loss) Gain on extinguishment of debt | \$ (9,045) | \$ 55,214 | \$ 43,901 | \$ 55,214 |

Three and Nine Month Periods Ended June 30, 2010 Compared to the Comparable Periods Ended June 30, 2009

Revenues. Historically low interest rates, increased affordability and federal and state housing tax credits appear to have recently incited more prospective buyers to purchase a new home and have contributed to a 73.3% increase in homes closed compared to the three-month period ended June 30, 2009. Homes closed increased to 1,643 from 948 for the quarters ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. For the nine months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the same period of the prior year, homes closed increased by 30.7%. Foreclosures are still having an impact on the market. In every market, appraisals continue to be negatively impacted by foreclosure comparables which put further pricing pressure on all home sales and limit financing availability. The 12.3% decrease in our average sales prices as compared to the comparable quarter of the prior year was due to a change in the mix of closings, more significantly weighted to markets that serve primarily entry level homebuyers, a reduction in the amount of options selected by homebuyers during the tax credit period and, finally, a general decrease in sales prices in several of our markets in response to market conditions.

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Gross Profit (Loss). Our gross margin improved for three months ended June 30, 2010 to 11.8% (13.3% without impairments and abandonments) compared to gross margin of 2.6% (7.9% without impairments and abandonments) for the comparable period of the prior year. Gross margin for the three months ended June 30, 2010 benefited from a reduction in non-cash pre-tax inventory impairments and option contract abandonments from \$11.8 million in the three months ended June 30, 2009 to \$5.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010, as well as from cost reductions related to our cost control initiatives including renegotiated vendor pricing where possible. Gross margins for nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 were 11.3% and -0.7%, respectively. Gross margins for the nine months ended June 30, 2010 benefited from a reduction in non-cash pre-tax inventory impairments and option contract abandonments and certain non-recurring recoveries of certain warranty and product liability expenditures. Excluding year-to-date non-cash, pre-tax inventory impairment and abandonment charges of \$24.0 million in fiscal 2010 and \$67.1 million in fiscal 2009, gross margins were 14.5% and 10.0% for the nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Although we believe that we will continue to experience quarterly volatility in our gross margins, we do expect that our gross margin for fiscal 2010 will be higher than the full year gross margin achieved in fiscal 2009.

In our continued efforts to redeploy assets to more profitable endeavors, we executed a few land sales in the nine months ended June 30, 2010. Gross profit from land sales and other activities was \$0.4 million and \$2.7 million for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 compared to \$71,000 and \$56,000 for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2009. The \$2.7 million year-to-date gross profit in fiscal 2010 includes \$1.4 million related to a project sold in fiscal 2008 for which we completed our development responsibilities and obtained a final release during last quarter.

Selling, General and Administrative Expense. Selling, general and administrative expense (SG&A) totaled \$54.6 million and \$49.6 million in the quarters ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 and \$145.3 million and \$169.8 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The 10.1% increase in SG&A expense during the quarter is due to increased commissions related to our 73.3% increase in closings compared to the comparable period of the prior year. Our 14.4% decrease in SG&A for the nine month period is primarily related to increased efficiency related to our restructured overhead structure offset partially by an increase in commissions expense related to the significant increase in home closings this fiscal year as compared to the prior year. We believe that the fixed portion of our SG&A (exclusive of variable selling costs and other variable cash and non-cash based expenditures) are at sustainable levels pending material and sustained increases in new home orders and home closings.

Depreciation and Amortization. Depreciation and amortization (D&A) totaled \$3.6 million and \$9.8 million for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010. D&A totaled \$5.0 million and \$12.9 million for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2009, respectively.

Goodwill Impairment Charges. The Company experienced a significant decline in its market capitalization during the three months ended December 31, 2008 (the first quarter of fiscal 2009). As of December 31, 2008, we considered these current and expected future market conditions and recorded a pretax, non-cash goodwill impairment charge of \$16.1 million in the first quarter of fiscal 2009 related to our reporting units in Houston, Texas, Maryland and Nashville, Tennessee. These charges are reported in Corporate and Unallocated and are not allocated to our homebuilding segments. As a result of these goodwill impairments, as of June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009, we had no goodwill remaining.

Joint Venture Impairment Charges. During the three months ended June 30, 2010, we determined that our investment in two of our joint ventures was impaired and recorded impairments totaling \$12.5 million related to these joint ventures. Impairments of investments in our unconsolidated joint ventures totaled \$24.0 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2010, of which \$2.7 million related to one of our exit markets and is reported in income from discontinued operations, net of tax (see Note 3 to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements where fiscal 2010 impairments are further discussed). Impairments of investments in our unconsolidated joint ventures in our continuing operations totaled \$4.2 million and \$13.8 million for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2009. As of June 30, 2010, our total investment in unconsolidated joint ventures was \$8.7 million which could potentially be impaired in the future if market conditions worsen.

Income Taxes. As we are in a cumulative loss position and based on the lack of sufficient objective evidence regarding the realization of our deferred tax assets in the foreseeable future, beginning with the fourth quarter of fiscal 2008, we recorded a valuation allowance for substantially all of our deferred tax assets (see Note 8 to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for additional information). Our tax benefit from continuing operations of \$124.1 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2010, primarily resulted from the enacted tax legislation that allowed us to carry back a portion of our fiscal 2009 federal tax losses and claim a refund on prior year taxes paid. The principal difference between our effective rate and the U.S. federal statutory rate for the nine months ended June 30, 2010 relates to the carryback of federal tax losses and our valuation allowance.

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Discontinued Operations. During fiscal 2009, all of the homebuilding operating activities in the markets we have exited have ceased. On February 1, 2008, we determined that we would discontinue our mortgage origination services through Beazer Mortgage Corporation (BMC). As of September 30, 2008, all of BMC operating activities had ceased. We have classified the results of operations of BMC and our exit markets, as discontinued operations in the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations for all periods presented. All statement of operations information in the table above and the related management discussion and analysis exclude the results of discontinued operations. Total revenue from discontinued operations was \$0.2 million and \$0.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively and \$0.9 million and \$16.5 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Additional operating data related to discontinued operations for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 is as follows (\$ in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|----------------------------|-----------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| Closings | — | 2 | — | 57 |
| New Orders | — | 1 | — | 18 |
| Homebuilding revenues | \$ — | \$ 324 | \$ — | \$ 14,749 |
| Land sale and other revenues | \$ 186 | \$ 258 | \$ 886 | \$ 1,727 |
| Joint venture impairments | \$ — | \$ 613 | \$ 2,731 | \$ 613 |

See Note 13 to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for additional information related to our discontinued operations.

Segment Results for the Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009:

Unit Data by Segment

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | | | |
|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|--------|--------------------|-------|
| | New Orders, net | | | Cancellation Rates | |
| | 2010 | 2009 | Change | 2010 | 2009 |
| West | 367 | 670 | -45.2% | 35.0% | 25.5% |
| East | 445 | 599 | -25.7% | 28.7% | 23.1% |
| Southeast | 225 | 267 | -15.7% | 16.4% | 15.5% |
| Total | 1,037 | 1,536 | -32.5% | 28.9% | 23.0% |

| | Nine Months Ended June 30, | | | | |
|-----------|----------------------------|-------|--------|--------------------|-------|
| | New Orders, net | | | Cancellation Rates | |
| | 2010 | 2009 | Change | 2010 | 2009 |
| West | 1,383 | 1,434 | -3.6% | 25.6% | 33.9% |
| East | 1,420 | 1,238 | 14.7% | 23.1% | 27.8% |
| Southeast | 635 | 521 | 21.9% | 16.8% | 25.7% |
| Total | 3,438 | 3,193 | 7.7% | 23.1% | 30.3% |

New Orders and Backlog: New orders, net of cancellations, decreased 32.5% for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the same period in the prior year, driven by the decline in the demand for new homes with the expiration of federal and state housing tax credits and a slight increase in our cancellation rate. Despite the year-to-date increase in net new orders, foreclosures continue to have an impact on the market. In most of our markets, appraisals continue to be negatively impacted by foreclosure comparables which put additional pricing pressure on all home sales and limit financing availability. As a result, we believe the market for new homes will pose challenges for the remainder of fiscal 2010.

For the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010, we experienced cancellation rates of 28.9% and 23.1% compared to 23.0% and 30.3% for the same periods of the prior year. The increase in cancellation rates across the majority of our markets for the three months ended June 30, 2010 as compared to the prior year period reflects the difficulty home buyers encountered in obtaining acceptable mortgage financing. The decrease in cancellation rates for the nine months ended June 30, 2010 reflects the market improvement and relative price stabilization as compared to the nine month period ended June 30, 2009. It also reflects the impact of historically low

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interest rates and increased affordability and federal and state housing tax credits which appear to have enticed more prospective buyers to purchase a new home.

