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#### FORM 10-K

x ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the fiscal year ended February 26, 2011

OR

 TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
 For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_

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### SUPERVALU INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or 41-0617000 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

7075 FLYING CLOUD DRIVE EDEN PRAIRIE, MINNESOTA

organization)

55344

Name of the exchange on which registered

**New York Stock Exchange** 

**New York Stock Exchange** 

(Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (952) 828-4000

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class

Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share

**Preferred Share Purchase Rights** 

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

#### None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes x No o

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes o No x

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

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 (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No o

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§ 229.405 of this chapter ) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant sknowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. o

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

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

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No x

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of September 10, 2010 was approximately \$2,241,221,551 (based upon the closing price of registrant s Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange).

As of April 15, 2011, there were 212,154,277 shares of the registrant s common stock outstanding.

# DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of registrant s definitive Proxy Statement filed for the registrant s 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are incorporated by reference into Part III, as specifically set forth in Part III.

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# CAUTIONARY STATEMENTS FOR PURPOSES OF THE SAFE HARBOR PROVISIONS OF THE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT

Any statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K regarding the outlook for the Company s businesses and their respective markets, such as projections of future performance, guidance, statements of the Company s plans and objectives, forecasts of market trends and other matters, are forward-looking statements based on the Company s assumptions and beliefs. Such statements may be identified by such words or phrases as will likely result, are will benefit, expected to, will continue, outlook, is anticipated. estimate, project, management believes o expressions. These forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in such statements and no assurance can be given that the results in any forward-looking statement will be achieved. For these statements, SUPERVALU INC. claims the protection of the safe harbor for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which it is made, and we disclaim any obligation to subsequently revise any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after such date or to reflect the occurrence of anticipated or unanticipated events.

Certain factors could cause the Company s future results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. These factors include the factors discussed in Part I, Item 1A of this Annual Report on Form 10-K under the heading Risk Factors, the factors discussed below and any other cautionary statements, written or oral, which may be made or referred to in connection with any such forward-looking statements. Since it is not possible to foresee all such factors, these factors should not be considered as complete or exhaustive.

#### **Economic and Industry Conditions**

Continued weakness in the economy, declines in the housing market, restrictions in availability of credit or further adverse changes in economic conditions that affect consumer spending or buying habits Increases in unemployment, healthcare costs, energy costs and commodity prices, which could impact consumer spending or buying habits and the cost of doing business Changes in interest rates Food and drug inflation or deflation

The outcome of negotiations with partners, governments, suppliers, unions or customers

#### **Execution of Initiatives**

The Company s ability to execute customer-focused initiatives designed to support its vision of becoming America s Neighborhood Grocer

The effectiveness of cost reduction strategies

The adequacy of capital resources to fund new store growth and remodeling activities that achieve appropriate returns on capital investment

#### **Competitive Practices**

The Company s ability to attract and retain customers

The Company s ability to hire, train or retain employees

Competition from other food or drug retail chains, supercenters, non-traditional competitors and emerging alternative formats in the Company s markets

Declines in the Company s Supply chain services sales due to increased wholesaler competition or increased customer self-distribution

Changes in demographics or consumer preferences that affect consumer spending or buying habits

The success of the Company s promotional and sales programs and the Company s ability to respond to the promotional and pricing practices of competitors

#### Food Safety

Events that give rise to actual or potential food contamination, drug contamination or food-borne illness or any adverse publicity relating to these types of concern, whether or not valid

#### Liquidity

The Company s substantial indebtedness and its potential effect on the operation of the Company s business The Company s ability to comply with debt covenants or to refinance the Company s debt obligations A downgrade in the Company s debt ratings, which may increase the cost of borrowing or adversely affect the Company s ability to access one or more financial markets The availability of favorable credit and trade terms

#### Labor Relations

Potential work disruptions resulting from labor disputes The ability to negotiate labor contracts with acceptable terms

#### Employee Benefit Costs

Increased operating costs resulting from rising employee benefit costs or pension funding obligations

#### **Regulatory Matters**

The ability to timely obtain permits, comply with government regulations or make capital expenditures required to maintain compliance with government regulations

Changes in applicable laws and regulations that impose additional requirements or restrictions on the operation of the Company s businesses

#### Self-Insurance

Variability in actuarial projections regarding workers compensation and general and automobile liability Potential increase in the number or severity of claims for which the Company is self-insured

# Legal and Administrative Proceedings

Unfavorable outcomes in litigation, governmental or administrative proceedings or other disputes Adverse publicity related to such unfavorable outcomes

#### Information Technology

Difficulties in developing, maintaining or upgrading information technology systems Business disruptions or losses resulting from data theft, information espionage, or other criminal activity directed at the Company s computer or communications systems

#### Severe Weather, Natural Disasters and Adverse Climate Changes

Property damage or business disruption resulting from severe weather conditions and natural disasters that affect the Company and the Company s customers or suppliers Unseasonably adverse climate conditions that impact the availability or cost of certain products in the grocery supply chain

#### **Accounting Matters**

Changes in accounting standards that impact the Company s financial statements

#### Goodwill and Intangible Asset Impairment Charges

Unfavorable changes in economic, industry or market conditions, business operations, competition or the Company s stock price and market capitalization

# PART I

#### ITEM 1. BUSINESS

General

SUPERVALU INC. (SUPERVALU or the Company), a Delaware corporation, was organized in 1925 as the successor to two wholesale grocery firms established in the 1870 s. The Company s principal executive offices are located at 7075 Flying Cloud Drive, Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344 (Telephone: 952-828-4000). All references to the Company or SUPERVALU relate to SUPERVALU INC. and its majority-owned subsidiaries.

SUPERVALU is one of the largest companies in the United States grocery channel. SUPERVALU conducts its retail operations under several banner names that have strong local ties and brand recognition. Additionally, the Company provides supply chain services, primarily wholesale distribution, across the United States retail grocery channel.

On June 2, 2006, the Company acquired New Albertson s, Inc. ( New Albertsons ) consisting of the core supermarket businesses (the Acquired Operations ) formerly owned by Albertson s, Inc. ( Albertsons ) operating approximately 1,125 stores under the banners of Acme, Albertsons, Jewel-Osco, Shaw s, Star Market, the related in-store pharmacies under the Osco and Sav-on banners, 10 distribution centers and certain regional and corporate offices (the Acquisition ). As part of the Acquisition, the Company acquired the Acme, Albertsons, Jewel, Osco, Sav-on and Shaw s trademarks and tradenames (the Acquired Trademarks ). The Acquisition greatly increased the size of the Company.

SUPERVALU is focused on long-term retail growth through targeted store remodels and new store development in the hard-discount format. During fiscal 2011, the Company added 132 new stores through new store development and closed or sold 87 stores, including planned disposals. The Company leverages its distribution operations by providing wholesale distribution and logistics and service solutions to its independent retail customers through its Supply chain services segment.

The Company makes available free of charge at its internet website (<u>www.supervalu.com</u>) its annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and any amendments to these reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ) as soon as reasonably practicable after such material is electronically filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC ). Information on the Company s website is not deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The Company will also provide its SEC filings free of charge upon written request to Investor Relations, SUPERVALU INC., P.O. Box 990, Minneapolis, MN 55440.

All dollar and share amounts in this Annual Report on Form 10-K are in millions, except per share data and where otherwise noted.

# **Financial Information About Reportable Segments**

The Company s business is classified by management into two reportable segments: Retail food and Supply chain services. These reportable segments are two distinct businesses, one retail and one wholesale, each with a different customer base, marketing strategy and management structure. The Retail food reportable segment is an aggregation of the Company s retail operating segments, which are organized based on format (traditional retail food stores and hard-discount food stores). The Retail food reportable segment derives revenues from the sale of groceries at retail locations operated by the Company (both the Company s own stores and stores licensed by the Company). The Supply

chain services reportable segment derives revenues from wholesale distribution to independently-owned retail food stores, mass merchants and other customers (collectively referred to as independent retail customers ) and logistics support services. Substantially all of the Company s operations are domestic. Refer to the Consolidated Segment Financial Information set forth in Part II, Item 8

of this Annual Report on Form 10-K for financial information concerning the Company s operations by reportable segment.

#### **Retail Food**

The Company conducts its Retail food operations through a total of 2,394 traditional and hard-discount retail food stores, including 899 licensed Save-A-Lot stores, located throughout the United States. The Company s Retail food operations are supplied by 22 dedicated distribution centers and eight distribution centers that are part of the Supply chain services segment providing wholesale distribution to both the Company s own stores and stores of independent retail customers.

The Company operates 1,114 traditional retail food stores under the Acme, Albertsons, Cub Foods, Farm Fresh, Hornbacher s, Jewel-Osco, Lucky, Shaw s, Shop n Save, Shoppers Food & Pharmacy and Star Market banners ranging in size from approximately 40,000 to 60,000 square feet. The Company s traditional retail food stores provide an extensive grocery offering and, depending on size, a variety of additional products including, general merchandise, health and beauty care, pharmacy and fuel.

The Company owns 381 hard-discount food stores operating under the Save-A-Lot banner and licenses an additional 899 Save-A-Lot stores to independent operators. Save-A-Lot holds the number one market position, based on revenues, in the hard-discount grocery-retailing sector. Save-A-Lot food stores typically are approximately 15,000 square feet in size, and stock primarily custom-branded high-volume food items generally in a single size for each product sold.

#### **Supply Chain Services**

The Company s Supply chain services business primarily provides wholesale distribution of products to independent retailers and is the largest public company food wholesaler in the nation. The Company s Supply chain services network spans 47 states and serves as primary grocery supplier to approximately 1,900 stores of independent retail customers, in addition to the Company s own stores, as well as serving as secondary grocery supplier to approximately 800 stores of independent retail customers. The Company s wholesale distribution customers include single and multiple grocery store independent operators, regional and national chains, mass merchants and the military.

The Company has established a network of strategically located distribution centers utilizing a multi-tiered logistics system. The network includes facilities that carry slow turn or fast turn groceries, perishables, general merchandise and health and beauty care products. The network is comprised of 21 distribution facilities, eight of which supply the Company s own stores in addition to stores of independent retail customers. Deliveries to retail stores are made from the Company s distribution centers by Company-owned trucks, third-party independent trucking companies or customer-owned trucks. In addition, the Company provides certain facilitative services between its independent retailers and vendors related to products that are delivered directly by suppliers to retail stores under programs established by the Company. These services include sourcing, invoicing and payment services.

#### Products

The Company offers a wide variety of nationally advertised brand name and private-label products, primarily including grocery (both perishable and nonperishable), general merchandise and health and beauty care, pharmacy and fuel, which are sold through the Company s own and licensed retail food stores to shoppers and through its Supply chain services business to independent retail customers. The Company believes that it has adequate and alternative sources of supply for most of its purchased products. The Company s Net sales include the product sales of the Company s own stores, product sales to stores licensed by the Company and product sales of the Company s Supply

chain services business to independent retail customers.

The following table provides additional detail on the percentage of Net sales for each group of similar products sold in the Retail food and Supply chain services segments:

	2011	2010	2009
Retail food:			
Nonperishable grocery products <sup>(1)</sup>	41%	43%	41%
Perishable grocery products <sup>(2)</sup>	22	21	23
General merchandise and health and beauty care products <sup>(3)</sup>	5	5	6
Pharmacy products	6	6	6
Fuel	2	2	1
Other	1	1	1
	77	78	78
Supply chain services:			
Product sales to independent retail customers	22	22	21
Services to supply chain customers	1		1
	23	22	22
Net sales	100%	100%	100%

- (1) Includes such items as dry goods, beverages, dairy, frozen foods and candy
- (2) Includes such items as meat, produce, deli and bakery
- (3) Includes such items as household products, over-the-counter medication, beauty care, personal care, seasonal items and tobacco

#### **Private-Label Products**

The Company s private-label products are produced to the Company s specification by many suppliers and compete in many areas of the Company s stores. Private-label products include: the premium brand Culinary Circle<sup>a</sup>, which offers unique, premium quality products in highly competitive categories; first tier brands, including Wild Harvest<sup>tm</sup>, Flavorite<sup>tm</sup>, Richfood<sup>tm</sup>, equaline<sup>tm</sup>, HomeLife<sup>tm</sup> and several others, which provide shoppers quality national brand equivalent products at a competitive price; and the value brand, Shopper s Valut<sup>en</sup>, which offers budget conscious consumers a quality alternative to national brands at substantial savings.

# Trademarks

The Company offers some independent retail customers the opportunity to franchise a concept or license a service mark. This program helps these customers compete by providing, as part of the franchise or license program, a complete business concept, group advertising, private-label products and other benefits. The Company is the franchisor or licensor of certain service marks such as CUB FOODS, SAVE-A-LOT, SENTRY, FESTIVAL FOODS, COUNTY MARKET, SHOP N SAVE, NEWMARKET, FOODLAND, JUBILEE, SUPERVALU and SUPERVALU PHARMACIES.

In connection with the Acquisition, the Company entered into a trademark license agreement with Albertson s LLC, the purchaser of the non-core supermarket business of Albertsons, under which Albertson s LLC may use legacy Albertsons trademarks, such as ALBERTSONS, SAV-ON and LUCKY. Under the trademark license agreement, Albertson s LLC is also allowed to enter into sublicense agreements with transferees of Albertson s LLC stores, which allows such transferees to use many of the same legacy Albertsons trademarks.

The Company registers a substantial number of its trademarks/service marks in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, including many of its private-label product trademarks and service marks. U.S. trademark and service mark registrations are generally for a term of 10 years, renewable every 10 years as long as the trademark is used in the regular course of trade. The Company considers certain of its trademarks and service

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marks to be of material importance to its Retail food and Supply chain services businesses and actively defends and enforces such trademarks and service marks.

#### **Working Capital**

Normal operating fluctuations in working capital balances can result in changes to cash flow from operations presented in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows that are not necessarily indicative of long-term operating trends. There are no unusual industry practices or requirements relating to working capital items.

#### Competition

The Company s Retail food and Supply chain services businesses are highly competitive. The Company believes that the success of its Retail food and Supply chain services businesses are dependent upon the ability of its own stores and stores licensed by the Company, as well as the stores of independent retail customers it supplies, to compete successfully with other retail food stores. Principal competition comes from traditional grocery retailers, including regional and national chains and independent food store operators, and non-traditional retailers, such as supercenters, membership warehouse clubs, specialty supermarkets, drug stores, discount stores, dollar stores, convenience stores and restaurants. The Company believes that the principal competitive factors faced by its own stores and stores licensed by the Company, as well as the stores of independent retail customers it supplies, include price, quality, assortment, brand recognition, store location, in-store marketing and merchandising, promotional strategies and other competitive activities.

The traditional wholesale distribution component of the Company s Supply chain services business competes directly with a number of traditional grocery wholesalers. The Company believes it competes in this business on the basis of price, quality, assortment, schedule and reliability of deliveries, service fees and distribution facility locations.

#### **Employees**

As of February 26, 2011, the Company had approximately 142,000 employees. Approximately 88,000 employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements. During fiscal 2011, 61 collective bargaining agreements covering approximately 17,000 employees were renegotiated and 37 collective bargaining agreements covering approximately 2,000 employees expired without their terms being renegotiated. Negotiations are expected to continue with the bargaining units representing the employees subject to those expired agreements. During fiscal 2012, 59 collective bargaining agreements covering approximately 26,000 employees will expire. The majority of employees covered by these expiring collective bargaining agreements are located in the Southern California and Pennsylvania markets. The Company is focused on ensuring competitive cost structures in each market in which it operates while meeting its employees needs for attractive wages and affordable healthcare and retirement benefits. The Company believes that it has generally good relations with its employees and with the labor unions that represent employees, work stoppages could occur if we are unable to negotiate new contracts. A prolonged work stoppage at a significant number of stores may have a material impact on the Company s business, financial condition or results of operations.

# EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE COMPANY

The following table provides certain information concerning the executive officers of the Company as of April 21, 2011.

Name	Age	Present Position	Calendar Year Elected to Present Position	Other Positions Recently Held with the Company or Albertsons
Craig R. Herkert <sup>(1)</sup>	51	Chief Executive Officer and President	2009	
Mark P. Anderson	58	President and Chief Operating Officer, Independent Business	2011	President, Midwest/Southeast Regions, 2011; President, SUPERVALU Midwest/Southeast Regions, 2001-2011
Julie Dexter Berg <sup>(2)</sup>	54	Executive Vice President, Chief Marketing Officer	2010	
Janel S. Haugarth	55	Executive Vice President; Merchandising and Logistics	2006	Executive Vice President; President and Chief Operating Officer, Supply Chain Services, 2006-2011
J. Andrew Herring	52	Executive Vice President Real Estate, Market Development and Legal	2010	Executive Vice President Market and Real Estate Development, 2010; Senior Vice President Real Estate and Store Development, 2006-2010
David M. Oliver	53	Vice President, Chief Financial Officer Supply Chain Services and Interim Controller	2011	Vice President, Chief Financial Officer Supply Chain Services, 2009-2011; Vice President, Investor Relations, 2008-2009 (Interim); Vice President, Controller, Supply Chain and Transition Services Agreement, 2006-2008
David E. Pylipow	53	Executive Vice President, Human Resources and Communications	2006	
Wayne R. Shurts <sup>(3)</sup>	51	Executive Vice President and Chief Information Officer	2010	
Sherry M. Smith	49	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	2010	Senior Vice President, Finance, 2002-2010
Peter J. Van Helden	50		2009	·

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Daniel J. Zvonek	Finance,	ice President, Merchandising, ag and Corporate	2010	Vice President and Controller 2009-2010; Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Retail East, 2006-2009
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- (1) Craig R. Herkert was appointed Chief Executive Officer in May 2009 and President in August 2009. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Herkert served as President and CEO of the Americas for Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., from 2004 to 2009.
- (2) Julie Dexter Berg was appointed Executive Vice President, Chief Marketing Officer in March 2010. Prior to joining the Company, Ms. Dexter Berg was the Managing Partner at Brandmaking LLC, a marketing strategy consulting company from 2004 to 2010.
- (3) Wayne R. Shurts was appointed Executive Vice President and Chief Information Officer in November 2010. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Shurts was the Global Chief Information Officer for Cadbury plc from 2008 to 2010 and the Senior Vice President of Cadbury Schweppes Americas from 2006 to 2008.

The term of office of each executive officer is from one annual meeting of the Board of Directors until the next annual meeting of Board of Directors or until a successor is elected. There are no arrangements or understandings between any executive officer of the Company and any other person pursuant to which any executive officer was selected as an officer of the Company. There are no family relationships between or among any of the executive officers of the Company.

Each of the executive officers of the Company has been in the employ of the Company or its subsidiaries for more than five consecutive years, except for Craig R. Herkert, Julie Dexter Berg and Wayne R. Shurts.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Various risks and uncertainties may affect the Company s business. Any of the risks described below or elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K or the Company s other SEC filings may have a material impact on the Company s business, financial condition or results of operations.

#### **Current economic conditions**

The global economy and financial markets have experienced volatility in recent years due to uncertainties related to energy costs, availability of credit, difficulties in the banking and financial sectors, the decline in the housing market, falling consumer confidence and rising unemployment rates. These factors have all contributed to the decline in consumer spending and to consumers trading down to a less expensive mix of products or to consumers trading down to discounters for grocery items. In addition, in fiscal 2011, the Company experienced low levels of inflation. In this uncertain economy, it is difficult to forecast whether fiscal 2012 will be a period of inflation or deflation. Food deflation could reduce sales growth and earnings, while food inflation, combined with reduced consumer spending, could reduce gross profit margins. If these consumer spending patterns continue or worsen, along with an ongoing soft economy, the Company s financial condition and results of operations may be adversely affected.

#### **Execution of initiatives**

The Company is positioned in the retail food industry as the only traditional food retailer with multiple formats and ownership models that can be used to address differing customer needs across the United States. Management believes that this diversity of go-to-market options differentiates the Company and is part of its vision of becoming America s Neighborhood Grocer. The Company has launched certain business transformation initiatives to achieve this vision of enhanced performance through greater focus on the customer, driving increased sales and reducing its overall cost structure. The Company plans to increase the number of hard-discount stores and to reinvest in its existing store base through remodels and merchandising initiatives tailored to the unique needs of each particular store s neighborhood. If the Company is unable to execute on these initiatives, the Company s financial condition and results of operations may be adversely affected.

# Competition in the Retail food and Supply chain services businesses

The Company s Retail food business faces competition for customers, employees, store sites, products and in other important areas from traditional grocery retailers, including regional and national chains and independent

food store operators, and non-traditional retailers, such as supercenters, membership warehouse clubs, specialty supermarkets, drug stores, discount stores, dollar stores, convenience stores and restaurants. The Company s ability to attract customers in this business is dependent, in large part, upon a combination of price, quality, assortment, brand recognition, store location, in-store marketing and merchandising, promotional strategies and continued growth into new markets. In addition, the nature and extent to which our competitors implement various pricing and promotional activities in response to increasing competition and the Company s response to these competitive actions, can adversely affect profitability. The Company s Supply chain services business is primarily wholesale distribution, which competes with traditional grocery wholesalers on the basis of price, quality, assortment, schedule and reliability of deliveries, service fees and distribution facility locations.

Competitive pressures on the Company s Retail food and Supply chain services businesses may cause the Company to experience: (i) reductions in the prices at which the Company is able to sell products at its retail locations or to its independent retail customers, (ii) decreases in sales volume due to increased difficulty in selling the Company s products and (iii) difficulty in attracting and retaining customers. Any of these outcomes may adversely affect the Company s financial condition and results of operations.

#### Food and drug safety concerns and related unfavorable publicity

There is increasing governmental scrutiny and public awareness regarding food and drug safety. The Company may be adversely affected if consumers lose confidence in the safety and quality of the Company s food and drug products. Any events that give rise to actual or potential food contamination, drug contamination or food-borne illness may result in product liability claims and a loss of consumer confidence. In addition, adverse publicity about these types of concerns whether valid or not, may discourage consumers from buying the Company s products or cause production and delivery disruptions, which may adversely affect the Company s financial condition and results of operations.

#### Substantial indebtedness

The Company has, and expects to continue to have, a substantial amount of debt. The Company s substantial indebtedness may increase the Company s borrowing costs and decrease the Company s business flexibility, making it more vulnerable to adverse economic conditions. For example, high levels of debt could:

- n require the Company to use a substantial portion of its cash flow from operations for the payment of principal and interest on its indebtedness, thereby reducing the availability of cash flow to fund working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, and other purposes;
- n limit the Company s ability to obtain, or increase the cost at which the Company is able to obtain financing in order to refinance existing indebtedness and fund working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions and other purposes; and
- n limit the Company s ability to adjust to changing business and market conditions placing the Company at a competitive disadvantage relative to its competitors that have less debt.

There are various financial covenants and other restrictions in the Company s debt instruments. If the Company fails to comply with any of these requirements, the related indebtedness (and other unrelated indebtedness) could become due and payable prior to its stated maturity and the Company may not be able to repay the indebtedness that becomes due. A default under the Company s debt instruments may also significantly affect the Company s ability to obtain additional or alternative financing.

The Company s ability to comply with the covenants or to refinance the Company s obligations with respect to the Company s indebtedness will depend on the Company s operating and financial performance, which in turn is subject to prevailing economic conditions and to financial, business and other factors beyond the Company s control. These conditions and factors may also negatively impact the Company s debt ratings, which may increase the cost of borrowing, adversely affect the Company s ability to access one or more financial markets or result in a default under the Company s debt instruments.

Any of these outcomes may adversely affect the Company s financial condition and results of operations.

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#### Labor unions

As of February 26, 2011, the Company is a party to 238 collective bargaining agreements covering approximately 88,000 of its employees, of which 59 collective bargaining agreements covering approximately 26,000 employees are scheduled to expire in fiscal 2012. These expiring agreements cover approximately 30 percent of the Company s union-affiliated employees. In addition, during fiscal 2011, 37 collective bargaining agreements covering approximately 2,000 employees expired without their terms being renegotiated. Negotiations are expected to continue with the bargaining units representing the employees subject to those agreements. In future negotiations with labor unions, the Company expects that, among other issues, rising healthcare, pension and employee benefit costs will be important topics for negotiation. There can be no assurance that the Company will be able to negotiate the terms of expiring or expired agreements in a manner acceptable to the Company. Therefore, potential work disruptions from labor disputes may disrupt the Company s businesses and adversely affect the Company s financial condition and results of operations.

