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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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**FORM 10-K**

(Mark One)

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

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007

OR

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

For the transition period from to

Commission File Number: 001-16159

**WATSON WYATT WORLDWIDE, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**52-2211537**

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

**901 N. Glebe Road**

**Arlington, VA 22203**

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**(703) 258-8000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Title of each class  
Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value

Name of each exchange  
on which registered  
New York Stock Exchange

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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 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 registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated Filer  Non-accelerated Filer

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 registrant's voting and non-voting common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was approximately \$1,912,392,860 based on the closing price as of the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter, December 29, 2006.

**Documents Incorporated by Reference**

Portions of the Definitive Proxy Statement for the 2007 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on or about November 16, 2007 are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Form 10-K.

As of July 31, 2007 there were outstanding 42,224,619 shares of common stock par value \$0.01 per share.

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**PART I**

**Item 1. Business.**

*The Company*

Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc. (referred herein as *Watson Wyatt*, *company*, *us*, *we*, or *Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings*) is a global consulting firm focusing on providing human capital and financial management consulting services. Including predecessors, we have been in business since 1946. The Wyatt Company was incorporated in Delaware on February 17, 1958. We conducted business as The Wyatt Company from 1958 until changing our name to Watson Wyatt & Company in connection with the establishment of the Watson Wyatt Worldwide alliance in 1995 with R. Watson & Sons (referred herein as *Watson Wyatt LLP* or *WWLLP*), a leading United Kingdom-based actuarial, benefits and human resources consulting partnership founded in 1878. In 2000, we incorporated Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings to serve as a holding company with our operations conducted by our subsidiaries. To better serve the increasingly global needs of clients, on July 31, 2005 we acquired substantially all of the assets and assumed most liabilities of WWLLP (the *WWLLP business combination*). The company's name was changed to Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc. on January 1, 2006, to reflect the company's global capabilities and identity in the marketplace.

We help our clients enhance business performance by improving their ability to attract, retain, and motivate qualified employees. We focus on delivering consulting services that help our clients anticipate, identify, and capitalize on emerging opportunities in human capital management. We also provide independent financial advice regarding all aspects of life assurance and general insurance, as well as investment advice to assist our clients in developing disciplined and efficient investment strategies to meet their investment goals. Our target market clients include those companies in the *FORTUNE* 1000, Pension & Investments (P&I) 1000, FTSE 100, and equivalent organizations in markets around the world. As of June 30, 2007, we implemented this strategy through approximately 6,600 associates in 96 offices located in 30 countries.

*Business Acquisitions*

*Watson Wyatt Netherlands*

On February 1, 2007, the company acquired the net assets of Watson Wyatt Brans & Co. (*Watson Wyatt Netherlands* or *WWN*), its long-time alliance partner in the Netherlands. As of the date of the acquisition, WWN employed approximately 180 associates in five offices throughout the Netherlands. Revenues generated in calendar year 2006 were approximately \$37 million (*28 million*). WWN was established in 1945 as an actuarial firm and has extended its services from retirement consulting to incorporate legal aspects of employee benefits and investment consulting to a wide range of clients. The company and WWN had jointly offered services since 1999 pursuant to alliance agreements and as a result, have business segments that are very similar in nature. For more information regarding this business acquisition, see Note 2 of Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 15 of this report.

**Watson Wyatt LLP**

On July 31, 2005, the company consummated the WWLLP business combination. The company and WWLLP had jointly offered services since 1995 pursuant to alliance agreements and as a result, have business segments that are very similar in nature. The assets acquired from WWLLP are held by the company's principal U.K. subsidiary, Watson Wyatt Limited ( "Watson Wyatt Limited" or the "European business" ). Watson Wyatt Limited's results of operations are included in the consolidated financial statements beginning August 1, 2005. Subsequent to the WWLLP business combination, the successor entity to WWLLP, Ringley House LLP ( "Ringley House" ) maintains minimal business operations and assets. For more information regarding the WWLLP business combination and the accounting for the company's share of WWLLP and Watson Wyatt Holdings (Europe) Limited ( "WWHE" ) prior to the WWLLP business combination, see Note 2 and Note 4, respectively, of Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 15 of this report.

**Dr. Dr. Heissmann GmbH**

Subsequent to year end, on July 20, 2007, the company acquired the outstanding stock of Dr. Dr. Heissmann GmbH ( "Heissmann" ) for \$99 million in cash. Heissmann is a leading actuarial, benefits, and human resources consulting firm based in Germany with subsidiaries in Ireland, Netherlands, Austria, and France. As of the date of the acquisition, Heissmann employed approximately 360 associates. Annual revenue, including subsidiaries, was approximately \$70 million ( \$52 million ) for their fiscal year ended March 31, 2007.

**WisdomNet**

Subsequent to year end, on July 2, 2007, the company acquired the net assets of WisdomNet for \$6.9 million in cash and stock, including the payoff of \$0.2 million of debt. WisdomNet is a Denver-based talent management solution and consulting firm that was founded in 2001. WisdomNet offers a proprietary line of business software products, including an end-to-end solution for managing organizations' talent management processes. As of the date of the acquisition, WisdomNet employed 15 associates.

**Access to Public Filings, Code of Business Conduct and Ethics and Board Committee Charters**

Our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those reports are available, without charge, on our web site ([www.watsonwyatt.com](http://www.watsonwyatt.com)) or the SEC web site ([www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov)), as soon as reasonably practicable after they are filed electronically with the SEC. We have also adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics applicable to all associates, senior financial employees, the principal executive officer, other officers and members of senior management. The company also has a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics that applies to all of the company's directors. Both codes are posted on our website. Watson Wyatt's Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Nominating and Governance Committee all operate pursuant to written charters adopted by the company's board of directors. The company has also adopted a set of Corporate Governance Guidelines, copies of which are available on the company's website. Copies of all these documents are also available, without charge, from our Investor Relations Department, located in our corporate headquarters at 901 N. Glebe Road, Arlington, VA 22203.

### ***Certifications***

In December 2006, the company submitted to the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) the required annual certification that our chief executive officer is unaware of any violation by Watson Wyatt of the NYSE corporate governance standards under section 303A.12(a) of the NYSE listed company manual. The company also filed with the SEC the CEO and CFO certifications required under section 302 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 as an exhibit to this Form 10-K.

### ***Business Overview***

As leading economies worldwide become more services-oriented, human capital and financial management have become increasingly important to companies and other organizations. The heightened competition for skilled employees, unprecedented changes in workforce demographics, regulatory changes related to compensation and retiree benefits and rising employee-related costs have increased the importance of effective human capital management. Insurance and investment decisions become increasingly complex and important in the face of changing economies and dynamic financial markets. We help our clients address these issues by combining our expertise in human capital and financial management with consulting and technology, to improve the design and implementation of various human resources and financial programs, including compensation, retirement, health care, insurance, and investment plans.

We design, develop, and implement human resource strategies and risk management strategies and programs through the following closely-interrelated practice areas:

#### **Benefits Group**

- Design and management of benefit programs
- Actuarial services including development of funding and risk management strategies
- Expatriate and international human resource strategies
- Mergers and acquisitions
- Strategic workforce planning
- Compliance and governance

#### **Technology and Administration Solutions Group**

- Web-based applications for health and welfare, pension and compensation administration
- Administration outsourcing solutions for health and welfare and pension benefits
- Call center strategy, design and tools
- Strategic human resources technology and service delivery consulting
- Targeted online compensation and benefits statements, content management and call center case management solutions

**Human Capital Group**

- Advice concerning compensation plans, including broad-based and executive compensation, stock and other long-term incentive programs
- Strategies to align workforce performance with business objectives
- Organization effectiveness consulting, including talent management
- Strategies for attracting, retaining and motivating employees
- Data services

**Investment Consulting Group**

- Investment consulting services to pension plans and other institutional funds
- Input on governance and regulatory issues
- Analysis of asset allocation and investment strategies
- Investment structure analysis, selection and evaluation of managers and performance monitoring

**Insurance & Financial Services Group**

- Independent actuarial and strategic advice
- Assessment and advice regarding financial condition and risk management
- Financial modeling software tools for product design and pricing, planning and projections, reporting, valuations and risk management

While we focus our consulting services in the areas described above, management believes that one of our primary strengths is our ability to draw upon consultants from our different practices to deliver integrated services to meet the needs of our clients. This capability includes communication and change management implementation support services.

***Competitive Advantage***

We believe that our competitive advantages include our global reach, strong client relationships, the depth of our professional and technical associates, our thought leadership and our experienced management team.

We have long-lasting relationships with our clients, many of which have been clients for decades, for whom our services have grown over time. Expanding our relationships with existing clients and identifying new prospects are key to our growth strategy.

We also believe that we are at the forefront of many issues affecting human capital through our research, surveys and participation in policy-making. Our thought leaders are often called upon by the media and government to express opinions on issues affecting health care benefits, retirement plan design and executive compensation.

We believe our senior management team is strong, with an average tenure of 17 years with the company and a reputation for transparency and accountability. We consider this group to be a major asset to the company.





## Human Resources Consulting Industry

The growing demand for employee benefits and human capital consulting services is directly related to the increasing size and complexity of today's human resources programs and the societal forces that are stimulating their rapid change. In the United States alone, employers spent \$7.0 trillion in 2005 in direct support of human capital programs, such as compensation and benefits. In 2005, U.S. employers contributed nearly \$346 billion to pension and profit-sharing plans, and \$515 billion to group health insurance programs, while the assets of employer-sponsored defined benefit and defined contribution plans here in the United States were \$5.02 trillion at the end of 2005 and private holdings in individual retirement accounts were another \$3.67 trillion, most of which originated in an employer-sponsored retirement plan.

Employers, regardless of geography or industry, are facing challenges involving the management of their people. Changing technology, shifting economic conditions, critical skill shortages and an aging population in many developed countries have increased competition for talented employees. At the same time, employees' expectations relating to compensation, benefits and other human resource services are growing. To remain competitive, employers must address these challenges effectively.

## Consulting Services

Our global operations include five segments: Benefits, Technology and Administration Solutions, Human Capital, Investment Consulting and Insurance and Financial Services. The percentages of revenues generated in the various groups are as follows:

|   | 2007 | 2006  | 2005  |   |
|---|------|-------|-------|---|
| Benefits Group                                | 59   | % 61  | % 71  | % |
| Technology and Administration Solutions Group | 12   | 12    | 10    |   |
| Human Capital Group                           | 12   | 12    | 14    |   |
| Investment Consulting Group                   | 9    | 7     | 5     |   |
| Insurance & Financial Services Group          | 8    | 8     |       |   |
| Total Segment Revenues                        | 100  | % 100 | % 100 | % |

For more information about our operating segments, see Note 13 of Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 15 of this report.

### *Benefits Group*

The Benefits Group—our largest and most established practice with 2,900 associates—consists primarily of consulting practices in retirement, group and health care and international. It is our largest and most established practice. It grew dramatically as a result of our business combinations, as well as through strong organic growth. This group assists clients in creating cost-effective benefits programs that help our clients attract, retain and motivate a talented workforce. Our Benefits Group accounted for approximately 59 percent of our total segment revenues for the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2007.

### *Retirement Consulting*

We are one of the world's largest advisers on retirement plans, providing actuarial and consulting services for large defined benefit and defined contribution plans including funding and risk management strategies. We also help our clients assess the effect changing workforce demographics have on their retirement plans, cash flow requirements and retiree benefit adequacy and security.

Our consultants are the named actuaries and provide actuarial services to many of the world's largest retirement plan sponsors. We provide actuarial services to the three largest corporate pension plans in the United States and are adviser to 48 of the 100 largest pension funds in the United Kingdom. As a result of the acquisitions with Watson Wyatt Netherlands and Heissmann, we now are market leaders in both Germany and the Netherlands.

We offer clients a full range of integrated and innovative retirement consulting services to meet the needs of all types of employers including those that continue to offer defined benefit plans and those that are re-examining their retirement benefits strategies. For those clients who want to outsource some or all of their pension plan management, we offer integrated solutions that combine investment consulting, pension administration, core actuarial services and communication assistance.

Our retirement consulting services include:

- Actuarial services
- Analysis and recommendations on funding strategy
- Development of risk mitigation plans
- Strategic plan design
- Administrative services
- Workforce diagnostics and analysis
- Defined contribution services including non-discrimination testing and vendor selection
- Financial reporting
- Stock option and share plan financial accounting
- Executive retirement benefits and assistance with new U.S. proxy disclosures
- Retiree healthcare design and valuation
- Assistance with changes relating to mergers, acquisitions and divestitures
- Development of compliance and governance strategies

Our retirement consulting services are supported by a strong focus on research and advocacy for sound public policy. We are leaders in the development and support of hybrid pension designs like cash balance plans in the U.S. which are widely seen as the future of the defined benefit system. Our recently published paper, *Pension Aspirations and Realizations: A Perspective on Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow*, includes in depth analyses on the forces affecting pension plans, how prepared employees are for retirement and a look at alternative pension plan designs.

Much of our recent consulting with clients relates to various regulatory changes (global accounting reform, U.S. and European pension funding legislation and new rules on deferred compensation design) and a broad based desire on the part of many employers to revisit their retirement design approach. We use unique data and analyses to provide perspective on the overall environment and to help our clients with their design decisions. For example, our recent survey of 300 large U.S. companies provides a unique view into design decisions (both defined benefit and defined contribution) companies made in the past and what companies are likely to do in the future. We have also tracked the retirement designs of the largest U.S. public companies over many years, so clients can better understand the true magnitude of the movement from defined benefit to defined contribution designs.



To further enhance our retirement consulting services, we dedicate significant resources to technology systems and tools to ensure the consistency and efficiency of service delivery in all our offices worldwide. We also maintain extensive proprietary databases such as Watson Wyatt COMPARISON™, that enable our clients to track and benchmark benefit plan provisions. Our tools and technology solutions include:

- **PensionPath®** In partnership with our Technology and Administration Solutions Group, we deliver this full-featured, web-based solution designed to meet the pension administration needs of companies of all sizes
- **Retirement Management Online** A web portal that links clients to a suite of Watson Wyatt tools, research and data
- **FASTool** An interactive tool that allows the immediate comparison of income statement and balance sheet information and assumptions related to pension, stock option, and retiree medical plans for large publicly traded U.S. companies
- **Quick Peek® Online** A web-enabled tool that allows pension plan sponsors to quickly and easily model a variety of financial and business situations, and project retirement plan contributions, funded status and expense
- **DesignIT** A modeling tool for our European clients that provides comparisons between a selection of alternative pension designs
- **Liability Watch** Enables our European clients to keep daily track of their funding position

#### *Group and Health Care Consulting*

We advise clients on the strategy, design, financing, delivery, communication, and ongoing planning and management of all health and welfare programs. Clients seek our evidence-based, practical solutions to improve employee health, satisfaction and productivity while minimizing costs. We work closely with our clients matching their resources and capabilities with our methodologies, technology, and total compensation and benefits perspective.

Globally, many health care systems are strained by shrinking resources and increasing demand due to population aging and changes in workers health status. Our group and health care consulting services help clients provide health and welfare benefits to attract and retain qualified workers and enhance the health and productivity of their workforce.

In the United States, new approaches to providing health care benefits for workers and retirees are engaging patients as consumers of health care and not just passive recipients. These methods encourage employees to participate more actively in health care buying decisions by putting workers in charge of spending their own health care dollars and by providing them with the tools and information necessary to make wiser health purchasing decisions. One of these tools is BenefitConnect™ a customizable, web-based application that combines self-service employee tools with administrative and call center components to facilitate the administration and management of health and welfare benefits.

Our approach to group and health care consulting emphasizes appropriate financial incentives, health and productivity, provider quality and effective communication. Our global services include:

- Strategic plan design of health and welfare, paid time off and flexible benefit plans
- Retiree health programs
- Health and productivity management, including onsite clinics
- Health and welfare technology solutions
- Total program management
- Vendor negotiations and performance management
- Measurement of program effectiveness
- Assistance with plan changes relating to mergers, acquisitions and divestitures

#### *International Consulting*

To support the challenges of operating in the global marketplace, Watson Wyatt provides expertise in dealing with international human resources and related finance issues for corporate headquarters and their overseas subsidiaries.