Backlog reflects the number and value of homes for which the Company has entered into a sales contract with a customer but has not yet delivered the home. The aggregate dollar value of homes in backlog at June 30, 2010 of \$288.2 million decreased 33.1% from \$430.6 million at June 30, 2009, related primarily to a 37.0% decrease in the number of homes in backlog.

| | Backlog at June 30, | | |
|-----------|---------------------|--------------|--------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | Change |
| West | 416 | 785 | -47.0% |
| East | 559 | 810 | -31.0% |
| Southeast | 200 | 271 | -26.2% |
| Total | <u>1,175</u> | <u>1,866</u> | -37.0% |

Backlog has decreased across all of our segments due primarily to the acceleration of closings to the quarter ended June 30, 2010 or before in order for homebuyers to take advantage of the federal and state housing tax credits. Foreclosures continue to pose problems in many of our markets manifesting in lower appraisals which put additional pricing pressure on all home sales and limit financing availability. As the availability of mortgage loans stabilizes and the inventory of new and used homes decreases, backlog should increase; however, continued reduced levels of backlog will produce less revenue in the future which could also result in additional asset impairment charges and lower levels of liquidity. At June 30, 2010, we had 797 unsold homes under construction (an increase of 293 units from prior year levels) and 319 unsold finished homes (an increase of 85 units from a year ago).

Homebuilding Revenues and Average Selling Price. The table below summarizes homebuilding revenues and the average selling prices of our homes by reportable segment (\$ in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------|--------------|------------|--------|
| | Homebuilding Revenues | | | Average Selling Price | | | Closings | | |
| | 2010 | 2009 | Change | 2010 | 2009 | Change | 2010 | 2009 | Change |
| West | \$ 121,706 | \$ 87,204 | 39.6% | \$ 192.9 | \$ 219.1 | -12.0% | 631 | 398 | 58.5% |
| East | 162,221 | 95,043 | 70.7% | 227.5 | \$ 258.3 | -11.9% | 713 | 368 | 93.8% |
| Southeast | 54,881 | 40,648 | 35.0% | 183.5 | \$ 223.3 | -17.8% | 299 | 182 | 64.3% |
| Total | <u>\$ 338,808</u> | <u>\$ 222,895</u> | 52.0% | <u>\$ 206.2</u> | <u>\$ 235.1</u> | -12.3% | <u>1,643</u> | <u>948</u> | 73.3% |

| | Nine Months Ended June 30, | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|----------------------------|-------------------|--------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| | Homebuilding Revenues | | | Average Selling Price | | | Closings | | |
| | 2010 | 2009 | Change | 2010 | 2009 | Change | 2010 | 2009 | Change |
| West | \$ 288,438 | \$ 263,799 | 9.3% | \$ 204.3 | \$ 224.3 | -8.9% | 1,412 | 1,176 | 20.1% |
| East | 345,974 | 240,029 | 44.1% | 239.9 | \$ 262.9 | -8.7% | 1,442 | 913 | 57.9% |
| Southeast | 115,748 | 122,510 | -5.5% | 192.3 | \$ 220.3 | -12.7% | 602 | 556 | 8.3% |
| Total | <u>\$ 750,160</u> | <u>\$ 626,338</u> | 19.8% | <u>\$ 217.1</u> | <u>\$ 236.8</u> | -8.3% | <u>3,456</u> | <u>2,645</u> | 30.7% |

Homebuilding revenues increased for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 compared to comparable periods of the prior year due to a 73.3% and 30.7% increase in closings. These year-over year increases in closings were offset partially by decreases in average selling prices (ASP) of 12.3% and 8.3% for the three and nine months, respectively. The reduction in ASP was primarily attributable to a substantial geographic shift in closings to those markets with the lowest ASP and the highest concentration of entry-level homebuyers. In addition, foreclosures continue to pose problems in many of our markets manifesting in lower appraisals which put additional pricing pressure on all home sales and limit financing availability. As a result, we have reduced average sales prices in many of our markets during fiscal 2010 in order to respond to these market conditions. Historically low interest rates, increased affordability and federal and state housing tax credits incited more prospective buyers to purchase a new home and contributed to the significant increase in our closings for the quarter ended June 30, 2010.

Homebuilding revenues in our West segment increased 39.6% for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the same period of fiscal 2009 driven by a 58.5% increase in homes closed. The decrease in average sales prices in our West segment for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 resulted primarily from a significant increase in the sale of entry level homes to first time

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homebuyers in all of our markets, a reduction in the amount of options and upgrades ordered along with select price declines in markets where conditions such as a high levels of foreclosures and unemployment necessitated slightly lower home prices.

For the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010, our East segment homebuilding revenues increased by 70.7% and 44.1% driven by increased closings across all of our markets in this segment offset partially by decreases in average selling price in certain of our markets. The decrease in average selling prices related primarily to a significant increase in the sale of entry level homes to first time homebuyers in all of our markets, a reduction in the amount of options and upgrades ordered along with select price declines in markets where conditions such as a high levels of foreclosures and unemployment necessitated slightly lower home prices.

Our Southeast segment continued to be challenged by significant declines in demand and excess capacity in both the new home and resale markets and the high number of foreclosures, driving decreases in average selling prices of 17.8% for the three months and 12.7% for the nine months ended June 30, 2010 as compared to the same period of the prior year. In addition, the homes closed during the fiscal year were more heavily weighted toward the entry level buyer than in the prior year.

Land Sales and Other Revenues. The table below summarizes land and lot sales revenues by reportable segment (\$ in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | | |
|-----------|-----------------------------|--------|---------|----------------------------|----------|--------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | Change | 2010 | 2009 | Change |
| West | \$ — | \$ 124 | -100.0% | \$ 3,394 | \$ 629 | 439.6% |
| East | 53 | — | n/a | 1,514 | — | n/a |
| Southeast | 408 | 695 | -41.3% | 422 | 740 | -43.0% |
| Total | \$ 461 | \$ 819 | -43.7% | \$ 5,330 | \$ 1,369 | 289.3% |

Land sales and other revenues relate to land and lots sold that did not fit within our homebuilding programs and strategic plans in these markets and net fees we received for general contractor services we performed on behalf of a third party.

Gross Profit (Loss). Homebuilding gross profit is defined as homebuilding revenues less home cost of sales (which includes land and land development costs, home construction costs, capitalized interest, indirect costs of construction, estimated warranty costs, closing costs and inventory impairment and lot option abandonment charges). The following table sets forth our homebuilding gross profit (loss) and gross margin by reportable segment and total gross profit (loss) and gross margin (\$ in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|
| | 2010 | | 2009 | |
| | Gross Profit (Loss) | Gross Margin | Gross Profit (Loss) | Gross Margin |
| West | \$ 18,655 | 15.3% | \$ 7,667 | 8.8% |
| East | 26,576 | 16.4% | 10,913 | 11.5% |
| Southeast | 9,410 | 17.1% | 2,094 | 5.2% |
| Corporate & unallocated | (15,623) | | (15,281) | |
| Total homebuilding | \$ 39,018 | 11.5% | \$ 5,393 | 2.4% |

| | Nine Months Ended June 30, | | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|
| | 2010 | | 2009 | |
| | Gross Profit (Loss) | Gross Margin | Gross Profit (Loss) | Gross Margin |
| West | \$ 46,219 | 16.0% | \$ 11,777 | 4.5% |
| East | 56,088 | 16.2% | 22,493 | 9.4% |
| Southeast | 8,735 | 7.5% | 481 | 0.4% |
| Corporate & unallocated | (29,645) | | (40,068) | |
| Total homebuilding | \$ 81,397 | 10.9% | \$ (5,317) | -0.8% |

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The increase in homebuilding gross margins across all segments is primarily due to increased revenues, cost reductions and lower inventory impairments and lot option abandonment charges. Our segments realized a nominal increase in gross margins excluding impairments as prices have begun to stabilize in certain of our markets and we benefitted from cost reductions. A few of our markets experienced a decrease in gross margins excluding inventory impairments for the quarter ended June 30, 2010 as compared to the comparable period of the prior year due to our decision to reduce prices in certain of our communities in order to compete with similar product for sale in the locale and increase the frequency of new home orders.

Corporate and unallocated. Corporate and unallocated costs include the amortization of capitalized interest and indirect construction costs.

Land Sales and Other Gross Profit (Loss). The table below summarizes land sales and other gross profit (loss) by reportable segment (\$ in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | | |
|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|---------|----------------------------|--------|--------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | Change | 2010 | 2009 | Change |
| West | \$ (13) | \$ 51 | n/m | \$ 356 | \$ (3) | n/m |
| East | 54 | — | n/a | 1,906 | — | n/a |
| Southeast | 407 | 20 | 1935.0% | 422 | 59 | 615.3% |
| Total | \$ 448 | \$ 71 | n/m | \$ 2,684 | \$ 56 | n/m |

During the quarter ended March 31, 2010, we had completed our development responsibilities and obtained a final release related to a project sold in fiscal 2008 and realized a profit related to this land sale of \$1.4 million which is included in gross profit on land sales and other for the nine months ended June 30, 2010.