# Costs of employee benefits

The Company provides health benefits and sponsors defined pension and other post-retirement plans for substantially all employees not participating in multi-employer health and pension plans. The Company s costs to provide such benefits continue to increase annually and recent legislative and private sector initiatives regarding healthcare reform could result in significant changes to the U.S. healthcare system. The Company is not able at this time to determine the impact that healthcare reform could have on the Company-sponsored medical plans.

In addition, the Company participates in various multi-employer health and pension plans for a majority of its union-affiliated employees, and the Company is required to make contributions to these plans in amounts established under collective bargaining agreements. The costs of providing benefits through such plans have escalated rapidly in recent years. The amount of any increase or decrease in the Company s required contributions to these multi-employer plans will depend upon many factors, including the outcome of collective bargaining, actions taken by trustees who manage the plans, government regulations, the actual return on assets held in the plans and the potential payment of a withdrawal liability if the Company chooses to exit a market. Increases in the costs of benefits under these plans coupled with adverse stock market developments that have reduced the return on plan assets have caused some multi-employer plans in which the Company participates to be underfunded. The unfunded liabilities of these plans may result in increased future payments by the Company and the other participating employers. The Company s risk of such increased payments may be greater if any of the participating employers in these underfunded plans withdraws from the plan due to insolvency and is not able to contribute an amount sufficient to fund the unfunded liabilities associated with its participants in the plan. The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company ( A&P ) filed for bankruptcy on December 12, 2010, and is a participant in five multi-employer plans with the Company. Based on the information available to the Company the impact of the A&P bankruptcy on the Company s future payments or unfunded liabilities is not currently probable or reasonably estimable.

If the Company is unable to control healthcare and pension costs, the Company may experience increased operating costs, which may adversely affect the Company s financial condition and results of operations.

# **Governmental regulations**

The Company s businesses are subject to various federal, state and local laws, regulations and administrative practices. These laws require the Company to comply with numerous provisions regulating health and sanitation standards, equal employment opportunity, minimum wages and licensing for the sale of food, drugs and alcoholic beverages. The Company s inability to timely obtain permits, comply with government regulations or make capital expenditures required to maintain compliance with governmental regulations may adversely impact the Company s business

operations and prospects for future growth and its ability to participate in federal and state healthcare programs. In addition, the Company cannot predict the nature of future laws, regulations, interpretations or applications, nor can the Company determine the effect that additional governmental regulations or administrative orders, when and if promulgated, or disparate federal, state and local regulatory schemes would have on the Company s future business. They may, however, impose additional requirements or restrictions on the products the

Company sells or manner in which the Company operates its businesses. Any or all of such requirements may adversely affect the Company s financial condition and results of operations.

#### **Insurance claims**

The Company uses a combination of insurance and self-insurance to provide for potential liabilities for workers compensation, automobile and general liability, property insurance and employee healthcare benefits. The Company estimates the liabilities associated with the risks retained by the Company, in part, by considering historical claims experience, demographic and severity factors and other actuarial assumptions which, by their nature, are subject to a degree of variability. Any actuarial projection of losses concerning workers – compensation and general and automobile liability is subject to a degree of variability. Among the causes of this variability are unpredictable external factors affecting future inflation rates, discount rates, litigation trends, legal interpretations, benefit level changes and actual claim settlement patterns.

Some of the many sources of uncertainty in the Company s reserve estimates include changes in benefit levels, medical fee schedules, medical utilization guidelines, vocation rehabilitation and apportionment. If the number or severity of claims for which the Company is self-insured increases, or the Company is required to accrue or pay additional amounts because the claims prove to be more severe than the Company s original assessments, the Company s financial condition and results of operations may be adversely affected.

#### Litigation

The Company s businesses are subject to the risk of litigation by employees, consumers, suppliers, stockholders or others through private actions, class actions, administrative proceedings, regulatory actions or other litigation. The outcome of litigation, particularly class action lawsuits and regulatory actions, is difficult to assess or quantify. Plaintiffs in these types of lawsuits may seek recovery of very large or indeterminate amounts, and the magnitude of the potential loss relating to such lawsuits may remain unknown for substantial periods of time. The cost to defend future litigation may be significant. There may also be adverse publicity associated with litigation that may decrease consumer confidence in the Company s businesses, regardless of whether the allegations are valid or whether the Company is ultimately found liable. As a result, litigation may adversely affect the Company s financial condition and results of operations.

#### Information technology systems

The Company has complex information technology systems that are important to the operation of its businesses. The Company may encounter difficulties in developing new systems or maintaining and upgrading existing systems. Such difficulties may lead to significant expenses or losses due to disruption in business operations and, as a result, may adversely affect the Company s financial condition and results of operations.

Additionally, data theft, information espionage or other criminal activity directed at the grocery or drug store industry, the transportation industry, or computer or communications systems may adversely affect the Company s businesses by causing the Company to implement costly security measures in recognition of actual or potential threats, by requiring the Company to expend significant time and expense developing, maintaining or upgrading its information technology systems and by causing the Company to incur significant costs to reimburse third parties for damages. Such activities may also adversely affect the Company s financial condition and results of operations by reducing consumer confidence in the marketplace and by modifying consumer spending habits.

# Weather and natural disasters

Severe weather conditions such as hurricanes, earthquakes or tornadoes, as well as other natural disasters, in areas in which the Company has stores or distribution facilities or from which the Company obtains products may cause physical damage to the Company s properties, closure of one or more of the Company s stores or distribution facilities, lack of an adequate work force in a market, temporary disruption in the supply of products, disruption in the transport of goods, delays in the delivery of goods to the Company s distribution centers or stores and a reduction in the availability of products in the Company s stores. In addition, adverse climate conditions and adverse weather patterns, such as drought or flood, that impact growing conditions and

the quantity and quality of crops yielded by food producers may adversely affect the availability or cost of certain products within the grocery supply chain. Any of these factors may disrupt the Company s businesses and adversely affect the Company s financial condition and results of operations.

#### Changes in accounting standards

Accounting principles generally accepted in the Unites States of America ( accounting standards ) and interpretations by various governing bodies, including the SEC, for many aspects of the Company s business, such as accounting for insurance and self-insurance, inventories, goodwill and intangible assets, store closures, leases, income taxes and stock-based compensation, are complex and involve subjective judgments. Changes in these rules or their interpretation may significantly change or add significant volatility to the Company s reported earnings without a comparable underlying change in cash flow from operations. As a result, changes in accounting standards may materially impact the Company s financial condition and results of operations.

#### Impairment charges for goodwill or other intangible assets

The Company is required to annually test goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives, including the goodwill associated with past acquisitions and any future acquisitions, to determine if impairment has occurred. Additionally, interim reviews must be performed whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that impairment may have occurred. If the testing performed indicates that impairment has occurred, the Company is required to record a non-cash impairment charge for the difference between the carrying value of the goodwill or other intangible assets and the implied fair value of the goodwill or other intangible assets in the period the determination is made.

The testing of goodwill and other intangible assets for impairment requires the Company to make significant estimates about its future performance and cash flows, as well as other assumptions. These estimates can be affected by numerous factors, including potential changes in economic, industry or market conditions, changes in business operations, changes in competition or changes in the Company s stock price and market capitalization. Changes in these factors, or changes in actual performance compared with estimates of the Company s future performance, may affect the fair value of goodwill or other intangible assets, which may result in an impairment charge. The Company cannot accurately predict the amount and timing of any impairment of assets. Should the value of goodwill or other intangible assets become impaired, the Company s financial condition and results of operations may be adversely affected.

# ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

# ITEM 2. **PROPERTIES**

Total retail square footage as of February 26, 2011 was 64 million, of which approximately 62 percent was leased. Additional information on the Company s properties can be found in Part I, Item 1 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

# ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Company is subject to various lawsuits, claims and other legal matters that arise in the ordinary course of conducting business, none of which, in management s opinion, is expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

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In September 2008, a class action complaint was filed against the Company, as well as International Outsourcing Services, LLC ( IOS ), Inmar, Inc., Carolina Manufacturer s Services, Inc., Carolina Coupon Clearing, Inc. and Carolina Services, in the United States District Court in the Eastern District of Wisconsin. The plaintiffs in the case are a consumer goods manufacturer, a grocery co-operative and a retailer marketing services company who allege on behalf of a purported class that the Company and the other defendants (i) conspired to restrict the markets for coupon processing services under the Sherman Act and (ii) were part

of an illegal enterprise to defraud the plaintiffs under the Federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act. The plaintiffs seek monetary damages, attorneys fees and injunctive relief. The Company intends to vigorously defend this lawsuit, however all proceedings have been stayed in the case pending the result of the criminal prosecution of certain former officers of IOS. Although this lawsuit is subject to the uncertainties inherent in the litigation process, based on the information presently available to the Company, management does not expect that the ultimate resolution of this lawsuit will have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In December 2008, a class action complaint was filed in the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin against the Company alleging that a 2003 transaction between the Company and C&S Wholesale Grocers, Inc. (C&S) was a conspiracy to restrain trade and allocate markets. In the 2003 transaction, the Company purchased certain assets of the Fleming Corporation as part of Fleming Corporation s bankruptcy proceedings and sold certain assets of the Company to C&S which were located in New England. Since December 2008, three other retailers have filed similar complaints in other jurisdictions. The cases have been consolidated and are proceeding in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota. The complaints allege that the conspiracy was concealed and continued through the use of non-compete and non-solicitation agreements and the closing down of the distribution facilities that the Company and C&S purchased from the other. Plaintiffs are seeking monetary damages, injunctive relief and attorneys fees. The Company is vigorously defending these lawsuits. Separately from these civil lawsuits, on September 14, 2009, the United States Federal Trade Commission (FTC) issued a subpoena to the Company and C&S engaged in unfair methods of competition. The Company cooperated with the FTC. On March 18, 2011, the FTC notified the Company that it has determined that no additional action is warranted by the FTC and that it has closed its investigation.

On January 7, 2010, the Company received a subpoena from the Office of Inspector General for the Department of Health and Human Services Milwaukee Field Office in connection with an investigation of possible false or otherwise improper claims for payment under the Medicaid program. The subpoena requests retail pharmacy claims data for dual eligible customers (i.e., customers with both Medicaid and private insurance coverage), information concerning the Company s retail pharmacy claims processing systems, copies of pharmacy payor contracts and other documents and records. On February 11, 2011, a complaint was filed by the United States Government and the States of California and Minnesota to intervene in a previously sealed *qui tam* lawsuit in the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin. The complaint alleges that the Company improperly billed Medicaid claims with dual eligibility by charging Medicaid more than the co-pay allowed by the primary payer in seven states. Although this lawsuit is subject to the uncertainties inherent in the litigation process, based on the information presently available to the Company, management does not expect that the ultimate resolution of this lawsuit will have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

The Company is also involved in routine legal proceedings incidental to its operations. Some of these routine proceedings involve class allegations, many of which are ultimately dismissed. Management does not expect that the ultimate resolution of these legal proceedings will have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

The statements above reflect management s current expectations based on the information presently available to the Company, however, predicting the outcomes of claims and litigation and estimating related costs and exposures involves substantial uncertainties that could cause actual outcomes, costs and exposures to vary materially from current expectations. In addition, the Company regularly monitors its exposure to the loss contingencies associated with these matters and may from time to time change its predictions with respect to outcomes and its estimates with respect to related costs and exposures and believes recorded reserves are adequate. It is possible, although management believes it is remote, that material differences in actual outcomes, costs and exposures relative to current

predictions and estimates, or material changes in such predictions or estimates, could have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

# ITEM 4. (REMOVED AND RESERVED)

# PART II

#### ITEM 5. MARKET FOR THE REGISTRANT S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

The Company s common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol SVU. As of April 15, 2011, there were 14,962 stockholders of record.

# **Common Stock Price**

	(	Common Stoc	k Price Rang	e		s Declared Share
	20		U	- 10	2011	2010
Fiscal	High	Low	High	Low		
First Quarter	\$ 17.89	\$ 11.93	\$ 17.93	\$ 13.45	\$ 0.0875	\$ 0.1725
Second Quarter	13.16	9.67	16.16	12.13	0.1750	0.1750
Third Quarter	12.45	8.38	17.59	13.72		0.1750
Fourth Quarter	9.87	7.06	15.88	12.40	0.0875	0.0875
Year	17.89	7.06	17.93	12.13	\$ 0.3500	\$ 0.6100

Dividend payment dates are on or about the 15th day of March, June, September and December, subject to the Board of Directors approval.

#### **Company Purchases of Equity Securities**

The following table sets forth the Company s purchases of equity securities for the periods indicated:

			Total Number of Shares	Approximate
			Purchased	Dollar Value of
			as Part of	Shares that May Yet be
			Publicly	Purchased
			Announced	Under the
	Total		Treasury	Treasury
	Number	Average	Stock	Stock
(In millions, except shares and per share amounts)	of Shares	Price Paid	Purchase	Purchase
Period <sup>(1)</sup>	Purchased <sup>(2)</sup>	Per Share	Program <sup>(3)</sup>	Program <sup>(3)</sup>

First four weeks			
December 5, 2010 to January 1, 2011		\$	\$ 70
Second four weeks			
January 2, 2011 to January 29, 2011	5,970	\$ 7.70	\$ 70
Third four weeks			
January 30, 2011 to February 26, 2011	381	\$ 7.94	\$ 70
Totals	6,351	\$ 7.71	\$ 70

- (1) The reported periods conform to the Company s fiscal calendar composed of thirteen 28-day periods. The fourth quarter of fiscal 2011 contains three 28-day periods.
- (2) These amounts include the deemed surrender by participants in the Company s compensatory stock plans of 6,351 shares of previously issued common stock. These are in payment of the purchase price for shares acquired pursuant to the exercise of stock options and satisfaction of tax obligations arising from such exercises, as well as from the vesting of restricted stock awards granted under such plans.
- (3) On June 24, 2010, the Board of Directors of the Company adopted and announced a new annual share repurchase program authorizing the Company to purchase up to \$70 of the Company s common stock. Stock purchases will be made from the cash generated from the settlement of stock options. This annual authorization program replaced all existing share repurchase programs and continues through June 2011.

#### **Stock Performance Graph**

The following graph compares the yearly change in the Company s cumulative shareholder return on its common stock for the period from the end of fiscal 2006 to the end of fiscal 2011 to that of the Standard & Poor s (S&P) 500 and a group of peer companies in the retail grocery industry. The stock price performance shown below is not necessarily indicative of future performance.

#### COMPARISON OF CUMULATIVE TOTAL SHAREHOLDER RETURN AMONG SUPERVALU, S&P 500 AND PEER GROUP<sup>(1)</sup>

#### February 24, 2006 through February 25, 2011<sup>(2)</sup>

Date	SUPERVALU	S&P 500	Peer Group <sup>(3)</sup>
February 24, 2006	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
February 23, 2007	\$ 120.15	\$ 114.71	\$ 114.99
February 22, 2008	\$ 90.58	\$ 109.01	\$ 117.74
February 27, 2009	\$ 52.93	\$ 60.76	\$ 112.22
February 26, 2010	\$ 53.92	\$ 93.34	\$ 127.35
February 25, 2011	\$ 31.28	\$ 113.78	\$ 125.76

- (1) Total return assuming \$100 invested on February 24, 2006 and reinvestment of dividends on the day they were paid.
- (2) The Company s fiscal year ends on the last Saturday in February.
- (3) The Company s peer group consists of Delhaize Group SA, Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc., Koninklijke Ahold NV, The Kroger Co., Safeway Inc. and Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

The performance graph above is being furnished solely to accompany this Annual Report on Form 10-K pursuant to Item 201(e) of Regulation S-K, is not being filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, and is not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

# ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

(Dollars and shares in millions, except per share data)	2011 (52 weeks)		2010 (52 weeks)		2009 (53 weeks)		2008 (52 weeks)		2007 <sup>(1)</sup> (52 weeks)	
<b>Operating Results</b>										
Net sales	\$	37,534	\$	40,597	\$	44,564	\$	44,048	\$	37,406
Identical store retail sales increase										
(decrease) <sup>(2)</sup>		(6.0)%		(5.1)%		(1.2)%		0.5%		0.4%
Cost of sales		29,124		31,444		34,451		33,943		29,267
Selling and administrative expenses		7,516		7,952		8,746		8,421		6,834
Goodwill and intangible asset impairment										
charges <sup>(3)</sup>		1,870				3,524				
Operating earnings (loss)		(976)		1,201		(2,157)		1,684		1,305
Interest expense, net		547		569		622		707		558
Earnings (loss) before income taxes		(1,523)		632		(2,779)		977		747
Income tax provision (benefit)		(13)		239		76		384		295
Net earnings (loss)		(1,510)		393		(2,855)		593		452
Net earnings (loss) as a percent of net sales		(4.02)%		0.97%		(6.41)%		1.35%		1.21%
Net earnings (loss) per share diluted		(7.13)		1.85		(13.51)		2.76		2.32
Financial Position										
Inventories (FIFO) <sup>(4)</sup>	\$	2,552	\$	2,606	\$	2,967	\$	2,956	\$	2,927
Working capital <sup>(4)</sup>		(84)		(192)		(109)	'	(280)		(67)
Property, plant and equipment, net		6,604		7,026		7,528		7,533		8,415
Total assets		13,758		16,436		17,604		21,062		21,702
Debt and capital lease obligations		6,751		7,635		8,484		8,833		9,478
Stockholders equity		1,340		2,887		2,581		5,953		5,306
Other Statistics										
Return on average stockholders equity		(76.36)%		14.42%		(59.32)%		10.44%		9.61%
Book value per share	\$	6.32	\$	13.62	\$	12.19	\$	28.13	\$	25.40
Current ratio <sup>(4)</sup>	Ψ	0.92	Ψ	0.95:1	Ψ	0.98:1	Ψ	0.94:1	Ψ	0.99:1
Debt to capital ratio $^{(5)}$		83.4%		72.6%		76.7%		59.7%		64.1%
Dividends declared per share	\$	0.3500	\$	0.6100	\$	0.6875	\$	0.6750	\$	0.6575
Weighted average shares outstanding diluted	Ψ	212	Ψ	213	Ψ	211	Ψ	215	Ψ	196
Depreciation and amortization	\$	925	\$	957	\$	1,057	\$	1,017	\$	879
Capital expenditures <sup>(6)</sup>	φ \$	604	\$	691	\$	1,037	\$	1,017	\$	910
Retail stores as of fiscal year $end^{(7)}$	Ψ	2,394	Ψ	2,349	Ψ	2,421	Ψ	2,474	Ψ	2,478
Retain stores as or risear year end		2,374		2,577		<i>∠</i> , <i>⊤</i> ∠⊥		<i>∠,</i> -,, , , ,		2,770

(1) Fiscal 2007 includes 38 weeks of operating results of the Acquired Operations as well as the assets and liabilities of the Acquired Operations as of the end of fiscal 2007.

(2) The change in identical store sales is calculated as the change in net sales for stores operating for four full quarters, including store expansions and excluding fuel and planned store dispositions. Fiscal 2008 and 2007 identical store sales is calculated as if the Acquired Operations stores were in the identical store base for four full quarters in fiscal 2008, 2007 and 2006.

(3)

The Company recorded goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges of \$1,870 before tax (\$1,743 after tax, or \$8.23 per diluted share) in fiscal 2011 and \$3,524 before tax (\$3,326 after tax, or \$15.71 per diluted share) in fiscal 2009.

- (4) Inventories (FIFO), working capital and current ratio are calculated after adding back the LIFO reserve. The LIFO reserve for each year is as follows: \$282 for fiscal 2011, \$264 for fiscal 2010, \$258 for fiscal 2009, \$180 for fiscal 2008 and \$178 for fiscal 2007.
- (5) The debt to capital ratio is calculated as debt and capital lease obligations divided by the sum of debt and capital lease obligations and stockholders equity. The increases in fiscal 2011 and fiscal 2009 are due to the write-down of goodwill and intangible assets.
- (6) Capital expenditures include fixed asset and capital lease additions.
- (7) Retail stores as of fiscal year end includes licensed hard-discount food stores and is adjusted for planned sales and closures as of the end of each fiscal year.

Historical data is not necessarily indicative of the Company s future results of operations or financial condition. See discussion of Risk Factors in Part I, Item 1A of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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# ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

# **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The challenging economic environment in fiscal 2011 has negatively impacted consumer confidence. As a result, consumer spending is pressured and consumers are seeking greater value offerings. These trends are expected to continue in fiscal 2012.

The Company is focused on its business transformation initiatives to enhance business performance by placing greater focus on the customer, matching offerings to the neighborhoods served, delivering high quality fresh produce, making the in-store shopping experience hassle-free and providing competitive everyday value. The Company is combining these customer initiatives with reducing its overall cost structure through the use of improved business tools and further leveraging of its size. In addition, the Company continues to provide capital spending to fund retail store remodeling activity and new hard-discount stores.

The following discussion summarizes operating results in fiscal 2011 compared to fiscal 2010 and for fiscal 2010 compared to fiscal 2009. Comparability is affected by income and expense items that fluctuated significantly between and among periods:

(In millions, except per share data)	February 26, 2011 (52 weeks)				February 2010 (52 weel	,	February 28, 2009 (53 weeks)		
Net sales Cost of sales	\$	37,534 29,124	100.0% 77.6	\$	40,597 31,444	100.0% 77.5	\$	44,564 34,451	100.0% 77.3
Gross profit Selling and administrative expenses Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges		8,410 7,516 1,870	22.4 20.0 5.0		9,153 7,952	22.5 19.6		10,113 8,746 3,524	22.7 19.6 7.9
Operating earnings (loss) Interest expense, net		(976) 547	(2.6) 1.5		1,201 569	3.0 1.4		(2,157) 622	(4.8) 1.4
Earnings (loss) before income taxes Income tax provision (benefit)		(1,523) (13)	(4.1) 0.0		632 239	1.6 0.6		(2,779) 76	(6.2) 0.2
Net earnings (loss)	\$	(1,510)	(4.0)%	\$	393	1.0%	\$	(2,855)	(6.4)%
Net earnings (loss) per share diluted	\$	(7.13)		\$	1.85		\$	(13.51)	

# Comparison of fifty-two weeks ended February 26, 2011 (fiscal 2011) with fifty-two weeks ended February 27, 2010 (fiscal 2010):

For fiscal 2011, Net sales were \$37,534, compared with \$40,597 last year. Net loss for fiscal 2011 was \$1,510, or \$7.13 per basic and diluted share, compared with net earnings of \$393, or \$1.86 per basic share and \$1.85 per diluted

share last year. Results for fiscal 2011 include net charges of \$1,987 before tax (\$1,806 after tax, or \$8.52 per diluted share) comprised of non-cash goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges of \$1,870 before tax (\$1,743 after tax, or \$8.23 per diluted share), store closure and exit costs of \$99 before tax (\$77 after tax, or \$0.37 per diluted share) and employee-related expenses, primarily labor buyout costs, severance, and the impact of a labor dispute of \$80 before tax (\$51 after tax, or \$0.23 per diluted share), partially offset by a gain on the sale of Total Logistic Control of \$62 before tax (\$65 after tax, or \$0.31 per diluted share).

### **Net Sales**

Net sales for fiscal 2011 were \$37,534, compared with \$40,597 last year, a decrease of 7.5%. Retail food sales were 77.0 percent of Net sales and Supply chain services sales were 23.0 percent of Net sales for fiscal 2011, compared with 77.9 percent and 22.1 percent, respectively, last year.