Through our global specialists and in cooperation with our local offices worldwide, we help multinational companies:

- Resolve people issues in mergers and acquisitions
- Ensure the compliance and competitiveness of human capital practices at all stages of the offshoring lifecycle or expansion process
- Help manage financial exposures and investment risks in benefit plans and determine pension funding
- Reward, motivate and develop employees effectively, regardless of location
- Develop an international transfer policy that meets the organization's current and projected mobility needs

We offer several tools and research resources to help deliver these services, including:

- **BenTrack** – a powerful web-based tool that helps multinational organizations manage their benefits and compensation programs across multiple territories - at any time, from any location.
- **FAStrack** – To facilitate global coordination for the FAS87, FAS106 and FAS132R requirements, Watson Wyatt has developed FAStrack Global, a web-based program designed for local plan actuaries to enter FAS results by business unit, plan and/or country.
- **Multinational Pension Governance Survey Report** – an in-depth look at how multinational companies govern their global pension plans, how their investment and funding decisions are made, and the extent of involvement in both the strategy and the execution by head offices relative to local management

- Global Survey of Accounting Assumptions for Defined Benefit Plans an annual survey of the accounting assumptions applied by major corporations for their defined benefit plans around the world.

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*Technology and Administration Solutions (TAS) Group*

Watson Wyatt's Technology and Administration Solutions Group helps organizations optimize the delivery of their human resources and benefit services. We do this through a unique blend of domain expertise and experience in human resources and benefits, strong process capability and a range of enabling technology applications. We understand the importance of being able both to provide advice on the appropriate solutions to meet human resource needs and to implement and deliver those solutions on an ongoing basis, whether through outsourced services, in-house capabilities or a combination of the two.

Our Technology and Administration Solutions Group of 735 associates provides consulting, administration, outsourcing and technology services across human resources, but focusing in particular on:

*Retirement Administration*

We provide retirement administration solutions in a number of geographic areas, tailored to the needs of each local market. For example:

- In the United States, our technology solution PensionPath® includes case management and administration tools to assist plan sponsors in managing the entire life cycle of pension administration, from new hire to retirement, and employee self-service tools that enhance workers' understanding of their retirement benefits' future value. PensionPath is available whether or not Watson Wyatt provides outsourcing services.
- In the United Kingdom, we are among the UK leaders in retirement administration outsourcing services to the private sector, using highly automated processes and modern transactional web technology to enable members to access their records and improve their understanding of their benefits. Our technology also provides trustees and human resources with timely management information and the means to monitor activity levels and reduce administration costs.
- In markets where defined contribution arrangements are more complex than 401(k)-style defined contribution plans, we have deployed sophisticated defined contribution technology, processes and controls. Our defined contribution administration model in Germany and the United Kingdom leverages web technology and provides clients with back office reconciliation and investment manager interaction expertise, while offering the option to flex the front-office operations to be as comprehensive as required. Participants can access static and transactional data allowing them to be self-sufficient in managing their portfolios.

*Health & Welfare/Flexible Benefits Administration*

- Flexible benefit plans exist in different forms in different geographies and we provide web-enabled flexible benefits administration solutions to support clients in a number of different parts of the world.
- In the United States, flexible benefits tend to be focused primarily around health and welfare arrangements. BenefitConnect is our flexible web-based health and welfare technology that we use to provide comprehensive outsourced support to clients. New health care consumerism support tools give participants direct web-based access to their benefits information and enrollment tools and provide modeling on a choice of medical spending, savings accounts and life insurance. They also help participants become smart consumers through access to information from the Internet.



- In the United Kingdom, we provide flexible benefits administration services on a stand-alone basis or linked with defined contribution administration and the provision of total compensation statements.

*Compensation Administration*

- REWARD is our suite of web-based applications that automates compensation administration and pay delivery. REWARD improves compensation planning, budgeting and data management, freeing up compensation professionals from administrative work for more strategic activities. We recently integrated our global grading system methodology into REWARD, enabling companies to band and grade jobs and then model pay ranges around local market conditions.

*Online Communication*

- eStatements is our integrated, web-based solution that gives employees access to the true value of their compensation and benefits package. It aggregates data from a number of internal or external sources, and provides a current view of an employee's complete package. It shows the value of an organization's human resource programs, fosters smarter plan participation and benefit consumerism, and offers organizations another vehicle to promote plan features, provide support and deliver other focused information.

*Call Center Support*

- AnswerKey is our shared service center solution. Our technology supports the business of service center operations by effectively integrating data and critical tools. Using web-based technology, it consolidates data from multiple sources, offering employees and human resource service center staff a single point of contact, faster response times and more accurate information. We recently added the Employee Inquiry module, which enables employees to open cases, check case status, access knowledge base information and request fulfillment items.

*Benefits Portals*

- By implementing our hosted benefits portals we can help to ensure a seamless experience for employees needing to use multiple human resource and benefits applications or multiple information sources. Our hosted portals can become a central reference point and knowledge base for pension and human resource managers, administrators and members.

All of the above are point solutions – applications or services that serve a particular need once clients have identified and prioritized their needs. Very often our involvement starts at a much earlier level. We provide clients with strategic, research-based human resource technology and service delivery advisory services to help them determine their strategy for delivering human resource services. We work with them to align their human resources delivery strategy with their business goals. We use human resource and benefits technologies, those mentioned above and others, to help our clients improve satisfaction levels and have a sustainable return on investment (ROI). Our services in this area include human resource transformation consulting, vendor management, and service delivery model development, including shared services strategy and design.

Our Technology and Administration Solutions Group represented approximately 12 percent of our total segment revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007.

### *Human Capital Group*

Our Human Capital Group of 885 associates helps clients implement strategies that achieve a competitive advantage by aligning their workforce with their business strategy. This includes helping clients develop and implement strategies for attracting, retaining and motivating their employees resulting in a maximized return on clients' investment in human capital. The Human Capital Group also utilizes our Watson Wyatt Data Services practice, which is a group of 130 associates that provide data, services and analysis regarding compensation and benefits around the world. Our Human Capital Group represented approximately 12 percent of our total segment revenues for the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2007.

Our Human Capital Group focuses in five principal areas: executive compensation, Strategic Rewards®, sales management and rewards, organization effectiveness, and data services.

#### *Executive Compensation*

We advise our clients' management and boards of directors on executive pay programs, including cash compensation, stock options and stock purchase plans, and on ways to align pay-for-performance plans throughout the organization to improve shareholder value. We help clients understand and value all the components of their executives' compensation, including base pay, bonus, incentives, options, and retirement and other executive perks. Our expertise in stock-based plan design and in valuation methodologies and procedures allows us to help U.S. clients, for instance, comply with complex accounting standards such as FAS 123(R) and recently promulgated SEC rules regarding executive compensation disclosure.

#### *Strategic Rewards®*

We help align an organization's global rewards—including base compensation, incentives, stock programs, recognition programs and flexible work arrangements—with its business strategies, cultural values, work design and human resources strategy. Our Human Capital Group and Benefits Group work together to develop optimal total compensation programs for our clients.

#### *Sales Effectiveness and Compensation*

We help maximize the performance of our clients' sales and services teams across the globe. By considering the full spectrum of rewards, we help motivate our clients' sales forces to maintain and expand critical relationships while executing the organization's go-to-market strategy.

#### *Organization Effectiveness*

We help clients clarify and implement business strategy, recognizing the impact of employee attitudes, commitment, and effective team and leadership development on business success. We provide a wide array of services centered on organization assessment, including organization measurement and surveys. In the area of talent management, we provide tools and methodologies for talent selection and development, succession planning and performance management. We also provide consulting regarding organization design and the organization and development of the human resource function.

We have created the *Watson Wyatt Human Capital Index®*, a proprietary tool for demonstrating the relationship between the effectiveness of an organization's human capital practices and the creation of superior stockholder returns.

Our WorkUSA®/WorkCanada™ database includes the opinions of 12,000 North American employees surveyed independently, reflecting a large cross-section of jobs and industry types. Our clients compare their own employee survey results against these norms to identify workplace perceptions and satisfaction and commitment levels.

*Watson Wyatt Data Services*

Watson Wyatt Data Services (WWDS) provides a wide range of employment practices information to the global employer community. WWDS's client base includes local and multi-national companies in more than 80 countries.

To serve the global marketplace, WWDS has begun a consolidation of eight strategically located data centers around the globe into one business unit to facilitate the solicitation, analysis and compilation of data on the remuneration and benefits paid to millions of employees. Our centers around the world publish this data in dozens of annual compensation and benefit survey reports on everything from local pay issues to the most complex of global pay equity concerns. WWDS also publishes reference materials that help human resources practitioners attract, retain and reward exceptional employees. These guides cover a variety of subject areas, including variable pay, performance management and personnel policies on a local, regional and global basis.

*Investment Consulting Group*

Our Investment Consulting Group, with approximately 325 associates, helps pension plan sponsors and other institutional investment clients successfully meet their investment goals. This involves helping to maximize the risk-adjusted return through the development of governance policies and investment strategies. Our work involves helping our clients with the design and implementation of investment arrangements to manage financial liabilities within the context of overall organizational objectives. Our Investment Consulting Group represented approximately 9 percent of our total segment revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007.

Our services include:

- Asset/liability modeling and asset allocation studies
- Governance and investment policy development
- Investment policy implementation
- Investment structure analysis
- Investment manager selection and evaluation
- Performance evaluation and monitoring

We offer the following integrated services for our clients:

- Watson Wyatt Pension Risk Management – an integrated methodology for determining the appropriate amount of investment risk for a plan and allocating that risk across investment decisions
- Watson Wyatt Advanced Investment Solutions® – taking a more proactive responsibility for the investment arrangements of defined benefit plans and other institutional funds, a service referred to in some markets as fiduciary outsourcing. We work with the plan sponsor to develop an investment policy and help to manage the implementation of that policy

*Insurance and Financial Services Group*

Our Insurance & Financial Services consulting team of approximately 390 associates advises insurance companies and other financial institutions on strategic and financial issues. Clients include major multinational financial groups; life, non-life and health insurance companies; re-insurers; self insurers; captives; banks and regulators. Our Insurance and Financial Services Group represented approximately 8 percent of our total segment revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007.



Our services include:

- Development and review of business strategy, including market entry studies and business plan design
- Provision of strategic and actuarial advice to buyers or sellers of financial institutions
- Advice on a wide range of financial management issues, including risk and value management, asset liability modeling, statutory reporting, embedded value and market consistent valuations

We have also developed a range of leading-edge actuarial modeling software products, including VIPitech, Pretium and Simulum. These are used internally for consulting projects and licensed to clients around the world.

#### ***Other Services***

##### *Communication Consulting*

Our communication consulting practice helps clients produce financial results through strategies that align employee behavior with business success. Our award-winning work and ground-breaking research prove that effective communication increases total returns to shareholders; improves service, quality and productivity levels; helps fuel growth; enhances organizational ability to manage change successfully; builds employee community, trust and commitment; and educates, engages and motivates employee behavioral change. Working with clients who have responsibility for employee communication in human resources, corporate or line functions, our consultants combine strong creative skills with technical excellence to create programs that range from high-level strategic planning to tactical implementation.

We help clients develop and implement communication strategies for diverse issues, including:

- Clarifying the value and scope of employee compensation and benefits and enhancing employees appreciation of their total rewards opportunities
- Drawing a clear line of sight between employee performance and company objectives through open communication and leadership communication training
- Optimizing the use of technology in communication through audits and best practice design
- Facilitating organizational change so that all stakeholders fully understand their role in business success
- Maintaining employee trust, confidence and commitment through all cycles of performance
- Demonstrating the return on investment (ROI) of employee communication in achieving business objectives
- Supporting management in efforts to target, attract and hire the right talent to meet business objectives through innovative communication programs

##### ***Integrated Service Approach***

While we focus our consulting services in the principal areas described above, we draw upon consultants from our different practices to deliver integrated services to meet the needs of our clients. An example is our Total Rewards approach, which encompasses compensation, benefits, career growth and company culture. We help clients determine the correct mix of reward programs to attract and retain the right employees and to motivate them to produce desired results. We also assemble cross-practice teams to help clients through mergers and acquisitions.



### ***Sales and Marketing***

Our growth strategy is based on a commitment to ensuring client satisfaction through our account management program. Our account managers focus on effectively delivering services to clients and on expanding our relationships across service lines, geographic boundaries and divisions within client companies. A key element of this program is an approach we call ClientFirst™. Using proprietary processes and tools, we work with clients to define their needs and expectations before an engagement begins and then continually measure our performance according to agreed-upon standards. We pursue new clients using cross-disciplinary teams of consultants, as well as dedicated client developers who initiate relationships with carefully selected companies. Our efforts to expand our accounts and our client base are supported by market research, comprehensive sales training programs and extensive marketing databases. Our sales efforts are also supported by a full array of marketing programs designed to raise awareness of the Watson Wyatt Worldwide brand and our reputation within our target markets. These programs promote our thought leadership on key human resource issues, and establish us as a preferred human capital consulting firm to many of the world's largest companies.

### **Clients**

We work with major corporations, emerging growth companies, government agencies and not-for-profit institutions in North America, Europe, Asia-Pacific and Latin America across a wide variety of industries. Our client base is broad and geographically diverse. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, our 10 largest clients accounted for approximately 6 percent of our consolidated revenues, and no individual client represented more than 4 percent of our consolidated revenues.

### **Competition**

The human capital consulting industry is highly competitive. We believe there are several barriers to entry such as the need to assemble specialized intellectual capital to provide expertise on a global scale and that we have developed competitive advantages in providing human resources consulting services. However, we face intense competition from several different sources.

Our current and anticipated competitors include:

- Major human resources-focused consulting firms that compete in serving the large employer market worldwide, including Hewitt Associates, Mercer Human Resource Consulting and Towers Perrin
- Smaller benefits and compensation consulting firms, including the Hay Group and The Segal Company
- The human resources consulting and/or plan administration divisions of diversified professional services, financial services and insurance firms, including Aon, Deloitte & Touche, Ernst & Young, Fidelity, Citistreet, PricewaterhouseCoopers and The Vanguard Group
- Information technology services firms, including Accenture, ACS, ADP, BearingPoint, ExcellerateHRO and IBM, as well as Internet/intranet development firms
- Boutique consulting firms consisting primarily of professionals formerly associated with the firms mentioned above

The market for our services is subject to change as a result of increased regulatory, legislative, competitive and technological developments and competition from established and new competitors. We believe the primary factors in selecting a human resources consulting firm include reputation, the ability to provide measurable increases to shareholder value, global scale, service quality and the ability to tailor services to a clients' unique needs. We believe we compete favorably with respect to these factors.





## Employees

The company employed approximately 6,600 and 6,235 associates as of June 30, 2007 and 2006 respectively, in the following practice areas:

|   | As of June 30, |       |
|---|----------------|-------|
|   | 2007           | 2006  |
| Benefits Group                                | 2,900          | 2,665 |
| Technology and Administration Solutions Group | 735            | 735   |
| Human Capital Group                           | 885            | 800   |
| Investment Consulting Group                   | 325            | 335   |
| Insurance & Financial Services Group          | 390            | 335   |
| All Other Segments                            | 785            | 775   |
| Corporate                                     | 580            | 590   |
| Total   | 6,600          | 6,235 |

None of our associates are subject to collective bargaining agreements. We believe relations between management and associates are good.

### Item 1A Risk Factors

In addition to the factors discussed elsewhere in this report, the following are some of the important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statements. These risk factors should be carefully considered in evaluating our business. The descriptions below are not the only risks and uncertainties that we face. Additional risks and uncertainties that are presently unknown to us, may also impair our business operations. If any of the risks and uncertainties below or other risks were to occur, our business operations, financial condition or results of operations could be materially and adversely impacted.

***Watson Wyatt's success will continue to depend on its ability to recruit and retain qualified consultants, including those employed in recently acquired businesses; our failure to do so could adversely affect our ability to continue to integrate acquired businesses and to compete successfully.***

Watson Wyatt's success depends on its ability to attract, retain and motivate qualified personnel generally, including executive officers, key management personnel and consultants. We cannot assure that we will be able to attract and retain qualified consultants, management and other personnel necessary for the delivery of our sophisticated and technical services to clients.

***The loss of key consultants and managers could damage or result in the loss of client relationships and adversely affect our business.***

Our success largely depends upon the business generation capabilities and project execution skills of our consultants. In particular, our consultants' personal relationships with our clients are a critical element of obtaining and maintaining client engagements. Losing consultants and account managers who manage substantial client relationships or possess substantial experience or expertise could adversely affect our ability to secure and complete engagements, which would adversely affect our results of operations.