Inventory Impairments. The following tables set forth, by reportable segment, the inventory impairments and lot option abandonment charges recorded for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Nine Months Ended June 30, | |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|
| | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 |
| Development projects and homes in process (Held for Development) | | | | |
| West | \$ 3,391 | \$ 3,534 | \$ 10,340 | \$ 31,021 |
| East | 463 | 1,260 | 2,581 | 7,884 |
| Southeast | 92 | 1,234 | 7,473 | 10,874 |
| Unallocated | 568 | 241 | 2,040 | 3,515 |
| Subtotal | \$ 4,514 | \$ 6,269 | \$ 22,434 | \$ 53,294 |
| Land Held for Sale | | | | |
| West | \$ — | \$ 4,279 | \$ 1,061 | \$ 7,236 |
| East | — | — | — | 307 |
| Southeast | — | 141 | — | 2,452 |
| Subtotal | \$ — | \$ 4,420 | \$ 1,061 | \$ 9,995 |
| Lot Option Abandonments | | | | |
| West | \$ 526 | \$ 11 | \$ 533 | \$ 87 |
| East | 7 | 1,092 | 6 | 2,808 |
| Southeast | 5 | — | 15 | 927 |
| Subtotal | \$ 538 | \$ 1,103 | \$ 554 | \$ 3,822 |
| Continuing Operations | \$ 5,052 | \$ 11,792 | \$ 24,049 | \$ 67,111 |

During the current period, for certain communities we determined that it was prudent to reduce sales prices or further increase sales incentives in response to factors including competitive market conditions. Because the projected cash flows used to evaluate the fair value of inventory are significantly impacted by changes in market conditions including decreased sales prices, the change in sales prices and changes in absorption estimates led to additional impairments in certain communities during the current quarter. In future periods, we may again determine that it is prudent to reduce sales prices, further increase sales incentives or reduce absorption rates

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which may lead to additional impairments, which could be material. The impairments recorded on our held for development inventory for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, primarily resulted from the competitive market conditions in those specific submarkets for the product and locations of these communities.

During the nine months ended June 30, 2010, as a result of challenging market conditions and review of recent comparable transactions, certain of the Company's land held for sale was further written down to net realizable value, less estimated costs to sell.

Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities. We are exposed to fluctuations in interest rates. From time to time, we enter into derivative agreements to manage interest costs and hedge against risks associated with fluctuating interest rates. As of June 30, 2010, we were not a party to any such derivative agreements. We do not enter into or hold derivatives for trading or speculative purposes.

Liquidity and Capital Resources. Our sources of cash liquidity include, but are not limited to, cash from operations, proceeds from Senior Notes and other bank borrowings, the issuance of equity securities and other external sources of funds. Our short-term and long-term liquidity depend primarily upon our level of net income, working capital management (cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and other liabilities) and available credit facilities.

During the nine months ended June 30, 2010, we used \$35.4 million in cash primarily due to cash used in our numerous financing transactions. Our liquidity position consisted of \$472.0 million in cash and cash equivalents plus \$42.6 million of restricted cash as of June 30, 2010. We expect to complete fiscal 2010 with a cash position above \$500 million, subject to changes in market conditions that would alter our expectations for land and land development expenditures or capital market conditions which could increase or decrease our cash balance.

Our net cash provided by operating activities for the nine months ended June 30, 2010 was \$0.8 million primarily due to significant reductions in trade accounts payable and other liabilities. For the nine months ended June 30, 2009, net cash provided by operating activities was \$1.5 million.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$4.9 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2010 compared to \$26.1 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2009. For the nine months ended June 30, 2010 our use of cash was primarily related to investments in our unconsolidated joint ventures, \$3.9 million of which was used by one joint venture to repay outstanding debt.

Net cash used in financing activities was \$31.2 million for nine months ended June 30, 2010 as compared to \$94.8 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2009. During the nine months ended June 30, 2010, we completed a \$57.5 million Mandatory Convertible Subordinated Notes offering, two common stock offerings of 34,925,000 total shares, a \$300 million senior unsecured debt offering and an offering of 3 million tangible equity units. The net proceeds from these offerings was used to repay our outstanding 2011 Senior Notes, 2012 Senior Notes and our 2024 Convertible Senior Notes.

As a result of our 2011 and 2012 Senior Notes and 2024 Convertible Senior Notes repayments, our next scheduled debt payment is not until November 2013. In addition, on January 15, 2010, we completed a partial exchange of \$75 million of our outstanding Junior Subordinated Notes. We recorded a net gain related to these transactions of approximately \$44 million during the nine months ended June 30, 2010 (see Note 7 to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements where further discussed).

During the quarter, we received two upgrades from S&P in our corporate credit rating from CC+ to B-. Also during the quarter, Moody's raised its corporate credit rating of the Company to Caa1 and Fitch raised its corporate credit rating of the Company to B-. These ratings and our current credit condition affect, among other things, our ability to access new capital, especially debt, and may result in more stringent covenants and higher interest rates under the terms of any new debt. Our credit ratings could be further lowered or rating agencies could issue adverse commentaries in the future, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and liquidity. In particular, a further weakening of our financial condition, including any further increase in our leverage or decrease in our profitability or cash flows, could adversely affect our ability to obtain necessary funds, result in a credit rating downgrade or change in outlook, or otherwise increase our cost of borrowing.

We fulfill our short-term cash requirements with cash generated from our operations. There were no amounts outstanding under the Secured Revolving Credit Facility at June 30, 2010; however, \$1.0 million is currently used for letters of credit. We have entered into a number of stand-alone, cash secured letter of credit agreements with banks. These facilities will continue to provide for future working capital and letter of credit needs collateralized by either cash or assets of the Company at our option, based on certain conditions and covenant compliance. As of June 30, 2010, we have secured our letters of credit under these facilities using cash collateral which is maintained in restricted accounts totaling \$41.8 million. In addition, we have elected to pledge approximately \$1.0 billion of inventory

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assets to our revolving credit facility. We believe that the cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2010 of \$472.0 million, cash generated from our operations and availability of new debt and equity financing, if any, will be adequate to meet our liquidity needs during fiscal 2010 and fiscal 2011.

In addition to our continued focus on generation and preservation of cash, we are also focused on increasing our stockholders' equity and reducing our leverage. In order to accomplish this goal, during the first three quarters of fiscal 2010, we have taken actions to significantly increase our stockholders' equity and strengthen our balance sheet. As previously mentioned, during the first quarter of fiscal 2010, we filed an application for a federal income tax refund of approximately \$101 million which resulted in a income tax benefit of \$101 million. We also finalized our carry back claim during our third fiscal quarter of 2010 which resulted in an additional federal income tax refund of approximately \$32 million. This refund was received subsequent to June 30th. On January 12, 2010, we completed a \$57.5 million Mandatory Convertible Subordinated Note offering and common stock offering of 22,425,000 shares. In May 2010, we completed a \$300 million unsecured senior note offering, a common stock offering of 12.5 million shares and a 3 million tangible equity unit offering. A portion of the proceeds from these transactions were used to repay a portion of our outstanding Senior Notes. In addition, on January 15, 2010, we completed a partial exchange of \$75 million of our outstanding Junior Subordinated Notes. We recorded a net gain related to these transactions of approximately \$44 million for the nine months ended June 30, 2010 (see Note 7 to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements where further discussed). As a result of our aforementioned actions and fiscal year-to-date operating results, our stockholders' equity and Tangible Net Worth increased to \$454.7 million and \$404.6 million, respectively, as of June 30, 2010.

We may also determine in the future that we need to issue additional new common or preferred equity. Any new issuance may take the form of public or private offerings for cash, equity issued to consummate acquisitions of assets or equity issued in exchange for a portion of our outstanding debt. We may also from time to time seek to continue to retire or purchase our outstanding debt through cash purchases and/or exchanges for equity or other debt securities, in open market purchases, privately negotiated transactions or otherwise. In addition, any material variance from our projected operating results or land investments, or investments in or acquisitions of businesses, or amounts paid to fulfill obligations with governmental entities, could require us to obtain additional equity or debt financing. Any such equity transactions or debt financing may be on terms less favorable or at higher costs than our current financing sources, depending on future market conditions and other factors including any possible downgrades in our credit ratings or adverse commentaries issued by rating agencies in the future. Also, there can be no assurance that we will be able to complete any of these transactions in the future on favorable terms or at all.

Stock Repurchases and Dividends Paid — The Company did not repurchase any shares in the open market during the nine months ended June 30, 2010 or 2009. At June 30, 2010, there are approximately 5.4 million additional shares available for purchase pursuant to the Company's stock repurchase plan. However, as previously disclosed, we have currently suspended our repurchase program and any resumption of such program will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors and as allowed by our debt covenants and is unlikely in the foreseeable future.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements and Aggregate Contractual Commitments. At June 30, 2010, we controlled 29,768 lots (a 5.6-year supply based on trailing twelve month closings). We owned 80%, or 23,859 lots, and 5,909 lots, 20%, were under option contracts which generally require the payment of cash or the posting of a letter of credit for the right to acquire lots during a specified period of time at a certain price. We historically have attempted to control a portion of our land supply through options. As a result of the flexibility that these options provide us, upon a change in market conditions we may renegotiate the terms of the options prior to exercise or terminate the agreement. Under option contracts, purchase of the properties is contingent upon satisfaction of certain requirements by us and the sellers and our liability is generally limited to forfeiture of the non-refundable deposits, letters of credit and other non-refundable amounts incurred, which aggregated approximately \$37.2 million at June 30, 2010. This amount includes non-refundable letters of credit of approximately \$3.7 million. The total remaining purchase price, net of cash deposits, committed under all options was \$271.3 million as of June 30, 2010.

We expect to exercise, subject to market conditions, most of our option contracts. Various factors, some of which are beyond our control, such as homebuyer demand, home inventory levels, employment activity, weather conditions and the timing of the completion of development activities, will have a significant impact on the timing of option exercises or whether land options will be exercised.

We have historically funded the exercise of land options through operating cash flows. We expect these sources to continue to be adequate to fund anticipated future option exercises. Therefore, we do not anticipate that the exercise of our land options will have a material adverse effect on our liquidity.