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Retail food sales for fiscal 2011 were \$28,911, compared with \$31,637 last year, a decrease of 8.6%. The decrease primarily reflects negative identical store retail sales growth (defined as stores operating for four full quarters, including store expansions and excluding fuel and planned store dispositions) and the impact of store dispositions. For fiscal 2011, as compared to fiscal 2010, identical store retail sales growth was negative 6.0 percent. Identical store retail sales performance was primarily a result of heightened value-focused competitive activity and the impact of the challenging economic environment on consumers.

During fiscal 2011 the Company added 132 new stores through new store development, comprised of 3 traditional retail food stores and 129 hard-discount food stores, and sold or closed 87 stores, including planned dispositions, of which 50 were traditional retail food stores and 37 were hard-discount food stores.

Total retail square footage as of the end of fiscal 2011 was approximately 64 million, a decrease of 1.7 percent from the end of fiscal 2010. Total retail square footage, excluding actual and planned store dispositions, increased 1.7 percent from the end of fiscal 2010. Supply chain services sales for fiscal 2011 were \$8,623, compared with \$8,960 last year, a decrease of 3.8%. The decrease primarily reflects the completion of a national retail customer s previously announced plans to transition certain volume to self-distribution and the loss of a customer due to acquisition by a competitor net of new business during fiscal 2011.

#### **Gross Profit**

Gross profit, as a percent of Net sales, was 22.4 percent for fiscal 2011 compared with 22.5 percent last year. The decrease is primarily attributable to the impact of business segment sales mix. Retail food gross profit as a percent of Net sales was 27.5 percent for fiscal 2011 compared with 27.4 percent last year. The increase is due to improved promotional effectiveness and a change in product mix. Supply chain gross profit as a percent of Net sales for fiscal 2011 was consistent with last year at 5.4 percent.

#### **Selling and Administrative Expenses**

Selling and administrative expenses, as a percent of Net sales, were 20.0 percent for fiscal 2011, compared with 19.6 percent last year. The increase primarily reflects reduced sales leverage, increased store closure and exit costs, and increased employee-related expenses, partially offset by savings achieved from ongoing cost reduction initiatives and a gain related to the sale of Total Logistic Control.

#### Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges

During fiscal 2011 the Company recorded non-cash impairment charges of \$1,870 in the Retail food segment due to the significant decline in its market capitalization and the impact of the challenging economic environment on the Company s operations. No goodwill impairment charges were recorded in fiscal 2010.

#### **Operating Earnings (Loss)**

Operating loss for fiscal 2011 was \$976 compared with operating earnings of \$1,201 last year. Retail food operating loss for fiscal 2011 was \$1,212, or negative 4.2 percent of Retail food net sales compared with operating earnings of \$989 or 3.1 percent of Retail food net sales last year. The decrease reflects goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges of \$1,870, or 6.5 percent of Retail food sales, store closure and exit costs of \$99, or 0.3 percent of Retail food sales, and certain other costs primarily related to labor buy-out costs, severance and the impact of a labor dispute of \$80, or 0.3 percent of Retail food sales. The remaining decrease of \$152, or 20 basis points, is primarily attributable to increased promotional spending and reduced sales leverage.

Supply chain services operating earnings for fiscal 2011 were \$337, or 3.9 percent of Supply chain services net sales, compared with \$299, or 3.3 percent of Supply chain services net sales, last year. The increase primarily reflects the gain on the sale of Total Logistic Control of \$62, or 0.7 percent of Supply chain services sales.

#### **Net Interest Expense**

Net interest expense was \$547 in fiscal 2011, compared with \$569 last year, primarily reflecting lower debt levels in fiscal 2011.

#### **Provision for Income Taxes**

The income tax benefit was \$13, or 0.9 percent of loss before income taxes, for fiscal 2011 compared with a tax expense of \$239, or 37.8 percent of earnings before income taxes, last year. The tax rate for fiscal 2011 reflects the impact of the goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges, the majority of which are non-deductible for income tax purposes.

## **Net Earnings (Loss)**

Net loss was \$1,510, or \$7.13 per basic and diluted share, for fiscal 2011 compared with net earnings of \$393, or \$1.86 per basic share and \$1.85 per diluted share last year. Net loss for fiscal 2011 includes goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges, store closure and exit costs and certain other costs consisting primarily of labor buyout costs, severance and the impact of a labor dispute of \$1,806 after tax, or \$8.52 per diluted share, partially offset by a gain on the sale of Total Logistic Control of \$65 after tax, or \$0.31 per diluted share. Net earnings for fiscal 2010 includes net charges of \$39 after tax, or \$0.18 per diluted share, related to planned retail market exits, closure of non-strategic stores and fees received from the early termination of a supply agreement.

# Comparison of fifty-two weeks ended February 27, 2010 (fiscal 2010) with fifty-three weeks ended February 28, 2009 (fiscal 2009):

For fiscal 2010, Net sales were \$40,597, compared with \$44,564 in fiscal 2009. Net earnings for fiscal 2010 were \$393 and diluted net earnings per share were \$1.85, compared with net loss of \$2,855 and diluted net loss per share of \$13.51 in fiscal 2009. Results for fiscal 2010 include net charges of \$62 before tax (\$39 after tax, or \$0.18 per diluted share) related to planned retail market exits, closure of non-strategic stores announced in fiscal 2009 and fees received from the early termination of a supply agreement. Results for fiscal 2009 include charges of \$3,762 before tax (\$3,470 after tax, or \$16.40 per diluted share) comprised of goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges of \$3,524 before tax (\$3,326 after tax, or \$15.71 per diluted share), charges primarily related to the closure of non-strategic stores announced in fiscal 2009 of \$200 before tax (\$121 after tax, or \$0.58 per diluted share), settlement costs for a pre-Acquisition Albertsons litigation matter of \$24 before tax (\$15 after tax, or \$0.07 per diluted share) and other Acquisition-related costs (defined as one-time transaction costs, which primarily include supply chain consolidation costs, employee-related benefit costs and consultant fees) of \$14 before tax (\$8 after tax, or \$0.04 per diluted share).

## **Net Sales**

Net sales for fiscal 2010 were \$40,597, compared with \$44,564 in fiscal 2009. Retail food sales were 77.9 percent of Net sales and Supply chain services sales were 22.1 percent of Net sales for fiscal 2010, compared with 77.8 percent and 22.2 percent, respectively, in fiscal 2009.

Retail food sales for fiscal 2010 were \$31,637, compared with \$34,664 in fiscal 2009. Approximately \$578 of fiscal 2009 Retail food sales is attributable to the extra week. The remaining decrease primarily reflects negative identical store retail sales growth (defined as stores operating for four full quarters, including store expansions and excluding fuel and planned store dispositions) and the impact of store dispositions. For fiscal 2010, as compared to fiscal 2009, identical store retail sales growth was negative 5.1 percent based on the same 52-week period for both years. Identical store retail sales performance was primarily the result of a challenging economic environment, heightened competitive

activity and investments in price and promotions.

During fiscal 2010, the Company added 40 new stores through new store development and sold or closed 112 stores, including planned dispositions.

Total retail square footage as of the end of fiscal 2010 was approximately 65 million, a decrease of 6.2 percent from the end of fiscal 2009. Total retail square footage, excluding actual and planned store dispositions, increased 0.8 percent from the end of fiscal 2009.

Supply chain services sales for fiscal 2010 were \$8,960, compared with \$9,900 in fiscal 2009. Approximately \$165 of fiscal 2009 Supply chain services sales is attributable to the extra week. The remaining decrease primarily reflects the completion of a national retail customer s previously announced plans to transition certain volume to self-distribution.

#### **Gross Profit**

Gross profit, as a percent of Net sales, was 22.5 percent for fiscal 2010 compared with 22.7 percent in fiscal 2009, primarily reflecting a higher promotional sales mix and increased investments in price, partially offset by a lower LIFO charge.

#### **Selling and Administrative Expenses**

Selling and administrative expenses, as a percent of Net sales, were 19.6 percent for fiscal 2010, compared with 19.6 percent in fiscal 2009. Savings from ongoing cost-reduction initiatives and lower store disposition-related costs compared to last year were offset by reduced sales leverage.

#### Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges

No goodwill impairment charges were recorded in fiscal 2010. During fiscal 2009 the Company recorded impairment charges of \$3,524 in the Retail food segment due to the significant decline in the market price of the Company s common stock as of the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2009 as well as the impact of the unprecedented decline in the economy on the Company s plan.

#### **Operating Earnings (Loss)**

Operating earnings for fiscal 2010 were \$1,201 compared with an operating loss of \$2,157 in fiscal 2009. Retail food operating earnings for fiscal 2010 were \$989, or 3.1 percent of Retail food net sales, reflecting \$55, or 0.2 percent of Retail food net sales, of charges related to planned retail market exits. Retail food operating loss for fiscal 2009 was \$2,315, or negative 6.7 percent of Retail food net sales last year, reflecting \$3,524, or 10.2 percent of Retail food sales, of goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges and \$162, or 0.5 percent of Retail food sales, of charges primarily related to the closure of non-strategic stores. The remaining decrease of \$327, or 70 basis points, primarily reflects the impact of a challenging economic environment, heightened competitive activity, a higher promotional sales mix, increased investments in price and reduced sales leverage, partially offset by a lower LIFO charge. Supply chain services operating earnings for fiscal 2010 were \$299, or 3.3 percent of Supply chain services net sales, compared with \$307, or 3.1 percent of Supply chain services net sales, in fiscal 2009. The 20 basis point increase in Supply chain services operating earnings as a percent of Supply chain services net sales primarily reflects a lower LIFO charge and fees received from the early termination of a supply agreement in fiscal 2010.

#### **Net Interest Expense**

Net interest expense was \$569 in fiscal 2010, compared with \$622 in fiscal 2009, primarily reflecting lower interest rates and debt levels as well as one less week in fiscal 2010.

## **Provision for Income Taxes**

Income tax expense was \$239, or 37.8 percent of earnings before income taxes, for fiscal 2010 compared with \$76, or 2.7 percent of loss before income taxes, in fiscal 2009. The tax rate for fiscal 2009 reflects the impact of the goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges, the majority of which are non-deductible for income tax purposes, as well as a benefit attributable to favorable state tax items, non-taxable life insurance proceeds and a reduction in the statutory rate.

#### **Net Earnings (Loss)**

Net earnings were \$393, or \$1.86 per basic share and \$1.85 per diluted share, for fiscal 2010 compared with net loss of \$2,855, or \$13.51 per basic and diluted share in fiscal 2009. Net earnings for fiscal 2010 include net charges of \$39 after tax, or \$0.18 per diluted share, related to planned retail market exits, closure of non-strategic stores announced in fiscal 2009 and fees received from the early termination of a supply agreement. Net loss for fiscal 2009 includes charges of \$3,470 after tax, or \$16.40 per diluted share, comprised of goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges, charges primarily related to the closure of non-strategic stores announced in fiscal 2009, settlement costs for a pre-Acquisition Albertsons litigation matter and other Acquisition-related costs.

## **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Significant accounting policies are discussed in Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part II, Item 8 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Management believes the following critical accounting policies reflect its more subjective or complex judgments and estimates used in the preparation of the Company s consolidated financial statements.

#### **Vendor Funds**

The Company receives funds from many of the vendors whose products the Company buys for resale in its stores. These vendor funds are provided to increase the sell-through of the related products. The Company receives vendor funds for a variety of merchandising activities: placement of the vendors products in the Company s advertising; display of the vendors products in prominent locations in the Company s stores; supporting the introduction of new products into the Company s retail stores and distribution system; exclusivity rights in certain categories; and to compensate for temporary price reductions offered to customers on products held for sale at retail stores. The Company also receives vendor funds for buying activities such as volume commitment rebates, credits for purchasing products in advance of their need and cash discounts for the early payment of merchandise purchases. The majority of the vendor fund contracts have terms of less than a year, with a small proportion of the contracts longer than one year.

The Company recognizes vendor funds for merchandising activities as a reduction of Cost of sales when the related products are sold. Vendor funds that have been earned as a result of completing the required performance under the terms of the underlying agreements but for which the product has not yet been sold are recognized as reductions of inventory. The amount and timing of recognition of vendor funds as well as the amount of vendor funds to be recognized as a reduction to ending inventory requires management judgment and estimates. Management determines these amounts based on estimates of current year purchase volume using forecast and historical data and review of average inventory turnover data. These judgments and estimates impact the Company 's reported gross profit, operating earnings (loss) and inventory amounts. The historical estimates of the Company have been reliable in the past, and the Company does not expect significant changes in the level of vendor support. However, if such changes were to occur, cost of sales and advertising expense could change, depending on the specific vendors involved. If vendor advertising allowances were substantially reduced or eliminated, the Company would consider changing the volume, type and frequency of the advertising, which could increase or decrease its advertising expense. Similarly, the Company is not able to assess the impact of vendor advertising allowances on increasing revenues as such allowances do not directly generate revenue for the Company s stores. For fiscal 2011, a 1 percent change in

total vendor funds earned, including advertising allowances, with no offsetting changes to the base price on the products purchased, would impact gross profit by less than 10 basis points.

#### Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost or market. Substantially all of the Company s inventory consists of finished goods. Approximately 79 percent of the Company s inventories were valued using the last-in, first-out (LIFO) method for fiscal 2011 and fiscal 2010. The Company uses a combination of the retail inventory method (RIM) and replacement cost method to determine the current cost of its inventory before any LIFO reserve is applied. Under RIM, the current cost of inventories and the gross margins are calculated by applying a cost-to-retail ratio to the current retail value of inventories. Under the replacement cost method, the most current unit purchase cost is used to calculate the current cost of inventories. The first-in, first-out method (FIFO) is used to determine cost for some of the remaining highly perishable inventories. If the FIFO method had been used to determine cost of inventories for which the LIFO method is used, the Company s inventories would have been higher by approximately \$282 and \$264 as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, respectively.

During fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, inventory quantities in certain LIFO layers were reduced. These reductions resulted in a liquidation of LIFO inventory quantities carried at lower costs prevailing in prior years as compared with the cost of fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009 purchases. As a result, Cost of sales decreased by \$11, \$22 and \$10 in fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

In addition, the Company evaluates physical inventory shortages throughout the year based on actual physical counts in its facilities. Allowances for inventory shortages are recorded based on the results of these counts to provide for estimated shortages as of the financial statement date. Although the Company has sufficient current and historical information available to record reasonable estimates for inventory shortages, it is possible that actual results could differ. As of February 26, 2011, each 25 basis point change in the estimated inventory shortages would impact the allowances for inventory shortages by approximately \$14.

#### **Reserves for Closed Properties and Property, Plant and Equipment-Related Impairment Charges**

The Company maintains reserves for costs associated with closures of retail stores, distribution centers and other properties that are no longer being utilized in current operations. The Company provides for closed property operating lease liabilities using a discount rate to calculate the present value of the remaining noncancellable lease payments after the closing date, reduced by estimated subtenant rentals that could be reasonably obtained for the property. The closed property lease liabilities usually are paid over the remaining lease terms, which generally range from one to 20 years. The Company estimates subtenant rentals and future cash flows based on the Company s experience and knowledge of the market in which the closed property is located, the Company s previous efforts to dispose of similar assets and existing economic conditions. Adjustments to closed property reserves primarily relate to changes in subtenant income or actual exit costs differing from original estimates. Adjustments are made for changes in estimates in the period in which the changes become known.

Owned properties, capital lease properties and the related equipment and leasehold improvements at operating leased properties that are closed are reduced to their estimated fair value. The Company estimates fair value based on its experience and knowledge of the market in which the closed property is located and, when necessary, utilizes local real estate brokers to assist in the valuation.

The expectations on timing of disposition and the estimated sales price or subtenant rentals associated with closed properties, owned or leased, are impacted by variable factors including inflation, the general health of the economy, resultant demand for commercial property, the ability to secure subleases, the creditworthiness of sublessees and the

Company s success at negotiating early termination agreements with lessors. While management believes the current estimates of reserves for closed properties and related impairment charges are adequate, it is possible that market and economic conditions in the real estate market could cause changes in the Company s assumptions and may require additional reserves and asset impairment charges to be recorded.

The Company s reserve for closed properties was \$178, net of estimated sublease recoveries of \$142, as of February 26, 2011 and \$128, net of estimated sublease recoveries of \$125, as of February 27, 2010. The Company recognized asset impairment charges of \$39, \$52 and \$75 in fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

#### Goodwill and Intangible Assets with Indefinite Useful Lives

The Company reviews goodwill for impairment during the fourth quarter of each year, and also if an event occurs or circumstances change that would more-likely-than-not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. The reviews consist of comparing estimated fair value to the carrying value at the reporting unit level. The Company s reporting units are the operating segments of the business which consist of traditional retail stores, hard-discount stores, and supply chain services. Fair values are determined by using both the market approach, applying a multiple of earnings based on guideline for publicly traded companies, and the income approach, discounting projected future cash flows based on management s expectations of the current and future operating environment. The rates used to discount projected future cash flows reflect a weighted average cost of capital based on the Company s industry, capital structure and risk premiums including those reflected in the current market capitalization. If management identifies the potential for impairment of goodwill, the fair value of the implied goodwill is calculated as the difference between the fair value of the reporting unit and the fair value of the underlying assets and liabilities, excluding goodwill. An impairment charge is recorded for any excess of the carrying value over the implied fair value. Fair value calculations contain significant judgments and estimates related to each reporting unit s projected future revenues, profitability and cash flows. When preparing these estimates, management considers each reporting unit s historical results, current operating trends and specific plans in place. These estimates are impacted by variable factors including inflation, the general health of the economy and market competition. The Company has sufficient current and historical information available to support its judgments and estimates. However, if actual results are not consistent with the Company s estimates, future operating results may be materially impacted.

The Company also reviews intangible assets with indefinite useful lives, which primarily consist of trademarks and tradenames, for impairment during the fourth quarter of each year, and also if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. The reviews consist of comparing estimated fair value to the carrying value. Fair values of the Company s trademarks and tradenames are determined primarily by discounting an assumed royalty value applied to projected future revenues associated with the tradename based on management s expectations of the current and future operating environment. The royalty cash flows are then discounted using rates based on the weighted average cost of capital discussed above and the specific risk profile of the tradenames relative to the Company s other assets. These estimates are impacted by variable factors including inflation, the general health of the economy and market competition.

The Company undertook reviews for impairment of goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives twice during the year. During the second quarter of fiscal 2011 the Company s stock price had a significant and sustained decline and book value per share substantially exceeded the stock price. As a result, the Company completed an impairment review and recorded non-cash impairment charges of \$1,840, comprised of a \$1,619 reduction to the carrying value of goodwill and a \$221 reduction to the carrying value of indefinite-lived trademarks and tradenames within the traditional retail operating segment.

The result of the annual review of goodwill undertaken in the fourth quarter indicated no goodwill impairment charges were required. The initial review of goodwill for impairment indicated that the \$1,137 carrying value of traditional retail stores goodwill exceeded its estimated fair value. Further assessment of the fair value of implied goodwill based on the difference between the fair value of the reporting unit and the fair value of the underlying assets and liabilities did not indicate impairment. Future appreciation of the fair value of the reporting unit assets and liabilities may impact the results of the assessment if similar analysis is required in a future period. The fair value of supply chain services goodwill exceeded its \$710 carrying value by greater than 5 percent and the fair value of the hard-discount stores

goodwill substantially exceeded its \$137 carrying value. If the Company s stock price experiences a significant and sustained decline, or other events or changes in circumstances, such as operating results not meeting plan indicate that impairment may have occurred, the Company would reassess the fair value of the implied goodwill compared to the carrying value.

The results of the annual fourth quarter impairment review of intangible assets with indefinite useful lives indicated that the carrying value of certain Acquired Trademarks exceeded their estimated fair value and an impairment charge of \$30 was recorded. If the variable factors discussed above change significantly, the Company would be required to reassess the fair value of the intangible assets with indefinite useful lives compared to the carrying value.

During fiscal 2010, the Company recorded impairment charges of \$20 to its Acquired Trademarks as a result of certain market exits.

#### **Self-Insurance Liabilities**

The Company is primarily self-insured for workers compensation, healthcare for certain employees and general and automobile liability costs. It is the Company s policy to record its self-insurance liabilities based on management s estimate of the ultimate cost of reported claims and claims incurred but not yet reported and related expenses, discounted at a risk-free interest rate.

In determining its self-insurance liabilities, the Company performs a continuing review of its overall position and reserving techniques. Since recorded amounts are based on estimates, the ultimate cost of all incurred claims and related expenses may be more or less than the recorded liabilities. Any projection of losses concerning workers compensation, healthcare and general and automobile liability is subject to a degree of variability. Among the causes of this variability are unpredictable external factors affecting future inflation rates, discount rates, litigation trends, legal interpretations, regulatory changes, benefit level changes and actual claim settlement patterns. The majority of the self-insurance liability for workers compensation is related to claims occurring in California. California workers compensation has received intense scrutiny from the state s politicians, insurers and providers. In recent years, there has been an increase in the number of legislative reforms and judicial rulings affecting the handling of claim activity. The impact of many of these variables on ultimate costs is difficult to estimate. The effects of changes in such estimated items are included in results of operations in the period in which the estimates are changed. Such changes may be material to the results of operations and could occur in a future period. If, in the future, the Company was to experience significant volatility in the amount and timing of cash payments compared to its earlier estimates, the Company would assess whether to continue to discount these liabilities. The Company had self-insurance liabilities of approximately \$1,050, net of the discount of \$178, and \$1,101, net of the discount of \$191, as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, respectively. As of February 26, 2011, each 25 basis point change in the discount rate would impact the self-insurance liabilities by approximately \$1.

#### **Benefit Plans**

The Company sponsors pension and other postretirement plans in various forms covering substantially all employees who meet eligibility requirements. The determination of the Company s obligation and related expense for Company-sponsored pension and other postretirement benefits is dependent, in part, on management s selection of certain actuarial assumptions used in calculating these amounts. These assumptions include, among other things, the discount rate, the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets and the rates of increase in compensation and healthcare costs. The discount rate is based on current investment yields on high-quality fixed-income investments. The expected long-term rate of return on plan assets is based on the historical experience of the Company s investment portfolio and the projected returns by asset category. Over the 10-year period ended February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, the average rate of return on plan assets for fiscal 2011 and fiscal 2010 are lower than the assumed long-term rate of return of 7.75 percent due to the unprecedented decline in the economy and the credit market turmoil during fiscal 2009. The Company expects that the markets will recover to the assumed long-term rate of return. In accordance with accounting standards, actual results that differ from the Company s assumptions are accumulated and amortized over future periods and, therefore, affect expense and obligations in future periods.

During fiscal 2011, the Company contributed \$163 to its pension plans and \$6 to its postretirement benefit plans, and expects to contribute \$70 to its pension plans and \$8 to its postretirement benefit plans in fiscal 2012.

For fiscal 2012, each 25 basis point reduction in the discount rate would increase pension expense by approximately \$10 and each 25 basis point reduction in expected return on plan assets would increase pension expense by approximately \$4. Similarly, for postretirement benefits, a 100 basis point change in the healthcare cost trend rate would impact the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation as of the end of fiscal 2011 by approximately \$12 and the service and interest cost by \$1 in fiscal 2012. Although the Company believes that its assumptions are appropriate, the actuarial assumptions may differ from actual results due to changing market and economic conditions, higher or lower withdrawal rates and longer or shorter life spans of participants.

In addition, the Company contributes to various multi-employer pension plans under collective bargaining agreements, primarily defined benefit pension plans. These plans generally provide retirement benefits to participants based on their service to contributing employers. Based on available information, the Company believes that some of the multi-employer plans to which it contributes are underfunded. Company contributions to these plans are likely to continue to increase in the near term. However, the amount of any increase or decrease in contributions will depend on a variety of factors, including the results of the Company s collective bargaining efforts, investment return on the assets held in the plans, actions taken by the trustees who manage the plans, and requirements under the Pension Protection Act of 2006 and Section 412(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Internal Revenue Code ). Furthermore, if the Company were to exit certain markets or otherwise cease making contributions to these plans at this time, it could trigger a withdrawal liability that would require the Company to fund its proportionate share of a plan s unfunded vested benefits. The Company contributed \$135, \$143 and \$147 to these plans for fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

## **Income Taxes**

The Company s current and deferred tax provision is based on estimates and assumptions that could materially differ from the actual results reflected in its income tax returns filed during the subsequent year and could significantly affect the effective tax rate and cash flows in future years.