In addition, if any of our key consultants were to join an existing competitor or form a competing company, some of our clients could choose to use the services of that competitor instead of our services.

***The trend of employers shifting from defined benefit plans to defined contribution plans could adversely affect our business and our operating results.***

We currently provide clients with actuarial and consulting services relating to both defined benefit and defined contribution plans. Defined benefit pension plans generally require more actuarial services than defined contribution plans because defined benefit plans typically involve large asset pools, complex calculations to determine employer costs, funding requirements and sophisticated analysis to match liabilities and assets over long periods of time. If organizations shift to defined contribution plans more rapidly than we anticipate, our business operations and related operating results could be adversely affected.

***Competition from firms with greater resources could result in loss of our market share that could reduce our profitability.***

The markets for our principal services are highly competitive. Our competitors currently include other human resources consulting and actuarial firms, as well as the human resources consulting divisions of diversified professional services and insurance firms and accounting firms. Several of our competitors have greater financial, technical and marketing resources than we have, which could enhance their ability to respond more quickly to technological changes, finance acquisitions and fund internal growth.

New competitors or alliances among competitors could emerge and gain significant market share. In order to respond to increased competition and pricing pressure, we might have to lower our prices, which would have an adverse effect on our revenues and profit margin.

***Demand for our services may decrease for various reasons, including a general economic downturn, a decline in a client's or an industry's financial condition, or a decline in defined benefit pension plans that could adversely affect our operating results.***

We can give no assurance that the demand for our services will continue to grow or that we will compete successfully with our existing competitors, new competitors or our clients' internal capabilities. Our clients' demand for our services also may change based on their own needs and financial conditions. When economic downturns affect particular clients or industry groups, they frequently reduce their budgets for outside consultants, which could reduce the demand for our services and increase price competition.

In addition, the demand for many of our core benefits services is affected by government regulation and taxation of employee benefits plans. This regulation and taxation drive our clients' needs for compliance related services. Significant changes in tax or social welfare policy or regulations could lead some employers to discontinue their employee benefit plans, including defined benefit pension plans, thereby reducing the demand for our services. A simplification of regulations or tax policy also could reduce the need for our services.

***Our clients generally may terminate our services at any time, which could decrease associate utilization.***

Our clients generally may terminate our engagements at any time. If a client reduces the scope of, or terminates the use of our services with little or no notice, our associate utilization will decline. In such cases, we must rapidly re-deploy our associates to other engagements in order to minimize the potential negative impact on our financial performance. In addition, because much of our work is project-based rather than recurring in nature, our associates' utilization depends on our ability to continually secure additional engagements.

***Improper management of our fixed-fee engagements could hurt our financial results.***

We enter into some of our engagements on a negotiated fixed-fee basis. If we do not properly negotiate the price and manage the performance of these engagements, we might incur losses on individual engagements, and our overall financial results could be adversely affected.

***We are subject to malpractice claims arising from our work, which could adversely affect our reputation and business, and we are subject to government inquiries and investigations.***

Professional services providers, including those in the human resources consulting industry, are increasingly subject to claims from their clients. Clients and third parties who are dissatisfied with our services or who claim to suffer damages caused by our services have brought and may bring lawsuits against us. The nature of our work, especially our actuarial services, involves assumptions and estimates concerning future events, the actual outcome of which we cannot know with certainty in advance. In addition, we could make computational, software programming or data management errors.

Clients have sought and may seek to hold us responsible for the financial consequences of these errors or variances. Given that we frequently work with large pension funds and other large financial entities, such as insurance companies, relatively small percentage errors or variances could create significant dollar variances and claims for unfunded liabilities. The risks from such variances could be aggravated in an environment of declining pension fund asset values. In most cases, our exposure to liability on a particular engagement is substantially greater than the profit opportunity that the engagement generates for us. For example, claims could include:

- A client's assertion that actuarial assumptions used in a pension plan were unreasonable, leading to plan underfunding;
- A claim arising out of the use of inaccurate data, which could lead to an underestimation of plan liabilities;
- A claim that employee benefit plan documents were misinterpreted or plan amendments were misstated in plan documents, leading to overpayments to beneficiaries; and
- A claim that reserves or premium requirements of insurance company clients were understated.

Defending lawsuits arising out of any of our services has required and could require substantial amounts of management attention, which could affect management's focus on operations, adversely affect our financial performance and result in increased insurance costs. In addition to defense costs and liability exposure, malpractice claims may produce negative publicity that could hurt our reputation and business. We have been subject to inquiries and investigations by federal, state or other governmental agencies regarding aspects of our business, especially regulated businesses such as investment consulting or insurance consulting. Such inquiries or investigations may consume significant management time and require additional expense. For a discussion of significant legal proceedings, please refer to Note 14 of Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

***Insurance may become more difficult or expensive to obtain.***

Insurance markets have hardened over recent years for some classes of professional liability risk. As the number of claims has increased against professionals and against actuaries in particular, the cost of malpractice insurance has trended upward, deductibles or self-insured retentions may have increased and reinsurance attachment points may continue to rise. Availability and price of insurance are subject to many variables, including general market conditions, loss experience in related industries and in the actuarial and benefits consulting industry, and the specific claims experience of an individual firm. Because we now provide services in a larger geographic market as a result of our business combinations, we therefore may be exposed to a greater number of claims arising from our expanded operations. In the future there can be no assurance that we will continue to be able to obtain insurance on comparable terms to what it has obtained in the past. Increases in the cost of insurance could affect our profitability and the unavailability of insurance to cover certain levels of risk could have an adverse effect on our financial condition, particularly in a specific period.

***We are engaged, through our subsidiaries, in providing services outside of our core human resources consulting business, which may carry greater risk of liability.***

We intend to continue and grow the business of providing consulting services to institutional investment and insurance and financial services companies. The risk of malpractice claims from these lines of business may be greater than from our core human resource consulting business and claims may be for significant amounts.

***Our quarterly revenues may fluctuate while our expenses are relatively fixed.***

Quarterly variations in our revenues and operating results occur as a result of a number of factors, such as:

- The significance of client engagements commenced and completed during a quarter;
- The seasonality of some specific types of services. In particular, retirement revenues are more heavily weighted toward the second half of the fiscal year, when annual actuarial valuations are required to be completed for calendar year end companies and the related services are performed. In the Technology and Administration Solutions Group, the distribution of work is concentrated at the end of the first fiscal quarter and through the second fiscal quarter, as there is demand from our clients for assistance in updating systems and programs used in the annual re-enrollment of employees in benefit plans, such as flex plans. Much of the remaining business is project-oriented and is thus influenced more by particular client needs and the availability of our workforce;
- The number of business days in a quarter, associate hiring and utilization rates and clients' ability to terminate engagements without penalty;
- The size and scope of assignments; and
- General economic conditions.

Approximately 70-75 percent of our total operating expenses are relatively fixed, encompassing the majority of administrative, occupancy, communications and other expenses, depreciation and amortization, and salaries and employee benefits excluding fiscal year end incentive bonuses. Therefore, a variation in the number of client assignments or in the timing of the initiation or the completion of client assignments can cause significant variations in quarterly operating results and could result in losses. Over the most recent eight fiscal quarters, net income from continuing operations has fluctuated from \$13.9 million to \$33.8 million.

***Integrating acquisitions may interrupt other activities of Watson Wyatt.***

The continuing process of integrating operations could cause an interruption of or loss of momentum in the activities of one or more of Watson Wyatt's businesses after an acquisition. Members of our senior management may be required to devote considerable amounts of time to integration processes, which will decrease the time they will have to manage the company's business, service existing clients, attract new clients and attract and retain highly skilled and motivated consultants.

The integration process after an acquisition will require us to expand the scope of our operational and financial systems, which will increase our operating complexity. Implementing uniform controls, systems and procedures may be costly and time-consuming, and there can be no assurance that our efforts to implement such controls, systems and procedures will be successful. Management's failure to effectively integrate the operations of a company after an acquisition could have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and operating results as well as our ability to meet reporting requirements to the SEC and under Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

***We are subject to risks of doing business internationally.***

As a result of our acquisitions over the past two years, an increased portion of our business is located outside of the United States. As a result, a significant portion of our business operations are subject to foreign financial and business risks, which could arise in the event of:

- currency exchange rate fluctuations;
- unexpected increases in taxes;
- new regulatory requirements and/or changes in policies and local laws that materially affect the demand for our services or directly affect our foreign operations;
- local economic and political conditions, including unusual, severe, or protracted recessions in foreign economies;
- unusual and unexpected monetary exchange controls; or
- civil disturbance or other catastrophic events that reduce business activity in other parts of the world.

These factors may lead to decreased sales or profits and therefore may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and operating results.

***Operational readiness of our global administrative infrastructure might not be as complete as required to manage international operations effectively.***

The management of geographically dispersed operations requires substantial management resources, resulting in significant ongoing expense. We have not fully integrated all of our global operations from an administrative and reporting standpoint. In addition, we have not yet fully integrated the businesses acquired into our administrative and reporting process. We are developing and implementing additional systems and management reporting to help us manage our global operations, but we cannot predict when these systems will be fully operational or how successful they will be. Our global operations may require additional resources to complete integration of our administrative and reporting. These risks could be aggravated in the event of a major business disruption caused by terrorist attacks or similar events.

***Our business faces rapid technological change and our failure to respond to this change quickly could adversely affect our business.***

Increasingly, to remain competitive in our practice areas, we must identify and offer the most current technologies and methodologies. This is particularly true of our Technology and Administration Solutions Group, in which our success largely depends upon our ability to quickly absorb and apply technological advances in both generic applications and, particularly, those that are specifically required to deliver employee benefits services. In some cases, significant technology choices and investments are required. If we do not respond correctly, quickly or in a cost-effective manner, our business and operating results might be harmed.

The effort to gain technological expertise and develop new technologies in our business may require us to incur significant expenses and, in some cases, to implement them globally. If we cannot offer new technologies as quickly or effectively as our competitors, we could lose market share. We also could lose market share if our competitors develop more cost-effective technologies than we offer or develop.

***Limited protection of our proprietary expertise, methodologies and software could harm our business.***

We cannot guarantee that trade secret, trademark and copyright law protections are adequate to deter misappropriation of our confidential information. We may be unable to detect the unauthorized use of our intellectual property and take the necessary steps to enforce our rights. Redressing infringements also may consume significant management time and financial resources.

***The interests of our current associates who own our common stock may differ from those of other stockholders.***

The business interests of our employee stockholders may not always be consistent with the interests of our non-employee stockholders.

***We have various mechanisms in place that may prevent a change in control that a stockholder might favor.***

Our certificate of incorporation and bylaws contain provisions that might discourage, delay or prevent a change in control that a stockholder might favor. Our certificate of incorporation and/or bylaws:

- Authorize the issuance of preferred stock without fixed characteristics that could be issued by our board of directors to increase the number of outstanding shares and deter a takeover attempt;
- Provide that only the President or our board of directors may call a special meeting of stockholders;
- Prohibit stockholder action by written consent, which requires all actions to be taken at a meeting of the stockholders;
- Provide that vacancies on our board of directors, including new directorships, may be filled only by the directors then in office;
- Require super-majority voting for the stockholders to amend our bylaws, the classified board and other provisions of our certificate of incorporation;
- Prohibit a stockholder from presenting a proposal or director nomination at an annual meeting unless the stockholder provides us with sufficient advance notice.

*Our stock price may decline due to the large number of shares of common stock eligible for future sale.*

The market price of our common stock could decline as a result of sales of a large number of shares of our common stock in the market as a result of the WWLLP business combination. Immediately after the WWLLP business combination and WWLLP's distribution of consideration paid in the acquisition, former WWLLP members and retired members held approximately 22% of our outstanding common stock (without taking into account shares that will be issued as part of the contingent stock consideration). Our common stock to be transferred to voting members in connection with the acquisition that are not subsequently distributed to non-voting members or to retired members are subject to contractual restrictions on transfer.

Common stock distributed to non-voting members occurs over time through two trusts in four installments, and are subject to transfer restrictions. The first installment occurred in August 2005 at the closing of the WWLLP business combination. Subsequent installments occurred on the first and second anniversaries in August 2006 and August 2007, respectively. However, the timing and amount of distributions from the trusts to non-voting members are matters for the trustees and cannot be enforced by Watson Wyatt or WWLLP. We understand that the non-voting members have an immediate beneficial entitlement to the shares in the trusts regardless of subsequent employment. Common stock to be transferred to retired members will not be subject to any transfer restrictions.

Assuming execution by former WWHE voting members of stock transfer agreements and distribution of shares to non-voting members over time, of the 11,040,571 total shares that may be issued in connection with the WWLLP business combination (including contingent stock consideration), 4,340,774 shares, or approximately 10% of outstanding common stock, were freely transferable immediately after the closing of the acquisition. Additionally, 2,339,761 shares were transferable after the first anniversary of the acquisition, and 2,410,036 were transferable after the second anniversary. The 1,950,000 shares to be issued in fiscal year 2008 as contingent consideration will be transferable after the fourth anniversary of the acquisition. The contingent shares represent 5 percent of total outstanding shares as of June 30, 2007. In addition, in the event of a change in control of Watson Wyatt, all stock transfer restrictions will expire.

**Item 1B. Unresolved SEC Comments**

None.

**Item 2. Properties.**

As of June 30, 2007, we operated in 96 offices in principal markets throughout the world. Operations of each of our segments are carried out in leased offices under operating leases that typically do not exceed 10 years in length. We do not anticipate difficulty in meeting our space needs at lease expiration.

The fixed assets owned by Watson Wyatt represented approximately 11 percent of total assets at June 30, 2007, and consisted primarily of computer equipment and software, office furniture and leasehold improvements.

**Item 3. Legal Proceedings.**

From time to time, we are a party to various lawsuits, arbitrations or mediations that arise in the ordinary course of business. The disclosure called for by Item 3 regarding our legal proceedings is incorporated by reference herein from Note 14 Commitments and Contingent Liabilities, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements in this Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2007.

**Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.**

None.

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

In conjunction with our WWLLP business combination in the first quarter of fiscal year 2006, we issued 9,090,571 Class A shares, 4,749,797 of which were subject to sale restrictions. Sale restrictions on 2,339,761 of these shares expired July 31, 2006. Restrictions on the remaining 2,410,036 shares expired July 31, 2007.

As of June 30, 2007, an additional 1,950,000 Class A shares became eligible for payment based on the achievement by the acquired business of certain agreed-upon financial performance goals. We expect to issue the shares during fiscal year 2008. Sale of these shares will be restricted until July 31, 2009. See Note 2 of Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 15 of this report for further information regarding the WWLLP business combination.

*Market Information*

Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc. Class A common stock is currently traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol WW. The following table sets forth the range of high and low closing share prices for each quarter of fiscal years 2007 and 2006, determined by the daily closing stock prices.

|  | <b>2007<br/>High</b> | <b>Low</b> | <b>2006<br/>High</b> | <b>Low</b> |
|--|----------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|
| First quarter (July 1 through September 30)    | \$ 41.60             | \$ 31.70   | \$ 28.62             | \$ 25.76   |
| Second quarter (October 1 through December 31) | 48.00                | 39.98      | 28.56                | 25.36      |
| Third quarter (January 1 through March 31)     | 50.69                | 40.92      | 32.58                | 27.95      |
| Fourth quarter (April 1 through June 30)       | 53.84                | 47.01      | 36.34                | 31.92      |

*Holdings*

As of June 30, 2007, there were approximately 408 registered shareholders of our Class A common stock.

*Dividends*

The board of directors of the company has approved the payment of a quarterly cash dividend in the amount of \$0.075 per share. Total dividends paid in fiscal years 2007 and 2006 were \$12.7 million for both periods.

The continued payment of cash dividends in the future is at the discretion of our board of directors and depends on numerous factors, including, without limitation, our net earnings, financial condition, availability of capital, debt covenant limitations and our other business needs, including those of our subsidiaries and affiliates. Additionally, our credit facility requires us to observe certain covenants, including requirements for minimum net worth, which potentially act to restrict dividends.



