# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q	

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended June 24, 2012

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

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_

Commission File number 1-9273



# PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 75-1285071

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1770 Promontory Circle, Greeley, CO (Address of principal executive offices)

80634-9038 (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (970) 506-8000

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report.)

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 whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definition of "accelerated filer," "large accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large Accelerated Filer  $_{
m o}$  Accelerated Filer  $_{
m x}$ 

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

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Section 12, 13, or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court. Yes x No o

Number of shares outstanding of the issuer's common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, as of July 27, 2012, was 258,926,358.

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# PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	June 24, 2012	Γ	December 25, 2011
	(Unaudited)		
	(In	thousan	ıds)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 49,227	\$	41,609
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	4,666		7,680
Investment in available-for-sale securities	156		157
Trade accounts and other receivables, less allowance for doubtful			
accounts	347,389		349,222
Account receivable from JBS USA, LLC	24,932		21,198
Inventories	987,992		879,094
Income taxes receivable	65,495		59,067
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	43,395		52,350
Assets held for sale	44,713		53,816
Total current assets	1,567,965		1,464,193
Investment in available-for-sale securities	474		497
Deferred tax assets	71,099		71,099
Other long-lived assets	48,843		57,921
Identified intangible assets, net	41,230		44,083
Property, plant and equipment, net	1,209,796		1,241,752
Total assets	\$ 2,939,407	\$	2,879,545
Accounts payable	\$ 342,101	\$	328,864
Account payable to JBS USA, LLC	6,746		11,653
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	280,871		281,797
Current deferred tax liabilities	79,247		79,248
Current maturities of long-term debt	15,617		15,611
Total current liabilities	724,582		717,173
Long-term debt, less current maturities	1,214,619		1,408,001
Note payable to JBS USA Holdings, Inc.	_		50,000
Other long-term liabilities	145,469		145,941
Total liabilities	2,084,670		2,321,115
Common stock	2,589		2,143
Additional paid-in capital	1,641,619		1,443,484
Accumulated deficit	(735,414)		(843,945)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(57,095)		(46,070)
Total Pilgrim's Pride Corporation stockholders' equity	851,699		555,612
Noncontrolling interest	3,038		2,818
Total stockholders' equity	854,737		558,430
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,939,407	\$	2,879,545

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

# PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)

		Thirteen V	Veeks	Ended		Twenty-Six	x Weeks Ended		
	J	June 24, 2012	j	June 26, 2011		June 24, 2012		June 26, 2011	
			(I	n thousands, exc	ept	per share data)			
Net sales	\$	1,974,469	\$	1,922,690	\$	3,863,242	\$	3,815,166	
Cost of sales		1,830,380		1,966,961		3,609,088		3,911,199	
Operational restructuring charges		_		1,957		_		3,305	
Gross profit (loss)		144,089		(46,228)		254,154		(99,338)	
Selling, general and administrative expense		44,439		51,628		89,695		104,876	
Administrative restructuring charges		389		850		3,274		1,268	
Operating income (loss)		99,261		(98,706)		161,185		(205,482)	
Interest expense, net of capitalized interest		24,925		27,426		53,170		54,933	
Interest income		(356)		(278)		(630)		(988)	
Foreign currency transaction losses (gains)		8,212		44		2,284		(2,691)	
Miscellaneous, net		(315)		(1,436)		(685)		(2,507)	
Income (loss) before income taxes		66,795		(124,462)		107,046		(254,229)	
Income tax expense (benefit)		(2,358)		3,470		(1,705)		(6,402)	
Net income (loss)		69,153		(127,932)		108,751		(247,827)	
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests		(205)		209		220		1,074	
Net income (loss) attributable to Pilgrim's Pride									
Corporation	\$	69,358	\$	(128,141)	\$	108,531	\$	(248,901)	
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	57,708	\$	(128,148)	\$	97,726	\$	(248,558)	
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling									
interests		(205)		209		220		1,074	
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Pilgrim's Pride									
Corporation	\$	57,913	\$	(128,357)	\$	97,506	\$	(249,632)	
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding:									
Basic (Note 13. Stockholders' Equity)		258,726		224,996		241,144		224,996	
Effect of common stock equivalents		115		_		92		_	
Diluted		258,841		224,996		241,236		224,996	
Net income (loss) per share of common stock outstanding:									
Basic	\$	0.27	\$	(0.57)	\$	0.45	\$	(1.11)	
Diluted	\$	0.27	\$	(0.57)	\$	0.45	\$	(1.11)	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

# PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (Unaudited)

Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Stockholders

					Accumulated								
	Comn	ion St	ock	Additional				Other					
				Paid-in	P	Accumulated	Co	mprehensive	No	ncontrolling			
	Shares	Α	mount	Capital		Deficit	In	come (Loss)		Interests		Total	
						(In thousan	ıds)						
Balance at December 25, 2011	214,282	\$	2,143	\$ 1,443,484	\$	(843,945)	\$	(46,070)	\$	2,818	\$	558,430	
Comprehensive income (loss):													
Net income	_		_	_		108,531		_		220		108,751	
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax:													
Losses associated with pension and other													
postretirement benefit obligations, net of tax of \$0	_		_	_		_		(11,025)		_		(11,025)	
Total other comprehensive loss, net of tax												(11,025)	
Total comprehensive income												97,726	
Issuance of common stock	44,444		444	197,838		_		_		_		198,282	
Share-based compensation plans:													
Common stock issued under compensation plans	200		2	_		_		_		_		2	
Requisite service period recognition				297		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		297	
Balance at June 24, 2012	258,926	\$	2,589	\$ 1,641,619	\$	(735,414)	\$	(57,095)	\$	3,038	\$	854,737	
Balance at December 26, 2010	214,282	\$	2,143	\$ 1,442,810	\$	(348,653)	\$	(23,637)	\$	5,933	\$	1,078,596	
Comprehensive income (loss):													
Net income (loss)	_		_	_		(248,901)		_		1,074		(247,827)	
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax:													
Net unrealized holding losses on available-for-sale													
securities, net of tax of \$0	_		_	_		_		(720)		_		(720)	
Losses associated with pension and other													
postretirement benefit obligations, net of tax of \$0			_	_		_		(11)		_		(11)	
Total other comprehensive loss, net of tax												(731)	
Total comprehensive loss												(248,558)	
Share-based compensation	_		_	269		_		_		_		269	
Other activity				107		1,480				(4,197)		(2,610)	
Balance at June 26, 2011	214,282	\$	2,143	\$ 1,443,186	\$	(596,074)	\$	(24,368)	\$	2,810	\$	827,697	

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# PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

	Twenty-Six	Weeks Ended
	June 24, 2012	June 26, 2011
	(In the	ousands)
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income (loss)	\$ 108,751	\$ (247,827)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to cash provided by (used in) operating		
activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	71,980	103,075
Foreign currency transaction losses	1,948	_
Accretion of bond discount	228	225
Impairment expense	1,342	2,808
Loss (gain) on property disposals	628	(342)
Share-based compensation	299	269
Deferred income tax benefit	_	(9,695)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	8,013	(530)
Trade accounts and other receivables	(2,123)	(55,676)
Inventories	(109,638)	64,748
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	8,763	(14,448)
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other current liabilities	7,403	18,630
Income taxes	(14,698)	573
Deposits	160	2,180
Other operating assets and liabilities	(2,734)	(4,162)
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities	80,322	(140,172)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment	(37,561)	(103,152)
Purchases of investment securities	(162)	(3,383)
Proceeds from sale or maturity of investment securities	58	2,634
Proceeds from property disposals	12,461	4,877
Cash used in investing activities	(25,204)	(99,024)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from revolving line of credit and long-term borrowings	391,300	580,289
Payments on revolving line of credit, long-term borrowings and capital lease		
obligations	(584,904)	(455,931)
Proceeds from note payable to JBS USA Holdings, Inc.	_	50,000
Payment of note payable to JBS USA Holdings, Inc.	(50,000)	_
Proceeds from sale of common stock, net	198,282	_
Purchase of remaining interest in subsidiary	_	(2,504)
Payment of capitalized loan costs	_	(4,395)
Other financing activities	_	(106)
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(45,322)	167,353
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(2,178)	330
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	7,618	(71,513)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	41,609	106,077
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 49,227	\$ 34,564

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# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

## 1. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

#### Business

Pilgrim's Pride Corporation (referred to herein as "Pilgrim's," "PPC," "the Company," "we," "us," "our," or similar terms) is the second-largest chicken company in the world, with operations in the United States ("U.S."), Mexico and Puerto Rico. Pilgrim's products are sold to foodservice, retail and frozen entrée customers. The Company's primary distribution is through retailers, foodservice distributors and restaurants throughout the United States and Puerto Rico and in the northern and central regions of Mexico. Additionally, the Company exports chicken products to approximately 105 countries. Pilgrim's fresh chicken products consist of refrigerated whole chickens, whole cut-up chickens and selected chicken parts that are either marinated or non-marinated. The Company's prepared chicken products include fully cooked, ready-to-cook and individually frozen chicken parts, strips, nuggets and patties, some of which are either breaded or non-breaded and either marinated or non-marinated. As a vertically integrated company, we control every phase of the production of our products. We operate feed mills, hatcheries, processing plants and distribution centers in 12 U.S. states, Puerto Rico and Mexico. Pilgrim's has approximately 38,000 employees and has the capacity to process more than 36 million birds per week for a total of more than 9.5 billion pounds of live chicken annually. Approximately 3,900 contract growers supply poultry for the Company's operations. As of June 24, 2012, JBS USA Holdings, Inc. ("JBS USA") a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of Brazil-based JBS S.A., beneficially owned 75.3% of the Company's outstanding common stock.

#### **Consolidated Financial Statements**

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal and recurring adjustments unless otherwise disclosed) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 30, 2012. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 25, 2011.

Pilgrim's operates on a 52/53-week fiscal year that ends on the Sunday falling on or before December 31. The reader should assume any reference we make to a particular year (for example, 2012) in the notes to these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements applies to our fiscal year and not the calendar year.

The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of the Company and its majority-owned subsidiaries. We eliminate all significant affiliate accounts and transactions upon consolidation.

The Company measures the financial statements of its Mexico subsidiaries as if the U.S. dollar were the functional currency. Accordingly, we remeasure assets and liabilities, other than non-monetary assets, of the Mexico subsidiaries at current exchange rates. We remeasure non-monetary assets using the historical exchange rate in effect on the date of each asset's acquisition. We remeasure income and expenses at average exchange rates in effect during the period. Currency exchange gains or losses are included in the line item *Foreign currency transaction losses (gains)* in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

#### Reclassifications

We have made certain reclassifications to the 2011 Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements with no impact to reported net loss in order to conform to the 2012 presentation.

## Reportable Segment

We operate in one reportable business segment, as a producer and seller of chicken products we either produce or purchase for resale.

## **Revenue Recognition**

We recognize revenue when all of the following circumstances are satisfied: (i) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, (ii) price is fixed or determinable, (iii) collectability is reasonably assured and (iv) delivery has occurred. Delivery occurs in the period in which the customer takes title and assumes the risks and rewards of ownership of the products specified in the customer's purchase order or sales agreement. Revenue is recorded net of estimated incentive offerings including special pricing agreements, promotions and other volume-based incentives. Revisions to these estimates are charged back to net sales in the period in which the facts that give rise to the revision become known.

#### **Book Overdraft**

The majority of the Company's disbursement bank accounts are zero balance accounts where cash needs are funded as checks are presented for payment by the holder. Checks issued pending clearance that result in overdraft balances for accounting purposes are classified as accounts payable and the change in the related balance is reflected in operating activities on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

# 2. EXIT OR DISPOSAL ACTIVITIES

From time to time, the Company will incur costs to implement exit or disposal efforts for specific operations. These exit or disposal plans, each of which is approved by the Company's Board of Directors, focus on various aspects of operations, including closing and consolidating certain processing facilities, rationalizing headcount and aligning operations in the most strategic and cost-efficient structure. Specific exit or disposal efforts that were ongoing during either the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 or the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 included the following:

			A	dministrative		
	Fa	cility Closures <sup>(a)</sup>	I	ntegration <sup>(b)</sup>		Total
		(In thousand	s, exce	pt positions elim	inated	)
Earliest implementation date		October 2008		January 2010		
Latest expected completion date		September 2014		March 2012		
Positions eliminated		2,410		480		2,890
Costs expected to be incurred:						
Employee-related costs	\$	3,170	\$	14,578	\$	17,748
Asset impairment costs		17,902		32,530		50,432
Inventory valuation costs		850		_		850
Other exit or disposal costs		19,433		_		19,433
Total exit or disposal costs	\$	41,355	\$	47,108	\$	88,463
Costs incurred since inception:						
Employee-related costs	\$	3,170	\$	14,578	\$	17,748
Asset impairment costs		17,902		32,530		50,432
Inventory valuation costs		850		_		850
Other exit or disposal costs		7,181		_		7,181
Total exit or disposal costs	\$	29,103	\$	47,108	\$	76,211

	Thirteen Weeks Ended June 24, 2012						Twenty-Six Weeks Ended June 24, 201						
	Fac	cility	Admi	nistrative			1	acility	Adn	ninistrative			
	Clo	Closures		Integration		Total	Closures		Integration			Total	
						(In tho	usand	s)					
Employee-related costs	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	78	\$	_	\$	78	
Asset impairment costs		_		_		_		960		382		1,342	
Other exit or disposal costs		389		_		389		1,932		_		1,932	
Total exit or disposal costs	\$	389	\$		\$	389	\$	2,970	\$	382	\$	3,352	

		Thirteen Weeks Ended June 26, 2011						Twenty-5	ne 26, 2011						
		Facility		Facility Admi		Facility Administrative				Facility		/ Administrati			
	(	Closures	In	tegration		Total	C	Closures	In	tegration		Total			
	_					(In tho	usand	ls)							
Employee-related costs	\$	_	\$	76	\$	76	\$	_	\$	616	\$	616			
Asset impairment costs		1,957		850		2,807		3,723		850		4,573			
Total exit or disposal costs	\$	1,957	\$	926	\$	2,883	\$	3,723	\$	1,466	\$	5,189			

Significant facilities closed included one processing plant in 2008, two processing plants in 2009, two processing plants in the transition period and one processing plant in 2011. The transition period began September 27, 2009 and ended December 27, 2009 and resulted from the Company's change in its fiscal year end from the Saturday nearest September 30 each year to the last Sunday in December of each year.

Company management implemented certain activities to integrate the administrative functions of the Company into those of JBS USA. These included the closures of administrative offices in Georgia and Texas. (a)

Accrued severance costs are included in *Accrued expenses and other current liabilities* and accrued inventory charges are included in *Inventories* on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The following table sets forth activity that was recorded through the Company's accrued exit or disposal cost accounts during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011:

			P	ccrued	
		Accrued	Ir	ventory	
	5	Severance	(	Charges	Total
			(In t	housands)	
Balance at December 25, 2011	\$	90	\$	793	\$ 883
Accruals		_		_	_
Payment /Disposal		(155)		(136)	(291)
Adjustments		78		_	78
Balance at June 24, 2012	\$	13	\$	657	\$ 670
Balance at December 26, 2010	\$	4,150	\$	793	\$ 4,943
Accruals		1,290		_	1,290
Payment /Disposal		(3,864)		_	(3,864)
Adjustments		(674)		_	(674)
Balance at June 26, 2011	\$	902	\$	793	\$ 1,695

Exit or disposal costs were included on the following lines in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations:

		Thirteen Weeks Ended  June 24, 2012 June 26, 2011  (In tho				wenty-Six V	Veeks I	Ended
	Jui	ne 24, 2012	June	e 26, 2011	June	24, 2012	June	e 26, 2011
				(In thou	ısands)			
Cost of sales	\$	_	\$	_	\$	78	\$	_
Operational restructuring charges		_		1,957		_		3,305
Selling, general and administrative expense		_		76		_		616
Administrative restructuring charges		389		850		3,274		1,268
Total exit or disposal costs	\$	389	\$	2,883	\$	3,352	\$	5,189

Certain exit or disposal costs were classified as either *Operational restructuring charges* or *Administrative restructuring charges* on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations because management believed these costs were not directly related to the Company's ongoing operations. Components of operating restructuring charges and administrative restructuring charges are summarized below:

		Thirteen Wo	eeks Er	ıded	T	wenty-Six W	/eeks E	inded
	Jun	e 24, 2012	June 26, 2011		June 24, 2012		June	e 26, 2011
	·			(In tho	usands)			
Operational restructuring charges:								
Asset impairment costs (Note 8. Property, Plant and								
Equipment)	\$	_	\$	1,957	\$	_	\$	3,305
Administrative restructuring charges:								
Asset impairment costs (Note 8. Property, Plant and								
Equipment)	\$	_	\$	850	\$	1,342	\$	1,268
Loss on egg sales and flock depletion expensed as								
incurred		54		_		509		_
Other restructuring costs		335				1,423		
Total administrative restructuring charges	\$	389	\$	850	\$	3,274	\$	1,268

We continue to review and evaluate various restructuring and other alternatives to streamline our operations, improve efficiencies and reduce costs. Such initiatives may include selling assets, consolidating operations and functions, employee relocation and voluntary and involuntary employee separation programs. Any such actions may require us to obtain the pre-approval of our lenders under our U.S. Credit Facility (as defined in Note 10 - Long-term Debt and Other Borrowing Arrangements). In addition, such actions will subject the Company to additional short-term costs, which may include asset impairment charges, lease commitment costs, employee retention and severance costs and other costs. Certain of these activities may have a disproportionate impact on our income relative to the cost savings in a particular period.

#### 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The asset (liability) amounts recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (carrying amounts) and the estimated fair values of financial instruments at June 24, 2012 and December 25, 2011 consisted of the following:

	June	<b>24, 20</b> 1	12		December 25, 2011				
	 Carrying		Fair		Carrying		Fair	Note	
	Amount		Value	Amount			Value	Reference	
			(In the	ousands)					
Short-term investments in available-for-sale									
securities	\$ 156	\$	156	\$	157	\$	157	6	
Commodity derivative assets <sup>(a)</sup> :								7	
Futures	5,123		5,123		2,870		2,870		
Options	2,348		2,348		_		_		
Long-term investments in available-for-sale									
securities	474		474		497		497	6	
Commodity derivative liabilities <sup>(b)</sup> :								7	
Futures	(1,353)		(1,353)		(2,120)		(2,120)		
Options	_		_		(603)		(603)		
Long-term debt and other borrowing									
arrangements <sup>(c)</sup>	(1,230,236)		(1,261,818)		(1,423,612)		(1,421,517)	10	
Note payable to JBS USA	_		_		(50,000)		(50,077)	10, 14	

(a) Commodity derivative assets are included in Prepaid expenses and other current assets on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Commodity derivative liabilities are included in Accrued expenses and other current liabilities on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

The fair values of the Company's long-term debt and other borrowing arrangements were estimated by calculating the net present value of future payments for each debt obligation or borrowing by: (i) using a risk-free rate applicable for an instrument with a life similar to the remaining life of each debt obligation or borrowing plus the current estimated credit risk spread for the Company or (ii) using the quoted market price at June 24, 2012 or December 25, 2011, as applicable.

The carrying amounts of our cash and cash equivalents, derivative trading accounts margin cash, restricted cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and certain other liabilities approximate their fair values due to their relatively short maturities. The Company adjusts its investments, commodity derivative assets and commodity derivative liabilities to fair value based on quoted market prices in active markets for identical instruments, quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments with inputs that are observable for the subject instrument, or unobservable inputs such as discounted cash flow models or valuations.

The Company follows guidance under ASC Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, which establishes a framework for measuring fair value and required enhanced disclosures about fair value measurements. The guidance under ASC Topic 820 clarifies that fair value is an exit price, representing the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. ASC Topic 820 also requires disclosure about how fair value was determined for assets and liabilities and established a hierarchy for which these assets and liabilities must be grouped, based on significant levels of inputs as follows:

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 Quoted prices in active markets for similar assets and liabilities and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability; or
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs, such as discounted cash flow models or valuations.

