## FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)
区 QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2017
OR

## $\square$ 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: 001-35629

## TILE SHOP HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)
14000 Carlson Parkway
Plymouth, Minnesota
(Address of principal executive offices)

45-5538095
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

55441
(Zip Code)
(763) 852-2950
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (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. $\mathbb{Q}$ YesNo

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). $\boxtimes$ YesNo

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

| Large accelerated filer | $\boxed{ }$ | Accelerated filer |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Non-accelerated filer | $\square$ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) | Smaller reporting company $\square$ |
| Emerging growth company | $\square$ |  |

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). $\square$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No
As of July 31, 2017, there were $51,923,761$ shares of the registrant's common stock, par value $\$ 0.0001$ per share, outstanding.

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Balance Sheets
(dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { June 30, } \\ 2017 \\ \text { (unaudited) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { December 31, } \\ 2016 \\ \text { (audited) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets |  |  |  |  |
| Current assets: |  |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 12,006 | \$ | 6,067 |
| Restricted cash |  | 855 |  | 3,000 |
| Trade receivables, net |  | 3,024 |  | 2,414 |
| Inventories |  | 67,286 |  | 74,295 |
| Income tax receivable |  | 1,549 |  | 1,670 |
| Other current assets, net |  | 3,638 |  | 8,755 |
| Total Current Assets |  | 88,358 |  | 96,201 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net |  | 147,941 |  | 141,037 |
| Deferred tax assets |  | 18,868 |  | 21,391 |
| Long-term restricted cash |  | - |  | 3,881 |
| Other assets |  | 2,441 |  | 2,763 |
| Total Assets | \$ | 257,608 | \$ | 265,273 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity |  |  |  |  |
| Current liabilities: |  |  |  |  |
| Accounts payable | \$ | 19,443 | \$ | 20,321 |
| Current portion of long-term debt |  | 7,561 |  | 6,286 |
| Income tax payable |  | 381 |  | 120 |
| Other accrued liabilities |  | 22,802 |  | 33,461 |
| Total Current Liabilities |  | 50,187 |  | 60,188 |
| Long-term debt, net |  | 11,300 |  | 22,126 |
| Capital lease obligation, net |  | 639 |  | 697 |
| Deferred rent |  | 39,060 |  | 37,595 |
| Other long-term liabilities |  | 5,290 |  | 5,768 |
| Total Liabilities |  | 106,476 |  | 126,374 |

## Stockholders' Equity:

Common stock, par value $\$ 0.0001$; authorized: $100,000,000$ shares; issued and outstanding: 51,856,706 and 51,607,143 shares, respectively

Preferred stock, par value $\$ 0.0001$; authorized: $10,000,000$ shares; issued and outstanding: 0 shares

| Additional paid-in-capital | 182,491 | 185,998 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Accumulated deficit | $(31,326)$ | $(47,058)$ |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | $(38)$ | $(46)$ |
| Total Stockholders' Equity | $\$ 151,132$ | 138,899 |
| Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity | $\$ 257,608$ | $\$$ |

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

## Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Operations (dollars in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited)

|  | Three Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  | Six Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017 |  | 2016 |  | 2017 |  | 2016 |  |
| Net sales | \$ | 89,464 | \$ | 84,270 | \$ | 181,599 | \$ | 168,984 |
| Cost of sales |  | 27,116 |  | 25,571 |  | 54,506 |  | 50,580 |
| Gross profit |  | 62,348 |  | 58,699 |  | 127,093 |  | 118,404 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses |  | 50,748 |  | 46,990 |  | 101,960 |  | 94,939 |
| Income from operations |  | 11,600 |  | 11,709 |  | 25,133 |  | 23,465 |
| Interest expense |  | (448) |  | (449) |  | (933) |  | $(1,019)$ |
| Other income |  | 62 |  | 37 |  | 98 |  | 68 |
| Income before income taxes |  | 11,214 |  | 11,297 |  | 24,298 |  | 22,514 |
| Provision for income taxes |  | $(3,491)$ |  | $(4,448)$ |  | $(8,566)$ |  | $(8,907)$ |
| Net income | \$ | 7,723 | \$ | 6,849 | \$ | 15,732 | \$ | 13,607 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income per common share: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ | 0.15 | \$ | 0.13 | \$ | 0.31 | \$ | 0.26 |
| Diluted | \$ | 0.15 | \$ | 0.13 | \$ | 0.30 | \$ | 0.26 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Weighted average shares outstanding: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic |  | 633,150 |  | 51,378,485 |  | 51,578,691 |  | 51,368,826 |
| Diluted |  | 223,183 |  | 51,937,924 |  | 52,111,134 |  | 51,821,615 |

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income
(dollars in thousands)
(unaudited)


See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity (Deficit)
(dollars in thousands, except share data)
(unaudited)
$\qquad$

|  | Shares | Amount |  | Additional paid-incapital capital |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Treasury } \\ \text { units } \end{gathered}$ |  | Retainedearnings(deficit) |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Accumulated } \begin{array}{c} \text { other } \\ \text { comprehensive } \\ \text { income (loss) } \end{array} \end{gathered}$ |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Balance at December 31, 2015 | 51,437,973 | \$ | 5 | \$ | 180,192 | \$ | - | \$ | $(64,985)$ | \$ | (11) | \$ | 115,201 |
| Reclassification of impact of ASU 201609 | - |  | - |  | 687 |  | - |  | (536) |  | - |  | 151 |
| Balance at January 1, 2016 | 51,437,973 | \$ | 5 | \$ | 180,879 | \$ | - | \$ | $(65,521)$ | \$ | (11) | \$ | 115,352 |
| Issuance of restricted shares | 73,384 |  | - |  |  |  | - |  | - |  | - |  | - |
| Stock based compensation |  |  |  |  | 4,333 |  | - |  | - |  |  |  | 4,333 |
| Stock option exercises | 95,786 |  | - |  | 786 |  | - |  | - |  | - |  | 786 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments | - |  | - |  | - |  | - |  | - |  | (35) |  | (35) |
| Net income | - |  | - |  | - |  | - |  | 18,463 |  | - |  | 18,463 |
| Balance at December 31, 2016 | 51,607,143 | \$ | 5 | \$ | 185,998 | \$ | - | \$ | $(47,058)$ | \$ | (46) | \$ | 138,899 |
| Issuance of restricted shares | 94,317 |  | - |  |  |  | - |  | - |  |  |  |  |
| Cancellation of restricted shares | $(7,272)$ |  | - |  |  |  | - |  |  |  | - |  | - |
| Stock based compensation | - |  | - |  | 1,770 |  | - |  | - |  |  |  | 1,770 |
| Stock option exercises | 162,518 |  | - |  | (109) |  | - |  | - |  |  |  | (109) |
| Dividends paid | - |  | - |  | $(5,168)$ |  | - |  | - |  | - |  | $(5,168)$ |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments | - |  | - |  | - |  | - |  | - |  | 8 |  | 8 |
| Net income | - |  | - |  | - |  | - |  | 15,732 |  | - |  | 15,732 |
| Balance at June 30, 2017 | 51,856,706 | \$ | 5 | \$ | 182,491 | \$ | - | \$ | $(31,326)$ |  | (38) | \$ | 151,132 |

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# Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries 