*Securities Authorized for Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans*

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Our equity compensation plans include the 2000 Long-Term Incentive Plan, which provides for the granting of nonqualified stock options and stock appreciation rights, the 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, the 2001 Deferred Stock Unit Plan for Selected Employees and the Amended Compensation Plan for Outside Directors. We grant deferred stock units to certain senior associates through the Watson Wyatt & Company Performance Share Bonus Incentive Program as a part of their annual discretionary compensation and have discontinued the issuance of stock options. All deferred stock units issued in connection with the 2001 Deferred Stock Unit Plan were fully vested upon issuance. The company anticipates that the deferred stock units expected to be granted in September 2007 will vest immediately. All of our equity compensation plans have been approved by stockholders. See Note 10 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for the general terms of these plans.

The following chart gives aggregate information regarding grants under all of the company's equity compensation plans through June 30, 2007:

| Plan Category                                      | Number of securities<br>to be issued upon<br>exercise of<br>outstanding options,<br>warrants and rights | Weighted-average<br>exercise price of<br>outstanding options | Number of securities<br>remaining available<br>for future issuance<br>under equity<br>compensation plans<br>(excluding securities<br>reflected in the first<br>column) |
|--|---|--|--|
| Equity compensation plans approved by stockholders | 226,799   | \$ 14.14   | 4,817,310 (1)  |
| Total  | 226,799   | \$ 14.14   | 4,817,310  |

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(1) Includes 2,548,915 shares remaining available for future issuance under the 2000 Long-Term Incentive Plan, 552,673 shares under the 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, 1,630,091 shares under the 2001 Deferred Stock Unit Plan for Selected Employees, and 85,631 shares under the Amended Compensation Plan for Outside Directors.

In August 2001, the board of directors adopted the company's 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the ESPP), which subsequently was approved by the stockholders in November 2001. The ESPP is intended to provide employees of the company with additional incentives by permitting them to acquire a proprietary interest in the company through the purchase of shares of the company's common stock. With regard to the Deferred Stock Unit Plan for Selected Employees, an additional 1,200,000 shares of common stock were authorized and reserved for issuance at the 2006 Annual Meeting of Stockholders in November 2006.

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*Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities*

The company has repurchased shares of common stock, one purpose of which is to offset potential dilution from shares issued in connection with the company's benefit plans. In July 2006, the company announced a plan to purchase up to 1,500,000 shares of our Class A common stock. The plan does not have an expiration date. The table below presents specified information about the company's stock repurchases during the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2007 and the remaining number of shares that may be purchased under the plan:

| <b>Period</b>                         | <b>Total Number of Shares Purchased</b> | <b>Average Price Paid per Share</b> | <b>Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs</b> | <b>Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs</b> |
|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| April 1, 2007, through April 30, 2007 | 99,000                                  | \$ 48.62                            | 99,000  | 1,028,534   |
| May 1, 2007, through May 31, 2007     | 102,500                                 | 50.45                               | 102,500   | 926,034   |
| June 1, 2007, through June 30, 2007   | 97,100                                  | 50.47                               | 97,100  | 828,934   |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>298,600</b>                          |                                     | <b>298,600</b>  |   |

**Item 6. Selected Consolidated Financial Data.**

The table on the following page sets forth selected consolidated financial data of Watson Wyatt for each of the years in the five-year period ended June 30, 2007. The selected consolidated financial data as of June 30, 2007 and 2006, and for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007, were derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Watson Wyatt included in this Form 10-K. The selected consolidated financial data as of June 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003, and for each of the years ended June 30, 2004 and 2003, were derived from audited consolidated financial statements of Watson Wyatt not included in this Form 10-K. The consolidated financial data should be read in conjunction with our Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto.

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The WWLLP business combination was completed July 31, 2005 and as a result, our financial statements reflect the consolidation of the European operations beginning August 1, 2005. See Part I Item 1 for more information regarding the business combination with WWLLP.

|  | Year Ended June 30 |              |            |            |            |
|--|--------------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|
|  | 2007               | 2006         | 2005       | 2004       | 2003       |
| <b>Statement of Operations Data:</b>                   |                    |              |            |            |            |
| (amounts are in thousands, except per share data)      |                    |              |            |            |            |
| Revenue  | \$ 1,486,523       | \$ 1,271,811 | \$ 737,421 | \$ 702,005 | \$ 709,616 |
| Costs of providing services:                           |                    |              |            |            |            |
| Salaries and employee benefits                         | 805,571            | 699,049      | 397,252    | 396,775    | 401,274    |
| Professional and subcontracted services                | 99,943             | 84,165       | 57,810     | 49,159     | 47,356     |
| Occupancy, communications and other                    | 184,832            | 164,140      | 106,752    | 105,459    | 106,224    |
| General and administrative expenses                    | 159,637            | 147,122      | 74,612     | 63,631     | 57,285     |
| Depreciation and amortization                          | 57,235             | 44,918       | 20,210     | 18,511     | 19,621     |
|  | 1,307,218          | 1,139,394    | 656,636    | 633,535    | 631,760    |
| Income from operations                                 | 179,305            | 132,417      | 80,785     | 68,470     | 77,856     |
| (Loss)/Income from affiliates                          | (5,500 )           | 1,135        | 7,146      | 7,109      | 5,787      |
| Interest income  | 4,066              | 4,325        | 2,833      | 1,636      | 1,793      |
| Interest expense                                       | (1,581 )           | (4,093 )     | (661 )     | (893 )     | (802 )     |
| Other non-operating income/(loss)                      | 178                | (2,081 )     | (7,404 )   | 6,222      | 761        |
| Income from continuing operations before income taxes  | 176,468            | 131,703      | 82,699     | 82,544     | 85,395     |
| Provision for income taxes                             | 60,193             | 45,585       | 31,303     | 32,605     | 35,015     |
| Income from continuing operations                      | 116,275            | 86,118       | 51,396     | 49,939     | 50,380     |
| Discontinued operations (a)                            |                    | 1,073        | 766        | 654        | 6,786      |
| Net income   | \$ 116,275         | \$ 87,191    | \$ 52,162  | \$ 50,593  | \$ 57,166  |
| Earnings per share, continuing operations, basic       | \$ 2.74            | \$ 2.08      | \$ 1.58    | \$ 1.52    | \$ 1.52    |
| Earnings per share, continuing operations, diluted (b) | \$ 2.60            | \$ 1.99      | \$ 1.56    | \$ 1.50    | \$ 1.51    |
| Earnings per share, discontinued operations, basic     | \$                 | \$ 0.03      | \$ 0.02    | \$ 0.02    | \$ 0.21    |
| Earnings per share, discontinued operations, diluted   | \$                 | \$ 0.02      | \$ 0.02    | \$ 0.02    | \$ 0.21    |
| Earnings per share, net income, basic (b)              | \$ 2.74            | \$ 2.11      | \$ 1.60    | \$ 1.54    | \$ 1.73    |
| Earnings per share, net income, diluted (b)            | \$ 2.60            | \$ 2.01      | \$ 1.58    | \$ 1.52    | \$ 1.72    |
| Dividend declared per share                            | \$ 0.30            | \$ 0.30      | \$ 0.30    | \$ 0.07    | \$         |
| Weighted average shares of common stock, basic         | 42,413             | 41,393       | 32,541     | 32,866     | 32,962     |
| Weighted average shares of common stock, diluted       | 44,684             | 43,297       | 32,845     | 33,207     | 33,287     |

|                                      | As of June 30<br>2007 | 2006       | 2005       | 2004       | 2003       |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| <b>Balance Sheet and Other Data:</b> |                       |            |            |            |            |
| Cash and cash equivalents            | \$ 248,186            | \$ 165,345 | \$ 168,076 | \$ 136,940 | \$ 115,674 |
| Working capital                      | 326,354               | 197,312    | 236,658    | 207,455    | 169,308    |
| Total assets                         | 1,529,709             | 1,240,359  | 618,679    | 512,168    | 514,462    |
| Note payable                         | 105,000               | 30,000     |            |            |            |
| Dividends declared                   | 12,717                | 12,667     | 9,756      | 2,441      |            |
| Stockholders' equity                 | 787,519               | 648,761    | 234,203    | 245,184    | 151,737    |
| Shares outstanding                   | 42,299                | 42,386     | 32,627     | 32,317     | 32,943     |

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(a) In fiscal year 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006, we revised our estimates related to the remaining future obligations and costs associated with the discontinuation of our benefits administration outsourcing business in 1998. As a result, we reduced the amount of our liability for losses from disposal by \$11.4 million, less the associated income tax expense of \$4.7 million, by \$1.0 million, less the associated income tax expense of \$0.4 million, by \$1.25 million, less the associated income tax expense of \$0.5 million, and by \$1.75 million, less the associated income tax expense of \$0.7 million, respectively. In fiscal years 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006, the company received sublease income of approximately \$0.1 million each year in excess of lease payments related to this business. These items resulted in a year-to-date income from discontinued operations of \$11.5 million, \$1.1 million, \$1.3 million, and \$1.8 million, less the associated income tax expense of \$4.7 million, \$0.4 million, \$0.5 million, and \$0.7 million, respectively.

(b) The diluted earnings per share calculation for fiscal years 2007 and 2006 assume that 1,950,000 contingent shares related to the WWLLP business combination have been issued and outstanding since July 31, 2005.

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

#### Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This filing contains certain statements that are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including, but not limited to the following: Note 6 - Retirement Benefits; Note 11 - Goodwill and Intangible Assets; Note 14 - Commitments and Contingent Liabilities; the Executive Overview; Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates; the discussion of our capital expenditures; Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements and Contractual Obligations; Risk Management; and Part II, Item 1 - Legal Proceedings. You can identify these statements and other forward-looking statements in this filing by words such as may, will, expect, anticipate, believe, estimate, plan, intend, continue, or similar words, expressions, or the negative of such terms or other comparable terminology. You should read these statements carefully because they contain projections of our future results of operations or financial condition, or state other forward-looking information. A number of risks and uncertainties exist which could cause actual results to differ materially from the results reflected in these forward-looking statements. Such factors include but are not limited to:

- our ability to integrate acquired businesses into our own business, processes and systems, and achieve the anticipated results;
- our continued ability to recruit and retain qualified associates;
- the success of our marketing, client development and sales programs after our acquisitions;
- our ability to maintain client relationships and to attract new clients after our acquisitions;
- declines in demand for our services;
- outcomes of pending or future professional liability cases and the availability and capacity of professional liability insurance to fund the outcome of pending cases or future judgments or settlements;
- our ability to obtain professional liability insurance;
- a significant decrease in the demand for the consulting, actuarial and other services we offer as a result of changing economic conditions or other factors;

- actions by competitors offering human resources consulting services, including public accounting and consulting firms, technology consulting firms and Internet/intranet development firms;
- our ability to achieve cost reductions after our recent acquisitions;
- foreign currency exchange and interest rate fluctuations;
- exposure to liabilities that have not been expressly assumed in our acquisition transactions;
- general economic and business conditions that adversely affect us or our clients;
- the level of capital resources required for future acquisitions and business opportunities;
- regulatory developments abroad and domestically that impact our business practice;
- legislative and technological developments that may affect the demand for or costs of our services;

and other factors discussed under *Risk Factors* in Item 1 of this Form 10-K. These statements are based on assumptions that may not come true. All forward-looking disclosure is speculative by its nature. The company undertakes no obligation to update any of the forward-looking information included in this report, whether as a result of new information, future events, changed expectations or otherwise.

#### **Executive Overview**

Watson Wyatt is a global consulting firm focusing on providing human capital and financial consulting services. We provide services in five principal practice areas: Benefits, Technology and Administration Solutions, Human Capital Consulting, Investment Consulting and Insurance and Financial Services, operating from 30 countries throughout North America, Europe, Asia Pacific and Latin America.

In the short term, our revenues are driven by many factors including the general state of the global economy and the resulting level of discretionary spending by our clients, the ability of our consultants to attract new clients or cross-sell to existing clients, and the impact of new regulations in the legal and accounting fields that most recently increased demand for our executive compensation and benefits practices. In the long term, we expect that the company's financial results will depend in large part upon how well we succeed in deepening our existing client relationships through thought leadership and focus on cross-practice solutions, actively pursuing new clients in our target markets, cross selling and strategic acquisitions. We believe that the highly fragmented industry in which we operate represents tremendous growth opportunities for us, because we offer a unique business combination of benefits and human capital consulting as well as strategic technology solutions.

We design, develop and implement human resource strategies and programs through the following closely-interrelated practice areas:

*Benefits Group* The Benefits Group, accounting for 59 percent of our total fiscal year 2007 revenues, is the foundation of our business. Retirement, the core of our Benefits Group business, is less impacted by discretionary spending reductions than our other segments, mainly due to the recurring nature of client relationships. Our corporate client retention rate within our target market has remained very high. Revenue for our retirement practice is seasonal, with the third and fourth quarters of each fiscal year being the busier periods. Major revenue growth drivers in this practice include changes in regulations, particularly those affecting pension plans in the U.K., leverage from other practices, an improving economy, increased global demand and increased market share.

*Technology and Administration Solutions Group* Our Technology and Administration Solutions Group, accounting for 12 percent of our total fiscal year 2007 revenues, provides information technology services to our customers.

*Human Capital Group* Our Human Capital Group, accounting for 12 percent of our total fiscal year 2007 revenues, generally encompasses short-term projects. As a result, this segment is most sensitive to cyclical economic fluctuations.





*Investment Consulting Group* - Our Investment Consulting Group accounts for 9 percent of our total fiscal year 2007 revenues. This business, although relationship based, can be affected by volatility in investment returns, particularly as clients look to us for assistance in managing that volatility.

*Insurance and Financial Services Group* - Our Insurance & Financial Services Group accounts for 8 percent of our total fiscal year 2007 revenues. This business is characterized by ongoing relationships with our clients who will typically use our skills on a number of different projects.

#### **Financial Statement Overview**

Watson Wyatt's fiscal year ends June 30.

The WWLLP business combination was completed July 31, 2005 and as a result, our financial statements reflect the consolidation of the European operations through Watson Wyatt Limited beginning August 1, 2005. Prior to July 31, 2005, or for one month of the first quarter of fiscal year 2006, the company recorded its share of the results of WWLLP and WWHE using the equity method of accounting. This income is reflected in the *Income from affiliates* line on our income statement. Our share of the results of our affiliated captive insurance company, Professional Consultants Insurance Company, Inc. (PCIC), continues to be recorded using the equity method of accounting, and is also reflected in the *Income from affiliates* line.

We derive substantially all of our revenue from fees for consulting services, which generally are billed based on time and materials or on a fixed-fee basis. Clients are typically invoiced on a monthly basis with revenue generally recognized as services are performed. For fiscal years 2005, 2006, and 2007, revenue from U.S. consulting operations has comprised approximately 80, 50 and 50 percent of consolidated revenue, respectively. No single client accounted for more than 4 percent of our consolidated revenue for any of the most recent three fiscal years.

In delivering consulting services, our principal direct expenses relate to compensation of personnel. Salaries and employee benefits are comprised of wages paid to associates, related taxes, benefit expenses such as pension, medical and insurance costs, and fiscal year-end incentive bonuses.

Professional and subcontracted services represent fees paid to external service providers for employment, marketing and other services, including reserves for professional liability claims. For the last three fiscal years, approximately 60 to 70 percent of these professional and subcontracted services were directly incurred on behalf of our clients and were reimbursed by them, with such reimbursements being included in revenue.

Occupancy, communications and other expenses represent expenses for rent, utilities, supplies and telephone to operate office locations as well as non-client-reimbursed travel by associates, publications and professional development. This line item also includes miscellaneous expenses, including gains and losses on foreign currency transactions.

General and administrative expenses include the operational costs, professional fees and insurance premiums associated with corporate management, general counsel, marketing, human resources, finance, research and technology support.

### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Our estimates, judgments and assumptions are continually evaluated based on available information and experience. Because of the use of estimates inherent in the financial reporting process, actual results could differ from those estimates. The areas that we believe are critical accounting policies include revenue recognition, valuation of billed and unbilled receivables from clients, discretionary compensation, income taxes, pension assumptions, incurred but not reported claims, and goodwill and intangible assets. The critical accounting policies discussed below involves making difficult, subjective or complex accounting estimates that could have a material effect on our financial condition and results of operations. These critical accounting policies require us to make assumptions about matters that are highly uncertain at the time of the estimate or assumption and different estimates that we could have used or changes in the estimate that are reasonably likely to occur may have a material impact on our financial statements and results of operations.