The determination of where assets and liabilities fall within this hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

As of June 24, 2012, the Company held certain items that are required to be measured at fair value on a recurring basis. These included cash and cash equivalents, derivative assets and liabilities, short-term investments in available-for-sale securities and long-term investments in available-for-sale securities. Cash equivalents consist of short-term, highly liquid, income-producing investments such as money market funds and other funds that have maturities of 90 days or less. Derivative assets and liabilities consist of long and short positions on both exchange-traded commodity futures and commodity options as well as margin cash on account with the Company's derivatives brokers. Short-term investments in available-for-sale securities consist of short-term, highly liquid, income-producing investments such as municipal debt securities that have maturities of greater than 90 days but less than one year. Long-term investments in available-for-sale securities, equity securities and fund-of-funds units that have maturities of greater than one year.

The following items were measured at fair value on a recurring basis at June 24, 2012:

	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3	Total
			(In thousands)			
Short-term investments in available-for-sale securities	\$	_	\$	156	\$ —	\$ 156
Commodity derivative assets:						
Futures		5,123		_	_	5,123
Options		_		2,348	_	2,348
Long-term investments in available-for-sale securities		_		474	_	474
Commodity derivative liabilities:						
Futures		(1,353)		_	_	(1,353)

Financial assets and liabilities classified in Level 1 at June 24, 2012 include cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash and cash equivalents, equity securities and commodity futures derivative instruments traded in active markets. The valuation of these instruments is determined using a market approach, taking into account current interest rates, creditworthiness, and liquidity risks in relation to current market conditions, and is based upon unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets. The valuation of financial assets and liabilities in Level 2 is determined using a market approach based upon quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets or other inputs that are observable for substantially the full term of the financial instrument. Level 2 securities primarily include fixed income securities and commodity option derivative instruments. The valuation of financial assets in Level 3 is determined using an income approach based on unobservable inputs such as discounted cash flow models or valuations.

The following table presents activity for the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively, related to the Company's investment in a fund-of-funds asset that is measured at fair value on a recurring basis using Level 3 inputs:

	Twer	Twenty-Six Weeks En					
	June 24,	2012	June	26, 2011			
		(In thous	ands)				
Balance at beginning of period	\$	59	\$	1,190			
Included in other comprehensive income		_		51			
Sale of securities		(59)		_			
Balance at end of period	\$	_	\$	1,241			

In addition to assets and liabilities that are recorded at fair value on a recurring basis, the Company records certain assets and liabilities at fair value on a nonrecurring basis. Generally, assets are recorded at fair value on a nonrecurring basis as a result of impairment charges when required by U.S. GAAP. Certain long-lived assets held for sale with a carrying amount of \$2.0 million were written down to their fair value of \$0.7 million, resulting in a loss of \$1.3 million recorded in earnings during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012. These assets are classified as Level 2 assets because their fair value can be corroborated based on observable market data.

# 4. TRADE ACCOUNTS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

Trade accounts and other receivables, less allowance for doubtful accounts, consisted of the following:

	J	une 24, 2012	Dece	ember 25, 2011
		(In the	ousands)	
Trade accounts receivable	\$	342,592	\$	337,411
Account receivable from JBS USA, LLC		24,932		21,198
Other receivables		9,630		16,974
Receivables, gross		377,154		375,583
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(4,833)		(5,163)
Receivables, net	\$	372,321	\$	370,420

# 5. INVENTORIES

Inventories consisted of the following:

	Ju	ne 24, 2012	cember 25, 2011	
		(In t	housar	ıds)
Chicken:				
Live chicken and hens	\$	393,500	\$	363,590
Feed, eggs and other		278,543		238,449
Finished chicken products		312,587		273,363
Total chicken inventories		984,630		875,402
Other products:				
Commercial feed, table eggs and other		3,344		3,674
Distribution inventories (other than chicken products)		18		18
Total other products inventories		3,362		3,692
Total inventories	\$	987,992	\$	879,094

# 6. INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES

We recognize investments in available-for-sale securities as cash equivalents, current investments or long-term investments depending upon each security's length to maturity. Additionally, those securities identified by management at the time of purchase for funding operations in less than one year are classified as current. The following table summarizes our investments in available-for-sale securities:

		June 24, 2012				December 25, 2			11	
	_	Amortize	Amortized		Fair		Amortized		Fair	
	_	Cost		Value		Cost		Value		
		(In thousands)								
Cash equivalents:										
Fixed income securities	\$	5 5	50	\$	51	\$	_	\$	_	
Short-term investments:										
Fixed income securities	\$	5 15	51	\$	156	\$	152	\$	157	
Long-term investments:										
Fixed income securities	\$	5 40	00	\$	474	\$	367	\$	438	
Other		-	_		_		59		59	

Maturities for the Company's investments in fixed income securities as of June 24, 2012 were as follows:

	Amo	ount	Percent		
		(In thousands)			
Matures in less than one year	\$	207	30%		
Matures between one and two years		54	8%		
Matures between two and five years		228	34%		
Matures in excess of five years		192	28%		
	\$	681	100%		

The Company and certain retirement plans that it sponsors invest in a variety of financial instruments. Certain postretirement funds in which the Company participates hold significant amounts of mortgage-backed securities. However, none of the mortgages collateralizing these securities are considered subprime.

Certain investments are held in trust as compensating balance arrangements for our insurance liability and are classified as long-term based on a maturity date greater than one year from the balance sheet date and management's intention not to use such assets in the next year.

## 7. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Company utilizes various raw materials in its operations, including corn, soybean meal, soybean oil, sorghum and energy, such as natural gas, electricity and diesel fuel, which are all considered commodities. The Company considers these raw materials generally available from a number of different sources and believes it can obtain them to meet its requirements. These commodities are subject to price fluctuations and related price risk due to factors beyond our control, such as economic and political conditions, supply and demand, weather, governmental regulation and other circumstances. Generally, the Company purchases derivative financial instruments, specifically exchange-traded futures and options, in an attempt to mitigate price risk related to its anticipated consumption of commodity inputs for the next 12 months. The Company may purchase longer-term derivative financial instruments on particular commodities if deemed appropriate. The fair value of derivative assets is included in the line item *Prepaid expenses and other current assets* on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets while the fair value of derivative liabilities is included in the line item *Accrued expenses and other current liabilities* on the same statements. Our counterparties require that we post cash collateral for changes in the net fair value of the derivative contracts.

We have not designated the derivative financial instruments that we have purchased to mitigate commodity purchase exposures as cash flow hedges. Therefore, we recognized changes in the fair value of these derivative financial instruments immediately in earnings. Gains or losses related to these derivative financial instruments are included in the line item *Cost of sales* in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. The Company recognized net gains of \$2.4 million and net losses of \$5.7 million related to changes in the fair value of its derivative financial instruments during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively. We also recognized net losses of \$2.2 million and net gains of \$26.3 million related to changes in the fair value of our derivative financial instruments during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively.

Information regarding the Company's outstanding derivative instruments and cash collateral posted with (owed to) brokers is included in the following table:

	June 24, 20	112 I	December 25, 2011		
	(Fa	ir values in thous	thousands)		
Fair values:					
Commodity derivative assets	\$	7,471 \$	2,870		
Commodity derivative liabilities	(	(1,353)	(2,723)		
Cash collateral posted with (owed to) brokers	(	(1,682)	3,271		
Derivatives Coverage:					
Corn		(a)	(a)		
Soybean meal		1.6%	(a)		
Sorghum		50.6%	n/a		
Period through which stated percent of needs are covered:					
Corn		(a)	(a)		
Soybean meal	May	2013	(a)		
Sorghum	December	2012	n/a		
Written put options outstanding <sup>(b)</sup> :					
Fair value	\$	2,348 \$	(603)		
Number of contracts:					
Corn		_	500		
Sorghum		1,395	_		
Expiration dates	December	2012	March 2012		
Short positions on outstanding futures derivative instruments <sup>(b)</sup> :					
Fair value	\$	2,643 \$	495		
Number of contracts:					
Corn		1,286	2,531		
Soybean meal		119	96		

# 8. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment ("PP&E"), net consisted of the following:

	June 24, 2012	cember 25, 2011			
	 (In thousands)				
Land	\$ 64,030	\$	65,413		
Buildings	1,080,037		1,077,789		
Machinery and equipment	1,492,689		1,492,251		
Autos and trucks	58,248		58,518		
Construction-in-progress	41,495		36,094		
PP&E, gross	2,736,499		2,730,065		
Accumulated depreciation	(1,526,703)		(1,488,313)		
PP&E, net	\$ 1,209,796	\$	1,241,752		

The Company recognized depreciation expense of \$32.3 million and \$48.2 million during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively. We also recognized depreciation expense of \$64.2 million and \$95.1 million during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively.

Derivatives coverage is the percent of anticipated corn and soybean meal needs covered by outstanding derivative instruments through a specified date. As of June 24, 2012, the Company's open short derivative positions for corn exceeded its long derivative positions. The Company will sometimes purchase short derivative instruments to offset negative price exposure on future fixed cash purchases. These positions expire by June 2013. A written put option is an option that the Company has sold that grants the holder the right, but not the obligation, to sell the underlying asset at a certain price for a specified period of time. When the Company takes a short position on a futures derivative instrument, it agrees to sell the underlying asset in the future at a price established on the contract date. The Company writes put options and takes short positions on futures derivative instruments to minimize the impact of feed ingredients price volatility on its operating results.

During the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012, the Company sold certain PP&E for cash of \$9.4 million and \$12.5 million, respectively, and recognized net gains on these sales of \$0.3 million and net losses of \$0.6 million, respectively. PP&E sold in 2012 included a vacant office building in Texas, an idled processing plant in Georgia, idled hatcheries in Alabama and Georgia, an idled distribution center in Louisiana, various broiler and breeder farms in Texas, both developed and undeveloped land in Texas and miscellaneous processing equipment. During the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011, the Company sold certain PP&E for cash of \$0.5 million and \$4.9 million, respectively, and recognized net losses of \$0.8 million and net gains of \$0.3 million, respectively, on these sales. PP&E sold in 2011 included an idled feed mill in Georgia, various broiler and breeder farms in Texas, undeveloped land in Texas and miscellaneous processing equipment.

Management has committed to the sale of certain properties and related assets, including, but not limited to, processing plants, office buildings and farms, which no longer fit into the operating plans of the Company. The Company is actively marketing these properties and related assets for immediate sale and believes a sale of each property can be consummated within the next 12 months. At June 24, 2012 and December 25, 2011, the Company reported properties and related assets totaling \$44.7 million and \$53.8 million, respectively, in *Assets held for sale* on its Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. For the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012, the Company recognized impairment expense of \$1.3 million on certain of these assets. The Company did not recognize any impairment expense for the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012.

On July 17, 2012, the Company reached an agreement to sell its commercial egg operations, which have been classified as held for sale since December 2011, to Cal-Maine Foods, Inc. The Company expects to close the transaction in August 2012.

As part of the exit or disposal activities discussed in "Note 2. Exit or Disposal Activities," the Company closed or idled various processing complexes, processing plants, hatcheries and broiler farms throughout the U.S. Neither the Board of Directors nor JBS USA. has determined if it would be in the best interest of the Company to divest any of these idled assets. Management is therefore not certain that it can or will divest any of these assets within one year, is not actively marketing these assets and, accordingly, has not classified them as assets held for sale. The Company continues to depreciate these assets. At June 24, 2012, the carrying amount of these idled assets was \$61.0 million based on depreciable value of \$151.5 million and accumulated depreciation of \$90.5 million.

The Company last tested the recoverability of its long-lived assets held and used in December 2011. At that time, the Company determined that the carrying amount of its long-lived assets held and used was recoverable over the remaining life of the primary asset in the group and that long-lived assets held and used passed the Step 1 recoverability test under ASC 360-10-35, *Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets*. There were no indicators present during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 that required the Company to test its long-lived assets held and used for recoverability.

# 9. CURRENT LIABILITIES

Current liabilities, other than income taxes and current maturities of long-term debt, consisted of the following components:

	June 24, 2012	December 25, 2011
	(In	thousands)
Accounts payable:		
Trade accounts	\$ 275,958	\$ 294,662
Book overdrafts	65,277	32,958
Other payables	866	1,244
Total accounts payable	342,101	328,864
Accounts payable to JBS USA, LLC	6,746	11,653
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities:		
Compensation and benefits	80,288	72,328
Interest and debt-related fees	9,762	13,809
Insurance and self-insured claims	99,971	102,256
Commodity derivative liabilities:		
Futures	1,353	2,120
Options	_	603
Other accrued expenses	89,215	89,855
Pre-petition obligations	282	826
Total accrued expenses and other current liabilities	280,871	281,797
	\$ 629,718	\$ 622,314

## 10. LONG-TERM DEBT AND OTHER BORROWING ARRANGEMENTS

 $Long-term\ debt\ and\ other\ borrowing\ arrangements\ consisted\ of\ the\ following\ components:$ 

	Maturity	Ju			ember 25, 2011
			(In the	ousands)	
Senior notes, at 7 $^{7}/_{8}$ %, net of unaccreted discount	2018	\$	497,073	\$	496,846
U.S. Credit Facility Term B-1 note payable at 4.75%	2014		275,443		275,443
U.S. Credit Facility Term B-2 note payable at 9.00%	2014		291,396		299,145
U.S. Credit Facility with one revolving note payable on which the					
Company had funds borrowed at 4.22% and 6.25%	2014		161,500		347,300
Mexico Credit Facility with notes payable at TIIE Rate plus 2.25% or					
Equilibrium Interbank Interest Rate plus 4.5%	2014		_		_
JBS USA Subordinated Loan Agreement with one term note payable at					
9.845%	2015		_		50,000
Other	Various		4,824		4,878
Long-term debt			1,230,236		1,473,612
Less: Current maturities of long-term debt			(15,617)		(15,611)
Long-term debt, less current maturities		\$	1,214,619	\$	1,458,001

# **Senior and Subordinated Notes**

At June 24, 2012, the Company had an aggregate principal balance of \$500.0 million of  $7^{7}/_{8}\%$  Senior Notes due 2018 (the "2018 Notes") outstanding that are registered under the Securities Act of 1933. The 2018 Notes are unsecured obligations of the Company and are guaranteed by one of the Company's subsidiaries. Interest is payable on December 15 and June 15 of each year, commencing on June 15, 2011. Additionally, the Company had an aggregate principal balance of \$3.9 million of  $7^{5}/_{8}\%$  senior unsecured notes, 8  $3^{7}/_{8}\%$  senior subordinated unsecured notes and 9  $1^{7}/_{8}\%$  senior unsecured notes outstanding at June 24, 2012.

On June 23, 2011, the Company entered into a Subordinated Loan Agreement with JBS USA (the "Subordinated Loan Agreement"), which provided an aggregate commitment of \$100.0 million. On June 23, 2011, JBS USA made a term loan to the Company in the principal amount of \$50.0 million. Pursuant to the terms of the Subordinated Loan Agreement, the Company has also agreed to reimburse JBS USA up to \$56.5 million for potential draws upon letters of credit issued on JBS USA's account that support certain obligations of the Company or its subsidiaries. On December 16, 2011, the Company and JBS USA executed an amendment to the Subordinated Loan Agreement that, among other things, provided that if the Company consummated a stock rights offering (the "Rights Offering") that allowed stockholders of record as of January 17, 2012 to purchase an aggregate 44,444,444 shares of the Company's common stock on or before March 24, 2012, the loan commitment under the Subordinated Loan Agreement would be terminated. The Company consummated the Rights Offering on February 29, 2012. Further, under the U.S. Credit Facility (as defined below), following the consummation of the Rights Offering, (i) the Company, at its option, was permitted to prepay the outstanding \$50.0 million term loan under the Subordinated Loan Agreement and (ii) the existing commitment of JBS USA to make an additional \$50.0 million term loan to the Company under the Subordinated Loan Agreement would be terminated. On March 7, 2012, the Company repaid the outstanding \$50.0 million term loan under the Subordinated Loan Agreement, plus accrued interest, with proceeds received from the Rights Offering and the remaining commitment to make loans under the Subordinated Loan Agreement was terminated.

JBS USA agreed to arrange for letters of credit to be issued on its account in the amount of \$56.5 million to an insurance company serving the Company in order to allow that insurance company to return cash it held as collateral against potential workers compensation, auto and general liability claims. In return for providing this letter of credit, the Company reimburses JBS USA for the letter of credit costs the Company would otherwise incur under its U.S. Credit Facility. In the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012, the Company reimbursed JBS USA \$1.4 million for letter of credit costs incurred from November 2011 through May 2012. As of June 24, 2012, the Company has accrued an obligation of \$0.2 million to reimburse JBS USA for letter of credit costs incurred on its behalf.

### **U.S. Credit Facility**

Pilgrim's and certain of its subsidiaries have entered into a credit agreement (the "U.S. Credit Facility") with CoBank ACB, as administrative agent and collateral agent, and other lenders party thereto, which currently provides a \$700.0 million revolving credit facility and a Term B facility. The U.S. Credit Facility also includes an accordion feature that allows us, at any time, to increase the aggregate revolving loan commitment by up to an additional \$100.0 million and to increase the aggregate Term B loans commitment by up to an additional \$400.0 million, in each case subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including obtaining the lenders' agreement to participate in the increase and an aggregate cap on all commitments under the U.S. Credit Facility of \$1.85 billion. On April 22, 2011, we increased the amount of the sub-limit for swingline loans under the U.S. Credit Facility to \$100.0 million. The revolving loan commitment and the Term B loans will mature on December 28, 2014.

On December 28, 2009, the Company paid loan costs totaling \$50.0 million related to the U.S. Credit Facility that it recognized as an asset on its balance sheet. The Company amortizes these capitalized costs to interest expense over the life of the U.S. Credit Facility.

Subsequent to the end of each fiscal year, a portion of our cash flow must be used to repay outstanding principal amounts under the Term B loans. In April 2011, the Company paid approximately \$46.3 million of its excess cash flow toward the outstanding principal under the Term B loans. After giving effect to this prepayment and other prepayments of the Term B loans, the Term B loans must be repaid in 16 quarterly installments of approximately \$3.9 million beginning on April 15, 2011, with the final installment due on December 28, 2014. The Company did not have excess cash flow from 2011 to be applied toward the outstanding principal under the Term B loans. The U.S. Credit Facility also requires us to use the proceeds we receive from certain asset sales and specified debt or equity issuances and upon the occurrence of other events to repay outstanding borrowings under the U.S. Credit Facility. The cash proceeds received by the Company from the Rights Offering were not subject to this requirement. On June 24, 2012, a principal amount of \$566.8 million under the Term B loans commitment was outstanding.

Actual borrowings by the Company under the revolving credit commitment component of the U.S. Credit Facility are subject to a borrowing base, which is a formula based on certain eligible inventory, eligible receivables and restricted cash under the control of CoBank ACB. As of June 24, 2012, the applicable borrowing base was \$676.9 million, the amount available for borrowing under the revolving loan commitment was \$476.2 million and outstanding borrowings and letters of credit under the revolving loan commitment were \$161.5 million and \$39.2 million, respectively.

The U.S. Credit Facility contains financial covenants and various other covenants that may adversely affect our ability to, among other things, incur additional indebtedness, incur liens, pay dividends or make certain restricted payments, consummate certain assets sales, enter into certain transactions with JBS USA and our other affiliates, merge, consolidate and/or sell or dispose of all or substantially all of our assets. On June 23, 2011 and December 16, 2011, the Company entered into amendments to the U.S. Credit Facility, which, among other things, (i) temporarily suspended the requirement for the Company to comply with the fixed charge coverage ratio and senior secured leverage ratio financial covenants until the quarter ended December 30, 2012, (ii) modified the fixed charge coverage ratio financial covenant so that when the requirement to comply with this covenant resumes in the quarter ended December 30, 2012, the Company can calculate the fixed charge coverage ratio based upon a specified number of fiscal quarters selected by the Company, (iii) reduced the minimum allowable consolidated tangible net worth to the sum of \$450 million plus 50% of the cumulative net income (excluding any losses) of the Company from December 16, 2011 through such date of calculation and (iv) increased the maximum allowable senior secured leverage ratio, determined for any period of four consecutive fiscal quarters ending on the last day of each fiscal quarter, to be no greater than 4.00:1.00 for periods calculated from September 24, 2012 and thereafter. The Company is currently in compliance with the modified consolidated tangible net worth covenant. The Company also expects to be in compliance with the modified fixed charge coverage ratio and senior secured leverage ratio financial covenants when the requirement to comply with this covenant resumes in the quarter ended December 30, 2012.