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(dollars in thousands)
(unaudited)

|  | Six Months EndedJune 30, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017 |  | 2016 |  |
| Cash Flows From Operating Activities |  |  |  |  |
| Net income | \$ | 15,732 | \$ | 13,607 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation \& amortization |  | 12,592 |  | 11,184 |
| Amortization of debt issuance costs |  | 349 |  | 312 |
| Loss on disposals of property, plant and equipment |  | 152 |  | 386 |
| Deferred rent |  | 1,552 |  | 1,096 |
| Stock based compensation |  | 1,770 |  | 2,464 |
| Deferred income taxes |  | 2,523 |  | 429 |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: |  |  |  |  |
| Trade receivables |  | (610) |  | (887) |
| Inventories |  | 7,009 |  | 6,746 |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets |  | 5,139 |  | 1,099 |
| Accounts payable |  | $(1,015)$ |  | 1,114 |
| Income tax receivable / payable |  | 382 |  | (25) |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities |  | $(10,747)$ |  | 3,236 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities |  | 34,828 |  | 40,761 |
| Cash Flows From Investing Activities |  |  |  |  |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment |  | $(20,000)$ |  | $(11,703)$ |
| Net cash used in investing activities |  | $(20,000)$ |  | $(11,703)$ |
| Cash Flows From Financing Activities |  |  |  |  |
| Release of restricted cash |  | 6,026 |  | - |
| Payments of long-term debt and capital lease obligations |  | $(34,646)$ |  | $(26,301)$ |
| Advances on line of credit |  | 25,000 |  | - |
| Dividends paid |  | $(5,168)$ |  | - |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options |  | 102 |  | 325 |
| Employee taxes paid for shares withheld |  | (211) |  | - |
| Security deposits |  | - |  | 2 |
| Net cash used in financing activities |  | $(8,897)$ |  | $(25,974)$ |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash |  | 8 |  | (7) |
| Net change in cash |  | 5,939 |  | 3,077 |
| Cash and cash equivalents beginning of period |  | 6,067 |  | 10,330 |
| Cash and cash equivalents end of period | \$ | 12,006 | \$ | 13,407 |
| Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information |  |  |  |  |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment included in accounts payable and accrued expenses | \$ | 2,407 | \$ | 826 |
| Cash paid for interest |  | 936 |  | 1,119 |
| Cash paid for income taxes, net |  | 5,817 |  | 8,932 |

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

## Note 1: Background

The Tile Shop, LLC ("The Tile Shop") was formed on December 30, 2002, as a Delaware limited liability company and began operations on January 1, 2003. Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. ("Holdings," and together with its wholly owned subsidiaries, the "Company") was incorporated under the laws of the state of Delaware in June 2012 to become the parent company of The Tile Shop, LLC.

The Company is a specialty retailer of manufactured and natural stone tiles, setting and maintenance materials, and related accessories in the United States. The Company manufactures its own setting and maintenance materials, such as thinset, grout, and sealers. The Company's primary market is retail sales to consumers, contractors, designers and home builders. As of June 30, 2017, the Company had 130 stores in 31 states and the District of Columbia, as well as an on-line retail operation. The Company also has distribution centers located in Michigan, New Jersey, Oklahoma, Virginia and Wisconsin. The Company has a sourcing operation located in China.

The accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for interim financial information and with the rules and regulations for reporting on Form 10-Q. Accordingly, they do not include certain information and disclosures required for comprehensive financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included and are of a normal recurring nature, including the elimination of all intercompany transactions. Operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

These statements should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and footnotes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016. The accounting policies used in preparing these Consolidated Financial Statements are the same as those described in Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in such Form 10-K.

## Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued a standard which simplifies the subsequent measurement of inventory. Previously, an entity was required to measure inventory at the lower of cost or market, whereby market can be replacement cost, net realizable value, or net realizable value less an approximately normal profit margin. The changes required that inventory be measured at the lower of cost and net realizable value, thereby eliminating the use of the other two market methodologies. Net realizable value is defined as the estimated selling prices in the ordinary course of business less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal, and transportation. The standard was effective for the Company at the beginning of fiscal 2017. The adoption of this new standard did not have a material effect on the Company's financial statements.

## Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted

In May 2014, the FASB issued a final standard on revenue from contracts with customers. This new standard introduces a comprehensive revenue recognition model that requires a company to recognize revenue to depict the transfer of goods or services to a customer at an amount that reflects the consideration it expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. In 2016, the FASB issued several amendments to the standard, including principal versus agent considerations when another party is involved in providing goods or services to a customer, the application of identifying performance obligations, and the recognition of expected breakage amounts either proportionally in earnings as redemptions occur or when redemption is remote. Upon adoption of the standard, the Company expects to present the gross sales returns reserve as a component of other accrued liabilities and establish a return asset that will be classified as a component of other current assets, net in the Consolidated Balance Sheet. Currently, the Company presents its sales returns reserve net of the value of the return assets as a component of other accrued liabilities in the Consolidate Balance Sheet. The Company continues to assess the impact of other aspects of this standard. As the Company finalizes its assessment, the Company will take steps to finalize its accounting policies, establish new processes and controls when warranted, and ensure information is captured to conform with the disclosure requirements outlined under the new standard. The standard is effective for the Company in fiscal 2018 and provides for either full retrospective adoption or modified retrospective adoption by which the cumulative effect of the change is recognized in retained earnings at the date of initial application. The Company has elected to adopt this standard using the modified retrospective approach.

In February 2016, the FASB issued a standard that primarily requires organizations that lease assets to recognize the rights and obligations created by those leases on the Consolidated Balance Sheet. The standard is effective in 2019, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently assessing the effect the new standard will have on its consolidated financial statements.

In August 2016, the FASB issued an accounting standards update with new guidance on how certain cash receipts and cash payments are presented and classified in the statement of cash flows. The amendments in the standards update provide guidance on eight specific cash flow issues. The standards update is effective retrospectively for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently assessing the effect the new standard will have on its consolidated financial statements.

In November 2016, the FASB issued new guidance on restricted cash on the statement of cash flows. The new guidance requires the classification and presentation of changes in restricted cash and cash equivalents in the statement of cash flows. Therefore, amounts generally described as restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents should be included with cash and cash equivalents when reconciling the beginning and ending balances shown on the statement of cash flows. The new standard is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted. The guidance should be applied retrospectively after adoption. The Company's restricted cash balance was $\$ 0.9$ million as of June 30, 2017. Upon adopting the new standard, the Company anticipates that it will no longer present the release of restricted cash as a financing cash inflow. Instead, restricted cash and long-term restricted cash balances will be included in the beginning and ending cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash balances in the statement of cash flows.

## Note 2: Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost (determined on the weighted-average cost method) or market. Inventories consist primarily of merchandise held for sale. Inventories were comprised of the following as of June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016 :

|  | (in thousands) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { June 30, } \\ 2017 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { December 31, } \\ 2016 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Finished goods | \$ | 56,422 | \$ | 61,949 |
| Raw materials |  | 1,825 |  | 2,312 |
| Finished goods in transit |  | 9,039 |  | 10,034 |
| Total | \$ | 67,286 | \$ | 74,295 |

The Company records provisions for losses related to shrinkage and other amounts that are otherwise not expected to be fully recoverable. These provisions are calculated based on historical shrinkage, selling price, margin and current business trends. The provision for losses related to shrinkage and other amounts was $\$ 0.5$ million and $\$ 0.2$ million as of June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively.

## Note 3: Income taxes

The Company's effective tax rate on net income before income taxes for the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, was $31.1 \%$ and $39.4 \%$, respectively. The improvement in the effective tax rate was due to increases in excess tax benefits recognized in connection with the exercise of non-qualified stock options and disqualifying dispositions of incentive stock options during the second quarter of 2017. For the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, the Company recorded a provision for income taxes of $\$ 3.5$ million and $\$ 4.4$ million, respectively.

The Company's effective tax rate on net income before income taxes for the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 was $35.3 \%$ and $39.6 \%$, respectively. The improvement in the effective tax rate is attributable to an increase in excess tax benefits recognized in connection with the exercise of non-qualified stock options and disqualifying dispositions of incentive options during 2017. For the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, the Company recorded a provision for income taxes of $\$ 8.6$ million and $\$ 8.9$ million, respectively.

The Company records interest and penalties relating to uncertain tax positions in income tax expense. As of June 30, 2017 and 2016 , the Company has not recognized any liabilities for uncertain tax positions, nor have interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions been accrued.

## Note 4: Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding, after taking into consideration all dilutive potential shares outstanding during the period.

