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FORM 10-K

Annual report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the fiscal year ended July 1, 2012.

Transition report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Commission File Number 0-25150

STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Wisconsin
(State of Incorporation)

39-1804239
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3333 West Good Hope Road, Milwaukee, WI 53209
(Address of principal executive offices)

(414) 247-3333
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Title of each class
Common Stock, \$.01 par value

Name of exchange on which registered
The NASDAQ Stock Market

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

None
(Title of Class)

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

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

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

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

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

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller Reporting Company

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

The aggregate market value of the voting Common Stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of December 30, 2011 (the last business day of the Registrant's most recently completed second quarter), was approximately \$64,198,000 (based upon the last reported sale price of the Common Stock at December 30, 2011, on the NASDAQ Global Market).

Shares of common stock held by any executive officer or director of the registrant have been excluded from this computation because such persons may be deemed to be affiliates. This determination of affiliate status is not a conclusive determination for other purposes.

On August 10, 2012, there were outstanding 3,303,964 shares of the Registrant's \$.01 par value Common Stock.

Documents Incorporated by Reference

<u>Document</u>	<u>Part of the Form 10-K into which incorporated</u>
Portions of the Annual Report to Shareholders for the fiscal year ended July 1, 2012	I, II, IV
Portions of the Proxy Statement dated September 6, 2012, for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on October 9, 2012.	III

PROSPECTIVE INFORMATION

A number of the matters and subject areas discussed in this Form 10-K as well as in portions of the Company's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders and the Company's Proxy Statement, dated September 6, 2012, which are incorporated herein by reference, contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements may be identified by the use of forward-looking words or phrases such as "anticipate," "believe," "would," "expect," "intend," "may," "planned," "potential," "should," "will" and "could," or the negative of these terms or words of similar meaning. These statements include expected future financial results, product offerings, global expansion, liquidity needs, financing ability, planned capital expenditures, management's or the Company's expectations and beliefs, and similar matters discussed, or otherwise incorporated herein by reference, in this Form 10-K. The discussions of such matters and subject areas are qualified by the inherent risks and uncertainties surrounding future expectations generally, and also may materially differ from the Company's actual future experience.

The Company's business, operations and financial performance are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, which could result in material differences in actual results from the Company's current expectations. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, general economic conditions, in particular relating to the automotive industry, consumer demand for the Company's and its customers' products, competitive and technological developments, customer purchasing actions, foreign currency fluctuations, fluctuations in costs of operations (including fluctuations in the cost of raw materials) and other matters described under "Risk Factors" in the Management's Discussion and Analysis section of the Company's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders, which is incorporated herein by reference in Part I, Item 1A of this report and in the Company's other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Shareholders, potential investors and other readers are urged to consider these factors carefully in evaluating the forward-looking statements and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements made herein are only made as of the date of this Form 10-K and the Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update such forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances occurring after the date of this Form 10-K.

PART I

Item 1. Business

The information set forth under “Company Description” which appears on pages 5 through 12 of the Company’s 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders is incorporated herein by reference. For information as to export sales, see the information set forth under “Notes to Financial Statements-Export Sales” included on page 46 of the Company’s 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Emerging Technologies

Automotive vehicle access systems, which are both theft deterrent and consumer friendly, are trending toward electro-mechanical devices. Electronic companies are developing user identification systems such as bio-systems, card holder (transmitter) systems, etc., while mechanical locks, keys, housings, and latches are evolving to accommodate electronics. The Company believes it is positioning itself as a vehicle access control supplier by building its product, engineering and manufacturing expertise in the required electro-mechanical products, which include vehicle access latches, keys with remote entry electronic systems, and ignition interface systems with passive start capabilities.

These technologies benefit the Company by increasing the potential customer base as a Tier 2 supplier while maintaining Tier 1 status on some product lines and adding additional product line availability.

Sources and Availability of Raw Materials

The Company’s primary raw materials are high-grade zinc, brass, nickel silver, steel, aluminum and plastic resins. These materials are generally available from a number of suppliers, but the Company has chosen to concentrate its sourcing with one primary vendor for each commodity. The Company believes its sources for raw materials are very reliable and adequate for its needs. The Company has not experienced any significant long term supply problems in its operations and does not anticipate any significant supply problems in the foreseeable future. See further discussion under “Risk Factors-Sources of and Fluctuations in Market Prices of Raw Materials” included on page 25 of the Company’s 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Patents, Trademarks and Other Intellectual Property

The Company believes that the success of its business will not only result from the technical competence, creativity and marketing abilities of its employees but also from the protection of its intellectual property through patents, trademarks and copyrights. As part of its ongoing research, development and manufacturing activities, the Company has a policy of seeking patents on new products, processes and improvements when appropriate.

Although, in the aggregate, the intellectual property discussed herein are of considerable importance to the manufacturing and marketing of many of its products, the Company does not consider any single patent or trademark or group of patents or trademarks to be material to its business as a whole, except for the STRATTEC and STRATTEC with logo trademarks.

The Company also relies upon trade secret protection for its confidential and proprietary information. The Company maintains confidentiality agreements with its key executives. In addition, the Company enters into confidentiality agreements with selected suppliers, consultants and associates as appropriate to evaluate new products or business relationships pertinent to the success of the Company. However, there can be no assurance that others will not independently obtain similar information and techniques or otherwise gain access to the Company’s trade secrets or that the Company can effectively protect its trade secrets.

Dependence Upon Significant Customers

A very significant portion of the Company’s annual sales are to General Motors Company, Ford Motor Company, and Chrysler Group LLC. These three customers accounted for approximately 68 percent of the Company’s net sales in 2012, 66 percent of the Company’s net sales in 2011 and 67 percent of the Company’s net sales in 2010. Further information regarding sales to the Company’s largest customers is set forth under the caption “Risk Factors—Loss of Significant Customers, Vehicle Content, Vehicle Models and Market Share” and “Risk Factors – Production Slowdowns by Customers” included on page 24 of the Company’s 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders and “Notes to Financial Statements-Sales and Receivable Concentration” included on page 46 of the Company’s 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders, all of which are incorporated herein by reference.

The products sold to these customers are model specific, fitting only certain defined applications. Consequently, the Company is highly dependent on its major customers for their business, and on these customers' ability to produce and sell vehicles which utilize the Company's products. The Company has enjoyed good relationships with General Motors Company, Chrysler Group LLC, Ford Motor Company and other customers in the past, and expects to do so in the future. However, a significant change in the purchasing practices of, or a significant loss of volume from, one or more of these customers could have a detrimental effect on the Company's financial performance. We cannot provide any assurance that any lost sales volume could be replaced despite historical relationships with our customers.

Sales and Marketing

The Company provides its customers with engineered locksets, steering column lock housings, seatback and secondary latches, power sliding door systems, power liftgate systems, power decklids and other access products which are unique to specific vehicles. Any given vehicle will typically take 1 to 3 years of development and engineering design time prior to being offered to the public. The locksets, lock housings, power liftgates, power sliding door and other power access systems, and latches are designed concurrently with the vehicle. Therefore, commitment to the Company as the production source occurs 1 to 3 years prior to the start of production. The Company employs an engineering staff that assists in providing design and technical solutions to its customers. The Company believes that its engineering expertise is a competitive advantage and contributes toward its strong market position. For example, the Company believes it regularly provides innovative design proposals for its product offerings to its customers that will improve customer access, vehicle security system quality, theft deterrence and system cost.

The typical process used by automotive manufacturers in selecting a lock, lock housing, power liftgate, power sliding door and other power access systems, or latch supplier is to offer the business opportunity to the Company and several of the Company's competitors. Each competitor will pursue the opportunity, doing its best to provide the customer with the most attractive proposal. Price pressure is strong during this process but once an agreement is reached, a commitment is made for each year of the product program. Typically, price reductions resulting from productivity improvement by the Company are included in the contract and are estimated in evaluating each of these opportunities by the Company. A blanket purchase order, a contract indicating a specified part will be supplied at a specified price during a defined time period, is issued by customers for each model year. Production quantity releases or quantity commitments are made to that purchase order for weekly deliveries to the customer. As a consequence and because the Company is a "Just-in-Time" supplier to the automotive industry, it does not maintain a backlog of orders in the classic sense for future production and shipment.

Competition

The Company competes with domestic and foreign-based competitors on the basis of custom product design, engineering support, quality, delivery and price. While the number of direct competitors is currently relatively small, the automotive manufacturers actively encourage competition between potential suppliers. The Company has a large share of the North American market for its lock and key, housing, power liftgate, power sliding door, and latch products because of its ability to provide optimal value, which is a beneficial combination of price, quality, technical support, program management, innovation and aftermarket support. In order to reduce lockset or housing, power liftgate, power sliding door, and latch product production costs while still offering a wide range of technical support, the Company utilizes assembly operations and certain light manufacturing operations in Mexico, which results in lower labor costs as compared to the United States.

As locks and keys become more sophisticated and involve additional electronics, competitors with specific electronic expertise may emerge to challenge the Company. To address this, the Company has strengthened its electrical engineering knowledge and service. It is also working with several electronics suppliers to jointly develop and supply these advanced products.

The Company's lockset, housing and power access competitors include Huf North America, Ushin-Ortech, Tokai-Rika, Alpha-Tech, Valeo, Honda Lock, Shin Chang, Magna, Edscha, Stabilus, Aisin, Brose, Mitsuba, Ohi, Kiekert, Inteva and Gecom. For additional information related to competition, see the information set forth under "Risk Factors-Highly Competitive Automotive Supply Industry" included on page 26 of the Company's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Research and Development

The Company engages in research and development activities pertinent to automotive access control. A major area of focus for research is the expanding role of vehicle access via electronic interlocks and modes of communicating authorization data between consumers and vehicles. Development activities include new products, applications and product performance improvements. In addition, specialized data collection equipment is developed to facilitate increased product development efficiency and continuous quality improvements. For fiscal years 2012, 2011, and 2010, the Company spent approximately \$1.2 million, \$1.5 million, and \$900,000, respectively, on research and development. The Company believes that, historically, it has committed sufficient resources to research and development and will continue to invest in the future as required to support additional product programs associated with both existing and new customers. Patents are pursued and will continue to be pursued as appropriate to protect the Company's interests resulting from these activities.

Customer Tooling

The Company incurs costs related to tooling used in component production and assembly. Some of these costs are reimbursed by customers who then own the tools involved. See the information set forth under "Notes to Financial Statements-Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies-Customer Tooling in Progress" included on page 33 of the Company's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Environmental Compliance

As is the case with other manufacturers, the Company is subject to Federal, state, local and foreign laws and other legal requirements relating to the generation, storage, transport, treatment and disposal of materials as a result of its manufacturing and assembly operations. These laws include the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (as amended), the Clean Air Act (as amended), the Clean Water Act of 1990 (as amended) and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (as amended). The Company has an environmental management system that is ISO-14001 certified. The Company believes that its existing environmental management system is adequate and it has no current plans for substantial capital expenditures in the environmental area.

As discussed in "Notes to Financial Statements-Commitments and Contingencies" included on page 40 of the Company's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders, a site at the Company's Milwaukee facility is contaminated by a solvent spill from a former above-ground solvent storage tank located on the east side of the facility, which occurred in 1985. This situation is being monitored by the Company.

The Company does not currently anticipate any materially adverse impact on its financial statements or competitive position as a result of compliance with Federal, state, local and foreign environmental laws or other legal requirements. However, risk of environmental liability and charges associated with maintaining compliance with environmental laws is inherent in the nature of the Company's business and there is no assurance that material liabilities or charges could not arise.

Employees

At July 1, 2012, the Company had approximately 2,507 full-time employees, of which approximately 217 or 8.7 percent were represented by a labor union, which accounts for all production associates at the Company's Milwaukee facility. In October 2009, a new contract with the unionized associates was ratified and is effective through June 29, 2014. During June 2001, there was a 16-day strike by the represented employees at the Company's Milwaukee facility. Further information regarding the strike, work stoppages and other labor matters are discussed under "Risk Factors-Disruptions Due to Work Stoppages and Other Labor Matters" included on page 25 of the Company's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Available Information

The Company maintains its corporate website at www.strattec.com and makes available, free of charge, through this website its code of business ethics, annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those reports that the Company files with, or furnishes to, the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") as soon as reasonably practicable after the Company electronically files such material with, or furnishes it to, the Commission. The Company is not including all the information contained on or available through its website as a part of, or incorporating such information by reference into, this Annual Report on Form 10-K. However, this report includes (or incorporates by reference) all material information about the Company that is included on the Company's website which is otherwise required to be included in this report.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

The information set forth under “Risk Factors” which appears on pages 23 through 26 of the Company’s 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders is incorporated herein by reference. The risks described in the section “Risk Factors” in the Company’s 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders are not the only risks the Company faces. Additional risks that the Company does not yet know of or that it currently thinks are immaterial may also impair its business operations. If any of the events or circumstances described in those risks actually occur, the Company’s business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially adversely affected. In such cases, the trading price of the Company’s common stock could decline.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

Item 2. Properties

The Company has three manufacturing plants, one warehouse, and one sales office. These facilities are described as follows:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Sq. Ft.</u>	<u>Owned or Leased</u>
Milwaukee, Wisconsin	Headquarters and General Offices; Component Manufacturing and Service Parts Distribution	352,000	Owned
Juarez, Chihuahua Mexico	Subsidiary Offices and Assembly	97,000	Owned
Juarez, Chihuahua Mexico	Subsidiary Offices, Key Finishing, Injection Molding and Assembly Operations	140,000	Owned
El Paso, Texas	Finished Goods Warehouse	54,060	Leased**
Troy, Michigan	Sales and Engineering Office for Detroit Customer Area	18,900	Leased**
Troy, Michigan	Engineering Development Lab	7,450	Leased**

** Leased unit within a complex.

The Company believes that its production facilities will be adequate for the foreseeable future.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

In the normal course of business the Company may be involved in various legal proceedings from time to time. The Company does not believe it is currently involved in any claim or action the ultimate disposition of which would have a material adverse effect on the Company’s financial statements.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

None.

PART II

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

The Company's Board of Directors authorized a stock repurchase program on October 16, 1996, and the program was publicly announced on October 17, 1996. The Board of Directors has periodically increased the number of shares authorized for repurchase under the program. At July 1, 2012, the number of shares of the Company's common stock authorized for repurchase under the program totaled 3,839,395. The program currently authorizes the repurchase of the Company's common stock from time to time, directly or through brokers or agents, and has no expiration date. Over the life of the repurchase program through July 1, 2012, a total of 3,655,322 shares have been repurchased at a cost of approximately \$136.4 million. No shares were repurchased during the quarter or year ended July 1, 2012.

The Company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "STRT."

The information set forth under "Financial Summary – Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)" included on page 51 of the Company's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The information set forth under "Financial Summary – Five Year Financial Summary" which appears on page 50 of the Company's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders is incorporated herein by reference. Such information should be read along with the Company's financial statements and the notes to those financial statements and with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" incorporated by reference elsewhere herein.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The information set forth under "Management's Discussion and Analysis" which appears on pages 13 through 26 of the Company's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Our exposure to market risk is limited to fluctuations in raw material commodity prices and foreign currency exchange rate risk associated with STRATTEC's foreign operations. We have negotiated raw material price adjustment clauses with certain, but not all, of our customers to offset some of the market price fluctuations in the cost of certain raw material commodity prices. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis-Results of Operations" of the Company's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders which is incorporated herein by reference for additional information regarding our raw material commodity prices.

We do not utilize financial instruments for trading purposes. We have not had outstanding borrowings with third parties since December 1997. There is, therefore, currently no significant exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates. To the extent that we incur future borrowings under our line of credit, we would be subject to interest rate risk related to such borrowings.

We are subject to exposure from changes in foreign currency exchange rates related to the U.S. dollar costs of our manufacturing operations in Mexico. A portion of our manufacturing costs are incurred in Mexican pesos. Our earnings and cash flows are subject to fluctuations as a result of changes in the U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate. Beginning in January 2011, we entered into agreements with Bank of Montreal that provide for two weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts for a portion of our weekly estimated peso denominated operating costs. Current contracts with Bank of Montreal extend through June 28, 2013. The two weekly option contracts are for equivalent notional amounts. The contracts that were effective during fiscal 2011 and 2012 expired July 6, 2012, and provided for the purchase of Mexican pesos at a U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 11.85 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date was below 11.85 or for the purchase of Mexican pesos at a U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 12.85 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date was above 12.85. Additional contracts that are effective July 6, 2012 through June 28, 2013 provide for the purchase of Mexican pesos at an average U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 12.40 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date is below an average of 12.40 or for the purchase of Mexican pesos at an average U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 13.40 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date is above an average of 13.40. Our objective in entering into these currency option contracts is to minimize our earnings volatility resulting from changes in exchange rates affecting the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations. The Mexican peso option contracts are not used for speculative purposes and are not designated as hedges. As a result, all currency option contracts are recognized in our accompanying consolidated financial statements at fair value and changes in the fair value of the currency option contracts are reported in current earnings as part of Other Income, net. The premiums to be paid and received under the weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts net to zero. As a result, premiums related to the contracts did not impact our earnings.

The following table quantifies the outstanding Mexican peso currency option contracts as of July 1, 2012 (thousands of dollars):

	Notional Amount	Average Option Contractual Exchange Rate	Fair Value	Foreign Exchange Gain/(Loss) From:	
				10% Appreciation of U.S. Dollar	10% Depreciation of U.S. Dollar
Contracts Effective July 2, 2012					
– July 6, 2012					
Buy MXP/Sell USD	\$ 684	11.85	\$ —	\$ (2)	\$ —
Buy MXP/Sell USD	\$ 684	12.85	\$ (26)	\$ (26)	\$ 59
Contracts Effective July 6, 2012					
– June 28, 2013					
Buy MXP/Sell USD	\$10,200	12.40	\$ 80	\$ (420)	\$ 66
Buy MXP/Sell USD	\$10,200	13.40	\$ (449)	\$ (268)	\$ 651

The fair market value of all outstanding peso option contracts in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets was as follows (thousands of dollars):

	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Not designated as hedging instruments:		
Other current assets:		
Mexican peso option contracts	\$ —	\$ 245
Other current liabilities:		
Mexican peso option contracts	\$ (395)	\$ —

The pre-tax effects of the peso option contracts on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive (Loss) Income consisted of the following (thousands of dollars):

	Other Income, net	
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:		
Realized gain	\$ 18	\$ 33
Realized (loss)	\$ (438)	\$ —
Unrealized (loss) gain	\$ (640)	\$ 245

See “Risk Factors – Currency Exchange Rate Fluctuations” and “Risk Factors—Sources of and Fluctuations in Market Prices of Raw Materials” included on page 25 of the Company’s 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders, which is incorporated herein by reference, for more information.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

The financial statements, together with the report thereon of Deloitte & Touche LLP dated September 6, 2012, the report of management on internal control over financial reporting and the report of Deloitte & Touche LLP on internal control over financial reporting dated September 6, 2012, which appear on pages 27 through 49 of the Company’s 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders, are incorporated herein by reference.

Our quarterly results of operations included under “Financial Summary-Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)” which appears on page 51 of the Company’s 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9. Changes In and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

The Company maintains disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")) that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Security and Exchange Commission's rules and forms, and that the information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to its management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. The Company carried out an evaluation as of the end of the period covered by this report, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures. Based on such evaluation, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the period covered by this report at reaching a level of reasonable assurance. It should be noted that in designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognized that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and management was necessarily required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures. The Company has designed its disclosure controls and procedures to reach a level of reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives.

There was no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that occurred during the quarter ended July 1, 2012 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

The report of management required under this Item 9A is included on page 47 of the Company's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders under the heading "Report on Management's Assessment of Internal Control over Financial Reporting" and is incorporated herein by reference.

The attestation report required under this Item 9A is included on page 48 of the Company's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders under the heading "Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm" and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9B. Other Information

Disclosure is included in this Form 10-K with respect to the following items of Form 8-K for events that occurred effective as of September 1, 2012:

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers – Effective September 1, 2012, Harold M. Stratton II, the Company's Chairman of the Board and former Chief Executive Officer, retired as an employee of STRATTEC. Accordingly, effective as of September 1, 2012, Mr. Stratton ceased serving as the Company's Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Stratton continues to serve on the Company's Board of Directors as Chairman. Moreover, effective as of September 1, 2012, the Company's former President and Chief Operating Officer, Frank J. Krejci, was appointed as the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer. Information regarding Mr. Krejci, including his background, experience, qualifications and compensation arrangements, is included in the Company's Proxy Statement, dated September 6, 2012 under the sections titled "Proposal: Election of Directors" and "Executive Compensation," which information is incorporated herein by reference. The information incorporated by reference from "Report of the Compensation Committee" in the Company's Proxy Statement, dated September 6, 2012, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement – Effective as of September 1, 2012, STRATTEC entered into a letter agreement with Harold M. Stratton II (the "Letter Agreement") to address his retirement and the termination of the employment agreements previously entered into between the Company and Mr. Stratton. The Letter Agreement also addresses the impact of Mr. Stratton's retirement as an employee upon outstanding stock options and unvested shares of restricted stock held by Mr. Stratton effective as of September 1, 2012. The description of the terms of the Letter Agreement in this report does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the terms and conditions of the Letter Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.8 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 1.02. Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement – As noted above, the Letter Agreement terminates certain employment agreements previously entered into by the Company with Mr. Stratton.

PART III

Item 10. Directors and Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

The information included in the Company's Proxy Statement, dated September 6, 2012, under "Proposal: Election of Directors," "Corporate Governance Matters-Code of Business Ethics," "Audit Committee Matters-Audit Committee Financial Expert," "Executive Officers," "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance", and "Corporate Governance Matters-Director Nominations" is incorporated herein by reference.

The Audit Committee of the Company's Board of Directors is an "audit committee" for purposes of Section 3(a)(58)(A) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The members of the Audit Committee consist of three outside independent Directors, David R. Zimmer, Audit Committee Chairman, Robert Feitler, and Michael J. Koss.

Item 11. Executive Compensation

The information included in the Company's Proxy Statement, dated September 6, 2012, under "Director Compensation" and "Executive Compensation" is incorporated herein by reference.

The information incorporated by reference from "Report of the Compensation Committee" in the Company's Proxy Statement, dated September 6, 2012, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Shareholder Matters

The information included in the Company's Proxy Statement, dated September 6, 2012, under "Security Ownership" is incorporated herein by reference.

Equity Compensation Plan Information

The following table summarizes share information, as of July 1, 2012, for the Company's Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan.

<u>Plan Category</u>	<u>Number of common shares to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants, and rights</u>	<u>Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants, and rights</u>	<u>Number of common shares available for future issuance under equity compensation plans</u>
Equity compensation plans approved by shareholders	332,800	\$ 28.19	170,743
Equity compensation plans not approved by shareholders	—	—	—
Total	332,800	\$ 28.19	170,743

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions and Director Independence

The information included in the Company's Proxy Statement, dated September 6, 2012, under "Transactions With Related Persons" and "Corporate Governance Matters-Director Independence" is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

The information included in the Company's Proxy Statement, dated September 6, 2012, under "Audit Committee Matters-Fees of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm" is incorporated herein by reference.

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

(a) The following documents are filed as part of this report:

(1)(i) Financial Statements—The following financial statements of the Company, included on pages 27 through 49 of the Company’s 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders, are incorporated by reference in Item 8 of this Form 10-K annual report:

Reports of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm (Deloitte & Touche LLP)

Consolidated Balance Sheets—as of July 1, 2012 and July 3, 2011

Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive (Loss) Income—years ended July 1, 2012, July 3, 2011 and June 27, 2010

Consolidated Statements of Shareholders’ Equity – years ended July 1, 2012, July 3, 2011 and June 27, 2010

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows—years ended July 1, 2012, July 3, 2011 and June 27, 2010

Notes to Financial Statements

(2) Financial Statement Schedule

All schedules have been omitted because they are not applicable or are not required, or because the required information has been included in the Financial Statements or Notes thereto.

(3) Exhibits. See “Exhibit Index” beginning on page 13.

(b) Exhibits

See “Exhibit Index” and the exhibits attached hereto or previously filed as described in the “Exhibit Index” beginning on page 13.

(c) Financial Statement Schedules

None required.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 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.

STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION

By: /s/ Frank J. Krejci

Frank J. Krejci

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: September 6, 2012

Pursuant to the requirement of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>/s/ Frank J. Krejci</u> Frank J. Krejci	President, Chief Executive Officer, and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	September 6, 2012
<u>/s/ Harold M. Stratton II</u> Harold M. Stratton II	Chairman and Director	August 21, 2012
<u>/s/ Michael J. Koss</u> Michael J. Koss	Director	August 21, 2012
<u>/s/ Robert Feitler</u> Robert Feitler	Director	August 21, 2012
<u>/s/ David R. Zimmer</u> David R. Zimmer	Director	August 21, 2012
<u>/s/ Patrick J. Hansen</u> Patrick J. Hansen	Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	September 6, 2012

**EXHIBIT INDEX TO ANNUAL REPORT
ON FORM 10-K**

<u>Exhibit</u>		
3.1 ⁽¹⁾	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Company	*
3.2 ⁽²⁾	By-laws of the Company	*
4.1 ⁽⁴⁾	Credit Agreement, dated as of August 1, 2011, between STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION and BMO Harris Bank N.A., as lender	*
4.2 ⁽⁴⁾	Security Agreement, dated as of August 1, 2011, made by STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION in favor of BMO Harris Bank N.A., as lender	*
10.1 -	Amended and Restated STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION Stock Incentive Plan	
10.2 ⁽²⁾ **	Form of Restricted Stock Grant Agreement with employees	*
10.3 -	Amended STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION Economic Value Added Bonus Plan for Executive Officers and Senior Managers	
10.4 ⁽⁶⁾ **	Amended STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION Economic Value Added Bonus Plan for Non-employee Members of the Board of Directors	*
10.5 ⁽⁵⁾ **	Amended STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan	*
10.6 ^{(5)**}	Employment Agreement between the Company and Harold M. Stratton II, Frank J. Krejci, Patrick J. Hansen, Rolando J. Guillot, Kathryn E. Scherbarth, Dennis A. Kazmierski, Brian J. Reetz and Richard P. Messina made as of May 5, 2010.	*
10.7 ^{(5)**}	Change of Control Employment Agreement between the Company and Harold M. Stratton II, Frank J. Krejci, Patrick J. Hansen, Rolando J. Guillot, Kathryn E. Scherbarth, Dennis A. Kazmierski, Brian J. Reetz and Richard P. Messina made as of May 5, 2010.	*
10.8-	Letter Agreement between the Company and Harold M. Stratton II made as of September 1, 2012	
10.9-	Form of Restricted Stock Grant Agreement with non-employee directors	
13	Annual Report to Shareholders for the year ended July 1, 2012	
21 ⁽³⁾	Subsidiaries of the Company	*
23	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm dated September 6, 2012	
31.1	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification for Frank J. Krejci, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer	
31.2	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification for Patrick J. Hansen, Chief Financial Officer	
32 ⁽⁷⁾	18 U.S.C. Section 1350 Certifications	
101 -	Interactive Data Files pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T	

* Previously filed

** Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement

*** Pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, the Interactive Data Files in Exhibit 101 hereto are deemed not filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Sections 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, are deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and otherwise are not subject to liability under those sections.

⁽¹⁾ Incorporated by reference from Amendment No. 2 to the Form 10 filed on February 6, 1995.

⁽²⁾ Incorporated by reference from the exhibit to the Form 8-K filed on October 7, 2005.

⁽³⁾ Incorporated by reference from the exhibit to the June 29, 2008 Form 10-K filed on August 29, 2008.

⁽⁴⁾ Incorporated by reference from the exhibit to the Form 8-K filed on August 4, 2011.

⁽⁵⁾ Incorporated by reference from the exhibit to the March 28, 2010 Form 10-Q filed on May 6, 2010.

⁽⁶⁾ Incorporated by reference from the exhibit to the July 3, 2011 Form 10-K filed on September 8, 2011.

⁽⁷⁾ This certification is not "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

AMENDED AND RESTATED
STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION
STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN
(As amended and restated effective August 20, 2012)

1. Purpose: Definitions. The purpose of the Plan is to advance the interests of the Company's shareholders by enhancing the Company's ability to attract, retain and motivate persons who make (or are expected to make) important contributions to the Company by providing such persons with equity ownership opportunities and performance-based incentives and thereby better aligning the interests of such persons with those of the Company's shareholders.

For purposes of the Plan, the following terms are defined as set forth below:

- (a) "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.
- (b) "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and any successor thereto.
- (c) "Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission or any successor agency.
- (d) "Committee" means the Committee referred to in Section 2.
- (e) "Company" means STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin, or any successor corporation.
- (f) "Director" means a member of the Board.
- (g) "Disability" means permanent and total disability as determined under procedures established by the Committee for purposes of the Plan.
- (h) "Early Retirement" means, with respect to Employees, retirement, with the consent of and for purposes of the Company, from active employment with the Company, a subsidiary or affiliate pursuant to the early retirement provisions of the applicable pension plan of such employer.
- (i) "Employee" means any person, including Officers and Directors, employed by the Company or any affiliate or subsidiary of the Company. A Service Provider shall not cease to be an Employee in the case of (i) any leave of absence approved by the Company or (ii) transfers between locations of the Company or between the Company, its subsidiaries, or any successor. Neither service as a Director nor payment of a director's fee by the Company shall be sufficient to constitute "employment" by the Company.

(j) “Exchange Act” means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time, and any successor thereto.

(k) “Fair Market Value” means, except as provided in Sections 5(k) and 6(b)(ii): (i) with respect to Non-Qualified Stock Options granted in connection with the distribution of Stock made by Briggs & Stratton Corporation to its shareholders, the average closing price of the Stock on the applicable NASDAQ Stock Market during the five trading days after the effective date of such distribution; and (ii) in all other instances, the mean, as of any given date, between the highest and lowest reported sales prices of the Stock on the applicable NASDAQ Stock Market or, if no such sale of Stock occurs on the applicable NASDAQ Stock Market on such date, the fair market value of the Stock as determined by the Committee in good faith.

(l) “Incentive Stock Option” means any Stock Option intended to be and designated as an “incentive stock option” within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code.

(m) “Non-Employee Director” shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 16b-3(b)(3)(i), as promulgated by the Commission under the Exchange Act, or any successor definition adopted by the Commission.

(n) “Non-Qualified Stock Option” means any Stock Option that is not an Incentive Stock Option.

(o) “Normal Retirement” means, with respect to Employees, retirement from active employment with the Company, a subsidiary or affiliate at or after age 65.

(p) “Officer” means a person who is an officer of the Company within the meaning of section 16 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

(q) “Plan” means the Amended and Restated STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION Stock Incentive Plan, as set forth herein and as hereinafter amended from time to time.

(r) “Restricted Stock” means an award under Section 7.

(s) “Retirement” means Normal Retirement or Early Retirement.

(t) “Rule 16b-3” means Rule 16b-3, as promulgated by the Commission under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act, as amended from time to time.

(u) “Service Provider” means an Employee, Officer or Director.

(v) “Stock” means the Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share, of the Company.

(w) "Stock Appreciation Right" means a right granted under Section 6.

(x) "Stock Option" or "Option" means an Option or Leveraged Stock Option granted under Section 5.

In addition, the terms "Change in Control" and "Change in Control Price" have the meanings set forth in Sections 8(b) and (c), respectively, and other capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the relevant section of this Plan.

2. Administration. The Plan shall be administered by the Compensation Committee of the Board or such other committee of the Board, composed solely of two or more Non-Employee Directors, who shall be appointed by the Board and who shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. If at any time no Committee shall be in office, the functions of the Committee specified in the Plan shall be exercised by the Board.

The Committee shall have plenary authority to grant to eligible Service Providers, pursuant to the terms of the Plan, Stock Options, Stock Appreciation Rights and Restricted Stock.

In particular, the Committee shall have the authority, subject to the terms of the Plan:

(a) to select the Service Providers to whom Stock Options, Stock Appreciation Rights and Restricted Stock may from time to time be granted;

(b) to determine whether and to what extent Incentive Stock Options, Non-Qualified Stock Options, Stock Appreciation Rights and Restricted Stock or any combination thereof are to be granted hereunder; provided, however, Incentive Stock Options may not be granted to Non-Employee Directors,

(c) to determine the number of shares to be covered by each award granted hereunder,

(d) to determine the terms and conditions of any award granted hereunder (including, but not limited to, the share price, any restriction or limitation and any vesting acceleration or forfeiture waiver regarding any Stock Option or other award and the shares of Stock relating thereto, based on such factors as the Committee shall determine);

(e) to adjust the performance goals and measurements applicable to performance-based awards pursuant to the terms of the Plan;

(f) to determine under what circumstances a Stock Option may be settled in cash or Restricted Stock under Section 5(k); and

(g) to determine to what extent and under what circumstances Stock and other amounts payable with respect to an award shall be deferred.