All obligations under the U.S. Credit Facility are unconditionally guaranteed by certain of the Company's subsidiaries and are secured by a first priority lien on (i) the accounts receivable and inventories of the Company and its non-Mexico subsidiaries, (ii) 65% of the equity interests in the Company's direct foreign subsidiaries and 100% of the equity interests in the Company's other subsidiaries and (iii) substantially all of the personal property and intangibles of the borrowers and guarantors under the U.S. Credit Facility and (iv) substantially all of the real estate and fixed assets of the Company and the guarantor subsidiaries under the U.S. Credit Facility.

# **Mexico Credit Facility**

On October 19, 2011, Avícola Pilgrim's Pride de México, S.A. de C.V., Pilgrim's Pride S. de R.L. de C.V. and certain Mexican subsidiaries entered into an amended and restated credit agreement (the "Mexico Credit Facility") with ING Bank (México), S.A. Institución de Banca Múltiple, ING Grupo Financiero, as lender and ING Capital LLC, as administrative agent. The Mexico Credit Facility has a final maturity date of September 25, 2014. The Mexico Credit Facility is secured by substantially all of the assets of the Company's Mexico subsidiaries. As of June 24, 2012, the U.S. dollar-equivalent of the loan commitment under the Mexico Credit Facility was \$40.2 million. There were no outstanding borrowings under the Mexico Credit Facility at June 24, 2012.

#### 11. INCOME TAXES

The Company recorded an income tax benefit of \$1.7 million, a (1.6)% effective tax rate, for the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012, compared to an income tax benefit of \$6.4 million, a 2.5% effective tax rate, for the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 was primarily the result of a decrease in reserves for unrecognized tax benefits and a decrease in valuation allowance as a result of earnings in the current period, offset by the tax expense recorded on the Company's year-to-date income.

In assessing the realizability of deferred tax assets, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which those temporary differences become deductible. Management considers the scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities (including the impact of available carry back and carry forward periods), projected future taxable income and tax-planning strategies in making this assessment. As of June 24, 2012, the Company does not believe it has sufficient positive evidence to conclude that realization of its federal, state and foreign net deferred tax assets is more likely than not to be realized.

For the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, there is no tax effect reflected in other comprehensive loss because the Company has a valuation allowance.

With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to U.S. federal, state or local income tax examinations for years prior to 2003 and is no longer subject to Mexico income tax examinations for years prior to 2006. The Company continues to be under examination for Gold Kist and its subsidiaries for the tax years ended June 30, 2004 through December 27, 2006. The Company is currently working with the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") through the normal processes and procedures that are available to all taxpayers outside of bankruptcy to resolve the IRS' proofs of claim. There has been no significant change in the resolution of the IRS' claim since December 25, 2011. See "Note 15. Commitments and Contingencies" for additional information.

#### 12. PENSION AND OTHER POSTRETIREMENT BENEFITS

The Company sponsors programs that provide retirement benefits to most of its employees. These programs include qualified defined benefit pension plans, nonqualified defined benefit retirement plans, a defined benefit postretirement life insurance plan, defined contribution retirement savings plans and deferred compensation plans. Under all of our retirement plans, the Company's expenses were \$2.4 million and \$3.0 million in the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively, and \$4.6 million and \$5.3 million in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively.

The following table provides the components of net periodic benefit cost for the defined benefit plans mentioned above:

			inded	Twenty-Six Weeks Ended													
	_	June 24, 2012				June 26, 2011				June 24, 2012				June 26, 201			
	_	Pension Benefits		Pension Other			Pension Other		Other		Pension	Pension O		Pension		Other	
				Benefits		Benefits		nefits	Benefits		Benefits		Benefits		Benefits		
	_							(In tho	usand	ls)							
Service cost	\$	13	\$	_	\$	47	\$	_	\$	25	\$	_	\$	99	\$	_	
Interest cost		2,028		23		2,211		30		4,057		47		4,676		64	
Estimated return on plan assets		(1,436)		_		(1,665)		_		(2,871)		_		(3,521)		_	
Amortization of prior service cost		_		_		1		_		_		_		2		_	
Amortization of net loss (gain)		416		(1)		26		_		831		(1)		54			
Net periodic benefit cost	\$	1,021	\$	22	\$	620	\$	30	\$	2,042	\$	46	\$	1,310	\$	64	

During the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012, the Company contributed \$2.8 million and \$4.4 million to its defined benefit plans, respectively.

Beginning in the current year, the Company began remeasuring both plan assets and obligations on a quarterly basis.

## 13. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

### **Rights Offering**

In January 2012, Pilgrim's commenced the Rights Offering for stockholders of record as of January 17, 2012 (the "Record Date"). The basic subscription privilege gave stockholders the option to purchase 0.2072 shares of Pilgrim's common stock, rounded up to the next largest whole number, at a subscription price of \$4.50 per share for each share of Pilgrim's common stock they owned as of the Record Date. The multiplier was determined by dividing the 44,444,444 shares being offered in the Rights Offering by the total number of shares owned by all stockholders on the Record Date. Those stockholders that exercised their basic subscription privilege in full also received an over-subscription privilege that afforded them the opportunity to purchase additional shares at the subscription price of \$4.50 per share from a pool of the shares left over had all stockholders not elected to exercise their basic subscription privileges in full. JBS USA committed to participate in the Rights Offering and exercise its basic and over-subscription privileges in full. The last day a stockholder could exercise either their basic subscription rights or their over-subscription rights was February 29, 2012. On March 7, 2012, the Company issued 44,444,444 shares of common stock to stockholders that exercised their basic subscription privileges and over-subscription privileges under the Rights Offering. Gross proceeds received under the Rights Offering totaled \$200.0 million. The Company incurred costs directly attributable to the Rights Offering of \$1.7 million that it deferred and charged against the proceeds of the Rights Offering in Additional Paid-in Capital on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. The Company used the net proceeds of \$198.3 million for additional working capital to improve its capital position and for general corporate purposes. Pilgrim's also used a portion of the net proceeds to repay the outstanding principal amount of \$50.0 million, plus accrued interest, of its subordinated debt owed to JBS USA and to repay

The Rights Offering contained a subscription price that was less than the fair value of the Company's common stock on the last day the rights could be exercised. This price discount is considered a bonus element similar to a stock dividend. Because of this bonus element, the Company adjusted both the weighted average basic and diluted shares outstanding as reported in the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on April 29, 2011 by multiplying those weighted average shares by an adjustment factor that represented the \$6.40 fair value of a share of the Company's common stock immediately prior to the exercise of the basic and over-subscription privileges under the Rights Offering divided by the \$6.07 theoretical ex-rights fair value of a share of the Company's common stock immediately prior to the exercise of the basic and over-subscription privileges under the Rights Offering. Weighted average basic and diluted shares outstanding and net loss per weighted average basic and diluted share for the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 as originally reported and as adjusted for this bonus element were as follows:

	As Origi	nally Reported	Ρ	As Adjusted	Effec	t of Change
		(In thousan	ıds, exc	cept per share d	ata)	
Thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011:						
Weighted average basic shares outstanding		214,282		224,996		10,714
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding		214,282		224,996		10,714
Net loss per weighted average basic share	\$	(0.60)	\$	(0.57)	\$	0.03
Net loss per weighted average diluted share	\$	(0.60)	\$	(0.57)	\$	0.03
Twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011:						
Weighted average basic shares outstanding		214,282		224,996		10,714
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding		214,282		224,996		10,714
Net loss per weighted average basic share	\$	(1.16)	\$	(1.11)	\$	0.05
Net loss per weighted average diluted share	\$	(1.16)	\$	(1.11)	\$	0.05

#### **Share-Based Compensation**

The Company granted 200,000 restricted shares of its common stock to William W. Lovette, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, effective January 14, 2011 in connection with the employment agreement with Mr. Lovette. Restrictions on fifty percent of these shares will lapse on January 3, 2013 and restrictions on the remaining shares will lapse on January 3, 2014, subject to Mr. Lovette's continued employment with the Company through the applicable vesting date. The \$1.4 million fair value of the shares as of the grant date was determined by multiplying the number of shares granted by the closing market price of the Company's common stock on the grant date. Assuming no forfeiture of shares, the Company will recognize share-based compensation expense of \$0.7 million ratably from January 14, 2011 to January 3, 2013. The Company will also recognize share-based compensation expense of \$0.7 million ratably from January 3, 2014. The Company recognized share-based compensation expense totaling \$0.2 million during both the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011 and share-based compensation expense totaling \$0.3 million during both the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011.

#### **Anti-dilutive Common Stock Equivalents**

Due to the net loss incurred in the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011, the Company did not include 8,157 and 11,591 common stock equivalents, respectively, in the calculations of the denominators used for net loss per weighted average diluted common share outstanding as these common stock equivalents would be anti-dilutive.

# **Restrictions on Retained Earnings**

The U.S. Credit Facility prohibits us from paying dividends on the common stock of the Company. Further, the indenture governing the 2018 Notes restricts, but does not prohibit, the Company from declaring dividends.

## 14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Pilgrim's has been and, in some cases, continues to be a party to certain transactions with affiliated persons and our current and former directors and executive officers. Company management has analyzed the terms of all contracts executed with related parties and believes that they are substantially similar to, and contain terms no less favorable to us than, those obtainable from unaffiliated parties.

On December 28, 2009, JBS USA became the holder of the majority of the common stock of the Company. Until March 26, 2012, Lonnie A. "Bo" Pilgrim and certain entities related to Mr. Pilgrim collectively owned the second-largest block of our common stock. On March 12, 2012, Mr. Pilgrim (the "Founder Director") resigned as a director of Pilgrim's. On March 26, 2012, Mr. Pilgrim and certain entities related to Mr. Pilgrim sold 18,924,438 shares of our common stock to JBS USA. This transaction increased JBS USA's beneficial ownership to 75.3% of the total outstanding shares of our common stock.

Transactions with JBS USA, a JBS USA subsidiary and the former Founder Director recognized in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations are summarized below:

	Thirtee	n Weeks Ended	Twenty-Six V	Veeks Ended
	June 24,	June 26,	June 24,	June 26,
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	(In	thousands)	(In tho	isands)
JBS USA:				
Subordinated loan interest <sup>(a)</sup>	\$ -	- \$ —	\$ 971	\$
Letter of credit fees <sup>(b)</sup>	59	2 —	1,184	_
JBS USA, LLC:				
Purchases from JBS USA, LLC <sup>(c)</sup>	16,98	2 37,981	31,711	78,027
Expenditures paid by JBS USA, LLC on behalf of Pilgrim's Pride				
Corporation <sup>(d)</sup>	14,40	0 6,281	29,725	14,150
Sales to JBS USA, LLC <sup>(c)</sup>	61,22	5 17,989	119,367	41,723
Expenditures paid by Pilgrim's Pride Corporation on behalf of JBS				
USA, LLC <sup>(d)</sup>	1,43	2 479	2,556	650
Former Founder Director:				
Consulting fee paid to former Founder Director <sup>(e)</sup>	-	- 374	374	748
Board fees paid to former Founder Director <sup>(e)</sup>	-	- 39	45	76
Contract grower compensation paid to former Founder Director <sup>(f)</sup>	_	- 369	297	669
Sales to former Founder Director	-	- 4	1	5

- (a) On June 23, 2011, we executed a subordinated loan agreement with JBS USA that provided an aggregate loan commitment of \$100.0 million and immediately borrowed \$50.0 million under the resulting facility at an interest rate of 9.845% per annum. On March 7, 2012, we repaid the outstanding \$50.0 million loan, along with \$3.5 million accrued interest, and terminated the loan commitment under the agreement.
- (b) Beginning on October 26, 2011, JBS USA arranged for letters of credit to be issued on its account in the amount of \$56.5 million to an insurance company on our behalf in order to allow that insurance company to return cash it held as collateral against potential liability claims. We agreed to reimburse JBS USA up to \$56.5 million for potential draws upon these letters of credit. We reimburse JBS USA for the letter of credit costs we would have otherwise incurred under our credit facilities. During 2012, we have paid JBS USA \$1.4 million for letter of credit costs. At June 24, 2012, the outstanding payable to JBS USA for letter of credit costs was \$0.2 million.
- (c) We routinely execute transactions to both purchase products from JBS USA, LLC and sell products to them. As of June 24, 2012 and December 25, 2011, the outstanding payable to JBS USA, LLC was \$6.7 million and \$11.7 million, respectively. As of June 24, 2012 and December 25, 2011, the outstanding receivable from JBS USA, LLC was \$24.9 million and \$12.2 million, respectively. As of June 24, 2012, approximately \$1.9 million of goods from JBS USA, LLC were in transit and not reflected on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.
- (d) On January 19, 2010, we executed an agreement with JBS USA, LLC in order to allocate costs associated with the procurement of SAP licenses and maintenance services by JBS USA, LLC for the combined companies. Under this agreement, the fees associated with procuring SAP licenses and maintenance services are allocated between us and JBS USA, LLC in proportion to the percentage of licenses used by each company. The agreement expires on the date of expiration, or earlier termination, of each underlying SAP license agreement. During 2012, we have paid JBS USA \$0.6 million for the procurement of such licenses and services. On May 5, 2010, we executed an agreement with JBS USA, LLC in order to allocate the costs of supporting the business operations through one consolidated corporate team. Expenditures paid by JBS USA, LLC are reimbursed by JBS USA, LLC. This agreement expires on May 5, 2015. During 2012, we have paid JBS USA, LLC \$14.4 million for net expenditures paid by JBS USA, LLC on ur behalf. At June 24, 2012, the outstanding net payable to JBS USA resulting from affiliate trade, procurement of SAP licenses and maintenance services by JBS USA million.
- (e) On December 28, 2009, we executed a consulting agreement with the former Founder Director. The terms of the agreement on that date included, among other things, that the former Founder Director (i) will provide services to us that are comparable in the aggregate with the services provided by him to us prior to December 28, 2009, (ii) will be appointed to our Board of Directors and, during the term of the agreement, will be nominated for subsequent terms on the Board, (iii) will be compensated for services rendered to at a rate of \$1.5 million per annum for a term of five years, (iv) will be subject to customary non-solicitation and non-competition provisions and (v) will be, along with his spouse, provided with medical benefits (or will be compensated for medical coverage) that are comparable in the aggregate to the medical benefits afforded to our employees. As a result of his resignation as Founder Director, we are no longer required to nominate the Former Director to serve subsequent terms on the Board. During 2012, we have paid \$0.4 million to the former Founder Director under this agreement.
- We have executed various grower contracts with the former Founder Director that provide for the placement of our flocks on farms owned by the former Founder Director during the grow-out phase of production. These contracts include terms that are substantially identical to those included in contracts executed by us with unaffiliated parties. The former Founder Director can terminate the contracts upon completion of the grow-out phase for each flock. We can terminate the contracts within a specified period of time pursuant to regulations by the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. During 2012, we have paid \$0.3 million to the former Founder Director under these contracts.

On March 2, 2011, the Company agreed to purchase the home of Bill Lovette, our Chief Executive Officer, in Arkansas on reasonable and customary commercial terms and at a purchase price not to exceed approximately \$2.1 million. Consequently, Mr. Lovette transferred all of the rights and the Company assumed all obligations relative to the property for a purchase price of \$2.1 million. His home has not yet been resold. The Company will be responsible for commissions and closing costs on the resale of the home.

The Company executed a brand license agreement on June 19, 2012 under which it has granted to JBS Aves Ltda. a license to use the Company's name, trademark and various other intellectual property and materials in connection with certain of their poultry products. The license fee will be calculated based on metric tons of poultry product sold by JBS Aves Ltda. bearing the Company's name and trademark. The Company did not recognize any income under the license agreement during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012.

## 15. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

We are a party to many routine contracts in which we provide general indemnities in the normal course of business to third parties for various risks. Among other considerations, we have not recorded a liability for any of these indemnities as based upon the likelihood of payment, the fair value of such indemnities would not have a material impact on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

The Company is subject to various legal proceedings and claims which arise in the ordinary course of business. In the Company's opinion, it has made appropriate and adequate accruals for claims where necessary; however, the ultimate liability for these matters is uncertain, and if significantly different than the amounts accrued, the ultimate outcome could have a material effect on the financial condition or results of operations of the Company. For a discussion of the material legal proceedings and claims, see Part II, Item 1. "Legal Proceedings." Below is a summary of some of these material proceedings and claims. The Company believes it has substantial defenses to the claims made and intends to vigorously defend these cases.

On December 1, 2008, Pilgrim's and six of its subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions for relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division. The cases were jointly administered under Case No. 08-45664. The Company emerged from Chapter 11 on December 28, 2009. The Company is the named defendant in several pre-petition lawsuits that, as of June 24, 2012, have not been resolved. Among the claims presently pending are claims brought against certain current and former directors, executive officers and employees of the Company, the Pilgrim's Pride Administrative Committee and the Pilgrim's Pride Pension Committee seeking unspecified damages under section 502 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), 29 U.S.C. § 1132. These claims were brought by individual participants in the Pilgrim's Pride Retirement Savings Plan, individually and on behalf of a putative class, alleging that the defendants breached fiduciary duties to plan participants and beneficiaries or otherwise violated ERISA. Although the Company is not a named defendant in these claims, our bylaws require us to indemnify our current and former directors and officers from any liabilities and expenses incurred by them in connection with actions they took in good faith while serving as an officer or director. In these actions the plaintiffs assert claims in excess of \$35.0 million. The likelihood of an unfavorable outcome or the amount or range of any possible loss to the Company cannot be determined at this time.

Other claims presently pending against the Company are claims seeking unspecified damages brought by current or former contract chicken growers who allege, along with other assertions, that the Company breached grower contracts and made false representations to induce the plaintiffs into building chicken farms and entering into chicken growing agreements with the Company. In the case styled Shelia Adams, et al. v. Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, on September 30, 2011, the trial court issued its findings of fact and conclusions of law stating that the Company violated section 192(e) of the Packers and Stockyards Act of 1921 by purportedly attempting to manipulate the price of chicken by idling the El Dorado, Arkansas complex and rejecting the El Dorado growers' contracts. The trial court awarded damages in the amount of \$25.8 million. Afterward, the Company filed post-judgment motions attacking the trial court's findings of fact and conclusions of law, which, on December 28, 2011, were granted in part and resulted in a reduction of the damages award from \$25.8 million to \$25.6 million. On January 19, 2012, the Company appealed the findings of fact and conclusions of law and decision concerning the post-judgment motions to the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. The Company intends to vigorously pursue its appellate rights and defend against the underlying judgment. While the outstanding judgment is reasonably possible, the Company has recorded an estimated probable loss that is less than the outstanding judgment. The remaining growers' claims are now scheduled to be tried in the summer and fall of 2012. The Company intends to vigorously defend against these claims. Although the likelihood of financial loss related to the remaining growers' individual claims, and a new judge who will preside over the remaining bench trials. There can be no assurances that other similar claims may not be brought against the Company.

The IRS has filed an amended proof of claim in the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to which the IRS asserts claims that total \$74.7 million. We have filed in the Bankruptcy Court (i) an objection to the IRS' amended proof of claim, and (ii) a motion requesting the Bankruptcy Court to determine our U.S. federal tax liability pursuant to Sections 105 and 505 of the Bankruptcy Code. The objection and motion assert that the Company has no liability for the additional U.S. federal taxes that have been asserted for pre-petition periods by the IRS. The IRS has responded in opposition to our objection and motion. On July 8, 2010, the Bankruptcy Court granted our unopposed motion requesting that the Bankruptcy Court abstain from determining our federal tax liability. As a result, we intend to work with the IRS through the normal processes and procedures that are available to all taxpayers outside of bankruptcy (including the United States Tax Court ("Tax Court") proceedings discussed below) to resolve the IRS' amended proof of claim.

In connection with the amended proof of claim, on May 26, 2010, we filed a petition in Tax Court in response to a Notice of Deficiency that was issued to the Company as the successor in interest to Gold Kist. The Notice of Deficiency and the Tax Court proceeding relate to a loss that Gold Kist claimed for its tax year ended June 30, 2004. The matter is currently in litigation before the Tax Court.