Basic and diluted earnings per share were calculated as follows:

|  | (dollars in thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | For the three months ended June 30, |  |  |  | For the six months ended June 30, |  |  |  |
|  | 2017 |  | 2016 |  | 2017 |  | 2016 |  |
| Net income | \$ | 7,723 | \$ | 6,849 | \$ | 15,732 | \$ | 13,607 |
| Weighted average basic shares outstanding |  | 51,633,150 |  | 51,378,485 |  | 51,578,691 |  | 51,368,826 |
| Effect of dilutive securities attributable to stock-based awards |  | 590,033 |  | 559,439 |  | 532,443 |  | 452,789 |
| Weighted average diluted shares outstanding |  | 52,223,183 |  | 51,937,924 |  | 52,111,134 |  | 51,821,615 |
| Income per common share: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ | 0.15 | \$ | 0.13 | \$ | 0.31 | \$ | 0.26 |
| Dilutive | \$ | 0.15 | \$ | 0.13 | \$ | 0.30 | \$ | 0.26 |
| Anti-dilutive securities excluded from EPS calculation |  | 209,570 |  | 117,807 |  | 254,511 |  | 197,761 |

## Note 5: Other Accrued Liabilities

Other accrued liabilities consisted of the following:

|  | (in thousands) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { June } 30, \\ 2017 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { December 31, } \\ 2016 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Shareholder litigation accrual | \$ | - | \$ | 9,500 |
| Customer deposits |  | 7,584 |  | 7,742 |
| Accrued wages and salaries |  | 3,539 |  | 4,962 |
| Sales return reserve |  | 3,602 |  | 3,080 |
| Payroll and sales taxes |  | 3,097 |  | 2,691 |
| Other current liabilities |  | 4,980 |  | 5,486 |
| Total other accrued liabilities | \$ | 22,802 | \$ | 33,461 |

## Note 6: Long-term Debt

On June 2, 2015, the Company and its operating subsidiary, The Tile Shop, LLC, entered into a credit agreement with Fifth Third Bank, Bank of America, N.A., and Huntington National Bank (as amended, the "Credit Agreement"). On December 9, 2016, the Credit Agreement was amended to permit an additional New Markets Tax Credit Financing arrangement and on February 10, 2017, the Credit Agreement was amended to permit the Company to make certain dividend payments. The Credit Agreement again was amended on July 17, 2017 to amend the consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio from 2.00:1.00 to 1.50:1.00 to provide greater flexibility in declaring and making dividend payments or other distributions to stockholders. The Credit Agreement provides the Company with a $\$ 125.0$ million senior secured credit facility, comprised of a five-year $\$ 50.0$ million term loan and a $\$ 75.0$ million revolving line of credit. The Credit Agreement is secured by virtually all of the assets of the Company, including but not limited to, inventory, receivables, equipment and real property. Borrowings pursuant to the Credit Agreement bear interest at either a base rate or a LIBOR-based rate, at the option of the Company. The LIBOR-based rate will range from LIBOR plus $1.50 \%$ to $2.00 \%$, depending on The Tile Shop's leverage ratio. The base rate is equal to the greatest of: (a) the Federal funds rate plus $0.50 \%$, (b) the Fifth Third Bank "prime rate," and (c) the Eurodollar rate plus $1.00 \%$, in each case plus $0.50 \%$ to $1.00 \%$ depending on The Tile Shop’s leverage ratio. At June 30, 2017 the base interest rate was $4.75 \%$ and the LIBOR-based interest rate was $2.72 \%$. Borrowings outstanding consisted of $\$ 3.0$ million on the revolving line of credit and $\$ 15.2$ million on the term loan as of June 30, 2017. There was $\$ 72.0$ million available for borrowing on the revolving line of credit as of June 30, 2017. The Company can elect to prepay the term loan without incurring a penalty. Additional borrowings pursuant to the Credit Agreement may be used to support the Company's growth and for working capital purposes. The Company incurred $\$ 1.0$ million of debt issuance costs in connection with the Credit Agreement. These costs were capitalized as other current and other noncurrent assets, and will be amortized over the five-year life of the Credit Agreement. The term loan requires quarterly principal payments as follows (in thousands):

## Period

| September 30, 2017 to June 30, 2018 | 1,875 |
| :--- | :--- |
| September 30, 2018 to March 31, 2020 | 2,500 |

The Credit Agreement contains customary events of default, conditions to borrowings, and restrictive covenants, including restrictions on the Company's ability to dispose of assets, make acquisitions, incur additional debt, incur liens, make investments, or enter into transactions with affiliates on other than terms that could be obtained in an arm's length transaction. The Credit Agreement also includes financial and other covenants including covenants to maintain certain fixed charge coverage ratios and rent adjusted leverage ratios. The Company was in compliance with the covenants as of June 30, 2017.

We have a standby letter of credits outstanding related to our workers compensation and medical insurance policies. As of June 30, 2017 and 2016, the standby letter of credits totaled $\$ 1.1$ million.

Long-term debt consisted of the following at June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016 (in thousands):


## Note 7: Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. To measure fair value, the Company uses a three-tier valuation hierarchy based upon observable and non-observable inputs:

Level 1 - Unadjusted quoted prices that are available in active markets for the identical assets or liabilities at the measurement date.

Level 2 - Significant other observable inputs available at the measurement date, other than quoted prices included in Level 1, either directly or indirectly, including:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets in non-active markets;
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and
- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by other observable market data.

Level 3 - Significant unobservable inputs that cannot be corroborated by observable market data and reflect the use of significant management judgment.

The following table sets forth by Level within the fair value hierarchy the Company's financial assets that were accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis at June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016 according to the valuation techniques the Company uses to determine their fair values. There have been no transfers of assets among the fair value hierarchies presented.

|  | Pricing |  | Fair Value at |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Category | June 30, 2017 | December 31, 2016 |  |
| Assets | Level 1 | $\$$ | (in thousands) |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | Level 1 | 12,006 | $\$, 067$ |  |
| Restricted cash | Level 1 | 855 | 3,000 |  |
| Long-term restricted cash |  | - | 3,881 |  |

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instrument. There have been no changes in the valuation techniques used by the Company to value the Company's financial instruments.

- Cash and cash equivalents: Consists of cash on hand and bank deposits. The value was measured using quoted market prices in active markets. The carrying amount approximates fair value.
- Restricted cash: Consists of cash and cash equivalents held in bank deposit accounts restricted as to withdrawal or are under the terms of use for current operations. The value was measured using quoted market prices in active markets. The carrying amount approximates fair value.
- Long-term restricted cash: Consists of cash and cash equivalents held in bank deposit accounts restricted as to withdrawal and designated for expenditure in the construction of noncurrent assets. The value was measured using quoted market prices in active markets. The carrying amount approximates fair value.

Fair value measurements also apply to certain non-financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis. Property, plant and equipment is measured at fair value when an impairment is recognized and the related assets are written down to fair value. The Company did not recognize any significant impairment losses during 2017 or 2016. The carrying value of the Company's borrowings under its credit agreement approximate fair value based upon the market interest rates available to the Company for debt obligations with similar risks and maturities.

## Note 8: Equity Incentive Plans

## Stock options:

The Company measures and recognizes compensation expense for all stock-based awards at fair value. The financial statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 include compensation cost for the portion of outstanding awards that vested during those periods. The Company recognizes stock-based compensation costs on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period of the award, which is generally the option vesting term. Total stock-based compensation expense related to stock options was $\$ 0.6$ million and $\$ 0.9$ million for the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Total stock-based compensation expense related to stock options was $\$ 1.2$ million and $\$ 1.9$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Stock-based compensation expense is included in selling, general and administrative expenses in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations.

As of June 30, 2017, the Company had outstanding stock options to purchase 2,103,524 shares of common stock at a weighted average exercise price of $\$ 14.72$.

## Restricted stock:

The Company awards restricted common shares to selected employees and to non-employee directors. Recipients are not required to provide any consideration other than continued service. Restricted share awards are subject to certain restrictions on transfer, and all or part of the shares awarded may be subject to forfeiture upon the occurrence of certain events, including employment termination. Certain awards are also subject to forfeiture if the Company fails to attain its adjusted EBITDA targets. The restricted stock is valued at its grant date fair value and expensed over the requisite service period or the vesting term of the awards. The Company adjusts the cumulative expense recognized on awards with performance conditions based on the probability of achieving the performance condition. Total stock-based compensation expense related to restricted stock was $\$ 0.3$ million for the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016. Total stock-based compensation expense related to restricted stock was $\$ 0.6$ million for the six months ended June 30,

2017 and 2016. Stock-based compensation expense is included in selling, general and administrative expenses in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations.

As of June 30, 2017, the Company had 168,361 outstanding restricted common shares.

## Note 9: New Market Tax Credit

## 2016 New Market Tax Credit

In December 2016, the Company entered into a financing transaction with U.S. Bank Community, LLC ("U.S. Bank") related to a \$9.2 million expansion of the Company's facility in Durant, Oklahoma. U.S. Bank made a capital contribution to, and Tile Shop Lending, Inc. ("Tile Shop Lending") made a loan to, Twain Investment Fund 192 LLC (the "Investment Fund") under a qualified New Markets Tax Credit ("NMTC") program. The NMTC program was provided for in the Community Renewal Tax Relief Act of 2000 (the "Act") and is intended to induce capital investment in qualified lower income communities. The Act permits taxpayers to claim credits against their Federal income taxes for up to $39 \%$ of qualified investments in the equity of community development entities ("CDEs"). CDEs are privately managed investment institutions that are certified to make qualified low-income community investments.