The Company recognizes deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected tax consequences of temporary differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their reported amounts using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which it expects the differences to reverse.

The Company s effective tax rate is influenced by tax planning opportunities available in the various jurisdictions in which the Company operates. Management s judgment is involved in determining the effective tax rate and in evaluating the ultimate resolution of any uncertain tax positions. In addition, the Company is currently in various stages of audits, appeals or other methods of review with taxing authorities from various taxing jurisdictions. The Company establishes liabilities for unrecognized tax benefits in a variety of taxing jurisdictions when, despite management s belief that the Company s tax return positions are supportable, certain positions may be challenged and may need to be revised. The Company adjusts these liabilities in light of changing facts and circumstances, such as the progress of a tax audit. The effective income tax rate includes the impact of reserve provisions and changes to those reserves. The Company also provides interest on these liabilities at the appropriate statutory interest rate. The actual benefits ultimately realized for tax positions may differ from the Company s estimates due to changes in facts, circumstances and new information. As of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, the Company had \$182 and \$133 of unrecognized tax benefits, respectively.

The Company records a valuation allowance to reduce the deferred tax assets to the amount that it is more-likely-than-not to realize. Forecasted earnings, future taxable income and future prudent and feasible tax

planning strategies are considered in determining the need for a valuation allowance. In the event the Company was not able to realize all or part of its net deferred tax assets in the future, the valuation allowance would be increased. Likewise, if it was determined that the Company was more-likely-than-not to realize the net deferred tax assets, the applicable portion of the valuation allowance would reverse. The Company had a valuation allowance of \$24 and \$161 as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, respectively.

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$1,163, \$1,474 and \$1,534 in fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The decrease in cash provided by operating activities in fiscal 2011 compared to fiscal 2010 is primarily attributable to changes in deferred income taxes, operating assets and liabilities, and Net loss, adjusted for the impact of non-cash impairment charges. The decrease in cash provided by operating activities in fiscal 2010 compared to fiscal 2009 is primarily attributable to decreased Net earnings, adjusted for the impact of non-cash impairment charges, depreciation and amortization and LIFO expense, substantially offset by the changes in deferred income taxes and operating assets and liabilities.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$227, \$459 and \$1,014 in fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The decrease in cash used in investing activities in fiscal 2011 compared to fiscal 2010 and in fiscal 2010 compared to fiscal 2009 is primarily attributable to higher proceeds from the sale of assets and lower capital spending.

Net cash used in financing activities was \$975, \$1,044 and \$523 in fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The decrease in cash used in financing activities in fiscal 2011 compared to fiscal 2010 is primarily attributable to lower dividends paid compared to last year. The increase in cash used in financing activities in fiscal 2010 compared to fiscal 2010 compared to fiscal 2009 is primarily attributable to higher levels of debt reduction.

Management expects that the Company will continue to replenish operating assets with internally generated funds. There can be no assurance, however, that the Company s business will continue to generate cash flow at current levels. The Company will continue to obtain short-term or long-term financing from its credit facilities. Long-term financing will be maintained through existing and new debt issuances and its credit facilities. The Company s short-term and long-term financing abilities are believed to be adequate as a supplement to internally generated cash flows to fund capital expenditures and acquisitions as opportunities arise. Maturities of debt issued will depend on management s views with respect to the relative attractiveness of interest rates at the time of issuance and other debt maturities.

Certain of the Company s credit facilities and long-term debt agreements have restrictive covenants and cross-default provisions which generally provide, subject to the Company s right to cure, for the acceleration of payments due in the event of a breach of the covenant or a default in the payment of a specified amount of indebtedness due under certain other debt agreements. The Company was in compliance with all such covenants and provisions for all periods presented.

On April 5, 2010, the Company entered into an Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement ). The Credit Agreement provides for an extension of the maturity of portions of the senior secured credit facilities provided under the original credit agreement, which included a five-year revolving credit facility (the Revolving Credit Facility ), a five-year term loan ( Term Loan A ) and a six-year term loan ( Term Loan B ). Under the Credit Agreement, \$1,500 of the Revolving Credit Facility was extended until April 5, 2015 and \$500 of Term Loan B ( Term Loan B-2 ) was extended until October 5, 2015. The remaining \$600 of the Revolving Credit Facility will expire on June 2, 2011 and the remaining \$502 of Term Loan B ( Term Loan B-1 ) will mature on June 2, 2012. The maturity date of Term Loan A was not extended and will mature on June 2, 2011.

The fees and rates in effect on outstanding borrowings under the Credit Agreement are based on the Company s current credit ratings. Borrowings under the non-extended portion of the Revolving Credit Facility, if any, carry an interest rate of LIBOR plus 1.25 percent, borrowings under Term Loan A carry an interest rate of LIBOR plus 1.125 percent and borrowings under Term Loan B-1 carry an interest rate of LIBOR plus 1.375 percent. Borrowings under the extended portion of the Revolving Credit Facility, if any, carry an interest rate of LIBOR plus 2.50 percent and borrowings under Term Loan B-2 carry an interest rate of LIBOR plus 3.25 percent. Facility fees under the non-extended and extended portions of the Revolving Credit Facility are 0.30 percent and 0.625 percent, respectively.

The Company pays fees of up to 2.75 percent on the outstanding balance of the letters of credit issued under the extended Revolving Credit Facility. Borrowings under the term loans may be repaid, in full or in part, at any time without penalty.

The Credit Agreement reset covenants which are generally less restrictive than the covenants that existed prior to April 5, 2010. Specifically, the Company must maintain a leverage ratio no greater than 4.25 to 1.0 through

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December 30, 2011, 4.0 to 1.0 from December 31, 2011 through December 30, 2012 and 3.75 to 1.0 thereafter. The Company s leverage ratio was 3.5 to 1.0 at February 26, 2011. Additionally, the Company must maintain an interest expense coverage ratio of not less than 2.20 to 1.0 through December 30, 2011, 2.25 to 1.0 from December 31, 2011 through December 30, 2012 and 2.30 to 1.0 thereafter. The Company s interest expense ratio was 2.6 to 1.0 at February 26, 2011.

All obligations under the senior secured credit facilities are guaranteed by each material subsidiary of the Company. The obligations are also secured by a pledge of the equity interests in those same material subsidiaries, limited as required by the existing public indentures of the Company, such that the respective debt issued need not be equally and ratably secured.

In May 2010, the Company amended and extended its accounts receivable securitization program until May 2013. The Company can borrow up to \$200 on a revolving basis, with borrowings secured by eligible accounts receivable, which remain under the Company s control. The facility fee in effect on February 26, 2011, based on the Company s current credit ratings, was 1.00 percent.

As of February 26, 2011, the Company had \$30 of debt with current maturities that are classified in Long-term debt in the Consolidated Balance Sheets due to the Company s intent to refinance such obligations with the Revolving Credit Facility or other long-term debt.

On April 6, 2011, the Company announced that it is seeking the consent of lenders to amend its existing senior secured credit facilities to allow for the extension of Term Loan B-1 due in June 2012 to April 2018. The Company expects to complete the amendment in late April 2011.

Annual cash dividends declared for fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, were \$0.3500, \$0.6100 and \$0.6875 per share, respectively. The Company s dividend policy will continue to emphasize a high level of earnings retention for growth.

Capital spending for fiscal 2011 was \$604, including \$7 of capital leases. Capital spending primarily included store remodeling activity, new retail stores and technology expenditures. The Company s capital spending for fiscal 2012 is projected to be approximately \$700 to \$750, including capital leases.

Fiscal 2012 total debt reduction is estimated to be approximately \$500 to \$550.

## **OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS**

#### Guarantees

The Company has guaranteed certain leases, fixture financing loans and other debt obligations of various retailers as of February 26, 2011. These guarantees were generally made to support the business growth of independent retail customers. The guarantees are generally for the entire terms of the leases or other debt obligations with remaining terms that range from less than one year to 19 years, with a weighted average remaining term of approximately eight years. For each guarantee issued, if the independent retail customer defaults on a payment, the Company would be required to make payments under its guarantee. Generally, the guarantees are secured by indemnification agreements or personal guarantees of the independent retail customer. The Company reviews performance risk related to its guarantees of independent retail customers based on internal measures of credit performance. As of February 26, 2011, the maximum amount of undiscounted payments the Company would be required to make in the event of default of all guarantees was approximately \$116 and represented approximately \$86 on a discounted basis. Based on the indemnification agreements, personal guarantees and results of the reviews of performance risk, the Company believes the likelihood that it will be required to assume a material amount of these obligations is remote.

Accordingly, no amount has been recorded in the Consolidated Balance Sheets for these contingent obligations under the Company s guarantee arrangements.

The Company is contingently liable for leases that have been assigned to various third parties in connection with facility closings and dispositions. The Company could be required to satisfy the obligations under the leases if any of the assignees are unable to fulfill their lease obligations. Due to the wide distribution of the Company s assignments among third parties, and various other remedies available, the Company believes the likelihood that it will be required to assume a material amount of these obligations is remote.

The Company is a party to a variety of contractual agreements under which the Company may be obligated to indemnify the other party for certain matters, which indemnities may be secured by operation of law or otherwise, in the ordinary course of business. These contracts primarily relate to the Company s commercial contracts, operating leases and other real estate contracts, financial agreements, agreements to provide services to the Company and agreements to indemnify officers, directors and employees in the performance of their work. While the Company s aggregate indemnification obligation could result in a material liability, the Company is not aware of any matters that are expected to result in a material liability.

#### **Multi-Employer Plans**

The Company contributes to various multi-employer pension plans under collective bargaining agreements, primarily defined benefit pension plans. These plans generally provide retirement benefits to participants based on their service to contributing employers. Based on available information, the Company believes that some of the multi-employer plans to which it contributes are underfunded. Company contributions to these plans could increase in the near term. However, the amount of any increase or decrease in contributions will depend on a variety of factors, including the results of the Company s collective bargaining efforts, investment returns on the assets held in the plans, actions taken by the trustees who manage the plans and requirements under the Pension Protection Act and Section 412(e) of the Internal Revenue Code. Furthermore, if the Company was to significantly reduce contributions, exit certain markets or otherwise cease making contributions to these plans, it could trigger a partial or complete withdrawal that would require the Company to fund its proportionate share of a plan s unfunded vested benefits. The Company contributed \$135, \$143 and \$147 to these plans for fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

The Company also makes contributions to multi-employer health and welfare plans in amounts set forth in the related collective bargaining agreements. A small minority of collective bargaining agreements contain reserve requirements that may trigger unanticipated contributions resulting in increased healthcare expenses. If these healthcare provisions cannot be renegotiated in a manner that reduces the prospective healthcare cost as the Company intends, the Company s Selling and administrative expenses could increase in the future.

## **CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS**

The following table represents the Company s significant contractual obligations as of February 26, 2011.

	Payments Due Per Period										
	Total			iscal 012	2	Fiscal 2013- 2014	Fiscal 2015- 2016		Thereafter		
Contractual Obligations:											
Long-term debt <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	5,847	\$	338	\$	1,146	\$	1,082	\$	3,281	
Interest on long-term debt <sup>(2)</sup>		3,774		361		659		574		2,180	
Capital leases <sup>(3)</sup>		1,882		144		285		275		1,178	
Operating leases <sup>(4)</sup>		2,817		321		579		492		1,425	
Benefit obligations <sup>(5)</sup>		7,005		141		257		276		6,331	
Construction commitments		24		24							
Deferred income taxes		247		(57)		32		32		240	
Purchase obligations <sup>(6)</sup>		877		583		239		55			
Self-insurance obligations		1,228		275		347		186		420	

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Total	\$	23,701	\$	2,130	\$	3,544	\$	2,972	\$	15,055

- (1) Long-term debt amounts exclude the net discount on acquired debt and original issue discounts.
- (2) Amounts include contractual interest payments using the interest rate as of February 26, 2011 applicable to the Company s variable interest debt instruments and stated fixed rates for all other debt instruments.
- (3) Represents the minimum payments under capital leases, excluding common area maintenance, insurance or tax payments, for which the Company is also obligated, offset by minimum subtenant rentals of \$32, \$7, \$10, \$7 and \$8, respectively.

- (4) Represents the minimum rents payable under operating leases, excluding common area maintenance, insurance or tax payments, for which the Company is also obligated, offset by minimum subtenant rentals of \$295, \$61, \$95, \$50 and \$89, respectively.
- (5) The Company s benefit obligations include the undiscounted obligations related to sponsored defined benefit pension and postretirement benefit plans and deferred compensation plans. The defined benefit pension plan has plan assets of approximately \$1,896 as of the end of February 26, 2011.
- (6) The Company s purchase obligations include various obligations that have annual purchase commitments of \$1 or greater. As of February 26, 2011, future purchase obligations existed that primarily related to supply contracts. In the ordinary course of business, the Company enters into supply contracts to purchase products for resale. These supply contracts typically include either volume commitments or fixed expiration dates, termination provisions and other standard contractual considerations. The supply contracts that are cancelable have not been included above.

Unrecognized tax benefits as of February 26, 2011 of \$182 are not included in the contractual obligations table presented above because the timing of the settlement of unrecognized tax benefits cannot be fully determined. However, the Company expects to resolve \$34, net, of unrecognized tax benefits within the next 12 months.

#### ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The Company is exposed to market pricing risk consisting of interest rate risk related to debt obligations outstanding, its investment in notes receivable and, from time to time, derivatives employed to hedge interest rate changes on variable and fixed rate debt. The Company does not use financial instruments or derivatives for any trading or other speculative purposes.

The Company manages interest rate risk through the strategic use of fixed and variable rate debt and, to a limited extent, derivative financial instruments. Variable interest rate debt (bank loans, industrial revenue bonds and other variable interest rate debt) is utilized to help maintain liquidity and finance business operations. Long-term debt with fixed interest rates is used to assist in managing debt maturities and to diversify sources of debt capital.

The Company makes long-term loans to certain Supply chain customers and as such, holds notes receivable in the normal course of business. The notes generally bear fixed interest rates negotiated with each retail customer. The market value of the fixed rate notes is subject to change due to fluctuations in market interest rates.

The table below provides information about the Company s financial instruments that are sensitive to changes in interest rates, including notes receivable and debt obligations. For debt obligations, the table presents principal payments and related weighted average interest rates by maturity dates, excluding the net discount on acquired debt and original issue discounts. For notes receivable, the table presents the expected collection of principal cash flows and weighted average interest rates by expected maturity dates.

		Sum	nary of Fin	ancial Instr	uments						
Febru	ary 26,										
20	)11		Agg	gregate pay	ments by fis	scal year					
Fair											
Value	Total	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Thereafter				
	(in millions, except rates)										

Notes receivable Principal receivable Average rate	\$ 47	\$ 44	\$ 12	\$	14	\$ 4	\$ 7	\$ 1	\$ 6
receivable		6.4%	5.2%		5.7%	8.1%	6.9%	9.0%	7.9%
Debt with variable interest rates									
Principal payments Average variable	\$ 1,492	\$ 1,501	\$ 306	\$	498	\$ 105	\$ 23	\$ 569	\$
rate Debt with fixed interest rates		2.3%	1.4%		1.7%	1.3%	1.0%	3.6%	%
Principal payments	\$ 3,917	\$ 4,346	\$ 32	\$	308	\$ 235	\$ 490	\$	\$ 3,281
Average fixed rate		7.6%	4.2%		7.5%	7.1%	7.5%	%	7.7%
				31					

## ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

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## **REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

# The Board of Directors and Stockholders SUPERVALU INC.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of SUPERVALU INC. and subsidiaries as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, and the related consolidated statements of earnings, stockholders equity, and cash flows for each of the fiscal years in the three-year period ended February 26, 2011. In connection with our audits of the consolidated financial statements, we have also audited the accompanying financial statement schedule for each of the fiscal years in the three-year period ended February 26, 2011. We also have audited SUPERVALU INC. s internal control over financial reporting as of February 26, 2011, based on criteria established in Internal Control Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). SUPERVALU INC. s management is responsible for these consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management s Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements and financial statements and financial statement schedule, and an opinion on SUPERVALU INC. s internal control over financial reporting, based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the consolidated financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company s internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. A company s internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of SUPERVALU INC. and subsidiaries as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the fiscal years in the three-year period ended February 26, 2011, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. In our opinion, the accompanying financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein. Also in our opinion, SUPERVALU INC. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of February 26, 2011, based on criteria established in Internal Control Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

/S/ KPMG LLP

Minneapolis, Minnesota April 21, 2011

## SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries

## CONSOLIDATED SEGMENT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## (In millions)

	ruary 26, 2011 2 weeks)	ruary 27, 2010 2 weeks)	bruary 28, 2009 53 weeks)
Net sales Retail food % of total Supply chain services % of total	\$ 28,911 77.0% 8,623 23.0%	\$ 31,637 77.9% 8,960 22.1%	\$ 34,664 77.8% 9,900 22.2%
Total net sales	\$ 37,534 100.0%	\$ 40,597 100.0%	\$ 44,564 100.0%
Operating earnings (loss) Retail food % of sales Supply chain services % of sales Corporate Total operating earnings (loss) % of sales Interest expense, net	\$ $(1,212) \\ (4.2)\% \\ 337 \\ 3.9\% \\ (101) \\ (976) \\ (2.6)\% \\ 547 \\ (1,212) \\ (2,212) \\ (4,21) \\$	\$ 989 3.1% 299 3.3% (87) 1,201 3.0% 569	\$ (2,315) (6.7)% 307 $3.1% (149) (2,157) (4.8)% 622$
Earnings (loss) before income taxes Income tax provision (benefit)	(1,523) (13)	632 239	(2,779) 76
Net earnings (loss)	\$ (1,510)	\$ 393	\$ (2,855)
<b>Depreciation and amortization</b> Retail food Supply chain services	\$ 849 76	\$ 876 81	\$ 968 89
Total	\$ 925	\$ 957	\$ 1,057
<b>Capital expenditures</b> Retail food Supply chain services	\$ 559 45	\$ 642 49	\$ 1,112 100
Total	\$ 604	\$ 691	\$ 1,212

Identifiable assets						
Retail food	\$	11,589	\$	14,035	\$	14,950
Supply chain services		2,050		2,214		2,444
Corporate		119		187		210
	¢	10 550	¢	16.406	¢	17 (04
Total	\$	13,758	\$	16,436	\$	17,604

Refer to Note 14 Segment Information in the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information concerning the Company s reportable segments.

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

## SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS

## (In millions, except per share data)

	bruary 26, 2011 52 weeks)	February 27, 2010 (52 weeks)	]	February 28, 2009 (53 weeks)
Net sales	\$ 37,534	\$ 40,597	\$	44,564
Cost of sales	29,124	31,444		34,451
Gross profit	8,410	9,153		10,113
Selling and administrative expenses Goodwill and intangible asset impairment	7,516	7,952		8,746
charges	1,870			3,524
<b>Operating earnings (loss)</b>	(976)	1,201		(2,157)
Interest				
Interest expense	554	576		633
Interest income	7	7		11
Interest expense, net	547	569		622
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(1,523)	632		(2,779)
Income tax provision (benefit)	(13)	239		76
Net earnings (loss)	\$ (1,510)	\$ 393	\$	(2,855)
Net earnings (loss) per share basic	\$ (7.13)	\$ 1.86	\$	(13.51)
<b>Net earnings (loss) per share diluted</b> Weighted average number of shares outstanding	\$ (7.13)	\$ 1.85	\$	(13.51)
Basic	212	212		211
Diluted	212	213		211

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

## SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

## (In millions, except per share data)

		ruary 26, 2011		ruary 27, 2010
ASSETS				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	172	\$	211
Receivables, net		743		814
Inventories		2,270		2,342
Other current assets		235		344
Total current assets		3,420		3,711
Property, plant and equipment, net		6,604		7,026
Goodwill		1,984		3,698
Intangible assets, net		1,170		1,493
Other assets		580		508
Total assets	\$	13,758	\$	16,436
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS	EQUITY			
Current liabilities	<b></b>	0 107	<b>b</b>	<b>a</b> 100
Accounts payable	\$	2,107	\$	2,199
Accrued vacation, compensation and benefits		554 403		576 613
Current maturities of long-term debt and capital lease obligations Other current liabilities		403 722		779
Other current haddities		122		119
Total current liabilities		3,786		4,167
Long-term debt and capital lease obligations		6,348		7,022
Other liabilities		2,284		2,360
Commitments and contingencies				
<b>Stockholders equity</b> Common stock, \$1.00 par value: 400 shares authorized; 230 shares issued		220		220
Capital in excess of par value		230 2,855		230 2,857
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(446)		(478)
Retained earnings (deficit)		(778)		806
Treasury stock, at cost, 18 and 18 shares, respectively		(521)		(528)
reasury stock, at cost, to and to shares, respectively		(521)		(320)
Total stockholders equity		1,340		2,887
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$	13,758	\$	16,436

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## SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

## (In millions, except per share data)

	Со	nmon	Accumulated Capital in Other n Excess TreasuryComprehensive Retained of Par								Total kholders	Comprehensiv Income		
	S	tock		Value	S	tock	]	Losses	Ea	arnings	I	Equity	1	(Loss)
Balances as of February 23, 2008 Net loss Pension and other postretirement activity	\$	230	\$	2,822	\$	(547)	\$	(95)	\$	3,543 (2,855)	\$	5,953 (2,855)	\$	(2,855)
(net of tax of \$261) Sales of common stock under option								(408)				(408)		(408)
plans Cash dividends declared on common stock \$0.6875 per				2		12						14		
share Compensation under employee incentive										(146)		(146)		
plans Purchase of shares for				29		17						46		
treasury						(23)						(23)		
Balances as of February 28, 2009		230		2,853		(541)		(503)		542		2,581	\$	(3,263)
Net earnings Pension and other postretirement activity										393		393	\$	393
(net of tax of \$13) Sales of common stock under option								25				25		25
plans Cash dividends declared on common stock \$0.6100 per				(12)		1						(11)		
share Compensation under employee incentive										(129)		(129)		
plans				16		12						28		

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Balances as of February 27, 2010	230	2,857	(528)	(478)	806	2,887	\$ 418
Net loss Pension and other					(1,510)	(1,510)	\$ (1,510)
postretirement activity (net of tax of \$28) Sales of common				32		32	32
stock under option plans Cash dividends		(7)	4			(3)	
declared on common stock \$0.3500 per share Compensation under					(74)	(74)	
employee incentive plans Purchase of shares for		5	6			11	
treasury			(3)			(3)	
Balances as of February 26, 2011	\$ 230	\$ 2,855	\$ (521)	\$ (446)	\$ (778)	\$ 1,340	\$ (1,478)

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

## SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

## (In millions)

	February 26, 2011 (52 weeks)	February 27, 2010 (52 weeks)	February 28, 2009 (53 weeks)
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net earnings (loss)	\$ (1,510)	\$ 393	\$ (2,855)
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings (loss) to net cash			
provided by operating activities:			
Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges	1,870		3,524
Asset impairment and other charges	116	74	169
Gain on sale of assets	(52)	(33)	(9)
Depreciation and amortization	925	957	1,057
LIFO charge	18	8	78
Deferred income taxes	(94)	151	(118)
Stock-based compensation	15	31	44
Other adjustments	41	27	(25)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Receivables	46	55	68
Inventories	21	326	(12)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(103)	(267)	(216)
Income taxes receivable	(22)	(172)	(83)
Other changes in operating assets and liabilities	(108)	(76)	(88)
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,163	1,474	1,534
Cash flows from investing activities			
Proceeds from sale of assets	360	215	117
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(597)	(681)	(1,186)
Other	10	7	55
Net cash used in investing activities	(227)	(459)	(1,014)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	180	943	215
Payment of long-term debt and capital lease obligations	(1,065)	(1,830)	(581)
Dividends paid	(74)	(147)	(145)
Net proceeds from the sale of common stock under option			
plans and related tax benefits	2		11
Payment for purchase of treasury shares	(3)		(23)
Other	(15)	(10)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(975)	(1,044)	(523)

Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		(39) 211		(29) 240	(3) 243
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$	172	\$	211	\$ 240
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL CASH</b> The Company s non-cash activities were as follows:	I FLOW I	NFORMA	TION		
Capital lease asset additions and related obligations Purchases of property, plant and equipment included in	\$	7	\$	10	\$ 26
Accounts payable Interest and income taxes paid:	\$	69	\$	69	\$ 98
Interest paid (net of amount capitalized)	\$	513	\$	538	\$ 614
Income taxes paid (net of refunds)	\$	11	\$	187	\$ 274

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

# SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Dollars and shares in millions, except per share data, unless otherwise noted)

# NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# **Business Description**

SUPERVALU INC. ( SUPERVALU or the Company ) is one of the largest companies in the United States grocery channel. SUPERVALU conducts its retail operations under the Acme, Albertsons, Cub Foods, Farm Fresh, Hornbacher s, Jewel-Osco, Lucky, Save-A-Lot, Shaw s, Shop n Save, Shoppers Food & Pharmacy and Star Market banners as well as in-store pharmacies under the Osco and Sav-on banners. Additionally, the Company provides supply chain services, primarily wholesale distribution, across the United States retail grocery channel.

# Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and all its majority-owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. References to the Company refer to SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries.

# Fiscal Year

The Company s fiscal year ends on the last Saturday in February. The Company s first quarter consists of 16 weeks while the second, third and fourth quarters each consist of 12 weeks, except for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2009 which included 13 weeks. Because of differences in the accounting calendars of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, New Albertsons, Inc., the February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010 Consolidated Balance Sheets include the assets and liabilities related to New Albertsons, Inc. as of February 24, 2011 and February 25, 2010, respectively.

# Use of Estimates

The preparation of the Company s consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ( accounting standards ) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

# Revenue Recognition

Revenues from product sales are recognized at the point of sale for the Retail food segment and upon delivery for the Supply chain services segment. Typically, invoicing, shipping, delivery and customer receipt of Supply chain services product occur on the same business day. Revenues from services rendered are recognized immediately after such services have been provided. Discounts and allowances provided to customers by the Company at the time of sale, including those provided in connection with loyalty cards, are recognized as a reduction in Net sales as the products are sold to customers. Sales tax is excluded from Net sales.

Revenues and costs from third-party logistics operations are recorded gross when the Company is the primary obligor in a transaction, is subject to inventory or credit risk, has latitude in establishing price and selecting suppliers, or has several, but not all of these indicators. If the Company is not the primary obligor and amounts earned have little or no

credit risk, revenue is recorded net as management fees earned.

# Cost of Sales

Cost of sales includes cost of inventory sold during the period, including purchasing and distribution costs and shipping and handling fees.

Retail food advertising expenses are a component of Cost of sales in the Consolidated Statements of Earnings and are expensed as incurred. Retail food advertising expenses, net of cooperative advertising reimbursements, were \$120, \$137 and \$184 for fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

The Company recognizes vendor funds for merchandising and buying activities as a reduction of Cost of sales when the related products are sold. Vendor funds that have been earned as a result of completing the required performance under the terms of the underlying agreements but for which the product has not yet been sold are recognized as reductions of inventory. When payments or rebates can be reasonably estimated and it is probable that the specified target will be met, the payment or rebate is accrued. However, when attaining the milestone is not probable, the payment or rebate is recognized only when and if the milestone is achieved. Any upfront payments received for multi-period contracts are generally deferred and amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the contracts.

# Selling and Administrative Expenses

Selling and administrative expenses consist primarily of store and corporate employee-related costs, such as salaries and wages, health and welfare, worker s compensation and pension benefits, as well as rent, occupancy and operating costs, depreciation and amortization and other administrative costs.

# Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase to be cash equivalents. The Company s banking arrangements allow the Company to fund outstanding checks when presented to the financial institution for payment, resulting in book overdrafts. Book overdrafts are recorded in Accounts payable in the Consolidated Balance Sheets and are reflected as an operating activity in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. As of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, the Company had net book overdrafts of \$360 and \$330, respectively.

# Allowances for Losses on Receivables

Management makes estimates of the uncollectibility of its accounts and notes receivable portfolios. In determining the adequacy of the allowances, management analyzes the value of the collateral, customer financial statements, historical collection experience, aging of receivables and other economic and industry factors. The allowance for losses on receivables was \$8 and \$12 in fiscal 2011 and 2010, respectively. Bad debt expense was \$12, \$4 and \$7 in fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

# Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost or market. Substantially all of the Company s inventory consists of finished goods.

As of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, approximately 79 percent of the Company s inventories were valued using the last-in, first-out (LIFO) method. The Company uses a combination of the replacement cost method and the retail inventory method (RIM) to determine the current cost of its inventory before any LIFO reserve is applied. Under the replacement cost method, the most current unit purchase cost is used to calculate the current cost of inventories. Under RIM, the current cost of inventories and the gross margins are calculated by applying a cost-to-retail ratio to the current retail value of inventories. The first-in, first-out method (FIFO) is primarily used to determine cost for some of the remaining highly perishable inventories. If the FIFO method had been used to determine cost of inventories for which the LIFO method is used, the Company is inventories would have been higher by approximately \$282 and \$264

as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, respectively.

During fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, inventory quantities in certain LIFO layers were reduced. These reductions resulted in a liquidation of LIFO inventory quantities carried at lower costs prevailing in prior years as compared with the cost of fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009 purchases. As a result, Cost of sales decreased by \$11, \$22 and \$10 in fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

The Company evaluates inventory shortages throughout each fiscal year based on actual physical counts in its facilities. Allowances for inventory shortages are recorded based on the results of these counts to provide for estimated shortages as of the end of each fiscal year.

#### **Reserves for Closed Properties**

The Company maintains reserves for costs associated with closures of retail stores, distribution centers and other properties that are no longer being utilized in current operations. The Company provides for closed property lease liabilities using a discount rate to calculate the present value of the remaining noncancellable lease payments after the closing date, reduced by estimated subtenant rentals that could be reasonably obtained for the property. The closed property lease liabilities usually are paid over the remaining lease terms, which generally range from one to 20 years. Adjustments to closed property reserves primarily relate to changes in subtenant income or actual exit costs differing from original estimates. Adjustments are made for changes in estimates in the period in which the changes become known.

#### Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are carried at cost. Depreciation is based on the estimated useful lives of the assets using the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives generally are 10 to 40 years for buildings and major improvements, three to 10 years for equipment, and the shorter of the term of the lease or expected life for leasehold improvements and capitalized lease assets. Interest on property under construction of \$8, \$6 and \$14 was capitalized in fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

# Goodwill and Intangible Assets

The Company reviews goodwill for impairment during the fourth quarter of each year, and also if an event occurs or circumstances change that would more-likely-than-not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. The reviews consist of comparing estimated fair value to the carrying value at the reporting unit level. The Company s reporting units are the operating segments of the business which consist of traditional retail stores, hard-discount stores and supply chain services. Fair values are determined by using both the market approach, applying a multiple of earnings based on guideline publicly traded companies, and the income approach, discounting projected future cash flows based on management s expectations of the current and future operating environment. The rates used to discount projected future cash flows reflect a weighted average cost of capital based on the Company s industry, capital structure and risk premiums including those reflected in the current market capitalization. If management identifies the potential for impairment of goodwill, the fair value of the implied goodwill is calculated as the difference between the fair value of the reporting unit and the fair value of the underlying assets and liabilities, excluding goodwill. An impairment charge is recorded for any excess of the carrying value over the implied fair value.

The Company also reviews intangible assets with indefinite useful lives, which primarily consist of trademarks and tradenames, for impairment during the fourth quarter of each year, and also if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. The reviews consist of comparing estimated fair value to the carrying value. Fair values of the Company s trademarks and tradenames are determined primarily by discounting an assumed royalty value applied to projected future revenues associated with the tradename based on management s expectations of the current and future operating environment. The royalty cash flows are then discounted using rates based on the weighted average cost of capital discussed above and the specific risk profile of the tradenames relative to the Company s other assets.

# Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

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The Company monitors the recoverability of its long-lived assets whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that its carrying amount may not be recoverable, including current period losses combined with a history of losses or a projection of continuing losses, a significant decrease in the market value of an asset or the Company s plans for store closures. When such events or changes in circumstances occur, a recoverability test is performed by comparing projected undiscounted future cash flows to the carrying value of the group of

assets being tested. If impairment is identified for long-lived assets to be held and used, the fair value is compared to the carrying value of the group of assets and an impairment charge is recorded for the excess of the carrying value over the discounted future cash flows. For long-lived assets that are classified as assets held for sale, the Company recognizes impairment charges for the excess of the carrying value plus estimated costs of disposal over the estimated fair value. Fair value is based on current market values or discounted future cash flows. The Company estimates fair value based on the Company s experience and knowledge of the market in which the property is located and, when necessary, utilizes local real estate brokers. Long-lived asset impairment charges are a component of Selling and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Earnings.

#### Deferred Rent

The Company recognizes rent holidays, including the time period during which the Company has access to the property prior to the opening of the site, as well as construction allowances and escalating rent provisions, on a straight-line basis over the term of the operating lease. The deferred rents are included in Other current liabilities and Other long-term liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

# Self-Insurance Liabilities

The Company is primarily self-insured for workers compensation and general and automobile liability costs. It is the Company s policy to record its self-insurance liabilities based on management s estimate of the ultimate cost of reported claims and claims incurred but not yet reported and related expenses, discounted at a risk-free interest rate. The present value of such claims was calculated using discount rates ranging from 0.6 percent to 5.1 percent for fiscal 2011 and 1.1 percent to 5.1 percent for fiscal 2010 and fiscal 2009.

Changes in the Company s self-insurance liabilities consisted of the following:

	2011			2010	2009	
Beginning balance Expense Claim payments	\$	1,101 154 (205)	\$	1,142 190 (231)	\$	1,132 269 (259)
Ending balance Less current portion		1,050 (274)		1,101 (297)		1,142 (321)
Long-term portion	\$	776	\$	804	\$	821

The current portion of the reserves for self-insurance is included in Other current liabilities and the long-term portion is included in Other liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The self-insurance liabilities as of the end of the fiscal year are net of discounts of \$178 and \$191 as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, respectively.

#### Benefit Plans

The Company recognizes the funded status of its sponsored defined benefit plans in its Consolidated Balance Sheets and gains or losses and prior service costs or credits not yet recognized as a component of other comprehensive income, net of tax. The Company sponsors pension and other postretirement plans in various forms covering

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substantially all employees who meet eligibility requirements. The determination of the Company s obligation and related expense for Company-sponsored pension and other postretirement benefits is dependent, in part, on management s selection of certain actuarial assumptions in calculating these amounts. These assumptions include, among other things, the discount rate, the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets and the rates of increase in compensation and healthcare costs.

# Derivatives

The Company s limited involvement with derivatives is primarily to manage its exposure to changes in interest rates and energy utilized in its stores and warehouses. The Company uses derivatives only to manage well-defined risks. The Company does not use financial instruments or derivatives for any trading or other

speculative purposes. The Company enters into energy commitments that it expects to utilize in the normal course of business.

# Stock-based Compensation

The Company uses the straight-line method to recognize compensation expense based on the fair value on the date of grant, net of the estimated forfeiture rate, over the requisite service period related to each award. The fair value of stock options is estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, which incorporates certain assumptions, such as risk-free interest rate, expected volatility, expected dividend yield and expected life of options.

# Income Taxes

Deferred income taxes represent future net tax effects resulting from temporary differences between the financial statement and tax basis of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to be settled or realized.

The Company is currently in various stages of audits, appeals or other methods of review with taxing authorities from various taxing jurisdictions. The Company establishes liabilities for unrecognized tax benefits in a variety of taxing jurisdictions when, despite management s belief that the Company s tax return positions are supportable, certain positions may be challenged and may need to be revised. The Company adjusts these liabilities in light of changing facts and circumstances, such as the progress of a tax audit. The Company also provides interest on these liabilities at the appropriate statutory interest rate. The Company recognizes interest related to unrecognized tax benefits in interest expense and penalties in Selling and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Earnings.

# Net Earnings (Loss) Per Share

Basic net earnings (loss) per share is calculated using net earnings (loss) available to stockholders divided by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period. Diluted net earnings (loss) per share is similar to basic net earnings (loss) per share except that the weighted average number of shares outstanding is after giving effect to the dilutive impacts of stock options, restricted stock awards and outstanding convertible securities. In addition, for the calculation of diluted net earnings (loss) per share, net earnings (loss) is adjusted to eliminate the after-tax interest expense recognized during the period related to contingently convertible debentures if dilutive.

# Recently Adopted Accounting Standards

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) amended its existing standards related to the consolidation of a variable interest entity (VIE), which was effective for interim and annual fiscal periods beginning after November 15, 2009. The new standards require an entity to analyze whether its variable interests give it a controlling financial interest of a VIE and outlines what defines a primary beneficiary. The new standards amend generally accepted accounting principles by: (a) changing certain rules for determining whether an entity is a VIE; (b) replacing the quantitative approach previously required for determining the primary beneficiary with a more qualitative approach; and (c) requiring entities to continuously analyze whether they are the primary beneficiary of a VIE, among other amendments. The new standards also require enhanced disclosures regarding an entity s involvement in a VIE. The Company adopted the amended standards effective February 28, 2010. The adoption of these new standards did not have a material effect on the Company s Consolidated Financial Statements.

# NOTE 2 GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Changes in the Company s Goodwill and Intangible assets consisted of the following:

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Goodwill: Retail food goodwill Accumulated impairment losses	\$	6,164 (3,223)		\$	\$	(50)	\$ 6,114 (3,223)	\$	\$ (1,6	19)	\$	2	\$ 6,116 (4,842)
Total Retail food goodwill net Supply chain services goodwill	,	2,941 807				(50)	2,891 807		(1,6	19)		2 (97)	1,274 710
Total goodwill	\$	3,748	\$	\$	\$	(50)	\$ 3,698	\$	\$ (1,6	19)	\$	(95)	\$ 1,984

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Intangible assets: Trademarks and tradenames indefinite useful lives Favorable operating leases customer lists, customer relationships and other (accumulated amortization		1,00	59	\$	\$ (20)	\$	\$ 1,049	\$	\$ (251)	\$	(18)	\$	780
of \$280 and \$238 as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, respectively) Non-compete agreements (accumulated amortization of \$4 and \$5 as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010,	L		06	8		(40)	674	12			(23)		663
respectively)		1	10	1		2	13	1			(3)		11
Total intangible assets Accumulated amortization		1,78 (20	85 01)	9 (59)	(20)	(38) 17	1,736 (243	13 (57)	(251)		(44) 16		1,454 (284)
Total intangible assets, net	\$	1,58	84				\$ 1,493					\$	1,170
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The Company applies a fair value based impairment test to the net book value of goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives on an annual basis and on an interim basis if certain events or circumstances indicate that an impairment loss may have occurred. The Company undertook reviews for impairment of goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives twice during the year. During the second quarter of fiscal 2011 the Company s stock price had a significant and sustained decline and book value per share substantially exceeded the stock price. As a result, the Company completed an impairment review and recorded non-cash impairment charges of \$1,840 related to the Retail food segment, comprised of a \$1,619 reduction to the carrying value of goodwill and a \$221 reduction to the carrying value of intangible assets with indefinite useful lives.

The result of the annual review of goodwill undertaken in the fourth quarter indicated no reduction to the carrying value of goodwill was required. The result of the annual fourth quarter impairment review of intangible assets with indefinite useful lives indicated that the carrying value of certain Acquired Trademarks exceeded their estimated fair value based on projected future revenues and recorded non-cash impairment charges of \$30 related to the Retail food segment.

The impairment of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets reflects the significant decline in the market capitalization and the weak economy.

During fiscal 2011 the Company recorded \$95 reduction to Goodwill as a result of divesting Total Logistic Control. Refer to Note 15 Divestiture.

As a result of planned retail market exits, as of February 27, 2010 the Company reclassified \$36 of Goodwill and \$79 of Property, plant and equipment and other intangible assets to assets held for sale. Assets held for sale is a component of Other current assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. During fiscal 2010 the Company also recorded the sale of assets, which included \$14 of Goodwill, and impairment charges of \$20 to its trademarks and tradenames.

Amortization expense of intangible assets with definite useful lives of \$57, \$59 and \$65 was recorded in fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Future amortization expense will be approximately \$38 per year for each of the next five years.

# NOTE 3 RESERVES FOR CLOSED PROPERTIES AND PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT-RELATED IMPAIRMENT CHARGES

# Reserves for Closed Properties

Changes in the Company s reserves for closed properties consisted of the following:

	2011			010	2009	
Beginning balance Additions Payments Adjustments	\$	128 73 (40) 17	\$	167 13 (48) (4)	\$	97 70 (22) 22
Ending balance	\$	178	\$	128	\$	167

During fiscal 2011, the Company recorded additional reserves primarily related to the closure of non-strategic stores announced and closed in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011. During fiscal 2010 and 2009, the Company recorded additional reserves primarily related to the closure of non-strategic stores announced and closed in fiscal 2009. Adjustments to reserves for closed properties are primarily related to changes in subtenant income.

# Property, Plant and Equipment-Related Impairment Charges

During fiscal 2011, the Company recorded \$39 of property, plant and equipment-related impairment charges, of which \$24 were recorded in the fourth quarter as a result of the closure of the non-strategic stores. During fiscal 2010, the Company recorded \$52 of property, plant and equipment-related impairment charges, of which \$43 were recorded in the fourth quarter as a result of the planned retail market exits.

Additions and adjustments to the reserves for closed properties and property, plant and equipment-related impairment charges for fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009 were primarily related to the Retail food segment, and were recorded as a component of Selling and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Earnings.

# NOTE 4 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment, net, consisted of the following:

		2010		
Land	\$	1,260	\$	1,277
Buildings		3,567		3,550
Property under construction		296		232
Leasehold improvements		1,627		1,602
Equipment		4,525		4,455
Capitalized lease assets		963		968
Total property plant and equipment		12,238		12,084
Accumulated depreciation		(5,263)		(4,724)
Accumulated amortization on capitalized lease assets		(371)		(334)
Total property, plant and equipment, net	\$	6,604	\$	7,026

Depreciation expense was \$825, \$852 and \$945 for fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Amortization expense related to capitalized lease assets was \$57, \$64 and \$67 for fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

# NOTE 5 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Assets and liabilities recorded at fair value are categorized using defined hierarchical levels directly related to the amount of subjectivity associated with the inputs to fair value measurements, as follows:

Level 1 - Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are either directly or indirectly observable;
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs in which little or no market activity exists, requiring an entity to develop its own assumptions that market participants would use to value the asset or liability.

Impairment charges recorded during fiscal 2011 and fiscal 2010 discussed in Note 2 Goodwill and Intangible Assets and Note 3 Reserves for Closed Properties and Property, Plant and Equipment-Related Impairment Charges were measured at fair value using Level 3 inputs.

# Financial Instruments

For certain of the Company s financial instruments, including cash and cash equivalents, receivables and accounts payable, the fair values approximate book values due to their short maturities.

The estimated fair value of notes receivable was greater than the book value by approximately \$3 as of February 26, 2011. The estimated fair value of notes receivable was less than book value by approximately \$1 as of February 27, 2010. Notes receivable are valued based on a discounted cash flow approach applying a market rate for similar instruments.

The estimated fair value of the Company s long-term debt (including current maturities) was less than the book value by approximately \$189 and \$54 as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, respectively. The estimated fair value was based on market quotes, where available, or market values for similar instruments.

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# NOTE 6 LONG-TERM DEBT

The Company s long-term debt and capital lease obligations consisted of the following:

	2011	2010
1.39% to 4.75% Revolving Credit Facility and Variable Rate Notes due		
June 2011 October 2015	\$ 1,382	\$ 1,415
8.00% Notes due May 2016	1,000	1,000
7.45% Debentures due August 2029	650	650
7.50% Notes due November 2014	490	490
6.34% to 7.15% Medium Term Notes due July 2012 June 2028	440	440
8.00% Debentures due May 2031	400	400
7.50% Notes due May 2012	300	300
8.00% Debentures due June 2026	272	272
8.70% Debentures due May 2030	225	225
7.75% Debentures due June 2026	200	200
7.25% Notes due May 2013	200	200
7.90% Debentures due May 2017	96	96
Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility	90	
Notes and debentures paid off during fiscal 2011		834
Other	102	104
Net discount on debt, using an effective interest rate of 6.28% to 8.97%	(250)	(258)
Capital lease obligations	1,154	1,267
Total debt and capital lease obligations	6,751	7,635
Less current maturities of long-term debt and capital lease obligations	(403)	(613)
Long-term debt and capital lease obligations	\$ 6,348	\$ 7,022

Future maturities of long-term debt, excluding the net discount on the debt and capital lease obligations, as of February 26, 2011 consist of the following:

# **Fiscal Year**

2012 2013 2014	\$ 338 806 240
2014 2015	340 514
2016 Thereafter	568 3,281

Certain of the Company s credit facilities and long-term debt agreements have restrictive covenants and cross-default provisions which generally provide, subject to the Company s right to cure, for the acceleration of payments due in the event of a breach of the covenant or a default in the payment of a specified amount of indebtedness due under certain

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other debt agreements. The Company was in compliance with all such covenants and provisions for all periods presented.

During fiscal 2007, the Company entered into senior secured credit facilities provided by a group of lenders consisting of a five-year revolving credit facility (the Revolving Credit Facility), a five-year term loan (Term Loan A) and a six-year term loan (Term Loan B). On April 5, 2010, the Company entered into an Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement), which provides for an extension of the maturity of portions of the senior secured credit facilities provided under the original credit agreement. Specifically, \$1,500 of the Revolving Credit Facility was extended until April 5, 2015 and \$500 of Term Loan B (Term Loan B-2) was extended until October 5, 2015. The remaining \$600 of the Revolving Credit Facility will expire on June 2, 2011 and the remaining \$502 of Term Loan B (Term Loan B-1) will mature on June 2, 2012. The maturity date of Term Loan A was not extended and will mature on June 2, 2011.

The fees and rates in effect on outstanding borrowings under the Credit Agreement are based on the Company s current credit ratings. As of February 26, 2011, there was \$14 of outstanding borrowings under the non-extended portion of the Revolving Credit Facility at LIBOR plus 1.25 percent, Term Loan A had a

remaining principal balance of \$281 at LIBOR plus 1.125 percent, all of which was classified as current, and Term Loan B-1 had a remaining principal balance of \$498 at LIBOR plus 1.375 percent, of which \$5 was classified as current. There was \$93 of outstanding borrowings under the extended portion of the Revolving Credit Facility at rates ranging from LIBOR plus 2.50 percent to Prime plus 1.50 percent and Term Loan B-2 had a remaining principal balance of \$496 at LIBOR plus 3.25 percent, of which \$5 was classified as current. Letters of credit outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility were \$315 at fees up to 2.75 percent and the unused available credit under the Revolving Credit Facility was \$1,678. The Company also had \$4 of outstanding letters of credit issued under separate agreements with financial institutions. These letters of credit primarily support workers compensation, merchandise import programs and payment obligations. Facility fees under the non-extended and extended portions of the Revolving Credit Facility are 0.30 percent and 0.625 percent, respectively. Borrowings under the term loans may be repaid, in full or in part, at any time without penalty.

The Credit Agreement reset covenants which are generally less restrictive than the covenants that existed prior to April 5, 2010. Specifically, the Company must maintain a leverage ratio no greater than 4.25 to 1.0 through December 30, 2011, 4.0 to 1.0 from December 31, 2011 through December 30, 2012 and 3.75 to 1.0 thereafter. The Company s leverage ratio was 3.5 to 1.0 at February 26, 2011. Additionally, the Company must maintain an interest expense coverage ratio of not less than 2.20 to 1.0 through December 30, 2011, 2.25 to 1.0 from December 31, 2011 through December 30, 2012 and 2.30 to 1.0 threafter. The Company s interest expense ratio was 2.6 to 1.0 at February 26, 2011.