On August 10, 2010, we filed two petitions in Tax Court. The first petition relates to three Notices of Deficiency that were issued to us with respect to our 2003, 2005 and 2007 tax years. The second petition relates to a Notice of Deficiency that was issued to us with respect to Gold Kist's tax year ended June 30, 2005 and its short tax year ended September 30, 2005. Both cases are currently in litigation before the Tax Court.

We express no opinion as to the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome or the amount or range of any possible loss to us related to the above Tax Court cases. If adversely determined, the outcome could have a material effect on the Company's operating results and financial position.

The Notices of Deficiency and the Tax Court proceedings discussed above cover the same tax years and the same amounts that were asserted by the IRS in its \$74.7 million amended proof of claim that was filed in the Bankruptcy Court.

Among the other claims that were pending against the Company were two identical claims seeking unspecified damages, each brought by a stockholder, individually and on behalf of a putative class, alleging violations of certain antifraud provisions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The court consolidated these cases into one matter. The parties reached an agreement to settle this matter for \$1.5 million, which the court approved on May 2, 2012. The case has been dismissed with prejudice in accordance with the terms of the settlement agreement.

## 16. SUPPLEMENTAL GUARANTOR FINANCIAL INFORMATION

On December 15, 2010, the Company closed on the sale of \$500.0 million of 7 %% Senior Notes due 2018 (the "2018 Notes"). The 2018 Notes are unsecured obligations of the Company and are fully and unconditionally guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by Pilgrim's Pride Corporation of West Virginia, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Guarantor"). In accordance with Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, the following condensed consolidating financial statements present the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Company (referred to as "Parent" for the purpose of this note only) on a Parent-only basis, the Guarantor on a Guarantor-only basis, the combined non-Guarantor subsidiaries and elimination entries necessary to arrive at the information for the Parent, the Guarantor and non-Guarantor subsidiaries on a consolidated basis. Investments in subsidiaries are accounted for by the Company using the equity method for this presentation.

The tables below present the condensed consolidating balance sheets as of June 24, 2012 and December 25, 2011, as well as the condensed consolidating statements of operations and cash flows for the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011 based on the guarantor structure.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEETS June 24, 2012

				bsidiary		bsidiary		iminations/		
		Parent	Gı	ıarantor	Non-Guarantors		A	djustments	Co	nsolidation
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	24.988	\$	_	(II	24,239	\$	_	\$	49,227
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	φ	24,500	Ф		J	4,666	φ		Ф	4,666
Investment in available-for-sale securities						156				156
Trade accounts and other receivables, less allowance for						150				130
doubtful accounts		292,044		15,285		40,060		_		347,389
Account receivable from JBS USA, LLC		24,932						_		24,932
Inventories		869,863		22,767		95,362		_		987,992
Income taxes receivable		59,722		_		6,781		(1,008)		65,495
Current deferred tax assets				4,003		1,492		(5,495)		_
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		21,478		188		21,729		_		43,395
Assets held for sale		28,778		_		15,935		_		44,713
Total current assets		1,321,805		42,243		210,420		(6,503)		1,567,965
Investment in available-for-sale securities		_		_		474				474
Intercompany receivable		33,609		32,218		_		(65,827)		_
Investment in subsidiaries		339,489		_		_		(339,489)		_
Deferred tax assets		75,392		_		7		(4,300)		71,099
Other long-lived assets		48,351		_		180,492		(180,000)		48,843
Identified intangible assets, net		29,423		_		11,807		_		41,230
Property, plant and equipment, net		1,063,036		47,112		103,536		(3,888)		1,209,796
Total assets	\$	2,911,105	\$	121,573	\$	506,736	\$	(600,007)	\$	2,939,407
Accounts payable	\$	294,107	\$	12,276	\$	35,718	\$	_	\$	342,101
Account payable to JBS USA, LLC		6,746		_		_		_		6,746
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		221,578		19,864		39,426		3		280,871
Income taxes payable		_		_		1,008		(1,008)		_
Current deferred tax liabilities		83,809		_		933		(5,495)		79,247
Current maturities of long-term debt		15,617		_		_		_		15,617
Total current liabilities		621,857		32,140		77,085		(6,500)		724,582
Long-term debt, less current maturities		1,239,619		_		_		(25,000)		1,214,619
Intercompany payable		_		_		65,830		(65,830)		_
Deferred tax liabilities		_		4,003		297		(4,300)		_
Other long-term liabilities		297,264				3,205		(155,000)		145,469
Total liabilities	_	2,158,740		36,143		146,417		(256,630)		2,084,670
Total Pilgrim's Pride Corporation stockholders'										
equity		752,365		85,430		357,281		(343,377)		851,699
Noncontrolling interest		_		_		3,038		_		3,038
Total stockholders' equity		752,365		85,430		360,319		(343,377)		854,737
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	2,911,105	\$	121,573	\$	506,736	\$	(600,007)	\$	2,939,407
							_		_	

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEETS December 25, 2011

			Subsidiary	Subsidiary	Eliminations/		
	Parent		Guarantor	Non-Guarantors	Adjustments	Cons	solidation
		<b>=</b> 00	<b>.</b>	(In thousands)	•	•	11 500
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,	733	\$ 30	\$ 27,846	\$ —	\$	41,609
Restricted cash and cash equivalents				7,680			7,680
Investment in available-for-sale securities		_	_	157	_		157
Trade accounts and other receivables, less allowance for							
doubtful accounts	302,		1,575	44,838			349,222
Account receivable from JBS USA, LLC	21,		_	_	_		21,198
Inventories	766,		21,144	91,723			879,094
Income taxes receivable	62,	160	_	528	(3,621)		59,067
Current deferred tax assets		_	4,003	1,478	(5,481)		_
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	· ·	877	87	16,386	_		52,350
Assets held for sale	37,	754		16,062			53,816
Total current assets	1,239,	758	26,839	206,698	(9,102)		1,464,193
Investment in available-for-sale securities				497			497
Intercompany receivable	50,	064	33,978	_	(84,042)		_
Investment in subsidiaries	304,	395	_		(304,395)		
Deferred tax assets	75,	392	_	7	(4,300)		71,099
Other long-lived assets	57,	460	_	180,461	(180,000)		57,921
Identified intangible assets, net	31,	384	_	12,699	_		44,083
Property, plant and equipment, net	1,090,	376	49,336	105,928	(3,888)		1,241,752
Total assets	\$ 2,848,	829	\$ 110,153	\$ 506,290	\$ (585,727)	\$	2,879,545
Accounts payable	\$ 270,	538	\$ 13,033	\$ 45,293	\$ —	\$	328,864
Account payable to JBS USA, LLC	11,	653	_	_	_		11,653
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	226,	016	17,193	38,588	_		281,797
Income taxes payable		_	_	3,621	(3,621)		_
Current deferred tax liabilities	83,	795	_	934	(5,481)		79,248
Current maturities of long-term debt	15,	611	_	_	_		15,611
Total current liabilities	607,	613	30,226	88,436	(9,102)		717,173
Long-term debt, less current maturities	1,433,	001	_	_	(25,000)		1,408,001
Note payable to JBS USA Holdings, Inc.	50,	000	_	_	_		50,000
Intercompany payable		_	_	84,042	(84,042)		_
Deferred tax liabilities		_	4,003	297	(4,300)		_
Other long-term liabilities	289,	697	_	11,675	(155,431)		145,941
Total liabilities	2,380,	311	34,229	184,450	(277,875)		2,321,115
Total Pilgrim's Pride Corporation stockholders'							
equity	468,	518	75,924	319,022	(307,852)		555,612
Noncontrolling interest		_	_	2,818	_		2,818
Total stockholders' equity	468,	518	75,924	321,840	(307,852)		558,430
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,848,	829	\$ 110,153	\$ 506,290	\$ (585,727)	\$	2,879,545
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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS Thirteen Weeks Ended June 24, 2012

	Parent	Subsidiary Guarantor		Subsidiary Non-Guarantors				Co	onsolidation
					thousands)				
Net sales	1,743,061	\$	71,854	\$	227,555	\$	(68,001)	\$	1,974,469
Cost of sales	 1,626,219		65,539		206,623		(68,001)		1,830,380
Gross profit	116,842		6,315		20,932		_		144,089
Selling, general and administrative expense	39,336				5,103				44,439
Administrative restructuring charges	 389				_		_		389
Operating income	77,117		6,315		15,829		_		99,261
Interest expense, net	24,694		_		231		_		24,925
Interest income	(7)		_		(349)		_		(356)
Foreign currency transaction losses	25		_		8,187		_		8,212
Miscellaneous, net	(363)		(2)		129		(79)		(315)
Income before income taxes	52,768		6,317		7,631		79		66,795
Income tax expense (benefit)	(2,410)		2,385		(2,333)		_		(2,358)
Income before equity in earnings of consolidated							,		
subsidiaries	55,178		3,932		9,964		79		69,153
Equity in earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	14,105		_		_		(14,105)		_
Net income (loss)	69,283		3,932		9,964		(14,026)		69,153
Less: Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	_		_		(205)		_		(205)
Net income (loss) attributable to Pilgrim's Pride									
Corporation	\$ 69,283	\$	3,932	\$	10,169	\$	(14,026)	\$	69,358
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 57,838	\$	3,932	\$	9,964	\$	(14,026)	\$	57,708
Comprehensive loss attributable to									
noncontrolling interests	_				(205)		_		(205)
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to									
Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	\$ 57,838		3,932	\$	10,169	\$	(14,026)	\$	57,913

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS Thirteen Weeks Ended June 26, 2011

	Paren		Subsidiary Guarantor		Subsidiary n-Guarantors	iminations/ ljustments	C	onsolidation
				(In	thousands)			
Net sales	\$ 1,547,20	7 \$	119,650	\$	321,531	\$ (65,698)	\$	1,922,690
Cost of sales	1,582,08	4	106,940		343,635	(65,698)		1,966,961
Operational restructuring charges	1,95	7	_		_	_		1,957
Gross profit (loss)	(36,83	4)	12,710		(22,104)	 		(46,228)
Selling, general and administrative expense	43,66	3	_		7,965	_		51,628
Administrative restructuring charges	85	0	_		_	_		850
Operating income (loss)	(81,34	7)	12,710		(30,069)	_		(98,706)
Interest expense, net	27,31	2	_		114	_		27,426
Interest income	(5	3)	_		(225)	_		(278)
Foreign currency transaction losses	2	8	_		16	_		44
Miscellaneous, net	26,57	9	1,225		(29,150)	(90)		(1,436)
Income (loss) before income taxes	(135,21	3)	11,485		(824)	 90		(124,462)
Income tax expense (benefit)	(1,22	2)	4,336		356	_		3,470
Income (loss) before equity in earnings of						 		
consolidated subsidiaries	(133,99	1)	7,149		(1,180)	90		(127,932)
Equity in earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	5,76	4	_			(5,764)		_
Net income (loss)	(128,22	7)	7,149		(1,180)	(5,674)		(127,932)
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling								
interests			_		209	 		209
Net income (loss) attributable to Pilgrim's Pride			<u> </u>					
Corporation	\$ (128,22	7) \$	7,149	\$	4,998	\$ (5,674)	\$	(128,141)
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (128,44	3) \$	7,149	\$	(1,180)	\$ (5,674)	\$	(128,148)
Comprehensive income attributable to								
noncontrolling interests	-	_	_		209	_		209
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to								
Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	\$ (128,44	3) \$	7,149	\$	(1,389)	\$ (5,674)	\$	(128,357)

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS Twenty-Six Weeks Ended June 24, 2012

			S	Subsidiary Subsidiary		El	iminations/			
	_	Parent	C	Guarantor	Non	-Guarantors	A	djustments	Co	nsolidation
					(In	thousands)				
Net sales	\$	3,382,624	\$	148,340	\$	460,844	\$	(128,566)	\$	3,863,242
Cost of sales		3,193,571		133,082		411,001		(128,566)		3,609,088
Gross profit		189,053		15,258		49,843		_		254,154
Selling, general and administrative expense		79,554		_		10,141		_		89,695
Administrative restructuring charges	_	3,269				5				3,274
Operating income		106,230		15,258		39,697		_		161,185
Interest expense, net		52,770		_		400		_		53,170
Interest income		(16)		_		(614)		_		(630)
Foreign currency transaction losses		48		_		2,236		_		2,284
Miscellaneous, net		(481)		(11)		(400)		207		(685)
Income (loss) before income taxes		53,909		15,269		38,075		(207)		107,046
Income tax expense (benefit)		(7,087)		5,764		(382)		_		(1,705)
Income (loss) before equity in earnings of	_									
consolidated subsidiaries		60,996		9,505		38,457		(207)		108,751
Equity in earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	_	47,745		_		_		(47,745)		_
Net income (loss)		108,741		9,505		38,457		(47,952)		108,751
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling										
interest		_		_		220		_		220
Net income (loss) attributable to Pilgrim's Pride	_									
Corporation	\$	108,741	\$	9,505	\$	38,237	\$	(47,952)	\$	108,531
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	97,716	\$	9,505	\$	38,457	\$	(47,952)	\$	97,726
Comprehensive income attributable to										
noncontrolling interests		_		_		220		_		220
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to	_									
Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	<u>\$</u>	97,716		9,505	\$	38,237	\$	(47,952)	\$	97,726

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS Twenty-Six Weeks Ended June 26, 2011

		Su	ıbsidiary		Subsidiary	]	Eliminations/		
	 Parent	G	uarantor	No	n-Guarantors		Adjustments	C	onsolidation
					(In thousands)				
Net sales	\$ 3,089,877	\$	229,660	\$	645,154	\$	(149,525)	\$	3,815,166
Cost of sales	3,170,191		209,011		681,522		(149,525)		3,911,199
Operational restructuring charges	3,305						_		3,305
Gross profit (loss)	(83,619)		20,649		(36,368)		_		(99,338)
Selling, general and administrative expense	88,824		_		16,052		_		104,876
Administrative restructuring charges	1,268								1,268
Operating income (loss)	(173,711)		20,649		(52,420)		_		(205,482)
Interest expense, net	54,499		_		434		_		54,933
Interest income	(354)		_		(634)		_		(988)
Foreign currency transaction gains	(173)		_		(2,518)		_		(2,691)
Miscellaneous, net	51,757		2,352		(57,048)		432		(2,507)
Income (loss) before income taxes	 (279,440)		18,297		7,346		(432)		(254,229)
Income tax expense (benefit)	(15,972)		6,907		2,663		_		(6,402)
Income (loss) before equity in earnings of									
consolidated subsidiaries	(263,468)		11,390		4,683		(432)		(247,827)
Equity in earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	15,000		_		_		(15,000)		_
Net income (loss)	 (278,468)		11,390		4,683		14,568		(247,827)
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling									
interest	_		_		1,074		_		1,074
Net income (loss) attributable to Pilgrim's Pride									
Corporation	\$ (278,468)	\$	11,390	\$	3,609	\$	14,568	\$	(248,901)
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (279,199)	\$	11,390	\$	4,683	\$	14,568	\$	(248,558)
Comprehensive income attributable to									
noncontrolling interests			_		1,074				1,074
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to									
Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	\$ (279,199)	_	11,390	\$	3,609	\$	14,568	\$	(249,632)

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS Twenty-Six Weeks Ended June 24, 2012

		Subsidiary		Subsidiary		sidiary Elimin			
	Parent	Gu	arantor	Non-Guarantors		Ad	ljustments	Co	nsolidation
					(In thousands)				
Cash provided by operating activities	\$ 77,717	\$	620	\$	1,761	\$	224	\$	80,322
Cash flows from investing activities:									
Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment	(32,535)		(642)		(4,384)		_		(37,561)
Purchases of investment securities	(73)		_		(89)		_		(162)
Proceeds from sale or maturity of investment securities	58		_		_		_		58
Proceeds from property sales and disposals	11,640		_		821		_		12,461
Cash used in investing activities	(20,910)		(642)		(3,652)				(25,204)
Cash flows from financing activities:									
Payments on note payable to JBS USA Holdings, Inc.	(50,000)		_		_		_		(50,000)
Proceeds from long-term debt	391,300		_		_		_		391,300
Payments on long-term debt	(584,904)		_		_		_		(584,904)
Proceeds from sale of common stock	198,282		_		_		_		198,282
Other financing activities	_		_		224		(224)		_
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(45,322)		_		224		(224)		(45,322)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	_		_		(2,178)		_		(2,178)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	11,485		(22)		(3,845)		_		7,618
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	13,733		30		27,846		_		41,609
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 25,218	\$	8	\$	24,001	\$	_	\$	49,227

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS Twenty-Six Weeks Ended June 26, 2011

			Subsidiary Subsidiary		, , ,		•		Eliminations/		
	Parent	G	Guarantor	Non-Guarantors		Adjus	Adjustments		nsolidation		
					(In thousands)						
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ (194,57	5) \$	7,740	\$	44,485	\$	2,178	\$	(140,172)		
Cash flows from investing activities:											
Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment	(91,02	0)	(7,746)		(4,386)		_		(103,152)		
Purchases of investment securities	-	_	_		(3,383)		_		(3,383)		
Proceeds from sale or maturity of investment securities	-	_	_		2,634		_		2,634		
Proceeds from property sales and disposals	3,79	9	6		1,072		_		4,877		
Cash used in investing activities	(87,22	1)	(7,740)		(4,063)		_		(99,024)		
Cash flows from financing activities:											
Proceeds from long-term debt	580,28	9	_		_		_		580,289		
Payments on long-term debt	(455,93	1)	_		_		_		(455,931)		
Proceeds from note payable to JBS Holdings, Inc.	50,00	0	_		_		_		50,000		
Purchase of remaining interest in subsidiary	10	6	_		_		(2,610)		(2,504)		
Payment of capitalized loan costs	(4,39	5)	_		_		_		(4,395)		
Other financing activities	_	_	_		(538)		432		(106)		
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	170,06	9	_	,	(538)		(2,178)		167,353		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	-	_	_		330		_		330		
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(111,72	7)			40,214		_		(71,513)		
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	67,68	5			38,392		_		106,077		
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ (44,04	2) \$	_	\$	78,606	\$	_	\$	34,564		

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

### **Description of the Company**

Pilgrim's Pride Corporation (referred to herein as "Pilgrim's," "PPC," "the Company," "we," "us," "our," or similar terms) is the second-largest chicken company in the world, with operations in the United States ("U.S."), Mexico and Puerto Rico. Pilgrim's products are sold to foodservice, retail and frozen entrée customers. The Company's primary distribution is through retailers, foodservice distributors and restaurants throughout the United States and Puerto Rico and in the northern and central regions of Mexico. Additionally, the Company exports chicken products to approximately 105 countries. Pilgrim's fresh chicken products consist of refrigerated whole chickens, whole cut-up chickens and selected chicken parts that are either marinated or non-marinated. The Company's prepared chicken products include fully cooked, ready-to-cook and individually frozen chicken parts, strips, nuggets and patties, some of which are either breaded or non-breaded and either marinated or non-marinated. As a vertically integrated company, we control every phase of the production of our products. We operate feed mills, hatcheries, processing plants and distribution centers in 12 U.S. states, Puerto Rico and Mexico. Pilgrim's has approximately 38,000 employees and has the capacity to process more than 36 million birds per week for a total of more than 9.5 billion pounds of live chicken annually. Approximately 3,900 contract growers supply poultry for the Company's operations. As of June 24, 2012, JBS USA Holdings, Inc. ("JBS USA"), a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of Brazil-based JBS S.A., owned 75.3% of the Company's outstanding common stock.

Pilgrim's operates on a 52/53-week fiscal year that ends on the Sunday falling on or before December 31. The reader should assume any reference we make to a particular year (for example, 2012) in this report applies to our fiscal year and not the calendar year.

#### **Executive Summary**

We reported net income attributable to Pilgrim's Pride Corporation of \$69.4 million, or \$0.27 per diluted common share, for the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 compared to a net loss attributable to Pilgrim's Pride Corporation of \$128.1 million, or \$0.57 per diluted common share, for the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011. These operating results included gross profit of \$144.1 million and gross losses of \$46.2 million for the respective periods. For the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011 we recognized operational restructuring charges of \$2.0 million. For the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012, we did not recognize operational restructuring charges. For the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, we recognized administrative restructuring charges of \$0.4 million and \$0.9 million, respectively.