In December 2016, Tile Shop Lending loaned $\$ 6.7$ million to the Investment Fund at an interest rate of $1.37 \%$ per year and with a maturity of December 31, 2046. The Investment Fund then contributed the loan to a CDE, which, in turn, loaned the funds on similar terms to Tile Shop of Oklahoma, LLC, an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Holdings. The proceeds of the loans from the CDEs (including loans representing the capital contribution made by U.S. Bank, net of syndication fees) were used to partially fund the distribution center project.

In December 2016, U.S. Bank also contributed $\$ 3.1$ million to the Investment Funds and, by virtue of such contribution, is entitled to substantially all of the tax benefits derived from the NMTCs, while the Company effectively received net loan proceeds equal to U.S. Bank's contributions to the Investment Fund. This transaction includes a put/call provision whereby the Company may be obligated or entitled to repurchase U.S. Bank's interest. The Company believes that U.S. Bank will exercise the put option in December 2023 at the end of the recapture period. The value attributed to the put/call is de minimis. The NMTC is subject to $100 \%$ recapture for a period of seven years as provided in the Internal Revenue Code. The Company is required to be in compliance with various regulations and contractual provisions that apply to the NMTC arrangement. Non-compliance with applicable requirements could result in projected tax benefits not being realized and, therefore, could require the Company to indemnify U.S. Bank for any loss or recapture of NMTCs related to the financing until such time as the obligation to deliver tax benefits is relieved. The Company does not anticipate any credit recaptures will be required in connection with this arrangement.

The Company has determined that the financing arrangement with the Investment Fund and CDEs contains a variable interest entity ("VIE"). The ongoing activities of the Investment Fund - collecting and remitting interest and fees and NMTC compliance - were all considered in the initial design and are not expected to significantly affect economic performance throughout the life of the Investment Fund. Management considered the contractual arrangements that obligate the Company to deliver tax benefits and provide various other guarantees to the structure; U.S. Bank's lack of a material interest in the underling economics of the project; and the fact that the Company is obligated to absorb losses of the Investment Fund. The Company concluded that it is the primary beneficiary of the VIE and consolidated the Investment Fund, as a VIE, in accordance with the accounting standards for consolidation. In 2016, U.S. Bank’s contributions, of $\$ 3.1$ million, net of syndications fees, were included in cash, restricted cash, other accrued liabilities and other long-term liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheet. The Company incurred $\$ 1.2$ million of syndication fees in connection with this transaction which were classified as other current assets and other non-current assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheet. The Company is recognizing the benefit of this net $\$ 1.9$ million contribution over the seven-year compliance period as it is being earned through the on-going compliance with the conditions of the NMTC program. As of June 30, 2017, the balance of the contribution liability was $\$ 3.0$ million, of which $\$ 0.5$ million is classified as other accrued liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheet and $\$ 2.5$ million is classified as other longterm liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

After closing on this transaction, the Company is able to request reimbursement for certain expenditures made in connection with the expansion of the distribution center in Durant, Oklahoma from the Investment Fund. Expenditures that qualify for reimbursement include building costs, equipment purchases, and other expenditures tied to the expansion of the facility. During the
six months ended June 30, 2017, the Company received reimbursements totaling $\$ 6.0$ million from the investment fund. As of June 30 , 2017, the balance available in the Investment Fund available for reimbursement to the Company was $\$ 0.9$ million.

## 2013 New Market Tax Credit

In July 2013, the Company entered into a financing transaction with U.S. Bank and Chase Community Equity ("Chase", and collectively with Chase, the "investors") related to a $\$ 19.1$ million acquisition, rehabilitation, and construction of the Company's distribution center and manufacturing facilities in Durant, Oklahoma. In this transaction, Tile Shop Lending loaned $\$ 13.5$ million to the Tile Shop Investment Fund LLC. The investors contributed $\$ 5.6$ million to the Tile Shop Investment Fund LLC. The investors are entitled to the tax benefits derived from the NMTC by virtue of their contribution while the Company received the proceeds, net of syndication fees, to apply toward the construction project. This transaction includes a put/call provision whereby the Company may be obligated or entitled to repurchase the investors' interest. The Company believes that the investors will exercise the put option in September 2020 at the end of the recapture period. The value attributed to the put/call is de minimis. The NMTC is subject to $100 \%$ recapture for a period of seven years as provided in the Internal Revenue Code. The Company is required to be in compliance with various regulations and contractual provisions that apply to the NMTC arrangement. Non-compliance with applicable requirements could result in projected tax benefits not being realized and, therefore, could require the Company to indemnify the investors for any loss or recapture of NMTCs related to the financing until such time as the obligation to deliver tax benefits is relieved. The Company does not anticipate any credit recaptures will be required in connection with this arrangement.

The Company determined that this financing arrangement contains a VIE. The ongoing activities of the Tile Shop Investment Fund LLC - collecting and remitting interest and fees and NMTC compliance - were all considered in the initial design and are not expected to significantly affect economic performance throughout the life of the Tile Shop Investment Fund LLC. Management considered the contractual arrangements that obligate the Company to deliver tax benefits and provide various other guarantees to the structure; the investors lack of a material interest in the underling economics of the project; and the fact that the Company is obligated to absorb losses of the Investment Fund. The Company concluded that it is the primary beneficiary of the VIE and consolidated the Tile Shop Investment Fund LLC, as a VIE, in accordance with the accounting standards for consolidation. In 2013, the investors’ contributions, of $\$ 5.6$ million, net of syndication fees, were included in cash, restricted cash, other accrued liabilities and other long-term liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheet. The Company incurred $\$ 1.2$ million of syndication fees in connection with this transaction which were classified as other current assets and other non-current assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheet. The Company is recognizing the benefit of this net $\$ 4.4$ million contribution over the seven-year compliance period as it is being earned through the on-going compliance with the conditions of the NMTC program. As of June 30, 2017, the balance of the contribution liability was $\$ 2.1$ million, of which $\$ 0.7$ million is classified as other accrued liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheet and $\$ 1.4$ million is classified as other long-term liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

## Note 10: Commitments and Contingencies

The Company, was a defendant in a consolidated class action arising in 2013 alleging it failed to disclose certain related party transactions in the Company's SEC filings and press releases. In January 2017, the plaintiffs and the Company agreed to settle the lawsuit for $\$ 9.5$ million. The court approved the settlement, and entered an order dismissing the action on June 14, 2017.

The Company also is a nominal defendant in three actions brought derivatively on behalf of the Company by three shareholders in 2015. The plaintiffs allege that the defendant-directors and/or officer breached their fiduciary duties by failing to adopt adequate internal controls for the Company, by approving false and misleading statements issued by the Company, by causing the Company to violate generally accepted accounting principles and SEC regulations, by engaging in or approving alleged insider trading, and by permitting the Company's primary product to contain illegal amounts of lead. The complaints also allege claims for insider trading and/or unjust enrichment. The Company moved to dismiss the actions, or in the alternative, to stay the actions. Those motions have not yet been decided.

By letter dated May 19, 2016, a shareholder of the Company demanded that the Board of Directors investigate alleged breaches of fiduciary duty related to the same matters described above, and take action against certain present and former officers and directors of the Company. The Board of Directors has appointed a committee of two independent directors to investigate and evaluate the matters raised in the demand letter, and to recommend to the Company's Board of Directors what actions, if any should be taken by the Company with respect to the matters raised in the demand letter.

Given the uncertainty of litigation and the current stage of the derivative actions, the Company cannot reasonably estimate the possible loss or range of loss that may result. The Company maintains directors and officers liability insurance policies that may reduce the Company's exposure, if any. In the event the Company incurs a loss, the Company will pursue recoveries to the maximum extent available under these policies.

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The Company is also, from time to time, subject to claims and disputes arising in the normal course of business. In the opinion of management, while the outcome of such claims and disputes cannot be predicted with certainty, the Company's ultimate liability in connection with these matters is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the results of operations, financial position, or cash flows.

## Note 11: Subsequent Events

On July 18, 2017, the Company declared a $\$ 0.05$ dividend to stockholders of record as of the close of business on August 1, 2017. The dividend will be paid on August 15, 2017.