The Committee shall have the authority to adopt, alter and repeal such administrative rules, guidelines and practices governing the Plan as it shall, from time to time, deem advisable, to interpret the terms and provisions of the Plan and any award issued under the Plan (and any agreement relating thereto) and to otherwise supervise the administration of the Plan.

The Committee may act only by a majority of its members then in office, except that the members thereof may authorize any one or more of their number or any Officer to execute and deliver documents on behalf of the Committee.

Any determination made by the Committee pursuant to the provisions of the Plan with respect to any award shall be made in its sole discretion at the time of the grant of the award or, unless in contravention of any express term of the Plan, at any time thereafter. All decisions made by the Committee pursuant to the provisions of the Plan shall be final and binding on all persons, including the Company and Plan participants.

3. Stock Subject to Plan. The total number of shares of Stock reserved and available for distribution under the Plan shall be 1,700,000 shares. Such shares may consist, in whole or in part, of authorized and unissued shares or treasury shares.

Subject to Section 6(b)(iv), if any shares of Stock that have been optioned cease to be subject to a Stock Option, if any shares of Stock that are subject to a Restricted Stock award are forfeited or if any Stock Option or other award otherwise terminates without a payment being made to the participant in the form of Stock, such shares shall again be available for distribution in connection with awards under the Plan.

In the event of any merger, reorganization, consolidation, recapitalization, stock dividend, stock split or other change in corporate structure affecting the Stock, such substitution or adjustments shall be made in the aggregate number of shares reserved for issuance under the Plan, in the number and option price of shares subject to outstanding Stock Options and in the number of shares subject to other outstanding awards granted under the Plan as may be determined to be appropriate by the Board, in its sole discretion; provided, however, that the number of shares subject to any award shall always be a whole number. Such adjusted option price shall also be used to determine the amount payable by the Company upon the exercise of any Stock Appreciation Right associated with any Stock Option.

4. Eligibility. Service Providers of the Company, its subsidiaries and affiliates who are responsible for or contribute to the management, growth and profitability of the business of the Company, its subsidiaries or affiliates are eligible to be granted awards under the Plan; provided, however, Non-Employee Directors are not eligible to receive awards of Incentive Stock Options under the Plan.

5. Stock Options. Stock Options may be granted alone or in addition to other awards granted under the Plan and may be of two types: Incentive Stock Options and

Non-Qualified Stock Options. Any Stock Option granted under the Plan shall be in such form as the Committee may from time to time approve.

Subject to the limitations contained herein, the Committee shall have the authority to grant to any optionee Incentive Stock Options, Non-Qualified Stock Options or both types of Stock Options (in each case with or without Stock Appreciation Rights); provided, however, Non-Employee Directors are not eligible to receive awards of Incentive Stock Options under the Plan.

Incentive Stock Options may be granted only to Employees of the Company and its subsidiaries (within the meaning of Section 425(f) of the Code). To the extent that any Stock Option does not qualify as an Incentive Stock Option, it shall constitute a separate Non-Qualified Stock Option.

Stock Options shall be evidenced by option agreements, the terms and provisions of which may differ. An option agreement shall indicate on its face whether it is an agreement for Incentive Stock Options or Non-Qualified Stock Options. The grant of a Stock Option shall occur on the date the Committee by resolution selects a Service Provider as a participant in any grant of Stock Options, determines the number of Stock Options to be granted to such Service Provider and specifies the terms and provisions of the option agreement. The Company shall notify a participant of any grant of Stock Options, and a written option agreement or agreements shall be duly executed and delivered by the Company.

Anything in the Plan to the contrary notwithstanding, no term of the Plan relating to Incentive Stock Options shall be interpreted, amended or altered nor shall any discretion or authority granted under the Plan be exercised so as to disqualify the Plan under Section 422 of the Code or, without the consent of the optionee affected, to disqualify any Incentive Stock Option under such Section 422.

Options granted under the Plan shall be subject to the following terms and conditions and shall contain such additional terms and conditions as the Committee shall deem desirable:

(a) Option Price. The option price per share of Stock purchasable under a Stock Option shall be equal to the Fair Market Value of the Stock at time of grant or such higher price as shall be determined by the Committee at grant.

(b) Option Term. The term of each Stock Option shall be fixed by the Committee, but no Incentive Stock Option shall be exercisable more than 10 years after the date the Option is granted, and no Non-Qualified Stock Option shall be exercisable more than 10 years and one day after the date the Option is granted.

(c) Exercisability. Stock Options shall be exercisable at such time or times and subject to such terms and conditions as shall be determined by the Committee. If the Committee provides that any Stock Option is exercisable only in installments, the Committee

may at any time waive such installment exercise provisions, in whole or in part, based on such factors as the Committee may determine.

(d) Method of Exercise. Subject to the provisions of this Section 5, Stock Options may be exercised, in whole or in part, at any time during the option period by giving written notice of exercise to the Company specifying the number of shares to be purchased.

Such notice shall be accompanied by the payment in full of the purchase price for such shares or, to the extent authorized by the Committee, by irrevocable instructions to a broker to promptly pay to the Company in full the purchase price for such shares. Such payment shall be made in cash, outstanding shares of Stock, in combinations thereof, or any other method of payment approved by the Committee; provided, however, that the deposit of any withholding tax shall be made in accordance with applicable law. If shares of Stock are being used in part or full payment for the shares to be acquired upon exercise of the Stock Option, such shares shall be valued for the purpose of such exchange as of the date of exercise of the Stock Option at the Fair Market Value of the shares. Any certificates evidencing shares of Stock used to pay the purchase price shall be accompanied by stock powers duly endorsed in blank by the registered holder of the certificate (with signatures thereon guaranteed). In the event the certificates tendered by the holder in such payment cover more shares than are required for such payment, the certificate shall also be accompanied by instructions from the holder to the Company's transfer agent with regard to the disposition of the balance of the shares covered thereby.

If payment of the option exercise price of a Non-Qualified Stock Option is made in whole or in part in the form of Restricted Stock, such Restricted Stock (and any replacement shares relating thereto) shall remain (or be) restricted in accordance with the original terms of the Restricted Stock award in question, and any additional Stock received upon the exercise shall be subject to the same forfeiture restrictions, unless otherwise determined by the Committee.

No shares of Stock shall be issued until full payment therefor has been made. Subject to any forfeiture restrictions that may apply if a Stock Option is exercised using Restricted Stock, an optionee shall have all of the rights of a shareholder of the Company, including the right to vote the shares and the right to receive dividends, with respect to shares subject to the Stock Option when the optionee has given written notice of exercise, has paid in full for such shares and, if requested, has given the representation described in Section 12(a).

(e) Non-transferability of Options. No Stock Option shall be transferable by the optionee other than by will or by laws of descent and distribution, and all Stock Options shall be exercisable, during the optionee's lifetime, only by the optionee or by the guardian or legal representative of the optionee, it being understood that the terms "holder" and "optionee" include the guardian and legal representative of the optionee named in the option agreement and any person to whom an option is transferred by will or the laws of descent and distribution.

(f) Termination by Death. Subject to Section 5(j), if an optionee's status as a Service Provider terminates by reason of death, any Stock Option held by such optionee may

thereafter be exercised, to the extent then exercisable or on such accelerated basis as the Committee may determine, for a period of one year (or such other period as the Committee may specify) from the date of such death or until the expiration of the stated term of such Stock Option, whichever period is shorter.

(g) Termination by Reason of Disability. Subject to Section 5(j), if an optionee's status as a Service Provider terminates by reason of Disability, any Stock Option held by such optionee may thereafter be exercised by the optionee, to the extent it was exercisable at the time of termination or on such accelerated basis as the Committee may determine, for a period of three years (or such shorter period as the Committee may specify at grant) from the date of such termination as a Service Provider or until the expiration of the stated term of such Stock Option, whichever period is shorter; provided, however, that, if the optionee dies within such three-year period (or such shorter period), any unexercised Stock Option held by such optionee shall, notwithstanding the expiration of such three-year (or such shorter) period, continue to be exercisable to the extent to which it was exercisable at the time of death for a period of 12 months from the date of such death or until the expiration of the stated term of such Stock Option, whichever period is shorter. With respect to an Employee, in the event of termination of employment by reason of Disability, if an Incentive Stock Option is exercised after the expiration of the exercise periods that apply for purposes of Section 422 of the Code, such Stock Option will thereafter be treated as a Non-Qualified Stock Option.

(h) Termination by Reason of Retirement. Subject to Section 5(j), if an Employee optionee's employment terminates by reason of Retirement, any Stock Option held by such optionee may thereafter be exercised by the optionee, to the extent it was exercisable at the time of such Retirement or on such accelerated basis as the Committee may determine, for a period of three years (or such shorter period as the Committee may specify at grant) from the date of such termination of employment or until the expiration of the stated term of such Stock Option, whichever period is shorter, provided, however, that, if the optionee dies within such three-year (or such shorter) period any unexercised Stock option held by such optionee shall, notwithstanding the expiration of such three-year (or such shorter) period, continue to be exercisable to the extent to which it was exercisable at the time of death for a period of 12 months from the date of such death or until the expiration of the stated term of such Stock Option, whichever period is shorter. In the event of termination of employment by reason of Retirement, if an Incentive Stock Option is exercised after the expiration of the exercise periods that apply for purposes of Section 422 of the Code, such Stock Option will thereafter be treated as a Non-Qualified Stock Option.

(i) Other Termination. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, if an optionee's status as a Service provider terminates for any reason other than death, Disability or Retirement, the Stock Option shall thereupon terminate, except that such Stock Option, to the extent then exercisable, may be exercised for the lesser of three months following such termination or the balance of such Stock Option's term in the event the Service Provider is not an Employee and may be exercised for the lesser of three months or the balance of such Stock Option's term if the optionee is an Employee and is involuntarily terminated by the Company, a subsidiary or affiliate without cause. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if an optionee's status as a Service Provider terminates at or after a Change in Control (as defined in Section 8(b)), other

than by reason of death, Disability or Retirement, any Stock Option held by such optionee shall be exercisable for the lesser of (x) six months and one day, and (y) the balance of such Stock Option's term pursuant to Section 5(b).

(j) Incentive Stock Option Limitations. To the extent required for "incentive stock option" status under Section 422 of the Code, the aggregate Fair Market Value (determined as of the time of grant) of the Stock with respect to which Incentive Stock Options granted after 1986 are exercisable for the first time by the optionee during any calendar year under the Plan and any other stock option plan of any subsidiary or parent corporation (within the meaning of Section 425 of the Code) after 1986 shall not exceed \$100,000.

The Committee is authorized to provide at grant that, to the extent permitted under Section 422 of the Code, if a participant's employment with the Company and its subsidiaries is terminated by reason of death, Disability or Retirement and the portion of any Incentive Stock Option that is otherwise exercisable during the post-termination period specified under Sections 5(f), (g), or (h), applied without regard to this Section 5(j), is greater than the portion of such option that is exercisable as an "incentive stock option" during such post-termination period under Section 422, such post-termination period shall automatically be extended (but not beyond the original option term) to the extent necessary to permit the optionee to exercise such Incentive Stock Option (either as an Incentive Stock Option or, if exercised after the expiration periods that apply for the purposes of Section 422, as a Non-Qualified Stock Option).

(k) Cashing Out of Option; Settlement of Spread Value in Restricted Stock. On receipt of written notice of exercise, the Committee may elect to cash out all or part of the portion of any Stock Option to be exercised by paying the optionee an amount, in cash or Stock, equal to the excess of the Fair Market Value of the Stock over the option price (the "Spread Value") on the effective date of such cash out.

Cash outs relating to options held by optionees who are actually or potentially subject to Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act shall comply with the provisions of Rule 16b-3, to the extent applicable, and, in the case of cash outs of Non-Qualified Stock Options held by such optionees, the Committee may determine Fair Market Value under the pricing rule set forth in Section 6(b)(ii).

In addition, if the option agreement so provides at grant or is amended after grant and prior to exercise to so provide (with the optionee's consent), the Committee may require that all or part of the shares to be issued with respect to the Spread Value payable in the event of a cash out of an unexercised Stock Option or the Spread Value portion of an exercised Stock Option take the form of Restricted Stock, which shall be valued on the date of exercise on the basis of the Fair Market Value of such Restricted Stock, determined without regard to the forfeiture restrictions involved. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, upon a Change in Control (as defined in Section 8(b)) other than a Change in Control specified in clause (i) of Section 8(b) arising as a result of beneficial ownership (as defined therein) by the Plan participant of Outstanding Company Common Stock or Outstanding Company Voting Securities (as such terms are defined below), in the case of Stock Options other than Stock Options held by

an Officer or Director of the Company (within the meaning of Section 16 of the Exchange Act) which were granted less than six months prior to the Change in Control, during the 60-day period from and after a Change in Control (the "Exercise Period"), unless the Committee shall determine otherwise at the time of grant, an optionee shall have the right, in lieu of the payment of the exercise price of the shares of Stock being purchased under the Stock Option and by giving notice to the Company, to elect (within the Exercise Period) to surrender all or part of the Stock Option to the Company and to receive cash, within 30 days of such notice, in an amount equal to the amount by which the "Change in Control Price" (as defined in Section 8(c)) per share of Stock on the date of such election shall exceed the exercise price per share of Stock under the Stock Option multiplied by the number of shares of Stock granted under the Stock Option as to which the right granted under this Section 5(k) shall have been exercised.

(l) Leveraged Stock Options. Any of the shares of Stock reserved and available for distribution under the Plan may be used for grants of "Leveraged Stock Options" pursuant to the Company's Leveraged Stock Option Program described below (the "LSO Program").

(i) Objectives. The LSO Program is designed to build upon the Company's Economic Value Added Bonus Plan ("EVA Plan") by tying the interests of certain senior executives ("Senior Executives") to the long term consolidated results of the Company. In this way, the objectives of Senior Executives will be more closely aligned with the Company's shareholders. Whereas the EVA Plan provides for near and intermediate term rewards, the LSO Program provides a longer term focus by allowing Senior Executives to participate in the long-term appreciation in the equity value of the Company. In general, the LSO Program is structured such that each year an amount equivalent to the Total Bonus Payout under the EVA Plan is invested on behalf of Senior Executives in options on the Company's Stock ("LSOs"). These LSOs become exercisable after they have been held for three years, and they expire at the end of five years. The LSO Program is also structured so that a fair return must be provided to the Company's shareholders before the options become valuable.

(ii) Leveraged Stock Option Grant. For fiscal 1995 and subsequent years, the dollar amount to be invested in LSOs for each Senior Executive shall be equal to the amount of each Senior Executive's Total Bonus Payout determined under the EVA Plan effective for the applicable fiscal year. The number of LSOs awarded shall be determined by dividing (a) the dollar amount of such LSO award by (b) 10% of the Fair Market Value of Company Stock on the date of the grant, as determined by the Committee, rounded (up or down) to the nearest 10 shares.

(iii) Term. All LSOs shall be exercisable beginning on the third anniversary of the date of grant, and shall terminate on the fifth anniversary of the date of grant unless sooner exercised, unless the Committee determines other dates.

(iv) Exercise Price. The exercise price for LSOs shall be the product of 90% of the Fair Market Value per share as determined above, times the sum taken to the fifth (5th) power of (a) 1, plus (b) the Estimated Annual Growth Rate, but in no event may the exercise price be less than Fair Market Value on the date of grant. The Estimated Annual

Growth Rate is the average daily closing 10-year U.S. Treasury note yield rate for the month of April immediately preceding the relevant Plan year, plus 2%. So,

Exercise Price = $(.9 \times \text{FMV}) \times (1 + \text{Estimated Annual Growth Rate})^5$

Example: \$15 share price; 9.75% Estimated Annual Growth Rate (7.75% 10-year U.S. Treasury note rate, plus 2%): $\$13.50 (90\% \text{ FMV}) \times (1.0975)^5 = \21.50

(v) Limitations on LSO Grants and Carryover. Notwithstanding subsection (l)(ii) above, the maximum number of LSOs that may be granted to all Senior Executives for any Plan year, shall be 40,000. In the event that the 40,000 limitation shall be in effect for any Plan year, the dollar amount to be invested for each Senior Executive shall be reduced by proration based on the aggregate Total Bonus Payouts of all Senior Executives so that the limitation is not exceeded. The amount of any such reduction shall be carried forward to subsequent years and invested in LSOs to the extent the annual limitation is not exceeded in such years. LSOs may not be awarded to Non-Employee Directors under the Plan

(vi) The Plan. Except as modified herein, LSOs are Incentive Stock Options to the extent they are eligible for treatment as such under Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code. If not eligible for Incentive Stock Option treatment, the LSOs shall constitute Non-Qualified Stock Options. Except as specifically modified herein, LSOs shall be governed by the terms of the Plan.

6. Stock Appreciation Rights.

(a) Grant and Exercise. Stock Appreciation Rights may be granted in conjunction with all or part of any Stock Option granted under the Plan. In the case of a Non-Qualified Stock Option, such rights may be granted either at or after the time of grant of such Stock Option. In the case of an Incentive Stock Option, such rights may be granted only at the time of grant of such Stock Option. No Stock Appreciation Rights may be granted to a Non-Employee Director if granted in conjunction with an Incentive Stock Option.

A Stock Appreciation Right or applicable portion thereof granted with respect to a given Stock Option shall terminate and no longer be exercisable upon the termination or exercise of the related Stock Option, except that, unless otherwise determined by the Committee at the time of grant, a Stock Appreciation Right granted with respect to less than the full number of shares covered by a related Stock Option shall not be reduced until the number of shares covered by an exercise or termination of the related Stock Option exceeds the number of shares not covered by the Stock Appreciation Right.

A Stock Appreciation Right may be exercised by an optionee in accordance with Section 6(b) by surrendering the applicable portion of the related Stock Option in accordance with procedures established by the Committee. Upon such exercise and surrender, the optionee shall be entitled to receive an amount determined in the manner prescribed in

Section 6(b). Stock Options which have been so surrendered shall no longer be exercisable to the extent the related Stock Appreciation Rights have been exercised.

(b) Terms and Conditions. Stock Appreciation Rights shall be subject to such terms and conditions as shall be determined by the Committee, including the following:

(i) Stock Appreciation Rights shall be exercisable only at such time or times and to the extent that the Stock Options to which they relate are exercisable in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 and this Section 6.

(ii) Upon the exercise of a Stock Appreciation Right, an optionee shall be entitled to receive an amount in cash, shares of Stock or both equal in value to the excess of the Fair Market Value of one share of Stock over the option price per share specified in the related Stock Option multiplied by the number of shares in respect of which the Stock Appreciation Right shall have been exercised, with the Committee having the right to determine the form of payment.

In the case of Stock Appreciation Rights relating to Stock Options held by optionees who are actually or potentially subject to Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act, the Committee may require that such Stock Appreciation Rights be exercised only in accordance with the applicable provisions of Rule 16b-3.

(iii) Stock Appreciation Rights shall be transferable only when and to the extent that the underlying Stock Option would be transferable under Section 5(e).

(iv) Upon the exercise of a Stock Appreciation Right, the Stock Option or part thereof to which such Stock Appreciation Right is related shall be deemed to have been exercised for the purpose of the limitation set forth in Section 3 on the number of shares of Stock to be issued under the Plan, but only to the extent of the number of shares issued under the Stock Appreciation Right at the time of exercise based on the value of the Stock Appreciation Right at such time.

7. Restricted Stock.

(a) Administration. Shares of Restricted Stock may be issued either alone or in addition to other awards granted under the Plan. The Committee shall determine the Service Providers to whom and the time or times at which grants of Restricted Stock will be made, the number of shares to be awarded, the time or times within which such awards may be subject to forfeiture and any other terms and conditions of the awards, in addition to those contained in Section 7(c).

The Committee may condition the grant of Restricted Stock upon the attainment of specified performance goals or such other factors or criteria as the Committee shall determine. The provisions of Restricted Stock awards need not be the same with respect to each recipient.

(b) Awards and Certificates. Each participant receiving a Restricted Stock award shall be issued a certificate in respect of such shares of Restricted Stock. Such certificate shall be registered in the name of such participant and shall bear an appropriate legend referring to the terms, conditions, and restrictions applicable to such award, substantially in the following form:

“The transferability of this certificate and the shares of stock represented hereby are subject to the terms and conditions (including forfeiture) of the STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION Stock Incentive Plan. Copies of such Plan and Agreement are on file at the offices of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION, 3333 West Good Hope Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53209-2043.”

The Committee may require that the certificates evidencing such shares be held in custody by the Company until the restrictions thereon shall have lapsed and that, as a condition of any Restricted Stock award, the participant shall have delivered a stock power, endorsed in blank, relating to the Stock covered by such award.

(c) Terms and Conditions. Shares of Restricted Stock shall be subject to the following terms and, conditions:

(i) Subject to the provisions of the Plan and the Restricted Stock Agreement referred to in Section 7(c)(vii), during a period set by the Committee, commencing with the date of such award (the “Restriction Period”), the participant shall not be permitted to sell, assign, transfer, pledge or otherwise encumber shares of Restricted Stock. Within these limits and subject to Section 7(c)(iv), the Committee may provide for the lapse of such restrictions in installments and may accelerate or waive such restrictions, in whole or in part, based on service, performance and such other factors or criteria as the Committee may determine.

(ii) Except as provided in this paragraph (ii), and Section 7(c)(i), the participant shall have, with respect to the shares of Restricted Stock, all of the rights of a shareholder of the Company, including the right to vote the shares and the right to receive any cash dividends. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, cash dividends shall be automatically deferred and reinvested in additional Restricted Stock and dividends payable in Stock shall be paid in the form of Restricted Stock.

(iii) Except to the extent otherwise provided in the applicable Restricted Stock Agreement and Sections 7(c)(i) and (iv), upon termination of a participant’s status as a Service Provider for any reason during the Restriction Period, all shares still subject to restriction shall be forfeited by the participant.

(iv) Except to the extent that an award of Restricted Stock is issued in lieu of cash compensation or in settlement of the spread value of Stock Options pursuant to Section 5(k), the Restriction Period for any grant of shares of Restricted Stock under this Plan shall comply with the following: (A) with respect to shares of Restricted Stock that vest or otherwise become unrestricted based upon the participant’s continued status as a Service

Provider with the Company, the minimum Restriction Period shall be three years from the date of grant and after the end of such three year period the restrictions may lapse as to shares of Restricted Stock either immediately or in installments as determined by the Committee; and (B) at the discretion of the Committee, the remaining restrictions may be waived or lapse prior to the end of the Restriction Period in the event of the participant's death, Disability or Retirement or in connection with certain transactions that may involve a Change in Control as provided in Section 8 of this Plan. Shares of Restricted Stock that are awarded in lieu of cash compensation or pursuant to Section 5(k) may have any Restriction Period as may be determined by the Committee. For purposes of this Section 7(c)(iv), shares of Restricted Stock shall be deemed to have been awarded in lieu of cash compensation to the extent that the aggregate Fair Market Value of the shares of Restricted Stock on the date of grant is not greater than the amount of any cash compensation that the participant agrees to forego as a condition to the grant.

(v) In the event of hardship or other special circumstances of a participant whose status as a Service Provider is involuntarily terminated (other than for cause), the Committee may waive in whole or in part any or all remaining restrictions with respect to such participant's shares of Restricted Stock.

(vi) If and when the Restriction Period expires without a prior forfeiture of the Restricted Stock subject to such Restriction Period, unlegended certificates for such shares shall be delivered to the participant.

(vii) Each award shall be confirmed by, and be subject to the terms of, a Restricted Stock Agreement.

(viii) Notwithstanding the terms of Section 7(a), the maximum number of shares of Restricted Stock that may be granted to all participants for any Plan year, shall be 25,000. Moreover, the maximum number of shares of Restricted Stock that may be granted to any one individual for any Plan year is 20% of the total number of shares of Restricted Stock awarded in that Plan year.

8. Change In Control Provisions.

(a) Impact of Event. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan to the contrary, in the event of a Change in Control (as defined in Section 8(b)):

(i) Any Stock Appreciation Rights and Stock Options outstanding as of the date such Change in Control is determined to have occurred and not then exercisable and vested shall become fully exercisable and vested to the full extent of the original grant.

(ii) The restrictions applicable to any Restricted Stock shall lapse and such Restricted Stock shall become free of all restrictions and fully vested to the full extent of the original grant.

(b) Definition of Change in Control. For purposes of the Plan, a "Change in Control" shall mean the happening of any of the following events:

(i) The acquisition by any individual, entity or group (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) or 14(d)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”)) (a “Person”) of beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act) of 20% or more of either [a] the then outstanding shares of Stock of the Company (the “Outstanding Company Common Stock”) or [b] the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities of the Company entitled to vote generally in the election of directors (the “Outstanding Company Voting Securities”); provided, however, that the following acquisitions shall not constitute a Change in Control: (w) any acquisition directly from the Company, (x) any acquisition by the Company, (y) any acquisition by any employee benefit plan (or related trust) sponsored or maintained by the Company or any corporation controlled by the Company or (z) any acquisition by any corporation pursuant to a transaction described in clauses [a], [b] and [c] of paragraph (iii) of this subsection (b) of this Section 8; or

(ii) Individuals who, as of February 27, 1995, constitute the Board (the “Incumbent Board”) cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the Board; provided, however, that any individual becoming a director subsequent to February 27, 1995 whose election, or nomination for election by the Company’s shareholders, was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the directors then comprising the Incumbent Board shall be considered as though such individual were a member of the Incumbent Board, but excluding, for this purpose, any such individual whose initial assumption of office occurs as a result of an actual or threatened election contest with respect to the election or removal of directors or other actual or threatened solicitation of proxies or consents by or on behalf of a Person other than the Board; or

(iii) Approval by the shareholders of the Company of a reorganization, merger or consolidation (a “Business Combination”), in each case, unless, following such Business Combination, [a] all or substantially all of the individuals and entities who were the beneficial owners, respectively, of the Outstanding Company Common Stock and Outstanding Company Voting Securities immediately prior to such Business Combination beneficially own, directly or indirectly, more than 60% of, respectively, the then outstanding shares of common stock and the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, as the case may be, of the corporation resulting from such Business Combination (including, without limitation, a corporation which as a result of such transaction owns the Company through one or more subsidiaries) in substantially the same proportions as their ownership, immediately prior to such Business Combination of the Outstanding Company Common Stock and Outstanding Company Voting Securities, as the case may be, [b] no Person (excluding any employee benefit plan (or related trust) of the Company or such corporation resulting from such Business Combination) beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, 20% or more of, respectively, the then outstanding shares of common stock of the corporation resulting from such Business Combination or the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities of such corporation except to the extent that such ownership existed prior to the Business Combination and [c] at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of the corporation resulting from such Business Combination were members of the Incumbent Board at the time of the execution of the initial agreement, or of the action of the Board, providing for such Business Combination; or

(iv) Approval by the shareholders of the Company of [a] a complete liquidation or dissolution of the Company or [b] the sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, other than to a corporation, with respect to which following such sale or other disposition, (A) more than 60% of, respectively, the then outstanding shares of common stock of such corporation and the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities of such corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors is then beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by all or substantially all of the individuals and entities who were the beneficial owners, respectively, of the Outstanding Company Common Stock and Outstanding Company Voting Securities immediately prior to such sale or other disposition in substantially the same proportion as their ownership, immediately prior to such sale or other disposition, of the Outstanding Company Common Stock and Outstanding Company Voting Securities, as the case may be, (B) less than 20% of, respectively, the then outstanding shares of common stock of such corporation and the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities of such corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors is then beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by any Person (excluding any employee benefit plan (or related trust) of the Company or such corporation), except to the extent that such Person owned 20% or more of the Outstanding Company Common Stock or Outstanding Company Voting Securities prior to the sale or disposition and (C) at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of such corporation were members of the Incumbent Board at the time of the execution of the initial agreement, or of the action of the Board, providing for such sale or other disposition of assets of the Company or were elected, appointed or nominated by the Board.

(c) Change in Control Price. For purposes of the Plan, "Change in Control Price" means the highest price per share paid in any transaction reported on the applicable NASDAQ Stock Market or paid or offered in any bona fide transaction related to a potential or actual change in control of the Company at any time during the preceding 60 day period as determined by the Committee, except that, in the case of Incentive Stock Options and Stock Appreciation Rights relating to Incentive Stock Options, such price shall be based only on transactions reported for the date on which the Committee decides to cash out such options.

9. Amendments and Termination. The Board may amend, alter or discontinue the Plan but no amendment, alteration or discontinuation shall be made (i) which would impair the rights of an optionee under a Stock Option or a recipient of a Stock Appreciation Right or Restricted Stock award theretofore granted without the optionee's or recipient's consent or (ii) which, without the approval of the Company's shareholders, would:

- (a) except as expressly provided in the Plan, increase the total number of shares reserved for the purpose of the Plan;
- (b) except as expressly provided in the Plan, decrease the option price of any Stock Option to less than the Fair Market Value on the date of grant;
- (c) change or expand the class of Service Providers eligible to participate in the Plan;

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- (d) extend the maximum option period under Section 5(b);
 - (e) otherwise materially increase the benefits to participants in the Plan; or
 - (f) amend Section 10 or this Section 9.

The Committee may amend the terms of any Stock Option or other award theretofore granted, prospectively or retroactively, but no such amendment shall impair the rights of any holder without the holder's consent.

Subject to the above provisions, the Board shall have authority to amend the Plan to take into account changes in law and tax and accounting rules, as well as other developments.

10. Repricing. Except for adjustments pursuant to Section 3, neither the per share option price for any Stock Option granted pursuant to Section 5 or the per share grant price for any Stock Appreciation Right granted pursuant to Section 6 may be decreased after the date of grant nor may an outstanding Stock Option or an outstanding Stock Appreciation Right be surrendered to the Company as consideration for the grant of a new Stock Option or new Stock Appreciation Right with a lower exercise or grant price without the approval of the Company's shareholders.

11. Unfunded Status of Plan. It is presently intended that the Plan constitute an "unfunded" plan for incentive and deferred compensation. The Committee may authorize the creation of trusts or other arrangements to meet the obligations created under the Plan to deliver Stock or make payments; provided, however, that, unless the Committee otherwise determines, the existence of such trusts or other arrangements is consistent with the "unfunded" status of the Plan.

12. General Provisions.

(a) The Committee may require each person purchasing shares pursuant to a Stock Option to represent to and agree with the Company in writing that the optionee or participant is acquiring the shares without a view to the distribution thereof. The certificates for such shares may include any legend which the Committee deems appropriate to reflect any restrictions on transfer.

All certificates for shares of Stock or other securities delivered under the Plan shall be subject to such stock transfer orders and other restrictions as the Committee may deem advisable under the rules, regulations and other requirements of the Commission, any stock exchange upon which the Stock is then listed and any applicable federal or state securities law, and the Committee may cause a legend or legends to be put on any such certificates to make appropriate reference to such restrictions.

(b) Nothing contained in this Plan shall prevent the Company, a subsidiary or affiliate from adopting other or additional compensation arrangements for its Service Providers.

(c) The adoption of the Plan shall not confer upon any Service Provider any right to a continued relationship as a Service Provider nor shall it interfere in any way with the right of the Company, a subsidiary or affiliate to terminate such relationship at any time.

(d) No later than the dates as of which an amount first becomes includable in the gross income of the participant for federal income tax purposes with respect to any award under the Plan, the participant shall pay to the Company, or make arrangements satisfactory to the Company regarding the payment of, any federal, state, local or foreign taxes of any kind required by law to be withheld with respect to such amount. Unless otherwise determined by the Company, withholding obligations may be settled with Stock, including Stock that is part of the award that gives rise to the withholding requirement. The obligations of the Company under the Plan shall be conditional on such payment or arrangements, and the Company, its subsidiaries and affiliates shall, to the extent permitted by law, have the right to deduct any such taxes from any payment otherwise due to the participant.

(e) At the time of grant, the Committee may provide in connection with any grant made under this Plan that the shares of Stock received as a result of such grant shall be subject to a right of first refusal pursuant to which the participant shall be required to offer to the Company any shares that the participant wishes to sell at the then Fair Market Value of the Stock, subject to such other terms and conditions as the Committee may specify at the time of grant.

(f) The Committee shall establish such procedures as it deems appropriate for a participant to designate a beneficiary to whom any amounts payable in the event of the participant's death are to be paid.

(g) The Plan and all awards made and actions taken thereunder shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin.

(h) The reinvestment of dividends in additional Restricted Stock at the time of any dividend payment shall only be permissible if sufficient shares of Stock are available under Section 3 for such reinvestment (taking into account then outstanding Stock Options and other Plan awards).