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Certain of our option contracts are with sellers who are deemed to be Variable Interest Entities (VIEs) under FASB Interpretation No. 46 (Revised), *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of ARB No. 51* (FIN 46R) (ASC 810). We have determined that we are the primary beneficiary of certain of these option contracts. Our risk is generally limited to the option deposits that we pay, and creditors of the sellers generally have no recourse to the general credit of the Company. Although we do not have legal title to the optioned land, for those option contracts for which we are the primary beneficiary, we are required to consolidate the land under option at fair value. We believe that the exercise prices of our option contracts approximate their fair value. Our unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets at June 30, 2010 and September 30, 2009 reflect consolidated inventory not owned of \$43.3 million and \$53.0 million, respectively. Obligations related to consolidated inventory not owned totaled \$24.4 million at June 30, 2010 and \$26.4 million at September 30, 2009. The difference between the balances of consolidated inventory not owned and obligations related to consolidated inventory not owned represents cash deposits paid under the option agreements. When market conditions improve, we may expand our use of option agreements to supplement our owned inventory supply.

We participate in a number of land development joint ventures in which we have less than a controlling interest. We enter into joint ventures in order to acquire attractive land positions, to manage our risk profile and to leverage our capital base. Our joint ventures are typically entered into with developers, other homebuilders and financial partners to develop finished lots for sale to the joint venture's members and other third parties. We account for our interest in these joint ventures under the equity method. Our unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets include investments in joint ventures totaling \$8.7 million at June 30, 2010 and \$30.1 million at September 30, 2009.

Our joint ventures typically obtain secured acquisition and development financing. At June 30, 2010, our unconsolidated joint ventures had borrowings outstanding totaling \$395.5 million, of which \$327.9 million related to one joint venture in which we are a 2.58% member. Generally, we and our joint venture partners have provided varying levels of guarantees of debt or other obligations of our unconsolidated joint ventures. At June 30, 2010, we had repayment guarantees of \$15.8 million of debt of certain of our unconsolidated joint ventures. One of our unconsolidated joint ventures is in default under its debt agreements at June 30, 2010. To the extent that we are unable to reach satisfactory resolutions, we may be called upon to perform under our applicable guarantees. See Note 3 to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

We had outstanding letters of credit and performance bonds of approximately \$40.3 million and \$192.1 million, respectively, at June 30, 2010 related principally to our obligations to local governments to construct roads and other improvements in various developments. Our letters of credit include \$3.7 million relating to our land option contracts discussed above.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We are exposed to a number of market risks in the ordinary course of business. Our primary market risk exposure relates to fluctuations in interest rates. We do not believe that our exposure in this area is material to cash flows or earnings. As of June 30, 2010, we had \$0.7 million of variable rate debt outstanding. Based on our average outstanding borrowings under our variable rate debt at June 30, 2010, a one-percentage point increase in interest rates would not materially negatively impact our annual pre-tax earnings.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this report, an evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), of the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Based on that evaluation, the CEO and CFO concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of June 30, 2010.

Attached as exhibits to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are certifications of our CEO and CFO, which are required by Rule 13a-14 of the Act. This Disclosure Controls and Procedures section includes information concerning management's evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures referred to in those certifications and, as such, should be read in conjunction with the certifications of the CEO and CFO.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There have been no changes in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting during the quarter ended June 30, 2010 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Litigation

ERISA Class Actions. On April 30, 2007, a putative class action complaint was filed on behalf of a purported class consisting of present and former participants and beneficiaries of the Beazer Homes USA, Inc. 401(k) Plan against the Company and certain employees and directors of the Company. The complaint alleges breach of fiduciary duties, including those set forth in the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), as a result of the investment of retirement monies held by the 401(k) Plan in common stock of Beazer Homes at a time when participants were allegedly not provided timely, accurate and complete information concerning Beazer Homes. Four additional lawsuits were filed subsequently making similar allegations and the court consolidated these five lawsuits. The parties have reached a settlement which will be largely funded by insurance proceeds and is subject to court approval. Under the terms of the settlement, the lawsuit will be dismissed with prejudice and there will be a release of all claims.

Homeowners Class Action Lawsuits and Multi-Plaintiff Lawsuit. A putative class action was filed on April 8, 2008 in the United States District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina, Salisbury Division, against Beazer Homes, U.S.A., Inc., Beazer Homes Corp. and Beazer Mortgage Corporation. The Complaint alleges that Beazer violated the Real Estate Settlement Practices Act (RESPA) and North Carolina Gen. Stat. § 75-1.1 by (1) improperly requiring homebuyers to use Beazer-owned mortgage and settlement services as part of a down payment assistance program, and (2) illegally increasing the cost of homes and settlement services sold by Beazer Homes Corp. The purported class consists of all residents of North Carolina who purchased a home from Beazer, using mortgage financing provided by and through Beazer that included seller-funded down payment assistance, between January 1, 2000 and October 11, 2007. The parties have reached a tentative agreement to settle the lawsuit, which will be partially funded by insurance proceeds and is subject to court approval. Under the terms of the settlement, the action will be dismissed with prejudice, and the Company and all other defendants will not admit any liability.

Beazer Homes and several subsidiaries were named as defendants in a putative class action lawsuit originally filed on March 12, 2008, in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Placer. The purported class is defined as all persons who purchased a home from the defendants or their affiliates, with the assistance of a federally related mortgage loan, from March 25, 1999, to the present where Security Title Insurance Company received any money as a reinsurer of the transaction. The complaint alleges that the defendants violated RESPA and asserts claims under a number of state statutes alleging that defendants engaged in a uniform and systematic practice of giving and/or accepting fees and kickbacks to affiliated businesses including affiliated and/or recommended title insurance companies. The complaint also alleges a number of common law claims. Plaintiffs seek an unspecified amount of damages under RESPA, unspecified statutory, compensatory and punitive damages and injunctive and declaratory relief, as well as attorneys' fees and costs. Defendants removed the action to federal court and plaintiffs filed a Second Amended Complaint which substituted new named-plaintiffs. The Company filed a motion to dismiss the Second Amended Complaint, which the federal court granted in part. The federal court dismissed the sole federal claim, declined to rule on the state law claims, and remanded the case to the Superior Court of Placer County. The Company filed a supplemental motion to dismiss/demurrer regarding the remaining state law claims in the Second Amended Complaint and the state court sustained defendants' demurrer but granted the plaintiffs leave to amend their claims. Plaintiffs thereafter filed a Third Amended Complaint which defendants removed to federal court based on the presence of a federal question and pursuant to the Class Action Fairness Act and thereafter moved to dismiss. Plaintiffs filed a motion to remand the case. The federal court granted the plaintiffs' motion and remanded the case to the Superior Court of Placer County. The defendants filed a petition with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit for permission to appeal the remand order and a demurrer in state court as to all counts of the Third Amended Complaint. The state court granted the defendants' demurrer as to the plaintiffs' breach of contract claim, but the unfair competition claim remains. The Company filed its answer to the Third Amended Complaint on June 11, 2010. The Company intends to continue to vigorously defend against the action.

We cannot predict or determine the timing or final outcome of the lawsuits or the effect that any adverse findings or adverse determinations in the pending lawsuits may have on us. In addition, an estimate of possible loss or range of loss, if any, cannot presently be made with respect to the above pending matters. An unfavorable determination resulting from any governmental investigation could result in the filing of criminal charges, payment of substantial criminal or civil restitution, the imposition of injunctions on our conduct or the imposition of other penalties or consequences, including but not limited to the Company having to adjust, curtail or terminate the conduct of certain of our business operations. Any of these outcomes could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. An unfavorable determination in any of the pending lawsuits could result in the payment by us of substantial monetary damages which may not be fully covered by insurance. Further, the legal costs associated with the lawsuits and the amount of time required to be spent by management and the Board of Directors on these matters, even if we are ultimately successful, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Other Matters

As disclosed in our 2009 Form 10-K, on July 1, 2009, the Company announced that it has resolved the criminal and civil investigations by the United States Attorney's Office in the Western District of North Carolina (the U.S. Attorney) and other state and federal agencies concerning matters that were the subject of the independent investigation, initiated in April 2007 by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors (the Investigation) and concluded in May 2008. Under the terms of the deferred prosecution agreement (DPA), the Company's liability for fiscal 2010 will be equal to the greater of \$1 million or 4% of the Company's adjusted EBITDA (as defined in the DPA) and in each of the fiscal years after 2010 through a portion of fiscal 2014 (unless extended as described in Note 9) will also be equal to 4% of the Company's adjusted EBITDA (as defined in the DPA). The total amount of such obligations will be dependent on several factors; however, the maximum liability under the DPA and other settlement agreements discussed above will not exceed \$55.0 million of which \$14 million was paid during fiscal 2009.

In November 2003, Beazer Homes received a request for information from the EPA pursuant to Section 308 of the Clean Water Act seeking information concerning the nature and extent of storm water discharge practices relating to certain of our communities completed or under construction. The EPA has since requested information on additional communities and has conducted site inspections at a number of locations. In certain instances, the EPA or the equivalent state agency has issued Administrative Orders identifying alleged instances of noncompliance and requiring corrective action to address the alleged deficiencies in storm water management practices. As of June 30, 2010, no monetary penalties had been imposed in connection with such Administrative Orders. Consistent with its approach with other homebuilders, the EPA has contacted the Company about a possible resolution of these issues. Settlement negotiations are proceeding. The EPA has reserved the right to impose monetary penalties at a later date, the amount of which, if any, cannot currently be estimated. Beazer Homes has taken action to comply with the requirements of each of the Administrative Orders and is working to otherwise maintain compliance with the requirements of the Clean Water Act.