#### ***Revenue Recognition***

Revenue includes fees primarily generated from consulting services provided. We recognize revenue from these consulting engagements when hours are worked, either on a time-and-materials basis or on a fixed-fee basis, depending on the terms and conditions defined at the inception of an engagement with a client. The terms of our contracts with clients are fixed and determinable and may change based upon agreement by both parties. Individual consultants' billing rates are principally based on a multiple of salary and compensation costs.

Revenue for fixed-fee arrangements, which span multiple months, is based upon the percentage of completion method. The company typically has three types of fixed-fee arrangements: annual recurring projects, projects of a short duration, and non-recurring system projects. Annual recurring projects and the projects of short duration are typically straightforward and highly predictable in nature. As a result, the project manager and financial staff are able to identify, as the project status is reviewed and bills are prepared monthly, the occasions when cost overruns could lead to the recording of a loss accrual. Our non-recurring system projects are typically found in our Technology and Administration Solutions Group. They tend to be more complex projects that are longer in duration and subject to more changes in scope as the project progresses than projects undertaken in other segments. We evaluate at least quarterly, and more often as needed, project managers estimates-to-complete to assure that the projects' current status is accounted for properly. Our Technology and Administration Solutions Group contracts generally provide that if the client terminates a contract, the company is entitled to payment for services performed through termination.

Revenue recognition for fixed-fee engagements is affected by a number of factors that change the estimated amount of work required to complete the project such as changes in scope, the staffing on the engagement and/or the level of client participation. The periodic engagement evaluations require us to make judgments and estimates regarding the overall profitability and stage of project completion that, in turn, affect how we recognize revenue. The company recognizes a loss on an engagement when estimated revenue to be received for that engagement is less than the total estimated direct and indirect costs associated with the engagement. Losses are recognized in the period in which the loss becomes probable and the amount of the loss is reasonably estimable. The company has experienced certain costs in excess of estimates from time to time. Management believes that it is rare, however, for these excess costs to result in overall project losses.

The company has developed various software programs and technologies that we provide to clients in connection with consulting services. In most instances, such software is hosted and maintained by the company and ownership of the technology and rights to the related code remain with the company. Software developed to be utilized in providing services to a client, but for which the client does not have the contractual right to take possession, is capitalized in accordance with the AICPA's Statement of Position 98-1 Accounting for the Costs of Computer Software Developed or Obtained for Internal Use. Revenue associated with the related contract, together with amortization of the related capitalized software, is recognized over the service period. As a result we do not recognize revenue during the implementation phase of an engagement.

Revenue recognized in excess of billings is recorded as unbilled accounts receivable. Cash collections and invoices generated in excess of revenue recognized are recorded as deferred revenue until the revenue recognition criteria are met. Client reimbursable expenses, including those relating to travel, other out-of-pocket expenses and any third-party costs, are included in revenue, and an equivalent amount of reimbursable expenses are included in professional and subcontracted services as a cost of revenue.

#### ***Valuation of Billed and Unbilled Receivables from Clients***

We maintain allowances for doubtful accounts to reflect estimated losses resulting from our clients' failure to pay for our services after the services have been rendered, including allowances when customer disputes may exist. The related provision is generally recorded as a reduction to revenue. Our allowance policy is based on the aging of our billed and unbilled client receivables and has been developed based on our write-off history. Facts and circumstances such as the average length of time the receivables are past due, general market conditions, current economic trends and our clients' ability to pay may cause fluctuations in our valuation of billed and unbilled receivables.

#### ***Discretionary Compensation***

The company's compensation program includes a discretionary annual bonus that is determined by management and paid once per fiscal year in the form of cash and/or deferred stock units after the company's annual operating results are finalized.

An estimated annual bonus amount is initially developed at the beginning of each fiscal year in conjunction with our budgeting process. Quarterly, estimated annual operating performance is reviewed by the company and the discretionary annual bonus amount is then adjusted, if necessary, by management to reflect changes in the forecast of pre-bonus profitability for the year. In those quarters where the estimated annual bonus level changes, the remaining estimated annual bonus is accrued over the remaining quarters as a constant percentage of estimated future pre-bonus profitability. Annual bonus levels may vary from current expectations as a result of changes in the company's forecast of pre-bonus profitability and competitive employment market conditions.

### ***Income Taxes***

The company accounts for income taxes in accordance with SFAS No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*, which prescribes the use of the asset and liability method whereby deferred tax asset or liability account balances are calculated at the balance sheet date using current tax laws and rates in effect. Valuation allowances are established, when necessary, to reduce deferred tax assets when it is *more likely than not* that a portion or all of a given deferred tax asset will not be realized. In accordance with SFAS No. 109, income tax expense includes (i) deferred tax expense, which generally represents the net change in the deferred tax asset or liability balance during the year plus any change in valuation allowances and (ii) current tax expense, which represents the amount of tax currently payable to or receivable from a taxing authority plus amounts accrued for expected tax deficiencies (including both tax and interest). Accruals for expected tax deficiencies are recorded in accordance with SFAS No. 5, *Accounting for Contingencies*, when management determines that a tax deficiency is both probable and reasonably estimable.

### ***Pension Assumptions***

We sponsor both qualified and non-qualified, non-contributory defined benefit pension plans covering substantially all of our associates. Under our plans in North America, benefits are based on the number of years of service and the associates' compensation during the five highest paid consecutive years of service. The non-qualified plan, which exists only in North America, provides for pension benefits that would be covered under the qualified plan but are limited by the Internal Revenue Code. The non-qualified plan has no assets and therefore is an unfunded arrangement. The benefit liability is reflected on the balance sheet. The measurement date for the plans is June 30.

The disclosures for the U.K. plan are shown separately because the amounts are material relative to the North America plans and the assumptions used in the plan are significantly different than those used in the North America plans. Under our U.K. plan, benefits are based on the number of years of service and the associates' compensation during the three years before leaving the plan. The measurement date for the plan is June 30.

Determination of our obligations and annual expense under the plans is based on a number of assumptions that, given the longevity of the plans, are long-term in focus. A change in one or a combination of these assumptions could have a material impact on our pension benefit obligation and related expense. For this reason, management employs a long-term view so that assumptions do not change frequently in response to short-term volatility in the economy. Any difference between actual and assumed results is amortized into our pension expense over the average remaining service period of participating employees. We consider several factors prior to the start of each fiscal year when determining the appropriate annual assumptions, including economic forecasts, historical trends, portfolio composition and peer comparisons.

*North America*

The following assumptions were used at the end of the past three fiscal years in the valuation of our North American defined benefit pension plans:

|   | Year Ended June 30 |   |      |   |      |   |
|---|--------------------|---|------|---|------|---|
|   | 2007               |   | 2006 |   | 2005 |   |
| Discount rate                               | 6.25               | % | 6.25 | % | 5.25 | % |
| Expected long-term rate of return on assets | 8.75               | % | 8.75 | % | 9.00 | % |
| Rate of increase in compensation levels     | 3.84               | % | 3.84 | % | 3.34 | % |

The 6.25 percent discount rate assumption used at the end of fiscal year 2007 is unchanged from fiscal year 2006 and represents a 100 basis point increase from the 5.25 percent discount rate used at the end of fiscal year 2005. The company's discount rate assumptions were determined by matching future pension benefit payments with expected future AA bond yields for the same periods.

The expected long-term rate of return on assets assumption remained 8.75 percent per annum unchanged from fiscal year 2006 and representing 25 basis points lower than the 9 percent rate used in fiscal year 2005. Selection of the return assumption at 8.75 percent per annum was supported by an analysis performed by the company of the weighted average yield expected to be achieved with the anticipated makeup of investments. The investment makeup is heavily weighted towards equities which on average provide higher expected returns than other investment vehicles. The actual return on assets for fiscal year 2007 was 17.3 percent, compared to a return of 9.4 percent for fiscal year 2006.

The following information illustrates the sensitivity to a change in certain assumptions for the U.S. pension plans:

| Change in Assumption                                 | Effect on FY2007<br>Pre-Tax Pension Expense |
|--|---|
| 25 basis point decrease in discount rate             | +\$3.3 million                              |
| 25 basis point increase in discount rate             | -\$3.2 million                              |
| 25 basis point decrease in expected return on assets | +\$1.0 million                              |
| 25 basis point increase in expected return on assets | -\$1.0 million                              |

The above sensitivities reflect the impact of changing one assumption at a time. It should be noted that economic factors and conditions often affect multiple assumptions simultaneously and the effects of changes in key assumptions are not necessarily linear. The company's U.S. Other Postretirement Employee Benefits Plan is relatively insensitive to discount rate changes due to the plan provisions that have been established to control costs and as such no sensitivity results are shown in this display.

*United Kingdom*

The following assumptions were used at June 30, 2007 and 2006, and July 31, 2005, or the date of the WWLLP business combination and the valuation of our U.K. plan:

|   | <b>June 30,<br/>2007</b> |   | <b>June 30,<br/>2006</b> |   | <b>July 31,<br/>2005</b> |   |
|---|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|
| Discount rate                               | 5.80                     | % | 5.10                     | % | 5.00                     | % |
| Expected long-term rate of return on assets | 5.69                     | % | 5.63                     | % | 5.63                     | % |
| Rate of increase in compensation levels     | 4.95                     | % | 4.75                     | % | 4.75                     | % |

The 5.80 percent discount rate assumption used at the end of fiscal year 2007 represents a 70 basis point increase over the rate used at fiscal year 2006 and an 80 basis point increase over the discount rate at July 31, 2005. The discount rate is set in relation to yields on AA European corporate bonds at the measurement date and this reduction reflects the increase in yields between these two dates.

The expected long-term rate of return on assets assumption increased to 5.69 percent from 5.63 percent per annum for fiscal year 2007. The rate of return was supported by an analysis performed by the company of the weighted average return expected to be achieved with the anticipated makeup of investments which is heavily weighted towards bonds. The actual return on assets through fiscal year 2007 was 16.4 percent compared to 7.8 percent for fiscal year 2006.

The following information illustrates the sensitivity to a change in certain assumptions for the U.K. pension plans:

| <b>Change in Assumption</b>                          | <b>Effect on FY2007<br/>Pre-Tax Pension Expense</b> |
|--|---|
| 25 basis point decrease in discount rate             | +\$1.3 million                                      |
| 25 basis point increase in discount rate             | -\$ 1.2 million                                     |
| 25 basis point decrease in expected return on assets | +\$ 0.5 million                                     |
| 25 basis point increase in expected return on assets | -\$ 0.5 million                                     |

The differences in the discount rate and compensation level assumption used for the North American and U.K. plans above can be attributed to the differing interest rate environments associated with the currencies and economies to which the plans are subject. The differences in the expected return on assets are primarily driven by the respective asset allocation in each plan, coupled with the return expectations for assets in the respective currencies. The North American plans are approximately 65 percent invested in equities, which on average provide a higher return than bonds, which is the favored investment for the U.K. plans.

***Incurred But Not Reported Claims***

The company uses actuarial assumptions to estimate and record a liability for incurred but not reported (IBNR) professional liability claims. Our estimated IBNR liability is based on long-term trends and averages, and reflects consideration of a number of factors, including changes in claim reporting patterns, claim settlement patterns, judicial decisions, and legislation and economic decisions, but excludes the effect of claims data for large cases due to the insufficiency of actual experience with such cases. Management does not currently expect significant fluctuations in the IBNR liability, based on the company's historical claims experience. However, our estimated IBNR liability will fluctuate if claims experience changes over time.

***Goodwill and Intangible Assets***

In applying the purchase method of accounting for our business combinations, amounts assigned to identifiable assets and liabilities acquired have been based on estimated fair values as of the date of the acquisitions, with the remainder recorded as goodwill. Intangible assets are initially valued at fair market value using generally accepted valuation methods appropriate for the type of intangible asset. We evaluate our goodwill for impairment annually and whenever indicators of impairment exist. The evaluation is based upon a comparison of the estimated fair value of the reporting unit to which the goodwill has been assigned to the sum of the carrying value of the net assets for that reporting unit. The fair values used in this evaluation are estimated based upon a multiple of revenue for the reporting unit. This revenue multiple is based on our experience and knowledge of our own and other transactions in the marketplace. Intangible assets with definite lives are amortized over their estimated useful lives and are reviewed for impairment if indicators of impairment arise. The evaluation of impairment would be based upon a comparison of the carrying amount of the intangible asset to the estimated future undiscounted net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If estimated future undiscounted net cash flows are less than the carrying amount of the asset, the asset would be considered impaired. The impairment expense would be determined by comparing the estimated fair value of the intangible asset to its carrying value, with any shortfall from fair value recognized as an expense in the current period.



**Results of Operations**

The following table sets forth Consolidated Statement of Operations data as a percentage of revenue for the periods indicated:

|   | Year ended June 30 |   |       |   |       |   |
|---|--------------------|---|-------|---|-------|---|
|   | 2007               |   | 2006  |   | 2005  |   |
| Revenue   | 100.0              | % | 100.0 | % | 100.0 | % |
| <b>Costs of providing services:</b>                   |                    |   |       |   |       |   |
| Salaries and employee benefits                        | 54.2               |   | 55.0  |   | 53.9  |   |
| Professional and subcontracted services               | 6.7                |   | 6.6   |   | 7.8   |   |
| Occupancy, communications and other                   | 12.4               |   | 12.9  |   | 14.5  |   |
| General and administrative expenses                   | 10.7               |   | 11.6  |   | 10.1  |   |
| Depreciation and amortization                         | 3.9                |   | 3.5   |   | 2.7   |   |
|   | 87.9               |   | 89.6  |   | 89.0  |   |
| (Loss)/Income from operations                         | 12.1               |   | 10.4  |   | 11.0  |   |
| Income from affiliates                                | (0.4               | ) | 0.1   |   | 1.0   |   |
| Interest income                                       | 0.3                |   | 0.3   |   | 0.2   |   |
| Interest expense                                      | (0.1               | ) | (0.3  | ) | (0.0  | ) |
| Other non-operating (loss)/income                     | 0.0                |   | (0.2  | ) | (1.0  | ) |
| Income from continuing operations before income taxes | 11.9               |   | 10.3  |   | 11.2  |   |
| Provision for income taxes                            | 4.0                |   | 3.6   |   | 4.2   |   |
| Income from continuing operations                     | 7.9                | % | 6.7   | % | 7.0   | % |

**Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2007, Compared to Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006**

***Revenue***

Revenues for fiscal year 2007 were \$1.49 billion, an increase of \$215 million, or 17 percent, from \$1.27 billion in fiscal year 2006. The WWLLP business combination was completed on July 31, 2005, and therefore, fiscal year 2006 only includes eleven months of our European operations. The overall increase in revenues is due to an increase in demand for services in all of our segments, strengthening of the European currencies and the additional month of European operations.

The average exchange rate used to translate our revenues earned in British pounds sterling increased to 1.9391 for fiscal year 2007 from 1.7798 for the eleven months ended June 30, 2006, and the average exchange rate used to translate our revenues earned in Euros increased to 1.3113 for fiscal year 2007 from 1.221 for the eleven months ended June 30, 2006. The appreciation of these European currencies resulted in \$42 million of the increase in revenues in fiscal year 2007. Changes in the value of other foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar resulted in \$4 million of the increase in fiscal year 2007 revenues.

A comparison of segment revenues between fiscal year 2007 and fiscal year 2006 is provided below. A portion of each segment's revenue growth is due to the additional month of European operations included in fiscal year 2007 compared to fiscal year 2006.

- Benefits increased revenues \$95.2 million, or 13 percent, over fiscal year 2006 due to increased demand for our services in both the U.S. and Europe. The inclusion of an additional month of European revenues and the strengthening of the European currencies each accounted for 3 percentage points of the increase in fiscal year 2007.
- Technology and Administration Solutions increased revenues \$24.7 million, or 19 percent, over fiscal year 2006, largely due to an increase in the number of projects that went into service in the U.S. during the fiscal year. In accordance with EITF 00-3, Application of AICPA Statement of Position 97-2 to Arrangements that Include the Right to Use Software Stored on Another Entity's Hardware (EITF 00-3), the company begins recognizing revenue after projects go into service. No revenues are recognized during project implementation. At June 30, 2007, the company had 84 projects in service delivery and 67 projects in implementation. At June 30, 2006, the company had 51 projects in service delivery and 58 projects in implementation. The inclusion of an additional month of European revenues and the strengthening of the European currencies each accounted for 4 percentage points of the increase in fiscal year 2007.
- Human Capital Group increased revenues \$23.7 million, or 16 percent, over fiscal year 2006 primarily due to increased demand for our compensation consulting and our data services. The inclusion of an additional month of European revenues and the strengthening of the European currencies each accounted for 2 percentage points of the increase in fiscal year 2007.
- Investment Consulting increased revenues \$42.3 million, or 49 percent, over fiscal year 2006 due to an increase in demand for our services, especially investment strategy advice. The inclusion of an additional month of European revenues and the strengthening of the European currencies each accounted for 6 and 5 percentage points, respectively, of the increase in fiscal year 2007.
- Insurance and Financial Services increased revenues \$21.7 million, or 24 percent, over fiscal year 2006 due to an increase in project work, including life insurance consulting projects. The inclusion of an additional month of European revenues and the strengthening of the European currencies accounted for 10 and 5 percentage points, respectively, of the increase in fiscal year 2007.