All obligations under the senior secured credit facilities are guaranteed by each material subsidiary of the Company. The obligations are also secured by a pledge of the equity interests in those same material subsidiaries, limited as required by the existing public indentures of the Company, such that the respective debt issued need not be equally and ratably secured.

In May 2010, the Company amended and extended its accounts receivable securitization program until May 2013. The Company can borrow up to \$200 on a revolving basis, with borrowings secured by eligible accounts receivable, which remain under the Company s control. As of February 26, 2011, there was \$90 of outstanding borrowings at 1.32 percent under this facility and the facility fee in effect, based on the Company s current credit ratings, was 1.00 percent. As of February 26, 2011, there were \$284 of accounts receivable pledged as collateral, classified in Receivables in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

As of February 26, 2011, the Company had \$30 of debt with current maturities that are classified as long-term debt due to the Company s intent to refinance such obligations with the Revolving Credit Facility or other long-term debt.

# NOTE 7 LEASES

The Company leases certain retail stores, distribution centers, office facilities and equipment from third parties. Many of these leases include renewal options and, to a limited extent, include options to purchase.



Future minimum lease payments to be made by the Company for noncancellable operating leases and capital leases as of February 26, 2011 consist of the following:

	Lease Obligations					
	Operating Leases			Capital Leases		
Fiscal Year						
2012	\$	382	\$	151		
2013		354		149		
2014		320		146		
2015		288		143		
2016		254		139		
Thereafter		1,513		1,186		
Total future minimum obligations	\$	3,111		1,914		
Less interest				(760)		
Present value of net future minimum obligations Less current obligations				1,154 (66)		
Long-term obligations			\$	1,088		

Total future minimum obligations have not been reduced for future minimum subtenant rentals of \$295 under certain operating subleases.

Rent expense and subtenant rentals under operating leases consisted of the following:

	2011			010	2009		
Minimum rent Contingent rent	\$	435 5	\$	455 6	\$	460 8	
Subtenant rentals		440 (66)		461 (66)		468 (67)	
	\$	374	\$	395	\$	401	

The Company leases certain property to third parties under both operating and direct financing leases. Under the direct financing leases, the Company leases buildings to independent retail customers with terms ranging

from five to 20 years. Future minimum lease and subtenant rentals under noncancellable leases as of February 26, 2011 consist of the following:

	Lease R Operating Leases			
<u>Fiscal Year</u>				
2012	\$	24	\$	4
2013		22		4
2014		13		3
2015		9		3
2016		7		2
Thereafter		17		7
Total minimum lease receipts	\$	92		23
Less unearned income				(5)
Net investment in direct financing leases				18
Less current portion				(3)
Long-term portion			\$	15

The carrying value of owned property leased to third parties under operating leases was as follows:

	2011			2010		
Property, plant and equipment Less accumulated depreciation	\$	24 (6)	\$	20 (6)		
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$	18	\$	14		

# NOTE 8 INCOME TAXES

The provision for income taxes consisted of the following:

	2011		20	010	2009	
Current Federal State	\$	2	\$	65 9	\$	148 46

Total current Deferred	2 (15)	74 165	194 (118)
Total provision	\$ (13)	\$ 239	\$ 76

The difference between the actual tax provision and the tax provision computed by applying the statutory federal income tax rate to earnings (losses) before income taxes is attributable to the following:

		2011		2	010	2009
Federal taxes based on statutory rate State income taxes, net of federal benefit Goodwill impairment Other		\$	(533) (4) 542 (18)	\$	221 20 (2)	\$ (973) (7) 1,060 (4)
Total provision		\$	(13)	\$	239	\$ 76
	50					

Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the bases of assets and liabilities for financial reporting and income tax purposes. The Company s deferred tax assets and liabilities consisted of the following:

	2011			2010	
Deferred tax assets: Compensation and benefits Self-insurance Property, plant and equipment and capitalized lease assets Capital and net operating loss carryforwards Other	\$	435 241 452 38 163	\$	505 239 452 179 194	
Gross deferred tax assets Valuation allowance Total deferred tax assets		1,329 (24) 1,305		1,569 (161) 1,408	
Deferred tax liabilities: Property, plant and equipment and capitalized lease assets Inventories Debt discount Intangible assets Other		(345) (267) (78) (342) (26)		(385) (252) (81) (473) (34)	
Total deferred tax liabilities Net deferred tax asset	\$	(1,058) 247	\$	(1,225) 183	

The Company has valuation allowances to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount that is more-likely-than-not to be realized. The Company currently has state net operating loss ( NOL ) carryforwards of \$790 for tax purposes. The NOL carryforwards expire beginning in 2012 and continuing through 2029 and have a \$24 valuation allowance.

Changes in the Company s unrecognized tax benefits consisted of the following:

		2011			2009	
Beginning balance	\$	133	\$	114	\$	146
Increase based on tax positions related to the current year		18		7		5
Decrease based on tax positions related to the current year		(1)		(4)		
Increase based on tax positions related to prior years		41		34		22
Decrease based on tax positions related to prior years		(9)		(14)		(37)
Decrease due to lapse of statute of limitations				(4)		(22)

Ending balance

# \$ 182 \$ 133 \$ 114

Included in the balance of unrecognized tax benefits as of February 26, 2011, February 27, 2010 and February 28, 2009 are tax positions of \$82, net of tax, \$58, net of tax, and \$57, net of tax, respectively, that would reduce the Company s effective tax rate if recognized in future periods.

The Company expects to resolve \$34, net, of unrecognized tax benefits within the next 12 months, representing several individually insignificant income tax positions. These unrecognized tax benefits represent items in which the Company may not prevail with certain taxing authorities, based on varying interpretations of the applicable tax law. The Company is currently in various stages of audits, appeals or other methods of review with taxing authorities from various taxing jurisdictions. The resolution of these unrecognized tax benefits would occur as a result of potential settlements from these negotiations. Based on the information available as of February 26, 2011, the Company does not anticipate significant additional changes to its unrecognized tax benefits.

The Company recognized (income) expense related to interest and penalties, net of settlement adjustments, of \$10, (\$2) and \$26 for fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. In addition to the liability for unrecognized tax benefits, the Company had a liability of \$50 and \$44 as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, respectively, related to accrued interest and penalties for uncertain tax positions recorded in Other current liabilities and Other liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Company settled various audits during fiscal 2011 and fiscal 2010 resulting in payments of \$4 and \$21, respectively, for interest and penalties.

The Company is currently under examination or other methods of review in several tax jurisdictions and remains subject to examination until the statute of limitations expires for the respective taxing jurisdiction or an agreement is reached between the taxing jurisdiction and the Company. As of February 26, 2011, the Company is no longer subject to federal income tax examinations for fiscal years before 2007 and in most states is no longer subject to state income tax examinations for fiscal years before 2005.

# NOTE 9 STOCK-BASED AWARDS

As of February 26, 2011, the Company has stock options and restricted stock awards (collectively referred to as stock-based awards) outstanding under the following plans: 2007 Stock Plan, 2002 Stock Plan, 1997 Stock Plan, 1993 Stock Plan, SUPERVALU/Richfood Stock Incentive Plan, Albertsons Amended and Restated 1995 Stock-Based Incentive Plan and the Albertsons 2004 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan. The Company s 2007 Stock Plan, as approved by stockholders in May 2007, is the only plan under which stock-based awards may be granted. The 2007 Stock Plan provides that the Board of Directors or the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee of the Board (the Compensation Committee) may determine at the time of grant whether each stock-based award granted will be a non-qualified or incentive stock-based award under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Internal Revenue Code). The terms of each stock-based award will be determined by the Board of Directors or the

Compensation Committee. Generally, stock-based awards granted prior to fiscal 2006 have a term of 10 years and effective in fiscal 2006, stock-based awards granted will not be for a term of more than seven years.

Stock options are granted to key salaried employees and to the Company s non-employee directors to purchase common stock at an exercise price not less than 100 percent of the fair market value of the Company s common stock on the date of grant. Generally, stock options vest over four years. Restricted stock awards are also awarded to key salaried employees. The vesting of restricted stock awards granted is determined at the discretion of the Board of Directors or the Compensation Committee. The restrictions on the restricted stock awards generally lapse between one and five years from the date of grant and the expense is recognized over the lapsing period.

The Company reserved 35 shares for grant as part of the 2007 Stock Plan. As of February 26, 2011, there were 20 shares available for grant. Common stock is delivered out of treasury stock upon the exercise of stock-based awards. The provisions of future stock-based awards may change at the discretion of the Board of Directors or the Compensation Committee.

# Stock Options

Stock options granted, exercised and outstanding consisted of the following:

	Shares Under Option (In thousands)	Weighted Average Exercise Price		tion Aver		Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (In years)	Intr	ggregate insic Value thousands)
Outstanding, February 27,								
2010	21,374	\$	31.67					
Granted	3,228		12.66					
Exercised	(129)		14.74					
Canceled and forfeited	(2,469)		27.94					
Outstanding, February 26, 2011	22,004	\$	29.40	3.24	\$	7		
Vested and expected to vest in future as of February 26, 2011 Exercisable as of February 26,	21,657	\$	29.64	3.20	\$	6		
2011	16,645	\$	32.54	2.54	\$			

The weighted average grant date fair value of all stock options granted during fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009 was \$3.99, \$4.92 and \$7.91 per share, respectively. The total intrinsic value of stock options exercised during fiscal 2011, 2010, and 2009 was \$1, \$1 and \$4, respectively. Intrinsic value is measured using the fair market value as of the date of exercise for stock options exercised and the fair market value as of February 26, 2011, less the applicable exercise price.

The fair value of each stock option is estimated as of the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. Expected volatility is estimated based on an average of actual historical volatility and implied volatility corresponding to the stock option s estimated expected term. The Company believes this approach to determine volatility is representative of future stock volatility. The expected term of a stock option is estimated based on analysis of stock options already exercised and foreseeable trends or changes in behavior. The risk-free interest rates are based on the U.S. Treasury securities maturities as of each applicable grant date. The dividend yield is based on analysis of actual historical dividend yield.

The significant weighted average assumptions relating to the valuation of the Company s stock options consisted of the following:

	2011	2010		2009
Dividend yield	2.0	%	2.0 %	2.0 %
Volatility rate	42.8 50.2	% 38.4	42.2 %	28.1 59.4 %
Risk-free interest rate	1.1 1.8	% 1.	.8 2.8 %	1.0 3.6 %

Expected option life	4.0 5.4 years	4.0 5.4 years	1.0 5.4 years
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# Restricted Stock Awards

Restricted stock award activity consisted of the following:

	Restricted Stock (In thousands)	W	eighted Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Outstanding, February 27, 2010	1,303	\$	22.28
Granted	80		13.47
Lapsed	(295)		13.45
Canceled and forfeited	(233)		28.94
Outstanding, February 26, 2011	855	\$	17.86

#### Compensation Expense

The components of pre-tax stock-based compensation expense (included primarily in Selling and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Earnings) and related tax benefits were as follows:

	2011		2010		2009	
Stock-based compensation Income tax benefits	\$	15 (6)	\$	31 (12)	\$	44 (17)
Stock-based compensation (net of tax)	\$	9	\$	19	\$	27

The Company realized excess tax benefits (shortfalls) of \$(2), \$(1), and \$1 related to stock-based awards during fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

#### Unrecognized Compensation Expense

As of February 26, 2011, there was \$21 of unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested stock-based awards granted under the Company s stock plans. The expense is expected to be recognized over a weighted average remaining vesting period of approximately two years.

# NOTE 10 TREASURY STOCK PURCHASE PROGRAM

On June 24, 2010, the Board of Directors of the Company adopted and announced a new annual share purchase program authorizing the Company to purchase up to \$70 of the Company s common stock. Stock purchases will be made primarily from the cash generated from the settlement of stock options. This annual authorization program replaced the previously existing share purchase program and continues through June 2011. As of February 26, 2011, there remained \$70 available to repurchase the Company s common stock.

During fiscal 2011, the Company purchased 0.2 shares under the previously existing share purchase program at an average cost of \$12.97 per share. The Company did not purchase any shares during fiscal 2010. During 2009 the Company purchased 0.2 shares under former share repurchase programs.

# NOTE 11 NET EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE

The following table reflects the calculation of basic and diluted net earnings (loss) per share:

	2011	2010		2009
Net earnings (loss) per share basic: Net earnings (loss) Deduct: undistributed net earnings allocable to contingently convertible debentures	\$ (1,510)	\$	393	\$ (2,855)
Net earnings (loss) available to common stockholders	\$ (1,510)	\$	393	\$ (2,855)

Weighted average shares outstanding basic Net earnings (loss) per share basic	\$ 212 (7.13)	\$ 212 1.86	\$ 211 (13.51)
Net earnings (loss) per share diluted: Net earnings (loss) Interest related to dilutive contingently convertible debentures, net of tax	\$ (1,510)	\$ 393 1	\$ (2,855)
Net earnings (loss) used for diluted net earnings per share calculation	\$ (1,510)	\$ 394	\$ (2,855)
Weighted average shares outstanding basic Dilutive impact of options and restricted stock outstanding Dilutive impact of convertible securities	212	212 1	211
Weighted average shares outstanding diluted	212	213	211
Net earnings (loss) per share diluted	\$ (7.13)	\$ 1.85	\$ (13.51)
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Options and restricted stock of 24 shares were outstanding during fiscal 2011 and 22 shares were outstanding during fiscal 2010 and 2009, but were excluded from the computation of diluted net earnings per share because they were antidilutive.

# NOTE 12 BENEFIT PLANS

Substantially all employees of the Company and its subsidiaries are covered by various contributory and non-contributory pension, profit sharing or 401(k) plans. Union employees participate in multi-employer retirement plans under collective bargaining agreements, unless the collective bargaining agreement provides for participation in plans sponsored by the Company. In addition to sponsoring both defined benefit and defined contribution pension plans, the Company provides healthcare and life insurance benefits for eligible retired employees under postretirement benefit plans. The Company also provides certain health and welfare benefits, including short-term and long-term disability benefits to inactive disabled employees prior to retirement. The terms of the postretirement benefit plans vary based on employment history, age and date of retirement. For most retirees, the Company provides a fixed dollar contribution and retirees pay contributions to fund the remaining cost.

Effective December 31, 2007, the Company authorized amendments to the SUPERVALU Retirement Plan and certain supplemental executive retirement benefit plans whereby service crediting ended in these plans and no employees will become eligible to participate in these plans after December 31, 2007. Pay increases will continue to be reflected in the amount of benefit earned in these plans until December 31, 2012.

Effective January 1, 2009, the Company authorized an amendment to the SUPERVALU Retiree Benefit Plan to provide for certain insured Medicare benefits. The result of this amendment was a reduction in the other postretirement benefit obligation of \$37 with a corresponding decrease to other comprehensive loss, net of tax.

The benefit obligation, fair value of plan assets and funded status of the defined benefit pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans consisted of the following:

	Pension	Bene	fits	(	Other Post Ben	 ement
	2011		2010		2011	2010
Change in Benefit Obligation						
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 2,320	\$	1,922	\$	131	\$ 117
Service cost	8		6		2	2
Interest cost	137		138		8	8
Transfers	(1)		(1)			
Actuarial loss (gain)	146		335		13	10
Benefits paid	(95)		(80)		(6)	(6)
Benefit obligation at end of year	2,515		2,320		148	131
Changes in Plan Assets						
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	1,557		1,008			
Actual return on plan assets	272		503			
Employer contributions	163		126		6	6
Plan participants contributions					8	7

Benefits paid	(96)	(80)	(14)	(13)
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	1,896	1,557		
Funded status at end of year	\$ (619)	\$ (763)	\$ (148)	\$ (131)

For the defined benefit pension plans, the benefit obligation is the projected benefit obligation. For other postretirement benefit plans, the benefit obligation is the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation. The Company s accumulated benefit obligation for the defined benefit pension plans was \$2,500 and \$2,300 as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010, respectively.

Amounts recognized in the Consolidated Balance Sheets consisted of the following:

		Pension	Benefi	ts	(	Other Post Bene		nent
	ź	2011	2	2010	2	2011	2	2010
Accrued vacation, compensation and benefits Other liabilities	\$	(3) (616)	\$	(2) (761)	\$	(8) (140)	\$	(8) (123)
	\$	(619)	\$	(763)	\$	(148)	\$	(131)

Amounts recognized in accumulated other comprehensive losses for the defined benefit pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans consists of the following:

		Pension	Benefi	ts	(	Other Post Bene	ment
	2	2011	2	2010		2011	2010
Prior service benefit Net actuarial loss	\$	(702)	\$	(780)	\$	27 (48)	\$ 33 (37)
Total recognized in accumulated other comprehensive losses	\$	(702)	\$	(780)	\$	(21)	\$ (4)
Total recognized in accumulated other comprehensive losses, net of tax	\$	(430)	\$	(475)	\$	(16)	\$ (3)
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Net periodic benefit expense (income) for defined benefit pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans consisted of the following:

Net Periodic Benefit Cost	2	P 011	Pension Benefits 2010 2009			Other Postretiremo 2011 2010				ent Benefits 2009		
Service cost Interest cost Expected return on plan assets Amortization of prior service	\$	8 137 (123)	\$	6 138 (129)	\$	7 129 (142)	\$	2 8	\$	2 8	\$	1 10
benefit Amortization of net actuarial								(6)		(6)		(1)
loss Settlement		65 9		10 2		1		2		2		3
Net periodic benefit expense (income)		96		27		(5)		6		6		13
Other Changes in Plan Assets and Benefit Obligations Recognized in Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) Prior service benefit												(29)
Amortization of prior service												(38)
benefit Net actuarial loss (gain) Amortization of net actuarial		(12)		(42)		707		6 13		6 10		1 3
loss		(65)		(10)		(1)		(2)		(2)		(3)
Total recognized in other comprehensive income (loss)		(77)		(52)		706		17		14		(37)
Total recognized in net periodic benefit expense and other comprehensive income (loss)	\$	19	\$	(25)	\$	701	\$	23	\$	20	\$	(24)

The estimated net actuarial loss that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive losses into net periodic benefit cost for the defined benefit pension plans during fiscal 2012 is \$93. The estimated net amount of prior service benefit and net actuarial loss for the postretirement benefit plans that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive losses into net periodic benefit cost during fiscal 2012 is \$2.

# Assumptions

Weighted average assumptions used to determine benefit obligations and net periodic benefit cost consisted of the following:

	2011	2010	2009
Benefit obligation assumptions:			
Discount rate <sup>(2)</sup>	5.60%	6.00%	7.35%
Rate of compensation increase	2.00%	3.00%	3.25%
Net periodic benefit cost assumptions: <sup>(1)</sup>			
Discount rate <sup>(2)</sup>	6.00%	7.35%	6.75%
Rate of compensation increase	3.00%	3.25%	3.75%
Expected return on plan assets <sup>(3)</sup>	7.75%	8.00%	8.00%

(1) Net periodic benefit cost is measured using weighted average assumptions as of the beginning of each year.

- (2) The Company reviews and selects the discount rate to be used in connection with its pension and other postretirement obligations annually. In determining the discount rate, the Company uses the yield on corporate bonds (rated AA or better) that coincides with the cash flows of the plans estimated benefit payouts. The model uses a yield curve approach to discount each cash flow of the liability stream at an interest rate specifically applicable to the timing of each respective cash flow. The model totals the present values of all cash flows and calculates the equivalent weighted average discount rate by imputing the singular interest rate that equates the total present value with the stream of future cash flows. This resulting weighted average discount rate is then used in evaluating the final discount rate to be used by the Company.
- (3) Expected long-term return on plan assets is estimated by asset class and is generally based on widely-accepted capital market principles, long-term return analysis for global fixed income and equity markets, the active total return-oriented portfolio management style as well as the diversification needs and rebalancing characteristics of the plan. Long-term trends are evaluated relative to market factors such as inflation, interest rates and fiscal and monetary policies in order to assess the capital market assumptions.

For those retirees whose health plans provide for variable employer contributions, the assumed healthcare cost trend rate used in measuring the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation before and after age 65 was 8.0 percent, as of February 26, 2011. The assumed healthcare cost trend rate for retirees before and after age 65 will decrease by 0.25 percent for each of the next six years, through fiscal 2017, 0.50 percent in fiscal 2018, and 1.0 percent in fiscal 2019, until it reaches the ultimate trend rate of 5.0 percent. For those retirees whose health plans provide for a fixed employer contribution rate, a healthcare cost trend is not applicable. The healthcare cost trend rate assumption has a significant impact on the amounts reported. For example, a 100 basis point change in the trend rate would impact the Company s accumulated postretirement benefit obligation as of the end of fiscal 2011 by approximately \$12 and the service and interest cost by approximately \$1 for fiscal 2012.

# Pension Plan Assets

Plan assets are held in trust and invested in separately managed accounts and other commingled investment vehicles holding domestic and international equity securities, domestic fixed income securities and other investment classes. The Company employs a total return approach whereby a mix of equities and fixed income investments are used to maximize the long-term return of plan assets for a prudent level of risk. Alternative investments may also be used to enhance risk-adjusted long-term returns while improving portfolio diversification. Risk management is accomplished through diversification across asset classes, multiple investment manager portfolios and both general and portfolio-specific investment guidelines. Risk tolerance is established through careful consideration of the plan liabilities, plan funded status and the Company s financial condition. This asset allocation policy mix is reviewed annually and actual versus target allocations are monitored regularly and rebalanced on an as-needed basis. Plan assets are invested using a combination of active and passive investment strategies. Passive, or indexed strategies, attempt to mimic rather than exceed the investment performance of a market benchmark. The plan s active investment strategies employ multiple investment management firms. Managers within each asset class cover a range of investment styles and approaches and are combined in a way that controls for capitalization, and style biases (equities) and interest rate exposures (fixed income) versus benchmark indices while focusing primarily on security selection as a means to add value. Monitoring activities to evaluate performance against targets and measure investment risk take place on an ongoing basis through annual liability measurements, periodic asset/liability studies and quarterly investment portfolio reviews.

The asset allocation guidelines and the actual allocation of pension plan assets are as follows:

Asset Category	Target	2011	2010
Domestic equity	31.8%	35.5%	42.3%
International equity	15.7%	18.0%	21.6%
Private equity	7.5%	3.5%	2.2%
Fixed income	35.0%	35.6%	33.7%
Real estate	10.0%	7.3%	-
Cash and other	-	0.1%	0.2%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for investments measured at fair value:

*Common stock* Valued at the closing price reported in the active market in which the individual securities are traded.

*Common collective trusts* Valued at Net Asset Value (NAV), which is based on the value of the underlying securities owned by the fund and divided by the number of shares outstanding.

*Corporate bonds* Valued based on yields currently available on comparable securities of issuers with similar credit ratings.

*Government securities* Certain government securities are valued at the closing price reported in the active market in which the security is traded. Other government securities are valued based on yields currently available on comparable securities of issuers with similar credit ratings.

*Mortgage-backed securities* Valued based on yields currently available on comparable securities of issuers with similar credit ratings.

*Private equity* Valued using closing prices of comparable securities with similar terms or valued at NAV, which is based on the value of the underlying securities owned by the fund and divided by the number of shares outstanding.

*Mutual funds* Certain mutual funds are valued at the closing price reported in the active market in which the individual securities are traded. Other mutual funds are valued at NAV, which is based on the value of the underlying securities owned by the fund and divided by the number of shares outstanding.

*Other* Valued under an approach that maximizes observable inputs, such as gathering consensus data from the market participant s best estimate of mid-market for actual trades or positions held.

The valuation methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Plan believes its valuations methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement.