In 2006, we received two Administrative Orders issued by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. The Orders allege certain violations of wetlands disturbance permits. The two Orders assess proposed fines of \$630,000 and \$678,000, respectively. We have met with the Department to discuss their concerns on the two affected communities and have requested hearings on both matters. We believe that we have significant defenses to the alleged violations and intend to contest the agency's findings and the proposed fines. We are currently pursuing settlement discussions with the Department.

On June 3, 2009, a purported class action complaint was filed by the owners of one of our homes in our Magnolia Lakes' community in Ft. Myers, Florida. The complaint names the Company and certain distributors and suppliers of drywall and was filed in the Circuit Court for Lee County, Florida on behalf of the named plaintiffs and other similarly situated owners of homes in Magnolia Lakes or alternatively in the State of Florida. The plaintiffs allege that the Company built their homes with defective drywall, manufactured in China, that contains sulfur compounds that allegedly corrode certain metals and that are allegedly capable of harming the health of individuals. Plaintiffs allege physical and economic damages and seek legal and equitable relief, medical monitoring and attorney's fees. This case has been transferred to the Eastern District of Louisiana pursuant to an order from the United States Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation. In addition, the Company has been named in other complaints filed in the multidistrict litigation and continues to pursue recovery against responsible subcontractors and drywall suppliers. The Company believes that the claims asserted in these actions are governed by its home warranty or are without merit. Accordingly, the Company intends to vigorously defend against this litigation.

We and certain of our subsidiaries have been named as defendants in various claims, complaints and other legal actions, most relating to construction defects, moisture intrusion and product liability. Certain of the liabilities resulting from these actions are covered in whole or part by insurance. In our opinion, based on our current assessment, the ultimate resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

The lender of one of our unconsolidated joint ventures has filed individual lawsuits against some of the joint venture members and certain of those members' parent companies (including the Company), seeking to recover damages under completion guarantees, among other claims. We intend to vigorously defend against this legal action. We are a 2.58% member in this joint venture (see Note 3 for additional information). An estimate of possible loss or range of loss, if any cannot presently be made. In addition, one member of the joint venture filed an arbitration proceeding against the remaining members related to the plaintiff-member's allegations that the other members have failed to perform under the applicable membership agreements. The arbitration proceeding in this matter was held in February 2010 and the arbitration panel issued its decision on July 6, 2010. Under the decision, the panel denied the plaintiff's claims for specific performance claims and awarded damages in an amount well below the amount claimed. The Company does not believe that its proportional share of the award is considered material to our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

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Item 6. Exhibits

- 10.1 Form of 2010 Equity Incentive Plan Employee Award Agreement for Option and Restricted Stock Awards
- 10.2 Form of 2010 Equity Incentive Plan Director Award Agreement for Option and Restricted Stock Awards
- 31.1 Certification pursuant to 17 CFR 240.13a-14 promulgated under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 31.2 Certification pursuant to 17 CFR 240.13a-14 promulgated under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.1 Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.2 Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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.

Beazer Homes USA, Inc.

Date: August 5, 2010

By: /s/ Allan P. Merrill

Name: Allan P. Merrill
Executive Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer

BEAZER HOMES USA, INC.
2010 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN
EMPLOYEE AWARD AGREEMENT FOR
OPTION AND RESTRICTED STOCK

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of [____], 2010 by and between BEAZER HOMES USA, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and _____ ("Participant").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company pursuant to its 2010 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan") wishes to make certain awards to Participant.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties hereto hereby agree to the terms set forth below. The terms of this Agreement shall be interpreted in accordance with the Plan, and any capitalized term used in this Agreement but not defined herein shall have the meaning set forth in the Plan.

1. GRANT OF OPTION TO ACQUIRE COMMON STOCK

(a) Grant; Effective Date; Option Price. The Company hereby notifies Participant that the Company has granted to Participant in accordance with the Plan, and effective as of _____, 2010 (the "Option Effective Date"), the right and option (hereinafter referred to as the "Option") to purchase, on the terms and conditions set forth herein, all or any part of an aggregate of ____ Shares at a price per Share equal to the closing price per Share as reported by the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE") at the close of business on the Option Effective

Date (\$___) (the "Option Price"), subject to adjustment as provided in Section 3 below. The Option is not intended to be an incentive stock option within the meaning of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

The Company will at all times during the Option Term (as set forth in Section 1(b)(i) below) reserve and keep available such number of Shares as will be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of this Agreement.

(b) Duration and Exercisability of Option; Limitations on Exercisability.

(i) The Option shall in all events terminate and no longer be exercisable at 11:59 p.m. (ET) on the seventh anniversary of the Option Effective Date (the period commencing on the Option Effective Date and ending at 11:59 p.m. (ET) on the seventh anniversary thereof being referred to herein as the "Option Term").

(ii) (A) The Option shall not be exercisable, in whole or in part, prior to the first anniversary of the Option Effective Date, but shall become vested and exercisable by Participant as to one-third (1/3) of the aggregate Shares subject to the Option (rounded down to the nearest whole Share) on each of the first and second anniversaries of the Option Effective Date and with respect to the remaining Shares subject to the Option on the third anniversary of the Option Effective Date, provided that the Participant has remained continuously employed with the Company and/or its Affiliates from the Option Effective Date until each such vesting date.

(B) Notwithstanding Section 1(b)(ii)(A) above, the Option shall become vested and exercisable in full upon the occurrence of a Change in Control (as defined in

the Plan), provided that Participant has remained continuously employed with the Company and/or its Affiliates from the Option Effective Date until such Change in Control.

(C) Notwithstanding Section 1(b)(ii)(A) above, in the event Participant terminates employment with the Company (and its Affiliates) by reason of "Retirement" (as hereinafter defined), in addition to any Shares that previously became vested and exercisable, the Option shall become vested and exercisable with respect to such additional number of Shares (rounded down to the nearest whole Share) as equals (1) the product of (x) the total number of Shares underlying such Option awarded to Participant as described in Section 1(a) hereof multiplied by (y) a fraction, the numerator of which shall be equal to the number of whole months (counting each month as ending on the first day of a calendar month) elapsed from the Option Effective Date until the date of such Retirement (not to exceed 36) and the denominator of which shall be 36, less (2) the number of Shares underlying such Option that vested and became exercisable pursuant to Section 1(b)(ii)(A) or (B) above prior to the date of such Retirement.

For purposes of this Agreement, "Retirement" shall mean a voluntary termination of employment by Participant at age 65 or older with at least five (5) years of service with the Company and/or its Affiliates. Participant may request approval for Retirement treatment if between the ages of 62 and 65 with at least five (5) years of service with the Company and/or its Affiliates at the time of any voluntary termination. At the sole discretion of the Committee, such requests can be approved or denied.

(iii) During the lifetime of Participant, the Option shall be exercisable only by Participant (or, subject to Section 1(d)(ii) or (iii) below, by Participant's guardian or legal

representative or Permitted Transferee (as hereinafter defined) to whom the Option has been gifted or transferred pursuant to a domestic relations order) and shall not be assignable or transferable by Participant other than (A) to an individual by will or the laws of descent and distribution, or (B) to a Permitted Transferee by gift or transfer pursuant to a domestic relations order. For purposes of this Agreement, "Permitted Transferee" shall mean (A) any person who is a "family member" of the Participant, as such term is used in the instructions to Form S-8 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act") (collectively "Immediate Family Members"); (B) a trust solely for the benefit of the Participant and the Participant's Immediate Family Members; (C) a partnership or limited liability company whose only partners or shareholders are the Participant and the Participant's Immediate Family Members; or (D) any other transferee as may be approved by the Committee in its sole discretion.

(iv) The exercise of all or any part of the Option shall only take effect at such time that the issuance of the Shares pursuant to such exercise will not violate any state or federal securities or other laws or the rules of the NYSE or any other exchange upon which the Company's securities may then be trading. Any other provision of this Agreement notwithstanding, the Company shall have the right to designate one or more periods of time during which the Option shall not be exercisable if the Company determines (in its sole discretion) that such limitation on exercise could in any way facilitate a lessening of any restriction on transfer pursuant to the Act or any state securities laws with respect to any issuance of securities by the Company, facilitate the registration or qualification or any securities by the Company under the Act or any state securities laws, or facilitate the perfection of any exemption from the registration or qualification requirements of the Act or any

applicable state securities laws for the issuance or transfer of any securities. Such limitation on exercise shall not affect the date on which the Option becomes vested or the Option Term pursuant to clause (i) of this Section 1(b) in any way other than to limit the periods during which the Option shall be exercisable.

(c) No Rights as a Shareholder. Participant shall have none of the rights of a Shareholder with respect to Shares subject to the Option until such Shares shall have been issued to Participant upon exercise of the Option. No adjustments will be made for dividends or other distributions or rights if the applicable record date occurs before a stock certificate is issued pursuant to Participant's exercise of the Option.

(d) Effect of Termination of Employment on Option.

(i) In the event that Participant has a "Termination for Cause" (as hereinafter defined) or in the event Participant voluntarily resigns (other than due to Retirement or becoming "Disabled" as hereinafter defined), both the vested and unvested portions of the Option shall terminate as of such date of resignation or termination and shall no longer be exercisable.