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FOR
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I. PLAN OBJECTIVES

- A. To promote the maximization of shareholder value over the long term by providing incentive compensation to key employees of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION (the “Company”) in a form which is designed to financially reward participants for an increase in the value of the Company.
- B. To provide competitive levels of compensation to enable the Company to attract and retain people who are able to exert a significant impact on the value of the Company to its shareholders.
- C. To encourage teamwork and cooperation in the achievement of Company goals.

II. PLAN ADMINISTRATION

The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the “Compensation Committee”) shall be responsible for the design, administration, and interpretation of the Plan, subject to the Administrative Provisions contained in Article IX.

III. DEFINITIONS

- A. “Accrued Bonus” means the bonus, which may be negative or positive, which is calculated in the manner set forth in Section V.A.
- B. “Actual EVA” means the EVA as calculated for the relevant Plan Year.
- C. “Base Salary” means:
 - (1) For Participants who are employed by the Company and STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC, all wages paid in the Plan Year, excluding employment signing bonuses, EVA bonus payments, reimbursement or other expense allowances, imputed income, value of fringe benefits (cash and non-cash), moving reimbursements, welfare benefits and special payments.
 - (2) For Participants who are employed by the STRATTEC de Mexico S.A. de C.V., , and ADAC-STRATTEC de MEXICO, “Base Salary” includes regular salary, holidays and vacations

paid during the Plan Year. Base salary does not include overtime, profit sharing, Christmas bonuses, vacation premiums, signing bonuses, EVA bonus payments, reimbursements and other expense allowances, imputed income, the value of fringe benefits (cash and non-cash), moving reimbursements and special payments.

D. "Capital" means the Company's average monthly operating capital for the Plan Year, calculated as follows:

- Current Assets
- + Bad Debt Reserve
- + LIFO Reserve
- Future Income Tax Benefits
- Current Noninterest-Bearing Liabilities
- + Property, Plant, Equipment, (Net)
- Construction in Progress
- (+/-) Unusual Capital Items

E. "Capital Charge" means the deemed opportunity cost of employing Capital in the Company's business, determined as follows:

Capital Charge = Capital x Cost of Capital

F. "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and as interpreted by applicable regulations and rulings.

G. "Company" means STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION. The Company's Compensation Committee may act on behalf of the Company with respect to this Plan.

H. "Cost of Capital" means the weighted average of the cost of equity and the after tax cost of debt for the relevant Plan Year. For Plan administration purposes, it is assumed the Company's capital structure will be 80% Equity and 20% Debt. The Cost of Capital will be initially set at 10% for fiscal year 2008 and reviewed by the Compensation Committee prior to each Plan Year thereafter, consistent with the following methodology:

- (1) Cost of Equity = Risk Free Rate + (Business Risk Index x Average Equity Risk Premium)
- (2) Debt Cost of Capital = Debt Yield x (1 - Tax Rate)

(3) The weighted average of the Cost of Equity and the Debt Cost of Capital is determined by reference to the expected debt-to-capital ratio where the Risk Free Rate is the average daily closing yield rate on 10 year U.S. Treasury Notes for an appropriate period (determined by the Compensation Committee from time to time) preceding the relevant Plan Year, the Business Risk Index is determined by reference to an auto supply industry factor selected by the Compensation Committee, the Average Equity Risk Premium is 6%, the Debt Yield is the weighted average yield of all borrowing included in the Company's permanent capital, and the tax rate is the combination of the relevant corporate Federal and state income tax rates.

- I. "Disabilities or Disabled" means that the Participant: (1) is unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment that can be expected to result in death or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months; or (2) is, by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment that can be expected to result in death or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months, receiving income replacement benefits for a period not less than three months under an accident and health plan covering employees of the Company.
- J. "Economic Value Added" or "EVA" means the NOPAT that remains after subtracting the Capital Charge, expressed as follows:
- $$\text{EVA} = \text{NOPAT} - \text{Capital Charge}$$
- EVA may be positive or negative.
- K. "Effective Date" means February 27, 1995, the date as of which the Plan first applies to the Company.
- L. "EVA Leverage Factor" means the adjustment factor reflecting deviation in the use of capital employed as a percentage of capital employed. For purposes of this Plan, the Company's EVA Leverage Factor is determined to be 3% of the monthly average net operating capital employed during the prior Plan year.

For fiscal year 2008 (beginning July 2, 2007) the EVA Leverage Factor is set at \$3,316,000.

- M. "Leave of Absence" means that the Participant is on a sick leave, military leave or other bona fide leave of absence (such as temporary employment by the government) if the period of the leave does not exceed six months. If the leave is longer, the Participant's right to reemployment with the Company must be provided by statute or contract. A Participant who is on a Leave of Absence has not terminated employment.
- N. "NOPAT" means cash adjusted net operating profits after taxes for the Plan Year, calculated as follows:
- Net Sales
 - Cost of Goods Sold
 - (+/-) Change in LIFO Reserve
 - Engineering/Selling & Admin.
 - (+/-) Change in Bad Debt Reserve
 - (+/-) Other Income & Expense excluding Interest Expense
 - (+/-) Other Unusual Income or Expense Items (See Section VI.B.)
 - (+/-) Amortization of Unusual Income or Expense Items
 - Cash Adjusted Taxes on the Above (+/- change in deferred tax liability)
- O. "Participant" means individual who has satisfied the eligibility requirements of the Plan as provided in Section IV.
- P. "Plan Year" means the one-year period coincident with the Company's fiscal year.
- Q. "Executive Officers" means those Participants designated as Executive Officers by the Compensation Committee with respect to any Plan Year.
- R. "Senior Managers" means those Participants designated as Senior Managers by the Compensation Committee with respect to any Plan Year.
- S. "Separation from Service" means the events which allow the Available Balance (minus income and employment taxes) to be paid to an Executive Officer, as specified in Article VIII(C)(8)(b).

T. “Target EVA” means the target level of EVA for the Plan Year, determined as follows:

$$\begin{array}{rcccl} & & \text{Prior Year} & \text{Prior Year} & \\ & & \text{Target EVA} & + & \text{Actual EVA} & + & \text{Expected} \\ \text{Current Plan} & = & & & & & \\ \text{Year Target EVA} & & & 2 & & & \text{Improvement} \end{array}$$

Expected Improvement will be approved by the Board of Directors annually, based on increasing economic value in the context of the then current relevant economic conditions.

For fiscal year 2008 (beginning July 2, 2007) the Target EVA is set at \$1,154,000.

IV. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Eligible Positions. In general, only Executive Officers and Senior Managers selected by the Compensation Committee may be eligible for participation in the Plan. However, actual participation will depend upon the contribution and impact each eligible employee may have on the Company’s value to its shareholders, as determined by the Compensation Committee.
- B. Nomination and Approval. Each Plan Year, the Chairman and President will nominate eligible employees to participate in the Plan for the next Plan Year. The Compensation Committee will have the final authority to select Plan participants (the “Participants”) among the eligible employees nominated by the Chairman and President. Continued participation in the Plan is contingent on approval of the Compensation Committee.
- C. Employee Performance Requirement. Employees whose performance is rated “Needs Improvement” on their annual performance review will not be eligible for an EVA bonus applicable to the year covered by such performance review. However, if the employee so rated is subject to a performance improvement plan, and successfully meets the requirement of the plan in the time frame prescribed, the employee’s EVA eligibility will be reinstated, and the EVA bonus will be paid with the next regular payroll check following reinstatement.

V. INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPATION LEVELS

A. Calculation of Accrued Bonus. Each Participant’s Accrued Bonus will be determined as a function of the Participant’s Base Salary, the Participant’s Target Incentive Award (provided in paragraph V.B., below), Company Performance Factor (provided in Section VI.A.) and the Individual Performance Factor (provided in Section VI.C.) for the Plan Year. Each Participant’s Accrued Bonus will be calculated as follows:

$$\text{Participant's Earned Wages} \times \text{Target Incentive Award} \times \frac{\left[\text{Company Performance Factor} + \text{Individual Performance Factor} \right]}{2}$$

B. Target Incentive Awards. The Target Incentive Awards will be determined according to the following schedule:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Target Incentive Award (% of Base Salary)</u>
Chairman or President and CEO	75%
President and COO	65%
Executive Vice President	50%
Senior Vice President	45%
Vice President	35%
Senior Managers as approved each year pursuant to section IV.B	12%-20%

VI. PERFORMANCE FACTORS

A. Company Performance Factor Calculation. For any Plan Year, the Company Performance Factor will be calculated as follows:

$$\text{Company Performance Factor} = 1.00 + \frac{\text{Actual EVA} - \text{Target EVA}}{\text{EVA Leverage Factor}}$$

B. Adjustments to Company Performance. When Company performance is based on Economic Value Added or other quantifiable financial or accounting measure, it may be necessary to exclude significant, unusual, unbudgeted or noncontrollable gains or losses from actual financial results in order to measure performance properly. The Compensation Committee will decide those items that

shall be considered in adjusting actual results. For example, some types of items that may be considered for exclusion are:

- (1) Any gains or losses which will be treated as extraordinary in the Company's financial statements.
- (2) Profits or losses of any entities acquired by the Company during the Plan Year, assuming they were not included in the budget and/or the goal.
- (3) Material gains or losses not in the budget and/or the goal which are of a nonrecurring nature and are not considered to be in the ordinary course of business. Some of these would be as follows:
 - (a) Gains or losses from the sale or disposal of real estate or property.
 - (b) Gains resulting from insurance recoveries when such gains relate to claims filed in prior years.
 - (c) Losses resulting from natural catastrophes, when the cause of the catastrophe is beyond the control of the Company and did not result from any failure or negligence on the Company's part.

C. Individual Performance Factor Calculation. Determination of the Individual Performance Factor will be the responsibility of the individual to whom the participant reports. This determination will be subject to approval by the Chairman and President (or the Compensation Committee with respect to the Chairman and President) and shall conform with the process set forth below:

- (1) Quantifiable Supporting Performance Factors. The Individual Performance Factor of the Accrued Bonus calculation will be based on the accomplishment of individual, financial and/or other goals ("Supporting Performance Factors"). Whenever possible, individual performance will be evaluated according to quantifiable benchmarks of success. These Supporting Performance Factors will be enumerated from 0 to 2.0 based on the levels of achievement for each goal per the schedule in VI C.(2). Provided, however, that if the quantifiable Supporting Performance Factor is based on the Company Performance

Factor as set forth in Section VI.A., then the Supporting Performance Factor may be unlimited.

- (2) Non-Quantifiable Supporting Performance Factors. When performance cannot be measured according to a quantifiable monitoring system, an assessment of the Participant’s overall performance may be made based on a non-quantifiable Supporting Performance Factor (or Factors). The individual to whom the Participant reports (or the Compensation Committee with respect to the Chairman) will evaluate the Participant’s performance based on behavioral attributes and overall performance and this evaluation will determine the Participant’s Supporting Performance Factor (or Factors) according to the following schedule:

Non Quantifiable Supporting Performance Rating	Supporting Performance Factor	Quantifiable Supporting Performance Rating
Significantly Exceeds Requirements	1.8-2.0	Significantly Exceeds Goal
Exceeds Requirements	1.4-1.7	Exceeds Goal
Meets Requirements	.7-1.3	Meets Goal
Marginally meets Requirements	.3-.6	Goal Not Met, but Significant Progress Made
Needs Improvements	0-.2	Goal Not Met

- (3) Aggregate Individual Performance Factor. The Individual Performance Factor to be used in the calculation of the Accrued Bonus shall be equal to the sum of the quantifiable and/or non-quantifiable Supporting Performance Factor(s), divided by two as follows:

$$\begin{array}{rcccl}
 & & \text{Quantifiable} & & \text{Non-Quantifiable} \\
 & & \text{Supporting} & & \text{Supporting} \\
 & & \text{Performance} & + & \text{Performance} \\
 \text{Individual} & & \text{Factor} & & \text{Factor} \\
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Notwithstanding the foregoing, the individual to whom the Participant reports (with the approval of the Chairman and President or the Compensation Committee with respect to the Chairman and President), shall have the authority to weight the Supporting Performance Factors, according to relative importance. The weighting of each Supporting Performance Factor shall be expressed as a percentage, and the sum of the

percentages applied to all of the Supporting Performance Factors shall be 100%. The Individual Performance Factor, if weighted factors are used, will then be equal to the weighted average of such Supporting Performance Factors.

VII. CHANGE IN STATUS DURING THE PLAN YEAR

- A. New Hires and Promotions. A newly hired employee or an employee promoted during the Plan Year to a position qualifying for participation (or leaving the participating class) may accrue (subject to discretion of the Compensation Committee) a pro rata Accrued Bonus based on Base Salary received.
- B. Discharge. An employee discharged during the Plan Year shall not be eligible for an Accrued Bonus, even though his or her service arrangement or contract extends past year-end, unless the Compensation Committee determines that the conditions of the termination indicate that a prorated Accrued Bonus is appropriate. The Compensation Committee shall have full and final authority in making such a determination.
- C. Resignation. An employee who resigns during the Plan Year to accept employment elsewhere (including self-employment) will not be eligible for an Accrued Bonus, unless the Compensation Committee determines that the conditions of the termination indicate that a prorated Bonus is appropriate. The Compensation Committee shall have full and final authority in making such a determination.
- D. Death, Disability and Retirement. If a Participant's employment is terminated during a Plan Year by reason of death, Disability, or normal or early retirement under the Company's retirement plan, a tentative Accrued Bonus will be calculated as if the Participant had remained employed as of the end of the Plan Year. The final Accrued Bonus will be calculated based upon the Base Salary received.

Each employee may name any beneficiary or beneficiaries (who may be named contingently or successively) to whom any benefit under this Plan is to be paid in case of the employee's death.

Each such designation shall revoke all prior designations by the employee, shall be in the form prescribed by the Compensation Committee, and shall be effective only when filed by the employee

in writing with the Compensation Committee during his or her lifetime.

In the absence of any such designation, benefits remaining unpaid at the employee's death shall be paid to the employee's estate.

- E. Leave of Absence. An employee whose status as an active employee is changed during a Plan Year as a result of a Leave of Absence may, at the discretion of the Compensation Committee, be eligible for a pro rata Accrued Bonus determined in the same way as in paragraph D of this Section.
- F. Needs Improvement Status. Associates whose performance has been rated Needs Improvement on their annual performance review will not be eligible for an EVA bonus until such time as their performance is at an acceptable level. If the associate's performance returns to an acceptable level, the EVA bonus that was withheld will be paid with the next available pay period.

VIII. BONUS PAID AND BONUS BANK

The Accrued Bonus will be either paid to the Participant, or a portion credited to or charged against a Bonus Bank as provided in this Article.

- A. Participants Who Are Not Executive Officers. All positive Accrued Bonuses of Participants who are not Executive Officers for the Plan Year shall be paid in full, less amounts required by law to be withheld for income and employment tax purposes, not later than December 31 following the end of the Plan Year in which the Accrued Bonus was earned. Participants who are not Executive Officers shall not have any portion of their Accrued Bonuses banked.

- B. Participants Who Are Executive Officers. The Total Bonus Payout to Participants who are Executive Officers for the Plan Year shall be as follows:

Total Bonus Payout = [Accrued Bonus - Extraordinary Bonus Accrual] + Bank Payout

The Total Bonus Payout for each Plan Year, less amounts required by law to be withheld for income tax and employment tax purposes, shall be paid not later than December 31 following the end of the Plan Year in which the Accrued Bonus was earned.

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- C. Establishment of a Bonus Bank. To encourage a long term commitment to the enhancement of shareholder value by Executive Officers, “Extraordinary Bonus Accruals” shall be credited to an “at risk” deferred account (“Bonus Bank”) for each such Participant, and all negative Accrued Bonuses shall be charged against the Bonus Bank, as determined in accordance with the following:
1. “Bonus Bank” means, with respect to each Executive Officer, a bookkeeping record of an account to which Extraordinary Bonus Accruals or positive Accrued Bonuses are credited, and negative Accrued Bonuses debited as the case may be, for each Plan Year, and from which bonus payments to such Executive Officers are debited.
 2. “Bank Balance” means, with respect to each Executive Officer, a bookkeeping record of the net balance of the amounts credited to and debited against such Executive Officer’s Bonus Bank. The Bank Balance shall initially be equal to zero and can never be less than zero.
 3. “Extraordinary Bonus Accrual” shall mean the amount of the Accrued Bonus for any year that exceeds 1.25 times the portion of the Executive Officer’s Base Salary which is represented by the Target Incentive Award.
 4. Annual Allocation. Each Executive Officer’s Extraordinary Bonus Accrual, positive Accrued Bonus or negative Accrued Bonus is credited or debited to the Bonus Bank maintained for that Executive Officer. Such Annual Allocation will occur as soon as administratively feasible after the end of each Plan Year.
 5. “Available Balance” means the Bank Balance at the point in time immediately after the Annual Allocation has been made.
 6. “Payout Percentage” means the percentage of the Available Balance that may be paid out in cash to the Participant. The Payout Percentage will equal 33%.
 7. “Bank Payout” means the amount of the Available Balance that may be paid out in cash to the Executive Officer for each Plan Year. The Bank Payout is calculated as follows:

Bank Payout = Available Balance x Payout Percentage

The Bank Payout is subtracted from the Bank Balance.

8. Treatment of Available Balance Upon Termination.

- (a) Resignation or Termination With Cause. Executive Officers leaving voluntarily to accept employment elsewhere (including self-employment) or who are terminated with cause will forfeit their Available Balance.
- (b) Retirement, Death, Disability or Termination Without Cause. In the event of an Executive Officer's normal or early retirement under the STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION Retirement Plan, death, Disability, or termination without cause ("Separation from Service"), the Available Balance, less amounts required by law to be withheld for income tax and employment tax purposes shall be paid to the Executive Officer. The Plan will pay the amount as a lump sum. If the Executive Officer's Separation from Service occurs before March 15 of the Plan Year, the lump sum shall be paid the following September 15. If the Executive Officer's Separation from Service occurs on or after March 15 of the Plan Year, the lump sum shall be paid on the date which is six months after the date of the Participant's Separation from Service.
- (c) For purposes of this Plan "cause" shall mean:
 - (i) The willful and continued failure of a Participant to perform substantially the Participant's duties with the Company or one of its affiliates (other than any such failure resulting from incapacity due to physical or mental illness), after a written demand for substantial performance is delivered to the Participant by the Board or the Chief Executive Officer of the Company which specifically identifies the manner in which the Board or Chief Executive Officer believes that the Participant has not substantially performed the Participant's duties, or

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- (ii) The willful engaging by the Participant in illegal conduct or gross misconduct which is materially and demonstrably injurious to the Company.

For purposes of this provision, no act or failure to act, on the part of the Participant, shall be considered “willful” unless it is done, or omitted to be done, by the Participant in bad faith or without reasonable belief that the Participant’s action or omission was in the best interests of the Company. Any act, or failure to act, based upon authority given pursuant to a resolution duly adopted by the Board or upon the instructions of the Chief Executive Officer or a senior officer of the Company or based upon the advice of counsel for the Company shall be conclusively presumed to be done, or omitted to be done, by the Participant in good faith and in the best interests of the Company. The cessation of employment of the Participant shall not be deemed to be for cause unless and until there shall have been delivered to the Participant a copy of a resolution duly adopted by the affirmative vote of not less than three-quarters of the entire membership of the Board at a meeting of the Board called and held for such purpose (after reasonable notice is provided to the Participant and the Participant is given an opportunity, together with counsel, to be heard before the Board), finding that, in the good faith opinion of the Board, the Participant is guilty of the conduct described in subparagraph (i) or (ii) above, and specifying the particulars thereof in detail.

IX. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

- A. Amendments. Subject to Code section 409A which applies to payments which are deferred compensation under this Plan, the Compensation Committee or full Board of Directors of the Company shall have the right to amend or restate the Plan at any time from

time to time. The Company reserves the right to suspend or terminate the Plan at any time. No such modification, amendment, suspension, or termination may, without the consent of any affected participants (or beneficiaries of such participants in the event of death), reduce the rights of any such participants (or beneficiaries, as applicable) to a payment or distribution already earned under Plan terms in effect prior to such change. The provisions of the Plan as in effect at the time of a Participant's termination of employment shall control as to that Participant, unless otherwise specified in the Plan.

- B. Authority to Act. The Compensation Committee or full Board of Directors may act on behalf of the Company for purposes of the Plan.
- C. Interpretation of Plan. Any decision of the Compensation Committee with respect to any issues concerning individuals selected for awards, the amounts, terms, form and time of payment of awards, and interpretation of any Plan guideline, definition, or requirement shall be final and binding.

The Compensation Committee may determine that a Participant is Disabled if the Participant is determined to be totally disabled by the Social Security Administration. The Compensation Committee may also determine that the Participant is Disabled in accordance with a disability insurance program, provided that the definition of disability applied under that program complies with the definition of Disability provided under this Plan.

- D. Effect of Award on Other Employee Benefits. By acceptance of a bonus award, each recipient agrees that such award is special additional compensation and that it will not affect any employee benefit, e.g., life insurance, etc., in which the recipient participates, except as provided in paragraph D. below.
- E. Retirement Programs. Awards made under this Plan shall be included in the employee's compensation for purposes of the STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION Retirement Plan and STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION Employee Savings Investment Plan.
- F. Right to Continued Employment; Additional Awards. The receipt of a bonus award shall not give the recipient any right to continued employment, and the right and power to dismiss any employee is

specifically reserved to the Company. In addition, the receipt of a bonus award with respect to any Plan Year shall not entitle the recipient to an award with respect to any subsequent Plan Year.

X. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Indemnification. The Compensation Committee shall not be liable for, and shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Company from any loss, cost, liability, or expense that may be imposed upon or reasonably incurred in connection with any claim, action, suit, or proceeding to which the Compensation Committee may be a party by reason of any action taken or failure to act under this Plan. The foregoing right of indemnification shall not be exclusive of any other rights of indemnification to which such person(s) may be entitled under the Company's Certificate of Incorporation of By-Laws, as a matter of law, or otherwise, or any power that the Company may have to indemnify such person(s) or hold such person(s) harmless.
- B. Expenses of the Plan. The expenses of administering this Plan shall be borne by the Company.
- C. Withholding Taxes. The Company shall have the right to deduct from all payments under this Plan any Federal or state taxes required by law to be withheld with respect to such payments.
- D. Governing Law. This Plan is subject to federal law, including the requirements of Code section 409A, the proposed regulations for Code section 409A and other guidance provided by the Internal Revenue Service. For purposes of state law, the Plan shall be construed under the laws of the State of Wisconsin.
- E. Severability. This Plan has been amended in pursuant to proposed regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service and is intended to be in good faith compliance with the requirements under Code section 409A. To the extent that the Compensation Committee determines that additional information or interpretation of the rules, final regulations or other guidance provided by the Internal Revenue Service require amendments to the Plan to comply with Code section 409A, the Compensation Committee shall amend the Plan accordingly. Any provision of this Plan prohibited by law shall be ineffective to the extent of any such prohibition, without invalidating the remaining provisions. The illegal or invalid provisions shall be

fully severable and this Plan shall be construed and enforced as if the illegal or invalid provisions had never been included in this Plan.



September 1, 2012

Harold M. Stratton II ("Mr. Stratton")
7120 N. Barnett Lane
Milwaukee, WI 53217

Dear Mr. Stratton:

Re: Retirement from employment with STRATTEC
SECURITY CORPORATION (the "Company")

Reference is hereby made to the agreements entered into between you and the Company which are listed on Schedule A hereto (collectively, the "Agreements"). The Agreements listed under items 1 and 2 on Schedule A hereto are referred to herein as the "Employment Agreements" and the agreements listed under items 3 through 7 on Schedule A hereto are referred to herein as the "Grant Agreements."

Effective as of September 1, 2012 (the "Effective Date"), Mr. Stratton has retired as an employee and as Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Mr. Stratton will continue to serve as a member and non-executive Chairman of the Company's Board of Directors, acting in that capacity as a "Service Provider" (as that term is defined in the Company's Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan). In connection with Mr. Stratton's retirement, effective as of the Effective Date, each of the undersigned agrees as follows:

1. The Employment Agreements are hereby terminated and all rights, obligations and liabilities of the parties arising thereunder shall terminate and be of no further force or effect; provided, however, any provisions in such Employment Agreements which by their terms expressly survive a termination (including, without limitation, any noncompetition, nonsolicitation, confidentiality or similar obligations) shall continue in full force and effect for the terms provided therein.

2. Notwithstanding Mr. Stratton's retirement from his employment with the Company and the provisions of the Grant Agreements regarding vesting, forfeiture and exercise limitations on outstanding grants of stock options and/or shares of restricted stock under the Grant Agreements as a result of such retirement from employment, the undersigned hereby clarify and agree that as a result of Mr. Stratton's continuing service as a Director and Service Provider, any options (whether vested or unvested) and any unvested shares of restricted stock awarded to Mr. Stratton under the Grant Agreements that are outstanding as of the Effective Date shall remain issued and outstanding and shall continue to vest and be exercisable (in the case of any outstanding options on the date hereof) by Mr. Stratton in accordance with the terms of the Grant Agreements while Mr. Stratton remains a Director and a Service Provider. If Mr. Stratton's status as a Director and Service Provider terminates prior to the vesting of any then outstanding shares of restricted stock or prior to



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the vesting and exercise of any then outstanding stock options, such awards shall stop vesting and terminate and be exercisable (in the case of options) in accordance with the terms of the Grant Agreements.

3. This Letter Agreement may be executed in counterparts and by facsimile delivery of signature pages, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement. Signatures delivered by facsimile or by email in portable document format (“pdf”) shall be binding for all purposes hereof. This Letter Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, and their successors and permitted assigns.

Please execute this letter agreement where indicated below to confirm your agreement to the provisions of this letter.

STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION

By: /s/ Frank J. Krejci
Frank J. Krejci, President and Chief Executive Officer

Agreed to and accepted by the undersigned effective as of September 1, 2012.

By: /s/ Harold M. Stratton II
Harold M. Stratton II



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SCHEDULE A

Agreements

1. Employment Agreement made as of May 5, 2010 by and between STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION and Harold M. Stratton II.
2. Employment Agreement (Change of Control) made as of May 5, 2010 by and between STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION and Harold M. Stratton II.
3. Non-Qualified Stock Option Grant Agreement dated as of February 26, 2009 between STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION and Harold M. Stratton II.
4. The STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION Stock Incentive Plan Stock Option Agreement executed by STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION in favor of Harold M. Stratton II dated as of August 17, 2010.
5. Restricted Stock Grant Agreement dated as of August 17, 2010 between STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION and Harold M. Stratton II.
6. The STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION Stock Incentive Plan Stock Option Agreement executed by STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION in favor of Harold M. Stratton II dated as of August 22, 2011.
7. Restricted Stock Grant Agreement dated as of August 22, 2011 between STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION and Harold M. Stratton II.



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RESTRICTED STOCK GRANT AGREEMENT

THIS RESTRICTED STOCK GRANT AGREEMENT is dated as of _____ (the "Grant Date") between STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION, a Wisconsin corporation (the "Company"), and _____ ("Recipient").

RECITALS

A. The Company has adopted the STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION Stock Incentive Plan, as most recently amended and restated as of August 20, 2012 (the "Plan"), to provide eligible participants with the opportunity to obtain a proprietary interest, or otherwise increase their proprietary interest, in the Company. Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned such terms in the Plan.

B. In Connection with Recipient's provision of services to and for the benefit of the Company, the Company has agreed to issue certain shares of its common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), to Recipient pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Plan.

C. As a condition to the issuance of the Common Stock to Recipient, the Company and Recipient desire to impose certain restrictions on the shares of Common Stock granted pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

AGREEMENTS

In consideration of the recitals and the mutual agreements which follow, the Company and the Recipient agree as follows:

1. Grant of Restricted Shares. The Company hereby grants and issues _____ shares of the Common Stock (the "Restricted Shares") to Recipient, in accordance with this Agreement and the Plan. Promptly following the execution and delivery of this Agreement by Recipient, the Company shall cause a certificate for the Restricted Shares to be delivered to Recipient containing the legend set forth in Section 7 below.

2. Vesting and Forfeiture of Restricted Shares.

(a) General Vesting. Subject to the forfeiture provisions of section 2(b) and the accelerated vesting provisions of section 2(c), all of the Restricted Shares shall vest on the earlier of Recipient's voluntary retirement as a Service Provider to the Company or the third anniversary date of the Grant Date

(as such date may be modified by application of section 2(c), the “Vesting Date”). All Restricted Shares which shall have vested are referred to herein as “Vested Shares.” All Restricted Shares which are not vested are referred to herein as “Unvested Shares.” Upon vesting, the Restricted Shares shall no longer be subject to forfeiture pursuant to section 2(b) of this Agreement.

(b) Forfeiture Rights. The Unvested Shares shall immediately be forfeited to the Company if, prior to the Vesting Date, the Recipient’s status as a Service Provider to the Company has terminated, other than in connection with his or her voluntary retirement or as described in section 2(c)(ii) below. Upon any forfeiture of the Restricted Shares pursuant to this section 2(b), Recipient shall have no rights as a holder of such Restricted Shares and such Restricted Shares shall be deemed transferred to the Company, and the Company shall be deemed the owner and holder of such shares.

(c) Special Vesting.

(i) Change in Control. All Restricted Shares not otherwise vested shall automatically and immediately vest immediately prior to the effective date of a Change in Control. Immediately following a Change in Control, this Agreement shall terminate and cease to be outstanding, unless assumed by the successor entity (or parent thereof) in connection with the Change in Control.

(ii) Termination as a Result of Death or Disability. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if Recipient’s status as a Service Provider to the Company terminates (i) as a result of Recipient’s death or (ii) because Recipient suffers a Disability, then in each such case the Restricted Shares shall be deemed fully vested and shall become Vested Shares.

(iii) Preservation of Rights. This Agreement shall not in any way affect the right of the Company to adjust, reclassify, reorganize or otherwise change its capital or business structure or to merge, consolidate, dissolve, liquidate or sell or transfer all or any part of its business or assets.

3. Shareholder Rights. Regardless of whether the Restricted Shares are considered Unvested Shares under the terms of this Agreement, Recipient shall have all the rights of a shareholder (including voting and dividend rights) with respect to the Restricted Shares.

4. Restrictions on Transfer. Recipient shall not sell, assign, transfer, pledge, encumber or dispose of all or any of his or her Restricted Shares, either voluntarily or by operation of law, at any time prior to the Vesting Date. Any

attempted transfer of any Restricted Shares in violation of this Section 4 shall be invalid and of no effect.

5. Taxes.

(a) The Company's obligation to deliver the Restricted Shares to Recipient shall be subject to the satisfaction, if applicable, of all applicable federal, state and local income and employment tax withholding requirements ("Withholding Taxes"). Recipient has reviewed with Recipient's own tax advisors the federal, state and local tax consequences of this investment and the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. Recipient is relying solely on such advisors and not on any statements or representations of the Company or any of its agents. Recipient understands that Recipient (and not the Company) shall be responsible for Recipient's own tax liability that may arise as a result of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(b) RECIPIENT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT HE OR SHE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT RECIPIENT MUST DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO MAKE AN ELECTION UNDER SECTION 83(b) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED, WITH RESPECT TO THE RESTRICTED SHARES AND THAT RECIPIENT IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING OR NOT MAKING A TIMELY SECTION 83(b) ELECTION (AND OBTAINING TAX ADVICE CONCERNING WHETHER AND HOW TO MAKE SUCH ELECTION). Recipient hereby agrees to deliver to the Company a signed copy of any document he or she may execute and file with the Internal Revenue Service evidencing a section 83(b) Election, and to deliver such copy to the Company prior to, or promptly upon, such filing, accompanied by a cash payment in the amount the Company anticipates is required to fulfill the Withholding Taxes.

(c) Recipient agrees to promptly make a cash payment to the Company of any Withholding Taxes, if applicable, to the Company when due. Recipient further agrees, if applicable, that the Company may withhold from Recipient's wages or other remuneration the appropriate amount of Withholding Taxes (to the extent not covered by Recipient's cash payment to the Company). Recipient further agrees that, if the Company does not withhold an amount from Recipient's wages or other remuneration sufficient to satisfy the withholding obligation of the Company, Recipient will make reimbursement on demand, in cash, for the amount underwithheld.