The fair value of assets of the Company s benefit plans held in a master trust as of February 26, 2011, by asset category, consisted of the following:

	Le	evel 1	Le	evel 2	Le	evel 3	]	Fotal
Common stock	\$	718	\$	33	\$		\$	751
Common collective trusts fixed income				276				276
Common collective trusts equity				199				199
Government securities		68		93				161
Mutual funds				149				149
Corporate bonds		15		128				143
Real estate partnerships						95		95
Private equity						66		66
Mortgage backed securities				50				50
Other		1		5				6
Total plan assets at fair value	\$	802	\$	933	\$	161	\$	1,896

The fair value of assets of the Company s benefit plans held in a master trust as of February 27, 2010, by asset category, consisted of the following:

	]	Level 1	Le	vel 2	Le	evel 3	]	Fotal
Common stock	\$	644	\$	28	\$		\$	672
Common collective trusts fixed inco	ome			232				232
Common collective trusts equity				227				227
Government securities		52		86				138
Mutual funds		1		8				9
Corporate bonds		1		175				176
Private equity						35		35
Mortgage backed securities				65				65
Other				3				3
Total plan assets at fair value	\$	698	\$	824	\$	35	\$	1,557

The following is a summary of changes in the fair value for level 3 investments for 2011 and 2010:

	Real Estate Partnerships	Private	e Equity
Beginning balance, March 1, 2009 Unrealized gains relating to instruments still held at the reporting date Purchases, sales, issuances and settlements (net)	\$	\$	14 3 18

Ending balance, February 27, 2010 Unrealized gains relating to instruments still held at the reporting date	8	35
Purchases, sales, issuances and settlements (net)	87	22
Ending balance, February 26, 2011	\$ 95	\$ 66

## **Contributions**

The Company expects to contribute \$70 to its defined benefit pension plans and \$8 to its postretirement benefit plans in fiscal 2012. The Company s funding policy for the defined benefit pension plans is to contribute the minimum contribution allowed under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, with consideration given to contributing larger amounts in order to be exempt from Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation variable rate premiums or participant notices of underfunding. The Company will recognize contributions in accordance with applicable regulations, with consideration given to recognition for the earliest plan year permitted.

#### Estimated Future Benefit Payments

The estimated future benefit payments to be paid from the Company s defined benefit pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans, which reflect expected future service, are as follows:

Fiscal Year	Pension Benefits	Other Postretirement Benefits
2012	\$ 92	\$ 8
2013	98	8
2014	108	9
2015	114	9
2016	123	10
Years 2017-2021	765	56

#### Defined Contribution Plans

The Company sponsors several defined contribution and profit sharing plans pursuant to Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. The total amount contributed by the Company to the plans is determined by plan provisions or at the discretion of the Company. Total contribution expenses for these plans were \$94, \$95 and \$79 for fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Plan assets also include 4 shares of the Company s common stock as of February 26, 2011 and February 27, 2010.

#### Post-Employment Benefits

The Company recognizes an obligation for benefits provided to former or inactive employees. The Company is self-insured for certain of its employees short-term and long-term disability plans, the primary benefits paid to inactive employees prior to retirement. As of February 26, 2011, the obligation for post-employment benefits was \$47, with \$24 included in Accrued vacation, compensation and benefits, and \$23 included in Other liabilities.

#### Multi-Employer Plans

The Company contributes to various multi-employer pension plans under collective bargaining agreements, primarily defined benefit pension plans. These plans generally provide retirement benefits to participants based on their service to contributing employers. Based on available information, the Company believes that some of the multi-employer plans to which it contributes are underfunded. Company contributions to these plans could increase in the near term. However, the amount of any increase or decrease in contributions will depend on a variety of factors, including the results of the Company s collective bargaining efforts, investment returns on the assets held in the plans, actions taken by the trustees who manage the plans and requirements under the Pension Protection Act and Section 412(e) of the Internal Revenue Code. Furthermore, if the Company was to significantly reduce contributions, exit certain markets or otherwise cease making contributions to these plans, it could trigger a partial or complete withdrawal that would require the Company to fund its proportionate share of a plan s unfunded vested benefits. The Company contributed \$135, \$143 and \$147 to these plans for fiscal 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

The Company also makes contributions to multi-employer health and welfare plans in amounts set forth in the related collective bargaining agreements. A small minority of collective bargaining agreements contain reserve requirements

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that may trigger unanticipated contributions resulting in increased healthcare expenses. If these healthcare provisions cannot be renegotiated in a manner that reduces the prospective healthcare cost as the Company intends, the Company s Selling and administrative expenses could increase in the future.

## Collective Bargaining Agreements

As of February 26, 2011, the Company had approximately 142,000 employees. Approximately 88,000 employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements. During fiscal 2011, 61 collective bargaining agreements covering approximately 17,000 employees were renegotiated and 37 collective bargaining agreements covering approximately 2,000 employees expired without their terms being renegotiated. Negotiations are expected to continue with the bargaining units representing the employees subject to those agreements. During fiscal 2012, 59 collective bargaining agreements covering approximately 26,000 employees will expire.

# NOTE 13 COMMITMENTS, CONTINGENCIES AND OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

#### Guarantees

The Company has guaranteed certain leases, fixture financing loans and other debt obligations of various retailers as of February 26, 2011. These guarantees were generally made to support the business growth of independent retail customers. The guarantees are generally for the entire terms of the leases or other debt obligations with remaining terms that range from less than one year to 19 years, with a weighted average remaining term of approximately eight years. For each guarantee issued, if the independent retail customer defaults on a payment, the Company would be required to make payments under its guarantee. Generally, the guarantees are secured by indemnification agreements or personal guarantees of the independent retail customer. The Company reviews performance risk related to its guarantees of independent retail customers based on internal measures of credit performance. As of February 26, 2011, the maximum amount of undiscounted payments the Company would be required to make in the event of default of all guarantees was approximately \$116 and represented approximately \$86 on a discounted basis. Based on the indemnification agreements, personal guarantees and results of the reviews of performance risk, the Company believes the likelihood that it will be required to assume a material amount of these obligations is remote. Accordingly, no amount has been recorded in the Consolidated Balance Sheets for these contingent obligations under the Company s guarantee arrangements.

The Company is contingently liable for leases that have been assigned to various third parties in connection with facility closings and dispositions. The Company could be required to satisfy the obligations under the leases if any of the assignees are unable to fulfill their lease obligations. Due to the wide distribution of the Company s assignments among third parties, and various other remedies available, the Company believes the likelihood that it will be required to assume a material amount of these obligations is remote.

In the ordinary course of business, the Company enters into supply contracts to purchase products for resale. These contracts typically include either volume commitments or fixed expiration dates, termination provisions and other standard contractual considerations. As of February 26, 2011, the Company had approximately \$877 of non-cancelable future purchase obligations primarily related to supply contracts.

The Company is a party to a variety of contractual agreements under which the Company may be obligated to indemnify the other party for certain matters, which indemnities may be secured by operation of law or otherwise, in the ordinary course of business. These contracts primarily relate to the Company s commercial contracts, operating leases and other real estate contracts, financial agreements, agreements to provide services to the Company and agreements to indemnify officers, directors and employees in the performance of their work. While the Company s aggregate indemnification obligation could result in a material liability, the Company is aware of no current matter that it expects to result in a material liability.

# Legal Proceedings

The Company is subject to various lawsuits, claims and other legal matters that arise in the ordinary course of conducting business, none of which, in management s opinion, is expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In September 2008, a class action complaint was filed against the Company, as well as International Outsourcing Services, LLC ( IOS ), Inmar, Inc., Carolina Manufacturer s Services, Inc., Carolina Coupon Clearing, Inc. and Carolina Services, in the United States District Court in the Eastern District of Wisconsin. The plaintiffs in the case are a consumer goods manufacturer, a grocery co-operative and a retailer marketing services company who allege on behalf

of a purported class that the Company and the other defendants (i) conspired to restrict the markets for coupon processing services under the Sherman Act and (ii) were part of an illegal enterprise to defraud the plaintiffs under the Federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act. The plaintiffs seek monetary damages, attorneys fees and injunctive relief. The Company intends to vigorously defend this lawsuit, however all proceedings have been stayed in the case pending the result of the criminal prosecution of certain former officers of IOS. Although this lawsuit is subject to the uncertainties inherent in the litigation process, based on the information presently available to the Company, management does not expect that the ultimate resolution of this lawsuit will have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In December 2008, a class action complaint was filed in the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin against the Company alleging that a 2003 transaction between the Company and C&S Wholesale Grocers, Inc. (C&S) was a conspiracy to restrain trade and allocate markets. In the 2003 transaction, the Company purchased certain assets of the Fleming Corporation as part of Fleming Corporation s bankruptcy proceedings and sold certain assets of the Company to C&S which were located in New England. Since December 2008, three other retailers have filed similar complaints in other jurisdictions. The cases have been consolidated and are proceeding in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota. The complaints allege that the conspiracy was concealed and continued through the use of non-compete and non-solicitation agreements and the closing down of the distribution facilities that the Company and C&S purchased from the other. Plaintiffs are seeking monetary damages, injunctive relief and attorneys fees. The Company is vigorously defending these lawsuits. Separately from these civil lawsuits, on September 14, 2009, the United States Federal Trade Commission (FTC) issued a subpoena to the Company and C&S engaged in unfair methods of competition. The Company cooperated with the FTC. On March 18, 2011, the FTC notified the Company that it has determined that no additional action is warranted by the FTC and that it has closed its investigation.

On January 7, 2010, the Company received a subpoena from the Office of Inspector General for the Department of Health and Human Services Milwaukee Field Office in connection with an investigation of possible false or otherwise improper claims for payment under the Medicaid program. The subpoena requests retail pharmacy claims data for dual eligible customers (i.e., customers with both Medicaid and private insurance coverage), information concerning the Company s retail pharmacy claims processing systems, copies of pharmacy payor contracts and other documents and records. On February 11, 2011, a complaint was filed by the United States Government and the States of California and Minnesota to intervene in a previously sealed *qui tam* lawsuit in the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin. The complaint alleges that the Company improperly billed Medicaid claims with dual eligibility by charging Medicaid more than the co-pay allowed by the primary payer in seven states. Although this lawsuit is subject to the uncertainties inherent in the litigation process, based on the information presently available to the Company, management does not expect that the ultimate resolution of this lawsuit will have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

The Company is also involved in routine legal proceedings incidental to its operations. Some of these routine proceedings involve class allegations, many of which are ultimately dismissed. Management does not expect that the ultimate resolution of these legal proceedings will have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

The statements above reflect management s current expectations based on the information presently available to the Company, however, predicting the outcomes of claims and litigation and estimating related costs and exposures involves substantial uncertainties that could cause actual outcomes, costs and exposures to vary materially from current expectations. In addition, the Company regularly monitors its exposure to the loss contingencies associated with these matters and may from time to time change its predictions with respect to outcomes and its estimates with respect to related costs and exposures and believes recorded reserves are adequate. It is possible, although management believes it is remote, that material differences in actual outcomes, costs and exposures relative to current predictions and estimates, or material changes in such predictions or estimates, could have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

# NOTE 14 SEGMENT INFORMATION

Refer to the Consolidated Segment Financial Information for financial information concerning the Company s operations by reportable segment.

The Company s operating segments reflect the manner in which the business is managed and how the Company allocates resources and assesses performance internally. The Company s chief operating decision maker is the Chief Executive Officer.

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The Company offers a wide variety of grocery products, general merchandise and health and beauty care, pharmacy, fuel and other items and services. The Company s business is classified by management into two reportable segments: Retail food and Supply chain services. These reportable segments are two distinct businesses, one retail and one wholesale, each with a different customer base, marketing strategy and management structure. The Retail food reportable segment is an aggregation of the Company s retail operating segments, which are organized based on format (traditional retail food stores and hard-discount food stores).

The Retail food operating segments are aggregated as the products sold in the grocery stores are substantially the same, focusing on food and related products; the customer or potential customer for each of the retail operating segments is the same, any consumer of food and related products; each of the retail operating segments use the same distribution method for its products, the sale of items through grocery stores; and all of the Company s retail operating segments are subject to similar regulation. Additionally, the retail operating segments are aggregated into one Retail food reportable segment as they have similar economic characteristics and are expected to have similar long-term financial performance, based on operating earnings as a percent of sales.

The Retail food reportable segment derives revenues from the sale of groceries at retail locations operated by the Company (both the Company s own stores and stores licensed by the Company). The Supply chain services reportable segment derives revenues from wholesale distribution to independently owned retail food stores, mass merchants and other customers (collectively referred to as independent retail customers ) and logistics support services.

The Company offers a wide variety of nationally advertised brand name and private-label products, primarily including grocery (both perishable and nonperishable), general merchandise and health and beauty care, pharmacy and fuel, which are sold through the Company s own and licensed retail food stores to shoppers and through its Supply chain services business to independent retail customers. The amounts and percentages of Net sales for each group of similar products sold in the Retail food and Supply chain services segments consisted of the following:

	2011		2010		2009	
Retail food:						
Nonperishable grocery products <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 15,546	41%	\$ 17,233	43%	\$ 18,031	41%
Perishable grocery products <sup>(2)</sup>	8,076	22	8,655	21	9,963	23
General merchandise and health and beauty						
care products <sup>(3)</sup>	1,794	5	2,081	5	2,738	6
Pharmacy products	2,391	6	2,541	6	2,701	6
Fuel	596	2	581	2	645	1
Other	508	1	546	1	586	1
	28,911	77	31,637	78	34,664	78
Supply chain services:						
Product sales to independent retail						
customers	8,400	22	8,788	22	9,595	21
Services to supply chain customers	223	1	172		305	1
	8,623	23	8,960	22	9,900	22
Net sales	\$ 37,534	100%	\$ 40,597	100%	\$ 44,564	100%

- (1) Includes such items as dry goods, beverages, dairy, frozen foods, and candy
- (2) Includes such items as meat, produce, deli and bakery
- (3) Includes such items as household products, over-the-counter medication, beauty care, personal care, seasonal items and tobacco

## NOTE 15 DIVESTITURE

During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011, the Company divested the Total Logistic Control business for \$205 in cash and recognized a \$62 pre-tax gain. The gain is related to the Supply chain services segment and was recorded as a component of Selling and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Earnings.

## UNAUDITED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(In millions, except per share data)

Unaudited quarterly financial information for SUPERVALU INC. and subsidiaries is as follows:

	First (16 wks)	Second (12 wks)	2011 Third (12 wks)	Fourth (12 wks)	Fiscal Year (52 wks)
Net sales	\$ 11,545	\$ 8,656	\$ 8,673	\$ 8,660	\$ 37,534
Gross profit	\$ 2,597	\$ 1,932	\$ 1,865	\$ 2,016	\$ 8,410
Net earnings (loss)	\$ 67 <sub>(1)</sub>	\$ (1,470) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ (202) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ <b>95</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ (1,510)
Net earnings (loss) per					
share dilute <sup>(d)</sup>	\$ 0.31	\$ (6.94) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ (0.95) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0.44	\$ (7.13) <sup>(2)</sup>
Dividends declared per					
share	\$ 0.0875	\$ 0.1750	\$	\$ 0.0875	\$ 0.3500
Weighted average					
shares diluted	213	212	212	213	212

	First (16 wks)	Second (12 wks)	2010 Third (12 wks)	Fourth (12 wks)	Fiscal Year (52 wks)
Net sales	\$ 12,715	\$ 9,461	\$ 9,216	\$ 9,205	\$ 40,597
Gross profit	\$ 2,847	\$ 2,089	\$ 2,060	\$ 2,157	\$ 9,153
Net earnings	\$ 113 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 74	\$ 109 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 97 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 393
Net earnings per share diluted	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.46	\$ 1.85
Dividends declared per share	\$ 0.1725	\$ 0.1750	\$ 0.1750	\$ 0.0875	\$ 0.6100
Weighted average shares diluted	212	213	213	213	213

- (1) During fiscal 2011 the Company recorded charges of \$1,871, after tax, related to non-cash goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges, store closure and exit costs and employee-related expenses, of which \$25, after tax, were recorded in the first quarter of fiscal 2011, \$1,529, after tax, were recorded in the second quarter of fiscal 2011, \$252, after tax, were recorded in the third quarter of fiscal 2011 and \$65, after tax, were recorded in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011. These charges were partially offset by a gain of \$65, after tax, from the sale of Total Logistic Control recorded in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011.
- (2) As a result of the net loss for the second and third quarters of fiscal 2011 and fiscal year 2011 year-to-date, all potentially dilutive shares were antidilutive and therefore excluded from the calculation of Net earnings (loss) per share diluted.
- (3) During fiscal 2010 the Company recorded charges of \$39, after tax, related to the planned retail market exits, closure of non-strategic stores announced in fiscal 2009 and fees received from the early termination of a supply

agreement of which \$3, after tax, were recorded in the first quarter of fiscal 2010, \$2, after tax, were recorded in the third quarter of fiscal 2010 and \$34, after tax, were recorded in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2010.

(4) The sum of the quarterly Net earnings (loss) per share diluted amounts does not equal the fiscal year amount due to rounding.

# Schedule

# SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries SCHEDULE II Valuation and Qualifying Accounts (In millions)

Description	Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year		Additions	Deductions	Balance at End of Fiscal Year	
Allowance for losses on receivables:						
2011	\$	12	12	(16)	\$	8
2010		15	6	(9)		12
2009		20	15	(20)		15
		66				

# ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Not applicable.

# ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

#### **Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

The Company carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company s management, including the Company s Chief Executive Officer and its Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of February 26, 2011, the end of the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Based on this evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of February 26, 2011, the Company s disclosure controls are effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is (1) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the SEC s rules and forms and (2) accumulated and communicated to the Company s management, including the Company s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, in a manner that allows timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

#### Management s Annual Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

The financial statements, financial analyses and all other information included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K were prepared by the Company s management, which is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting.

The Company s internal control over financial reporting is designed 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. The Company s internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that:

- i. pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company;
- ii. provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Company; and
- iii. provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition and use or disposition of the Company s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

There are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any internal control, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of controls. Accordingly, even effective internal controls can provide only reasonable assurances with respect to financial statement preparation. Further, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of internal controls may vary over time.

Management assessed the design and effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting as of February 26, 2011. In making this assessment, management used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring

Organizations of the Treadway Commission in *Internal Control Integrated Framework*. Based on management s assessment using this framework, as of February 26, 2011, the Company s internal control over financial reporting is effective.

The effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting as of February 26, 2011 has been audited by KPMG LLP, the Company s independent registered public accounting firm. Their report, which is

set forth in Part II, Item 8 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, expresses an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting as of February 26, 2011.

## **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

During the fiscal quarter ended February 26, 2011, there has been no change in the Company s internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company s internal control over financial reporting.

## ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

#### PART III

#### ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information called for by Item 10, as to compliance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act, is incorporated by reference to the Company s definitive Proxy Statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the Company s 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders under the heading Other Information Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance. The information called for by Item 10, as to the audit committee and the audit committee financial expert, is incorporated by reference to the Company s definitive Proxy Statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the Company s definitive Officers of the Board of Directors and Committees of the Board Audit Committee. The information called for by Item 10, as to executive officers, is set forth under Executive Officers of the Company in Part I, Item 1 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The information called for by Item 10, as to directors, is incorporated by reference to the Company s definitive Proxy Statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A. In connection with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 10-K. The information called for by Item 10, as to directors, is incorporated by reference to the Company s definitive Proxy Statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the Company s 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders under the headings. Election of Directors (Item 1) and Board Practices Other Matters Relating to Directors.

The Company has adopted a code of ethics that applies to its principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions, and all other employees and non-employee directors of the Company. This code of ethics is posted on the Company s website (<u>www.supervalu.com</u>). The Company intends to satisfy the disclosure requirement under Item 5.05 of Form 8-K regarding an amendment to, or waiver from, a provision of the code of ethics that applies to the Company s principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions, by posting such information on the Company s website, at the address specified above.

The Company s Corporate Governance Principles and charters for each Committee of its Board of Directors are also available on the Company s website. The code of ethics, Corporate Governance Principles and charters are also available in print to any stockholder who submits a request to: Corporate Secretary, SUPERVALU INC., P.O. Box 990, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55440.

Information on the Company s website is not deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

## ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information called for by Item 11 is incorporated by reference to the Company s definitive Proxy Statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the Company s 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders under the headings Director Compensation, Compensation Discussion and Analysis, Executive Compensation and Report of the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee.

# ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information called for by Item 12, as to security ownership of certain beneficial owners, directors and management, is incorporated by reference to the Company s definitive Proxy Statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the Company s 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders under the headings Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Security Ownership of Management.

The following table sets forth information as of February 26, 2011 about the Company s common stock that may be issued under all of its equity compensation plans:

(shares not in millions) Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (a)	a e F out o w	Veighted verage xercise price of tstanding ptions, arrants od rights (b)	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a)) (c)		
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders <sup>(1)</sup> Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders <sup>(6)</sup>	20,644,310 <sub>(2)(3)</sub> 1,769,375	\$ \$	29.39 <sub>(2)(3)(4)</sub> 29.66	20,481,994(5)		
Total	22,413,685	\$	29.41	20,481,994		

## **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

- Includes the Company s 1993 Stock Plan, 2002 Stock Plan, 2007 Stock Plan, SUPERVALU/Richfood Stock Incentive Plan, Albertson s, Inc. Amended and Restated 1995 Stock-Based Incentive Plan and Albertson s, Inc. 2004 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan.
- (2) Includes options for 425,299 shares under the Albertson s, Inc. 2004 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan at a weighted average exercise price of \$28.87 per share that were assumed in connection with the Acquisition.
- (3) Includes options for 2,469,438 shares under the Albertson s, Inc. Amended and Restated 1995 Stock-Based Incentive Plan at a weighted average exercise price of \$32.66 per share that were assumed in connection with the Acquisition.
- (4) Excludes 446,266 restricted stock units included in column (a) which do not have an exercise price. Such units vest and are payable in shares after the expiration of the time periods set forth in their restricted stock unit agreements.

- (5) In addition to grants of options, warrants or rights, includes shares available for issuance in the form of restricted stock, performance awards and other types of stock-based awards under the Company s 2007 Stock Plan.
- (6) Includes the Company s 1997 Stock Plan.

**1997 Stock Plan.** The Board of Directors adopted the 1997 Stock Plan on April 9, 1997 to provide for the granting of non-qualified stock options, restoration options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units and performance awards to key employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries. A total of 10,800,000 (not in millions) shares were authorized for awards under the 1997 Stock Plan. The Board of Directors amended this plan in each of August 18, 1998, March 14, 2000 and April 10, 2002. The 1997 Stock Plan expired on April 9, 2007 and, therefore, no further awards may be granted under the 1997 Stock Plan. Stock options covering a total of 1,769,375 (not in millions) shares remained outstanding under the 1997 Stock Plan as of February 26, 2011. All employees, consultants or independent contractors providing services to the Company, other than officers or directors of the Company or any of its affiliates who are subject to

Section 16 of the Exchange Act, were eligible to participate in the 1997 Stock Plan. The Board of Directors administers the 1997 Stock Plan and has discretion to set the terms of all awards made under the 1997 Stock Plan, except as otherwise expressly provided in the 1997 Stock Plan. Options granted under the 1997 Stock Plan may not have an exercise price less than 100 percent of the fair market value of the Company s common stock on the date of the grant. Unless the Board of Directors otherwise specifies, restricted stock and restricted stock units will be forfeited and reacquired by the Company if an employee is terminated.

# ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information called for by Item 13, as to director independence, is incorporated by reference to the Company s definitive Proxy Statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the Company s 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders under the heading Board Practices Director Independence. The information called for by Item 13, as to related person transactions, is incorporated by reference to the Company s definitive Proxy Statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the Company s definitive Proxy Statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the Company s 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders under the heading Board Practices Policy and Procedures Regarding Transactions with Related Persons.

# ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES

The information called for by Item 14 is incorporated by reference to the Company s definitive Proxy Statement to be filed with the SEC pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the Company s 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders under the heading Independent Registered Public Accountants Fees.