***Salaries and Employee Benefits***

Salaries and employee benefits expenses for fiscal year 2007 were \$805.6 million, compared to \$699.0 million in fiscal year 2006, an increase of \$106.6 million or 15.3 percent. Of this increase, \$15.1 million, or 2.2 percentage points, was attributable to the inclusion of an additional month of European results while 4.1 percentage points was attributable to the strengthening European currencies. The remaining increase was principally due to higher salaries of \$69.0 million, partially due to a \$4.2 million Long Term Incentive Plan accrual and a 5.9 percent increase in headcount, a \$24.5 million increase in discretionary compensation, increased benefits expense of \$3.5 million, and less capitalization of \$5.7 million of time spent customizing in-house administration systems, in accordance with AICPA's Statement of Position 98-1, Accounting for the Costs of Computer Software Developed or Obtained for Internal Use. The increase was partially offset by a decrease in pension expense of \$11.2 million. As a percentage of revenue, salaries and employee benefits decreased to 54.2 percent from 55.0 percent.

***Professional and Subcontracted Services***

Professional and subcontracted services used in consulting operations for fiscal year 2007 were \$99.9 million, compared to \$84.2 million for fiscal year 2006, an increase of \$15.7 million or 18.7 percent. Of this increase, \$1.6 million, or 1.9 percentage points, was attributable to the inclusion of an additional month of European results while 4.6 percentage points was attributable to the strengthening European currencies. The remaining increase was principally due to higher reimbursable expenses incurred on behalf of clients. As a percentage of revenue, professional and subcontracted services increased to 6.7 percent from 6.6 percent.

***Occupancy, Communications and Other***

Occupancy, communications and other expenses for fiscal year 2007 were \$184.8 million, compared to \$164.1 million for fiscal year 2006, an increase of \$20.7 million or 12.6 percent. Of this increase, \$2.2 million, or 1.3 percentage points, was attributable to the inclusion of an additional month of European results while 3.3 percentage points was attributable to the strengthening European currencies. The remaining increase was attributable to general increases in expenses such as rent and utilities, travel, dues and entertainment, promotion, business tax, telephone, and repairs and maintenance, partially offset by decreases in expenses such as general office, postage, and office supplies. As a percentage of revenue, occupancy, communications and other expenses decreased to 12.4 percent from 12.9 percent.

***General and Administrative Expenses***

General and administrative expenses were \$159.6 million for fiscal year 2007, compared to \$147.1 million for fiscal year 2006, an increase of \$12.5 million or 8.5 percent. Of this increase, \$3.0 million, or 2.0 percentage points, was attributable to the inclusion of an additional month of European results while 4.3 percentage points was attributable to the strengthening European currencies. The remaining increase was principally due to higher base salaries of \$9.3 million, higher professional services expense of \$3.8 million and higher general office expenses of \$4.1 million, partially offset by a decrease in insurance expense of \$7.8 million. As a percentage of revenue, general and administrative expenses decreased to 10.7 percent from 11.6 percent.

***Depreciation and Amortization***

Depreciation and amortization for fiscal year 2007 was \$57.2 million, compared to \$44.9 million for fiscal year 2006, an increase of \$12.3 million or 27.4 percent. Of this increase, \$0.9 million, or 2.0 percentage points, was attributable to the inclusion of an additional month of European results while 4.0 percentage points, was attributable to the strengthening European currencies. The remaining increase was due to \$7.8 million of amortization on internally developed software used to support our Benefits Group and Technology and Administration Solutions Group and \$3.6 million higher depreciation expense on capital assets and amortization of intangibles. As a percentage of revenue, depreciation and amortization increased to 3.9 percent from 3.5 percent.

***(Loss)/Income From Affiliates***

Loss from affiliates was \$5.5 million for fiscal year 2007 compared to income of \$1.1 million for fiscal year 2006. The loss in fiscal year 2007 reflects our share of PCIC's loss compared to our share of PCIC's earnings in fiscal year 2006. Our share of those losses are the result of a substantial increase in PCIC's reserves during the third quarter of fiscal year 2007 in response to unusually rapid development of several claims against its three participating firms. Fiscal year 2006 also includes our share of results from our European affiliates for the month of July 2005, after which time the WWLLP business combination was consummated.

***Interest Income***

Interest income was \$4.1 million for fiscal year 2007, a decrease of \$0.2 million from \$4.3 million during fiscal year 2006.

***Interest Expense***

Interest expense was \$1.6 million for fiscal year 2007, a decrease of \$2.5 million from \$4.1 million during fiscal year 2006. The decrease was due to a lower average debt balance in fiscal year 2007. The \$105 million of borrowings on the balance sheet as of June 30, 2007 was borrowed on June 29, 2007 in anticipation of closing the Heissmann acquisition in early July.

***Other Non-Operating Income/(Loss)***

Other non-operating income/(loss) in fiscal year 2006 includes a \$1.4 million gain recognized by the company on the sale of its New Zealand operations, netted against a loss of \$3.6 million on a foreign exchange forward contract entered into in conjunction with the WWLLP business combination.

***Income From Continuing Operations Before Income Taxes***

Income from continuing operations before income taxes for fiscal year 2007 was \$176.5 million, an increase of 34.0 percent from \$131.7 million during fiscal year 2006. As a percentage of revenue, income from continuing operations for fiscal year 2007 increased to 11.9 percent from 10.3 percent.

***Provision for Income Taxes***

Provision for income taxes for fiscal year 2007 was \$60.2 million, compared to \$45.6 million for fiscal year 2006. Our effective tax rate was 34.1 percent for fiscal year 2007 and 34.6 percent for fiscal year 2006. The tax rate decrease is due to the geographic mix of income and the release of tax reserves. The company has not provided U.S. deferred taxes on cumulative earnings of foreign subsidiaries that have been reinvested indefinitely, which also includes foreign subsidiaries affiliated with the WWLLP business combination. We record a tax benefit on foreign net operating loss carryovers and foreign deferred expenses only if it is more likely than not that a benefit will be realized.

***Income From Continuing Operations***

Income from continuing operations for fiscal year 2007 was \$116.3 million, an increase of 35.1 percent from \$86.1 million during fiscal year 2006. As a percentage of revenue, income from continuing operations for fiscal year 2007 increased to 7.9 percent from 6.7 percent.

***Earnings Per Share, Income From Continuing Operations***

Diluted earnings per share, income from continuing operations was \$2.60 for fiscal year 2007, compared to \$1.99 for fiscal year 2006. The diluted earnings per share calculation assumes that the 1,950,000 contingent shares related to the WWLLP business combination have been issued and outstanding since July 31, 2005.

***Discontinued Operations***

During 1998, the company exited from its benefits administration outsourcing business, Wellspring Resources, LLC ( Wellspring ). Discontinued operations for fiscal year 2006 reflects the reduction of the company's accrual for the estimated remaining future obligations and costs related to the exit from Wellspring by \$1.75 million less the associated income tax expenses. Also, during fiscal year 2006 the company received sublease income of approximately \$64,000 in excess of lease payments related to Wellspring. See Note 16 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for more information related to Wellspring.

**Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006, Compared to Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005**

***Revenue***

Revenues for fiscal year 2006 were \$1.27 billion, an increase of \$534 million, or 72 percent, from \$737 million in fiscal year 2005. Of the increase, \$481 million is due to the WWLLP business combination. The remaining increase of \$53 million relates to the historical company.

The increases in the historical company segment revenue for fiscal year 2006 as compared to fiscal year 2005 are as follows.

- Benefits increased revenues \$35.0 million, or 8 percent, over fiscal year 2005 due to increased demand from existing clients around plan design and administration as well as revenues from new clients.
- Technology and Administration Solutions increased revenues \$9.3 million, or 14 percent, over fiscal year 2005, largely due to an increase in the number of projects that went into service during the fiscal year. In accordance with EITF 00-3, Application of AICPA Statement of Position 97-2 to Arrangements that Include the Right to Use Software Stored on Another Entity's Hardware (EITF 00-3), the company begins recognizing revenue after projects go into service. No revenues are recognized during project implementation. At June 30, 2006, the company had 51 projects in service and 58 projects in implementation. At June 30, 2005, the company had 10 projects in service and 29 projects in implementation.
- Human Capital Group increased revenues \$19.8 million, or 22 percent, over fiscal year 2005 primarily due to the \$12.9 million reclassification of Watson Wyatt Data Services from Other into this segment, as well as continuing demand for executive compensation consulting.
- Investment Consulting increased revenues \$3.8 million, or 12 percent, over fiscal year 2005 due to an increase in pension funding and asset performance consulting.

***Salaries and Employee Benefits***

Salaries and employee benefit expenses for fiscal year 2006 were \$699.0 million, an increase of \$301.7 million from \$397.3 million in fiscal year 2005, and increased as a percentage of revenue to 55 percent from 53.9 percent. The increase was mainly due to the additional salary and benefit expenses of \$271.5 million related to the WWLLP business combination. The increase in the historical company was due to higher salaries of \$23.5 million, partially due to a \$1.4 million Long Term Incentive Plan accrual as well as an increase in associates by 4.5 percent. Also included is higher accrual for discretionary compensation of \$7.3 million, higher pension expense of \$9.0 million, and higher benefits expense of \$6.3 million, partially offset by the capitalization of time spent customizing in-house administration systems of \$15.9 million, in accordance with AICPA's Statement of Position 98-1, Accounting for the Costs of Computer Software Developed or Obtained for Internal Use.

***Professional and Subcontracted Services***

Professional and subcontracted services were \$84.2 million for fiscal year 2006, an increase of \$26.4 million, or 45.6 percent, from \$57.8 million in the prior period, and decreased as a percentage of revenue to 6.6 percent from 7.8 percent. The increase was mainly due to the additional professional and subcontracted services expenses of \$21.0 million related to the WWLLP business combination. The increase in the historical company was attributable to higher reimbursable expenses incurred on behalf of clients as well as higher contracting costs.

***Occupancy, Communications and Other***

Occupancy, communications and other expenses were \$164.1 million for fiscal year 2006, an increase of \$57.3 million or 53.7 percent from \$106.8 million during fiscal year 2005, and decreased as a percentage of revenue to 12.9 percent from 14.5 percent. The increase was mainly due to the additional occupancy, communications, and other expenses of \$47.0 million related to the WWLLP business combination. The increase in the historical company was mainly due to increased travel expense of \$2.6 million, higher dues and entertainment of \$1.3 million, higher general office of \$3.7 million, and miscellaneous expenses of \$6.2 million, partially offset by a reduction in rent of \$3.5 million which is partially due to lease terminations in both periods and lease restructuring during fiscal year 2006.

***General and Administrative Expenses***

General and administrative expenses were \$147.1 million for fiscal year 2006, an increase of \$72.5 million or 97.2 percent from \$74.6 million during fiscal year 2005, and increased as a percentage of revenue to 11.6 percent from 10.1 percent. The increase was mainly due to the additional general and administrative expenses of \$69.2 million related to the WWLLP business combination. The increase in the historical company was mainly due to higher travel costs of \$0.5 million, higher insurance premiums of \$1.1 million, higher salaries and benefits expense of \$3.6 million, partially offset by a decrease in general office expense of \$0.9 million as well as miscellaneous decreases of \$0.9 million.

***Depreciation and Amortization***

Depreciation and amortization expense was \$44.9 million for fiscal year 2006, an increase of \$24.7 million or 122.3 percent from \$20.2 million during fiscal year 2005, and increased as a percentage of revenue to 3.5 percent from 2.7 percent. The increase was mainly due to the additional depreciation and amortization expense of \$15.3 million related to the WWLLP business combination. The increase in the historical company was due to depreciation on major software placed in service during fiscal year 2006 to support our Benefits and Technology and Administration Solutions Group.

***Income From Affiliates***

Income from affiliates was \$1.1 million for fiscal year 2006 compared to \$7.1 million for fiscal year 2005. The fiscal year 2005 income reflects our share of income from WWLLP and WWHE, which were considered to be affiliates of the company for the entire fiscal year. The fiscal year 2006 amount reflects our share of income from these affiliates only for the first month of fiscal year 2006, after which time the WWLLP business combination was consummated.

***Interest Income***

Interest income was \$4.3 million for fiscal year 2006, an increase of \$1.5 million from \$2.8 million during fiscal year 2005. The increase was due to higher interest earned on our investments as a result of higher interest rates.

***Interest Expense***

Interest expense was \$4.1 million for fiscal year 2006, an increase of \$3.4 million from \$0.7 million during fiscal year 2005. The increase was due to debt incurred as a result of the WWLLP business combination.

***Other Non-Operating (Loss)/ Income***

During fiscal year 2006, the company recorded a \$3.6 million loss associated with a foreign exchange forward contract entered into in conjunction with the WWLLP business combination, partially offset by a \$1.4 million gain recognized by the company on the sale of its New Zealand operations. During fiscal year 2005, the company recorded a \$4.8 million loss associated with a foreign exchange forward contract entered into in conjunction with the WWLLP business combination, recognized a settlement cost of \$2.2 million related to a claim by a former joint venture partner, and spent \$0.4 million to external advisors for strategic consulting. Non-operating income for fiscal year 2004 includes a \$5.6 million gain the company recorded in the first quarter of fiscal year 2004 related to PCIC. See Note 18 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for more information about this non-operating gain. During fiscal year 2004, the company also received cash payments of \$0.6 million in connection with the fiscal year 2002 sale of our U.S.-based public retirement business to GRS. All payments received in connection with this sale were contingent upon the successful transition of certain clients to the purchaser and upon their retention by the purchaser.

***Provision for Income Taxes***

Provision for income taxes was \$45.6 million for fiscal year 2006, compared to \$31.3 million for the prior period. Our effective tax rate was 34.6 percent for fiscal year 2006, compared to 37.9 percent for fiscal year 2005. The change in rate was principally due to decreases in tax reserves and the distribution of geographic income.

***Income From Continuing Operations***

Income from continuing operations was \$86.1 million, an increase of 67.5 percent from \$51.4 million during fiscal year 2005. As a percentage of revenue, income from continuing operations for fiscal year 2006 decreased to 6.8 percent from 7.0 percent.

***Earnings Per Share, Income From Continuing Operations***

Diluted earnings per share, income from continuing operations was \$1.99 for fiscal year 2006, compared to \$1.56 for fiscal year 2005. The diluted earnings per share calculation assumes that the 1,950,000 contingent shares related to the WWLLP business combination have been issued and outstanding since July 31, 2005.

***Discontinued Operations***

During 1998, the company exited from its benefits administration outsourcing business, Wellspring Resources, LLC ( Wellspring ). Discontinued operations for fiscal years 2006 and 2005 reflect the reduction of the company's accrual for the estimated remaining future obligations and costs related to the exit from Wellspring by \$1.75 million and \$1.25 million, respectively, less the associated income tax expenses. Also, during fiscal year 2006 and 2005, the company received sublease income of approximately \$64,000 and \$44,000, respectively, in excess of lease payments related to Wellspring. See Note 16 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for more information related to Wellspring.



## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2007 totaled \$248.2 million, compared to \$165.3 million at June 30, 2006. The cash balance at June 30, 2007 includes cash received as a result of borrowings against our credit facility in preparation for the Heissmann acquisition that was consummated subsequent to year end. During fiscal year 2007, we paid \$96.5 million of previously accrued discretionary compensation, \$68.9 million in corporate taxes, \$44.0 million in capital expenditures and \$12.7 million in dividends. These payments were funded by cash flow from current consulting operations, from existing cash balances and from borrowings under our revolving credit facility. Consistent with the company's liquidity position, management considers various alternative strategic uses of cash reserves including acquisitions, stock buybacks, and dividends, or any combination of these options. The company believes that it has sufficient resources to fund operations through the next twelve months.