6. Adjustments for Stock Splits, Stock Dividends, Etc. If from time to time during the term of this Agreement there is any stock split-up, stock dividend, stock distribution or other reclassification of the Common Stock, any and all new,

substituted or additional securities to which Recipient is entitled by reason of his or her ownership of the Restricted Shares shall be immediately subject to the forfeiture and other provisions of this Agreement in the same manner and to the same extent as the Restricted Shares. If the Restricted Shares are converted into or exchanged for, or shareholders of the Company receive by reason of any distribution in total or partial liquidation, securities of another corporation, or other property (including cash), pursuant to any merger of the Company or acquisition of its assets, then the rights of the Company under this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of the Company's successor and this Agreement shall apply to the securities or other property received upon such conversion, exchange or distribution in the same manner and to the same extent as the Restricted Shares.

7. Legends. The share certificate evidencing the Restricted Shares issued hereunder shall be endorsed with the following legend (in addition to any legend required under applicable federal or state securities laws) and the Company may issue stop-transfer instructions with its transfer agent in connection with such legend:

“THE TRANSFERABILITY OF THIS CERTIFICATE AND THE SHARES OF STOCK REPRESENTED HEREBY ARE SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS (INCLUDING FORFEITURE) OF THE STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN. COPIES OF SUCH PLAN AND AGREEMENT ARE ON FILE AT THE OFFICES OF STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION, 3333 WEST GOOD HOPE ROAD, GLENDALE, WISCONSIN 53209-2043.”

The legend set forth above shall be removed from the certificates evidencing the Restricted Shares upon the Vesting Date unless such Restricted Shares have been forfeited prior to the Vesting Date pursuant to Section 2 above.

8. Miscellaneous.

(a) Severability; Binding Effect; Successors and Assigns. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement, and each other provision of this Agreement shall be severable and enforceable to the extent permitted by law. The provisions of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon, the Company and its successors and assigns and Recipient and his or her legal representatives, heirs, legatees, distributees, assigns and transferees.

(b) No Rights To Continued Service. Nothing in this Agreement shall confer upon Recipient any right to a continued relationship as a Service

Provider for any period of time or interfere with or restrict in any way the rights of the Company or Recipient to terminate such relationship of Recipient with the Company at any time for any reason whatsoever, with or without cause.

(c) Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, relating to the subject matter of this Agreement.

(d) Amendment. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written instrument executed by both the Company and Recipient.

(e) Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law provision or rule that would cause the application of the law of any jurisdiction other than the State of Wisconsin.

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

[Name of Recipient]

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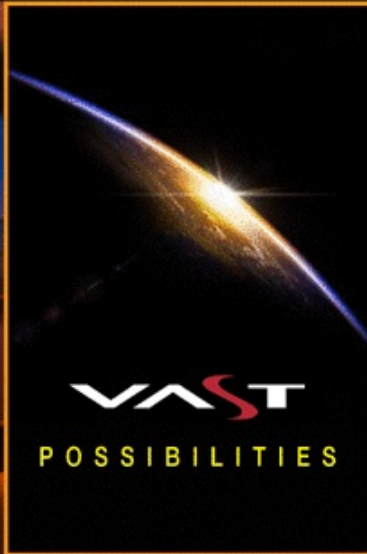
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VAST is the global brand under which we and our partners, WITTE Automotive of Velbert, Germany and ADAC Automotive of Grand Rapids, Michigan, service the global vehicle access control needs of our major customers. It is made up of the partners' resources in Europe and North America, combined with a network of operating entities in Asia and South America the partners jointly own through Vehicle Access Systems Technology LLC (VAST LLC).

As a brand, VAST is gaining recognition among the major OEMs around the world, which in turn is

leading us to new opportunities. Had it not been for the VAST brand, WITTE, STRATTEC and ADAC might not have otherwise experienced many of the new opportunities we are pursuing today. In that sense, there are vast possibilities in this partnership and the global markets in which we can now participate. The possibilities, therefore, are quite literally VAST.

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STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION designs, develops, manufactures and markets automotive access control products including mechanical locks and keys, electronically enhanced locks and keys, steering column and instrument panel ignition lock housings, latches, power sliding side door systems, power lift gate systems, power deck lid systems, door handles and related products for North American automotive customers. We also supply global automotive manufacturers through a unique strategic relationship with WITTE Automotive of Velbert, Germany and ADAC Automotive of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Under this relationship STRATTEC, WITTE and ADAC market our products to global customers under the "VAST" brand name. Our products are shipped to customer locations in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Europe, South America, Korea and China, and we provide full service and aftermarket support.

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PROSPECTIVE INFORMATION

A number of the matters and subject areas discussed in this Annual Report (see above "Contents" section) contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements may be identified by the use of forward-looking words or phrases such as "anticipate," "believe," "would," "expect," "intend," "may," "planned," "potential," "should," "will," and "could." These include expected future financial results, product offerings, global expansion, liquidity needs, financing ability, planned capital expenditures, management's or the Company's expectations and beliefs, and similar matters discussed in the Letters to the Shareholders, Company's Management's Discussion and Analysis, and other sections of this Annual Report. The discussions of such matters and subject areas are qualified by the inherent risks and uncertainties surrounding future expectations generally, and also may materially differ from the Company's actual future experience.

The Company's business, operations and financial performance are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, which could result in material differences in actual results from the Company's current expectations. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, general economic conditions, in particular relating to the automotive industry, customer demand for the Company's and its customers' products, competitive and technological developments, customer purchasing actions, foreign currency fluctuations, costs of operations and other matters described under "Risk Factors" in the Management's Discussion and Analysis section of this report. In addition, such uncertainties and other operational matters are discussed further in the Company's quarterly and annual report filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Shareholders, potential investors and other readers are urged to consider these factors carefully in evaluating the forward-looking statements and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements made herein are only made as of the date of this Annual Report and the Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update such forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances occurring after the date of this Annual Report.

LETTERS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

Dear Shareholders:

Fiscal 2012 was a record sales year for STRATTEC. This year's net sales of \$279.2 million exceeded fiscal 2011's record net sales by 7%. In addition to the sales increase, our profitability substantially improved over 2011, resulting in a 63% year-over-year increase in net income. For the first time in several years, we generated positive EVA. Although the actual EVA number was a modest \$600,000 for 2012, it represented a \$4.3 million improvement over the prior year.

The 2012 sales increase reflects an overall increase in the production and sale of new vehicles. However, as was the case last year, the wider portfolio of products we sell also positively influenced our sales. The ADAC-STRATTEC joint venture contributed to the increase, as did our driver control products and increased latch sales. Our lock and key products represented approximately 46% of our total fiscal 2012 sales, reflecting a further reduction of our dependence on this traditional portion of our product portfolio.

The additional sales volume certainly had a positive influence on the increase in profits we experienced this year, but more importantly we benefitted from a very significant internally driven effort to review every facet of our operating structure for cost reduction opportunities. Many of the identified opportunities were implemented during the fiscal year, resulting in improvements to the bottom line. This operating review and cost reduction activity is continuing and we anticipate that fiscal 2013 will benefit from this effort as well. Overall, I am very pleased with the sales and profitability we achieved this year and the positive outlook our performance trends give us for fiscal 2013.

At the end of February, on our 17th anniversary as a stand-alone public company, STRATTEC announced that I would retire effective September 1, 2012. I had been working with the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of our Board of Directors for several years in order to ensure a smooth management transition as I approached retirement. Having Frank Krejci join STRATTEC as President and COO on January 1, 2010 was an important step in that process and he has now taken over as CEO, effective with my retirement on September 1st. Frank has brought a fresh perspective to our business that has proven to be beneficial in many ways. I believe he is an excellent leader to move our Company to the next level of performance.

To provide continuity during the transition, I am remaining on STRATTEC's Board of Directors as its non-executive Chairman. Although I am now removed from day-to-day activities and responsibilities, in my new role I remain available to Frank and the rest of the management team to provide advice and counsel on strategic matters. Further, I am continuing on the Board of VAST LLC, the cornerstone of the VAST brand, which STRATTEC and our strategic partners, WITTE and ADAC, created to establish a global footprint from which to serve our global customers with our combined vehicle access products.

At our Annual meeting coming up on October 9th, Bob Feitler, one of the original members of our Board of Directors, will be retiring from the Board. In the nearly eighteen years Bob has been a director and enthusiastic supporter of our business, he has exercised his considerable business acumen and experience on behalf of STRATTEC and its shareholders. His advice and counsel have been of immeasurable value to me, the other Board members and management as we have forged our way as an independent public company. On behalf of all of us who have benefitted from his participation on our Board, I express our high esteem and sincere gratitude for his personal involvement in STRATTEC.

I am truly grateful for the opportunity I have had to lead STRATTEC through seventeen-plus years, and for the support from you fellow shareholders during the many good times and the fewer difficult times we have encountered. My thanks go to you, our employees and our long-term customers, all of whom have helped make our business a success.

Sincerely,



Harold M. Stratton II
Chairman of the Board of Directors

LETTERS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

Fellow Shareholders:

All of the team at STRATTEC would like to thank Harry Stratton for his leadership in guiding what was a division of Briggs & Stratton Corporation into what is now a 17 year old public company. Through his vision and support from the Board, he was the driving force to form a unique global partnership with two privately held companies, WITTE and ADAC. As VAST, we continue to make strides in winning business by more efficiently and effectively supporting our global customers.

Harry's involvement in our business spans 35 years. For him, retirement represents major personal and professional transitions. However, we who remain will continue to have access to him for his institutional knowledge, historical perspective and strategic insights. We look forward to that on-going relationship.

Our team is experienced and capable, as our progress has demonstrated in the last few years. It is even more exciting to know that we are not running out of new ideas of what to do or how to do it.

We will continue to focus on serving the automotive OEM's and aftermarket. In addition, we are taking a fresh look at our people, assets, and technology which may take us into new, yet complimentary businesses where we can create value. We will continue to make decisions guided by a philosophy that has served us well, Economic Value Added (EVA®).

Some focus will be on internal growth and some focus will be on acquisitions. As an example of internal growth, we have recently formed STRATTEC Component Solutions. We are marketing our significant capabilities in zinc die casting, plating and stamping to companies who need parts made with a level of quality demanded by the automotive industry.

We have retained a merger and acquisition firm to help us identify and contact complimentary businesses. While the number of eventual acquisitions may be small, we are talking to many people whom we would not have otherwise met. Opportunities, whether they become formal or informal relationships, are expected to be created as a result of those conversations.

I appreciate the confidence in our team demonstrated by the STRATTEC Board of Directors representing you, our shareholders. We are excited to fulfill responsibilities and expand opportunities for the benefit of our shareholders, customers and employees.

Sincerely,



Frank J. Krejci
President & Chief Executive Officer

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(IN MILLIONS)

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
Net Sales	\$279.2	\$260.9	\$208.0
Gross Profit	50.3	42.2	33.0
Income from Operations	16.3	8.7	4.4
Net Income	8.8	5.4	3.4
Total Assets	166.0	148.1	145.0
Total Debt	—	—	—
Shareholders' Equity	80.6	86.2	74.1

ECONOMIC VALUE ADDED (EVA®)

We believe that EVA® represents an accurate measure of STRATTEC's overall performance and shareholder value. All U.S. associates and many of our Mexico-based salaried associates participate in incentive plans that are based upon our ability to add economic value to the enterprise. The EVA® performance for 2012 was a positive \$600,000 which represents a \$4.3 million improvement from 2011. (For further explanation of our EVA® Plan, see our 2012 definitive Proxy Statement.)

Net Operating Profit After Cash-Basis Taxes		\$ 8.7
Average Monthly Net Capital Employed	\$ 80.8	
Cost of Capital	10%	
Capital Charge		8.1
Economic Value Added		<u>\$.6</u>

EVA® is not a traditional financial measurement under U.S. GAAP and may not be similar to EVA® calculations used by other companies. However, STRATTEC believes the reporting of EVA® provides investors with greater visibility of economic profit. The following is a reconciliation of the relevant GAAP financial measures to the non-GAAP measures used in the calculation of STRATTEC's EVA®.

Net Operating Profit After Cash-Basis Taxes:

2012 Net Income as Reported	\$ 8.8
Deferred Tax Provision	.1
Other	<u>(.2)</u>
Net Operating Profit After Cash-Basis Taxes	<u>\$ 8.7</u>

Average Monthly Net Capital Employed:

Total Shareholders' Equity as Reported at July 1, 2012	\$ 80.6
Long-Term Liabilities	21.7
Deferred Tax Asset	(15.0)
Other	<u>(6.9)</u>
Net Capital Employed at July 1, 2012	\$ 80.4
Impact of 12 Month Average	.4
Average Monthly Net Capital Employed	<u>\$ 80.8</u>

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BASIC BUSINESS

STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION designs, develops, manufactures and markets automotive access control products including mechanical locks and keys, electronically enhanced locks and keys, steering column and instrument panel ignition lock housings, latches, power sliding side door systems, power lift gate systems, power deck lid systems, door handles and related products for North American automotive customers. We also supply global automotive manufacturers through a unique strategic relationship with WITTE Automotive of Velbert, Germany and ADAC Automotive of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Under this relationship STRATTEC, WITTE and ADAC market our products to global customers under the “VAST” brand name. Our products are shipped to customer locations in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Europe, South America, Korea and China, and we provide full service and aftermarket support.



HISTORY

STRATTEC formerly was a division of Briggs & Stratton Corporation. In 1995, STRATTEC was spun off from Briggs & Stratton through a tax-free distribution to the then-existing Briggs & Stratton shareholders and has been an independent public company for seventeen years.

Our history in the automotive security business spans over 100 years. STRATTEC has been the world’s largest producer of automotive locks and keys since the late 1920s, and we currently maintain a dominant share of the North American markets for these products.



PRODUCTS

Our historic traditional products are lock sets (locks and keys) for cars and light trucks. Typically, two keys are provided with each vehicle lockset. Most of the vehicles we currently supply are using keys with sophisticated radio frequency identification technology for additional theft prevention. Keys with remote entry devices integrated into a single unit and bladeless electronic keys have been added to our product line and are gaining in popularity.





Ignition lock housings represent a growing product line for us. These housings are the mating part for our ignition locks and typically are part of the steering column structure, although there are instrument panel-mounted versions for certain vehicle applications. These housings are either die cast from zinc or magnesium, or injection molded plastic and may include electronic components for theft deterrent systems.

We are also developing business for additional access control products, including trunk latches, liftgate latches, tailgate latches, hood latches, side door latches and related hardware for this product category. With our acquisition of Delphi Corporation's Power Products Group in fiscal 2009, we are now supplying power access devices

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for sliding side doors, liftgates and trunk lids. Through a joint venture formed with ADAC Automotive during fiscal 2007, we also supply door handle components and related vehicle access hardware.



To maintain a strong focus on each of these access control products, we have Product Business Managers who oversee the product's entire life cycle, including concept, application, manufacturing, warranty analysis, service/aftermarket, and financial/commercial issues. The Product Business Managers work closely with our sales organization, our engineering group, and our manufacturing operations to assure their products are receiving the right amount of quality attention so that their value to STRATTEC and the market place is enhanced.



MARKETS

We are a direct supplier to OEM automotive and light truck manufacturers as well as other transportation-related manufacturers. Our largest customers are Chrysler Group LLC, General Motors Company and Ford Motor Company. Our product mix varies by customer, but generally our overall sales tend to be highest in lock and key products, followed by power access products, ignition lock housings, the door handle and trim products produced by ADAC-STRATTEC de Mexico and latch products.

Direct sales to various OEMs represented approximately 85% of our total sales for fiscal 2012. The remainder of our revenue is received primarily through sales to the OEM service channels, the aftermarket, Tier 1 automotive supplier customers, and certain products to non-automotive commercial customers.

Sales to our major automotive customers, both OEM and Tier 1, are coordinated through direct sales personnel located in our Detroit-area office. Sales are also facilitated through daily interaction between our Program Managers, Application Engineers and other product engineering personnel. Sales to other OEM customers are accomplished through a combination of our sales personnel located in Detroit and personnel in our Milwaukee headquarters office.



The majority of our OEM products are sold in North America. While a modest amount of exporting is done to Tier 1 and automotive assembly plants in Europe, Asia and South America, we are in the process of expanding our presence in these markets and elsewhere through the Vehicle Access Systems Technology (VAST) brand we jointly own with WITTE Automotive and ADAC Automotive. VAST is described in more detail on pages 8 and 9.

OEM service and replacement parts are sold to the OEM's own service operations. In addition, we distribute our components and security products to the automotive aftermarket through approximately 50 authorized wholesale distributors, as well as other marketers and users of component parts, including export customers.

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Increasingly, our products find their way into the retail channel, specifically the hardware store channel. Our ability to provide a full line of keys to that channel has been accomplished through the introduction of the STRATTEC "XL" key line. This extension to our line includes keys that we currently do not supply on an OE basis, including keys for Toyota, Honda and other popular domestic and import vehicles. This extended line of keys enable automotive repair specialists to satisfy consumer needs for repair or replacement parts. Our aftermarket activities are serviced through a warehousing operation in El Paso, Texas.



CUSTOMER SALES FOCUS

To bring the proper focus to the relationships with our major customers, we have seven customer-focused teams, each with a Director of Sales, Engineering Program Manager and Customer Application Engineers. In addition to customer teams for General Motors, Ford and Chrysler, we currently have teams for New Domestic Vehicle Manufacturers, Driver Control/Ignition Lock Housing customers, Tiered Products, and Service and Aftermarket customers. Sales and engineering for ADAC-STRATTEC LLC are supported by our JV partner, ADAC Automotive.

Each Sales Director is responsible for the overall relationship between STRATTEC and a specific customer group. Program Managers are responsible for coordinating cross functional activities while managing new product programs for their customers.

PRODUCT ENGINEERING FOCUS

To best serve our customers' product needs, STRATTEC's engineering resources are organized by product type. We currently have six product groups: Locks and Keys, Aftermarket, Latches, Power Access Devices, Driver Control/Ignition Lock Housings and Electrical. Each group has a Product Business Manager, Engineering Manager and a complement of skilled engineers who design and develop products for specific applications. In doing this, each engineering group works closely with the Customer teams, Engineering Program Managers, and application engineers.

Underlying this organization is a formalized product development process to identify and meet customer needs in the shortest possible time. By following this streamlined



The Aston Martin DBS uses an electronic key fob and mating docking station developed by STRATTEC exclusively for Aston Martin.





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development system, we shorten product lead times, tighten our response to market changes and provide our customers with the optimum value solution to their security/access control requirements. STRATTEC is also ISO/TS 16949 and ISO 14001 certified. This means we embrace the philosophy that quality should exist not only in the finished product, but in every step of our processes as well.



OPERATIONS

A significant number of the components that go into our products are manufactured at our headquarters in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This facility produces zinc die cast components, stampings and milled key blades. We have two owned production facilities in Juarez, Mexico operating as STRATTEC de Mexico. Plant No. 1 houses assembly operations for locksets and ignition lock housings. Plant No. 2 was built during fiscal 2009 to replace a leased facility. It houses our key finishing and latch assembly operations as well as dedicated space for the assembly operations of STRATTEC POWER ACCESS de Mexico and ADAC-STRATTEC de Mexico.



ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT

Research and development activities are centered around a dedicated research engineering staff we call our Advanced Development Group. This group has the responsibility for developing future products that will keep us in the forefront of the markets we serve. We primarily focus on electronic and mechanical access control products, and modularization of related access/security control components. Once our Advanced Development Group establishes a proof-of-concept product utilizing new technology, further product development shifts to our engineering groups for commercialization and product applications.

(VEHICLE ACCESS SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY)

In fiscal 2001, we entered into a formal alliance with WITTE-Velbert GmbH, an automotive supplier based in Germany which designs, develops, manufactures and markets automotive access control products for European-based customers. This alliance consisted of two initiatives. The first was a set of legal agreements which allowed STRATTEC to manufacture and market WITTE's core products in North America, and WITTE to manufacture and market STRATTEC's core products in Europe. The second initiative was a 50-50 joint venture, WITTE-STRATTEC LLC, to invest in operations with local partners in

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strategic markets outside of Europe and North America.

In February of 2006, we announced the expansion of this alliance and related joint venture with the addition of a third partner, ADAC Plastics, Inc. ADAC, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, adds North American expertise in door handles, a part of WITTE's core product line that STRATTEC did not support, and an expertise in color-matched painting of these components.

With the expansion of the alliance, we can offer a full range of access control related products available on a global basis to support customer programs. To identify this powerful combination of independent companies focused on working together, we renamed the joint venture Vehicle Access Systems Technology LLC (VAST LLC). We now refer to the combination of the alliance structure and JV simply as "VAST". WITTE is now called WITTE Automotive, and ADAC is now doing business as ADAC Automotive. We have adopted a common graphic image in which we share a logo mark and colors, and a specific VAST logo used on the partners' printed and electronic presentation materials. VAST made investments with a local partner in Brazil in September, 2001, and local partners in China in March, 2002. VAST do Brasil remains a joint venture with our local partners there. However, during fiscal 2010, VAST LLC purchased the remaining 40 percent interest of its local partners in the China venture. VAST China is now wholly owned by VAST LLC. This was an important step which gives STRATTEC a one-third interest in VAST China's activities in the important growing Chinese/Asia market.

VAST is the embodiment of STRATTEC's, WITTE's and ADAC's globalization strategy. We are developing VAST as a global brand with which we are jointly pursuing business with identified global customers. Those identified customers are General Motors, Ford, Fiat/Chrysler, Volkswagen, Honda, Toyota, Renault/Nissan and Hyundai/Kia.

To manage our customer relationships and coordinate global ventures and activities, we have established a VAST Management Group led by a President. The Management Group includes three Vice Presidents, one each from WITTE, STRATTEC and ADAC. With the focus provided by this Management Group, VAST is able to manage global programs



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with a single point of contact for customers, with the added advantage of providing regional support from the partners' operating entities. Combined with VAST LLC's ventures in China and Brazil, and sales/engineering offices in Japan and Korea, this structure establishes our global footprint.

ADAC-STRATTEC de MEXICO

During fiscal 2007, we formed a joint venture with ADAC Automotive called ADAC-STRATTEC LLC including a wholly owned Mexican subsidiary, ADAC-STRATTEC de Mexico (ASdM). The purpose of this joint venture is to produce certain ADAC and STRATTEC products utilizing ADAC's plastic molding expertise and STRATTEC's assembly capability. ASdM currently operates out of defined space in STRATTEC de Mexico Plant No. 2 located in Juarez, Mexico. Products from this joint venture include non-painted door handle components and exterior trim components for OEM customers producing in North America. STRATTEC owns 51% of this joint venture and its financial results are consolidated into STRATTEC's financial statements. In our fiscal years ending 2012 and 2011, ASdM was profitable and represented \$31.0 and \$25.2 million, respectively of our consolidated net sales.



STRATTEC has introduced the BOLT line of products, the world's first codeable padlock. In a simple one-step process, users can code the padlock to their vehicle key. This provides significant convenience by reducing the number of keys users need to secure their lockers, storage sheds and vehicle accessories such as tool boxes, trailer hitches, etc. You can buy this product direct at www.boltlock.com

STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC

During fiscal year 2009, we formed a new subsidiary with WITTE Automotive called STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC (SPA) to acquire the North American business of the Delphi Power Products Group. WITTE is a 20 percent minority owner. SPA in turn owns a Mexican subsidiary, STRATTEC POWER ACCESS de Mexico. The purpose of this subsidiary is to produce power access devices for sliding side doors, liftgates and trunk lids. STRATTEC POWER ACCESS de Mexico currently operates out of defined space in STRATTEC de Mexico Plant No. 2 located in Juarez, Mexico. Financial results for SPA are consolidated in STRATTEC's financial statements. For fiscal years ending 2012 and 2011, SPA was profitable and represented \$62.7 and \$62.8 million, respectively of our consolidated net sales.



SEASONAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS

The manufacturing of components used in automobiles is driven by the normal peaks and valleys associated with the

automotive industry. Typically, the months of July and August are relatively slow as summer vacation shutdowns and model year changeovers occur at the automotive assembly plants. September volumes increase rapidly as each new model year

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begins. This volume strength continues through October and into early November. As the holiday and winter seasons approach, the demand for automobiles slows, as does production. March usually brings a major sales and production increase, which then continues through most of June. This results in our first fiscal quarter sales and operating results typically being our weakest, with the remaining quarters being more consistent. The recession of 2008-2009 abnormally altered this pattern resulting in dramatically reduced production levels throughout the period. We believe the more normal peaks and valleys have returned as the auto industry has emerged from the recession.

GLOBAL PRESENCE



1. **STRATTEC** — Milwaukee, Wisconsin¹
2. **STRATTEC de Mexico** — Juarez, Mexico¹
3. **STRATTEC de Mexico — Key Finishing** — Juarez, Mexico¹
4. **ADAC-STRATTEC de Mexico** — Juarez, Mexico
5. **STRATTEC Power Access de Mexico** — Juarez, Mexico
6. **ADAC Automotive** — Grand Rapids and Muskegon, Michigan¹
7. **ADAC Automotive, STRATTEC and STRATTEC POWER ACCESS**
(Sales/Engineering Offices — Detroit, Michigan)¹
8. **WITTE Automotive** — Velbert, Germany¹
9. **WITTE Automotive** — Nejdek, Czech Republic¹
10. **VAST do Brasil** — Sao Paulo, Brazil²
11. **VAST Fuzhou** — Fuzhou, China²
12. **VAST Great Shanghai Co.** — Shanghai, China²
13. **VAST China Co. Ltd.** — Taicang, China²
14. **VAST Japan** — Tokyo, Japan (Branch Office)²
15. **VAST Korea** — Anyang, Korea (Branch Office)²

¹ Members of VAST. ² Units of VAST LLC joint venture.

ECONOMIC VALUE COMMITMENT

The underlying philosophy of our business and the means by which we measure our performance is Economic Value Added (EVA®). Simply stated, economic value is created when our business enterprise yields a return greater than the cost of capital we and our shareholders have invested in STRATTEC. The amount by which our return exceeds the cost of our capital is EVA®. In line with this philosophy, EVA® bonus plans are in effect for all our U.S. associates, outside directors and many of our Mexico-based salaried associates as an incentive to help positively drive the business.

STRATTEC's significant market presence is the result of over a 100-year commitment to creating quality products and systems that are responsive to changing needs. As technologies advance and markets grow, STRATTEC retains that commitment to meeting and exceeding the expectations of our customers, and providing economic value to our shareholders.

VEHICLE LIST

2013 VEHICLES

We are proud to be associated with many of the quality vehicles produced in North America and elsewhere. The following model year 2013 cars and light trucks are equipped with STRATTEC products.

CARS AND CAR BASED UTILITY VEHICLES

Aston Martin DB9 *	Chevrolet Captiva *	Ford Mustang
Aston Martin One-77 *	Chevrolet Corvette	Ford Taurus
Aston Martin Rapide *	Chevrolet Cruze *	GMC Acadia
Aston Martin Vanquish *	Chevrolet Equinox	GMC Terrain
Aston Martin V8 Vantage *	Chevrolet Impala	Holden Commodore *
Aston Martin V12 Vantage *	Chevrolet Malibu	Hyundai Veracruz *
Aston Martin Virage Coupe *	Chevrolet Orlando *	Jeep Compass
Aston Martin Volante *	Chevrolet Sonic *	Jeep Patriot
Buick Alpheon *	Chevrolet Traverse	Lancia Flavia
Buick Anthem *	Chevrolet Volt	Lancia Thema
Buick Enclave	Chrysler 200	Lincoln MKS
Buick Encore *	Chrysler 300	Lincoln MKT
Buick Excelle *	Daewoo Gentra *	Lincoln MKX
Buick Gentra *	Dodge Avenger	Lincoln MKZ
Buick GL8 *	Dodge Challenger	Opel Ampera *
Buick LaCrosse *	Dodge Charger	Opel Antara *
Buick Regal *	Dodge Dart	Opel Astra *
Buick Verano	Dodge Journey	Opel Astra Van *
Cadillac ATS *	Fiat Freemont	Opel Insignia *
Cadillac CTS	Fisker Karma *	Opel Meriva *
Cadillac SRX	Ford Edge	Opel Zafira *
Cadillac XTS *	Ford Fiesta	SRT Viper
Chevrolet Camaro	Ford Flex	
Chevrolet Caprice (Police Only)	Ford Focus	
	Ford Fusion	

LIGHT TRUCKS, VANS AND SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES

Cadillac Escalade	Dodge Grand Caravan	Jeep Grand Cherokee
Cadillac Escalade ESV	Ford C-Max	Jeep Liberty
Cadillac Escalade EXT	Ford Escape	Jeep Wrangler/Wrangler Unlimited
Chevrolet Avalanche	Ford Expedition	Kia Sedona *
Chevrolet Colorado *	Ford Explorer	Lancia Grand Voyager
Chevrolet Express Van	Ford F-Series Pickup	Lincoln Mark LT
Chevrolet Silverado Pickup	Ford F-Series Super Duty Pickup	Lincoln Navigator
Chevrolet Suburban	GMC Canyon *	Nissan Titan
Chevrolet Tahoe	GMC Savana	Ram 1500/2500/3500 Pickup
Chevrolet Trail Blazer *	GMC Sierra Pickup	Volkswagen Routan
Chevrolet Trax *	GMC Yukon and Yukon XL	VPG MV-1
Chrysler Town & Country *	Honda Pilot	
Dodge Durango		

* Vehicles produced outside of North America, or both in and outside North America.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following Discussion and Analysis should be read in conjunction with STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION's accompanying Financial Statements and Notes thereto. Unless otherwise indicated, all references to years or quarters refer to fiscal years or fiscal quarters.

EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

Historically, a significant portion of our total net sales are to domestic automotive OEMs (General Motors, Ford and Chrysler). During the past decade these customers continued to lose North American market share to the New Domestic automotive manufacturers (primarily the Japanese and Korean automotive manufacturers). In addition to our customers' market share, our financial performance depends in large part on conditions in the overall automotive industry, which in turn, is dependent upon the U.S. and global economies. During fiscal years 2012, 2011 and 2010, the domestic automotive OEMs together represented 68 percent, 66 percent and 67 percent, respectively, of our total sales.

Our financial results for fiscal year 2012 reflected our significant continued improvement, as in fiscal 2011, compared to fiscal years 2010 and 2009. Fiscal 2012 net sales were \$279 million compared to \$261 million in 2011 and \$208 million in 2010. Net income for fiscal 2012 was \$8.8 million compared to \$5.4 million in 2011 and \$3.4 million in 2010. The financial health of our three largest customers also improved during fiscal years 2012 and 2011. General Motors, Ford and Chrysler are now reporting profitable results after implementing significant restructuring plans that modified their cost structures by closing manufacturing facilities, reducing benefits and wages and eliminating certain models and brands in 2009 and 2010.

Prior to 2009, the normal yearly vehicle production build in North America ranged from 15 to 16 million vehicles. As we look out into the future, the July 2012 projections from our third-party forecasting service indicate that North American light vehicle production will show steady improvement for the next five years. By model year, we are expecting a 2012 build of 14.5 million vehicles, 14.9 million vehicles for 2013, 15.6 million vehicles for 2014, 16.5 million vehicles for 2015 and 17.3 million vehicles for 2016. As part of this forecast, General Motors Company and Ford Motor Company are expected to experience modest increases in their production levels during this time period. Chrysler Group LLC is expected to decrease production in model years 2013 through 2016, primarily due to the forecasting uncertainty and risk in Fiat's future vehicle product plans for the Chrysler Group. Of course, all of these forecasts are subject to variability based on what happens in the overall economy, especially as it relates to the current level of high unemployment, continued tight credit markets, relatively low home equity values, fluctuating fuel prices and other key factors that we believe could determine whether consumers can or will purchase new vehicles.

Focus and Strategy Going Forward

STRATTEC's long-term strategy is focused on maximizing long-term shareholder value by driving profitable growth. Our management believes productivity improvements and cost reductions are critical to our competitiveness, while enhancing the value we deliver to our customers. In order to accomplish this, we have been pursuing, and continue to pursue, the following objectives as summarized below:

- Streamline and standardize processes to increase productivity
- Maintain a disciplined and flexible cost structure to leverage scale and optimize asset utilization and procurement
- Maintain our strong financial position by deploying capital spending targeted for growth and productivity improvement
- Leverage the "VAST Brand" with customer relationships to generate organic growth from global programs
- Offer our customers innovative products and cost savings solutions to meet their changing demands
- Explore and execute targeted mergers and acquisitions with a disciplined due diligence approach and critical financial analysis to drive shareholder value

We use several key performance indicators to gauge progress toward achieving these objectives. These indicators include net sales growth, operating margin improvement, return on capital employed and cash flow from operations.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following is a discussion and analysis of our financial position and results of operations for the years ended July 1, 2012 and July 3, 2011.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

2012 Compared to 2011

	Years Ended	
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Net sales (in millions)	\$ 279.2	\$ 260.9

Our 2012 fiscal year was the typical 52 weeks while our 2011 fiscal year was 53 weeks. The impact of the additional week of customer shipments increased sales during our 2011 fiscal year by approximately \$4.5 million. Aggregate sales to our largest customers overall increased in the current year compared to the prior year levels primarily due to increased customer vehicle production volumes. Higher value content on certain products we supply also contributed to the net sales improvement. The prior year net sales were reduced by \$650,000 resulting from an adjustment for certain agreed upon customer price concessions. Sales to each of our largest customers in the current year and prior year were as follows (in millions):

	Years Ended	
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Chrysler Group LLC	\$ 90.8	\$ 80.9
General Motors Company	\$ 64.6	\$ 63.6
Ford Motor Company	\$ 33.9	\$ 26.9
Hyundai / Kia	\$ 14.4	\$ 15.7

Included in the prior year sales to General Motors were \$3.0 million of Sales to Nexteer Automotive, formerly a unit of Delphi Corporation, which was owned by General Motors through December 2, 2010. Prior year sales to Nexteer Automotive subsequent to December 2, 2010 totaled \$4.6 million. Sales to Nexteer Automotive in the current year totaled \$5.7 million.