On July 17, 2017, Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. (the "Company"), its operating subsidiary, The Tile Shop, LLC, and certain other subsidiaries of the Company entered into a Third Amendment to Credit Agreement (the "Third Amendment") with Fifth Third Bank, Bank of America, N.A., and The Huntington National Bank. The Third Amendment amends the Credit Agreement, dated June 2, 2015, among the Company, Fifth Third Bank, Bank of America, N.A., and The Huntington National Bank and certain other parties thereto (the "Credit Agreement") to amend the consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio from 2.00:1.00 to 1.50:1.00 to provide the Company with greater flexibility in declaring and making dividend payments or other distributions to its stockholders.

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

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 and our consolidated financial statements and related notes appearing elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q .

## Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains "forward-looking statements" that involve risks and uncertainties, as well as assumptions that, if they never materialize or prove incorrect, could cause our results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. The statements contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that are not purely historical are forwardlooking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or Exchange Act. Forward-looking statements are often identified by the use of words such as, but not limited to, "anticipate," "believe," "can," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "might," "plan," "project," "seek," "should," "target," "will," "will likely result," "would," and similar expressions or variations intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements are based on the beliefs and assumptions of our management based on information currently available to management. Such forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and other important factors that could cause actual results and the timing of certain events to differ materially from future results expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, unexpected delays or expenses related to opening new stores and maintaining or renovating existing stores, changes to economic conditions and customer preferences, disruptions in our supply chain, or inventory management, competitive factors, increases to interest rates or other impacts on our ability to obtain or maintain financing, unanticipated expenses related to operating as a public company including but not limited to litigation-related expenses, and those factors disclosed in the section captioned "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Furthermore, such forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this report. Except as required by law, we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of such statements.

## Overview and Recent Trends

We are a specialty retailer of manufactured and natural stone tiles, setting and maintenance materials, and related accessories in the United States. We offer a wide selection of products, attractive prices, and exceptional customer service in an extensive showroom setting. As of June 30, 2017, we operated 130 stores in 31 states and the District of Columbia, with an average size of 20,800 square feet. We also sell our products on our website.

We purchase our tile products and accessories directly from suppliers and manufacture our own setting and maintenance materials, such as thinset, grout, and sealers. We believe that our long-term supplier relationships, together with our design, manufacturing and distribution capabilities, enable us to offer a broad assortment of high-quality products to our customers, who are primarily homeowners and professionals, at competitive prices. We have invested significant resources to develop our proprietary brands and product sources, and we believe that we are a leading retailer of manufactured and natural stone tiles, accessories, and related materials in the United States.

We believe that the highly-fragmented United States retail tile market provides us with a significant opportunity to expand our store base. We opened 7 new stores in the first six months of 2017, and opened 9 new stores in the United States during 2016. We plan to open approximately 15 stores in 2017. We believe that there will continue to be additional expansion opportunities in the United States and Canada. We expect store base growth will drive productivity and operational efficiencies. Our growth plans also require us to maintain significant inventory on-hand in order to fulfill transactions at these new locations.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2017, we reported net sales of $\$ 89.5$ million and $\$ 181.6$ million, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2016, we reported net sales of $\$ 84.3$ million and $\$ 169.0$ million, respectively. The increase in sales for the six months ended June 30, 2017 was primarily due to sales generated by stores opened since June 30, 2016, as well as a comparable store sales increase of $2.7 \%$. During the six-month period ended June 30, 2017, we noted a decrease in the growth rate of comparable store sales compared to 2016. A slight decrease in conversion rate was the primary driver of slowed comparable store sales growth during the second quarter. We believe the most significant contributor to the decrease in conversion rate was inconsistent execution across certain markets. We anticipate a low to mid-single digit increase in comparable store sales for the year ending December 31, 2017. Comparable store sales increased 7.6\% during the year ended December 31, 2016.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2017, we reported income from operations of $\$ 11.6$ million and $\$ 25.1$ million, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2016, we reported income from operations of $\$ 11.7$ million and $\$ 23.5$ million. The decrease in income from operations during the quarter was primarily driven by a deceleration in comparable store sales
growth and an increase in occupancy costs. During the six month period, the increase in income from operations was driven by the $2.7 \%$ increase in comparable store sales.

Net cash provided by operating activities was $\$ 34.8$ million and $\$ 40.8$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, which was used to fund operations, new store construction activities, and debt repayments. We expect to continue to fund our capital expenditures and daily operations from our operating cash flows. As of June 30, 2017, we had cash of $\$ 12.0$ million and working capital of $\$ 38.2$ million compared to cash of $\$ 13.4$ million and working capital of $\$ 39.3$ million at June $30,2016$.

## Key Components of our Consolidated Statements of Operations

Net Sales Net sales represents total charges to customers, net of returns, and includes freight charged to customers. We recognize sales at the time that the customer takes possession of the merchandise or final delivery of the product has occurred. We recognize service revenue, which consists primarily of freight charges for home delivery, when the service has been rendered. We are required to charge and collect sales and other taxes on sales to our customers and remit these taxes back to government authorities. Total revenues do not include sales tax because we are a pass-through conduit for collecting and remitting sales tax.

Comparable store sales for the three months ended June 30, 2017 increased $\$ 0.5$ million, compared to the three months ended June 30, 2016. Comparable store sales for the six months ended June 30 , 2017 increased $\$ 4.5$ million, compared to the six months ended June 30, 2016. The table below sets forth information about our same store sales growth for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016.

|  | For the three months ended June 30, |  | For the six months ended June 30, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017 | 2016 | 2017 | 2016 |
| Same store sales growth | 0.5 \% | 8.2 \% | 2.7 \% | 10.6 \% |

The increase in same store sales growth is primarily attributable to an increase in the volume of transactions. Same store sales amounts include total charges to customers less any actual returns, and the change in the returns provision related to comparable stores. In general, we consider a new or relocated store in the comparable store sales calculation on the first day of the 13th full month of operation.

Between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017, we opened 13 new store locations. Incremental net sales of $\$ 4.7$ million and $\$ 8.1$ million occurred in the three and six months ended June 30,2017 , respectively, from stores not included in the comparable store base.

Cost of Sales Cost of sales consists primarily of material costs, freight, duties, and storage and delivery of product to the customers, as well as costs associated with manufacturing of setting and maintenance materials. For the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, our cost of sales as a percentage of net sales was $30.3 \%$. For the six months ended June 30,2017 and 2016, our cost of sales as a percentage of net sales was $30.0 \%$ and $29.9 \%$, respectively. The increase was primarily attributable to an increased level of discounting during the six months ended June 30, 2017.

Selling, General, and Administrative Expenses For the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, our selling, general, and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales were $56.7 \%$ and $55.8 \%$, respectively. The increase was primarily attributable to an increase in occupancy, compensation, benefit and advertising costs, which outpaced the growth of sales during the quarter. For the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, our selling, general, and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales were $56.1 \%$ and $56.2 \%$, respectively. The decrease was primarily attributable to an increase in sales growth, which outpaced the growth of selling, general, and administrative expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2017.

Provision for Income Taxes We are subject to income tax in the United States as well as other tax jurisdictions in which we conduct business. Our effective tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 was $31.1 \%$ and $39.4 \%$, respectively. Our effective tax rate for the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 was $35.3 \%$ and $39.6 \%$, respectively. The decrease in the Company's tax rate for the three and six month periods was due to increases in excess tax benefits recognized in connection with the exercise of non-qualified stock options and disqualifying dispositions of incentive stock options during the second quarter of 2017.

## Non-GAAP Measures

We calculate Adjusted EBITDA by taking net income calculated in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"), and adjusting for interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, stock based compensation expense, and special charges, which consist of shareholder and other litigation costs. Adjusted EBITDA margin is equal to Adjusted EBITDA divided by net sales. Free cash flows is calculated by taking net cash provided by operating activities
and subtracting net cash used for the purchase of property, plant and equipment. Non-GAAP net income excludes the special charges, which consist of shareholder and other litigation costs, and is net of tax.

We believe that these non-GAAP measures of financial results provide useful information to management and investors regarding certain financial and business trends relating to our financial condition and results of operations. Our management uses these non-GAAP measures to compare our performance to that of prior periods for trend analyses, for purposes of determining management incentive compensation, and for budgeting and planning purposes. These measures are used in monthly financial reports prepared for management and our Board of Directors. We believe that the use of these non-GAAP financial measures provides an additional tool for investors to use in evaluating ongoing operating results and trends and in comparing our financial measures with other specialty retailers, many of which present similar non-GAAP financial measures to investors.

The reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to net income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

|  | Three Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017 |  | \% of sales ${ }^{(1)}$ | 2016 |  | \% of sales ${ }^{(1)}$ |  |
| Net income | \$ | 7,723 | 8.6 \% | \$ | 6,849 | \$ | 8.1 \% |
| Interest expense |  | 448 | 0.5 \% |  | 449 |  | 0.5 \% |
| Income taxes |  | 3,491 | 3.9 \% |  | 4,448 |  | 5.3 \% |
| Depreciation \& amortization |  | 6,256 | 7.0 \% |  | 5,613 |  | 6.7 \% |
| Special charges |  | 298 | 0.3 \% |  | 405 |  | 0.5 \% |
| Stock-based compensation |  | 928 | 1.0 \% |  | 1,235 |  | 1.5 \% |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ | 19,144 | 21.4 \% | \$ | 18,999 | \$ | 22.5 \% |

${ }^{(1)}$ Amounts may not foot due to rounding.

|  | (in thousands) <br> Six Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017 |  | \% of sales | 2016 |  | \% of sales ${ }^{(1)}$ |
| Net income | \$ | 15,732 | 8.7 \% | \$ | 13,607 | 8.1 \% |
| Interest expense |  | 933 | 0.5 \% |  | 1,019 | 0.6 \% |
| Income taxes |  | 8,566 | 4.7 \% |  | 8,907 | 5.3 \% |
| Depreciation \& amortization |  | 12,592 | 6.9 \% |  | 11,184 | 6.6 \% |
| Special charges |  | 649 | 0.4 \% |  | 1,102 | 0.7 \% |
| Stock-based compensation |  | 1,770 | 1.0 \% |  | 2,464 | 1.5 \% |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ | 40,242 | 22.2 \% | \$ | 38,283 | 22.7 \% |

${ }^{(1)}$ Amounts may not foot due to rounding.
The reconciliation of free cash flow to net cash provided by operating activities for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

|  | (in thousands) Six Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017 |  | 2016 |  |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ | 34,828 | \$ | 40,761 |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment |  | $(20,000)$ |  | $(11,703)$ |
| Free cash flows | \$ | 14,828 | \$ | 29,058 |

The reconciliation of GAAP income to Non-GAAP income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

Three Months Ended
June 30, 2017

Three Months Ended June 30, 2016

| June 30, 2016 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pretax |  | Net of Tax |  | Per Share Amounts ${ }^{(1)}$ |  |
| \$ | 11,297 | \$ | 6,849 | \$ | 0.13 |
|  | 405 |  | 246 |  | 0.00 |
| \$ | 11,702 | \$ | 7,095 | \$ | 0.14 |

${ }^{(1)}$ Amounts may not foot due to rounding.

| (in thousands, except share and per share data) | Six Months Ended June 30, 2017 |  |  |  |  |  | Six Months Ended June 30, 2016 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Pretax |  | Net of Tax |  | Per Share <br> Amounts |  | Pretax |  | Net of Tax |  | Per Share Amounts ${ }^{(1)}$ |  |
| GAAP income | \$ | 24,298 | \$ | 15,732 | \$ | 0.30 | \$ | 22,514 | \$ | 13,607 | \$ | 0.26 |
| Special charges: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Litigation costs |  | 649 |  | 420 |  | 0.01 |  | 1,102 |  | 666 |  | 0.01 |
| Non-GAAP income | \$ | 24,947 | \$ | 16,152 | \$ | 0.31 | \$ | 23,616 | \$ | 14,273 | \$ | 0.28 |

${ }^{(1)}$ Amounts may not foot due to rounding.

Our management does not consider these non-GAAP measures in isolation or as an alternative to financial measures determined in accordance with GAAP. The principal limitations of these non-GAAP financial measures are that they exclude significant expenses and income that are required by GAAP to be recognized in our consolidated financial statements. In addition, they are subject to inherent limitations as they reflect the exercise of judgments by management about which expenses and income are excluded or included in determining these non-GAAP financial measures. In order to compensate for these limitations, management presents non-GAAP financial measures in connection with GAAP results. We urge investors to review the reconciliation of our non-GAAP financial measures to the comparable GAAP financial measures and not to rely on any single financial measure to evaluate our business.

## Results of Operations

## Comparison of the three months ended June 30, 2017 to the three months ended June 30, 2016

|  | (in thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017 |  | \% of sales ${ }^{(1)}$ | 2016 |  | \% of sales |
| Net sales | \$ | 89,464 |  | \$ | 84,270 |  |
| Cost of sales |  | 27,116 | 30.3 \% |  | 25,571 | 30.3 \% |
| Gross profit |  | 62,348 | 69.7 \% |  | 58,699 | 69.7 \% |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses |  | 50,748 | 56.7 \% |  | 46,990 | 55.8 \% |
| Income from operations |  | 11,600 | 13.0 \% |  | 11,709 | 13.9 \% |
| Interest expense |  | (448) | (0.5)\% |  | (449) | (0.5)\% |
| Other income |  | 62 | 0.1 \% |  | 37 | 0.0 \% |
| Income before income taxes |  | 11,214 | 12.5 \% |  | 11,297 | 13.4 \% |
| Provision for income taxes |  | $(3,491)$ | (3.9)\% |  | $(4,448)$ | (5.3)\% |
| Net income | \$ | 7,723 | 8.6 \% | \$ | 6,849 | 8.1 \% |

${ }^{(1)}$ Amounts may not foot due to rounding.
Net Sales Net sales for the second quarter of 2017 increased $\$ 5.2$ million, or $6.2 \%$, over the second quarter of 2016. Comparable store sales increased $\$ 0.5$ million for the second quarter of 2017 due to an increase in the volume of transactions. Net sales for the 13 new stores open less than twelve months were \$4.7 million during the second quarter of 2017.

Gross Profit Gross profit for the second quarter of 2017 increased $\$ 3.6$ million, or $6.2 \%$, compared to the second quarter of 2016 , primarily due to an increase in net sales. The gross margin rate was $69.7 \%$ for the second quarter 2016 and 2017.

Selling, General, and Administrative Expenses Selling, general, and administrative expenses for the second quarter of 2017 increased $\$ 3.8$ million, or $8.0 \%$, compared to the second quarter of 2016 . The increase in selling, general, and administrative expenses was primarily due to an increase in occupancy costs of $\$ 2.4$ million as a result of opening 13 new stores during the period from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The remainder of the increase was driven primarily by an increase in variable compensation associated with a $0.5 \%$ increase in comparable store sales for the three months ended June 30, 2017. Selling, general, and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales increased to $56.7 \%$ for the second quarter of 2017 compared to $55.8 \%$ for the second quarter of 2016. The increase was primarily attributable to an increase in occupancy, compensation, benefit and advertising costs, which outpaced the growth of sales during the quarter.

Selling, general, and administrative expenses include costs of $\$ 0.3$ million and $\$ 0.4$ million for the second quarters of 2017 and 2016, respectively, which relate to special charges consisting of shareholder and other litigation expenses.

Pre-opening Costs Our pre-opening costs are those typically associated with the opening of a new store and generally include rent expense, payroll costs and promotional costs. We expense pre-opening costs as incurred and include these costs in selling, general and administrative expenses. During the second quarter of 2017 and 2016, we incurred pre-opening costs of $\$ 0.5$ million and $\$ 0.2$ million, respectively.

Interest Expense Interest expense was $\$ 0.4$ million for the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016. The decrease in the average debt balance outstanding was offset by a higher interest rate during the quarter in 2017.

Provision for Income Taxes Income tax provision decreased $\$ 1.0$ million for the second quarter of 2017 compared to the second quarter of 2016 due to a lower effective tax rate in the second quarter of 2017. Our effective tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 was $31.1 \%$ and $39.4 \%$, respectively. The decrease in the Company's tax rate for the second quarter of 2017 was due to increases in excess tax benefits recognized in connection with the exercise of non-qualified stock options and disqualifying dispositions of incentive stock options during the second quarter of 2017.