We reported net income attributable to Pilgrim's Pride Corporation of \$108.5 million, or \$0.45 per diluted common share, for the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 compared to a net loss attributable to Pilgrim's Pride Corporation of \$248.9 million, or \$1.11 per diluted common share, for the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011. These operating results included gross profit of \$254.2 million and gross losses of \$99.3 million for the respective periods. For the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 we recognized operational restructuring charges of \$3.3 million. For the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012, we did not recognize operational restructuring charges. For the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, we recognized administrative restructuring charges of \$3.3 million, respectively.

During the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012, \$80.3 million of cash was provided by operations and during the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011, \$140.2 million of cash was used in operations. At June 24, 2012, we had cash and cash equivalents totaling \$49.2 million.

Market prices for corn remained volatile during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012, ranging from \$5.51 per bushel to \$6.77 per bushel. Market prices for soybean meal increased during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 to a high of \$437.50 per ton. Between the date of this report and July 23, 2012, market prices for corn and soybean meal reached highs of \$8.64 per bushel and \$565.00 per ton, respectively. We believe these market highs resulted primarily from uncertainty as to future crop yields given current drought conditions in most of the grain-growing regions in the U.S. There can be no assurance that our feed ingredient prices will not continue to increase materially and that such increases would not negatively impact our financial position, results of operations and cash flow. The following table compares the highest and lowest prices reached on nearby futures for one bushel of corn and one ton of soybean meal during the current year and previous three years:

		Co	orn			Soybea	n Mea	al
	High	est Price	Lowest Price		Highest Price			west Price
2012:								
Second Quarter	\$	6.77	\$	5.51	\$	437.50	\$	374.30
First Quarter		6.79		5.93		374.50		299.00
2011:								
Fourth Quarter		6.66		5.72		332.20		273.50
Third Quarter		7.65		6.17		382.20		325.80
Second Quarter		7.99		6.40		378.50		338.00
First Quarter		7.35		5.95		391.00		340.00
2010		6.15		3.25		364.90		249.60
2009 <sup>(a)</sup>		4.50		3.00		433.40		264.80

(a) For the fifty-two weeks ended December 27, 2009.

We purchase derivative financial instruments, specifically exchange-traded futures and options, in an attempt to mitigate price risk related to our anticipated consumption of commodity inputs such as corn, soybean meal, sorghum and natural gas. We do not designate derivative financial instruments that we purchase to mitigate commodity purchase exposures as cash flow hedges; therefore, we recognize changes in the fair value of these derivative financial instruments immediately in earnings. The Company recognized net gains of \$2.4 million and net losses of \$5.7 million related to changes in the fair value of its derivative financial instruments during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively. The Company recognized net losses of \$2.2 million and net gains of \$26.3 million related to changes in the fair value of its derivative financial instruments during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively.

Market prices for chicken products are currently at levels sufficient to offset the higher costs of feed ingredients. There can be no assurance that chicken prices will not decrease due to such factors as competition from other proteins and substitutions by consumers of non-protein foods because of uncertainty surrounding the general economy and unemployment.

From time to time, we incur costs to implement exit or disposal efforts for specific operations. These exit or disposal plans focus on various aspects of operations, including closing and consolidating certain processing facilities, rationalizing headcount and aligning operations in the most strategic and cost-efficient structure. During the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012, we recognized total costs of \$0.4 million, which included facility closure costs of \$0.4 million. During the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011, we recognized total costs of \$2.9 million, which included asset impairment costs of \$2.8 million and employee-related costs of \$0.1 million, related to exit or disposal efforts. During the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012, we recognized total costs of \$3.4 million, which included facility closure costs of \$1.9 million, asset impairment costs of \$1.4 million and employee-related costs of \$0.1 million, related to exit or disposal efforts. During the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011, we recognized total costs of \$5.2 million, which included asset impairment costs of \$4.6 million and employee-related costs of \$0.6 million, related to exit or disposal efforts. We expect to incur additional costs related to ongoing exit or disposal efforts totaling \$12.3 million.

We continue to review and evaluate various restructuring and other alternatives to streamline our operations, improve efficiencies and reduce costs. Such initiatives may include selling assets, consolidating operations and functions, employee relocation and voluntary and involuntary employee separation programs. Any such actions may require us to obtain the pre-approval of the lenders under our secured revolving credit and term loan agreement with CoBank ACB, as administrative agent and collateral agent, and certain other lenders party thereto (the "U.S. Credit Facility"). In addition, such actions will subject us to additional short-term costs, which may include asset impairment charges, lease commitment costs, employee retention and severance costs and other costs. Certain of these activities may have a disproportionate impact on our income relative to the cost savings.

On November 18, 2011, we sold certain real property, inventory, equipment, accounts receivable and other assets related to our distribution business to JBS USA, LLC and JBS Trading International, Inc. On December 2, 2011, we sold certain real property, inventory, livestock, equipment, accounts receivable and other assets related to our pork business to Swift Pork Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of JBS USA, LLC. Our distribution business generated net income of \$1.7 million on net sales of \$174.8 million during the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011. Our pork business incurred a net loss of \$1.0 million on net sales of \$15.4 million during the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011.

On July 17, 2012, the Company reached an agreement to sell its commercial egg operations, which have been classified as held for sale since December 2011, to Cal-Maine Foods, Inc. The Company expects to close the transaction in August 2012.

In January 2012, Pilgrim's commenced a stock rights offering (the "Rights Offering") for stockholders of record as of January 17, 2012 (the "Record Date"). The basic subscription privilege gave stockholders the option to purchase 0.2072 shares of Pilgrim's common stock, rounded up to the next largest whole number, at a subscription price of \$4.50 per share for each share of Pilgrim's common stock they owned as of the Record Date. The multiplier was determined by dividing the 44,444,444 shares being offered in the Rights Offering by the total number of shares owned by all stockholders on the Record Date. Those stockholders that exercised their basic subscription privilege in full also received an over-subscription privilege that afforded them the opportunity to purchase additional shares at the subscription price of \$4.50 per share from a pool of the shares left over had all stockholders not elected to exercise their basic subscription privileges in full. JBS USA committed to participate in the Rights Offering and exercise its basic and over-subscription privileges in full. The last day a stockholder could exercise either their basic subscription rights or their over-subscription rights was February 29, 2012. On March 7, 2012, the Company issued 44,444,444 shares of common stock to stockholders that exercised their basic subscription privileges and over-subscription privileges under the Rights Offering. Gross proceeds received under the Rights Offering totaled \$200.0 million. The Company incurred costs directly attributable to the Rights Offering of \$1.7 million that it deferred and charged against the proceeds of the Rights Offering in Additional Paid-in Capital on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. The Company used the net proceeds of \$198.3 million for additional working capital to improve its capital position and for general corporate purposes. Pilgrim's also used a portion of the net proceeds to repay the outstanding principal amount of \$50.0 million, plus accrued interest, of its subordinated debt o

Trade authorities in Mexico, the top international market for U.S. chicken in recent years, are currently investigating U.S. producers over dumping complaints lodged by certain Mexican chicken processors. These Mexican chicken processors allege U.S. producers sold chicken legs and thighs on the Mexican market below their cost of production in 2010. We cannot predict the outcome of this investigation.

#### **Business Segment and Geographic Reporting**

We operate in one reportable business segment, as a producer and seller of chicken products we either produce or purchase for resale in the U.S., Puerto Rico and Mexico. We conduct separate operations in the U.S., Puerto Rico and Mexico; however, for geographic reporting purposes, we include Puerto Rico with our U.S. operations. Corporate expenses are allocated to Mexico based upon various apportionment methods for specific expenditures incurred related thereto with the remaining amounts allocated to the U.S.

## **Results of Operations**

Thirteen Weeks Ended June 24, 2012 Compared to Thirteen Weeks Ended June 26, 2011

*Net sales*. Net sales generated in the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 increased \$51.8 million, or 2.7%, from net sales generated in the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011. The following table provides net sales information:

		Thirteen		Change f	irom		
	•	Weeks Ended Thirteen We			ks Ended		
		June 24, June 26, 2011					
Sources of net sales		2012		Amount	Percent		
		(In thousands, except percent data)					
United States	\$	1,776,740	\$	51,905	3.0% (a)		
Mexico		197,729		(126)	(0.1)% (b)		
Total net sales	\$	1,974,469	\$	51,779	2.7%		

- (a) U.S. net sales generated in the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 increased \$51.9 million, or 3.0%, from U.S. net sales generated in the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011 primarily because of the increased net revenue per pound sold. Increased net revenue per pound sold, which resulted primarily from an increase in market prices, contributed \$96.7 million, or 5.7 percentage points, to the revenue increase. A decrease in pounds sold, which resulted in part from the fourth quarter 2011 disposals of our distribution and pork businesses partially offset the impact of net revenue per pound by \$46.8 million, or 2.7 percentage points. The disposed distribution and pork businesses generated net sales of \$93.4 million during the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011 were net sales to JBS USA, LLC totaling \$61.2 million and \$18.0 million, respectively.
- (b) Mexico net sales generated in the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 decreased \$0.1 million, or 0.1%, from Mexico net sales generated in the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011. A decrease in sales price primarily due to the movement in the exchange rate between the Mexican peso and the U.S. dollar contributed \$24.9 million, or 13.7 percentage points, to the revenue decrease. An increase in unit sales volume, which resulted primarily from higher customer demand, partially offset the decrease in sales price by \$24.7 million, or 13.6 percentage points. Other factors affecting the increase in Mexico net sales were immaterial.

Gross profit (loss). Gross profit (loss) increased by \$190.3 million, or 411.7%, from a loss of \$46.2 million generated in the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011 to a profit of \$144.1 million incurred in the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012. The following tables provide information regarding gross profit and cost of sales information:

	Thirteen Weeks Ended			Change	from		Percent of Net Sales Thirteen Weeks Ended		
				Thirteen We	eks Ended				
	June 24,			June 26	, 2011		June 24,	June 26,	
Components of gross profit		2012		Amount	Percent		2012	2011	
				In thousands	except perc	ata			
Net sales	\$	1,974,469	\$	51,779	2.7		100.0%	100.0%	
Cost of sales		1,830,380		(136,581)	(6.9	_	92.7%	102.3% (a)(b)	
Operational restructuring charges				(1,957)		NA	%	0.1% (c)	
Gross profit	\$	144,089	\$	190,317	(411.7	')%	7.3%	(2.4)%	
			Т	Thirteen		Change	from		
							Thirteen Weeks Ended		
				J	une 24,	_	June 26	, 2011	
Sources of gross profit					2012		Amount	Percent	
					(In tho	usan	ds, except percent	data)	
United States				\$	125,855	\$	180,159	331.8% (a)	
Mexico					18,234		10,158	125.8% (b)	
Total gross profit				\$	144,089	\$	190,317	411.7%	
			Thirteen				Change from Thirteen Weeks Ended		
			Weeks Ended						
					e 24,	_	June 26,		
Sources of cost of sales					)12		Amount	Percent	
							s, except percent data)		
United States					550,885	\$	(126,297)	(7.1)% (a)	
Mexico					179,495		(10,284)	(5.4)% (b)	
Total cost of sales				\$ 1,8	330,380	\$	(136,581)	(6.9)%	
					Thirteen		Change from		
			1	Weeks Ended		Thirteen Weeks Ended			
					June 24,		June 26, 2011		
Sources of operational restructuring charges					2012		Amount	Percent	
				(In th	nousands, except percent data)				
United States				\$	_	-	\$ (1,957)	NA (c)	
Mexico				_	_			NA	
Total cost of sales				\$	_	_	\$ (1,957)	NA	

Cost of sales incurred by the U.S. operations during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 decreased \$126.3 million, or 7.1%, from cost of sales incurred by the U.S. operations during the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011 primarily because of the fourth quarter 2011 disposals of our distribution and pork businesses, the October 2011 closing of our Dallas facility and decreased depreciation. Our distribution and pork businesses recognized aggregate cost of sales for the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011 of \$72.5 million. The elimination of these costs contributed 4.1 percentage points to the decrease in cost of sales. The closing of our Dallas plant contributed \$21.5 million, or 1.2 percentage points, to the decrease in cost of sales. Other factors affecting cost of sales were immaterial.

Cost of sales incurred by the Mexico operations during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 decreased \$10.3 million, or 5.4%, from cost of sales incurred by the Mexico operations during the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011. Foreign currency translation contributed \$28.8 million, or 15.2 percentage points, to the decrease in cost of sales and overhead costs contributed \$5.0 million, or 2.6 percentage points, to the decrease in cost of sales. Increased sales volume and feed costs partially offset the decrease by \$10.2 million and \$13.3 million, respectively.

During the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011, we incurred noncash impairment charges of \$2.0 million that were recognized as operational restructuring charges.

Operating income (loss). Operating income (loss) changed by \$198.0 million, or 200.6%, from a loss of \$98.7 million generated in the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011 to income of \$99.3 million generated in the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012. The following tables provide information regarding operating income, SG&A expense and administrative restructuring charges:

				Change	e fro	m		Percent of Net Sales				
				Thirteen Wo	en Weeks Ended ne 26, 2011			Thirteen Weeks Ended				
	June 24, Jun		June 26	June 24,				June 26,				
Components of operating income	2012		Amount	Percent			2012	2011				
			(In thousands, except percent data)									
Gross profit	\$	144,089	\$	190,317		411.7%		7.3%	(2.4)%			
SG&A expense		44,439		(7,189)		(13.9)%		2.3%	2.7% (a)(b)			
Administrative restructuring charges	_	389		(461)	_	(54.2)%	_	<u>—%</u>	—% (c)			
Operating income	\$	99,261	\$	197,967	-	200.6%	_	5.0%	(5.1)%			
					Thirteen Weeks Ended			Change from Thirteen Weeks Ended				
				,								
					June 24,		June 26, 2011					
Sources of operating income					- 2	2012		Amount	Percent			
						•		ands, except percent data)				
United States						84,999	\$	186,444	183.8%			
Mexico						14,262		11,523	420.7%			
Total operating income					\$	99,261	\$	197,967	200.6%			
					Thirteen		Change from					
					Weeks Ended		Thirteen Weeks Ended					
					J	lune 24,	_	June 26,	2011			
Sources of SG&A expense						2012		Amount Percent				
					•		ands, except percent data)					
United States					\$	40,467	\$	(5,824)	(12.6)% (a)			
Mexico					_	3,972	_	(1,365)	(25.6)% (b)			
Total SG&A expense					\$	44,439	\$	(7,189)	(13.9)%			
						Thirteen	Change from					
					Weeks Ended			Thirteen Weeks Ended				
					June 24,			June 26, 2011				
Sources of administrative restructuring charges						2012	-	Amount	Percent			
					(In thousa			ands, except percent data)				
United States					\$	389	9	(461)	(54.2)% (c)			
Mexico						_	_		NA			
Total administrative restructuring charges					\$	389	Ş	(461)	(54.2)%			

SG&A expense incurred by the U.S. operations during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 decreased \$5.8 million, or 12.6%, from SG&A expense incurred by the U.S. operations during the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011 primarily because of (i) a \$3.2 million decrease from the same period in the prior year in professional fees and outside services, (ii) a \$2.2 million decrease from the same period in the prior year in salaries and wages, (iii) a decrease of \$0.7 million from the same period in the prior year in brokerage expenses and (iv) a decrease of \$1.0 million from the same period in the prior year in insurance expenses. Other factors affecting SG&A expense were immaterial.

were immaterial. SG&A expense incurred by the Mexico operations during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 decreased \$1.4 million, or 25.6%, from SG&A expense incurred by the Mexico operations during the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011. Decreased expenses related to freight and storage accounted for \$1.4 million of the decrease in SG&A expense. Other factors affecting SG&A expense were immaterial.

Administrative restructuring charges incurred during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 decreased \$0.5 million from administrative restructuring charges incurred during the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011. During the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012, we incurred administrative restructuring charges composed of (i) a \$0.1 million loss on egg sales and flock depletion and (ii) charges related to other restructuring activities totaling \$0.3 million. During the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011, we incurred noncash impairment charges of \$0.9 million that were recognized as administrative restructuring charges.

Net interest expense. Net interest expense decreased 9.5% to \$24.6 million recognized in the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 from \$27.1 million recognized in the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011. This resulted primarily from a \$3.1 million decrease on long term debt interest expense due to lower average borrowings. This decrease was partially offset by an increase of \$0.6 million in costs associated with the letters of credit JBS USA has arranged on its account and a higher weighted average interest rate compared to the same period in the prior year. Average borrowings decreased from \$1.48 billion in the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011 to \$1.21 billion in the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012. The weighted average interest rate recognized increased from 6.63% in the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011 to 7.03% in the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012.

*Income taxes.* The Company recognized an income tax benefit of \$2.4 million for the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012, compared to an income tax expense of \$3.5 million for the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011. The income tax benefit reported for the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 was primarily the result of a decrease in reserves for unrecognized tax benefits and a decrease in valuation allowance as a result of earnings in the current period, offset by the tax expense recorded on the Company's year-to-date income. The income tax expense reported for the thirteen weeks ended June 26, 2011 was primarily the result of adjusting the tax benefit recorded on the Company's year-to-date loss that was expected to be realized, over the tax benefit recorded during the thirteen weeks ended March 27, 2011 calculated on the Company's projected full-year loss.

*Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests.* For the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, we recognized a net loss of \$0.2 million and net income of \$0.2 million attributable to noncontrolling interests in certain of our consolidated subsidiaries, respectively.

Twenty-Six Weeks Ended June 24, 2012 Compared to Twenty-Six Weeks Ended June 26, 2011

*Net sales*. Net sales generated in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 increased \$48.1 million, or 1.3%, from net sales generated in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011. The following table provides net sales information:

	Twenty-5	oix	Change from		
	Weeks En	ded Twent	Twenty-Six Weeks Ended		
	June 24	,	June 26, 2011		
Sources of net sales		Amou	unt Percent		
	(In the	(In thousands, except percent data)			
United States	\$ 3,461,3	344 \$ 26,3	230 0.8% (a)		
Mexico	401,8	398 21,	846 5.7% (b)		
Total net sales	\$ 3,863,2	242 \$ 48,0	076 1.3%		

- (a) U.S. net sales generated in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 increased \$26.2 million, or 0.8%, from U.S. net sales generated in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 primarily because of an increase in the net revenue per pound sold partially offset by a decrease in pounds sold. Increased net revenue per pound sold, which resulted primarily from an increase in market prices, contributed \$202.4 million, or 5.9 percentage points, to the revenue increase. The decrease in pounds sold, which resulted in part from the fourth quarter 2011 disposals of our distribution and pork businesses, partially offset the increase in revenue per pound sold by \$176.2 million, or 5.1 percentage points. The disposed distribution and pork businesses generated net sales of \$190.1 million during the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011. Included in U.S. net sales generated during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011 were net sales to JBS USA, LLC totaling \$119.4 million, respectively.
- (b) Mexico net sales generated in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 increased \$21.8 million, or 5.7%, from Mexico net sales generated in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011. An increase in unit sales volume, which resulted primarily from higher customer demand, contributed \$31.9 million, or 8.4 percentage points, to the revenue increase. A decrease in sales price, primarily because of the movement in the exchange rate between the Mexican peso and the U.S. dollar, partially offset the increase in unit sales volume by \$10.1 million, or 2.7 percentage points. Other factors affecting the increase in Mexico net sales were immaterial.