For purposes of this Agreement, a "Termination for Cause" shall mean a termination of employment by the Company or an Affiliate due to any of the following: (A) any act or failure to act (or series or combination thereof) by Participant done with the intent to harm in any material respect the interests of the Company or any Affiliate thereof; (B) the commission by Participant of a felony; (C) the perpetration by Participant of a dishonest act or common law fraud against the Company or any Affiliate thereof; (D) a grossly negligent act or failure to act (or series or combination thereof) by Participant detrimental in any material

respect to the interests of the Company or any Affiliate thereof; (E) the material breach by Participant of his/her agreements or obligations under his/her employment agreement, if applicable; or (F) the continued refusal to follow directives which are consistent with Participant's duties and responsibilities.

(ii) In the event Participant's employment is terminated as a result of either his/her becoming "Disabled" (as hereinafter defined) or a "Termination Not for Cause" (as hereinafter defined) prior to the complete exercise of the Option, then the Option, to the extent vested and exercisable at that time pursuant to Section 1(b)(ii) hereof, may be exercised at any time within twelve (12) months after the date of such termination as a result of becoming Disabled or within three (3) months after the date of such termination as a result of a Termination Not for Cause, after which time any remaining portion of the Option shall terminate and no longer be exercisable. In this case the Option may be exercised by Participant, his/her guardians or legal representatives, or by any Permitted Transferee to whom the Option is gifted or transferred pursuant to a domestic relations order to the extent of the full number of Shares which Participant was entitled to purchase under the Option on the date of such termination and subject to the condition that no portion of the Option shall be exercisable after the expiration of the Option Term. Any portion of the Option that is not vested as of the date the Participant's employment is terminated as a result of becoming Disabled or a Termination Not for Cause shall terminate as of such date and shall no longer be exercisable.

For purposes of this Agreement, Participant shall be deemed "Disabled" if the Participant becomes ill or is injured or otherwise becomes disabled or incapacitated such that, in the opinion of the Committee, he/she cannot fully carry out and perform his/her duties as an

employee of the Company (or its Affiliates), and such disability or incapacity shall continue for a period of forty-five (45) consecutive days.

For purposes of this Agreement, a "Termination Not for Cause" shall mean a Participant's termination of employment by the Company (or its Affiliates) which is not a Termination for Cause.

(iii) In the event Participant dies while an employee of the Company or its Affiliates prior to the complete exercise of the Option, then the Option, to the extent vested and exercisable at that time pursuant to Section 1(b)(ii) hereof, may be exercised at any time within twelve (12) months after Participant's death, after which time any remaining portion of the Option shall terminate and no longer be exercisable. In this case, the Option may be exercised by his/her guardian or legal representatives or by any Permitted Transferee to whom the Option has been gifted or transferred pursuant to a domestic relations order, or by any person or persons to whom the Option is transferred by will or the applicable laws of descent and distribution, as applicable, to the extent of the full number of Shares which Participant was entitled to purchase under the Option on the date of such death, and subject to the condition that no portion of the Option shall be exercisable after the expiration of the Option Term. Any portion of the Option that is not vested as of the date the Participant's death shall terminate as of such date and shall no longer be exercisable.

(iv) In the event Participant terminates employment with the Company (or its Affiliates) by reason of Retirement, then the Option, to the extent vested and exercisable at that time pursuant to Section 1(b)(ii) hereof, may be exercised at any time within twelve (12) months after Participant's Retirement, after which time any remaining portion of the Option shall

terminate and no longer be exercisable, subject to the condition that no portion of the Option shall be exercisable after the expiration of the Option Term. Any portion of the Option that is not vested as of the date of Participant's termination by reason of Retirement shall terminate as of such date and shall no longer be exercisable.

(e) Effect of a Change in Control of the Company on the Option. In the event of a Change in Control (as defined in the Plan), the Company shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to notify Participant that a Change in Control will occur and the Company shall give to Participant, in the Company's sole discretion, either (i) a reasonable time thereafter within which to exercise any portion of the Option to the extent vested and exercisable and not exercised previously, prior to the effectiveness of such Change in Control, at the end of which time the Option shall terminate and no longer be exercisable (provided that, to the extent vesting of any portion of such Option is contingent on the Change in Control, the exercise of such portion of the Option shall also be contingent on consummation of the Change in Control), or (ii) the right, after the Change in Control, to exercise the remaining portion of the Option (or a substitute option) as to such number of shares of stock of the corporation succeeding the Company or acquiring its business by reason of such Change in Control as may be determined in accordance with Section 3 below. Alternatively, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may provide for the redemption of the unexercised portion of the Option at the time of the Change in Control in exchange for an amount of cash or other property equal to the excess of (i) the amount of cash or other property that would have been realized by Participant on the Change in Control with respect to the Shares subject to such portion of the Option had such portion of

the Option been exercised immediately prior to the Change in Control over (ii) the aggregate Option Price for such number of Shares subject to the unexercised portion of the Option.

(f) Manner of Exercise; Form of Payment.

(i) The Option can be exercised only by Participant or other proper party (as permitted by Section 1(b)(iii) above) by delivering a timely written notice to the Company at its principal office. The notice shall state the number of Shares as to which the Option is being exercised and be accompanied by payment in full of the Option Price for all Shares designated in the notice.

(ii) Participant may pay the Option Price in cash, by check (bank check, certified check or personal check), by money order or by wire transfer. In addition, with the approval of the Committee, Participant may pay the Option Price, by (A) having the Company withhold a portion of the Shares otherwise to be delivered upon the exercise of the Option having a Fair Market Value equal to the Option Price; (B) delivering to the Company (actually or by attestation) Shares other than the Shares issuable upon the exercise of the Option with a Fair Market Value equal to the Option Price; (C) a cashless exercise through a broker; or (D) any combination of cash, check, money order or wire transfer and any of Sections 1(f)(ii)(A) through (C). Any election to have Shares withheld must be made on or before the date that the Option Price is to be paid.

2. AWARD OF RESTRICTED STOCK

(a) Award; Effective Date. The Company hereby notifies Participant that, effective as of _____, 2010 (the "Restricted Stock Effective Date"), the Company has awarded to Participant ___ Shares, subject to the terms of the Plan and subject to such

further restrictions as are set forth below. Such restricted Shares are hereinafter referred to as “Restricted Stock.”

(b) Vesting; Change in Control; Restrictions. (i) Subject in each case to the provisions of this Section 2, Participant’s rights with respect to the Restricted Stock awarded hereunder shall vest as follows: 100% of the Restricted Stock awarded will vest on the third anniversary of the Restricted Stock Effective Date, provided that Participant has remained continuously employed with the Company and/or its Affiliates from the Restricted Stock Effective Date until such vesting date.

(ii) Notwithstanding Section 2(b)(i), upon the occurrence of a Change in Control of the Company, all Restricted Stock not theretofore vested pursuant to Section 2(b)(i) above shall become immediately vested, provided that Participant has remained continuously employed with the Company and/or its Affiliates from the Restricted Stock Effective Date until such Change in Control.

(iii) In the event of Participant’s death, “Termination Not for Cause” (as defined in Section 1(d) above), or termination of employment as a result of becoming “Disabled” (as defined in Section 1(d) above) or by reason of “Retirement” (as defined in Section 1(b) above), prior to the third anniversary of the Restricted Stock Effective Date, then the Restricted Stock will vest with respect to that number of Shares (rounded down to the nearest whole Share) as equals the product of (x) the total number of Shares awarded to Participant as described in Section 2(a) hereof multiplied by (y) a fraction, the numerator of which shall be equal to the number of whole months (counting each month as ending on the first day of a calendar month) elapsed from the Restricted Stock Effective Date until the date of such death,

Termination Not for Cause, termination as a result of becoming Disabled or by reason of Retirement (not to exceed 36) and the denominator of which shall be 36.

(iv) Prior to vesting, the Restricted Stock shall not be voluntarily or involuntarily sold, assigned, transferred, pledged, alienated, hypothecated or encumbered by Participant, other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution.

(v) Prior to vesting, Participant shall have voting rights and receive dividends, if and when declared, on the Restricted Stock held by the Company on behalf of Participant.

(c) Forfeiture of Restricted Stock. Pursuant to Section 6.3(c) of the Plan:

(i) In the event that Participant has a Termination for Cause or voluntarily resigns from or otherwise terminates his/her employment with the Company or any of its Affiliates (other than termination by reason of death, becoming Disabled or Retirement and other than Termination Not for Cause), then the Restricted Stock which is held by Participant on the date of such termination shall be forfeited by Participant, and the Company shall have no further obligation to Participant with respect to such forfeited Restricted Stock.

(ii) In the event Participant's employment is terminated by the Company or any of its Affiliates as a Termination Not for Cause or by reason of death, or in the event Participant's employment is terminated by reason of his/her becoming Disabled or by reason of Retirement, then the Restricted Stock that has not become vested in accordance with Section 2(b) above prior to, or at the time of, such death or other termination of employment shall be forfeited by Participant, and the Company shall have no further obligation to Participant with respect to such forfeited Restricted Stock.