## Results of Operations

## Comparison of the six months ended June 30, 2017 to the six months ended June 30, 2016

|  | (in thousands) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017 |  | \% of sales ${ }^{(1)}$ | 2016 |  | \% of sales ${ }^{(1)}$ |
| Net sales | \$ | 181,599 |  | \$ | 168,984 |  |
| Cost of sales |  | 54,506 | 30.0 \% |  | 50,580 | 29.9 \% |
| Gross profit |  | 127,093 | 70.0 \% |  | 118,404 | 70.1 \% |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses |  | 101,960 | 56.1 \% |  | 94,939 | 56.2 \% |
| Income from operations |  | 25,133 | 13.8 \% |  | 23,465 | 13.9 \% |
| Interest expense |  | (933) | (0.5)\% |  | $(1,019)$ | (0.6)\% |
| Other income |  | 98 | 0.1 \% |  | 68 | 0.0 \% |
| Income before income taxes |  | 24,298 | 13.4 \% |  | 22,514 | 13.3 \% |
| Provision for income taxes |  | $(8,566)$ | (4.7)\% |  | $(8,907)$ | (5.3)\% |
| Net income | \$ | 15,732 | 8.7 \% | \$ | 13,607 | 8.1 \% |

${ }^{(1)}$ Amounts may not foot due to rounding.
Net Sales Net sales for the six months ended June 30, 2017 increased $\$ 12.6$ million, or $7.5 \%$, over the six months ended June 30 , 2016. Comparable store sales increased $\$ 4.5$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2017 due to an increase in the volume of transactions. Net sales for the 13 new stores open less than twelve months were $\$ 8.1$ million during the six months ended June 30, 2017.

Gross Profit Gross profit for the six months ended June 30, 2017 increased $\$ 8.7$ million, or $7.3 \%$, compared to the six months ended June 30, 2016 due to the increase in net sales. The increases in sales was partially offset by a decrease in gross margin rate which fell from $70.1 \%$ for the six months ended June 30, 2016 to $70.0 \%$ for the six months ended June 30, 2017. The decrease was primarily attributable to an increased level of discounting during the six months ended June 30, 2017.

Selling, General, and Administrative Expenses Selling, general, and administrative expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2017 increased $\$ 7.0$ million, or $7.4 \%$, compared to six months ended June 30, 2016. The increase in selling, general, and administrative expenses was primarily due to an increase in occupancy costs of $\$ 4.5$ million as a result of opening 13 new stores during the period from April 1 , 2016 through June 30, 2017. Selling, general, and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales decreased to $56.1 \%$ for the six months ended June 30, 2017 compared to $56.2 \%$ for the six months ended June 30, 2016. The decrease in selling, general, and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales was primarily due to a maturing store base that has higher net sales levels, which outpaced the growth of selling, general, and administrative expenses.

Selling, general, and administrative expenses include costs of $\$ 0.6$ million and $\$ 1.1$ million for the six months ended June 30 , 2017 and 2016, respectively, which relate to special charges consisting of shareholder and other litigation expenses.

Pre-opening Costs Our pre-opening costs are those typically associated with the opening of a new store and generally include rent expense, payroll costs and promotional costs. We expense pre-opening costs as incurred and include these costs in selling, general and administrative expenses. During the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, we incurred pre-opening costs of $\$ 0.8$ million and $\$ 0.4$ million, respectively.

Interest Expense Interest expense decreased $\$ 0.1$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2017 compared to the six months ended June 30, 2016. The decrease is primarily due to the decrease in the debt balance in 2017.

Provision for Income Taxes Our income tax provision decreased $\$ 0.3$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2017 compared to the six months ended June 30, 2016 due to a decrease in the Company's tax rate for the six months ended June 30, 2017. Our effective tax rate for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 was $35.3 \%$ and $39.6 \%$, respectively. The decrease in the Company's tax rate for the six months ended June 30, 2017 was due to increases in excess tax benefits recognized in connection with the exercise of non-qualified stock options and disqualifying dispositions of incentive stock options during the second quarter of 2017.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our principal uses of liquidity have been investments in working capital and capital expenditures. Our principal sources of liquidity are $\$ 12.0$ million of cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2017, our cash flow from operations, and borrowings available under our credit facility. We expect to use this liquidity for opening new stores, purchasing additional merchandise inventory, maintaining our existing stores, reducing outstanding debt, and general corporate purposes. We also recently approved the establishment of a regular quarterly dividend that will enable us to return excess cash to stockholders. Future dividend payments are subject to the approval of the Board of Directors each quarter.

On June 2, 2015, we, and our operating subsidiary, The Tile Shop, LLC, entered into a credit agreement with Fifth Third Bank, Bank of America, N.A., and Huntington National Bank (as subsequently amended, the "Credit Agreement"). On December 9, 2016, the Credit Agreement was amended to permit an additional New Markets Tax Credit Financing arrangement and on February 10, 2017, the Credit Agreement was amended to permit us to make certain dividend payments. The Credit Agreement again was amended on July 17, 2017 to amend the consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio from 2.00:1.00 to 1.50:1.00 to provide greater flexibility in declaring and making dividend payments or other distributions to stockholders. The Credit Agreement provides us with a $\$ 125.0$ million senior secured credit facility, comprised of a five-year $\$ 50.0$ million term loan and a $\$ 75.0$ million revolving line of credit. The Credit Agreement is secured by virtually all of our assets, including but not limited to inventory, receivables, equipment and real property. Borrowings pursuant to the Credit Agreement bear interest at either a base rate or a LIBOR-based rate, at our option. The LIBOR-based rate will range from LIBOR plus $1.50 \%$ to $2.00 \%$, depending on our leverage ratio. The base rate is equal to the greatest of: (a) the Federal funds rate plus $0.50 \%$, (b) the Fifth Third Bank "prime rate," and (c) the Eurodollar rate plus $1.00 \%$, in each case plus $0.50 \%$ to $1.00 \%$ depending on our leverage ratio. At June 30, 2017 the base interest rate was $4.75 \%$ and the LIBOR-based interest rate was $2.72 \%$. Borrowings outstanding consisted of $\$ 3.0$ million on the revolving line of credit and $\$ 15.2$ million on the term loan as of June 30,2017 . There was $\$ 72.0$ million available for borrowing on the revolving line of credit as of June 30, 2017. We can elect to prepay the term loan without incurring a penalty. To the extent we have an outstanding balance on our term loan, the credit agreement requires quarterly principal payments as follows (in thousands):

## Period

September 30, 2017 to June 30, 2018 1,875

The Credit Agreement contains customary events of default, conditions to borrowings, and restrictive covenants, including restrictions on our ability to dispose of assets, make acquisitions, incur additional debt, incur liens, make investments, or enter into transactions with affiliates on other than terms that could be obtained in an arm's length transaction. The Credit Agreement also includes financial and other covenants, including covenants to maintain certain fixed charge coverage ratios and rent adjusted leverage ratios. We were in compliance with the covenants as of June 30, 2017. We intend to make principal payments due in future periods using cash from operations.

We have a standby letter of credit outstanding related to our workers compensation and medical insurance policies. As of June 30, 2017 and 2016, the standby letter of credits totaled $\$ 1.1$ million.

We believe that our cash flow from operations, together with our existing cash and cash equivalents, and borrowings available under our credit facility will be sufficient to fund our operations and anticipated capital expenditures over at least the next 12 months.

## Capital Expenditures

Capital expenditures were $\$ 20.0$ million and $\$ 11.7$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The increase in capital expenditures is primarily due to the accelerated pace of new store openings. We opened 7 and 4 new stores during the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Additionally, the Company made incremental investments in its distribution facilities and information technology infrastructure. During the first six months of 2017, capital expenditures included $\$ 11.6$ million associated with new store build-outs, remodels of existing stores, and merchandising projects, $\$ 5.2$ million for general corporate purposes, including information technology infrastructure projects, and $\$ 3.2$ million for distribution facilities.

Our future capital requirements will vary based on the number of additional stores, distribution centers, and manufacturing facilities that we open and the number of stores that we choose to renovate. Our decisions regarding opening, relocating, or renovating stores, and whether to engage in strategic acquisitions, will be based in part on macroeconomic factors and the general state of the U.S. economy, as well as the local economies in the markets in which our stores are located. We plan to open approximately 15 stores during 2017. Total capital expenditures are expected to be approximately $\$ 35$ million in 2017.

## Cash flows

The following table summarizes our cash flow data for the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016.

|  | (in thousands) <br> Six Months Ended June 30, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017 |  | 2016 |  |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ | 34,828 | \$ | 40,761 |
| Net cash used in investing activities |  | $(20,000)$ |  | $(11,703)$ |
| Net cash used in financing activities |  | $(8,897)$ |  | $(25,974)$ |

## Operating activities

Cash provided by operating activities during the six months ended June 30 , 2017 was $\$ 34.8$ million, compared to $\$ 40.8$ million during the six months ended June 30, 2016. The decrease is attributable to payment of the shareholder litigation settlement to an escrow account, which occurred during the six months ended June 30, 2017.