Gross profit (loss). Gross profit (loss) increased by \$353.5 million, or 355.8%, from a loss of \$99.3 million generated in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 to a profit of \$254.2 million incurred in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012. The following tables provide information regarding gross profit and cost of sales information:

		Twenty-Six Weeks Ended		Change	from		t Sales			
	,			Twenty-Six W	eeks Ended	eks Ended Twenty-Six Weeks End				
Components of gross profit		June 24,		June 26	, 2011		June 24,	June 26,		
		2012		Amount	Percent		2012	2011		
				In thousands	s, except percent	data				
Net sales	\$	3,863,242	\$	48,076	1.3%		100.0%	100.0%		
Cost of sales		3,609,088		(302,111)	(7.7)%		93.4%	102.5% (a)(b)		
Operational restructuring charges				(3,305)	NA		<u>%</u>	0.1% (c)		
Gross profit	<u>\$</u>	254,154	\$	353,492	(355.8)%	-	6.6%	(2.6)%		
					Twenty-Six		Change	from		
					Weeks Ended	ed Twenty-Six Weeks I		eks Ended		
					June 24,	_	June 26,	2011		
Sources of gross profit					2012		Amount	Percent		
					(In thou	ısand	s, except percent			
United States					\$ 210,190	\$	326,289	281.0% (a)		
Mexico					43,964		27,203	162.3% (b)		
Total gross profit					\$ 254,154	\$	353,492	355.8%		
					Twenty-Six		Change f	rom		
				V	Veeks Ended		eks Ended			
					June 24,		2011			
Sources of cost of sales					2012	Amount		Percent		
					(In thousa	ands,	except percent d	ata)		
United States				\$	3,251,154	\$	(296,754)	(8.4)% (a)		
Mexico					357,934		(5,357)	(1.5)% (b)		
Total cost of sales				\$	3,609,088	\$	(302,111)	(7.7)%		
					Twenty-Six		Chang	e from		
		Weeks Ende		d	Veeks Ended					
					June 24,		June 20	i, 2011		
Sources of operational restructuring charges					2012		Amount	Percent		
					(In the	ousan	ds, except percer	s, except percent data)		
United States					\$ -	- 1	\$ (3,305)	NA (c)		
Mexico						_		NA		
Total cost of sales					\$ -	_	\$ (3,305)	NA		

Cost of sales incurred by the U.S. operations during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 decreased \$296.8 million, or 8.4%, from cost of sales incurred by the U.S. operations during the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 primarily because of our first quarter 2011 focused inventory reduction efforts, the fourth quarter 2011 disposals of our distribution and pork businesses, the October 2011 closure of our Dallas facility and decreased depreciation. Our focused inventory reduction efforts during the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 contributed \$120.5 million, or 3.4 percentage points, of the decrease in cost of sales. Our distribution and pork businesses recognized aggregate cost of sales for the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 of \$170.7 million. The elimination of these costs contributed \$4.9 million, or 1.4 percentage points, to the decrease in cost of sales. Lower depreciation costs contributed \$30.2 million, or 0.7 percentage points, to the decrease in cost of sales. Lower depreciation costs contributed \$30.2 million, or 0.7 percentage points, to the decrease in feed ingredients and packaging costs partially offset the impact of the factors listed above on the cost of sales comparison by \$59.4 million, or 1.7 percentage points. Other factors affecting cost of sales were immaterial.

Cost of sales incurred by the Mexico operations during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 decreased \$5.4 million, or 1.5%, from cost of sales incurred by the Mexico operations during the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011, roreign currency translation contributed \$41.7 million, or 11.5 percentage points, to the decrease in cost of sales and overhead costs contributed \$7.5 million, or 2.0 percentage points, to the decrease in cost of sales and overhead costs contributed \$7.5 million, or 2.0 percentage points, to the decrease in cost of sales and overhead costs contributed \$7.5 million, or 2.0 percentage points, to the decrease in cost of sales and overhead costs contributed \$7.5 million, or 2.0 percentage p

Operating income (loss). Operating income (loss) changed by \$366.7 million, or 178.4%, from a loss of \$205.5 million generated in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 to income of \$161.2 million generated in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012. The following tables provide information regarding operating income, SG&A expense and administrative restructuring charges:

	Twenty-Six Chang		nange from			Percent of Net Sales				
	Weeks Ended Twenty-Six		Six Weeks Ended		Twenty-Six Weeks End		eks Ended			
		June 24, Ju		June 26, 201		6, 2011		une 24,	June 26,	
Components of operating income	2012 Amou		Amount		Percent		2012	2011		
				`	ands, except percent o			data)		
Gross profit	\$	254,154	\$	353,492		355.8%		6.6%	(2.6)%	
SG&A expense		89,695		(15,181)		(14.5)%		2.3%	2.8% (a)(b)	
Administrative restructuring charges		3,274		2,006	_	158.2%	_	0.1%	—% (c)	
Operating income	\$	<u>\$ 161,185</u>		366,667	-	178.4%	_	4.2% (5.4)%		
					Twenty-Six		Change fro		from	
					Weeks Ended			Twenty-Six Weeks Ende		
					J	June 24,	June 26,		, 2011	
Sources of operating income						2012		Amount	Percent	
							sands, except percent			
United States					\$	125,146	\$	336,862	159.1%	
Mexico						36,039		29,805	478.1%	
Total operating income					\$	161,185	\$	366,667	178.4%	
					Twenty-Six		Change from			
						eeks Ended	,	Twenty-Six W		
						June 24,		June 26,		
Sources of SG&A expense				2012			Amount Percent			
II '- 10					φ			except percen		
United States					\$	81,770	\$	(12,579)	(13.3)% (a)	
Mexico					φ	7,925	¢	(2,602)	(24.7)% (b)	
Total SG&A expense					\$	89,695	\$	(15,181)	(14.5)%	
						m				
	Twenty-Six		Change from							
					Weeks Ended Twenty-Six Week  June 24, June 26, 20					
						June 24,				
Sources of administrative restructuring charges					-	(In thousands, except percent data)				
United States					9	-		s, except perce \$ 2,006	nt data) 158.2% (c)	
Mexico					4	5,2/	•	φ 2,000	156.2% (C) NA	
Total administrative restructuring charges					4	3,27	1	\$ 2,006	158.2%	
Total administrative restractionals charles					4	٠,2/٠	7	Ψ 2,000	130.2%	

(a) SG&A expense incurred by the U.S. operations during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 decreased \$12.6 million, or 13.3%, from SG&A expense incurred by the U.S. operations during the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 primarily because of (i) a \$6.1 million decrease from the same period in the prior year in professional fees and outside services, (ii) a \$3.8 million decrease from the same period in the prior year in salaries and wages, (iii) a decrease of \$2.1 million from the same period in the prior year in brokerage expenses and (iv) a decrease of \$2.0 million from the prior year in insurance expenses. Other factors affecting SG&A expense were immaterial.

SG&A expense weter immaterial.
(b) SG&A expense incurred by the Mexico operations during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 decreased \$2.6 million, or 24.7%, from SG&A expense incurred by the Mexico operations during the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011. Decreased expenses related to freight and storage accounted for \$3.3 million of the decrease in SG&A expense. They were partially offset by an increase in vehicle and automotive expenses of \$0.6 million. Other factors affecting SG&A expense were immaterial.
(c) Administrative restructuring charges incurred during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 increased \$2.0 million from administrative restructuring charges incurred during the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011.

(c) Administrative restructuring charges incurred during the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 increased \$2.0 million from administrative restructuring charges incurred during the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011. During the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012, we incurred administrative restructuring charges composed of (i) noncash impairment charges of \$1.3 million, (ii) a \$0.6 million loss on egg sales and flock depletion and (iii) charges related to other restructuring activities totaling \$1.4 million. During the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011, we incurred noncash impairment charges of \$1.3 million that were recognized as administrative restructuring charges.

Net interest expense. Net interest expense decreased 2.6% to \$52.5 million recognized in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 from \$53.9 million recognized in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011. This resulted primarily from a \$3.0 million decrease on long term debt interest expense due to lower average borrowings. This decrease was partially offset by an increase of \$1.2 million in costs associated with the letters of credit JBS USA has arranged on its account and a higher weighted average interest rate compared to the same period in the period year. Average borrowings decreased from \$1.46 billion in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 to \$1.31 billion in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012. The weighted average interest rate recognized increased from 6.73% in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 to 6.91% in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012.

*Income taxes.* The Company recognized an income tax benefit of \$1.7 million for the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012, compared to an income tax benefit of \$6.4 million for the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2011. The income tax benefit reported for the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 was primarily the result of a decrease in reserves for unrecognized tax benefits and a decrease in valuation allowance as a result of earnings in the current period, offset by the tax expense recorded on the Company's year-to-date income. The income tax benefit reported for the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 was primarily the result of the tax benefit recorded on the Company's year-to-date loss that was expected to be realized, offset by tax expense for items originating in the prior year.

Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests. For the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, we recognized net income of \$0.2 million and \$1.1 million attributable to noncontrolling interests in certain of our consolidated subsidiaries, respectively.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

The following table presents our available sources of liquidity as of June 24, 2012:

	]	Facility	Α	lmount	A	mount
Source of Liquidity	A	Amount	Ou	tstanding	Available	
			(In	millions)		
Cash and cash equivalents					\$	49.2
Short-term investments in available-for-sale securities						0.2
Borrowing arrangements:						
U.S. Credit Facility	\$	700.0	\$	161.5		476.2 (a)
Mexico Credit Facility		40.2		_		40.2 (b)

Actual borrowings by the Company under the U.S. Credit Facility are subject to a borrowing base, which is a formula based on certain eligible inventory and eligible receivables. The borrowing base in effect at June 24, 2012

Actual borrowings by the Company under the U.S. Credit Facility are subject to a borrowing base, which is a formula based on certain engine inventory and engine receivables. The borrowing base in errect at June 24, 2012 was \$676.9 million. Availability under the U.S. Credit Facility is also reduced by the Company's outstanding standby letters of credit untestanding at June 24, 2012 totaled \$539.2 million. Under the Mexico Credit Facility, if (i) any default or event of default has occurred and is continuing or (ii) the quotient of the borrowing base divided by the outstanding loans and letters of credit (the "Collateral Coverage Ratio") under the Mexico Credit Facility is less than 1.25 to 1.00, the loans and letters of credit under the Mexico Credit Facility will be subject to, and cannot exceed, a borrowing base. The borrowing base is a formula based on accounts receivable, inventory, prepaid assets, net cash under the control of the administrative agent and up to 150.0 million Mexican pessos of fixed assets of the loan parties. The borrowing base formula will be reduced by trade payables of the loan parties. If the Collateral Coverage Ratio sceeding 1.25 to 1.00 as of the latest measurement period for 60 consecutive days or (ii) the borrowing availability under the Mexico Credit Facility being equal to or greater than the greater of 20% of the revolving commitments under the Mexico Credit Facility being equal to or greater than the greater of 20% of the revolving commitments under the Mexico Credit Facility being equal to or greater than the greater of 20% of the revolving commitments under the Mexico Credit Facility being equal to or greater than the greater of 20% of the revolving commitments under the Mexico Credit Facility being equal to or greater than the greater of 20% of the revolving commitments under the Mexico Credit Facility being equal to or greater than the greater of 20% of the revolving commitments under the Mexico Credit Facility being equal to or greater than the greater of 20% of the revol Facility and 100.0 million Mexican pesos for a period of 60 consecutive days.

At the present time, the Company's forecasts indicate that it will have sufficient liquidity for the foreseeable future to meet the operating and other cash flow needs of its business. However, if chicken prices or feed ingredient prices were to deteriorate from current levels, the Company's ability to maintain a sufficient level of liquidity to meet its cash flow needs could be materially jeopardized.

# Senior and Subordinated Notes

At June 24, 2012, the Company had an aggregate principal balance of \$500.0 million of 7 7/8% Senior Notes due 2018 (the "2018 Notes") outstanding that are registered under the Securities Act of 1933. The 2018 Notes are unsecured obligations of the Company and are guaranteed by one of the Company's subsidiaries. Interest is payable on December 15 and June 15 of each year, commencing on June 15, 2011. Additionally, the Company had an aggregate principal balance of \$3.9 million of 7 5/8% senior unsecured notes, 8  $\frac{3}{8}$ % senior subordinated unsecured notes and 9  $\frac{1}{4}$ % senior unsecured notes outstanding at June 24, 2012.

On June 23, 2011, the Company entered into a Subordinated Loan Agreement with JBS USA (the "Subordinated Loan Agreement"), which provided an aggregate commitment of \$100.0 million. On June 23, 2011, JBS USA made a term loan to the Company in the principal amount of \$50.0 million. Pursuant to the terms of the Subordinated Loan Agreement, the Company has agreed to reimburse JBS USA up to \$56.5 million for potential draws upon letters of credit issued for JBS USA's account that support certain obligations of the Company or its subsidiaries. On December 16, 2011, the Company and JBS USA executed an amendment to the Subordinated Loan Agreement that, among other things, provided that if the Company consummated a stock rights offering (the "Rights Offering") that allowed stockholders of record as of January 17, 2012 to purchase an aggregate 44,444,444 shares of the Company's common stock on or before March 24, 2012, the loan commitment under the Subordinated Loan Agreement would be terminated. The Company consummated the Rights Offering on February 29, 2012. Further, under the U.S. Credit Facility (as defined below), following the consummation of the Rights Offering, (i) the Company, at its option, was permitted to prepay the outstanding \$50.0 million term loan under the Subordinated Loan Agreement and (ii) the existing commitment of JBS USA to make an additional \$50.0 million term loan to the Company under the Subordinated Loan Agreement would be terminated. On March 7, 2012, the Company repaid the outstanding \$50.0 million term loan under the Subordinated Loan Agreement, plus accrued interest, with proceeds received from the Rights Offering and the remaining commitment to make loans under the Subordinated Loan Agreement was terminated.

JBS USA agreed to arrange for letters of credit to be issued on its account in the amount of \$56.5 million to an insurance company serving the Company in order to allow that insurance company to return cash it held as collateral against potential workers compensation, auto and general liability claims. In return for providing this letter of credit, the Company reimburses JBS USA for the letter of credit costs the Company would otherwise incur under its U.S. Credit Facility. In the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012, the Company reimbursed JBS USA \$1.4 million for letter of credit costs incurred from November 2011 through May 2012. As of June 24, 2012, the Company has accrued an obligation of \$0.2 million to reimburse JBS USA for letter of credit costs incurred on its behalf.

### **U.S. Credit Facility**

Pilgrim's and certain of its subsidiaries have entered into a credit agreement (the "U.S. Credit Facility") with CoBank ACB, as administrative agent and collateral agent, and other lenders party thereto, which currently provides a \$700.0 million revolving credit facility and a Term B facility. The U.S. Credit Facility also includes an accordion feature that allows us, at any time, to increase the aggregate revolving loan commitment by up to an additional \$100.0 million and to increase the aggregate Term B loans commitment by up to an additional \$400.0 million, in each case subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including an aggregate cap on all commitments under the U.S. Credit Facility of \$1.85 billion. On April 22, 2011, we increased the amount of the sub-limit for swingline loans under the U.S. Credit Facility to \$100.0 million. The revolving loan commitment and the Term B loans will mature on December 28, 2014.

On December 28, 2009, the Company paid loan costs totaling \$50.0 million related to the U.S. Credit Facility that it recognized as an asset on its balance sheet. The Company amortizes these capitalized costs to interest expense over the life of the U.S. Credit Facility.

Subsequent to the end of each fiscal year, a portion of our cash flow must be used to repay outstanding principal amounts under the Term B loans. In April 2011, the Company paid approximately \$46.3 million of its excess cash flow toward the outstanding principal under the Term B loans. After giving effect to this prepayment and other prepayments of the Term B loans, the Term B loans must be repaid in 16 quarterly installments of approximately \$3.9 million beginning on April 15, 2011, with the final installment due on December 28, 2014. The Company did not have excess cash flow from 2011 to be applied toward the outstanding principal under the Term B loans. The U.S. Credit Facility also requires us to use the proceeds we receive from certain asset sales and specified debt or equity issuances and upon the occurrence of other events to repay outstanding borrowings under the U.S. Credit Facility. The cash proceeds received by the Company from the Rights Offering were not subject to this requirement. On June 24, 2012, a principal amount of \$566.8 million under the Term B loans commitment was outstanding.

Actual borrowings by the Company under the revolving credit commitment component of the U.S. Credit Facility are subject to a borrowing base, which is a formula based on certain eligible inventory, eligible receivables and restricted cash under the control of CoBank ACB. As of June 24, 2012, the applicable borrowing base was \$676.9 million, the amount available for borrowing under the revolving loan commitment was \$476.2 million and outstanding borrowings and letters of credit under the revolving loan commitment were \$161.5 million and \$39.2 million, respectively.

The U.S. Credit Facility contains financial covenants and various other covenants that may adversely affect our ability to, among other things, incur additional indebtedness, incur liens, pay dividends or make certain restricted payments, consummate certain assets sales, enter into certain transactions with JBS USA and our other affiliates, merge, consolidate and/or sell or dispose of all or substantially all of our assets. On June 23, 2011 and December 16, 2011, the Company entered into amendments to the U.S. Credit Facility, which, among other things, (i) temporarily suspended the requirement for the Company to comply with the fixed charge coverage ratio and senior secured leverage ratio financial covenants until the quarter ended December 30, 2012, (ii) modified the fixed charge coverage ratio financial covenant so that when the requirement to comply with this covenant resumes in the quarter ended December 30, 2012, the Company can calculate the fixed charge coverage ratio based upon a specified number of fiscal quarters selected by the Company, (iii) reduced the minimum allowable consolidated tangible net worth to the sum of \$450 million plus 50% of the cumulative net income (excluding any losses) of the Company from December 16, 2011 through such date of calculation and (iv) increased the maximum allowable senior secured leverage ratio, determined for any period of four consecutive fiscal quarters ending on the last day of each fiscal quarter, to be no greater than 4.00:1.00 for periods calculated from September 24, 2012 and thereafter. The Company is currently in compliance with the modified consolidated tangible net worth covenant. The Company also expects to be in compliance with the modified fixed charge coverage ratio and senior secured leverage ratio financial covenants when the requirement to comply with this covenant resumes in the quarter ended December 30, 2012.

All obligations under the U.S. Credit Facility are unconditionally guaranteed by certain of the Company's subsidiaries and are secured by a first priority lien on (i) the accounts receivable and inventories of the Company and its non-Mexico subsidiaries, (ii) 65% of the equity interests in the Company's direct foreign subsidiaries and 100% of the equity interests in the Company's other subsidiaries, (iii) substantially all of the personal property and intangibles of the borrowers and guarantors under the U.S. Credit Facility and (iv) substantially all of the real estate and fixed assets of the Company and the guarantor subsidiaries under the U.S. Credit Facility.

### **Mexico Credit Facility**

On October 19, 2011, Avícola Pilgrim's Pride de México, S.A. de C.V., Pilgrim's Pride S. de R.L. de C.V. and certain Mexican subsidiaries entered into an amended and restated credit agreement (the "Mexico Credit Facility") with ING Bank (México), S.A. Institución de Banca Múltiple, ING Grupo Financiero, as lender and ING Capital LLC, as administrative agent. The Mexico Credit Facility has a final maturity date of September 25, 2014. The Mexico Credit Facility is secured by substantially all of the assets of the Company's Mexico subsidiaries. As of June 24, 2012, the U.S. dollar-equivalent of the loan commitment under the Mexico Credit Facility was \$40.2 million. There were no outstanding borrowings under the Mexico Credit Facility at June 24, 2012.

### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We are a party to many routine contracts in which we provide general indemnities in the normal course of business to third parties for various risks. Among other considerations, we have not recorded a liability for any of these indemnities as, based upon the likelihood of payment, the fair value of such indemnities would not have a material impact on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

# **Historical Flow of Funds**

Cash provided by operating activities was \$80.3 million for the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and cash used in operating activities was \$140.2 million for the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011. The increase in cash flows provided by operating activities was primarily from net income of \$108.8 million for the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 as compared to a net loss of \$247.8 million for the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011.

Our working capital position, which we define as current assets less current liabilities, increased \$96.4 million to \$843.4 million and a current ratio of 2.16 at June 24, 2012 compared to \$747.0 million and a current ratio of 2.04 at December 25, 2011. The increase in working capital was caused by the generation of cash from operations.

Trade accounts and other receivables increased \$1.9 million, or 0.5%, to \$372.3 million at June 24, 2012 from \$370.4 million at December 25, 2011. The change in trade accounts and other receivables was immaterial when compared to the previous year.

Inventories increased \$108.9 million, or 12.4%, to \$988.0 million at June 24, 2012 from \$879.1 million at December 25, 2011. The change in inventories was primarily due to increases in live chicken, finished chicken products and feed ingredients costs.

Prepaid expenses and other current assets decreased \$9.0 million, or 17.1%, to \$43.4 million at June 24, 2012 from \$52.4 million at December 25, 2011. This change resulted primarily from a \$10.5 million decrease in prepaid grain purchases.

Accounts payable, including accounts payable to JBS USA, increased \$8.3 million, or 2.4%, to \$348.8 million at June 24, 2012 from \$340.5 million at December 25, 2011. This change resulted from the timing of payments disbursed to vendors at December 25, 2011.