	Years Ended	
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Gross profit as a percentage of net sales	18.0%	16.2%

The higher gross profit margin in the current year was primarily the result of favorable customer vehicle production volumes which resulted in more favorable absorption of our fixed manufacturing costs, a favorable Mexican Peso to U.S. dollar exchange rate affecting the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations, a reduction in warranty expense and ongoing cost reduction initiatives. These favorable impacts were partially offset by a less favorable product content sales mix and higher purchased raw material costs for zinc and brass in the current year. The prior year gross profit margins were also negatively impacted by a \$650,000 adjustment we made in connection with certain agreed upon customer price concessions. The average U.S. dollar/Mexican peso exchange rate increased to approximately 13.12 pesos to the dollar in the current year from approximately 12.25 pesos to the dollar in the prior year. This resulted in decreased U.S. dollar costs related to our Mexican operations of approximately \$2.3 million in the current year compared to the prior year. Warranty provisions totaled \$2.1 million in 2012 compared to \$2.8 million in 2011. Historically, we had experienced relatively low warranty charges from our customers due to our contractual arrangements and improvements in the quality, reliability and durability of our products. More recently, our largest customers extended the warranty protection for their vehicles and have since demanded higher warranty cost sharing arrangements from their suppliers, including STRATTEC. The 2012 and 2011 warranty provisions included additional accruals to address the warranty exposure related to the demand for higher warranty cost sharing. The 2011 provision also included \$1.15 million related to our share of costs associated with a customer's specific warranty claim involving one of our products. The average zinc price paid per pound increased to \$1.06 in the current year from \$1.02 in the prior year. We have negotiated raw material price adjustment clauses with certain, but not all, of our customers to offset some of the market price fluctuations in the cost of zinc. During the current year, we used approximately 10.8 million pounds of zinc. Increased zinc costs, net of raw material price adjustments received from certain customers, totaled approximately \$250,000 in the current year compared to the prior year. The average brass price paid per pound increased to \$4.11 in the current year from \$3.93 in the prior year. During the current year, we used approximately 905,000 pounds of brass. This resulted in increased brass costs of approximately \$170,000 in the current year compared to the prior year.

	Years Ended	
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Engineering, selling and administrative expenses (in millions)	\$ 33.8	\$ 33.4

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Increased operating expenses due to higher expense provisions for the accrual of bonuses earned under our EVA[®] Incentive Bonus Plans in the current year as compared to the prior year were offset by an additional week of expense in the prior year as a result of the 53 week 2011 fiscal year.

Income from operations in the current year was \$16.3 million compared to \$8.7 million in the prior year. This improvement was primarily the result of the increase in sales and gross profit margin as discussed above.

Equity loss of joint ventures was \$1.1 million in the current year compared to equity earnings of \$1.2 million in the prior year. During the current year our joint ventures in China and Brazil both incurred relocation costs associated with moves to new facilities and start-up costs associated with a new product line. Both of these items resulted in STRATTEC incurring an equity loss from joint ventures in the current year compared to the prior year in which STRATTEC had equity earnings from joint ventures. We anticipate these transition costs and related losses to continue during our 2013 fiscal year relating to our VAST China operations. In addition, the current year equity loss also included a goodwill impairment charge relating to VAST China. STRATTEC's portion amounted to \$284,000.

Included in other income, net in the current year and prior year periods were the following items (in thousands):

	Years Ended	
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Foreign currency transaction gain (loss)	\$ 1,369	\$ (836)
Rabbi Trust gain	24	384
Unrealized (loss) gain on Mexican peso option contracts	(640)	245
Realized (loss) gain on Mexican peso option contracts	(420)	33
Other	249	394
	<u>\$ 582</u>	<u>\$ 220</u>

Foreign currency transaction gains and losses resulted from foreign currency transactions entered into by our Mexican subsidiaries and fluctuations in foreign currency cash balances. In the current fiscal year, the Mexican peso devalued to the U.S. dollar creating both foreign currency transaction gains and unrealized losses on our Mexican peso currency option contracts which we entered into in January and August 2011. Our objective in entering into these currency option contracts was to minimize our earnings volatility resulting from changes in exchange rates affecting the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations. Unrealized losses recognized as a result of mark-to-market adjustments as of July 1, 2012 totaled approximately \$395,000, all of which may or may not be realized, depending upon the actual Mexican peso to U.S. dollar exchange rates experienced during the balance of the contract period. Our Rabbi Trust funds our supplemental executive retirement plan. The investments held in the Trust are considered trading securities.

Our effective income tax rate for 2012 was 22.7 percent compared to 25.1 percent in 2011. Both the 2012 and 2011 tax rates were impacted by a lower effective tax rate for income subject to tax in Mexico as compared to the effective tax rate for income subject to tax in the U.S. As of July 1, 2012, we have a valuation allowance of \$177,000 related to our assessment of the future realization of certain capital loss carry-forward benefits.

2011 Compared to 2010

	Years Ended	
	July 3, 2011	June 27, 2010
Net sales (in millions)	\$ 260.9	\$ 208.0

Our 2011 fiscal year was 53 weeks while our 2010 fiscal year was the typical 52 weeks. The impact of the additional week of customer shipments during 2011 increased sales by approximately \$4.5 million. Sales to our largest customers overall increased in 2011 compared to 2010 levels due to higher customer vehicle production volumes and the additional week of customer shipments. Higher value content on certain new products also contributed to the net sales improvement. In 2011, net sales were reduced by \$650,000 resulting from an adjustment for certain agreed upon customer price concessions. In 2010, certain historical customer pricing issues were resolved which increased our net sales during that period by approximately \$1.2 million. This \$1.2 million pricing issue related to a specific vehicle program and was fully resolved as of the end of 2010. Sales to each of our largest customers in 2011 and 2010 were as follows (in millions):

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	Years Ended	
	July 3, 2011	June 27, 2010
Chrysler Group LLC	\$ 80.9	\$ 68.2
General Motors Company	\$ 63.6	\$ 51.7
Ford Motor Company	\$ 26.9	\$ 18.4
Hyundai / Kia	\$ 15.7	\$ 13.2

Included in 2010 sales to General Motors were \$5.0 million of sales to Nexteer Automotive, formerly a unit of Delphi Corporation, which was owned by General Motors from October 2009 through December 2, 2010. 2011 sales to General Motors included \$3.0 million of Sales to Nexteer Automotive through December 2, 2010.

	Years Ended	
	July 3, 2011	June 27, 2010
Gross profit as a percentage of net sales	16.2%	15.9%

The above year over year gross margin comparison was favorably impacted by increased customer vehicle production volumes which resulted in more favorable absorption of our fixed manufacturing costs, by reduced premium freight and overtime costs of approximately \$2.8 million as compared to 2010 and by lower expense provisions of approximately \$270,000 for the accrual of bonuses under our Economic Value Added (EVA®) Incentive Bonus Plans. Increased premium freight and overtime costs during 2010 were incurred during the months of September, October and November 2009 to meet significantly increased production requirements from our largest customers as they continued to rebuild retail inventories following the U.S. Government's "Cash for Clunkers" program that ended in August 2009. These favorable impacts to the year over year comparison were partially offset by a combination of the \$650,000 adjustment for a customer price concession noted above, increased warranty costs of approximately \$200,000, higher purchased raw material costs for brass and an unfavorable Mexican Peso to U.S. dollar exchange rate which increased the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations. Warranty provisions totaled \$2.8 million in 2011 compared to \$2.6 million in 2010. Historically, we had experienced relatively low warranty charges from our customers due to our contractual arrangements and improvements in the quality, reliability and durability of our products. More recently, our largest customers extended the warranty protection for their vehicles and have since demanded higher warranty cost sharing arrangements from their suppliers, including STRATTEC. The 2011 and 2010 warranty provisions included additional accruals to address the warranty exposure related to the demand for higher warranty cost sharing. The 2011 provision also included \$1.15 million related to our share of costs associated with a customer's specific warranty claim involving one of our products. The average brass price paid per pound increased to \$3.93 in 2011 from \$3.29 in 2010. During 2011, we used approximately 1.0 million pounds of brass. This resulted in increased brass costs of approximately \$650,000 in 2011 compared to 2010. The average U.S. dollar/Mexican peso exchange rate decreased to approximately 12.25 pesos to the dollar in 2011 from approximately 12.96 pesos to the dollar in 2010. This resulted in increased U.S. dollar costs related to our Mexican operations of approximately \$1.9 million in 2011 compared to 2010. Also impacting the 2010 gross profit margin was a curtailment loss related to our qualified defined benefit pension plan. An amendment to this plan, which became effective January 1, 2010, discontinued the benefit accruals for salary increases and credited service rendered after December 31, 2009. A curtailment loss related to unrecognized prior service cost of \$505,000 was recorded in the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations and Comprehensive (Loss) Income for 2010, of which approximately \$375,000 increased our cost of goods sold and approximately \$130,000 increased our engineering, selling and administrative expenses.

	Years Ended	
	July 3, 2011	June 27, 2010
Engineering, selling and administrative expenses (in millions)	\$ 33.4	\$ 29.9

The increase in operating expenses during 2011 was primarily attributed to higher spending for new product development and an additional week of expense as a result of the 53 week fiscal year, partially offset by lower incentive bonus expense provisions of approximately \$450,000 during 2011. Also, expenses in 2010 were lower due to temporary actions implemented with respect to the U.S. salaried work force to help conserve cash during the 2009 and 2010 recession. These actions included reductions in wages and the Company 401(k) match, as well as cost savings related to several unpaid work furlough days. As discussed above, a curtailment loss of \$130,000 was included in 2010 costs.

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An annual goodwill impairment analysis was completed during 2010 related to the goodwill recorded as part of the acquisition of STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC (SPA) in November 2008. A \$223,000 impairment charge to write off the goodwill balance was recorded in 2010 as a result of this analysis.

In 1995, we recorded a provision of \$3 million for estimated costs to remediate an environmental contamination site at our Milwaukee facility. The site was contaminated by a solvent spill, which occurred in 1985, from a former above ground solvent storage tank located on the east side of the facility. The reserve was originally established based on estimates to adequately cover the cost for active remediation of the contamination. Due to changing technology and related costs associated with active remediation of the contamination, an updated analysis and estimate was obtained during 2010. The reserve was reduced during 2010 by approximately \$1.1 million to reflect the revised monitoring and remediation cost estimate. From 1995 through July 3, 2011, costs of approximately \$400,000 have been incurred related to the installation of monitoring wells on the property and other ongoing monitoring costs.

In 2009, we recorded a \$500,000 provision for doubtful accounts in connection with Chrysler LLC's filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection for certain of their U.S. legal entities on April 30, 2009. All uncollectible receivables related to the bankruptcy were written off against the \$500,000 reserve during 2010. However, as a result of subsequent payments received from Chrysler, \$421,000 of the \$500,000 provision was recorded as a recovery of allowance for doubtful accounts in 2010.

Income from operations in 2011 was \$8.7 million compared to \$4.4 million in 2010. This improvement was principally the result of the increase in sales and gross profit margin as discussed above.

Our effective income tax rate for 2011 was 25.1 percent compared to 29.7 percent in 2010. The reduction in the calculated effective rate was primarily due to an increase in the non-controlling interest portion of our pre-tax net income. Both the 2011 and 2010 tax rates were impacted by a lower effective tax rate for income subject to tax in Mexico as compared to the effective tax rate for income subject to tax in the U.S. As of July 3, 2011, we had a valuation allowance of \$209,000 related to our assessment of the future realization of certain state operating loss carry-forwards and capital loss carry-forward benefits.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our primary source of cash flow is from our major customers, which include General Motors Company, Ford Motor Company, Chrysler Group LLC and Hyundai/Kia. As of the date of filing this Annual Report with the Securities and Exchange Commission, all of our customers are making payments on their outstanding accounts receivable in accordance with the payment terms included on their purchase orders. A summary of our outstanding receivable balances from our major customers as of July 1, 2012 was as follows (in thousands of dollars):

General Motors	\$ 10,230
Ford	\$ 5,738
Chrysler	\$ 14,157
Hyundai / Kia	\$ 1,497

We earn a portion of our operating income in Mexico, which is deemed to be permanently reinvested. As of July 1, 2012, \$7.1 million of our \$17.5 million cash and cash equivalents balance was held by our foreign subsidiaries in Mexico. We currently do not intend nor foresee a need to repatriate these funds. We expect existing domestic cash and cash equivalents and cash flows from operations to continue to be sufficient to fund our operating activities and cash commitments for investing and financing activities, such as regular quarterly dividends and capital expenditures, for at least the next 12 months and thereafter for the foreseeable future. Should we require more capital in the U.S. than is generated by our operations domestically, for example to fund significant discretionary activities, such as acquisitions of businesses and share repurchases, we could elect to repatriate future earnings from foreign jurisdictions or raise capital in the U.S. through borrowings under our revolving credit facility. These alternatives could result in higher effective tax rates, increased interest expense, or other dilution of our earnings.

Cash flow provided by operating activities was \$17.2 million in 2012 compared to \$8.4 million in 2011. The increase in cash flow provided by operating activities was primarily attributable to an improvement in our overall financial results and reduced working capital requirements in the current year as compared to the prior year. Net income adjusted for non-cash items such as depreciation, unrealized losses on foreign currency contracts and foreign currency transaction gains and losses increased to approximately \$20.4 million in the current year compared to approximately \$14.0 million in the prior year. Cash used for working capital requirements decreased approximately \$2.5 million between the two periods. Our working capital requirements during the prior year were impacted by a significant increase in our inventory balance, resulting from significantly increased sales levels during 2011. Current year operating cash flow was impacted by an August 2011 payment of approximately \$4.3 million in bonuses, which were earned during fiscal 2011 under our

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incentive bonus plans. Bonus payments totaled approximately \$5 million in the prior year. Pension contributions to our qualified plan totaled \$2.0 million during both the current year and prior year.

On February 26, 2009, our Board of Directors took action to suspend payment of our \$0.15 per common share quarterly dividend to conserve cash. On August 4, 2010, our Board of Directors declared a special one-time cash dividend of \$1.20 per common share payable on October 29, 2010. The special dividend totaled approximately \$4.0 million and was funded with current cash balances. Although we believe the outlook for our business is generally positive, the uncertain strength of the economic recovery in North America, and the effect that this and the recent restructuring of our two largest customers may have on STRATTEC, have resulted in both management and our Board being cautious about reinstating our regular quarterly cash dividend at the rate in place prior to the dividend suspension. However, our Board of Directors, on August 23, 2011, did reinstate a regular quarterly cash dividend at a level of \$0.10 per common share. A quarterly cash dividend of \$0.10 per common share was paid on each of September 30, 2011, December 30, 2011, March 30, 2012, and June 30, 2012. Each quarterly dividend totaled approximately \$335,000 and was funded by current cash balances.

Our accounts receivable balance increased approximately \$4.8 million to \$44.5 million at July 1, 2012 from \$39.6 million at July 3, 2011. The increase was primarily the result of the increased sales experienced in 2012 as discussed under Results of Operations herein.

The accrued pension obligations balance includes our qualified plan and our supplemental executive retirement plan (SERP). The change in the accrued pension obligations balance during 2012 is the result of the net impact of pension contributions, the actuarially calculated pension expense and the impact of the change in the funded status of the plans due to weaker than projected returns on plan assets and a reduction in the discount rate between periods. The 2012 pre-tax funded status adjustment increased our accrued pension obligation balance by approximately \$15.8 million and our accrued payroll and benefits balance by approximately \$2.5 million at July 1, 2012 compared to July 3, 2011. The resulting tax impact increased our deferred income tax asset balance by \$7.0 million in comparison to the prior year.

During 2012, our portion of capital contributions made to VAST LLC in support of general operating expenses totaled \$200,000. During the current year, the VAST joint ventures in China and Brazil both incurred relocation costs associated with moves to new facilities and start-up costs associated with a new product line. These relocation costs and start-up costs have been financed internally by VAST LLC. We anticipate these transition costs and related losses to continue for VAST China over the remaining 2012 calendar year. In addition, we anticipate that VAST China capital expenditures will be approximately \$8 million to \$9 million during calendar year 2012 (which includes a portion of our fiscal 2012 and fiscal 2013) in support of the new product line and new product programs. As a result, we estimate that our portion of additional capital contributions to VAST LLC could be \$1 million to \$2 million during the remainder of calendar year 2012.

Capital expenditures were \$13.6 million in 2012 compared to \$9.5 million in 2011. Expenditures were primarily in support of requirements for new product programs and the upgrade and replacement of existing equipment. We anticipate capital expenditures will be approximately \$9 million in fiscal 2013 in support of requirements for new product programs and the upgrade and replacement of existing equipment.

Our Board of Directors has authorized a stock repurchase program to buy back outstanding shares of our common stock. Shares authorized for buy back under the program totaled 3,839,395 at July 1, 2012. A total of 3,655,322 shares have been repurchased over the life of the program through July 1, 2012, at a cost of approximately \$136.4 million. No shares were repurchased during fiscal 2012 or 2011. Additional repurchases may occur from time to time and are expected to continue to be funded by cash flow from operations and current cash balances. Based on the current economic environment and our preference to conserve cash for other uses, we do not anticipate any stock repurchase activity in fiscal year 2013.

STRATTEC has a \$25 million secured revolving credit facility ("STRATTEC Credit Facility") with BMO Harris Bank N.A. The STRATTEC Credit Facility expires August 1, 2014. ADAC-STRATTEC LLC has a \$5 million secured revolving credit facility ("ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility") with BMO Harris Bank N.A, which is guaranteed by STRATTEC. The ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility expires June 28, 2015. Any borrowings under the credit facilities will be secured by our U.S. cash balances, accounts receivable, inventory and property. Interest on borrowings under these credit facilities is at varying rates based, at our option, on the London Interbank Offering Rate plus 1.0 to 1.75 percent or the bank's prime rate. Both credit facilities contain a restrictive financial covenant that requires the maintenance of a minimum net worth level. The ADAC-STRATTEC credit facility includes an additional restrictive financial covenant that requires the maintenance of a minimum level for its fixed charge coverage ratio. There were no outstanding borrowings under either Credit Facility at July 1, 2012 or July 3, 2011. There were no borrowings under any third party debt facilities during 2012, 2011 or 2010. We believe that the credit facilities are adequate, along with existing cash balances and cash flow from operations, to meet our anticipated capital expenditure, working capital, dividend and operating expenditure requirements.

Over the past several years, we have been impacted by rising health care costs. A portion of these increases have been offset by plan design changes and associate wellness initiatives. We have also been impacted by increases in the market price of zinc and brass and inflation in Mexico,

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which impacts the U. S. dollar costs of our Mexican operations. We have negotiated raw material price adjustment clauses with certain, but not all, of our customers to offset some of the market price fluctuations in the cost of zinc. Moreover, beginning in January 2011, we entered into agreements with Bank of Montreal that provide for two weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts for a portion of our weekly estimated peso denominated operating costs. Current contracts with Bank of Montreal extend through June 28, 2013. The two weekly option contracts are for equivalent notional amounts. The contracts that were effective during fiscal 2011 and 2012 expired July 6, 2012, and provided for the purchase of Mexican pesos at a U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 11.85 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date was below 11.85 or for the purchase of Mexican pesos at a U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 12.85 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date was above 12.85. Additional contracts that are effective July 6, 2012 through June 28, 2013 provide for the purchase of Mexican pesos at an average U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 12.40 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date is below an average of 12.40 or for the purchase of Mexican pesos at an average U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 13.40 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date is above an average of 13.40. Our objective in entering into these currency option contracts is to minimize our earnings volatility resulting from changes in exchange rates affecting the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations. The Mexican peso option contracts are not used for speculative purposes and are not designated as hedges. As a result, all currency option contracts are recognized in our accompanying consolidated financial statements at fair value and changes in the fair value of the currency option contracts are reported in current earnings as part of Other Income, net. The premiums to be paid and received under the weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts net to zero. As a result, premiums related to the contracts did not impact our earnings. The following table quantifies the outstanding Mexican peso currency option contracts as of July 1, 2012 (thousands of dollars, except average option contractual exchange rate):

	Notional Amount	Average Option Contractual Exchange Rate	Fair Value	Foreign Exchange Gain/(Loss) From:	
				10% Appreciation of U.S. Dollar	10% Depreciation of U.S. Dollar
Contracts Effective					
July 2, 2012 - July 6, 2012					
Buy MXP/Sell USD	\$ 684	11.85	\$ —	\$ (2)	\$ —
Buy MXP/Sell USD	\$ 684	12.85	\$ (26)	\$ (26)	\$ 59
Contracts Effective					
July 6, 2012 - June 28, 2013					
Buy MXP/Sell USD	\$10,200	12.40	\$ 80	\$ (420)	\$ 66
Buy MXP/Sell USD	\$10,200	13.40	\$ (449)	\$ (268)	\$ 651

The fair market value of all outstanding peso option contracts in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets was as follows (thousands of dollars):

	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:		
Other Current Assets:		
Mexican Peso Option Contracts	\$ —	\$ 245
Other Current Liabilities:		
Mexican Peso Option Contracts	\$ (395)	\$ —

The pre-tax effects of the peso option contracts on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive (Loss) Income consisted of the following (thousands of dollars):

	Other Income, net	
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:		
Realized Gain	\$ 18	\$ 33
Realized (Loss)	\$ (438)	\$ —
Unrealized (Loss) Gain	\$ (640)	\$ 245

CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS AND COMMITMENTS

Contractual obligations are as follows as of July 1, 2012 (thousands of dollars):

Contractual Obligation	Total	Payments Due By Period			
		Less Than 1 Year	1-3 Years	3-5 Years	More Than 5 Years
Operating Leases	\$ 1,382	\$ 552	\$ 830	\$ —	\$ —
Other Purchase Obligations	27,380	10,337	16,337	706	—
Pension and Postretirement Obligations ^(a)	8,674	8,674	—	—	—
Total	\$37,436	\$19,563	\$17,167	\$ 706	\$ —



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^(a) As disclosed in our Notes to Financial Statements, estimated cash funding related to our pension and postretirement benefit plans is expected to total \$8.7 million in 2013. Because the timing of funding related to these plans beyond 2013 is uncertain, and is dependent on future movements in interest rates and investment returns, changes in laws and regulations, and other variables, pension and postretirement outflows beyond 2013 have not been included in the table above.

Liabilities recognized for uncertain tax benefits of \$1.7 million are not presented in the table above due to uncertainty as to amounts and timing regarding future payments.

JOINT VENTURES

We participate in certain Alliance Agreements with WITTE Automotive (“WITTE”) and ADAC Automotive (“ADAC”). WITTE, of Velbert, Germany, is a privately held automotive supplier. WITTE designs, manufactures and markets automotive components, including locks and keys, hood latches, rear compartment latches, seat back latches, door handles and specialty fasteners. WITTE’s primary market for these products has been Europe. ADAC, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, is a privately held automotive supplier and manufactures engineered products, including door handles and other automotive trim parts, utilizing plastic injection molding, automated painting and various assembly processes.

The Alliance agreements include a set of cross-licensing agreements for the manufacture, distribution and sale of WITTE products by STRATTEC and ADAC in North America, and the manufacture, distribution and sale of STRATTEC and ADAC products by WITTE in Europe. Additionally, a joint venture company, Vehicle Access Systems Technology LLC (“VAST LLC”), in which WITTE, STRATTEC and ADAC each hold a one-third interest, exists to seek opportunities to manufacture and sell the companies’ products in areas of the world outside of North America and Europe.

VAST do Brasil, a joint venture between VAST LLC and Ifer do Brasil Ltda., services customers in South America. VAST Fuzhou, VAST Great Shanghai and VAST China Co. (collectively known as VAST China), provides a base of operations to service our automotive customers in the Asian market. VAST LLC also maintains branch offices in South Korea and Japan in support of customer sales and engineering requirements.

The VAST LLC investments are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The activities related to the VAST LLC joint ventures resulted in equity loss of joint ventures to STRATTEC of approximately \$1.1 million during 2012, and equity earnings of joint ventures to STRATTEC of approximately \$1.2 million during 2011 and \$1.0 million during 2010. During 2012 our joint ventures in China and Brazil both incurred relocation costs associated with moves to new facilities and start-up costs associated with a new product line. Both of these items resulted in STRATTEC incurring an equity loss from joint ventures in 2012 compared to 2011 in which STRATTEC had equity earnings from joint ventures. We anticipate these transition costs and related losses to continue during our 2013 fiscal year relating to our VAST China operations. In addition, the 2012 equity loss also included a goodwill impairment charge relating to VAST China. STRATTEC’s portion amounted to \$284,000. Effective November 20, 2009, VAST LLC purchased the 40 percent non-controlling interest owned by its former partners in the joint ventures in China. Initially, a loan of \$2.5 million was made by each partner, STRATTEC, WITTE and ADAC, to fund a portion of the purchase price. In December 2009, \$1 million of each partner’s loan balance was repaid. During 2012, each partner’s outstanding principal and accrued interest balance of \$1.5 million and \$112,000, respectively, were terminated and converted to additional capital contributions by each partner in VAST LLC. During 2012, cash capital contributions totaling \$600,000 were made to VAST LLC in support of general operating expenses. STRATTEC’s portion of the cash capital contributions totaled \$200,000. During 2011, cash capital contributions totaling \$1,350,000 were made to VAST LLC in support of general operating expenses. STRATTEC’s portion of the cash capital contributions totaled \$450,000.

In fiscal year 2007, we entered into a joint venture with ADAC forming ADAC-STRATTEC LLC, a Delaware limited liability company. The joint venture was created to establish injection molding and door handle assembly operations in Mexico. STRATTEC originally held a 50.1 percent interest in ADAC-STRATTEC LLC. Effective June 28, 2010, STRATTEC purchased an additional .9 percent interest from ADAC and now owns 51 percent. A Mexican entity, ADAC-STRATTEC de Mexico, exists and is wholly owned by ADAC-STRATTEC LLC. ADAC-STRATTEC LLC’s financial results are consolidated with the financial results of STRATTEC and resulted in increased net income to STRATTEC of approximately \$1.7 million in 2012, approximately \$910,000 in 2011, and approximately \$114,000 in 2010.

Effective November 30, 2008, STRATTEC established a new entity, STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC (“SPA”), which is 80 percent owned by STRATTEC and 20 percent owned by WITTE. SPA operates the North American portion of the Power Products business which was acquired from Delphi Corporation. The financial results of SPA are consolidated with the financial results of STRATTEC and resulted in increased net income to STRATTEC of approximately \$2.6 million in 2012, approximately \$2.5 million in 2011, and approximately \$545,000 in 2010.

OTHER MATTERS

Health care reform legislation was recently enacted by the Federal government. We are currently evaluating the legislation to determine its effects on our plan structure, future operating results and financial position.

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CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

We believe the following represents our critical accounting policies:

Pension and Postretirement Health Benefits—Pension and postretirement health obligations and costs are developed from actuarial valuations. The determination of the obligation and expense for pension and postretirement health benefits is dependent on the selection of certain assumptions used by actuaries in calculating such amounts. Those assumptions are described in the Notes to Financial Statements and include, among others, the discount rate, expected long-term rate of return on plan assets, retirement age, rates of increase in compensation and health care costs. We evaluate and update all of the assumptions annually on June 30, the measurement date. Refer to Notes to Financial Statements for the impact of the pension and postretirement plans on the financial statements.

We determine the discount rate used to measure plan liabilities using prevailing market rates of a large population of high-quality, non-callable, corporate bonds currently available that, if the obligation was settled at the measurement date, would provide the necessary future cash flows to pay the benefit obligation when due. Using this methodology, we determined a discount rate of 4.56 percent to be appropriate as of June 30, 2012, which is a decrease of 1.01 percentage points from the rate of 5.57 percent used at June 30, 2011. The impact of this change increased our year-end 2012 projected pension benefit obligations by approximately \$11.7 million, the year-end 2012 accumulated pension benefit obligations by approximately \$11.6 million and the year-end 2012 accumulated postretirement obligation by approximately \$150,000. This change is also expected to increase our 2013 pension expense by \$1.1 million and decrease our postretirement expense by \$14,000. Our pension expense increases as the discount rate decreases. Lowering our 2012 discount rate assumption by 50 basis points would have increased our 2012 pension expense by approximately \$460,000.

As of June 30, 2010, we updated the termination rates for the qualified pension plan and the postretirement plan. The impact of this change decreased our year-end 2010 projected pension benefit obligations by approximately \$513,000 and our year end accumulated postretirement obligation by approximately \$38,000. This change also increased our 2011 pension expense by approximately \$130,000 and postretirement expense by approximately \$6,000.

As of January 1, 2010, the qualified defined benefit pension plan was amended discontinuing the benefit accrual for salary increases and credited service rendered after December 31, 2009. As a result, a curtailment loss related to the unrecognized prior service cost of \$505,000 was recorded during fiscal 2010.

As of June 30, 2009, we decreased the salary scale applicable to our pension plans from 3.5% to 3%. The impact of this change decreased our year-end 2009 projected pension benefit obligations by approximately \$652,000 and increased our year-end 2009 accumulated pension benefit obligations by approximately \$253,000. This change also decreased our 2010 pension expense by \$179,000.

A significant element in determining the pension expense is the expected return on plan assets. Our assumption for the expected return on plan assets is based on historical results for similar allocations among asset classes and was 8.0 percent for 2010 and 2011, 7.8 percent for 2012 and 7.5 for 2013. The changes to this assumption reduced the expected return on plan assets by approximately \$200,000 in 2010, had no impact in 2011 and reduced the expected return on plan assets by approximately \$165,000 in 2012 and \$245,000 in 2013. Refer to Notes to Financial Statements for additional information on how this rate was determined. Pension expense increases as the expected rate of return on plan assets decreases. Lowering the 2012 expected rate of return assumption for our plan assets by 50 basis points would have increased our 2012 pension expense by approximately \$500,000.

The difference between the expected return and actual return on plan assets is deferred and under certain circumstances, amortized over future years of service. Therefore, the deferral of past asset gains and losses ultimately affects future pension expense. This is also the case with changes to actuarial assumptions, including discount rate assumptions, pay rate assumptions, mortality assumptions, turnover assumptions and other demographic assumptions. As of June 30, 2012, we had \$49 million of net unrecognized pension actuarial losses, which included deferred asset losses of \$3.5 million. As of June 30, 2012, we had unrecognized postretirement actuarial losses of \$7.6 million. These amounts represent potential future pension and postretirement expenses that would be amortized over average future service periods. The average remaining service period is about 8 years for the pension and postretirement plans.

During fiscal years 2012, 2011 and 2010, we contributed \$2 million, \$2 million and \$4 million, respectively, to our qualified pension plan. Future pension contributions are expected to be approximately \$2 million annually depending on market conditions. We have evaluated the potential impact of the Pension Protection Act (the "Act"), which was passed into law on August 17, 2006, on future pension plan funding requirements based on current market conditions. The Act has not had and is not anticipated to have in future periods a material effect on our level of future funding requirements or on our liquidity and capital resources.

A significant element in determining the postretirement health expense is the health care cost



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trend rates. We develop these rates based on historical cost data, the near-term outlook and an assessment of likely long-term trends. Changes in the health care cost trend rate assumption will have a significant effect on the postretirement benefit amounts reported. As of January 1, 2011, we updated the health care cost trend assumption. The impact of this change increased our year-end 2011 accumulated postretirement obligation by approximately \$139,000. This change also increased our 2012 postretirement expense by approximately \$20,000. Refer to Notes to Financial Statements for an analysis of the impact of a one percent change in the trend rate.

As of January 1, 2010, the postretirement health care benefit plan was amended to limit future eligible retirees' benefits under the plan to \$4,000 per year for a maximum of five years. This change decreased the year-end 2010 postretirement benefit obligation by approximately \$3.4 million and decreased 2011 postretirement expense by approximately \$645,000.