# PART IV

# ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a)(1) Financial Statements:

The consolidated financial statements to the Company listed in the accompanying Index of Financial Statements and Schedules together with the reports of KPMG LLP, independent registered public accountants, are filed as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

(2) Financial Statement Schedules:

The consolidated financial statement schedule to the Company listed in the accompanying Index of Financial Statements and Schedules.

(3) Exhibits:

(2) Plan of Acquisition, Reorganization, Arrangement, Liquidation or Succession:

2.1 Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated January 22, 2006, by and among Albertson s Inc., New Aloha Corporation (n/k/a New Albertson s, Inc.), New Diamond Sub, Inc., SUPERVALU INC., and Emerald Acquisition Sub, Inc. is incorporated herein by reference to Annex A of the Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Registration No. 333-132397-01) of SUPERVALU INC. and New Albertson s, Inc., filed on April 28, 2006.

(3) Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws:

- 3.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (3)(i) to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 28, 2004.
- 3.2 Restated Bylaws, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 29, 2010.
- (4) Instruments defining the rights of security holders, including indentures:
  - 4.1 Indenture dated as of July 1, 1987, between the Company and Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 33-52422).
  - 4.2 First Supplemental Indenture dated as of August 1, 1990, between the Company and Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee, to Indenture dated as of July 1, 1987, between the Company and Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 33-52422).

Second Supplemental Indenture dated as of October 1, 1992, between the Company and Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee, to Indenture dated as of July 1, 1987, between the Company and Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 13, 1992.

4.4 Third Supplemental Indenture dated as of September 1, 1995, between the Company and Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee, to Indenture dated as of July 1, 1987, between the Company and Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the

Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 2, 1995.

- 4.5 Fourth Supplemental Indenture dated as of August 4, 1999, between the Company and Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee, to Indenture dated as of July 1, 1987, between the Company and Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period (16 weeks) ended September 11, 1999.
- 4.6 Fifth Supplemental Indenture dated as of September 17, 1999, between the Company and Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee, to Indenture dated as of July 1, 1987, between the Company and Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period (16 weeks) ended September 11, 1999.
- 4.7 Rights Agreement dated as of April 12, 2000, between the Company and Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A. (formerly Norwest Bank Minnesota, N.A.), as Rights Agent, including as Exhibit B the forms of Rights Certificate and Election to Exercise, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 17, 2000.
- 4.8 Indenture dated as of November 2, 2001, between the Company and The Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee, including form of Liquid Yield Option<sup>tm</sup> Note due 2031 (Zero Coupon Senior), is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-81252) filed with the SEC on January 23, 2002.
- 4.9 Indenture dated as of May 1, 1992, between Albertson s, Inc. and Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, as Trustee, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 of Albertson s, Inc. (Reg. No. 333-41793) filed with the SEC on December 9, 1997.
- 4.10 Supplemental Indenture No. 1, dated as of May 7, 2004, between Albertson s, Inc. and U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.14 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 24, 2007.
- 4.11 Supplemental Indenture No. 2 dated as of June 1, 2006, between Albertson s LLC, New Albertson s, Inc. and U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee, to Indenture dated as of May 1, 1992, between Albertson s, Inc. and Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, as Trustee, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.9 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 7, 2006.
- 4.12 Supplemental Indenture No. 3 dated as December 29, 2008, between NAI, Inc., New Albertson s, Inc. and U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee, to Indenture dated as of May 1, 1992, between Albertson s, Inc. and Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, as Trustee, is incorporated herein by

reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended November 29, 2008.

Pursuant to Item 601(b)(4)(iii) of Regulation S-K, copies of certain instruments defining the rights of holders of certain long-term debt to the Company and its subsidiaries are not filed and, in lieu thereof, the Company agrees to furnish copies thereof to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request.

## (10) Material Contracts:

- 10.1 SUPERVALU INC. 2002 Stock Plan, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 24, 2007, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 24, 2007.\*
- 10.2 Form of SUPERVALU INC. 2002 Stock Plan Stock Option Agreement and Stock Option Terms and Conditions for Key Executives, as amended on April 17, 2007, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 24, 2007.\*
- 10.3 Form of SUPERVALU INC. 2002 Stock Plan Stock Option Agreement and Stock Option Terms and Conditions for Key Executives, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.31 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 25, 2006.\*
- 10.4 Form of SUPERVALU INC. 2002 Stock Plan Restoration Stock Option Agreement and Restoration Stock Option Terms and Conditions for Key Executives, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.32 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 25, 2006.\*
- 10.5 Form of SUPERVALU INC. 2002 Stock Plan Stock Option Agreement for Non-Employee Directors and Stock Option Terms and Conditions for Non-Employee Directors is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period (12 weeks) ended September 11, 2004.\*
- 10.6 Form of SUPERVALU INC. 2002 Stock Plan Restoration Stock Option Agreement for Non-Employee Directors and Restoration Stock Option Terms and Conditions for Non-Employee Directors is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period (12 weeks) ended September 11, 2004.\*
- 10.7 Form of SUPERVALU INC. 2002 Stock Plan Supplemental Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement for Non-Employee Directors and Terms and Conditions for Supplemental Stock Options for Non-Employee Directors is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period (12 weeks) ended September 11, 2004.\*
- 10.8 Form of SUPERVALU INC. 2002 Stock Plan Restricted Stock Award Certificate and Restricted Stock Award Terms and Conditions, as amended, is incorporated

herein by reference to Exhibit 10.37 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 25, 2006.\*

10.9 SUPERVALU INC. 2002 Stock Plan Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement dated as of October 12, 2006 for Jeffrey Noddle is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 13, 2006.\*

- 10.10 Intentionally omitted.
- 10.11 Intentionally omitted.
- 10.12 Intentionally omitted.
- 10.13 SUPERVALU INC. 1997 Stock Plan, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 24, 2007.\*
- 10.14 SUPERVALU INC. 1993 Stock Plan, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.14 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 24, 2007.\*
- 10.15 SUPERVALU INC. 1993 Stock Plan Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Jeffrey Noddle is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.27 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 22, 2003.\*
- 10.16 SUPERVALU INC. 1993 Stock Plan Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for David L. Boehnen, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.25 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 28, 2004.\*
- 10.17 SUPERVALU INC. 1993 Stock Plan Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement for Pamela K. Knous, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.26 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 28, 2004.\*
- 10.18 SUPERVALU/Richfood Stock Incentive Plan, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.18 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 24, 2007.\*
- 10.19 SUPERVALU INC. Executive Incentive Bonus Plan is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (10) c. to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 22, 1997.\*
- 10.20 SUPERVALU INC. Annual Cash Bonus Plan for Designated Corporate Officers, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.20 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 24, 2001.\*
- 10.21 Performance Criteria for Awards Under the Company s Annual Cash Bonus Plan for Designated Corporate Officers and the Executive Incentive Bonus Plan is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period (12 weeks) ended December 4, 2004.\*
- 10.22 Albertson s, Inc. 2004 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.28 to the Company s Annual

Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 24, 2007.\*

- 10.23 Form of Albertson s, Inc. 2004 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan Stock Option Agreement and Stock Option Terms and Conditions for Employees, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.29 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 24, 2007.\*
- 10.24 Form of Albertson s, Inc. 2004 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan Award of Deferred Restricted Stock Units is incorporated herein by

reference to Exhibit 10.58 to the Current Report on Form 8-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) filed with the SEC on December 20, 2004.\*

- 10.25 Form of Albertson s, Inc. 2004 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan Non-Employee Director Deferred Share Units Agreement is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.58 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended May 5, 2005.\*
- 10.26 Form of Albertson s, Inc. 2004 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan Award of Deferrable Restricted Stock Units is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.60 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended May 5, 2005.\*
- 10.27 Form of Albertson s, Inc. 2004 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan Non-Qualified Stock Option Award Agreement is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.61 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended August 4, 2005.\*
- 10.28 Form of Albertson s, Inc. 2004 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan Award of Deferrable Restricted Stock Units is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.62 to the Current Report on Form 8-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) filed with the SEC on January 31, 2006.\*
- 10.29 Albertson s Inc. 1995 Stock-Based Incentive Plan, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.36 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 24, 2007.\*
- 10.30 Form of Albertson s, Inc. 1995 Stock-Based Incentive Plan Stock Option Agreement is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.24.1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 1, 1996.\*
- 10.31 Form of Albertson s, Inc. Amended and Restated 1995 Stock-Based Incentive Plan Award of Stock Option is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.46.1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended October 31, 2002.\*
- 10.32 Form of Albertson s, Inc. Amended and Restated 1995 Stock-Based Incentive Plan Award of Deferred Stock Units is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.46.2 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended October 31, 2002.\*
- 10.33 Form of Albertson s, Inc. Amended and Restated 1995 Stock-Based Plan Award of Deferred Restricted Stock Units is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.57 to the Current Report on Form 8-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) filed with the SEC on December 20, 2004.\*

Form of Albertson s, Inc. Amended and Restated 1995 Stock-Based Incentive Plan Award of Deferrable Restricted Stock Units is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.59 to the Current Report on Form 8-K of

Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) filed with the SEC on December 20, 2004.\*

- 10.35 SUPERVALU INC. Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.11 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 22, 2003.\*
- 10.36 SUPERVALU INC. Excess Benefit Plan Restatement, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.12 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 22, 2003.\*
- 10.37 Third Amendment of SUPERVALU INC. Excess Benefits Plan Restatement is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.37 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 28, 2009.\*
- 10.38 SUPERVALU INC. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.14 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 22, 2003.\*
- 10.39 SUPERVALU INC. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan II, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.15 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 22, 2003.\*
- 10.40 Form of Agreement used in connection with the Company s Executive Post Retirement Survivor Benefit Program is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (10)I. to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period (12 weeks) ended September 12, 1998.\*
- 10.41 Form of Change of Control Severance Agreements entered into with certain officers to the Company, as amended, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period (12 weeks) ended December 2, 2006.\*
- 10.42 SUPERVALU INC. Directors Retirement Program, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.18 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 22, 2003.\*
- 10.43 SUPERVALU INC. Non-Qualified Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (10) r. to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 24, 1990.\*
- 10.44 First Amendment to SUPERVALU INC. Non-Qualified Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (10)a. to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period (12 weeks) ended September 7, 1996.\*
- 10.45 Second Amendment to SUPERVALU INC. Non-Qualified Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (10)r. to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 28,

1998.\*

- 10.46 Third Amendment to SUPERVALU INC. Non-Qualified Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit (10)h. to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period (12 weeks) ended September 12, 1998.\*
- 10.47 Fourth Amendment to SUPERVALU INC. Non-Qualified Supplement Executive Retirement Plan is incorporated herein by reference to

Exhibit 10.23 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 22, 2003.\*

- 10.48 Sixth Amendment to SUPERVALU INC. Non-Qualified Supplement Executive Retirement Plan, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.48 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 28, 2009.\*
- 10.49 SUPERVALU INC. Non-Employee Directors Deferred Stock Plan, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.24 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 22, 2003.\*
- 10.50 Amended and Restated SUPERVALU INC. Grantor Trust dated as of May 1, 2002 is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period (16 weeks) ended June 15, 2002.\*
- 10.51 Annual discretionary CEO Bonus Pool is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.40 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 25, 2006.\*
- 10.52 Intentionally omitted.
- 10.53 Letter Agreement, including Appendix A thereto, dated as of August 11, 2006, between the Company and Pete Van Helden is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 15, 2006. \*
- 10.54 Intentionally omitted.
- 10.55 Lead Director annual retainer is incorporated herein by reference to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 27, 2006.\*
- 10.56 Albertson s, Inc. 2000 Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of January 1, 2000, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 3, 2000.\*
- 10.57 First Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 2000 Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of May 25, 2001, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.10.1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 30, 2003.\*
- Second Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 2000 Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of July 18, 2001, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.10.2 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 30, 2003.\*

Third Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 2000 Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of December 31, 2001, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.10.3 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 30, 2003.\*

Fourth Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 2000 Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of December 22, 2003, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.10.4 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 29, 2004.\*

- Sixth Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 2000 Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of April 28, 2006, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.10.5 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended May 4, 2006.\*
- 10.62 Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Plan, amended and restated as of February 1, 1989, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 2, 1989.\*
- 10.63 First Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Plan, dated as of June 8, 1989, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13.1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended May 4, 1989.\*
- Second Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Plan, dated as of January 12, 1990, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13.2 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 1, 1990.\*
- 10.65 Third Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Plan, dated as of January 31, 1990, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13.3 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended August 2, 1990.\*
- Fourth Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Plan, effective as of January 1, 1995, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13.4 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 2, 1995.\*
- 10.67 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Plan, retroactive to January 1, 1990, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13.5 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 1, 1996.\*
- 10.68 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Plan, retroactive to October 1, 1999, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13.6 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 3, 2000.\*
- 10.69 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Plan, dated as of June 1, 2001, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13.7 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 30, 2003.\*
- 10.70 Second Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Plan, dated as of April 28, 2006, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13.8 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File

Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended May 4, 2006.\*

- 10.71 Third Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Plan, dated as of April 28, 2006, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13.9 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended May 4, 2006.\*
- 10.72 Third Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Plan, effective as of January 1, 2008, is incorporated herein by reference to



Exhibit 10.72 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 28, 2009.\*

- 10.73 Albertson s, Inc. Executive ASRE Makeup Plan, dated as of September 26, 1999, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on October 20, 2010.\*
- 10.74 First Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive ASRE Makeup Plan, dated as of May 25, 2001, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.14.1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 30, 2003.\*
- 10.75 Second Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive ASRE Makeup Plan, dated as of December 31, 2001, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.14.2 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 30, 2003.\*
- 10.76 Fourth Amendment to the Albertson s Inc. Executive ASRE Makeup Plan, dated as of April 28, 2006, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.14.3 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended May 4, 2006.\*
- 10.77 Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Trust, dated as of February 1, 1989, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.18 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 2, 1989.\*
- 10.78 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Trust, dated as of July 24, 1998, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.18.1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 3, 2000.\*
- 10.79 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Trust, dated as of December 1, 1998, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.18.1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended October 29, 1998.\*
- 10.80 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Trust, dated as of December 1, 1999, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.18.3 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 3, 2000.\*
- 10.81 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Executive Pension Makeup Trust, dated as of March 31, 2000, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.18.4 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 1, 2001.\*

Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Plan is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.20 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 31, 1991.\*

10.83 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of April 12, 1994, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.20.1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended August 4, 1994.\*

- 10.84 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of November 5, 1997, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.20.2 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 29, 1998.\*
- 10.85 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of November 1, 1998, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.20.3 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended October 29, 1998.\*
- 10.86 Termination of the Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of December 31, 1999, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.20.4 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 30, 2003.\*
- 10.87 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of May 1, 2001, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.20.5 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 30,2003.\*
- 10.88 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Plan, effective as of May 1, 2001, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.20.6 of Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 30, 2003.\*
- 10.89 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of April 28, 2006, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.20.7 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended May 4, 2006.\*
- 10.90 Albertson s, Inc. Non-Employee Directors Deferred Compensation Plan is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.21 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 31, 1991.\*
- 10.91 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Non-Employee Directors Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of December 15, 1998, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.21.1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 3, 2000.\*
- 10.92 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Non-Employee Directors Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of March 15, 2001, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.21.2 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 1, 2001.\*
- 10.93 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Non-Employee Directors Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of May 1, 2001, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.21.3 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc.

(Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 30, 2003.\*

10.94 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Non-Employee Directors Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of December 22, 2003, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.21.4 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of

Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 29, 2004.\*

- 10.95 Fifth Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. Non-Employees Directors Deferred Compensation Plan, dated as of April 28, 2006, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.21.5 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended May 4, 2006.\*
- 10.96 Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Trust, dated as of November 20, 1990, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.22 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended January 31, 1991.\*
- 10.97 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Trust, dated as of July 24, 1998, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.22.1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 3, 2000.\*
- 10.98 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Trust, dated as of December 1, 1998, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.22.1 of Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended October 29, 1998.\*
- 10.99 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Trust, dated as of December 1, 1999, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.22.3 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 3, 2000.\*
- 10.100 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 1990 Deferred Compensation Trust, dated as of March 31, 2000, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.22.4 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 1, 2001.\*
- 10.101 Albertson s, Inc. 2000 Deferred Compensation Trust, dated as of January 1, 2000, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.23 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 3, 2000.\*
- 10.102 Amendment to the Albertson s, Inc. 2000 Deferred Compensation Trust, dated as of March 31, 2000, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.23.1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the year ended February 1, 2001.\*
- 10.103 American Stores Company Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan 1998
  Restatement is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Registration
  Statement on Form S-8 of American Stores Company (Commission File Number 1-5392) filed with the SEC on July 13, 1998.\*

Amendment to the American Stores Company Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan 1998 Restatement, dated as of September 15, 1998, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of American Stores Company (Commission File Number 1-5392) filed with the SEC on December 11, 1998.\*

10.105 Sixth Amendment to the American Stores Company Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, dated as of April 28, 2006, is incorporated

herein by reference to Exhibit 10.30.2 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended May 4, 2006.\*

- 10.106 Albertsons Inc. Change in Control Severance Benefit Trust, dated as of August 1, 2004, by and between Albertson s, Inc. and Atlantic Trust Company, N.A. is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.62 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Albertson s, Inc. (Commission File Number 1-6187) for the quarter ended November 3, 2005.\*
- 10.107 SUPERVALU INC. 2007 Stock Plan, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 31, 2007. \*
- 10.108 SUPERVALU INC. 2007 Stock Plan Form of Stock Appreciation Rights Agreement is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on July 20, 2007.\*
- 10.109 SUPERVALU INC. 2007 Stock Plan Form of Stock Option Agreement is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on July 20, 2007.\*
- 10.110 SUPERVALU INC. 2007 Stock Plan Form of Restoration Stock Option Agreement is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on July 20, 2007.\*
- 10.111 SUPERVALU INC. 2007 Stock Plan Form of Restricted Stock Award Agreement is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 8, 2007.\*
- 10.112 SUPERVALU INC. 2007 Stock Plan Form of Performance Stock Unit Award Agreement (restricted stock settled) is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 14, 2008.\*
- 10.113 SUPERVALU INC. 2007 Stock Plan Form of Performance Stock Unit Terms and Conditions (restricted stock settled) is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 14, 2008.\*
- 10.114 SUPERVALU INC. 2007 Stock Plan Form of Performance Stock Unit Award Agreement (cash-settled units) is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 14, 2008.\*
- 10.115 SUPERVALU INC. 2007 Stock Plan Form of Performance Stock Unit Award Terms and Conditions (cash-settled units) is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 14, 2008.\*

10.116 SUPERVALU INC. 2007 Stock Plan Form of Restricted Stock Award Agreement is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 14, 2008.\*

- 10.117 SUPERVALU INC. 2007 Stock Plan Form of Restricted Stock Award Terms and Conditions is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 14, 2008.\*
- 10.118 Excess Plan Agreement for Michael L. Jackson dated May 27, 2008 by and between SUPERVALU INC. and Michael L. Jackson is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 14, 2008.\*
- 10.119 Summary of Non-Employee Director Compensation is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 1, 2007.\*
- 10.120 SUPERVALU Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (2008 Statement) is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended November 29, 2008.\*
- 10.121 SUPERVALU Directors Deferred Compensation Plan (2009 Statement) is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended November 29, 2008.\*
- 10.122 Omnibus 409a Amendment of New Albertsons Nonqualified Plans, effective January 1, 2009, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.122 to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended February 28, 2009.\*
- 10.123 Form of Change of Control Severance Agreement, as amended, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 20, 2009.\*
- 10.124 Executive & Officer Severance Pay Plan is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 12, 2009.\*
- 10.125 Summary of Non-Employee Director Compensation is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 12, 2009.\*
- 10.126 Form of 2007 Stock Plan Stock Option Agreement and Stock Option Terms and Conditions for Officers, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 20, 2010.\*
- 10.127 Form of 2007 Stock Plan Restricted Stock Award Agreement and Restricted Stock Award Terms and Conditions for Officers, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 20, 2010.\*
- 10.128 Form of 2007 Stock Plan Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement and Restricted Stock Unit Award Terms and Conditions for Officers, is incorporated herein by

reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 20, 2010.\*

10.129 Form of SUPERVALU INC. 2007 Stock Plan Stock Appreciation Rights Agreement for Officers, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 20, 2010.\*

- 10.130 Amendment No. 1 to Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement between SUPERVALU INC. and Jeffrey Noddle, dated April 16, 2010 is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 20, 2010.\*
- 10.131 Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated April 5, 2010, by and among SUPERVALU INC., The Royal Bank of Scotland PLC, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, CoBank, ACB, U.S. Bank N.A., Rabobank International, RBS Securities Inc., Barclay s Capital and various financial institutions and other persons from time to time parties hereto, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on October 20, 2010.
- 10.132 Severance Agreement and General Release, dated July 26, 2010, by and among SUPERVALU INC and Pamela K Knous, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on October 20, 2010.\*
- 10.133 Severance Agreement and General Release, dated November 18, 2010, by and among SUPERVALU INC and David L. Boehnen, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 24, 2010.\*
- 10.134 Consulting Agreement, dated November 18, 2010, by and among SUPERVALU INC and David L. Boehnen, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 24, 2010.\*
- (12) Statement re Computation of Ratios.
  - 12.1. Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.

(21) Subsidiaries to the Company.

21.1. SUPERVALU INC. Subsidiaries.

- (23) Consents of Experts and Counsel.
  - 23.1. Consent of KPMG LLP.

(24) Power of Attorney.

- 24.1. Power of Attorney.
- (31) Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certifications.
  - 31.1. Chief Executive Officer Certification of Periodic Financial Report pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

31.2. Chief Financial Officer Certification of Periodic Financial Report pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

# (32) Section 1350 Certifications.

- 32.1. Chief Executive Officer Certification of Periodic Financial Report pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.2. Chief Financial Officer Certification of Periodic Financial Report pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

(101) Interactive Data File.

- 101. The following materials from the SUPERVALU INC. Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 26, 2011 formatted in Extensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL): (i) the Consolidated Segment Financial Information (ii) the Consolidated Statements of Earnings, (iii) the Consolidated Balance Sheets, (iv) the Consolidated Statements of Stockholders Equity, (v) the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and (vi) the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, tagged as blocks of text.
- \* Indicates management contracts, compensatory plans or arrangements required to be filed pursuant to Item 601(b)(10)(iii)(A) of Regulation S-K

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## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, SUPERVALU has duly caused this Annual Report on Form 10-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

## SUPERVALU INC.

(Registrant)

By:

DATE: April 21, 2011

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/s/ CRAIG R. HERKERT

**Craig R. Herkert Chief Executive Officer** 

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this Annual Report on Form 10-K has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of SUPERVALU and in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ CRAIG R. HERKERT	Chief Executive Officer and President; Director A (principal executive officer)	April 21, 2011
Craig R. Herkert		
/s/ SHERRY M. SMITH	-	April 21, 2011
Sherry M. Smith		2011
/s/ DONALD R. CHAPPEL*	Director	
Donald R. Chappel		
/s/ IRWIN S. COHEN*	Director	
Irwin S. Cohen		
/s/ RONALD E. DALY*	Director	
Ronald E. Daly		
/s/ SUSAN E. ENGEL*	Director	

Susan E. Engel	
/s/ PHILIP L. FRANCIS*	Director
Philip L. Francis	
/s/ EDWIN C. GAGE*	Director
Edwin C. Gage	
/s/ CHARLES M. LILLIS*	Director
Charles M. Lillis	
/s/ STEVEN S. ROGERS*	Director
Steven S. Rogers	
/s/ MATTHEW E. RUBEL	Director
Matthew E. Rubel	
/s/ WAYNE C. SALES*	Director and Non-Executive Chairman
Wayne C. Sales	
/s/ KATHI P. SEIFERT*	Director
Kathi P. Seifert	

- \* Executed this 21st day of April 2011, on behalf of the indicated Directors by Todd N. Sheldon, duly appointed Attorney-in-Fact.
- By: /s/ TODD N. SHELDON

Todd N. Sheldon Attorney-in-Fact

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