(d) Stock Certificates. The Restricted Stock awarded hereunder shall be held in a book entry account by the Company. Appropriate adjustments shall be made by the Company to the Restricted Stock awarded hereunder to reflect changes made by the Committee pursuant to those events described in Section 3 below. Upon vesting of the Restricted Stock awarded hereunder, a certificate or certificates representing such Shares shall be delivered to the Participant, which certificate or certificates may contain such legends as the Company, in its sole discretion, deems necessary or advisable in connection with applicable securities laws. Such certificates shall be delivered as soon as administratively practicable, but no later than 30 days after vesting.

3. ADJUSTMENTS

If there shall be any change in the Shares through (i) dividends or other distributions (whether in the form of cash, Shares, other securities or other property), (ii) recapitalization, (iii) stock split, (iv) reverse stock split, (v) reorganization, (vi) merger, (vii) consolidation, (viii) split-up, (ix) spin-off, (x) combination, (xi) repurchase or exchange of Shares or other securities of the Company, (xii) issuance of warrants or other rights to purchase Shares or other securities of the Company or (xiii) other similar corporate transaction or event that affects the Shares, then appropriate adjustments in the outstanding portion of the Option or Restricted Stock shall be made by the Committee, in its sole discretion under the Plan, in order to prevent dilution or enlargement of the Option or Restricted Stock rights contemplated hereby. Such adjustments may include, where appropriate, changes in the number and type of Shares subject to the Option or Restricted Stock and/or the Option Price.

4. MISCELLANEOUS

(a) The Plan. The grant of the Option and award of Restricted Stock provided for herein are made pursuant to the Plan and are subject to its terms. The Plan is available for inspection during business hours at the principal offices of the Company (currently located at 1000 Abernathy Road, Suite 1200, Atlanta, Georgia 30328), and a copy of the Plan may be obtained by Participant through a request in writing therefor directed to the Secretary of the Company. To the extent the terms of this Agreement are inconsistent with the Plan, the terms of the Plan shall control.

(b) No Right to Employment. This Agreement shall not confer on Participant any right with respect to continuance of employment by the Company or any Affiliates, nor will it interfere in any way with the right of the Company or any Affiliate to terminate such employment at any time for any reason.

(c) Taxes. The Participant shall be responsible for satisfying any income and employment tax withholding obligations attributable to participation in the Plan, the exercise of the Option and the vesting of Restricted Stock. Participant may elect to satisfy his/her federal and state income and employment tax withholding obligations upon the exercise of the Option or vesting of Restricted Stock, by (i) having the Company withhold a portion of the Shares otherwise to be delivered upon the exercise of the Option or vesting of Restricted Stock having a Fair Market Value equal to the minimum amount of federal and state income and employment taxes required to be withheld, (ii) delivering to the Company (actually or by attestation) Shares other than the Shares issuable upon the exercise of the Option or vesting of Restricted Stock

with a Fair Market Value equal to such taxes, (iii) delivering to the Company cash, check (bank check, certified check or personal check), money order or wire transfer equal to such taxes upon the exercise of the Option or vesting of Restricted Stock, (iv) a cashless exercise through a broker or (v) any combination of Sections 4(c)(i) through (iv). Any election to have Shares withheld must be made on or before the date that the amount of tax to be withheld is determined.

(d) Waivers. No waiver at any time of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any other term or provision of this Agreement and a waiver at any time of any term or provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver at any subsequent time of the same term or provision.

(e) Headings. All headings set forth in this Agreement are intended for convenience only and shall not control or affect the meaning, construction or effect of this Agreement or of any of the provisions hereof.

(f) Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed via facsimile transmission signature and in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

(g) Board and Committee Determinations. All matters to be determined by the Board or any committee thereof, including, without limitation, the Compensation Committee, pursuant to the terms of this Agreement shall be determined by the members of the Board or such duly authorized committee without the vote of Participant.

(h) Law Governing Agreement. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this **EMPLOYEE AWARD AGREEMENT FOR OPTION AND RESTRICTED STOCK** covering the grant of Option and award of Restricted Stock effective as of _____, 2010.

BEAZER HOMES USA, INC.

By: _____
Fred J. Fratto
Senior Vice President, Human Resources

PARTICIPANT

Name

BEAZER HOMES USA, INC.
2010 EQUITY INCENTIVE PLAN
DIRECTOR AWARD AGREEMENT FOR
OPTION AND RESTRICTED STOCK

THIS AWARD AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of [_____,] 2010 by and between BEAZER HOMES USA, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and _____ ("Participant").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company pursuant to its 2010 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan") wishes to make certain awards to Participant.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties hereto hereby agree to the terms set forth below. The terms of this Agreement shall be interpreted in accordance with the Plan, and any capitalized term used in this Agreement but not defined herein shall have the meaning set forth in the Plan.

1. GRANT OF OPTION TO ACQUIRE COMMON STOCK

(a) Grant; Effective Date; Option Price. The Company hereby notifies Participant that the Company has granted to Participant in accordance with the Plan, and effective as of _____, 2010 (the "Option Effective Date"), the right and option (hereinafter referred to as the "Option") to purchase, on the terms and conditions set forth herein, all or any part of an aggregate of _____ Shares at a price per Share equal to the closing price per Share as reported by the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE") at the close of business on the Option Effective

Date (\$ _____) (the "Option Price"), subject to adjustment as provided in Section 3 below. The Option is not intended to be an incentive stock option within the meaning of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

The Company will at all times during the Option Term (as set forth in Section 1(b)(i) below) reserve and keep available such number of Shares as will be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of this Agreement.

(b) Duration and Exercisability of Option; Limitations on Exercisability.

(i) The Option shall in all events terminate and no longer be exercisable at 11:59 p.m. (ET) on the seventh anniversary of the Option Effective Date (the period commencing on the Option Effective Date and ending at 11:59 p.m. (ET) on the seventh anniversary thereof being referred to herein as the "Option Term").

(ii) (A) The Option shall not be exercisable, in whole or in part, prior to the first anniversary of the Option Effective Date, but shall become vested and exercisable by Participant as to one third (1/3) of the aggregate Shares subject to the Option (rounded down to the nearest whole Share) on each of the first and second anniversaries of the Option Effective Date and with respect to the remaining Shares subject to the Option on the third anniversary of the Option Effective Date, provided that Participant has served continuously on the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") from the Option Effective Date until each such vesting date.

(B) Notwithstanding Section 1(b)(ii)(A) above, the Option shall become vested and exercisable in full upon the occurrence of a Change in Control (as defined in

the Plan), if not vested and exercisable previously, provided that Participant has served continuously on the Board from the Option Effective Date until such Change in Control.

(C) Notwithstanding Section 1(b)(ii)(A) above, the Option shall become vested and exercisable in full in the event that Participant's service on the Board terminates due to retirement, death, becoming Disabled (as defined below) or an unsuccessful attempt by Participant to win re-election to the Board, if not vested and exercisable previously, provided that Participant has served continuously on the Board from the Option Effective Date until the date of retirement, death, becoming Disabled or an unsuccessful attempt by Participant to win re-election to the Board. For purposes of this Agreement, a Participant shall be deemed "Disabled" if the Participant becomes ill or is injured or otherwise becomes disabled or incapacitated such that, in the opinion of the Board, he/she cannot fully carry out and perform his/her duties as a Director, and such disability or incapacity shall continue for a period of forty-five (45) consecutive days. The term "disability" shall have a meaning correlating with the foregoing.

(iii) During the lifetime of Participant, the Option shall be exercisable only by Participant (or, subject to Section 1(d)(ii) below, by Participant's guardian or legal representative or Permitted Transferee (as hereinafter defined) to whom the Option has been gifted or transferred pursuant to a domestic relations order) and shall not be assignable or transferable by Participant other than (A) to an individual by will or the laws of descent and distribution, or (B) to a Permitted Transferee by gift or transfer pursuant to a domestic relations order. For purposes of this Agreement, "Permitted Transferee" shall mean (A) any person who is a "family member" of the Participant, as such term is used in the instructions to Form S-8

under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Act”) (collectively “Immediate Family Members”); (B) a trust solely for the benefit of the Participant and the Participant’s Immediate Family Members; (C) a partnership or limited liability company whose only partners or shareholders are the Participant and the Participant’s Immediate Family Members; or (D) any other transferee as may be approved by the Committee in its sole discretion.

(iv) The exercise of all or any part of the Option shall only take effect at such time that the issuance of the Shares pursuant to such exercise will not violate any state or federal securities or other laws or the rules of the NYSE or any other exchange upon which the Company’s securities may then be trading. Any other provision of this Agreement notwithstanding, the Company shall have the right to designate one or more periods of time during which the Option shall not be exercisable if the Company determines (in its sole discretion) that such limitation on exercise could in any way facilitate a lessening of any restriction on transfer pursuant to the Act or any state securities laws with respect to any issuance of securities by the Company, facilitate the registration or qualification or any securities by the Company under the Act or any state securities laws, or facilitate the perfection of any exemption from the registration or qualification requirements of the Act or any applicable state securities laws for the issuance or transfer of any securities. Such limitation on exercise shall not affect the date on which the Option becomes vested or the Option Term pursuant to clause (i) of this Section 1(b) in any way other than to limit the periods during which the Option shall be exercisable.

(c) No Rights as a Shareholder. Participant shall have none of the rights of a Shareholder with respect to Shares subject to the Option until such Shares shall have been

issued to Participant upon exercise of the Option. No adjustments will be made for dividends or other distributions or rights if the applicable record date occurs before a stock certificate is issued pursuant to Participant's exercise of the Option.