While we believe that the assumptions used are appropriate, significant differences in the actual experience or significant changes in the assumptions may materially affect our pension and postretirement health obligations and future expense.

Liability for Uncertain Tax Positions—We are subject to income taxation in many jurisdictions around the world. Significant management judgment is required in the accounting for income tax contingencies because the outcomes are often difficult to determine. We are required to measure and recognize uncertain tax positions that we have taken or expect to take in our income tax returns. The benefit of an uncertain tax position can only be recognized in the financial statements if management concludes that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained with the tax authorities. For a position that is likely to be sustained, the benefit recognized in the financial statements is measured at the largest amount that is greater than 50 percent likely of being realized. A reserve is established for the difference between a position taken in an income tax return and the amount recognized in the financial statements. Refer to the discussion of Income Taxes included in the Notes to Financial Statements included within this 2012 Annual Report.

Other Reserves—We have reserves such as an environmental reserve, a warranty reserve, an incurred but not reported claim reserve for self-insured health plans, an allowance for doubtful accounts related to trade accounts receivable, an excess and obsolete inventory reserve and a repair and maintenance supply parts reserve. These reserves require the use of estimates and judgment with regard to risk exposure, ultimate liability and net realizable value.

Environmental Reserve—We have a liability recorded related to the estimated costs to remediate a site at our Milwaukee facility, which was contaminated by a solvent spill from a former above ground solvent storage tank occurring in 1985. The recorded environmental liability balance involves judgment and estimates. Our reserve estimate is based on a third party assessment of the costs to adequately cover the cost of active remediation of the contamination at this site. Actual costs might vary from this estimate for a variety of reasons including changes in laws and changes in the assessment of the level of remediation actually required at this site. Therefore, future changes in laws or the assessment of the level of remediation required could result in changes in our estimate of the required liability. Refer to the discussion of Commitments and Contingencies included in the Notes to Financial Statements included within this 2012 Annual Report.

Warranty Reserve—We have a warranty liability recorded related to our exposure to warranty claims in the event our products fail to perform as expected, and we may be required to participate in the repair costs incurred by our customers for such products. The recorded warranty liability balance involves judgment and estimates. Our liability estimate is based on an analysis of historical warranty data as well as current trends and information, including our customers' recent extension of their warranty programs. Actual warranty costs might vary from estimates due to the level of actual claims varying from our claims experience and estimates. Therefore, future actual claims experience could result in changes in our estimates of the required liability. Refer to the discussion of Warranty Reserve under Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies included in the Notes to Financial Statements included within this 2012 Annual Report.

Incurred But Not Reported Claim Reserve for Self-Insured Health Plans—We have self-insured medical and dental plans covering all eligible U.S. associates. The expected ultimate cost of claims incurred under these plans is subject to judgment and estimation. We estimate the ultimate expected cost of claims incurred under these plans based upon the aggregate liability for reported claims and an estimated additional liability for claims incurred but not reported. Our estimate of claims incurred but not reported is based on an analysis of historical data, current trends related to claims and health care costs and information available from the insurance carrier. Actual ultimate costs may vary from estimates due to variations in actual claims experience from past trends and large unexpected claims being filed. Therefore, changes in claims experience and large unexpected claims could result in changes to our estimate of the claims incurred but not reported liabilities. Refer to the discussion of Self Insurance and Loss Sensitive Plans under Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies included in the Notes to Financial Statements included within this 2012 Annual Report.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts Related to Trade Accounts Receivable—Our trade accounts receivable consist primarily of receivables due from Original Equipment Manufacturers in the automotive industry and locksmith distributors relating to our service and aftermarket business. Our evaluation of the collectability of our trade accounts receivable involves judgment and estimates and includes a

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review of past due items, general economic conditions and the economic climate of the industry as a whole. The estimate of the required reserve involves uncertainty as to future collectability of receivable balances. This uncertainty is magnified by the financial difficulty recently experienced by our customers as discussed under Risk Factors-Loss of Significant Customers, Vehicle Content, Vehicle Models and Market Share included within this 2012 Annual Report. Refer to the discussion of Receivables under Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies included in the Notes to Financial Statements included within this 2012 Annual Report.

Excess and Obsolete Inventory Reserve—We record a reserve for excess and obsolete inventory based on historical and estimated future demand and market conditions. The reserve level is determined by comparing inventory levels of individual materials and parts to historical usage and estimated future sales by analyzing the age of the inventory, in order to identify specific material and parts that are unlikely to be sold. Technical obsolescence and other known factors are also considered in evaluating the reserve level. Actual future write-offs of inventory may differ from estimates and calculations used to determine reserve levels due to changes in customer demand, changes in technology and other factors. Refer to the discussion of Inventories under Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies included in the Notes to Financial Statements included within this 2012 Annual Report.

Repair and Maintenance Supply Parts Reserve—We maintain an inventory of repair and maintenance parts in support of operations. This inventory includes critical repair parts for all production equipment as well as general maintenance items. The inventory of critical repair parts is required to avoid disruptions in our customers' just-in-time production schedules due to lack of spare parts when equipment break-downs occur. Depending on maintenance requirements during the life of the equipment, excess quantities of repair parts arise. A repair and maintenance supply parts reserve is maintained to recognize the normal adjustment of inventory for obsolete and slow-moving repair and maintenance supply parts. Our evaluation of the reserve level involves judgment and estimates, which are based on a review of historical obsolescence and current inventory levels. Actual obsolescence may differ from estimates due to actual maintenance requirements differing from historical levels. This could result in changes to our estimated required reserve. Refer to the discussion of Repair and Maintenance Supply Parts under Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies included in the Notes to Financial Statements included within this 2012 Annual Report.

We believe the reserves discussed above are estimated using consistent and appropriate methods. However, changes to the assumptions could materially affect the recorded reserves.

Stock-Based Compensation—Stock-based compensation cost is measured at the grant date based on the value of the award and is recognized as expense over the vesting period. Determining the fair value of stock-based awards at the grant date requires judgment, including estimating future volatility of our stock, the amount of stock-based awards that are expected to be forfeited and the expected term of awards granted. We estimate the fair value of stock options granted using the Black-Scholes option valuation model. We amortize the fair value of all awards on a straight-line basis over the vesting periods. The expected term of awards granted represents the period of time they are expected to be outstanding. We determine the expected term based on historical experience with similar awards, giving consideration to the contractual terms and vesting schedules. We estimate the expected volatility of our common stock at the date of grant based on the historical volatility of our common stock. The volatility factor used in the Black-Scholes option valuation model is based on our historical stock prices over the most recent period commensurate with the estimated expected term of the award. We base the risk-free interest rate used in the Black-Scholes option valuation model on the implied yield currently available on U.S. Treasury zero-coupon issues with a remaining term commensurate with the expected term of the award. We use historical data to estimate pre-vesting option forfeitures. We record stock-based compensation only for those awards that are expected to vest. If actual results differ significantly from these estimates, stock-based compensation expense and our results of operations could be materially impacted.

RISK FACTORS

We recognize we are subject to the following risk factors based on our operations and the nature of the automotive industry in which we operate:

Loss of Significant Customers, Vehicle Content, Vehicle Models and Market Share—Sales to General Motors Company, Ford Motor Company and Chrysler Group LLC represented approximately 68 percent of our annual net sales (based on fiscal 2012 results) and, accordingly, these customers account for a significant percentage of our outstanding accounts receivable. The contracts with these customers provide for supplying the customer's requirements for a particular model. The contracts do not specify a specific quantity of parts. The contracts typically cover the life of a model, which averages approximately four to five years. Components for certain customer models may also be "market tested" annually. Therefore, the loss of any one of these customers, the loss of a contract for a specific vehicle model, a reduction in vehicle content, the early cancellation of a specific vehicle model, technological changes or a significant reduction in demand for certain key models could occur, and if so, could have a material adverse effect on our existing and future revenues and net income.

On April 27, 2009, General Motors announced certain aspects of its Revised Viability Plan including assembly plant closures and reduced production volumes for calendar year 2009 and the subsequent five years. The announcement indicated that certain vehicle brands, including Pontiac,



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Saturn, Hummer and Saab, would be discontinued or sold. In addition, subsequent to Chrysler LLC's filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on April, 30 2009, they announced certain vehicle models planned for discontinuation (Jeep Commander, Jeep Compass, Jeep Patriot, Dodge Nitro, Dodge Avenger, Dodge Caliber, Dodge Durango, Dodge Dakota, Dodge Viper, Chrysler Sebring, Chrysler Aspen, etc.). Subsequently, most of the models were reaffirmed for continued production over a two to three year period, or replaced during this period. We continue to evaluate the impact these evolving plans have on our business as more details become available.

Our major customers also have significant under-funded legacy liabilities related to pension and postretirement health care obligations. The future impact of these items along with a continuing loss in our major customers' North American automotive market share to the New Domestic automotive manufacturers (primarily the Japanese and Korean automotive manufacturers) and/or a significant decline in the overall market demand for new vehicles may ultimately result in severe financial difficulty for these customers, including bankruptcy. If our major customers cannot fund their operations, we may incur significant write-offs of accounts receivable, incur impairment charges or require additional restructuring actions.

Production Slowdowns by Customers—Our major customers and many of their suppliers were significantly impacted by the recession of 2008/2009. Many of our major customers instituted production cuts during our fiscal 2009 and 2010. While production subsequently increased after the cuts made in 2009, additional economic slowdowns could bring about new production cuts which could have a material adverse effect on our existing and future revenues and net income.

Financial Distress of Automotive Supply Base—During calendar years 2009 and 2010, the automotive industry conditions adversely affected STRATTEC and our supply base. Lower production levels at our major customers, volatility in certain raw material and energy costs and the global credit market crisis resulted in severe financial distress among many companies within the automotive supply base. During the above time frame, several automotive suppliers filed for bankruptcy protection or ceased operations. The potential continuation of financial distress within the supply base and suppliers' inability to obtain credit from lending institutions may lead to commercial disputes and possible supply chain interruptions. In addition, the potential for future and/or continued adverse industry conditions may require us to take measures to ensure uninterrupted production. The continuation or worsening of these industry conditions could have a material adverse effect on our existing and future revenues and net income.

Shortage of Raw Materials or Components Supply—In the event of catastrophic acts of nature such as fires, tsunamis, hurricanes and earthquakes or a rapid increase in production demands, either we or our customers or other suppliers may experience supply shortages of raw materials or components. This could be caused by a number of factors, including a lack of production line capacity or manpower or working capital constraints. In order to manage and reduce the costs of purchased goods and services, we and others within our industry have been rationalizing and consolidating our supply base. In addition, due to the recent turbulence in the automotive industry, several suppliers have filed bankruptcy proceedings or ceased operations. As a result, there is greater dependence on fewer sources of supply for certain components and materials, which could increase the possibility of a supply shortage of any particular component. If any of our customers experience a material supply shortage, either directly or as a result of supply shortages at another supplier, that customer may halt or limit the purchase of our products. Similarly, if we or one of our own suppliers experience a supply shortage, we may become unable to produce the affected products if we cannot procure the components from another source. Such production interruptions could impede a ramp-up in vehicle production and could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

We consider the production capacities and financial condition of suppliers in our selection process, and expect that they will meet our delivery requirements. However, there can be no assurance that strong demand, capacity limitations, shortages of raw materials, labor disputes or other problems will not result in any shortages or delays in the supply of components to us.

Cost Reduction—There is continuing pressure from our major customers to reduce the prices we charge for our products. This requires us to generate cost reductions, including reductions in the cost of components purchased from outside suppliers. If we are unable to generate sufficient production cost savings in the future to offset pre-programmed price reductions, our gross margin and profitability will be adversely affected.

Cyclicity and Seasonality in the Automotive Market—The automotive market is cyclical and is dependent on consumer spending, on the availability of consumer credit and to a certain extent, on customer sales incentives. Economic factors adversely affecting consumer demand for automobiles and automotive production, such as rising fuel costs, could adversely impact our net sales and net income. We typically experience decreased sales and operating income during the first fiscal quarter of each year due to the impact of scheduled customer plant shut-downs in July and new model changeovers during that period.

Foreign Operations—We own and operate manufacturing operations in Mexico. As discussed under "Joint Ventures", we also have joint venture investments in Mexico, Brazil and China. As these operations continue to expand, their success will depend, in part, on our and our partners' ability to anticipate and effectively manage certain risks inherent in international operations, including: enforcing agreements and collecting receivables through certain foreign legal systems, payment cycles of foreign

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customers, compliance with foreign tax laws, general economic and political conditions in these countries and compliance with foreign laws and regulations. The success of the joint venture operations may be impacted by our two partners' ability to influence business decisions and operating results of the joint ventures. These influences, as well as conflicts or disagreements with our joint venture partners, could negatively impact the operations and financial results of our joint venture investments, which would have an adverse impact on our financial results. In addition, failure of our partners to be able to continue to fund their portion of the joint venture operations could have a material adverse effect on the financial condition and financial results of our joint venture investments, which could have a material adverse effect on our financial results. The joint venture investments in China and Brazil are currently generating losses due to relocation costs associated with moves to new facilities and start-up costs associated with a new product line. We anticipate these transition costs and related losses to continue during our 2013 fiscal year, which may result in the need for additional future capital contributions to fund the operations of these joint venture investments.

Currency Exchange Rate Fluctuations—Our sales are denominated in U.S. dollars. We have manufacturing operations in Mexico, and as a result, a portion of our manufacturing costs are incurred in Mexican pesos. Therefore, fluctuations in the U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate may have a material effect on our profitability, cash flows, financial position, and may significantly affect the comparability of our results between financial periods. Any depreciation in the value of the U.S. dollar in relation to the value of the Mexican peso will adversely affect the cost of our Mexican operations when translated into U.S. dollars. Similarly, any appreciation in the value of the U.S. dollar in relation to the value of the Mexican peso will decrease the cost of our Mexican operations when translated into U.S. dollars. As described in Derivative Instruments under Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies included in the Notes to Financial Statements contained herein, we have entered into weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts to minimize the volatility resulting from changes in the exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and the Mexican peso. There can be no assurances that the peso currency option contracts will eliminate our exchange rate risk associated with our Mexican operations.

Sources of and Fluctuations in Market Prices of Raw Materials—Our primary raw materials are high-grade zinc, brass, nickel silver, aluminum, steel and plastic resins. These materials are generally available from a number of suppliers, but we have chosen to concentrate our sourcing with one primary vendor for each commodity or purchased component. We believe our sources of raw materials are reliable and adequate for our needs. However, the development of future sourcing issues related to using existing or alternative raw materials and the global availability of these materials as well as significant fluctuations in the market prices of these materials may have an adverse effect on our financial results if the increased raw material costs cannot be recovered from our customers.

Given the significant financial impact on us relating to changes in the cost of our primary raw materials, commencing with fiscal 2008, we began quoting quarterly material price adjustments for changes in our zinc costs in our negotiations with our customers. Our success in obtaining these quarterly price adjustments in our customer contracts is dependent on separate negotiations with each customer. It is not a standard practice for our customers to include such price adjustments in their contracts. We have been successful in obtaining quarterly price adjustments in some of our customer contracts. However, we have not been successful in obtaining the adjustments with all of our customers.

Disruptions Due to Work Stoppages and Other Labor Matters—Our major customers and many of their suppliers have unionized work forces. Work stoppages or slow-downs experienced by our customers or their suppliers could result in slow-downs or closures of assembly plants where our products are included in assembled vehicles. For example, strikes by a critical supplier called by the United Auto Workers led to extended shut-downs of most of General Motors' North American assembly plants in February 2008 and in 1998. A material work stoppage experienced by one or more of our customers could have an adverse effect on our business and our financial results. In addition, all production associates at our Milwaukee facility are unionized. A sixteen-day strike by these associates in June 2001 resulted in increased costs as all salaried associates worked with additional outside resources to produce the components necessary to meet customer requirements. The current contract with our unionized associates is effective through June 29, 2014. We may encounter further labor disruption after the expiration date of this contract and may also encounter unionization efforts in our other plants or other types of labor conflicts, any of which could have an adverse effect on our business and our financial results. Labor contracts between General Motors Company, Ford Motor Company and Chrysler Group LLC and their unionized associates under the United Auto Workers expire in September and October 2015. In addition, their respective labor agreements with the Canadian Auto Workers union expire on September 17, 2012. Labor disruptions encountered during the contract period could have an adverse effect on our business and our financial results.

Environmental and Safety Regulations—We are subject to Federal, state, local and foreign laws and other legal requirements related to the generation, storage, transport, treatment and disposal of materials as a result of our manufacturing and assembly operations. These laws include the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (as amended), the Clean Air Act (as amended) and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (as amended). We have an environmental management system that is ISO-14001 certified. We believe that our existing environmental management system is adequate for current and anticipated operations and we have



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no current plans for substantial capital expenditures in the environmental area. An environmental reserve was established in 1995 for estimated costs to remediate a site at our Milwaukee facility. The site was contaminated from a former above-ground solvent storage tank, located on the east side of the facility. The contamination occurred in 1985 and is being monitored in accordance with Federal, state and local requirements. We do not currently anticipate any material adverse impact on our results of operations, financial condition or competitive position as a result of compliance with Federal, state, local and foreign environmental laws or other related legal requirements. However, risk of environmental liability and changes associated with maintaining compliance with environmental laws is inherent in the nature of our business and there is no assurance that material liabilities or changes could not arise.

Highly Competitive Automotive Supply Industry—The automotive component supply industry is highly competitive. Some of our competitors are companies, or divisions or subsidiaries of companies, that are larger than STRATTEC and have greater financial and technology capabilities. Our products may not be able to compete successfully with the products of these other companies, which could result in loss of customers and as a result, decreased sales and profitability. Some of our major customers have previously announced that they will be reducing their supply base. This could potentially result in the loss of these customers and consolidation within the supply base. The loss of any of our major customers could have a material adverse effect on our existing and future net sales and net income.

In addition, our competitive position in the North American automotive component supply industry could be adversely affected in the event that we are unsuccessful in making strategic investments, acquisitions, alliances or establishing joint ventures that would enable us to expand globally. We principally compete for new business at the beginning of the development of new models and upon the redesign of existing models by our major customers. New model development generally begins two to five years prior to the marketing of such new models to the public. The failure to obtain new business on new models or to retain or increase business on redesigned existing models could adversely affect our business and financial results. In addition, as a result of relatively long lead times for many of our components, it may be difficult in the short-term for us to obtain new sales to replace any unexpected decline in the sale of existing products. Finally, we may incur significant product development expense in preparing to meet anticipated customer requirements which may not be recovered.

Program Volume and Pricing Fluctuations—We incur costs and make capital expenditures for new program awards based upon certain estimates of production volumes over the anticipated program life for certain vehicles. While we attempt to establish the price of our products for variances in production volumes, if the actual production of certain vehicle models is significantly less than planned, our net sales and net income may be adversely affected. We cannot predict our customers' demands for the products we supply either in the aggregate or for particular reporting periods.

Investments in Customer Program Specific Assets—We make investments in machinery and equipment used exclusively to manufacture products for specific customer programs. This machinery and equipment is capitalized and depreciated over the expected useful life of each respective asset. Therefore, the loss of any one of our major customers, the loss of specific vehicle models or the early cancellation of a vehicle model could result in impairment in the value of these assets which may have a material adverse effect on our financial results.

Financial Industry / Credit Market Risk—The U.S. capital and credit markets experienced significant volatility and disruption during the 2008/2009 recession. In many cases this resulted in pressures on borrowers and reduced credit availability from certain issuers without regard to the underlying financial strength of the borrower or issuer. If financial market disruption and volatility occur again in the future, there can be no assurance that such conditions will not have an adverse effect on our ability to access debt and in turn, result in a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Warranty Claims—We are exposed to warranty claims in the event that our products fail to perform as expected, and we may be required to participate in the repair costs incurred by our customers for such products. Our largest customers have recently extended their warranty protection for their vehicles. Other automotive OEMs have similarly extended their warranty programs. We are engaged in ongoing discussions with our customers regarding warranty information and potential claims. The results of these discussions could result in additional warranty charges / claims in future periods. Depending on the nature of and the volume of vehicles involved in the potential warranty claims, these charges could be material to the financial statements. The extended warranty trend may also result in higher cost recovery claims by OEMs from suppliers whose products incur a higher rate of warranty claims above an OEM derived nominal level. Historically, we have experienced relatively low warranty charges from our customers due to our commercial arrangements and improvements in the quality, reliability and durability of our products. Due to our largest customers' extension of their warranty protection programs and demands for higher warranty cost sharing arrangements from their suppliers, including STRATTEC, we increased our provision to cover warranty exposures during fiscal years 2010, 2011 and 2012. Moreover, in 2011, our increased warranty provision was the result of our share of the cost associated with a specific warranty claim involving a product we supplied to one of our largest customers. If our customers demand higher warranty-related cost recoveries, or if our products fail to perform as expected, it could have a material adverse impact on our results of operations and financial condition.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME*(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)*

	Years Ended		
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011	June 27, 2010
NET SALES	\$ 279,234	\$ 260,933	\$ 207,964
Cost of goods sold	228,971	218,770	174,922
GROSS PROFIT	50,263	42,163	33,042
Engineering, selling, and administrative expenses	33,804	33,443	29,939
Impairment charge	—	—	223
Environmental Reserve Adjustment	—	—	(1,125)
Provision for (Recovery of) doubtful accounts	116	—	(421)
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	16,343	8,720	4,426
Interest income	69	119	86
Equity (loss) earnings of joint ventures	(1,071)	1,246	1,008
Interest expense-related parties	(81)	(175)	(225)
Other income, net	582	220	312
INCOME BEFORE PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES AND NON-CONTROLLING INTEREST	15,842	10,130	5,607
Provision for income taxes	3,589	2,540	1,666
NET INCOME	12,253	7,590	3,941
Net income attributable to non-controlling interest	3,460	2,172	520
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION	<u>\$ 8,793</u>	<u>\$ 5,418</u>	<u>\$ 3,421</u>
COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME:			
NET INCOME	\$ 12,253	\$ 7,590	\$ 3,941
Change in cumulative translation adjustments	(2,080)	1,777	503
Pension funded status adjustment, net of tax	(11,990)	8,450	(1,346)
TOTAL OTHER COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME	(14,070)	10,227	(843)
COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME	(1,817)	17,817	3,098
Comprehensive income attributed to non controlling interest	3,397	2,208	525
COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION	<u>\$ (5,214)</u>	<u>\$ 15,609</u>	<u>\$ 2,573</u>
EARNINGS PER SHARE:			
BASIC	\$ 2.66	\$ 1.65	\$ 1.05
DILUTED	\$ 2.64	\$ 1.63	\$ 1.04
AVERAGE SHARES OUTSTANDING:			
BASIC	3,300	3,285	3,271
DILUTED	3,330	3,323	3,280

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive (Loss) Income.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS*(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT SHARE AMOUNTS AND PER SHARE AMOUNTS)*

	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 17,487	\$ 17,250
Receivables, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$500 at July 1, 2012 and \$400 July 3, 2011	44,496	39,649
Inventories, net	21,236	22,135
Customer tooling in progress, net	4,434	2,788
Deferred income taxes	5,219	4,026
Other current assets	8,419	8,554
Total current assets	101,291	94,402
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES	9,742	3,639
INVESTMENT IN JOINT VENTURES	8,139	7,276
LOAN TO JOINT VENTURE	—	1,500
OTHER LONG-TERM ASSETS	536	635
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET	46,330	40,636
	<u>\$ 166,038</u>	<u>\$ 148,088</u>
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 24,149	\$ 22,851
Loans from related parties	—	1,850
Accrued liabilities:		
Payroll and benefits	19,233	15,546
Environmental	1,436	1,478
Warranty	4,958	3,856
Income taxes	2,934	1,734
Other	4,263	3,673
Total current liabilities	56,973	50,988
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES —see note on page 40		
BORROWINGS UNDER CREDIT FACILITY	—	—
ACCRUED PENSION OBLIGATIONS	18,202	3,447
ACCRUED POSTRETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS	3,465	3,589
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Common stock, authorized 12,000,000 shares, \$.01 par value, issued 6,932,457 shares at July 1, 2012 and 6,920,557 shares at July 3, 2011	69	69
Capital in excess of par value	80,621	79,767
Retained earnings	171,590	164,138
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(35,757)	(21,750)
Less: Treasury stock at cost (3,628,673 shares at July 1, 2012 and 3,631,079 shares at July 3, 2011)	(135,971)	(136,009)
Total STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION shareholders' equity	80,552	86,215
Non-controlling interest	6,846	3,849
Total shareholders' equity	87,398	90,064
	<u>\$ 166,038</u>	<u>\$ 148,088</u>

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these Consolidated Balance Sheets.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

	Total	Common Stock	Capital in Excess of Par Value	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Treasury Stock	Non-controlling Interest
BALANCE June 28, 2009	<u>\$72,557</u>	<u>\$ 69</u>	<u>\$ 79,247</u>	<u>\$159,285</u>	<u>\$ (31,094)</u>	<u>\$(136,089)</u>	<u>\$ 1,139</u>
Net income	3,941	—	—	3,421	—	—	520
Translation adjustments	503	—	—	—	499	—	4
Pension and postretirement funded status adjustment, net of tax of \$825	(1,346)	—	—	—	(1,346)	—	—
Share of premium on equity method ownership	(409)	—	(409)	—	—	—	—
Stock-based compensation and shortfall tax benefit	464	—	464	—	—	—	—
Stock Option Exercises	35	—	35	—	—	—	—
Employee stock purchases	44	—	2	—	—	42	—
BALANCE June 27, 2010	<u>\$75,789</u>	<u>\$ 69</u>	<u>\$ 79,339</u>	<u>\$ 162,706</u>	<u>\$ (31,941)</u>	<u>\$(136,047)</u>	<u>\$ 1,663</u>
Net income	7,590	—	—	5,418	—	—	2,172
Translation adjustments	1,777	—	—	—	1,741	—	36
Pension and postretirement funded status adjustment, net of tax of \$5,178	8,450	—	—	—	8,450	—	—
Cash dividends declared (\$1.20 per share)	(3,986)	—	—	(3,986)	—	—	—
Purchase of additional interest in Majority Owned Subsidiary	(22)	—	—	—	—	—	(22)
Stock-based compensation and shortfall tax benefit, including tax benefit on restricted stock dividends of \$15	364	—	364	—	—	—	—
Stock Option Exercises	40	—	40	—	—	—	—
Employee stock purchases	62	—	24	—	—	38	—
BALANCE July 3, 2011	<u>\$ 90,064</u>	<u>\$ 69</u>	<u>\$ 79,767</u>	<u>\$ 164,138</u>	<u>\$ (21,750)</u>	<u>\$(136,009)</u>	<u>\$ 3,849</u>
Net income	12,253	—	—	8,793	—	—	3,460
Translation adjustments	(2,080)	—	—	—	(2,017)	—	(63)
Pension and postretirement funded status adjustment, net of tax of \$7,348	(11,990)	—	—	—	(11,990)	—	—
Cash dividends declared (\$0.40 per share)	(1,341)	—	—	(1,341)	—	—	—
Cash dividends paid to non-controlling interests of subsidiaries	(400)	—	—	—	—	—	(400)
Stock-based compensation and shortfall tax benefit, including tax benefit on restricted stock dividends of \$7	806	—	806	—	—	—	—
Stock Option Exercises	33	—	33	—	—	—	—
Employee stock purchases	53	—	15	—	—	38	—
BALANCE July 1, 2012	<u>\$87,398</u>	<u>\$ 69</u>	<u>\$ 80,621</u>	<u>\$ 171,590</u>	<u>\$ (35,757)</u>	<u>\$(135,971)</u>	<u>\$ 6,846</u>

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(IN THOUSANDS)

	Years Ended		
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011	June 27, 2010
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net Income	\$ 12,253	\$ 7,590	\$ 3,941
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Equity loss (earnings) in joint ventures	1,071	(1,246)	(1,008)
Depreciation and amortization	6,809	6,619	7,143
Foreign currency transaction (gain) loss	(1,369)	836	283
Unrealized loss (gain) on peso option contracts	640	(245)	—
Loss (gain) on disposition of property, plant and equipment	30	(6)	50
Deferred income taxes	54	(177)	3,428
Stock based compensation expense	825	621	468
Provision (recovery) for doubtful accounts	116	—	(421)
Impairment charge	—	—	223
Environmental reserve adjustment	—	—	(1,125)
Loss on curtailment of employee benefits	—	—	505
Change in operating assets and liabilities:			
Receivables	(5,394)	(3,309)	(18,301)
Inventories	899	(5,049)	(497)
Other assets	(2,130)	(183)	3,181
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,437	2,902	12,192
Other, net	—	18	3
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>17,241</u>	<u>8,371</u>	<u>10,065</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Investment in joint ventures	(200)	(450)	(100)
Restricted cash	—	2,100	(2,100)
Loan to joint venture	—	—	(2,500)
Proceeds from repayment of loan to joint venture	—	—	1,000
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(13,558)	(9,531)	(6,903)
Purchase of additional interest in majority owned subsidiary	—	(22)	—
Proceeds received on sale of property, plant and equipment	19	111	21
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(13,739)</u>	<u>(7,792)</u>	<u>(10,582)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Exercise of stock options and employee stock purchases	82	90	72
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation	4	12	9
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests of subsidiaries	(400)	—	—
Dividends paid	(1,341)	(3,989)	—
Repayment of loan from related parties	(1,850)	(1,150)	(225)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(3,505)</u>	<u>(5,037)</u>	<u>(144)</u>
FOREIGN CURRENCY IMPACT ON CASH	<u>240</u>	<u>(159)</u>	<u>(236)</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	<u>237</u>	<u>(4,617)</u>	<u>(897)</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Beginning of year	17,250	21,867	22,764
End of year	<u>\$ 17,487</u>	<u>\$ 17,250</u>	<u>\$ 21,867</u>
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION			
Income taxes paid (recovered)	\$ 2,721	\$ 1,394	\$ (2,963)
Interest paid—related parties	\$ 115	\$ 188	\$ 250

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

During the year ended July 1, 2012, a non-cash event was recorded whereby the outstanding loan to joint venture principal and accrued interest amounts of \$1.5 million and \$112,000, respectively, were terminated and converted into additional capital contributions in the joint venture investment.

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ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION designs, develops, manufactures and markets automotive access control products including mechanical locks and keys, electronically enhanced locks and keys, steering column and instrument panel ignition lock housings, latches, power sliding side door systems, power lift gate systems, power deck lid systems, door handles and related products for primarily North American automotive customers. We also supply global automotive manufacturers through a unique strategic relationship with WITTE Automotive of Velbert, Germany and ADAC Automotive of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Under this relationship, STRATTEC, WITTE and ADAC market our products to global customers under the "VAST" brand name (as more fully described herein). STRATTEC products are shipped to customer locations in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Europe, South America, Korea and China, and we provide full service and aftermarket support for our products.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements reflect the consolidated results of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION, its wholly owned Mexican subsidiary, STRATTEC de Mexico, and its majority owned subsidiaries, ADAC-STRATTEC, LLC and STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC. STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION is located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. STRATTEC de Mexico is located in Juarez, Mexico. ADAC-STRATTEC, LLC and STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC have operations in El Paso, Texas and Juarez, Mexico. Equity investments in Vehicle Access Systems Technology LLC ("VAST LLC") for which we exercise significant influence but do not control and are not the primary beneficiary, are accounted for using the equity method. VAST LLC consists primarily of three wholly owned subsidiaries in China and one joint venture in Brazil. We have only one reporting segment.

The significant accounting policies followed in the preparation of these financial statements, as summarized in the following paragraphs, are in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

Principles of Consolidation and Presentation: The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION, its wholly owned Mexican subsidiary, and its majority owned subsidiaries. Equity investments for which STRATTEC exercises significant influence but does not control and is not the primary beneficiary are accounted for using the equity method. All significant inter-company transactions and balances have been eliminated.

Reclassifications and Other Adjustments: Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2010 Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows to conform to the 2011 and 2012 presentation. The reclassifications were made to correct the 2010 presentation of net income in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows to properly include net income attributable to non-controlling interest. The correction did not change previously reported net cash provided by operating activities.

Fiscal Year: Our fiscal year ends on the Sunday nearest June 30. The years ended July 1, 2012, July 3, 2011 and June 27, 2010 are comprised of 52, 53 and 52 weeks, respectively.

Use of Estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses for the periods presented. These estimates and assumptions could also affect the disclosure of contingencies. Actual results and outcomes may differ from management's estimates and assumptions.

Cash and Cash Equivalents: Cash and cash equivalents include all short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less due to the short-term nature of the instruments. Excess cash balances are placed in a money market account at a high quality financial institution and in short-term commercial paper.

