

**STAPLES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Consolidated Statements of Income**  
**(Dollar Amounts in Thousands, Except Share Data)**

	Quarter Ended			August 4,	
	As Reported	Corporate Express	Other Adjustments (1)	As Adjusted	As Reported
	<b>August 2,</b>			<b>2007</b>	
Sales.....	\$ 5,074,720	\$ 672,518		\$ 4,402,202	\$ 4,290,424
Cost of goods sold and occupancy costs.....	3,723,218	538,857		3,184,361	3,080,057
Gross profit.....	1,351,502	133,661		1,217,841	1,210,367
Operating expenses:					
Selling, general and administrative.....	1,091,664	109,794		981,870	926,016
Integration and restructuring charges.....	163	163		-	-
Amortization of intangibles.....	14,259	1,769	8,648	3,842	3,877
Total operating expenses.....	1,106,086	111,726	8,648	985,712	929,893
Operating income.....	245,416	21,935	(8,648)	232,129	280,474
Interest and other expense, net.....	15,501	2,101	13,306	94	1,327
Income before income taxes.....	229,915	19,834	(21,954)	232,035	279,147
Income tax expense .....	77,700	6,843	(10,454)	81,311	100,493
Income before minority interest	152,215	12,991	(11,500)	150,724	178,654
Minority interest	1,982	2,129		(147)	(174)
Net income.....	\$ 150,233	\$ 10,862	\$ (11,500)	\$ 150,871	\$ 178,828
Effective tax rate.....	33.8%	34.5%		35.0%	36.0%
Historical diluted earnings per share:	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.02	\$ (0.02)	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.25
Number of shares used in computing historical earnings per share:	711,403,428				726,071,464

(1) Other adjustments consist of the following:

- Amortization of \$8.6 million for the identifiable intangible assets related to the acquisition of Corporate Express.
- Interest related to the acquisition financing.
- Adjustment to income taxes for the consolidated entity from the rate reported for the period to the rate reported for the first quarter of 2008.

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	Six Months Ended			August 4,	
	As Reported	Corporate Express	Other Adjustments (1)	As Adjusted	As Reported
	August 2, 2008			2007	
Sales.....	\$ 9,959,274	\$ 672,518		\$ 9,286,756	\$ 8,879,889
Cost of goods sold and occupancy costs.....	7,236,850	538,857		6,697,993	6,384,583
Gross profit.....	2,722,424	133,661		2,588,763	\$ 2,495,306
Operating expenses:					
Selling, general and administrative.....	2,136,465	109,794		2,026,671	1,884,911
Integration and restructuring charges.....	163	163		-	\$ -
Amortization of intangibles.....	18,415	1,769	8,648	7,998	7,310
Total operating expenses.....	2,155,043	111,726	8,648	2,034,669	1,892,221
Operating income.....	567,381	21,935	(8,648)	554,094	603,085
Interest and other expense, net.....	11,054	2,101	13,306	(4,353)	(2,492)
Income before income taxes.....	556,327	19,834	(21,954)	558,447	605,577
Income tax expense .....	191,944	6,843	(10,454)	195,555	218,008
Income before minority interest	364,383	12,991	(11,500)	362,892	387,569
Minority interest	1,868	2,129		(261)	(402)
Net income.....	\$ 362,515	\$ 10,862	\$ (11,500)	\$ 363,153	\$ 387,971
Effective tax rate.....	34.5%	34.5%		35.0%	36.0%
Historical diluted earnings per share:	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.02	\$ (0.02)	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.53
Number of shares used in computing historical earnings per share:	709,670,297				727,494,199

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