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities decreased \$0.9 million, or 0.3%, to \$280.9 million at June 24, 2012 from \$281.8 million at December 25, 2011. The change in accrued expenses and other current liabilities was immaterial when compared to the previous year.

Cash used in investing activities was \$25.2 million and \$99.0 million in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively. Capital expenditures totaled \$37.6 million and \$103.2 million in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively. Capital expenditures decreased by \$65.6 million primarily because of our efforts to reduce outstanding debt. Capital expenditures for 2012 cannot exceed \$175.0 million as allowed under the terms of the U.S. Credit Facility. Cash was used to purchase investment securities totaled \$0.2 million and \$3.4 million in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively. Cash proceeds from the sale or maturity of investment securities were \$0.1 million and \$2.6 million for the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively. Cash proceeds from property disposals in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011 were \$12.5 million and \$4.9 million, respectively.

Cash used in financing activities was \$45.3 million in twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012. Cash provided by financing activities was \$167.4 million in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011. Cash used in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 to repay notes payable to JBS USA was \$50.0 million. Cash proceeds in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 from notes payable to JBS USA were \$50.0 million. Cash proceeds in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011 from long-term debt were \$391.3 million and \$580.3 million, respectively. Cash was used to repay long-term debt totaling \$584.9 million and \$455.9 million in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011, respectively. Cash proceeds in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 from the sale of common stock were \$198.3 million. Cash used in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 for the purchase of remaining interest in a subsidiary was \$4.4 million. Cash used in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011 for other financing activities was \$0.1 million. Cash was used to pay capitalized loan costs totaling \$4.4 million in the twenty-six weeks ended June 26, 2011.

Contractual obligations at June 24, 2012 were as follows:

	Payments Due by Period								
		I	ess than		One to	7	Three to	G	reater than
Contractual Obligations <sup>(d)</sup>	Total		One Year	r Three Years		Five Years		I	ive Years
		(In thousands)							
Long-term debt <sup>(a)</sup>	\$ 1,232,236	\$	15,498	\$	713,221	\$	3,517	\$	500,000
Interest <sup>(b)</sup>	394,937		96,593		157,390		80,728		60,226
Capital leases	1,241		194		388		281		378
Operating leases	17,062		6,638		8,857		1,567		_
Derivative liabilities	1,353		1,353		_		_		_
Purchase obligations <sup>(c)</sup>	 359,551		359,551		_		_		
Total	\$ 2,006,380	\$	479,827	\$	879,856	\$	86,093	\$	560,604

- Long-term debt includes unaccreted discount of \$2.9 million and excludes \$39.2 million in letters of credit outstanding related to normal business transactions. In April 2011, the Company paid approximately \$46.3 million of its 2010 excess cash flow toward the outstanding principal under the Term B loans. After giving effect to this prepayment and other prepayments of the Term B loans, the Term B loans must be repaid in 16 quarterly installments of approximately \$3.9 million beginning on April 15, 2011, with the final installment due on December 28, 2014.

  Interest expense in the table above assumes the continuation of interest rates and outstanding borrowings under our credit facilities as of June 24, 2012.
- Purchase obligations include agreements to purchase goods or services that are enforceable and legally binding on us and that specify all significant terms, including fixed or minimum quantities to be purchased; fixed, minimum, or variable price provisions; and the approximate timing of the transaction.
- The total amount of PPC's unrecognized tax benefits at June 24, 2012 was \$59.2 million. We did not include this amount in the contractual obligations table above as reasonable estimates cannot be made at this time of the (d) amounts or timing of future cash outflows

# **Critical Accounting Policies**

During the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012, (i) we did not change any of our existing critical accounting policies, (ii) no existing accounting policies became critical accounting policies because of an increase in the materiality of associated transactions or changes in the circumstances to which associated judgments and estimates relate and (iii) there were no significant changes in the manner in which critical accounting policies were applied or in which related judgments and estimates were developed.

# ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISKS

# **Commodity Prices**

We purchase certain commodities, primarily corn and soybean meal, for use as ingredients in the feed we consume in our live operations. As a result, our earnings are affected by changes in the price and availability of such feed ingredients. In the past, we have from time to time attempted to minimize our exposure to the changing price and availability of such feed ingredients using various techniques, including, but not limited to, executing purchase agreements with suppliers for future physical delivery of feed ingredients at established prices and purchasing or selling derivative financial instruments such as futures and options.

Market risk is estimated as a hypothetical 10.0% change in the weighted-average cost of our primary feed ingredients as of June 24, 2012. However, fluctuations greater than 10.0% could occur. Based on our feed consumption during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012, such a change would have resulted in a change to cost of sales of \$83.8 million, excluding the impact of any feed ingredients derivative financial instruments in that period. A 10.0% change in ending feed ingredient inventories at June 24, 2012 would be \$10.2 million, excluding any potential impact on the production costs of our chicken inventories.

The Company purchases derivative financial instruments, specifically exchange-traded futures and options, in an attempt to mitigate price risk related to its anticipated consumption of commodity inputs for the next 12 months. A 10.0% change in corn, soybean meal, sorghum and natural gas prices on June 24, 2012 would have resulted in a \$0.4 million change in the fair value of our net commodity derivative asset position, including margin cash, as of that date.

### **Interest Rates**

Our earnings are also affected by changes in interest rates due to the impact those changes have on our variable-rate debt instruments. We had variable-rate debt instruments representing approximately 35.5% of our total debt at June 24, 2012. Holding other variables constant, including levels of indebtedness, an increase in interest rates of 25 basis points would have increased our interest expense by \$0.3 million for the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012. These amounts are determined by considering the impact of the hypothetical interest rates on our variable-rate debt at June 24, 2012.

Market risk for fixed-rate debt is estimated as the potential increase in fair value resulting from a hypothetical decrease in interest rates of 10%. Using a discounted cash flow analysis, a hypothetical 10% decrease in interest rates would have increased the fair value of our fixed rate debt by approximately \$4.6 million.

Investments at June 24, 2012 were primarily comprised of corporate equity securities and both U.S. corporate and municipal debt securities. Market risk related to our investments is not significant.

### Foreign Currency

Our earnings are also affected by foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations related to the Mexican peso net monetary position of our Mexican subsidiaries. We manage this exposure primarily by attempting to minimize our Mexican peso net monetary position. We are also exposed to the effect of potential currency exchange rate fluctuations to the extent that amounts are repatriated from Mexico to the U.S. As of June 24, 2012, we anticipate that the cash flows of our Mexico subsidiaries will be reinvested in our Mexico operations. In addition, the Mexican peso exchange rate can directly and indirectly impact our financial condition and results of operations in several ways, including potential economic recession in Mexico because of devaluation of their currency. The impact on our financial position and results of operations resulting from a hypothetical change in the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and the Mexican peso cannot be reasonably estimated. Foreign currency exchange gains (losses), representing the change in the U.S. dollar value of the net monetary assets of our Mexican subsidiaries denominated in Mexican pesos, was a loss of \$2.3 million and a gain of \$2.7 million in the twenty-six weeks ended June 24, 2012 and June 26, 2011 were 13.28 Mexican pesos to one U.S. dollar and 11.91 Mexican pesos to one U.S. dollar, respectively. No assurance can be given as to how future movements in the Mexican peso could affect our future financial condition or results of operations.

### **Quality of Investments**

We and certain retirement plans that we sponsor invest in a variety of financial instruments. We have analyzed our portfolios of investments and, to the best of our knowledge, none of our investments, including money market funds units, commercial paper and municipal securities, have been downgraded, and neither we nor any fund in which we participate hold significant amounts of structured investment vehicles, auction rate securities, collateralized debt obligations, credit derivatives, hedge funds investments, fund of funds investments or perpetual preferred securities. Certain postretirement funds in which we participate hold significant amounts of mortgage-backed securities. However, none of the mortgages collateralizing these securities are considered subprime.

### Forward Looking Statements

Certain written and oral statements made by our Company and subsidiaries of our Company may constitute "forward-looking statements" as defined under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. This includes statements made herein, in our other filings with the SEC, in press releases, and in certain other oral and written presentations. Statements of our intentions, beliefs, expectations or predictions for the future, denoted by the words "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "project," "plan," "imply," "intend," "foresee" and similar expressions, are forward-looking statements that reflect our current views about future events and are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Such risks, uncertainties and assumptions include the following:

- Matters affecting the chicken industry generally, including fluctuations in the commodity prices of feed ingredients and chicken;
- · Actions and decisions of our creditors and other third parties with interests in our Chapter 11 proceedings;
- Our ability to obtain and maintain commercially reasonable terms with vendors and service providers;
- · Our ability to maintain contracts that are critical to our operations;
- · Our ability to retain management and other key individuals;
- Certain of our reorganization and exit or disposal activities, including selling assets, idling facilities, reducing production and reducing workforce, resulted in reduced capacities and sales volumes and may have a disproportionate impact on our income relative to the cost savings;
- Risk that the amounts of cash from operations together with amounts available under our credit facilities will not be sufficient to fund our operations;
- Management of our cash resources, particularly in light of our substantial leverage;
- Restrictions imposed by, and as a result of, our substantial leverage;
- Outbreaks of avian influenza or other diseases, either in our own flocks or elsewhere, affecting our ability to conduct our operations and/or demand for our poultry products;
- · Contamination of our products, which has previously and can in the future lead to product liability claims and product recalls;
- Exposure to risks related to product liability, product recalls, property damage and injuries to persons, for which insurance coverage is expensive, limited and potentially inadequate;
- Changes in laws or regulations affecting our operations or the application thereof;
- New immigration legislation or increased enforcement efforts in connection with existing immigration legislation that cause our costs of business to increase, cause us to change the way in which we do business or otherwise disrupt our operations;
- Competitive factors and pricing pressures or the loss of one or more of our largest customers;
- · Currency exchange rate fluctuations, trade barriers, exchange controls, expropriation and other risks associated with foreign operations;
- · Disruptions in international markets and distribution channels; and
- The impact of uncertainties of litigation as well as other risks described herein and under "Risk Factors" in our 2011 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC.

Actual results could differ materially from those projected in these forward-looking statements as a result of these factors, among others, many of which are beyond our control.

In making these statements, we are not undertaking, and specifically decline to undertake, any obligation to address or update each or any factor in future filings or communications regarding our business or results, and we are not undertaking to address how any of these factors may have caused changes to information contained in previous filings or communications. Although we have attempted to list comprehensively these important cautionary risk factors, we must caution investors and others that other factors may in the future prove to be important and affect our business or results of operations.

### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

As of June 24, 2012, an evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's "disclosure controls and procedures" (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act")). Based on that evaluation, the Company's management, including the Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, concluded the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms, and that information we are required to disclose in our reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

In connection with the evaluation described above, the Company's management, including the Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, identified no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the thirteen weeks ended June 24, 2012 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

#### PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

### **Grower Claims and Proceedings**

Ricky Arnold, et al. v. Pilgrim's Pride Corp., et al." was filed against our Company and two of its representatives. In this lawsuit, filed in the Circuit Court of Van Buren County, Arkansas ("Van Buren County Court"), nearly 100 contract poultry growers and their spouses assert claims of fraud and deceit, constructive fraud, fraud in the inducement, promissory estoppel, and violations of the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Contract Protection Act relating to the idling of our Clinton, Arkansas processing plant. The total amount of damages sought by the contract poultry growers is unliquidated and unknown at this time. We filed a Notice of Suggestion of Bankruptcy. The Van Buren County Court has not issued an order in response to it. The plaintiffs filed proofs of claim in the Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division ("Bankruptcy Court"), and we filed objections to the proofs of claim. The plaintiffs in the Arnold case, and a number of other growers from the Clinton, Arkansas facility filed proofs of claim in the bankruptcy case. We anticipate that the Arnold case will be resolved as a part of the claim resolution process in the Bankruptcy Court. We express no opinion as to the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome or the amount or range of any possible loss to us.

Shelia Adams, et al. v. Pilgrim's Pride Corporation. On June 1, 2009, approximately 555 former and current independent contract broiler growers, their spouses and poultry farms filed an adversary proceeding against us in the Bankruptcy Court styled "Shelia Adams, et al. v. Pilgrim's Pride Corporation." In the adversary proceeding, the plaintiffs assert claims against us for: (i) violations of Sections 202(a), (b) and (e), 7 U.S.C. § 192 of the Packers and Stockyards Act of 1921 (the "PSA"); (ii) intentional infliction of emotional distress; (iii) violations of the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act ("DTPA"); (iv) promissory estoppel; (v) simple fraud; and (vi) fraud by nondisclosure. The plaintiffs also filed a motion to withdraw the reference. The Bankruptcy Court recommended the reference be withdrawn, but that the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division ("Fort Worth Court"), retain venue over the action to ensure against forum shopping. The Fort Worth Court granted the motion to withdraw the reference and consolidated this action with the City of Clinton proceeding described below. We filed a motion to dismiss the plaintiffs' claims. The Fort Worth Court granted in part and denied in part our motion, dismissing the following claims and ordering the plaintiffs to file a motion to amend their lawsuit and re-plead their claims with further specificity or the claims would be dismissed with prejudice: (i) intentional infliction of emotional distress; (ii) promissory estoppel; (iii) simple fraud and fraudulent nondisclosure; and (iv) DTPA claims with respect to growers from Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Louisiana. The plaintiffs filed a motion for leave to amend on October 7, 2009. Plaintiffs' motion for leave was granted and the plaintiffs filed their Amended Complaint on December 7, 2009. Subsequent to the Fort Worth Court granting in part and denying in part our motion to dismiss, the plaintiffs filed a motion to transfer venue of the proceeding from the Fort Worth Court to the Marshall Court. We filed a response to the motion, but the motion to transfer was granted on December 17, 2009. On December 29, 2009, we filed our answer to plaintiffs' Amended Complaint with the Marshall Court. A bench trial commenced on June 16, 2011. The trial concluded as to the El Dorado growers on August 25, 2011. On September 30, 2011, the Marshall Court issued its Findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law and Judgment finding in favor of the Company on each of the grower claims with exception of claims under 7 U.S.C. §192(e), and awarding damages to plaintiffs in the aggregate of approximately \$25.8 million. Afterward, the Company filed post-judgment motions attacking the trial court's findings of fact and conclusions of law, which, on December 28, 2011, were granted in part and resulted in a reduction of the damages award from \$25.8 million to \$25.6 million. On January 19, 2012, the Company appealed the findings of fact and conclusions of law and decision concerning the post-judgment motions to the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. The Company intends to vigorously pursue its appellate rights and defend against the underlying judgment. While the outstanding judgment is reasonably possible, the Company has recorded an estimated probable loss that is less than the outstanding judgment. The remaining growers' claims are now scheduled to be tried in the summer and fall of 2012. The Company intends to vigorously defend against these claims. Although the likelihood of financial loss related to the remaining growers' claims is reasonably possible, an estimate of potential loss cannot be determined at this time because of now conflicting legal authority, the factual nature of the various growers' individual claims, and a new judge who will preside over the remaining bench trials. There can be no assurances that other similar claims may not be brought against the Company.

Grower Proofs of Claim. Numerous former independent contract growers located in our Clinton, Arkansas complex filed proofs of claim against us relating to the Arnold litigation referenced above. The claims include: (i) fraud and deceit; (ii) constructive fraud; (iii) fraud in the inducement; (iv) promissory estoppel; (v) a request for declaratory relief; and (vi) violations of the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Contract Protection Act, and relate to the growers' allegations that they were required to spend significant amounts improving their poultry farms in order to continue their contractual relationship with our Company and predecessor companies prior to us idling our Clinton processing facility. Most of the growers in this consolidated claims administration proceeding were named plaintiffs in the case styled, "Ricky Arnold, et al. v. Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, et al." discussed above. On November 30, 2009, we filed objections to the proofs of claim. On August 2, 2010, we filed numerous motions for summary judgment requesting the Bankruptcy Court to dismiss each grower's causes of action against our Company. In response to the dispositive motions, the growers conceded that their numerous fraud and statutory claims lacked merit; consequently, those causes of action were dismissed with prejudice. The sole remaining cause of action alleged by the growers against us is promissory estoppel. The hearing on our motions for summary judgment with respect to the promissory estoppel claims occurred on October 19, 2010. On December 15, 2010, the Bankruptcy Court granted the Company's summary judgment motion on 106 of the 107 growers' promissory estoppel claims. The Company settled with the grower whose claims were dismissed appealed the decision to the District Court, which, on December 19, 2011, affirmed the Bankruptcy Court's decision. On January 17, 2012, the growers appealed the District Court's decision to the United States Fifth Circuit of Appeals. The Company intends to defend vigorously against the merits of t

### **Securities Litigation**

On October 29, 2008, Ronald Acaldo filed suit in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, Marshall Division, against us and individual defendants Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, J. Clinton Rivers, Richard A. Cogdill and Clifford E. Butler. The Complaint alleged that our Company and the individual defendants violated sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

On November 13, 2008, Chad Howes filed suit in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, Marshall Division, against us and individual defendants Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, J. Clinton Rivers, Richard A. Cogdill and Clifford E. Butler. The allegations in the Howes Complaint are identical to those in the Acaldo Complaint, as are the class allegations and relief sought. The defendants were never served with the Howes Complaint.

On May 14, 2009, the Court consolidated the Acaldo and Howes cases and renamed the style of the case, "In re: Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Securities Litigation." On May 21, 2009, the Court granted the Pennsylvania Public Fund Group's Motion for Appointment of Lead Plaintiff. Thereafter, on June 26, 2009, the lead plaintiff filed a Consolidated (and amended) Complaint. The Consolidated Complaint dismissed the Company and Clifford E. Butler as Defendants. In addition, the Consolidated Complaint added the following directors as Defendants: Charles L. Black, Key Coker, Blake D. Lovette, Vance C. Miller, James G. Vetter, Jr., Donald L. Wass, Linda Chavez, and Keith W. Hughes. The Consolidated Complaint alleges four causes of action: violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder solely against Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, Clint Rivers, and Richard A. Cogdill (the "Officer Defendants"). Those claims assert that, during the Class Period of May 5, 2008 through October 28, 2008, the defendants through various financial statements, press releases and conference calls, made material misstatements of fact and/or omitted to disclose material facts by purportedly failing to completely impair the goodwill associated with the Gold Kist acquisition. The Consolidated Complaint also asserts claims under Section 11 of the Securities Act of 1933 against all defendants, asserting that, statements made in a registration statement in connection with the May 14, 2008 secondary offering of our common stock were materially false and misleading for their failure to completely impair the goodwill associated with the Gold Kist acquisition. Finally, the Consolidated Complaint asserts a violation of Section 15 of the Securities Act of 1933 against the Officer Defendants only, claiming that the Officer Defendants were controlling persons of the Company and the other defendants in connection with the Section 11 violation. By the Consolidated Complaint, the lead plaint

On July 27, 2009, defendants filed a Motion to Dismiss the Consolidated Complaint for its failure to adequately plead, as to the Sections 10(b) and 20(a) claims, scienter and loss causation and, as to the Sections 11 and 15 claims, for its failure to adequately plead misrepresentations and omissions. Defendants requested that the Consolidated Complaint be dismissed with prejudice.

On August 17, 2010, the Court issued its Memorandum Opinion and Order on the motion to dismiss, granting in part and denying in part, the defendants' motion. The Court dismissed without prejudice the plaintiffs' claims alleging securities fraud under Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b-5 and for controlling person liability under Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act. The Court denied defendants' motion to dismiss with respect to the plaintiffs' claim for negligent misrepresentation under Section 11 of the Securities Act and for controlling person liability under Section 15 of the Securities Act. The plaintiffs were granted leave to amend their complaint but elected not to do so. The defendants filed their Original Answer to the Complaint on November 15, 2010.

On May 9, 2011, the Court issued an Order setting a class certification hearing for February 7, 2012 and ordering the parties to confer and file a Docket Control Order by May 26, 2011. Thereafter, as per the Court's Order, the parties negotiated a proposed Docket Control Order, which was signed by the Court on May 31, 2011.

The parties reached an agreement to settle this matter for \$1.5 million, which the Court approved on May 2, 2012. The case has been dismissed with prejudice in accordance with the terms of the settlement agreement.