Derivative Instruments: We own and operate manufacturing operations in Mexico. As a result, a portion of our manufacturing costs are incurred in Mexican pesos, which causes our earnings and cash flows to fluctuate as a result of changes in the U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate. Beginning in January 2011, we entered into agreements with Bank of Montreal that provide for two weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts for a portion of our weekly estimated peso denominated operating costs. Current contracts with Bank of Montreal extend through June 28, 2013. The two weekly option contracts are for equivalent notional amounts. The contracts that were effective during fiscal 2011 and 2012 expired July 6, 2012, and provided for the purchase of Mexican pesos at a U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 11.85 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date was below 11.85 or for the purchase of Mexican pesos at a U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 12.85 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date was above 12.85. Additional contracts that are effective July 6, 2012 through June 28, 2013 provide for the purchase of Mexican pesos at an average U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 12.40 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date is below an average of 12.40 or for the purchase of Mexican pesos at an average U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 13.40 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date is above an average of 13.40. Our objective in entering into these currency option contracts is to minimize our earnings volatility resulting from changes in exchange rates affecting the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations. The Mexican peso option contracts are not used for speculative purposes and are not designated as hedges. As a result, all currency option contracts are recognized in our accompanying consolidated financial statements at fair value and changes in the fair value of the currency option contracts are reported in current earnings as part of Other Income, net. The premiums to be paid and received under the weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts net to zero, and as a result, premiums related to the contracts did not impact our earnings.

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The following table quantifies the outstanding Mexican peso currency option contracts as of July 1, 2012 (thousands of dollars, except average option contractual exchange rate):

	Effective Dates	Notional Amount	Average Option Contractual Exchange Rate	Fair Value
Buy MXP/Sell USD	July 2, 2012-July 6, 2012	\$ 684	11.85	\$ —
Buy MXP/Sell USD	July 2, 2012-July 6, 2012	\$ 684	12.85	\$ (26)
Buy MXP/Sell USD	July 6, 2012-June 28, 2013	\$ 10,200	12.40	\$ 80
Buy MXP/Sell USD	July 6, 2012-June 28, 2013	\$ 10,200	13.40	\$ (449)

The fair market value of all outstanding Mexican peso option contracts in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets was as follows (thousands of dollars):

	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:		
Other current assets:		
Mexican peso option contracts	\$ —	\$ 245
Other current liabilities:		
Mexican peso option contracts	\$ (395)	\$ —

The pre-tax effects of the peso option contracts on the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive (Loss) Income consisted of the following (thousands of dollars):

	Other Income, net	
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:		
Realized Gain	\$ 18	\$ 33
Realized (loss)	\$ (438)	\$ —
Unrealized (loss) gain	\$ (640)	\$ 245

Fair Value of Financial Instruments: The fair value of our cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable, and loans from and to related parties approximated book value as of July 1, 2012 and July 3, 2011. Fair Value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid for 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. Valuation techniques used to measure fair value must maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. There is an established fair value hierarchy based on three levels of inputs, of which the first two are considered observable and the last unobservable. Level 1—Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. These are typically obtained from real-time quotes for transactions in active exchange markets involving identical assets. Level 2—Inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level 1, which are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These are typically obtained from readily-available pricing sources for comparable instruments. Level 3—Unobservable inputs, where there is little or no market activity for the asset or liability. These inputs reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions of the data that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, based on the best information available in the circumstances. The following table summarizes our financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of July 1, 2012 and July 3, 2011 (thousands of dollars):

	July 1, 2012				July 3, 2011			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets:								
Rabbi Trust Assets:								
Stock Index Funds:								
Small Cap	\$ 209	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 209	\$ 306	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 306
Mid Cap	206	—	—	206	294	—	—	294
Large Cap	640	—	—	640	776	—	—	776
U.S. Treasury Securities	2,512	—	—	2,512	2,601	—	—	2,601
Cash and Cash Equivalents	806	—	—	806	372	—	—	372
Mexican peso option contracts	—	80	—	80	—	414	—	414
Total assets at fair value	<u>\$ 4,373</u>	<u>\$ 80</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 4,453</u>	<u>\$ 4,349</u>	<u>\$ 414</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 4,763</u>
Liabilities:								
Mexican peso option contracts	\$ —	\$ 475	\$ —	\$ 475	\$ —	\$ 169	\$ —	\$ 169

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The Rabbi Trust assets fund our supplemental executive retirement plan and are included in Other Current Assets in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Rabbi Trust assets are classified as Level 1 assets. Refer to discussion of Mexican peso option contracts under Derivative Instruments above. The fair value of the Mexican Peso option contracts are based on an option pricing model that considers the remaining term, current exchange rate and volatility of the underlying foreign currency base. There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 assets during 2012.

Receivables: Receivables consist primarily of trade receivables due from Original Equipment Manufacturers in the automotive industry and locksmith distributors relating to our service and aftermarket business. We evaluate the collectability of receivables based on a number of factors. An allowance for doubtful accounts is recorded for significant past due receivable balances based on a review of the past due items, general economic conditions and the industry as a whole. In 2009, we recorded a \$500,000 provision for doubtful accounts in connection with Chrysler LLC's and General Motors Corporation's filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection for certain of their U.S. legal entities on April 30, 2009 and June 1, 2009, respectively. All uncollectible receivables related to the bankruptcy filings were written off against the \$500,000 reserve during 2010. However, as a result of subsequent payments received, \$421,000 of the \$500,000 provision was recorded as a recovery of allowance for doubtful accounts during 2010. Changes in the allowance for doubtful accounts are as follows (thousands of dollars):

	Balance, Beginning of Year	Provision (Recovery) for Doubtful Accounts	Net (Write-Offs) Recoveries	Balance, End of Year
Year ended July 1, 2012	\$ 400	\$ 116	\$ (16)	\$ 500
Year ended July 3, 2011	\$ 400	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 400
Year ended June 27, 2010	\$ 750	\$ (421)	\$ 71	\$ 400

Inventories: Inventories are comprised of material, direct labor and manufacturing overhead, and are stated at the lower of cost or market using the first-in, first-out ("FIFO") cost method of accounting. Inventories consist of the following (thousands of dollars):

	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Finished products	\$ 5,313	\$ 5,899
Work in process	5,659	5,557
Purchased materials	11,564	11,879
	22,536	23,335
Excess and obsolete reserve	(1,300)	(1,200)
Inventories, net	\$ 21,236	\$ 22,135

We record a reserve for excess and obsolete inventory based on historical and estimated future demand and market conditions. The reserve level is determined by comparing inventory levels of individual materials and parts to historical usage and estimated future sales by analyzing the age of the inventory in order to identify specific material and parts that are unlikely to be sold. Technical obsolescence and other known factors are also considered in evaluating the reserve level. The activity related to the excess and obsolete inventory reserve is as follows (thousands of dollars):

	Balance, Beginning of Year	Provision Charged to Expense	Amounts Written Off	Balance, End of Year
Year ended July 1, 2012	\$ 1,200	\$ 385	\$ 285	\$ 1,300
Year ended July 3, 2011	\$ 1,418	\$ 334	\$ 552	\$ 1,200
Year ended June 27, 2010	\$ 975	\$ 643	\$ 200	\$ 1,418

Customer Tooling in Progress: We incur costs related to tooling used in component production and assembly. Costs for development of certain tooling, which will be directly reimbursed by the customer whose parts are produced from the tool, are accumulated on the balance sheet and are then billed to the customer. The accumulated costs are billed upon formal acceptance by the customer of products produced with the individual tool. Other tooling costs are not directly reimbursed by the customer. These costs are capitalized and amortized over the life of the related product based on the fact that the related tool will be used over the life of the supply arrangement. To the extent that estimated costs exceed expected reimbursement from the customer we will recognize a loss.

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Repair and Maintenance Supply Parts: We maintain an inventory of repair and maintenance supply parts in support of operations. This inventory includes critical repair parts for all production equipment as well as general maintenance items. The inventory of critical repair parts is required to avoid disruptions in our customers' just-in-time production schedules due to a lack of spare parts when equipment break-downs occur. All required critical repair parts are on hand when the related production equipment is placed in service and maintained to satisfy the customer model life production and service requirements, which may be 12 to 15 years. As repair parts are used, additional repair parts are purchased to maintain a minimum level of spare parts inventory. Depending on maintenance requirements during the life of the equipment, excess quantities of repair parts arise. Excess quantities are kept on hand and are not disposed of until the equipment is no longer in service. A repair and maintenance supply parts reserve is maintained to recognize the normal adjustment of inventory for obsolete and slow moving supply and maintenance parts. The adequacy of the reserve is reviewed periodically in relation to the repair parts inventory balances. The gross balance of the repair and maintenance supply parts inventory was approximately \$1.9 million at July 1, 2012 and \$2.1 million at July 3, 2011. The repair and maintenance supply parts inventory balance is included in Other Current Assets in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. The activity related to the repair and maintenance supply parts reserve is as follows (thousands of dollars):

	Balance, Beginning of Year	Provision Charged to Expense	Amounts Written Off	Balance, End of Year
Year ended July 1, 2012	\$ 695	\$ 200	\$ 395	\$ 500
Year ended July 3, 2011	\$ 680	\$ 78	\$ 63	\$ 695
Year ended June 27, 2010	\$ 630	\$ 78	\$ 28	\$ 680

Goodwill and Other Intangibles: Based upon the annual goodwill impairment review completed during 2010, we determined that goodwill related to STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC, which resulted from the purchase of the Delphi Power Products business in 2009, was impaired. Accordingly, a non-cash impairment charge of \$223,000 was recognized in 2010 to write-off the related goodwill amount.

Intangible assets that have defined useful lives acquired in the purchase of the Delphi Power Products business in 2009 consist of patents, engineering drawings and software. The carrying value and accumulated amortization were as follows (thousands of dollars):

	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Patents, engineering drawings and software	\$ 890	\$ 890
Less: accumulated amortization	(354)	(255)
	<u>\$ 536</u>	<u>\$ 635</u>

The remaining useful life of the intangible assets in the table above is approximately 5.4 years. Intangible amortization expense was \$99,000 for each of the years ended July 1, 2012, July 3, 2011 and June 27, 2010. Estimated intangible amortization expense for each of the next five fiscal years is \$99,000.

Property, Plant and Equipment: Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost. Property, plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Classification	Expected Useful Lives
Land improvements	20 years
Buildings and improvements	20 to 35 years
Machinery and equipment	3 to 10 years

Property, plant and equipment consist of the following (thousands of dollars):

	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Land and improvements	\$ 2,809	\$ 3,078
Buildings and improvements	18,522	18,983
Machinery and equipment	130,683	119,303
	152,014	141,364
Less: accumulated depreciation	(105,684)	(100,728)
	<u>\$ 46,330</u>	<u>\$ 40,636</u>

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Depreciation expense for the years ended July 1, 2012, July 3, 2011 and June 27, 2010 totaled approximately \$6.7 million, \$6.5 million and \$7.0 million, respectively.

The gross and net book value of property, plant and equipment located outside of the United States, primarily in Mexico, were as follows (thousands of dollars):

	<u>July 1, 2012</u>	<u>July 3, 2011</u>
Gross book value	\$ 62,497	\$ 58,902
Net book value	\$ 20,434	\$ 19,360

Long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to future net undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If an asset is considered to be impaired, the impairment recognized is measured by the excess of the carrying amount of the asset over the fair value of the asset. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value, less estimated costs to sell. There were no impairments recorded in the years ended July 1, 2012, July 3, 2011 or June 27, 2010.

Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred. Expenditures for major renewals and betterments, which significantly extend the useful lives of existing plant and equipment, are capitalized and depreciated. Upon retirement or disposition of plant and equipment, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any resulting gain or loss is recognized in income.

Supplier Concentrations: The following inventory purchases were made from major suppliers during each fiscal year noted:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Percentage of Inventory Purchases</u>	<u>Number of Suppliers</u>
2012	41%	14
2011	40%	11
2010	34%	8

We have long-term contracts or arrangements with most of our suppliers to guarantee the availability of raw materials and component parts.

Labor Concentrations: We had approximately 2,507 full-time associates of which approximately 217 or 8.7 percent were represented by a labor union at July 1, 2012. The associates represented by a labor union account for all production associates at our Milwaukee facility. The current contract with the unionized associates is effective through June 29, 2014.

Revenue Recognition: Revenue is recognized upon the shipment of products, which is when title passes, payment terms are final, we have no remaining obligations and the customer is required to pay. Revenue is recognized net of estimated returns and discounts, which is recognized as a deduction from revenue at the time of the shipment.

Research and Development Costs: Expenditures relating to the development of new products and processes, including significant improvements and refinements to existing products, are expensed as incurred. Research and development expenditures were approximately \$1.2 million in 2012, \$1.5 million in 2011, and \$900,000 in 2010.

Other Income, Net: Net other income included in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive (Loss) Income primarily includes foreign currency transaction gains and losses, realized and unrealized gains and losses on Mexican peso option contracts and Rabbi Trust gains. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses are the result of foreign currency transactions entered into by our Mexican subsidiaries and fluctuations in foreign currency cash balances. We entered into the Mexican peso currency option contracts to minimize earnings volatility resulting from changes in exchange rates affecting the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations. The Rabbi Trust funds our supplemental executive retirement plan. The investments held in the Trust are considered trading securities. The impact of these items for the periods presented is as follows (thousands of dollars):

	<u>Years Ended</u>		
	<u>July 1, 2012</u>	<u>July 3, 2011</u>	<u>June 27, 2010</u>
Foreign currency transaction gain (loss)	\$ 1,369	\$ (836)	\$ (283)
Rabbi Trust gain	24	384	431
Unrealized (loss) gain on Mexican peso option contracts	(640)	245	—
Realized (loss) gain on Mexican peso option contracts	(420)	33	—
Other	249	394	164
	<u>\$ 582</u>	<u>\$ 220</u>	<u>\$ 312</u>

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Self Insurance Plans: We have self-insured medical and dental plans covering all eligible U.S. associates. The claims handling process for the self-insured plans are managed by a third party administrator. Stop-loss insurance coverage limits our liability on a per individual per calendar year basis. The per individual per calendar year stop-loss limit was \$150,000 in each calendar year 2009 through 2012. Prior to January 1, 2011, each covered individual could receive up to \$2 million in total benefits during his or her lifetime. Effective January 1, 2011, under Health Care Reform, there is no lifetime maximum for overall benefits.

The expected ultimate cost for claims incurred under the self-insured medical and dental plans as of the balance sheet date is not discounted and is recognized as an expense. The expected ultimate cost of claims is estimated based upon the aggregate liability for reported claims and an estimated liability for claims incurred but not reported, which is based on analysis of historical data, current trends and information available from the insurance carrier. The expected ultimate cost for claims incurred under the self-insured medical and dental plans that has not been paid as of the balance sheet date is included in the accrued payroll and benefits liabilities amount in our accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Changes in the balance sheet amounts for self-insured plans are as follows (thousands of dollars):

	Balance, Beginning of Year	Provision Charged to Expense	Payments	Balance, End of Year
Year ended July 1, 2012	\$ 320	\$ 4,148	\$ 4,148	\$ 320
Year ended July 3, 2011	\$ 320	\$ 3,077	\$ 3,077	\$ 320
Year ended June 27, 2010	\$ 300	\$ 3,041	\$ 3,021	\$ 320

Warranty Reserve: We have a warranty liability recorded related to our exposure to warranty claims in the event our products fail to perform as expected, and we may be required to participate in the repair costs incurred by our customers for such products. The recorded warranty liability balance involves judgment and estimates. Our liability estimate is based on an analysis of historical warranty data as well as current trends and information, including our customers' recent extension of their warranty programs. Recently, our largest customers have extended their warranty protection for their vehicles and have since demanded higher warranty cost sharing arrangements from their suppliers, including STRATTEC. As a result of these actions, during 2012, 2011 and 2010 we increased our provision to cover these exposures. Moreover, in 2011, the warranty provision was increased by \$1.15 million as a result of our share of the cost associated with a customer's specific warranty claim involving our product. As of July 1, 2012, \$205,000 of the \$1.15 million has been paid and the remaining balance of \$895,000 remains accrued.

Changes in the warranty reserve are as follows (thousands of dollars):

	Balance, Beginning of Year	Provision Charged to Expense	Payments	Balance, End of Year
Year ended July 1, 2012	\$ 3,856	\$ 2,050	\$ 948	\$ 4,958
Year ended July 3, 2011	\$ 1,718	\$ 2,807	\$ 669	\$ 3,856
Year ended June 27, 2010	\$ 221	\$ 2,560	\$ 1,063	\$ 1,718

Foreign Currency Translation: The financial statements of our foreign subsidiaries and equity investees are translated into U.S. dollars using the exchange rate at each balance sheet date for assets and liabilities and the average exchange rate for each applicable period for sales, costs and expenses. Foreign currency translation adjustments are included as a component of other accumulated comprehensive loss. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses are included in other income, net in the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations and Comprehensive (Loss) Income.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss: Accumulated other comprehensive loss is comprised of the following (thousands of dollars):

	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011	June 27, 2010
Unrecognized pension and postretirement benefit liabilities, net of tax	\$ 31,762	\$ 19,772	\$ 28,222
Foreign currency translation	3,995	1,978	3,719
	<u>\$ 35,757</u>	<u>\$ 21,750</u>	<u>\$ 31,941</u>

Deferred taxes have not been provided for the foreign currency translation adjustments.

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Accounting For Stock-Based Compensation: We maintain an omnibus stock incentive plan. This plan provides for the granting of stock options, shares of restricted stock and stock appreciation rights. The Board of Directors has designated 1,700,000 shares of common stock available for the grant of awards under the plan. Remaining shares available to be granted under the plan as of July 1, 2012 were 170,743. Awards that expire or are cancelled without delivery of shares become available for re-issuance under the plan. We issue new shares of common stock to satisfy stock option exercises.

Nonqualified and incentive stock options and shares of restricted stock have been granted to our officers, outside directors and specified associates under the stock incentive plan. Stock options granted under the plan may not be issued with an exercise price less than the fair market value of the common stock on the date the option is granted. Stock options become exercisable as determined at the date of grant by the Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors. The options expire 5 to 10 years after the grant date unless an earlier expiration date is set at the time of grant. The options vest 1 to 4 years after the date of grant. Shares of restricted stock granted under the plan are subject to vesting criteria determined by the Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors at the time the shares are granted and have a minimum vesting period of three years from the date of grant. Restricted shares granted have voting and dividend rights, regardless of whether the shares are vested or unvested. The restricted stock grants issued to date vest 3 years after the date of grant.

The fair value of each stock option grant was estimated as of the date of grant using the Black-Scholes pricing model. The resulting compensation cost for fixed awards with graded vesting schedules is amortized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period for the entire award. The expected term of awards granted is determined based on historical experience with similar awards, giving consideration to the contractual terms and vesting schedules. The expected volatility is determined based on our historical stock prices over the most recent period commensurate with the expected term of the award. The risk-free interest rate is based on U.S. Treasury zero-coupon issues with a remaining term commensurate with the expected term of the award. Expected pre-vesting option forfeitures are based primarily on historical data. The fair value of each restricted stock grant was based on the market price of the underlying common stock as of the date of grant. The resulting compensation cost is amortized on a straight line basis over the vesting period. We record stock based compensation only for those awards that are expected to vest.

As of July 1, 2012, there was \$695,000 of total unrecognized compensation cost related to stock options granted under the plan. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 10 months. As of July 1, 2012, there was \$466,000 of total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested restricted stock grants outstanding under the plan. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 11 months. Total unrecognized compensation cost will be adjusted for any future changes in estimated and actual forfeitures.

Cash received from option exercises was \$28,000 in 2012 and 2011. The related income tax benefit was \$9,000 in 2012 and \$18,000 in 2011, respectively.

The intrinsic value of stock options exercised and the fair value of stock options vested are as follows (in thousands of dollars):

	Years Ended		
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011	June 27, 2010
Intrinsic value of options exercised	\$ 26	\$ 44	\$ 35
Fair value of stock options vested	\$ 268	\$ 293	\$ 114

The grant date fair values and assumptions used to determine compensation expense in 2012, 2011 and 2010 are as follows:

Options Granted During	2012	2011	2010
Weighted average grant date fair value:			
Options issued at grant date market value	n/a	n/a	\$ 8.95
Options issued above grant date market value	\$ 10.29	\$ 7.48	n/a
Assumptions:			
Risk free interest rates	1.23%	1.08%	3.14%
Expected volatility	59.88%	59.89%	49.73%
Expected dividend yield	1.74%	1.54%	—
Expected term (in years)	6.0	4.0	6.0

No dividends were assumed in the grant date fair value calculations in 2010 as we did not intend to pay cash dividends on our common stock as of the grant date.

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The range of options outstanding as of July 1, 2012 was as follows:

	Number of Options Outstanding/Exercisable	Weighted Average Exercise Price Outstanding/Exercisable	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life Outstanding (In Years)
\$10.92-\$26.53	244,800/104,700	\$ 17.93/\$14.33	6.7
\$44.93-\$63.25	88,000/88,000	\$ 56.72/\$56.72	1.6
		\$ 28.19/\$33.69	

INVESTMENT IN JOINT VENTURES

We participate in certain Alliance Agreements with WITTE Automotive (“WITTE”) and ADAC Automotive (“ADAC”). WITTE, of Velbert, Germany, is a privately held automotive supplier. WITTE designs, manufactures and markets automotive components, including locks and keys, hood latches, rear compartment latches, seat back latches, door handles and specialty fasteners. WITTE’s primary market for these products has been Europe. ADAC, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, is a privately held automotive supplier and manufactures engineered products, including door handles and other automotive trim parts, utilizing plastic injection molding, automated painting and various assembly processes.

The Alliance agreements include a set of cross-licensing agreements for the manufacture, distribution and sale of WITTE products by STRATTEC and ADAC in North America, and the manufacture, distribution and sale of STRATTEC and ADAC products by WITTE in Europe. Additionally, a joint venture company, Vehicle Access Systems Technology LLC (“VAST LLC”), in which WITTE, STRATTEC and ADAC each hold a one-third interest, exists to seek opportunities to manufacture and sell the companies’ products in areas of the world outside of North America and Europe.

VAST do Brasil, a joint venture between VAST LLC and Ifer do Brasil Ltda., services customers in South America. VAST Fuzhou, VAST Great Shanghai and VAST China Co. (collectively known as VAST China), provide a base of operations to service our automotive customers in the Asian market. Effective November 20, 2009, VAST LLC purchased the 40 percent non-controlling interest owned by its former partners in the joint ventures in China. VAST LLC also maintains branch offices in South Korea and Japan in support of customer sales and engineering requirements.

The VAST LLC investments are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The activities related to the VAST LLC joint ventures resulted in equity loss of joint ventures to STRATTEC of approximately \$1.1 million during 2012, and equity earnings of joint ventures to STRATTEC of approximately \$1.2 million during 2011 and \$1.0 million during 2010. During 2012 our joint ventures in China and Brazil both incurred relocation costs associated with moves to new facilities and start-up costs associated with a new product line. Both of these items resulted in STRATTEC incurring an equity loss from joint ventures in 2012 compared to 2011 in which STRATTEC had equity earnings from joint ventures. We anticipate these transition costs and related losses to continue during our 2013 fiscal year relating to our VAST China operations. In addition, the 2012 equity loss also included a goodwill impairment charge relating to VAST China. STRATTEC’s portion amounted to \$284,000. During 2012, cash capital contributions totaling \$600,000 were made to VAST LLC in support of general operating expenses. STRATTEC’s portion of the cash capital contributions totaled \$200,000. During 2011, cash capital contributions totaling \$1,350,000 were made to VAST LLC in support of general operating expenses. STRATTEC’s portion of the cash capital contributions totaled \$450,000.

In fiscal year 2007, we entered into a joint venture with ADAC forming ADAC-STRATTEC LLC, a Delaware limited liability company. The joint venture was created to establish injection molding and door handle assembly operations in Mexico. STRATTEC originally held a 50.1 percent interest in ADAC-STRATTEC LLC. Effective June 28, 2010, STRATTEC purchased an additional .9 percent interest from ADAC and now owns 51 percent. A Mexican entity, ADAC-STRATTEC de Mexico, exists and is wholly owned by ADAC-STRATTEC LLC. ADAC-STRATTEC LLC’s financial results are consolidated with the financial results of STRATTEC and resulted in increased net income to STRATTEC of approximately \$1.7 million in 2012, approximately \$910,000 in 2011, and approximately \$114,000 in 2010.

Effective November 30, 2008, STRATTEC established a new entity, STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC (“SPA”), which is 80 percent owned by STRATTEC and 20 percent owned by WITTE. SPA operates the North American portion of the Power Products business which was acquired from Delphi Corporation. The financial results of SPA are consolidated with the financial results of STRATTEC and resulted in increased net income to STRATTEC of approximately \$2.6 million in 2012, approximately \$2.5 million in 2011, and approximately \$545,000 in 2010.

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EQUITY (LOSS) EARNINGS OF JOINT VENTURE

As discussed under Investment in Joint Ventures, we hold a one-third interest in VAST LLC, for which we exercise significant influence but do not control and are not the primary beneficiary. Our investment in VAST LLC is accounted for using the equity method. The following are summarized statements of operations and summarized balance sheet data for VAST LLC (thousands of dollars):

	Years Ended		
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011	June 27, 2010
Net sales	\$ 76,373	\$ 78,002	\$ 67,711
Cost of goods sold	65,211	63,286	53,844
Gross profit	11,162	14,716	13,867
Engineering, selling and administrative expense	14,930	9,527	8,675
(Loss) income from operations	(3,768)	5,189	5,192
Other income (expense), net	246	(247)	(620)
(Loss) income before provision for Income taxes	(3,522)	4,942	4,572
(Benefit) provision for income taxes	(297)	1,202	1,035
Net (loss) income	(3,225)	3,740	3,537
Net income attributable to non-controlling interest	—	—	(537)
Net (loss) income attributable to VAST LLC	\$ (3,225)	\$ 3,740	\$ 3,000
STRATTEC's share of VAST LLC net (loss) income	\$ (1,075)	\$ 1,247	\$ 1,000
Intercompany profit eliminations	4	(1)	8
STRATTEC's equity (loss) earnings of joint ventures	\$ (1,071)	\$ 1,246	\$ 1,008
		July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Cash and cash equivalents		\$ 5,622	\$ 6,658
Receivables, net		16,025	15,267
Inventories, net		17,756	13,084
Other current assets		10,207	7,153
Total current assets		49,610	42,162
Property, plant and equipment, net		20,753	13,278
Other long-term assets		3,585	3,136
Total assets		\$ 73,948	\$ 58,576
Current liabilities		\$ 37,843	\$ 35,802
Long-term liabilities		11,381	626
Total liabilities		\$ 49,224	\$ 36,428
Net assets		\$ 24,724	\$ 22,148
STRATTEC's share of net assets		\$ 8,241	\$ 7,383

LOANS TO/FROM RELATED PARTIES

Effective November 30, 2009, VAST LLC purchased the 40 percent non-controlling interest owned by its former partners in the joint ventures in China. Initially, a loan of \$2.5 million was made to VAST LLC by each partner, STRATTEC, WITTE and ADAC, to fund a portion of the purchase price. In December 2009, \$1 million of each partner's loan balance was repaid. During 2012, each partner's outstanding principal and accrued interest balance of \$1.5 million and \$112,000, respectively, were terminated and converted to additional capital contributions by each partner in VAST LLC.

At July 3, 2011, loans from related parties (ADAC and WITTE) totaled \$1.9 million and consisted of loans to ADAC-STRATTEC LLC and STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC to fund working capital requirements of these entities. All related party loans were repaid during fiscal 2012. Working capital loans to these entities were made by each partner based on each partner's ownership percentage in the entity. The weighted average interest rate on these loans was approximately 7.6 percent in 2012 and 7.3 percent in 2011.

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CREDIT FACILITIES AND GUARANTEES

As of July 1, 2012, STRATTEC had a \$25 million secured revolving credit facility (the "STRATTEC Credit Facility") with BMO Harris Bank N.A. The STRATTEC Credit Facility expires August 1, 2014. As of July 1, 2012, ADAC-STRATTEC LLC had a \$5 million secured revolving credit facility (the "ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility") with BMO Harris Bank N.A, which is guaranteed by STRATTEC. The ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility expires June 28, 2015. Any borrowings under the credit facilities will be secured by our U.S. cash balances, accounts receivable, inventory and property. Interest on borrowings under these credit facilities is at varying rates based, at our option, on the London Interbank Offering Rate plus 1.0 to 1.75 percent or the bank's prime rate. Both credit facilities contain a restrictive financial covenant that requires the maintenance of a minimum net worth level. The ADAC-STRATTEC credit facility includes an additional restrictive financial covenant that requires the maintenance of a minimum level for its fixed charge coverage ratio. There were no outstanding borrowings under either Credit Facility at July 1, 2012 or July 3, 2011. There were no borrowings under any third party debt facilities during 2012, 2011 or 2010. We believe that the credit facilities are adequate, along with existing cash balances and cash flow from operations, to meet our anticipated capital expenditure, working capital, dividend and operating expenditure requirements.

COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In 1995, we recorded a provision of \$3 million for estimated costs to remediate an environmental contamination site at our Milwaukee facility. The site was contaminated by a solvent spill, which occurred in 1985, from a former above ground solvent storage tank located on the east side of the facility. The reserve was originally established based on third party estimates to adequately cover the cost for active remediation of the contamination. Due to changing technology and related costs associated with active remediation of the contamination, an updated analysis and estimate was obtained during fiscal 2010. As a result of this analysis, the reserve was reduced by approximately \$1.1 million, to \$1.5 million in 2010, to reflect the revised monitoring and remediation cost estimate. From 1995 through July 1, 2012, costs of approximately \$440,000 have been incurred related to the installation of monitoring wells on the property and ongoing monitoring costs. We continue to monitor and evaluate the site with the use of groundwater monitoring wells that are installed on the property. An environmental consultant samples these wells one or two times a year to determine the status of the contamination and the potential for remediation of the contamination by natural attenuation, the dissipation of the contamination over time to concentrations below applicable standards. If such sampling evidences a sufficient degree of and trend toward natural attenuation of the contamination, we may be able to obtain a closure letter from the regulatory authorities resolving the issue without the need for active remediation. If a sufficient degree and trend toward natural attenuation is not evidenced by sampling, a more active form of remediation beyond natural attenuation may be required. The sampling has not yet satisfied all of the requirements for closure by natural attenuation. As a result, sampling continues and the reserve remains at an amount to reflect the estimated cost of active remediation. The reserve is not measured on a discounted basis. We believe, based on findings-to-date and known environmental regulations, that the environmental reserve of \$1.4 million at July 1, 2012, is adequate.

At July 1, 2012, we had purchase commitments for zinc, aluminum, other purchased parts and natural gas totaling approximately \$10.3 million payable in 2013, \$9.8 million payable in 2014, \$6.5 million payable in 2015 and \$706,000 payable in 2016. Minimum rental commitments under all non-cancelable operating leases with a term in excess of one year are payable as follows: 2013-\$552,000; 2014-\$527,000; 2015-\$303,000. Rental expense under all non-cancelable operating leases totaled approximately \$723,000 in 2012, \$783,000 in 2011 and \$553,000 in 2010.

INCOME TAXES

The provision (benefit) for income taxes consists of the following (thousands of dollars):

	2012	2011	2010
Currently payable (refundable):			
Federal	\$2,116	\$1,181	\$(2,745)
State	219	167	230
Foreign	1,200	1,369	753
	<u>3,535</u>	<u>2,717</u>	<u>(1,762)</u>
Deferred tax provision (benefit)	54	(177)	3,428
	<u>\$3,589</u>	<u>\$2,540</u>	<u>\$1,666</u>

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The items accounting for the difference between income taxes computed at the Federal statutory tax rate and the provision for income taxes are as follows:

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
U.S. statutory rate	34.1%	34.0%	34.0%
State taxes, net of Federal tax benefit	(.1)	0.4	4.1
Foreign subsidiaries	(3.7)	(1.9)	(4.1)
Non-controlling interest	(7.3)	(7.2)	(3.5)
Valuation allowance	—	0.5	2.8
Other	<u>(0.3)</u>	<u>(0.7)</u>	<u>(3.6)</u>
	<u>22.7%</u>	<u>25.1%</u>	<u>29.7%</u>

The components of deferred tax assets and (liabilities) are as follows (thousands of dollars):

	<u>July 1, 2012</u>	<u>July 3, 2011</u>
Deferred income taxes-current:		
Repair and maintenance supply parts reserve	\$ 190	\$ 264
Payroll-related accruals	1,589	1,504
Environmental reserve	546	562
Inventory Reserve	437	401
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	190	152
Accrued Warranty	1,663	1,169
Method change for inventory valuation	—	(460)
Other	<u>781</u>	<u>588</u>
	5,396	4,180
Valuation allowance	<u>(177)</u>	<u>(154)</u>
	<u>\$ 5,219</u>	<u>\$ 4,026</u>
Deferred income taxes-noncurrent:		
Accrued pension obligations	\$ (9,482)	\$ (9,080)
Unrecognized pension and postretirement benefit plan liabilities	19,467	12,118
Accumulated depreciation	(3,023)	(1,968)
Stock-based compensation	842	693
Postretirement obligations	728	1,153
NOL/credit carry-forwards	153	216
Other	<u>1,057</u>	<u>562</u>
	9,742	3,694
Valuation allowance	<u>—</u>	<u>(55)</u>
	<u>\$ 9,742</u>	<u>\$ 3,639</u>

Deferred income tax balances reflect the effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities and their tax basis and are stated at enacted tax rates expected to be in effect when taxes are actually paid or recovered.