## Investing activities

Net cash used in investing activities totaled $\$ 20.0$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2017, compared to $\$ 11.7$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2016. Net cash used in investing activities in each period was primarily for capital purchases of store fixtures, equipment, building improvements and leasehold improvements for stores opened or remodeled, asset additions in our distribution and manufacturing facilities, information technology infrastructure, and general corporate information technology assets.

## Financing activities

Net cash used in financing activities was $\$ 8.9$ million for the six months ended June 30, 2017, compared to $\$ 26.0$ million for the three months ended June 30, 2016. Cash used in financing activities during the six months ended June 30, 2017 was primarily for the payments of long-term debt and capital lease obligations of $\$ 34.6$ million and an aggregate of $\$ 5.2$ million in dividends paid to stockholders, offset by advances on the line of credit of $\$ 25.0$ million and the release of restricted cash totaling $\$ 6.0$ million.

Cash and cash equivalents totaled $\$ 12.0$ million at June 30, 2017, versus $\$ 6.1$ million at December 31, 2016. Working capital was $\$ 38.2$ million at June 30, 2017, compared to $\$ 36.0$ million at December 31, 2016.

## Off-balance sheet arrangements

As of June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we did not have any "off-balance sheet arrangements" (as such term is defined in Item 303 of Regulation $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{K}$ ) that could have a current or future effect on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, net sales or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources.

## Contractual arrangements

As of June 30, 2017, there were no material changes to our contractual obligations outside the ordinary course of business.

## Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued a standard which simplifies the subsequent measurement of inventory. Previously, an entity was required to measure inventory at the lower of cost or market, whereby market can be replacement cost, net realizable value, or net realizable value less an approximately normal profit margin. The changes required that inventory be measured at the lower of cost and net realizable value, thereby eliminating the use of the other two market methodologies. Net realizable value is defined as the estimated selling prices in the ordinary course of business less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal, and transportation. The standard was effective for the Company at the beginning of fiscal 2017. The adoption of this new standard did not have a material effect on the Company's financial statements.

## Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted

In May 2014, the FASB issued a final standard on revenue from contracts with customers. This new standard introduces a comprehensive revenue recognition model that requires a company to recognize revenue to depict the transfer of goods or services to a customer at an amount that reflects the consideration it expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. In 2016, the FASB
issued several amendments to the standard, including principal versus agent considerations when another party is involved in providing goods or services to a customer, the application of identifying performance obligations, and the recognition of expected breakage amounts either proportionally in earnings as redemptions occur or when redemption is remote. Upon adoption of the standard, the Company expects to present the gross sales returns reserve as a component of other accrued liabilities and establish a return asset that will be classified as a component of other current assets, net in the Consolidated Balance Sheet. Currently, the Company presents its sales returns reserve net of the value of the return assets as a component of other accrued liabilities in the Consolidate Balance Sheet. The Company continues to assess the impact of other aspects of this standard. As the Company finalizes its assessment, the Company will take steps to finalize its accounting policies, establish new processes and controls when warranted, and ensure information is captured to conform with the disclosure requirements outlined under the new standard. The standard is effective for the Company in fiscal 2018 and provides for either full retrospective adoption or modified retrospective adoption by which the cumulative effect of the change is recognized in retained earnings at the date of initial application. The Company has elected to adopt this standard using the modified retrospective approach.

In February 2016, the FASB issued a standard that primarily requires organizations that lease assets to recognize the rights and obligations created by those leases on the Consolidated Balance Sheet. The standard is effective in 2019, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently assessing the effect the new standard will have on its consolidated financial statements.

In August 2016, the FASB issued an accounting standards update with new guidance on how certain cash receipts and cash payments are presented and classified in the statement of cash flows. The amendments in the standards update provide guidance on eight specific cash flow issues. The standards update is effective retrospectively for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently assessing the effect the new standard will have on its consolidated financial statements.

In November 2016, the FASB issued new guidance on restricted cash on the statement of cash flows. The new guidance requires the classification and presentation of changes in restricted cash and cash equivalents in the statement of cash flows. Therefore, amounts generally described as restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents should be included with cash and cash equivalents when reconciling the beginning and ending balances shown on the statement of cash flows. The new standard is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted. The guidance should be applied retrospectively after adoption. The Company's restricted cash balance was $\$ 0.9$ million as of June 30, 2017. Upon adopting the new standard, the Company anticipates that it will no longer present the release of restricted cash as a financing cash inflow. Instead, restricted cash and longterm restricted cash balances will be included in the beginning and ending cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash balances in the statement of cash flows.

## ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

There have been no material changes in our primary risk exposures or management of market risks from those disclosed in our Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.

## ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

## Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We have established disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed or submitted under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, (the "Exchange Act"), is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and that information relating to the Company is accumulated and communicated to management, including our principal officers as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of June 30, 2017 and have concluded that such disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

## Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

No changes to our internal control over financial reporting occurred during the quarter ended June 30, 2017 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act).

## PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Company was a defendant in a consolidated class action arising in 2013 alleging it failed to disclose certain related party transactions in the Company's SEC filings and press releases. In January 2017, the plaintiffs and the Company agreed to settle the lawsuit for $\$ 9.5$ million. The court approved the settlement, and entered an order dismissing the action on June 14, 2017.

The Company also is a nominal defendant in three actions brought derivatively on behalf of the Company by three shareholders in 2015. The plaintiffs allege that the defendant-directors and/or officer breached their fiduciary duties by failing to adopt adequate internal controls for the Company, by approving false and misleading statements issued by the Company, by causing the Company to violate generally accepted accounting principles and SEC regulations, by engaging in or approving alleged insider trading, and by permitting the Company's primary product to contain illegal amounts of lead. The complaints also allege claims for insider trading and/or unjust enrichment. The Company moved to dismiss the actions, or in the alternative, to stay the actions. Those motions have not yet been decided.

By letter dated May 19, 2016, a shareholder of the Company demanded that the Board of Directors investigate alleged breaches of fiduciary duty related to the same matters described above, and take action against certain present and former officers and directors of the Company. The Board of Directors has appointed a committee of two independent directors to investigate and evaluate the matters raised in the demand letter, and to recommend to the Company's Board of Directors what actions, if any should be taken by the Company with respect to the matters raised in the demand letter.

Given the uncertainty of litigation and the current stage of the derivative actions, the Company cannot reasonably estimate the possible loss or range of loss that may result. The Company maintains directors and officers liability insurance policies that may reduce the Company's exposure, if any. In the event the Company incurs a loss, the Company will pursue recoveries to the maximum extent available under these policies.

The Company is also, from time to time, subject to claims and disputes arising in the normal course of business. In the opinion of management, while the outcome of such claims and disputes cannot be predicted with certainty, the Company's ultimate liability in connection with these matters is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the results of operations, financial position, or cash flows.

## ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

There have been no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016.

## ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

None.

## ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

Not Applicable.

## ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not Applicable.

## ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

## ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

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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.

## TILE SHOP HOLDINGS, INC.

Dated: August 4, 2017
By: /s/ CHRIS R. HOMEISTER
Chris R. Homeister
Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ KIRK L. GEADELMANN
Kirk L. Geadelmann
Chief Financial Officer

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## CERTIFICATIONS

I, Chris R. Homeister, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Tile Shop Holdings, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's 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 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.

Dated: August 4, 2017
/s/ CHRIS R. HOMEISTER
Chris R. Homeister
Chief Executive Officer

## CERTIFICATIONS

I, Kirk L. Geadelmann, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form $10-\mathrm{Q}$ of Tile Shop Holdings, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
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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 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.

Dated: August 4, 2017
/s/ KIRK L. GEADELMANN
Kirk L. Geadelmann
Chief Financial Officer

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

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 30, 2017 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Chris R. Homeister, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:
(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

## /s/ CHRIS R. HOMEISTER

## Chris R. Homeister

Chief Executive Officer
August 4, 2017

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

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

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Tile Shop Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 30, 2017 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Kirk L. Geadelmann, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:
(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.
/s/ KIRK L. GEADELMANN
Kirk L. Geadelmann
Chief Financial Officer
August 4, 2017

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[^0]:    See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