### **ERISA Claims and Proceedings**

On December 17, 2008, Kenneth Patterson filed suit in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, Marshall Division, against Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, Clifford E. Butler, J. Clinton Rivers, Richard A. Cogdill, Renee N. DeBar, our Compensation Committee and other unnamed defendants (the "Patterson action"). On January 2, 2009, a nearly identical suit was filed by Denise M. Smalls in the same court against the same defendants (the "Smalls action"). The complaints in both actions, brought pursuant to section 502 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), 29 US C. § 1132, alleged that the individual defendants breached fiduciary duties to participants and beneficiaries of the Pilgrim's Pride Stock Investment Plan (the "Stock Plan"), as administered through the Pilgrim's Pride Retirement Savings Plan (the "RSP"), and the To-Ricos, Inc. Employee Savings and Retirement Plan (the "To-Ricos Plan") (collectively, the "Plans") by failing to sell the common stock held by the Plans before it declined in value in late 2008, based on factual allegations similar to the allegation made in the Acaldo securities case discussed above. Patterson and Smalls further alleged that they purported to represent a class of all persons or entities who were participants in or beneficiaries of the Plans at any time between May 5, 2008 through the present and whose accounts held our common stock or units in our common stock. Both complaints sought actual damages in the amount of any losses the Plans suffered, to be allocated among the participants' individual accounts as benefits due in proportion to the accounts' diminution in value, attorneys' fees, an order for equitable restitution and the imposition of constructive trust, and a declaration that each of the defendants have breached their fiduciary duties to the Plans' participants.

On July 20, 2009, the Court entered an order consolidating the Smalls and Patterson actions. On August 12, 2009, the Court ordered that the consolidated case will proceed under the caption "In re Pilgrim's Pride Stock Investment Plan ERISA Litigation, No. 2:08-cv-472-TJW."

Patterson and Smalls filed a consolidated amended complaint ("Amended Complaint") on March 2, 2010. The Amended Complaint names as defendants the Pilgrim's Pride Board of Directors, Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, Charles L. Black, Linda Chavez, S. Key Coker, Keith W. Hughes, Blake D. Lovette, Vance C. Miller, James G. Vetter, Jr., Donald L. Wass, J. Clinton Rivers, Richard A. Cogdill, the Pilgrim's Pride Pension Committee, Robert A. Wright, Jane Brookshire, Renee N. DeBar, the Pilgrim's Pride Administrative Committee, Gerry Evenwel, Stacey Evans, Evelyn Boyden, and "John Does 1-10." The Amended Complaint purports to assert claims on behalf of persons who were participants in or beneficiaries of the RSP or the To-Ricos Plan at any time between January 29, 2008 through December 1, 2008 ("the alleged class period"), and whose accounts included investments in the Company's common stock.

Like the original Patterson and Smalls complaints, the Amended Complaint alleges that the defendants breached ERISA fiduciary duties to participants and beneficiaries of the RSP and To-Ricos Plan by permitting both Plans to continue investing in the Company's common stock during the alleged class period. The Amended Complaint also alleges that certain defendants were "appointing" fiduciaries who failed to monitor the performance of the defendant-fiduciaries they appointed. Further, the Amended Complaint alleges that all defendants are liable as co-fiduciaries for one another's alleged breaches. Plaintiffs seek actual damages in the amount of any losses the RSP and To-Ricos Plan attributable to the decline in the value of the common stock held by the Plans, to be allocated among the participants' individual accounts as benefits due in proportion to the accounts' alleged diminution in value, costs and attorneys' fees, an order for equitable restitution and the imposition of constructive trust, and a declaration that each of the defendants have breached their ERISA fiduciary duties to the RSP and To-Ricos Plan's participants.

The defendants filed a motion to dismiss the Amended Complaint on May 3, 2010. The plaintiffs responded to that motion on July 2, 2010, dropping plaintiff Smalls from the case and adding an additional plaintiff, Stanley Sylvestros. The defendants filed their reply in support of their motion to dismiss on August 2, 2010. The defendants files a notice of supplemental authority in support of their motion to dismiss on April 13, 2011, to which the plaintiffs responded on April 27, 2011. The plaintiffs in turn filed their own notice of supplement authority in opposition to the motion to dismiss on April 27, 2011, to which the defendants responded on May 10, 2011. The court has not yet ruled on the motion to dismiss.

### Tax Claims and Proceedings

The United States Department of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") has filed an amended proof of claim in the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to which the IRS asserts claims that total \$74.7 million. We have filed in the Bankruptcy Court (i) an objection to the IRS' amended proof of claim and (ii) a motion requesting the Bankruptcy Court to determine our U.S. federal tax liability pursuant to Sections 105 and 505 of the Bankruptcy Code. The objection and motion assert that the Company has no liability for the additional U.S. federal taxes that have been asserted for pre-petition periods by the IRS. The IRS has responded in opposition to our objection and motion. On July 8, 2010, the Bankruptcy Court granted our unopposed motion requesting that the Bankruptcy Court abstain from determining our federal tax liability. As a result, we intend to work with the IRS through the normal processes and procedures that are available to all taxpayers outside of bankruptcy (including the United States Tax Court ("Tax Court") proceedings discussed below) to resolve the IRS' amended proof of claim.

In connection with the amended proof of claim, on May 26, 2010, we filed a petition in Tax Court in response to a Notice of Deficiency that was issued to the Company as the successor in interest to Gold Kist. The Notice of Deficiency and the Tax Court proceeding relate to a loss that Gold Kist claimed for its tax year ended June 30, 2004. The matter is currently in litigation before the Tax Court.

On August 10, 2010, we filed two petitions in Tax Court. The first petition relates to three Notices of Deficiency that were issued to us with respect to our 2003, 2005 and 2007 tax years. The second petition relates to a Notice of Deficiency that was issued to us with respect to Gold Kist's tax year ended June 30, 2005 and its short tax year ended September 30, 2005. Both cases are currently in litigation before the Tax Court.

We express no opinion as to the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome or the amount or range of any possible loss to us related to the above Tax Court cases. If adversely determined, the outcome could have a material effect on the Company's operating results and financial position.

The Notices of Deficiency and the Tax Court proceedings discussed above cover the same tax years and the same amounts that were asserted by the IRS in its \$74.7 million amended proof of claim that was filed in the Bankruptcy Court.

#### Other Claims and Proceedings

We are subject to various other legal proceedings and claims, which arise in the ordinary course of our business. In the opinion of management, the amount of ultimate liability with respect to these actions will not materially affect our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

In addition to the other information set forth in this quarterly report, you should carefully consider the risks discussed in our 2011 Annual Report on Form 10-K, including under the heading "Item 1A. Risk Factors", which, along with risks disclosed in this report, are all the risks we believe could materially affect the Company's business, financial condition or future results. These risks are not the only risks facing the Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to the Company or that it currently deems to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect the Company's business, financial condition or future results.

### ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

As previously announced, the Company filed voluntary Chapter 11 petitions on December 1, 2008 and emerged from bankruptcy on December 28, 2009. The Chapter 11 cases were being jointly administered under case number 08-45664. The Company has and intends to continue to post important information about the restructuring, including quarterly operating reports and other financial information required by the Bankruptcy Court, on the Company's website www.pilgrims.com under the "Investors-Reorganization" caption. The quarterly operating reports are required to be filed with the Bankruptcy Court no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the next calendar month immediately following the end of the fiscal quarter and will be posted on the Company's website concurrently with being filed with the Bankruptcy Court. The Company intends to use its website as a means of complying with its disclosure obligations under SEC Regulation FD. Information is also available via the Company's restructuring information line at (888) 830-4659.

The information contained on or accessible through the Company's website shall not be deemed to be part of this report.

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# **SIGNATURES**

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

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION

Date: July 27, 2012

/s/ Fabio Sandri

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### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Borrowers, the Lenders and the Administrative Agent are parties to the Credit Agreement, dated as of December 28, 2009, as amended (the "Existing Credit Agreement"), and the other Loan Documents;

WHEREAS, the Borrowers have requested that, as of the Effective Date, the Existing Credit Agreement be amended as herein provided; and

WHEREAS, the Lenders are willing, subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, to make such amendments;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the agreements herein contained, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

# ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

- SECTION 1.1. Certain Definitions. The following terms (whether or not underscored) when used in this Agreement shall have the following meanings:
- "Administrative Agent" is defined in the preamble.
- "Agreement" is defined in the preamble.
- "Amended Credit Agreement" means the Existing Credit Agreement as amended by this Agreement as of the Effective Date.
- "Borrowers" is defined in the preamble.
- "Company" is defined in the preamble.
- "Effective Date" is defined in Section 5.1.
- "Existing Credit Agreement" is defined in the first recital.
- "Lenders" is defined in the preamble.

SECTION 1.2. Other Definitions. Unless otherwise defined or the context otherwise requires, terms used herein (including in the preamble and recitals hereto) have the meanings provided for in the Existing Credit Agreement.

# ARTICLE II AMENDMENTS

Effective on (and subject to the occurrence of) the Effective Date, the Existing Credit Agreement is amended as follows:

SECTION 2.1. <u>Amendments to Section 1.01</u>. (1) The following new defined terms are added in the appropriate alphabetical order to Section 1.01 of the Existing Credit Agreement:

- (i) "Amendment No. 5 Effective Date" means the "Effective Date" as defined in Amendment No. 4 to Credit Agreement.
- (ii) "Amendment No. 5 to Credit Agreement" means Amendment No. 5 to Credit Agreement, dated as of May 1, 2012, among the parties thereto.

SECTION 2.2. Amendments to Section 2.13(a) Section 2.13(a) of the Existing Credit Agreement is amended as follows:

"(a) The Borrowers agree to pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Lender a commitment fee, which shall accrue at a per annum rate of .50% on the average daily amount of the Available Revolving Commitment of such Lender during the period from and including the Effective Date to but excluding the date on which the Lenders' Revolving Commitments terminate (it being agreed that, with respect to any Lender that is also the Swingline Lender, the Aggregate Revolving Exposure of such Lender (but not any other Lender) shall include the aggregate principal amount of Swingline Loans). Commitment fees accrued through and including the last day of each calendar quarter shall be payable on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each April, July, October and January of each year and on the date on which the Revolving Commitments terminate, commencing on the first such date to occur after the Effective Date. All commitment fees shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days and shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed."

# ARTICLE III REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

In order to induce the Lenders to make the amendments provided for in Article II, each Borrower hereby (a) represents and warrants that (i) each of the representations and warranties of the Loan Parties contained in the Existing Credit Agreement and in the other Loan Documents is true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date hereof, except that such representations and warranties (A) that relate solely to an earlier date shall be true and correct in all material respects as of such earlier date and (B) shall be true and correct in all respects to the extent they are qualified by a materiality standard and (ii) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing; and (b) agrees that the incorrectness in any respect of any representation and warranty contained in the preceding clause (a) shall constitute an immediate Event of Default. Without limiting the foregoing, each Borrower hereby (x) ratifies and confirms all of the terms, covenants and conditions set forth in the Loan Documents and hereby agrees that it remains unconditionally liable to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders in accordance with the respective terms, covenants and conditions set forth in the Loan Documents, and all the Collateral thereto in favor of the Administrative Agent (for the benefit of the Lender Parties) continues unimpaired and in full force and effect, and (y) waives all defenses, claims, counterclaims, rights of recoupment or set-off against any of its Obligations.

### ARTICLE IV ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SUBSIDIARIES

By executing this Agreement, each Subsidiary of the Company that is a party hereto hereby confirms and agrees that each Loan Document to which it is a party is, and shall continue to be, in full force and effect and is hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects, except that on and after the Effective Date each reference therein to the Credit Agreement shall refer to the Existing Credit Agreement after giving effect to this Agreement. Without limiting the foregoing, each such Subsidiary waives all defenses, claims, counterclaims, rights of recoupment or set-off with respect to any of such Subsidiary's Obligations.

# ARTICLE V CONDITIONS TO EFFECTIVENESS; EXPIRATION

- SECTION 5.1. Effective Date. This Agreement shall become effective as of May 1, 2012 (the "Effective Date") when the conditions set forth in this Section have been satisfied
- SECTION 5.1.1 Execution of Agreement. The Administrative Agent shall have received counterparts of this Agreement duly executed and delivered on behalf of the Borrowers, each of the Subsidiaries of the Company parties to the Existing Credit Agreement and the Required Lenders.
- SECTION 5.1.2 Representations and Warranties. The representations and warranties made by the Borrowers pursuant to Article III as of the Effective Date shall be true and correct.
- SECTION 5.2. Expiration. If the Effective Date has not occurred on or prior to 10:00 a.m. (New York, New York time) on May 18, 2012, the agreements of the parties contained in this Agreement shall terminate immediately on such date and without further action.

### ARTICLE VI MISCELLANEOUS

- SECTION 6.1. Cross-References. References in this Agreement to any Article or Section are, unless otherwise specified, to such Article or Section of this Agreement.
- SECTION 6.2. <u>Loan Document Pursuant to Amended Credit Agreement</u>. This Agreement is a Loan Document executed pursuant to the Amended Credit Agreement. Except as expressly amended hereby, all of the representations, warranties, terms, covenants and conditions contained in the Existing Credit Agreement and each other Loan Document shall remain unamended or otherwise unmodified and in full force and effect.
- SECTION 6.3. <u>Limitation of Amendments</u>. The amendments set forth in <u>Article II</u> shall be limited precisely as provided for herein and shall not be deemed to be a waiver of, amendment of, consent to or modification of any other term or provision of the Existing Credit Agreement or of any term or provision of any other Loan Document or of any transaction or further or future action on the part of any Borrower or any other Loan Party which would require the consent of any of the Lenders under the Existing Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document.
- SECTION 6.4. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto on different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract.
  - SECTION 6.5. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.
- SECTION 6.6. <u>Further Assurances</u>. The Borrowers shall execute and deliver, and shall cause each other Loan Party to execute and deliver, from time to time in favor of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, such documents, agreements, certificates and other instruments as shall be necessary or advisable to effect the purposes of this Agreement.
- SECTION 6.7. <u>Costs and Expenses</u>. The Borrowers agree to pay all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent, including the reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees, charges and disbursements of legal counsel for the Administrative Agent, that are incurred in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other agreements and documents entered into in connection herewith.
- SECTION 6.8. <u>Governing Law</u>. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CONFLICT OF LAWS PRINCIPLES THEREOF.
- SECTION 6.9. WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY REQUIREMENTS OF LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

SECTION 6.10. Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire contract among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective officers hereunto duly authorized as of the day and year first above written.

# **BORROWERS:**

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION

By /s/ Fabio Sandri

Name: Fabio Sandri

Title: CFO

TO-RICOS, LTD.

By /s/ Fabio Sandri

Name: Fabio Sandri

Title: CFO

TO-RICOS DISTRIBUTION, LTD.

By /s/ Fabio Sandri

Name: Fabio Sandri

Title: CFO

# **OTHER LOAN PARTIES:**

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION OF WEST VIRGINIA, INC.

By /s/ Fabio Sandri

Name: Fabio Sandri

Title: CFO

# **ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT:**

COBANK, ACB,

as Administrative Agent

By /s/ James Matzat

Name: James Matzat Title: Vice President

# **LENDERS:**

COBANK, ACB,

as Lender and as Swingline Lender

By /s/ James Matzat

Name: James Matzat Title: Vice President

COÖPERATIEVE CENTRALE RAIFFEISEN-

BOERENLEENBANK B.A., "RABOBANK INTERNATIONAL",

NEW YORK BRANCH,

as Lender

By /s/ Michelene Donegan

Name: Michelene Donegan Title: Executive Director

By /s/ Brett Delfino

Name: Brett Delfino
Title: Executive Director

BANK OF MONTREAL,

as Lender

By /s/ Philip Langheim

Name: Philip Langheim Title: Managing Director

BARCLAYS BANK PLC,

as Lender

By /s/ Ronnie Glenn

Name: Ronnie Glenn Title: Vice President

MORGAN STANLEY SENIOR FUNDING, INC., as Lender

By /s/ Chris Winthrop

Title: Vice President Name: Chris Winthrop

# AGRILAND, FARM CREDIT SERVICES ACA, as Lender

By /s/ Jake Aragon

Name: Jake Aragon

Title: LCO

ING CAPITAL LLC,

as Lender

By /s/ Daniel W. Lamprecht

Name: Daniel W. Lamprecht Title: Managing Director

THE UNITED STATES LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK,

as Lender

WESTERN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Lender

THE VARIABLE ANNUITY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Lender

AMERICAN GENERAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Lender By: AIG Asset Management (U.S.), LLC, as investment adviser

By /s/ William H. Hasson

Name: William H. Hasson Title: Managing Director

MERIT LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,

as Lender

By /s/ Robert A. Cole

Name: Robert A. Cole Title: President

METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Lender

By /s/ Barry L. Bogseth

Name: Barry L. Bogseth

Title: Director

JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY (U.S.A.), as successor by merger to John Hancock Life Insurance Company and to John Hancock Variable Life Insurance Company, as Lender

# By /s/ Dwayne Bertrand

Name: Dwayne Bertrand Title: Managing Director

JOHN HANCOCK LIFE & HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY, as Lender

# By /s/ Dwayne Bertrand

Name: Dwayne Bertrand Title: Managing Director

TRANSAMERICA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Lender

# By /s/ Stephen Noonan

Name: Stephen Noonan Title: Vice President

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,

as Lender

# By /s/ Harry J. Brown

Name: Harry J. Brown Title: Vice President

BANK OF THE WEST,

as Lender

# By /s/ Michael D. Hogg

Name: Michael D. Hogg Title: Vice President

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as Lender

# By /s/ Kory Clark

Name: Kory Clark Title: SVP THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA, as Lender

By /s/ Paula Czach

Name: Paula Czach

Title: Managing Director - Execution Head

SOCIÉTÉ GENERALE, as Lender

By /s/ Sebastien Ribatto

Name: Sebastien Ribatto Title: Managing Director

FIFTH THIRD BANK, as Lender

By /s/ Dwayne Sharp

Name: Dwayne Sharp Title: Vice President

FARM CREDIT EAST, ACA formerly known as FIRST PIONEER FARM CREDIT, ACA, as Lender

By /s/ Thomas W. Cosgrove

Name: Thomas W. Cosgrove Title: Vice President

# **EXHIBIT 12** PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION COMPUTATION OF RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

	Twenty-Six	Weeks Ended
	June 24, 2012	June 26, 2011
Earnings:		
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	\$ 107,046	\$ (254,229)
Add: Total fixed charges (see below)	57,411	61,478
Less: Interest capitalized	771	1,701
Total earnings	163,686	(194,452)
Fixed charges:		
Interest <sup>(a)</sup>	53,941	55,646
Portion of noncancellable lease expense representative of interest factor <sup>(b)</sup>	3,470	5,832
Total fixed charges	57,411	61,478
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	2.85	(c)
(a) Interest includes amortization of capitalized financing fees.		
(b) One-third of noncancellable lease expense is assumed to representative of the interest factor.		
(c) Earnings were insufficient to cover fixed charges by \$255.9 million.		

# EXHIBIT 31.1 CERTIFICATION BY PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

### I, William W. Lovette, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 24, 2012, of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a. Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b. Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c. Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d. Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a. All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: July 27, 2012

/s/ William W. Lovette

William W. Lovette

Chief Executive Officer

# EXHIBIT 31.2 CERTIFICATION BY PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

## I, Fabio Sandri, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 24, 2012, of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a. Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b. Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c. Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d. Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a. All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: July 27, 2012 /s/ Fabio Sandri
Fabio Sandri

Chief Financial Officer

# EXHIBIT 32.1 CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. § 1350 ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

Pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (subsections (a) and (b) of section 1350, chapter 63 of title 18, United States Code), the undersigned officer of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation (the "Company"), does hereby certify, to such officer's knowledge, that:

The Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 24, 2012 (the "Form 10-Q") of the Company fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: July 27, 2012 /s/ William W. Lovette

William W. Lovette Chief Executive Officer

## EXHIBIT 32.2 CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. § 1350 ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

Pursuant to section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (subsections (a) and (b) of section 1350, chapter 63 of title 18, United States Code), the undersigned officer of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation (the "Company"), does hereby certify, to such officer's knowledge, that:

The Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 24, 2012 (the "Form 10-Q") of the Company fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: July 27, 2012 /s/ Fabio Sandri

Fabio Sandri

Chief Financial Officer