Our non U.S. operations are substantially self-sufficient for their working capital needs. At June 30, 2007, \$25.5 million of the total cash balance of \$248.2 million was held outside of North America, which we have the ability to utilize, if necessary. There are no significant repatriation restrictions other than local or U.S. taxes associated with repatriation.

### ***Cash From Operating Activities***

Cash from operating activities for fiscal year 2007 was \$167.7 million, compared to cash from operating activities of \$169.1 million for fiscal year 2006.

The allowance for doubtful accounts increased \$2.5 million from June 30, 2006 to June 30, 2007. As a result of the increase in accounts receivable and work in process since June 30, 2006, the number of days of accounts receivable and work in process outstanding increased to 83 at June 30, 2007 from 78 at June 30, 2006.

Cash from operating activities for fiscal year 2006 was \$169.1 million, compared to cash from operating activities of \$68.1 million for fiscal year 2005.

The allowance for doubtful accounts increased \$1.6 million from June 30, 2005 to June 30, 2006. The number of days of accounts receivable and work in process outstanding was 78 at June 30, 2006, down from 80 at June 30, 2005.

### ***Cash Used in Investing Activities***

Cash used in investing activities for fiscal year 2007 was \$114.2 million, compared to \$202.3 million for fiscal year 2006. The difference can be primarily attributed to a reduction in the amounts spent on acquisitions and contingent consideration payments in fiscal year 2007, compared to \$137.8 million in fiscal year 2006. Expenditures of capital funds were \$44.0 million for fiscal year 2007.

Cash used in investing activities for fiscal year 2006 was \$202.3 million, compared to \$29.7 million for fiscal year 2005. The difference can be primarily attributed to the WWLLP business combination and other acquisition related payments totaling \$137.8 million and higher costs associated with the capitalization of time spent customizing in-house administration systems of \$13.4 million in accordance with AICPA's Statement of Position 98-1.

**Cash From (Used in) Financing Activities**

Cash from financing activities was \$27.2 million for fiscal year 2007, compared to \$16.9 million from financing activities during fiscal year 2006. The increase was primarily attributable to higher net borrowings of \$45 million in fiscal year 2007, net of an increase of \$44 million of common stock repurchases. Fiscal year 2006 included a loss of \$8.4 million on a forward looking foreign currency contract.

Cash from financing activities was \$16.9 million for fiscal year 2006, compared to \$9.0 million used in financing activities during fiscal year 2005. The difference was primarily attributable to net borrowings of \$30 million in fiscal year 2006 compared to no borrowings during fiscal year 2005.

**Capital Commitments**

Expenditures of capital funds were \$44.0 million for fiscal year 2007. Anticipated commitments of capital funds for Watson Wyatt are estimated at \$49.0 million for fiscal year 2008. We expect cash from operations to adequately provide for these cash needs.

**Dividends**

During fiscal year 2007, the Board of Directors of the company approved the payment of a quarterly cash dividend in the amount of \$0.075 per share. Total dividends paid in fiscal year 2007 were \$12.7 million.

Under our credit facility in effect as of June 30, 2007 (see Note 9 of Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 15 of this report), we are required to observe certain covenants (including requirements for a fixed coverage charge, cash flow leverage ratio and asset coverage) that affect the amounts available for the declaration or payment of dividends. The continued payment of cash dividends in the future is at the discretion of our Board of Directors and depends on numerous factors, including, without limitation, our net income, financial condition, availability of capital, debt covenant limitations and our other business needs, including those of our subsidiaries and affiliates.

**Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements and Contractual Obligations**

| Contractual Cash Obligations (in thousands) | Remaining payments by fiscal year due as of June 30, 2007 |                  |            |           |                   |
|---|---|------------------|------------|-----------|-------------------|
|   | Total   | Less than 1 Year | 2-3 Years  | 4-5 Years | More than 5 Years |
| Lease commitments                           | \$ 292,101  | \$ 47,677        | \$ 83,082  | \$ 67,443 | \$ 93,899         |
| Revolving Credit Facility                   | 105,000   |                  | 105,000    |           |                   |
| Total                                       | \$ 397,101  | \$ 47,677        | \$ 188,082 | \$ 67,443 | \$ 93,899         |

**Operating Leases.** We lease office space, furniture and selected computer equipment under operating lease agreements with terms ranging from one to ten years. Management has determined that there is not a large concentration of leases that will expire in any one fiscal year. Consequently, management anticipates that any increase in future rent expense will be mainly market driven.

**Pension Contributions.** Contributions to our various pension plans for fiscal year 2008 are projected to be approximately \$38.0 million.

### **Guarantees**

*Wellspring Leases.* We continue to guarantee two leases for office premises for Wellspring Resources, LLC ( Wellspring ), the benefits administration outsourcing business that we exited from in fiscal year 1998. The last guaranteed lease will expire in November, 2007. Based on our analysis and the limited duration of the remaining lease obligations, the company no longer records an obligation as the probability of any payment under these lease guarantees is remote.

*WWLLP Business Combination.* On July 31, 2005, the company acquired substantially all the assets and assumed most liabilities of WWLLP, the company's long-time alliance partner in the U.K. and Europe. The company entered into indemnity arrangements with WWLLP relating to the acquisition and also agreed that certain indemnity obligations relating to the alliance arrangements will continue after the WWLLP business combination. The period for which certain indemnity obligations, other than for certain tax liabilities, has expired.

In connection with the WWLLP business combination, the company will issue an additional 1,950,000 shares of the company's common stock based on the achievement by the acquired business of agreed-upon financial performance goals. The company expects to issue these shares during fiscal year 2008 as the performance goals have been achieved. The value of these shares was \$86.9 million based on the NYSE closing price on July 31, 2007. The contingent consideration is payable by Watson Wyatt Limited and the payment obligations are guaranteed by Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc.

*Watson Wyatt Netherlands Acquisition.* On February 1, 2007, the company acquired substantially all of the assets and assumed most liabilities of Watson Wyatt Netherlands, its long-time alliance partner in the Netherlands. In connection with this acquisition, payment of up to an additional \$8.0 million of Class A shares (approximately 220,000 shares) after January 31, 2008 is contingent upon achievement by the acquired business of certain financial performance goals during the twelve month period ending January 31, 2008. The contingent consideration is payable by Watson Wyatt Limited and the payment obligations are guaranteed by Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc.

### **Credit Agreement**

The company has a credit facility provided by a syndicate of banks in an aggregate principal amount of \$300 million. Interest rates associated with this facility vary with LIBOR and/or the Prime Rate and are based on our leverage ratio, as defined by the credit agreement. We are charged a quarterly commitment fee, currently 0.125 percent of the facility, which varies with our financial leverage and is paid on the unused portion of the credit facility. On June 29, 2007, the company borrowed \$105 million under its credit facility in connection with the anticipation of closing the Heissmann Acquisition. As of June 30, 2007 and 2006, the company had \$105 million and \$30 million, respectively, outstanding under the facility. Credit under the facility is available upon demand, although the credit facility requires us to observe certain covenants (including requirements for minimum net worth, which act to restrict dividends, cash flow leverage ratio and a fixed coverage charge) and is collateralized with a pledge of stock of material subsidiaries. We were in compliance with all covenants under the credit facility as of June 30, 2007. This facility is scheduled to mature on June 30, 2010. See Note 19 for additional information on the Heissmann Acquisition.

A portion of the revolving facility is used to support required letters of credit issued under the credit line. As a result, \$8.0 million of the facility was unavailable for operating needs as of June 30, 2007. In July 2007, the company issued an additional \$2.6 million letter of credit under the credit line. We are charged a fee for outstanding letters of credit that also fluctuates based on our leverage ratio.

The company has also provided a \$5.0 million Australian dollar-denominated letter of credit (US \$4.2 million) to an Australian governmental agency as required by the local regulations. The estimated fair market value of these letters of credit is immaterial because they have never been used, and the company believes that future usage is remote.

### **Risk Management**

As a part of our overall risk management program, we carry customary commercial insurance policies, including commercial general liability, employment practices liability, and claims-made professional liability insurance with a self-insured retention of \$1 million per claim, which provides coverage for professional liability claims of the company and its subsidiaries, including the cost of defending such claims. Our primary professional liability insurance coverage beyond our self-insured retention amount is written by an affiliated captive insurance company (PCIC) owned by us and two other professional services firms.

In formulating its premium structure, PCIC estimates the amount it expects to pay for losses (and loss expenses) for all the members as a whole and then allocates that amount to the member firms based on the individual member's expected losses. PCIC bases premium calculations, which are determined annually based on experience through March of each year, on relative risk of the various lines of business performed by each of the owner companies, past claim experience of each owner company (experience rating), growth of each of those companies, industry risk profiles in general and the overall insurance markets. As of July 1, 2007, the captive insurance company carries reinsurance for losses it insures above \$25 million.

Our agreements with PCIC could require additional payments to PCIC in the event that the company decided to exit PCIC and adverse claims significantly exceed prior expectations. If these circumstances were to occur, the company would record a liability at the time it becomes probable and reasonably estimable.

The company will continue to provide for the self-insured retention where specific estimated losses and loss expenses for known claims in excess of \$1 million are considered probable and reasonably estimable. Although the company maintains professional liability insurance coverage, this insurance does not cover claims made after expiration of our current insurance contracts. Generally accepted accounting principles require that we record a liability for incurred but not reported (IBNR) professional liability claims if they are probable and reasonably estimable, and for which we have not yet contracted for insurance coverage. The company uses actuarial assumptions to estimate and record its IBNR liability and has a \$35.5 million IBNR liability recorded as of June 30, 2007.

Insurance market conditions for our industry and the company include increases in overall premium cost. In addition, beginning in 2005 PCIC raised the reinsurance attachment point from \$15 million to \$25 million. Trends toward higher self-insured retentions and constraints on aggregate excess coverages for this class of insurance coverage are anticipated to continue or to recur periodically, and to be reflected in our future annual insurance renewals. As a result, we will continue to assess our ability to secure future insurance coverage and we cannot assure that such coverage will continue to be available indefinitely in the event of specific adverse claims experience, adverse loss trends, market capacity constraints or other factors. In anticipation of the possibility of future reductions in risk transfer from PCIC to re-insurers, as well as the hardening insurance market conditions in recent years, the firms that own PCIC, including the company, have increased PCIC's capital in the past and we will continue to re-assess capital requirements on a regular basis.

In light of increasing worldwide litigation, including litigation against professionals, the company has implemented a requirement that client relationships be documented by engagement letters containing risk mitigation clauses that were not included in all historical client agreements. Nearly 100 percent of the company's U.S. and U.K. corporate clients have signed engagement letters including risk mitigation clauses, and initiatives to maintain that process in the United States and the United Kingdom and complete it elsewhere are underway.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) published Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, Fair Value Measurements ( FAS 157). FAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. FAS 157 applies under other accounting pronouncements that require or permit fair value measurements and accordingly, does not require any new fair value measurements. FAS 157 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. The company does not believe the adoption of FAS 157 will have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In September 2006, the FASB published Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 158, Employers Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension Plans and Other Postretirement Plans ( FAS 158), which is an amendment to FAS 87, Employers Accounting for Pensions ; FAS 88, Employers Accounting for Settlements and Curtailments of Defined Benefit Pension Plans and for Termination Benefits ; and FAS 132(R), revision to FAS132, Employers Disclosures about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits . The provisions of FAS 158 are effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2006 and the transition method is prospective. As a result, the company adopted the provisions of FAS 158 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. FAS 158 requires companies to recognize the funded status of each of the defined benefit pension and postretirement plans. Each over funded plan is recognized as an asset and each under funded plan is recognized as a liability. The initial impact of the standard, due to unrecognized prior services costs and net actuarial gains and losses as well as subsequent changes in funded status, is recognized as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income which is included in total shareholders equity, net of applicable income tax. Previous amounts recorded as additional minimum liabilities and related intangible assets are also reversed upon adoption of the new standard. In accordance with FAS 158, the fiscal year 2006 accounting and related disclosures were not affected by the adoption of the new standard.

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The table below summarizes the incremental effect of FAS 158 adoption on the individual line items in the company's consolidated balance sheet at June 30, 2007:

|  | <b>Pre-SFAS<br/>No. 158<br/>Adoption</b> | <b>SFAS<br/>No. 158<br/>Adjustments</b> | <b>Post-SFAS<br/>No. 158<br/>Adoption</b> |
|--|--|---|---|
| Net Deferred Income Taxes                  | 57,650                                   | 3,448                                   | 61,098                                    |
| Intangible pension asset                   | 602                                      | (602)                                   | )   |
| Prepaid Retirement Benefits                |  | 43,793                                  | 43,793                                    |
| Current Retirement Benefits                | 7,975                                    | 1,851                                   | 9,826                                     |
| Noncurrent Retirement Benefits             | 159,780                                  | 38,897                                  | 198,677                                   |
| Additional Minimum liability (net of tax)  | (6,716)                                  | ) 6,716                                 |   |
| Unamortized Pension liability (net of tax) |  | (1,412)                                 | ) (1,412)                                 |
| Foreign Currency                           |  | 589                                     | 589                                       |

The net unrealized loss of \$1.2 million, the prior service credit of \$1.9 million, and the transition obligation asset of \$0.1 million results in a net decrease in expense of \$0.8 million which will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive income into pension expense over the next fiscal year.

In June 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued FASB Interpretation No. 48 ( FIN 48 ), Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes - an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 ( FAS 109 ), which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an enterprise's financial statements in accordance with FAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. FIN 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. This Interpretation also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. This Interpretation is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006 so it will be effective for the company in fiscal year 2008, which began on July 1, 2007. The company is currently evaluating the impact of FIN 48 on its consolidated financial statements.

In September 2006, the SEC released Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 108, Considering the Effects of Prior Year Misstatements When Quantifying Misstatements in Current Year Financial Statement ( SAB 108 ), which provides guidance on how companies should quantify financial statement misstatements. SAB 108 requires that the effect of misstatements that were not corrected at the end of the prior year be considered in quantifying misstatements in the current-year financial statements. Two techniques were identified as being used by companies in practice to accumulate and quantify misstatements the rollover approach and the iron curtain approach. The rollover approach quantifies a misstatement based on the amount of the misstatement originating in the current-year income statement. Thus, this approach ignores the effects of correcting the portion of the current-year balance sheet misstatement that originated in prior years. The iron curtain approach quantifies a misstatement based on the effects of correcting the cumulative misstatement existing in the balance sheet at the end of the current year, irrespective of the misstatement's year(s) of origination. SAB 108 permits companies to adjust for the cumulative effect of misstatements relating to prior years in the carrying amount of assets and liabilities as of the beginning of the current fiscal year, with an offsetting adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in the year of adoption.

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Prior to the issuance of SAB 108, the company used the rollover method to evaluate the effects of misstatements that were not corrected at the end of the prior year but were determined to be immaterial individually and in the aggregate. The company adopted SAB 108 in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2007 and performed an evaluation of prior year misstatements under the iron curtain method. The company concluded that a prior year misstatement would have been material under the iron curtain method. Specifically, the practice by which we value work in process, resulted in the need for a material adjustment to the financial statements under the iron curtain method described above. As a result, the company has elected, as allowed under SAB 108, to record the effect of initially applying this guidance by adjusting the carrying amount of the impacted accounts as of the beginning of fiscal year 2007 and recording an offsetting adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in fiscal year 2007.

The following table summarizes the SAB 108 cumulative effect adjustment as of July 1, 2006:

|                                       | <b>Retained Earnings<br/>Adjustment Recorded<br/>As of July 1, 2006<br/>Decrease/(Increase)<br/>(In thousands) (1)</b> |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Valuation of unbilled receivables (2) | \$ 9,184   |
| Lease Incentives (3)                  | 3,650  |
| Stock-based compensation (4)          | 2,234  |
| Associate expense (5)                 | 1,750  |
| Deferred taxes and taxes payable (6)  | (6,762 )   |
| Retained Earnings (7)                 | \$ 10,056  |

(1) We previously evaluated these misstatements utilizing the roll-over approach and concluded that they were insignificant individually and in the aggregate to all periods prior to April 1, 2007. The entries below reflect the impact of recording these misstatements on the iron curtain method.