(d) Effect of Termination of Service on Option.

(i) In the event that Participant voluntarily resigns from or otherwise terminates his/her service on the Board (other than due to retirement, death, becoming Disabled or an unsuccessful attempt by Participant to win re-election to the Board and other than as the result of a Change in Control), both the vested and unvested portions of the Option shall terminate as of such date of resignation or termination and shall no longer be exercisable.

(ii) In the event that Participant's service on the Board terminates due to retirement, death, becoming Disabled or an unsuccessful attempt by Participant to win re-election to the Board, prior to the complete exercise of the Option, then the Option, to the extent vested and exercisable at that time pursuant to Section 1(b)(ii) hereof, may be exercised at any time within twelve (12) months after Participant's termination of service on the Board, after which time any remaining portion of the Option shall terminate and no longer be exercisable. In this case, the Option may be exercised by Participant, his/her guardian or legal representatives or by any Permitted Transferee to whom the Option has been gifted or transferred pursuant to a domestic relations order, or by any person or persons to whom the Option is transferred by will or the applicable laws of descent and distribution, as applicable, to the extent of the full number of Shares which Participant was entitled to purchase under the Option on the date of such termination of service on the Board, and subject to the condition that no portion of the Option shall be exercisable after the expiration of the Option Term.

(e) Effect of a Change in Control of the Company on the Option. In the event of a Change in Control (as defined in the Plan), the Company shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to notify Participant that a Change in Control will occur and the Company shall give to Participant, in the Company's sole discretion, either (i) a reasonable time thereafter within which to exercise any portion of the Option to the extent vested and exercisable and not exercised previously, prior to the effectiveness of such Change in Control, at the end of which time the Option shall terminate and no longer be exercisable (provided that, to the extent vesting of any portion of such Option is contingent on the Change in Control, the exercise of such portion of the Option shall also be contingent on consummation of the Change in Control), or (ii) the right, after the Change in Control, to exercise the remaining portion of the Option (or a substitute option) as to such number of shares of stock of the corporation succeeding the Company or acquiring its business by reason of such Change in Control as may be determined in accordance with Section 3 below. Alternatively, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may provide for the redemption of the unexercised portion of the Option at the time of the Change in Control in exchange for an amount of cash or other property equal to the excess of (i) the amount of cash or other property that would have been realized by Participant on the Change in Control with respect to the Shares subject to such portion of the Option had such portion of the Option been exercised immediately prior to the Change in Control over (ii) the aggregate Option Price for such number of Shares subject to the unexercised portion of the Option.

(f) Manner of Exercise; Form of Payment.

(i) The Option can be exercised only by Participant or other proper party (as permitted by Section 1(b)(iii) above) by delivering a timely written notice to the Company at its

principal office. The notice shall state the number of Shares as to which the Option is being exercised and be accompanied by payment in full of the Option Price for all Shares designated in the notice.

(ii) Participant may pay the Option Price in cash, by check (bank check, certified check or personal check), by money order or by wire transfer. In addition, with the approval of the Committee, Participant may pay the Option Price by (A) having the Company withhold a portion of the Shares otherwise to be delivered upon the exercise of the Option having a Fair Market Value equal to the Option Price; (B) delivering to the Company (actually or by attestation) Shares other than the Shares issuable upon the exercise of the Option with a Fair Market Value equal to the Option Price; (C) a cashless exercise through a broker; or (D) any combination of cash, check, money order or wire transfer and any of Sections 1(f)(ii)(A) through (C). Any election to have Shares withheld must be made on or before the date that the Option Price is to be paid.

2. AWARD OF RESTRICTED STOCK

(a) Award; Effective Date. The Company hereby notifies Participant that, effective as of _____, 2010 (the "Restricted Stock Effective Date"), the Company has awarded to Participant _____ Shares, subject to the terms of the Plan and subject to such further restrictions as are set forth below. Such restricted Shares are hereinafter referred to as "Restricted Stock."

(b) Vesting; Change in Control; Restrictions. (i) Subject in each case to the provisions of this Section 2, Participant's rights with respect to the Restricted Stock awarded hereunder shall vest as follows: 100% of the Restricted Stock awarded will vest on the third

anniversary of the Restricted Stock Effective Date, provided that Participant has served continuously on the Board from the Restricted Stock Effective Date until such vesting date.

(ii) Notwithstanding Section 2(b)(i) above, upon the occurrence of a Change in Control, all Restricted Stock not vested previously shall become immediately vested, provided that Participant has served continuously on the Board from the Restricted Stock Effective Date until such Change in Control.

(iii) Notwithstanding Section 2(b)(i) above, in the event that Participant's service on the Board terminates due to retirement, death, becoming Disabled or an unsuccessful attempt by Participant to win re-election to the Board, the Restricted Stock not vested previously shall become immediately vested, provided that Participant has served continuously on the Board from the Restricted Stock Effective Date until the date of retirement, death, becoming Disabled or an unsuccessful attempt by the Participant to win re-election to the Board.

(iv) Prior to vesting, the Restricted Stock shall not be voluntarily or involuntarily sold, assigned, transferred, pledged, alienated, hypothecated or encumbered by Participant, other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution.

(v) Prior to vesting, Participant shall have voting rights and receive dividends, if and when declared, on the Restricted Stock held by the Company on behalf of Participant.

(c) Forfeiture of Restricted Stock. In the event that Participant voluntarily resigns from or otherwise terminates his/her service on the Board (other than due to retirement, death, becoming Disabled or an unsuccessful attempt by Participant to win re-election to the Board

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3. ADJUSTMENTS

If there shall be any change in the Shares through (i) dividends or other distributions (whether in the form of cash, Shares, other securities or other property), (ii) recapitalization, (iii) stock split, (iv) reverse stock split, (v) reorganization, (vi) merger, (vii) consolidation, (viii) split-up, (ix) spin-off, (x) combination, (xi) repurchase or exchange of Shares or other securities of the Company, (xii) issuance of warrants or other rights to purchase Shares or other securities of the Company or (xiii) other similar corporate transaction or event that affects the Shares, then appropriate adjustments in the outstanding portion of the Option or Restricted Stock shall be made by the Committee, in its sole discretion under the Plan, in order to prevent or

dilution or enlargement of the Option or Restricted Stock rights contemplated hereby. Such adjustments may include, where appropriate, changes in the number and type of Shares subject to the Option or Restricted Stock and/or the Option Price.

4. MISCELLANEOUS

(a) The Plan. The grant of the Option and award of Restricted Stock provided for herein are made pursuant to the Plan and are subject to its terms. The Plan is available for inspection during business hours at the principal offices of the Company (currently located at 1000 Abernathy Road, Suite 1200, Atlanta, Georgia 30328), and a copy of the Plan may be obtained by Participant through a request in writing therefor directed to the Secretary of the Company. To the extent the terms of this Agreement are inconsistent with the Plan, the terms of the Plan shall control.

(b) No Right to Continued Service. This Agreement shall not confer on Participant any right with respect to continuance of service as a director on the Board, nor will it interfere in any way with the right of the Company or its shareholders to terminate Participant's service as a director on the Board.

(c) Waivers. No waiver at any time of any term or provision of this Agreement shall be construed as a waiver of any other term or provision of this Agreement and a waiver at any time of any term or provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver at any subsequent time of the same term or provision.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this **DIRECTOR AWARD AGREEMENT FOR OPTION AND RESTRICTED STOCK** covering the grant of Option and award of Restricted Stock effective as of _____, 2010.

BEAZER HOMES USA, INC.

By: _____
Fred J. Fratto
Senior Vice President, Human Resources

PARTICIPANT

Name

**CERTIFICATION
PURSUANT TO 17 CFR 240.13a-14
PROMULGATED UNDER
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Ian J. McCarthy, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Beazer Homes USA, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this 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 report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this 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 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)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) 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 report is being prepared;
 - (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's third fiscal quarter of the fiscal year ended September 30, 2010 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 the 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: August 5, 2010

/s/ Ian J. McCarthy

Ian J. McCarthy

President and Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATION
PURSUANT TO 17 CFR 240.13a-14
PROMULGATED UNDER
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Allan P. Merrill, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Beazer Homes USA, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this 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 report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this 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 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)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) 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 report is being prepared;
 - (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's third fiscal quarter of the fiscal year ended September 30, 2010 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 the 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: August 5, 2010

/s/ Allan P. Merrill

Allan P. Merrill

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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

Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of Beazer Homes USA, Inc. (the "Company") hereby certifies that the Report on Form 10-Q of the Company for the period ended June 30, 2010, accompanying this certification, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that information contained in the periodic report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: August 5, 2010

/s/ Ian J. McCarthy
Ian J. McCarthy
President and Chief Executive Officer

The foregoing certification is being furnished solely pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Section 1350 of Title 18, United States Code, and is not being filed as part of the report or as a separate disclosure document.

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

Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the undersigned Chief Financial Officer of Beazer Homes USA, Inc. (the "Company") hereby certifies that the Report on Form 10-Q of the Company for the period ended June 30, 2010, accompanying this certification, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that information contained in the periodic report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: August 5, 2010

/s/ Allan P. Merrill

Allan P. Merrill

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

The foregoing certification is being furnished solely pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Section 1350 of Title 18, United States Code, and is not being filed as part of the report or as a separate disclosure document.