State operating loss and credit carry-forwards at July 1, 2012 result in future benefits of approximately \$196,000. These operating loss carry-forwards expire starting 2013 through 2024. A valuation allowance of \$177,000 has been recorded as of July 1, 2012 due to our assessment of the future realization of certain state operating loss carry-forwards and capital loss carry-forward benefits. Due to the change in certain state tax laws, existing state loss carry-forwards will not be able to be utilized after the date of the tax law change. We do not currently anticipate having sufficient future capital gains to offset the capital losses. We believe that it is more likely than not that the results of future operations will generate sufficient taxable income and foreign source income to realize the remaining deferred tax assets.

Foreign income before the provision for income taxes was \$5.3 million in 2012, \$3.6 million in 2011 and \$2.9 million in 2010. No provision for Federal income taxes was made on earnings of foreign subsidiaries and joint ventures that are considered permanently invested or that would be offset by foreign tax credits upon distribution. Such undistributed earnings at July 1, 2012 were approximately \$8.7 million.

The total liability for unrecognized tax benefits was \$1.7 million as of July 1, 2012 and July 3, 2011. This liability includes approximately \$1.5 million of unrecognized tax benefits at July 1, 2012 and \$1.5 million at July 3, 2011 and approximately \$187,000 of accrued interest at July 1, 2012 and \$151,000 at July 3, 2011. This liability does not include an amount for accrued penalties. The amount of unrecognized tax benefits that, if recognized, would affect the effective tax rate was approximately \$1.2 million at July 1, 2012 and \$1.1 million at July 3, 2011. We recognize interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits in the provision for income taxes.

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A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of unrecognized tax benefits is as follows for the years ended July 1, 2012 and July 3, 2011 (thousands of dollars):

	Year Ended	
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Unrecognized tax benefits, beginning of year	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,125
Gross increases—tax positions in prior years	—	26
Gross decreases—tax positions in prior years	(2)	—
Gross increases—current period tax positions	43	349
Tax Years Closed	—	—
Unrecognized tax benefits, end of year	<u>\$ 1,541</u>	<u>\$ 1,500</u>

We or one of our subsidiaries files income tax returns in the United States (Federal), Wisconsin (state), Michigan (state) and various other states, Mexico and other foreign jurisdictions. Tax years open to examination by tax authorities under the statute of limitations include fiscal 2006 through 2012 for Federal, fiscal 2008 through 2012 for most states and calendar 2007 through 2011 for foreign jurisdictions. It is reasonably possible that certain unrecognized tax benefits may either be settled with taxing authorities or the statutes of limitations for these unrecognized tax benefits may lapse within the next 12 months, causing our gross unrecognized tax benefits to decrease by a range of zero to \$616,000. Over the next 12 months, we anticipate taking uncertain tax positions on various tax returns for which the related tax benefit does not meet the recognition threshold. Accordingly, our gross unrecognized tax benefits may increase by a range of zero to \$350,000 over the next 12 months for uncertain tax positions expected to be taken in future tax filings.

RETIREMENT PLANS AND POSTRETIREMENT COSTS

We have a qualified, noncontributory defined benefit pension plan covering substantially all U.S. associates. Benefits are based on years of service and final average compensation. Our policy is to fund at least the minimum actuarially computed annual contribution required under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). Plan assets consist primarily of listed equity and fixed income securities. Effective January 1, 2010, an amendment to the qualified defined benefit pension plan discontinued the benefit accruals for salary increases and credited service rendered after December 31, 2009. As a result of this action, a curtailment loss related to unrecognized prior service cost of \$505,000 was recorded during 2010, of which approximately \$375,000 increased cost of goods sold and approximately \$130,000 increased engineering, selling and administrative expenses.

We have a noncontributory supplemental executive retirement plan (“SERP”), which is a nonqualified defined benefit plan. The SERP will pay supplemental pension benefits to certain key associates upon retirement based upon the associates’ years of service and compensation. The SERP is being funded through a Rabbi Trust with M&I Trust Company. The trust assets had a value of \$4.4 million at July 1, 2012 and \$4.3 million at July 3, 2011. The Rabbi Trust assets are included in other current assets in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. The projected benefit obligation was \$7.2 million at July 1, 2012 and \$4.7 million at July 3, 2011. The SERP liabilities are included in the pension tables below. However, the trust assets are excluded from the table as they do not qualify as plan assets.

We also sponsor a postretirement health care plan for all U.S. associates hired prior to June 1, 2001. The expected cost of retiree health care benefits is recognized during the years the associates who are covered under the plan render service. Effective January 1, 2010, an amendment to the postretirement health care plan limited the benefit for future eligible retirees to \$4,000 per plan year and is subject to a maximum five year coverage period based on the associate’s retirement date and age. The postretirement health care plan is unfunded.

Amounts included in accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax, at July 1, 2012, which have not yet been recognized in net periodic benefit cost are as follows (thousands of dollars):

	Pension and SERP Benefits	Postretirement Benefits
Prior service cost (credit)	\$ 44	\$ (3,136)
Net actuarial loss	30,132	4,722
	<u>\$ 30,176</u>	<u>\$ 1,586</u>

Included in accumulated other comprehensive loss at July 1, 2012 are prior service costs of \$12,000 (\$7,000 net of tax) and unrecognized net actuarial losses of \$4.5 million (\$2.8 million net of tax) which are expected to be recognized in pension and SERP net periodic benefit cost during fiscal 2013.

Included in accumulated other comprehensive loss at July 1, 2012 are prior service credits of \$764,000 (\$474,000 net of tax) and unrecognized net actuarial losses of \$898,000 (\$557,000 net of tax) which are expected to be recognized in postretirement net periodic benefit cost during fiscal 2013.

The following tables summarize the pension, SERP and postretirement plans’ income and expense, funded status and actuarial assumptions for the years indicated (thousands of dollars). We use a June 30 measurement date for our pension and postretirement plans.

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	Pension and SERP Benefits			Postretirement Benefits		
	2012	2011	2010	2012	2011	2010
COMPONENTS OF NET PERIODIC BENEFIT COST:						
Service cost	\$ 150	\$ 70	\$ 1,006	\$ 11	\$ 10	\$ 124
Interest cost	4,784	4,692	5,047	227	275	701
Expected return on plan assets	(6,411)	(6,445)	(6,351)	—	—	—
Amortization of prior service cost (credit)	12	12	45	(764)	(764)	(388)
Amortization of unrecognized net loss	2,414	2,504	727	673	645	685
Net periodic benefit cost	949	833	474	147	166	1,122
Curtailement loss	—	—	505	—	—	—
Net benefit cost	<u>\$ 949</u>	<u>\$ 833</u>	<u>\$ 979</u>	<u>\$ 147</u>	<u>\$ 166</u>	<u>\$ 1,122</u>

	Pension and SERP Benefits		Postretirement Benefits		
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011	
WEIGHTED-AVERAGE ASSUMPTIONS					
Benefit Obligations:					
Discount rate		4.56%	5.57%	4.56%	5.57%
Expected return on plan assets		7.5%	7.8%	n/a	n/a
Rate of compensation increases—SERP		3.0%	3.0%	n/a	n/a
Net Periodic Benefit Cost:					
Discount rate		5.57%	5.41%	5.57%	5.41%
Expected return on plan assets		7.8%	8.0%	n/a	n/a
Rate of compensation increases—SERP		3.0%	3.0%	n/a	n/a

	2012	2011	2012	2011
CHANGE IN PROJECTED BENEFIT OBLIGATION:				
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 89,609	\$ 90,402	\$ 4,586	\$ 5,642
Service cost	150	70	11	10
Interest cost	4,784	4,692	227	275
Actuarial loss (gain)	12,663	(1,829)	917	134
Benefits paid	(3,823)	(3,726)	(1,266)	(1,475)
Benefit obligation at end of year	<u>\$ 103,383</u>	<u>\$ 89,609</u>	<u>\$ 4,475</u>	<u>\$ 4,586</u>

CHANGE IN PLAN ASSETS:				
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	\$ 83,023	\$ 68,768	\$ —	\$ —
Actual return on plan assets	(1,683)	15,981	—	—
Employer contribution	2,000	2,000	1,266	1,475
Benefits paid	(3,823)	(3,726)	(1,266)	(1,475)
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	<u>79,517</u>	<u>83,023</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Funded status-accrued benefit obligations	<u>\$(23,866)</u>	<u>\$(6,586)</u>	<u>\$(4,475)</u>	<u>\$(4,586)</u>

AMOUNTS RECOGNIZED IN CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS:				
Accrued payroll and benefits (current liabilities)	\$ (5,664)	\$ (3,139)	\$ (1,010)	\$ (997)
Accrued benefit obligations (long-term liabilities)	(18,202)	(3,447)	(3,465)	(3,589)
Net amount recognized	<u>\$(23,866)</u>	<u>\$(6,586)</u>	<u>\$(4,475)</u>	<u>\$(4,586)</u>

CHANGES IN PLAN ASSETS AND BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS RECOGNIZED IN OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME:				
Net benefit cost	\$ 949	\$ 833	\$ 147	\$ 166
Net actuarial loss (gain)	20,756	(11,365)	917	134
Amortization of prior service (cost) credits	(12)	(12)	764	764
Amortization of unrecognized net loss	(2,414)	(2,504)	(673)	(645)
Total recognized in other comprehensive income, before tax	<u>18,330</u>	<u>(13,881)</u>	<u>1,008</u>	<u>253</u>
Total recognized in net periodic benefit cost and other comprehensive income	<u>\$ 19,279</u>	<u>\$ (13,048)</u>	<u>\$ 1,155</u>	<u>\$ 419</u>

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The pension benefits have a separately determined accumulated benefit obligation, which is the actuarial present value of benefits based on service rendered and current and past compensation levels. This differs from the projected benefit obligation in that it includes no assumptions about future compensation levels. The following table summarizes the accumulated benefit obligations and projected benefit obligations for the pension and SERP (thousands of dollars):

	Pension		SERP	
	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$96,167	\$ 84,902	\$ 6,629	\$ 4,158
Projected benefit obligation	\$96,167	\$ 84,902	\$ 7,216	\$ 4,707

For measurement purposes, an 8.5 percent annual rate increase in the per capita cost of covered health care benefits was assumed for fiscal 2013; the rate was assumed to decrease gradually to 5 percent by the year 2018 and remain at that level thereafter relating to retirees prior to January 1, 2010.

The health care cost trend assumption has a significant effect on the postretirement benefit amounts reported. A 1% change in the health care cost trend rates would have the following effects (thousands of dollars):

	1% Increase	1% Decrease
Effect on total of service and interest cost components in fiscal 2012	\$ 4	\$ (4)
Effect on postretirement benefit obligation as of July 1, 2012	\$ 85	\$ (83)

We employ a total return investment approach whereby a mix of equities and fixed income investments are used to maximize the long-term return of plan assets for a prudent level of risk. Risk tolerance is established through careful consideration of short and long-term plan liabilities, plan funded status and corporate financial condition. The investment portfolio primarily contains a diversified blend of equity and fixed income investments. Furthermore, equity investments are diversified across U.S. and non-U.S. stocks, as well as growth and value style managers, and small, mid and large market capitalizations. The investment portfolio does not include any real estate holdings, but has a small allocation to hedge funds. The investment policy of the plan prohibits investment in STRATTEC stock. Investment risk is measured and monitored on an ongoing basis through periodic investment portfolio reviews, annual liability measurements and periodic asset/liability studies. The pension plan weighted-average asset allocations by asset category are as follows:

	Target Allocation	July 1, 2012	July 3, 2011
Equity investments	70%	64%	70%
Fixed-income investments	30%	32%	26%
Other	— %	4%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%

The following is a summary, by asset category, of the fair value of pension plan assets at the June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011 measurement date (thousands of dollars):

Asset Category	June 30, 2012				June 30, 2011			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,411	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 3,411	\$ 630	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 630
Equity Securities/Funds:								
Small Cap	10,707	—	—	10,707	13,770	—	—	13,770
Mid Cap	8,404	—	—	8,404	9,139	—	—	9,139
Large Cap	17,872	—	—	17,872	19,234	—	—	19,234
International	13,650	—	—	13,650	15,398	—	—	15,398
Taxable/Fixed Income Bond Funds	22,313	—	—	22,313	21,157	—	—	21,157
Hedge Funds	—	—	3,160	3,160	—	—	3,695	3,695
Total	\$76,357	\$—	\$3,160	\$79,517	\$ 79,328	\$—	\$3,695	\$ 83,023

The following table summarizes the changes in Level 3 investments for the pension plan assets (thousands of dollars):

	Fair Value June 30, 2011	Net Purchases and Sales	Realized and Unrealized Gain (loss)	Fair Value June 30, 2012
Hedge Funds	\$ 3,695	\$ 0	\$ (535)	\$ 3,160

There were no transfers in or out of Level 3 investments during the year ended July 1, 2012.

The expected long-term rate of return on U.S. pension plan assets used to calculate the year-end 2012 projected benefit obligation was 7.5 percent. The target asset allocation is 70 percent public equity and 30 percent fixed income. The 7.5 percent is approximated by applying returns of 10 percent on public equity and 6 percent on fixed income to the target allocation. The actual historical returns are also relevant. Annualized returns for periods ended June 30, 2012 were 1.28 percent for 5 years, 6.16 percent for 10 years, 5.72 percent for 15 years, 7.68 percent for 20 years, 7.75 percent for 25 years and 10.31 percent for 30 years.

We expect to contribute approximately \$2 million to our qualified pension plan, \$5.7 million to our SERP and \$1 million to our postretirement health care plan in fiscal 2013. The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid (thousands of dollars):

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	Pension and SERP Benefits	Postretirement Benefits
2013	\$ 9,860	\$ 1,010
2014	\$ 5,055	\$ 930
2015	\$ 5,577	\$ 836
2016	\$ 5,311	\$ 702
2017	\$ 5,522	\$ 557
2018–2022	\$ 31,756	\$ 1,271

All U.S. associates may participate in our 401(k) Plan. As of January 1, 2010, we contribute 100 percent up to the first 5 percent of eligible compensation that a participant contributes to the plan. Prior to January 1, 2010, we contributed a fixed percentage up to the first 6 percent of eligible compensation that a participant contributed to the plan. Prior to January 1, 2010, the fixed percentage contribution for all U.S. bargaining unit associates was 50 percent. The fixed percentage contribution for all U.S. salaried associates was 50 percent prior to January 1, 2009 and 20 percent from January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. Our contributions totaled approximately \$1.4 million in 2012, \$1.3 million in 2011 and \$743,000 in 2010.

SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

We have 12,000,000 shares of authorized common stock, par value \$.01 per share, with 3,303,784 and 3,289,478 shares outstanding at July 1, 2012 and July 3, 2011, respectively. Holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote for each share on all matters voted on by shareholders.

Our Board of Directors authorized a stock repurchase program to buy back up to 3,839,395 outstanding shares as of July 1, 2012. As of July 1, 2012, 3,655,322 shares have been repurchased under this program at a cost of approximately \$136.4 million.

EARNINGS PER SHARE ("EPS")

Basic earnings per share is computed on the basis of the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share is computed on the basis of the weighted average number of shares of common stock plus the potential dilutive common shares outstanding during the period using the treasury stock method. Potential dilutive common shares include outstanding stock options and restricted stock awards. A reconciliation of the components of the basic and diluted per share computations follows (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	2012			2011			2010		
	Net Income	Shares	Per Share Amount	Net Income	Shares	Per Share Amount	Net Income	Shares	Per Share Amount
Basic EPS	\$8,793	3,300	\$ 2.66	\$5,418	3,285	\$ 1.65	\$3,421	3,271	\$ 1.05
Stock-based compensation		30			38			9	
Diluted EPS	\$8,793	3,330	\$ 2.64	\$5,418	3,323	\$ 1.63	\$3,421	3,280	\$ 1.04

As of July 1, 2012, options to purchase 248,000 shares of common stock at a weighted-average exercise price of \$33.75 were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive. As of July 3, 2011, options to purchase 142,000 shares of common stock at a weighted-average exercise price of \$43.57 were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive. As of June 27, 2010, options to purchase 207,650 shares of common stock at a weighted-average exercise price of \$42.17 were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive.

Net earnings available to participating securities were not significant in any of the years presented. We consider restricted stock that provides the holder with a non-forfeitable right to receive dividends to be a participating security.

STOCK OPTION AND PURCHASE PLANS

A summary of stock option activity under our stock incentive plan is as follows:

	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (in years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in thousands)
Balance at June 28, 2009	227,240	\$ 38.07		
Granted	80,000	\$ 17.73		
Exercised	(2,400)	\$ 10.92		
Expired	(2,790)	\$ 61.22		
Terminated	(4,400)	\$ 10.92		
Balance at June 27, 2010	297,650	\$ 33.01		
Granted	40,000	\$ 22.47		
Exercised	(2,600)	\$ 10.92		
Expired	(37,650)	\$ 60.36		
Terminated	—	\$ —		
Balance at July 3, 2011	297,400	\$ 28.32		
Granted	40,000	\$ 26.53		

Exercised	(2,600)	\$ 10.92		
Expired	(2,000)	\$ 37.58		
Terminated	—	—		
Balance at July 1, 2012	<u>332,800</u>	\$ 28.19	5.4	\$ 1,038
Exercisable as of:				
July 1, 2012	192,700	\$ 33.69	4.5	\$ 702
July 3, 2011	155,800	\$ 38.37	4.8	\$ 479
June 27, 2010	149,350	\$ 50.92	3.4	\$ 212
Available for grant as of July 1, 2012	170,743			

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Options granted at a price greater than the market value on the date of grant included in the table above totaled 40,000 at an exercise price of \$26.53 in 2012 and 40,000 at an exercise price of \$22.47 in 2011. No options included above were granted at a price greater than the market value on the date of grant during 2010.

A summary of restricted stock activity under our stock incentive plan is as follows:

	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Nonvested Balance at June 28, 2009	28,200	\$ 38.64
Granted	10,000	\$ 14.75
Vested	(9,000)	\$ 40.00
Forfeited	(1,700)	\$ 32.28
Nonvested Balance at June 27, 2010	27,500	\$ 29.90
Granted	20,000	\$ 20.66
Vested	(8,600)	\$ 47.78
Forfeited	—	—
Nonvested Balance at July 3, 2011	38,900	\$ 21.19
Granted	20,000	\$ 23.01
Vested	(9,300)	\$ 29.00
Forfeited	(200)	\$ 23.01
Nonvested Balance at July 1, 2012	49,400	\$ 20.45

We have an Employee Stock Purchase Plan to provide substantially all U.S. full-time associates an opportunity to purchase shares of STRATTEC common stock through payroll deductions. A participant may contribute a maximum of \$5,200 per calendar year to the plan. On the last day of each month, participant account balances are used to purchase shares of our common stock at the average of the highest and lowest reported sales prices of a share of STRATTEC common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market. A total of 100,000 shares may be issued under the plan. Shares issued from treasury stock under the plan totaled 2,406 at an average price of \$22.17 during 2012, 2,323 at an average price of \$26.78 during 2011 and 2,587 at an average price of \$17.01 during 2010. A total of 73,351 shares are available for purchase under the plan as of July 1, 2012.

EXPORT SALES

Export sales are summarized below (thousands of dollars):

	2012	2011	2010
Export Sales	\$ 102,022	\$ 103,232	\$ 79,144
Percent of Net Sales	37%	40%	38%

These sales were primarily to automotive manufacturing assembly plants in Canada, China, Mexico and Korea.

SALES AND RECEIVABLE CONCENTRATION

Sales to our largest customers were as follows (thousands of dollars and percent of total net sales):

	2012		2011		2010	
	Sales	%	Sales	%	Sales	%
General Motors Company	\$ 64,588	23%	\$ 63,617	24%	\$ 51,673	25%
Ford Motor Company	33,854	12%	26,930	10%	18,435	9%
Chrysler Group LLC	90,796	33%	80,889	31%	68,216	33%
	<u>\$ 189,238</u>	68%	<u>\$ 171,436</u>	66%	<u>\$ 138,324</u>	67%

Receivables from our largest customers were as follows (thousands of dollars and percent of gross receivables):

	July 1, 2012		July 3, 2011	
	Receivables	%	Receivables	%
General Motors Company	\$ 10,230	23%	\$ 9,208	23%
Ford Motor Company	5,738	13%	4,372	11%
Chrysler Group LLC	14,157	31%	12,103	30%
	<u>\$ 30,125</u>	67%	<u>\$ 25,683</u>	64%

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REPORT ON MANAGEMENT'S ASSESSMENT OF INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION is responsible for the preparation, integrity, and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements included in this annual report. The consolidated financial statements and notes included in this annual report have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and necessarily include some amounts that are based on management's best estimates and judgments.

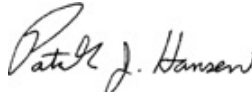
We, as management of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION, are responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting that is designed to produce reliable financial statements in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles. The system of internal control over financial reporting as it relates to the financial statements is evaluated for effectiveness by management and tested for reliability through a program of internal audits. Actions are taken to correct potential deficiencies as they are identified. Any system of internal control, no matter how well designed, has inherent limitations, including the possibility that a control can be circumvented or overridden and misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, because of changes in conditions, internal control effectiveness may vary over time. Accordingly, even an effective system of internal control will provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation.

The Audit Committee of the Company's Board of Directors, consisting entirely of independent directors, meets regularly with management and the independent registered public accounting firm, and reviews audit plans and results, as well as management's actions taken in discharging responsibilities for accounting, financial reporting, and internal control. Deloitte & Touche LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, has direct and confidential access to the Audit Committee at all times to discuss the results of their examinations.

Management assessed the Corporation's system of internal control over financial reporting as of July 1, 2012, in relation to criteria for effective internal control over financial reporting as described in "Internal Control – Integrated Framework," issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on the assessment, management concludes that, as of July 1, 2012, its system of internal control over financial reporting is effective and meets the criteria of the "Internal Control – Integrated Framework". Deloitte & Touche LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, has issued an attestation report on the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting, which is included herein.



Frank J. Krejci
President and
Chief Executive Officer



Patrick J. Hansen
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer



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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION:

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION and subsidiaries (the “Company”) as of July 1, 2012, based on criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. The Company’s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Report on Management’s Assessment of Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company’s internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company’s internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the company’s principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the company’s board of directors, management, and other personnel 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. A company’s internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company’s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of July 1, 2012, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended July 1, 2012 of the Company and our report dated September 6, 2012 expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements.

Deloitte & Touche LLP

Deloitte & Touche LLP
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
September 6, 2012

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of July 1, 2012 and July 3, 2011, and the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income, shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended July 1, 2012. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION and subsidiaries as of July 1, 2012 and July 3, 2011, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the three years in the period ended July 1, 2012, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of July 1, 2012, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated September 6, 2012 expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Deloitte & Touche LLP

Deloitte & Touche LLP
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
September 6, 2012

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The financial data for each period presented below reflects the consolidated results of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION and its wholly owned subsidiaries. Fiscal years 2008 and 2009 have been retrospectively adjusted for the adoption of a new accounting standard issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) related to non-controlling interests in consolidated financial statements. Fiscal year 2008 has been retrospectively adjusted for our change in 2009 from the last-in, first-out method of inventory accounting to the first-in, first-out method. The information below should be read in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis," and the Financial Statements and Notes thereto included elsewhere herein. The following data are in thousands of dollars except per share amounts.

	Fiscal Years				
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
INCOME STATEMENT DATA					
Net sales	\$ 279,234	\$ 260,933	\$ 207,964	\$ 126,097	\$ 159,642
Gross profit	50,263	42,163	33,042	13,240	24,767
Engineering, selling, and administrative expenses	33,804	33,443	29,939	25,480	23,962
Impairment charge	—	—	223	—	—
Environmental reserve adjustment	—	—	(1,125)	—	—
Provision for (recovery of) doubtful accounts	116	—	(421)	500	—
Income (loss) from operations	16,343	8,720	4,426	(12,740)	805
Interest income	69	119	86	731	2,749
Equity (loss) earnings of joint ventures	(1,071)	1,246	1,008	245	561
Interest expense—related parties	(81)	(175)	(225)	(164)	(31)
Other income (expense), net	582	220	312	804	(300)
Income (loss) before taxes and non-controlling interest	15,842	10,130	5,607	(11,124)	3,784
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	3,589	2,540	1,666	(4,222)	977
Net income (loss)	12,253	7,590	3,941	(6,902)	2,807
Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest	3,460	2,172	520	(780)	26
Net income (loss) attributable to STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION	\$ 8,793	\$ 5,418	\$ 3,421	\$ (6,122)	\$ 2,781
Earnings (Loss) per share:					
Basic	\$ 2.66	\$ 1.65	\$ 1.05	\$ (1.87)	\$ 0.80
Diluted	\$ 2.64	\$ 1.63	\$ 1.04	\$ (1.86)	\$ 0.80
Cash dividends declared per share:	\$ 0.40	\$ 1.20	\$ —	\$ 0.30	\$ 1.60
BALANCE SHEET DATA					
Net working capital	\$ 44,318	\$ 43,414	\$ 43,777	\$ 41,710	\$ 72,835
Total assets	\$ 166,038	\$ 148,088	\$ 145,002	\$ 128,189	\$ 144,221
Long-term liabilities	\$ 21,667	\$ 7,036	\$ 22,982	\$ 24,784	\$ 12,389
Total STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION					
Shareholders' equity	\$ 80,552	\$ 86,215	\$ 74,126	\$ 71,418	\$ 97,940

FINANCIAL SUMMARY / PERFORMANCE GRAPH

QUARTERLY FINANCIAL DATA (UNAUDITED)

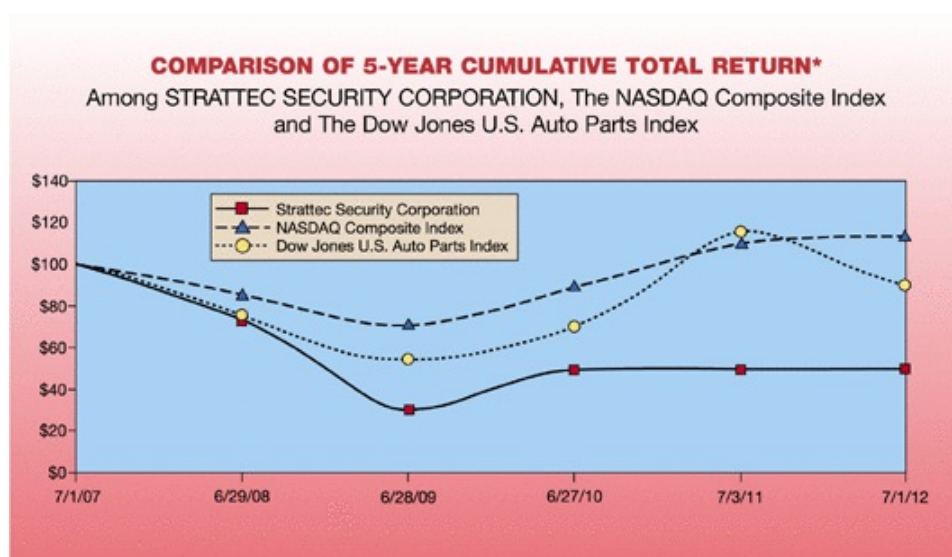
The following data are in thousands of dollars except per share amounts.

	Quarter	Net Sales	Gross Profit	Net Income Attributable to STRATTEC	Earnings Per Share		Cash Dividends Declared Per Share	Market Price Per Share	
					Basic	Diluted		High	Low
2012	First	\$ 66,377	\$ 11,504	\$ 1,282	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.10	\$ 27.37	\$ 20.69
	Second	65,886	11,240	1,548	0.47	0.47	0.10	\$ 25.71	\$ 19.18
	Third	70,608	13,052	2,728	0.83	0.82	0.10	\$ 24.73	\$ 18.87
	Fourth	76,363	14,467	3,235	0.98	0.97	0.10	\$ 23.24	\$ 19.40
	TOTAL	\$279,234	\$ 50,263	\$ 8,793	\$2.66	\$2.64	\$ 0.40		
2011	First	\$ 59,849	\$ 10,153	\$ 1,418	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.43	\$ 1.20	\$ 24.56	\$ 17.94
	Second	61,212	9,973	1,247	0.38	0.37	—	\$ 35.50	\$ 24.46
	Third	65,650	9,119	55	0.02	0.02	—	\$ 38.07	\$ 27.12
	Fourth	74,222	12,918	2,698	0.82	0.81	—	\$ 33.90	\$ 20.01
	TOTAL	\$260,933	\$ 42,163	\$ 5,418	\$1.65	\$1.63	\$ 1.20		

Registered shareholders of record at July 1, 2012, were 2,006.

PERFORMANCE GRAPH

The chart below shows a comparison of the cumulative return since July 1, 2007 had \$100 been invested at the close of business on July 1, 2007 in STRATTEC Common Stock, the NASDAQ Composite Index (all issuers), and the Dow Jones U.S. Auto Parts Index.



	7/1/07	6/29/08	6/28/09	6/27/10	7/3/11	7/1/12
STRATTEC	100	74	31	49	49	50
NASDAQ Composite Index	100	85	73	83	110	115
Dow Jones U.S. Auto Parts Index	100	74	54	70	117	90

* \$100 invested on July 1, 2007 in stock or index-including reinvestment of dividends. Indexes calculated on a month-end basis.

** The fiscal year end closing price of STRATTEC Common Stock on June 29, 2007 was \$46.97, the closing price on June 27, 2008 was \$34.99, the closing price on June 26, 2009 was \$13.90, the closing price on June 25, 2010 was \$22.01, the closing price on July 3, 2011 was \$21.13 and the closing price on July 1, 2012 was \$21.04.

DIRECTORS / OFFICERS SHAREHOLDERS' INFORMATION

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STRATTEC Board of Directors:

(Left to Right) Frank J. Krejci, Michael J. Koss,
Robert Feitler, Harold M. Stratton II, David R. Zimmer



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SHAREHOLDERS' INFORMATION

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders will
convene at 8:00 a.m. (CDT)
on October 9, 2012, at the
Radisson Hotel,
7065 North Port Washington Road,
Milwaukee, WI 53217

Common Stock

STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION
common stock is traded on the NASDAQ
Global Market under the symbol: STRT.

Form 10-K

You may receive a copy of the
STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION
Form 10-K, filed with the Securities and
Exchange Commission, by writing to the
Secretary at STRATTEC SECURITY
CORPORATION, 3333 W. Good Hope
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Corporate Governance

To review the Company's corporate
governance, board committee charters
and code of business ethics, please visit
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our Web site at www.strattec.com.

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CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in Registration Statement Nos. 333-103219, 333-31002, 333-45221, 333-4300, and 333-140715 on Form S-8 of our reports dated September 6, 2012, relating to the consolidated financial statements of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION, and the effectiveness of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION's internal control over financial reporting, appearing in this Annual Report on Form 10-K of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION for the year ended July 1, 2012.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Milwaukee, Wisconsin
September 6, 2012

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Frank J. Krejci, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer 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 registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: September 6, 2012

/s/ Frank J. Krejci

Frank J. Krejci
Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Patrick J. Hansen, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer 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 registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: September 6, 2012

/s/ Patrick J. Hansen

Patrick J. Hansen,
Chief Financial Officer

**Certification of Periodic Financial Report
Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, each of the undersigned officers of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION (the "Company") certifies that the Annual Report on Form 10-K of the Company for the year ended July 1, 2012 fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and information contained in that Form 10-K fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: September 6, 2012

/s/ Frank J. Krejci
Frank J. Krejci,
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: September 6, 2012

/s/ Patrick J. Hansen
Patrick J. Hansen,
Chief Financial Officer

This certification is made solely for purpose of 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, subject to the knowledge standard contained therein, and not for any other purpose.