(2) Valuation of Unbilled Receivables - The company's practice in North America associated with the valuation of unbilled receivables has historically been to adjust the net realizable value in conjunction with our billing process, which typically occurs in the month after the unbilled receivables are generated. Thus, each accounting period has contained the valuation adjustments from the previous period, which has resulted in immaterial differences to our income statements over time. The cumulative impact has resulted in an overstatement of our unbilled receivables that would be material to the company under the iron curtain approach. In June 2007, the company corrected the unbilled receivables with an adjustment of \$9.2 million, less an income tax effect of \$3.7 million, to the beginning balance of retained earnings at July 1, 2006.

(3) Lease Incentives - In February 2005, the SEC clarified its view on accounting for leasehold incentives and indicated that the gross method, which requires that leasehold incentives be recorded separately and amortized over the life of the lease, was the only acceptable method of accounting for leasehold incentives. Prior to that time, the company had accounted for leasehold incentives by netting them into the related leasehold improvements (the net method). Effective March 1, 2005, the company changed its accounting with regards to leasehold incentives such that incentives associated with any new leases entered into after that date would be amortized separately over the life of the lease or the useful life, whichever is shorter.

Since the majority of the company's leases were for terms in excess of the depreciable life of the leasehold improvements, the impact of our using the net method was that the benefits of the leasehold incentives were amortized into the income statement faster than they would have been if amortized over the full term of the leases. Thus at the time of the policy change, our deferred rent liability was understated by the amount of the incentives that had been prematurely amortized into income. In June 2007, the company corrected this liability with an adjustment of \$3.7 million, less an income tax effect of \$1.5 million, to the beginning balance of retained earnings at July 1, 2006.

(4) Stock-based Compensation During the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2007, we determined that compensation expense and the related liability associated with one of our stock-based compensation plans had erroneously not been recorded for fiscal year 2006. In June 2007, the company corrected this liability with an adjustment of \$2.2 million, less an income tax effect of \$0.9 million, to the beginning balance of retained earnings at July 1, 2006.



(5) **Associate Expenses** - The company's associates incur expenses on behalf of the company in fulfillment of their work responsibilities. Submission of these expenses to the company for reimbursement has historically lagged the actual expenditure, typically by a month. Thus, each accounting period has contained the associate expenses from the previous period, which has resulted in immaterial differences to our income statements over time. In June 2007, the company corrected this misstatement with an adjustment of \$1.8 million, less an income tax effect of \$0.7 million, to the beginning balance of retained earnings at July 1, 2006.

(6) **Deferred Taxes and Taxes Payable** - As a result of the misstatements previously described, we recorded an increase to deferred income tax as of July 1, 2006 with a corresponding offset to retained earnings to correct these misstatements.

(7) **Retained Earnings** - Represents the net reduction to retained earnings as of July 1, 2006, to reflect the initial application of SAB 108.

Certain of the adjustments included above also resulted in misstatements in the first three quarters of fiscal year 2007. We previously evaluated these misstatements utilizing the rollover approach and concluded that these errors were insignificant, individually and in the aggregate, to each of the first three quarters of fiscal 2007.

#### **Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.**

We are exposed to market risks in the ordinary course of business. These risks include interest rate risk, foreign currency exchange and translation risk.

##### **Interest Rate Risk**

The primary objective of our investment activities is to preserve principal while at the same time maximizing yields without significantly increasing risk. To achieve this objective, we maintain our portfolio in mainly short term securities that are recorded on the balance sheet at fair value.

##### **Foreign Currency Risk**

International net revenues result from transactions by our foreign operations and are typically denominated in the local currency of each country. These operations also incur most of their expenses in the local currency. Accordingly, our foreign operations use the local currency, as their functional currency. Our primary international operations use the British Pound, and to a lesser extent, the Euro. Our international operations are subject to risks typical of international operations, including, but not limited to, differing economic conditions, changes in political climate, differing tax structures, other regulations and restrictions, and foreign exchange rate volatility. Accordingly, our future results could be adversely impacted by changes in these or other factors.

##### **Translation Exposure**

Foreign exchange rate fluctuations may adversely impact our consolidated financial position as well as our consolidated results of operations and may adversely impact our financial position as the assets and liabilities of our foreign operations are translated into U.S. dollars in preparing our condensed consolidated balance sheet. Additionally, foreign exchange rate fluctuations may adversely impact our condensed consolidated results of operations as exchange rate fluctuations on transactions denominated in currencies other than our functional currencies result in gains and losses that are reflected in our condensed consolidated statement of income.

We consolidate our international subsidiaries by converting them into U.S. dollars in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 52, Foreign Currency Translation (FAS 52). The results of operations and our financial position will fluctuate when there is a change in foreign currency exchange rates.

**Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.**

The financial statements and supplementary data are included as Item 15 of this report.

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

There are no changes in accountants or disagreements with accountants on accounting principles and financial disclosures required to be disclosed in this Item 9.

**Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.**

**Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

An evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of our principal executive officer, principal financial officer and senior management, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as such term is defined in rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ). Based upon that evaluation, our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, and senior management concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective in providing reasonable assurance that the information required to be disclosed in our periodic reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is (1) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms, and (2) accumulated and communicated to our management to allow their timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

**Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting in the fourth quarter of 2007 that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

**Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

Internal control over financial reporting refers to the process designed by, or under the supervision of, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, and overseen by our 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, and 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.

Internal control over financial reporting cannot provide absolute assurance of achieving financial reporting objectives because of its inherent limitations. Internal control over financial reporting is a process that involves human diligence and compliance and is subject to lapses in judgment and breakdowns resulting from human failures. Internal control over financial reporting also can be circumvented by collusion or improper management override. Because of such limitations, there is a risk that material misstatements may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis by internal control over financial reporting. However, these inherent limitations are known features of the financial reporting process. Therefore, it is possible to design into the process safeguards to reduce, though not eliminate, this risk.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting for the company. Management has used the framework set forth in the report entitled *Internal Control-Integrated Framework* published by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations (COSO) of the Treadway Commission to evaluate the effectiveness of the company's internal control over financial reporting. Based on this evaluation, management has concluded that the company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of June 30, 2007.

Our independent registered public accounting firm, Deloitte & Touche LLP, has issued a report on management's assessment of our internal control over financial reporting. This report is included below.

#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of  
Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc.  
Arlington, Virginia

We have audited management's assessment, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting, that Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2007, 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. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on management's assessment and an opinion on the effectiveness of 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, evaluating management's assessment, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

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, based on our audit, management's assessment that the Company maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2007, is fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Also, in our opinion, based on our audit, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2007, 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 and financial statement schedule as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007 of the Company and our report dated August 24, 2007 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements and financial statement schedule and included an explanatory paragraph regarding the Company's adoption of new accounting standards.

*DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP*

McLean, Virginia  
August 24, 2007

### **Part III**

#### **Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers, and Audit Committee of the Registrant.**

The response to this item will be included in a definitive proxy statement to be filed within 120 days after the end of the company's fiscal year, and that information is incorporated herein by this reference.

#### **Item 11. Executive Compensation.**

The response to this item will be included in a definitive proxy statement to be filed within 120 days after the end of the company's fiscal year, and that information is incorporated herein by this reference.

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**Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management.**

The response to this item will be included in a definitive proxy statement to be filed within 120 days after the end of the company's fiscal year, and that information is incorporated herein by this reference.

**Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions.**

The response to this item will be included in a definitive proxy statement to be filed within 120 days after the end of the company's fiscal year, and that information is incorporated herein by this reference.

**Item 14. Principal Auditor Fees and Services.**

The response to this item will be included in a definitive proxy statement to be filed within 120 days after the end of the company's fiscal year, and that information is incorporated herein by this reference.

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**Part IV**

**Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules**

a) Financial Information

- (1) Consolidated Financial Statements of Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Financial Statements:

Consolidated Statements of Operations for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007

Consolidated Balance Sheets at June 30, 2007 and 2006

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Stockholders' Equity for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

- (2) Consolidated Financial Statement Schedule for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007

Valuation and Qualifying Accounts and Reserves (Schedule II)

All other schedules are omitted because they are not applicable or the required information is shown in the financial statements or notes thereto.

- (3) Exhibits

See (b) below.

- b) Exhibits

See Exhibit Index on page 105

- c) Financial Statement Schedules

Not applicable.

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### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

WATSON WYATT WORLDWIDE, INC.  
(Registrant)

Date: August 24, 2007

By: /s/ John J. Haley  
John J. Haley  
President and Chief Executive  
Officer

Pursuant to the requirements 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.

| Signature  | Title  | Date    |
|--|--|---------|
| /s/ John J. Haley<br>John J. Haley                       | President, Chief Executive Officer<br>and Director | 8/24/07 |
| /s/ Carl D. Mautz<br>Carl D. Mautz                       | Vice President and Chief<br>Financial Officer      | 8/24/07 |
| /s/ Peter L. Childs<br>Peter L. Childs                   | Controller   | 8/24/07 |
| /s/ John J. Gabarro<br>John J. Gabarro                   | Director   | 8/24/07 |
| /s/ R. Michael McCullough<br>R. Michael McCullough       | Director   | 8/24/07 |
| /s/ Brendan O Neill<br>Brendan O Neill                   | Director   | 8/24/07 |
| /s/ Linda D. Rabbitt<br>Linda D. Rabbitt                 | Director   | 8/24/07 |
| /s/ Chandrasekhar Ramamurthy<br>Chandrasekhar Ramamurthy | Vice President and Director                        | 8/24/07 |
| /s/ Gilbert T. Ray<br>Gilbert T. Ray                     | Director   | 8/24/07 |





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|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|
| /s/ Roger Urwin<br>Roger Urwin       | Vice President and Director | 8/24/07 |
| /s/ Gene H. Wickes<br>Gene H. Wickes | Vice President and Director | 8/24/07 |
| /s/ John C. Wright<br>John C. Wright | Director                    | 8/24/07 |

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders  
Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc.  
Arlington, Virginia

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) as of June 30, 2007 and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended. Our audit also included the financial statement schedule listed in the Index at Item 15 for the year ended June 30, 2007. These financial statements and financial statement schedule are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial statement schedule 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 the 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 audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc. and subsidiaries at June 30, 2007, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, such financial statement schedule for the year ended June 30, 2007, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

As discussed in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, effective June 30, 2007, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 158, *Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Post Retirement Plans - An Amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106, and 132(R)*, as well as SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 108, *Considering the Effects of Prior Year Misstatements when Quantifying Misstatements in Current Year Financial Statements*.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2007, 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 August 24, 2007, expressed an unqualified opinion on management's assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting and an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

*DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP*

McLean, Virginia  
August 24, 2007

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To Board of Directors and Stockholders

Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements listed in the accompanying index present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc. and its subsidiaries at June 30, 2006, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended June 30, 2006 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, in our opinion, the financial statement schedule for each of the two years in the period ended June 30, 2006, listed in the accompanying index presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein when read in conjunction with the related consolidated financial statements. These financial statements and financial statement schedule are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial statement schedule based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these statements 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 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, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

McLean, Virginia

August 17, 2006

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**WATSON WYATT WORLDWIDE, INC.****Consolidated Statements of Operations**

(Thousands of U.S. Dollars, Except Per Share Data)

|   | <b>Year Ended June 30</b> |              |             |
|---|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|
|   | <b>2007</b>               | <b>2006</b>  | <b>2005</b> |
| Revenue   | \$ 1,486,523              | \$ 1,271,811 | \$ 737,421  |
| Costs of providing services:  |                           |              |             |
| Salaries and employee benefits  | 805,571                   | 699,049      | 397,252     |
| Professional and subcontracted services   | 99,943                    | 84,165       | 57,810      |
| Occupancy, communications and other   | 184,832                   | 164,140      | 106,752     |
| General and administrative expenses   | 159,637                   | 147,122      | 74,612      |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 57,235                    | 44,918       | 20,210      |
|   | 1,307,218                 | 1,139,394    | 656,636     |
| Income from operations  | 179,305                   | 132,417      | 80,785      |
| (Loss)/Income from affiliates   | (5,500 )                  | 1,135        | 7,146       |
| Interest income   | 4,066                     | 4,325        | 2,832       |
| Interest expense  | (1,581 )                  | (4,093 )     | (660 )      |
| Other non-operating income/(loss)   | 178                       | (2,081 )     | (7,404 )    |
| Income from continuing operations before income taxes   | 176,468                   | 131,703      | 82,699      |
| Provision for income taxes  | 60,193                    | 45,585       | 31,303      |
| Income from continuing operations   | 116,275                   | 86,118       | 51,396      |
| Discontinued operations:  |                           |              |             |
| Adjustment to reduce estimated loss on disposal of discontinued operations<br>(less applicable income tax expense for the years ended June 30, 2006 and 2005) |                           | 1,028        | 739         |
| Sublease income from discontinued operations, less applicable income tax<br>expense for the years ended June 30, 2006 and 2005                                |                           | 45           | 27          |
| Net income  | \$ 116,275                | \$ 87,191    | \$ 52,162   |
| Basic earnings per share:   |                           |              |             |
| Income from continuing operations   | \$ 2.74                   | \$ 2.08      | \$ 1.58     |
| Income from discontinued operations   |                           | 0.03         | 0.02        |
| Net income  | \$ 2.74                   | \$ 2.11      | \$ 1.60     |
| Diluted earnings per share:   |                           |              |             |
| Income from continuing operations   | \$ 2.60                   | \$ 1.99      | \$ 1.56     |
| Income from discontinued operations   |                           | 0.02         | 0.02        |
| Net income  | \$ 2.60                   | \$ 2.01      | \$ 1.58     |
| Weighted average shares of common stock,<br>basic (000)   | 42,413                    | 41,393       | 32,541      |
| Weighted average shares of common stock,<br>diluted (000)   | 44,684                    | 43,297       | 32,845      |

See accompanying notes to the  
consolidated financial statements

**WATSON WYATT WORLDWIDE, INC.****Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(Thousands of U.S. Dollars, Except Share Data)

|  | <b>June 30,<br/>2007</b> | <b>June 30,<br/>2006</b> |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Assets</b>  |                          |                          |
| Cash and cash equivalents  | \$ 248,186               | \$ 165,345               |
| Receivables from clients:  |                          |                          |
| Billed, net of allowances of \$6,216 and \$3,678   | 227,130                  | 180,533                  |
| Unbilled, at estimated net realizable value  | 109,697                  | 123,044                  |
|  | 336,827                  | 303,577                  |
| Deferred income taxes  | 17,016                   | 567                      |
| Other current assets   | 34,733                   | 24,158                   |
| <b>Total current assets</b>  | <b>636,762</b>           | <b>493,647</b>           |
| Investment in affiliate  | 3,058                    | 8,564                    |
| Fixed assets, net  | 172,147                  | 147,738                  |
| Deferred income taxes  | 66,751                   | 70,417                   |
| Goodwill   | 382,936                  | 324,041                  |
| Intangible assets, net   | 211,715                  | 187,075                  |
| Other assets   | 56,340                   | 8,877                    |
| <b>Total Assets</b>  | <b>\$ 1,529,709</b>      | <b>\$ 1,240,359</b>      |
| <b>Liabilities</b>   |                          |                          |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities, including discretionary compensation                           | \$ 303,346               | \$ 288,396               |
| Deferred income taxes  | 2,972                    | 168                      |
| Income taxes payable   | 4,090                    | 7,771                    |
| <b>Total current liabilities</b>   | <b>310,408</b>           | <b>296,335</b>           |
| Revolving credit facility  | 105,000                  | 30,000                   |
| Accrued retirement benefits  | 198,677                  | 162,505                  |
| Deferred rent and accrued lease losses   | 32,686                   | 28,982                   |
| Deferred income taxes  | 2,663                    | 480                      |
| Other noncurrent liabilities   | 92,756                   | 73,296                   |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>   | <b>742,190</b>           | <b>591,598</b>           |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 14)  |                          |                          |
| <b>Stockholders Equity</b>   |                          |                          |
| Preferred Stock - No par value:  |                          |                          |
| 1,000,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding   |                          |                          |
| Class A Common Stock - \$.01 par value:  |                          |                          |
| 99,000,000 shares authorized; 42,763,451 and 42,463,451 issued and 42,299,792 and 42,385,513 outstanding | 428                      | 425                      |
| Additional paid-in capital   | 395,521                  | 386,392                  |
| Treasury stock, at cost - 463,659 and 77,938 shares  | (22,251)                 | (2,134)                  |
| Retained earnings  | 336,101                  | 242,599                  |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income   | 77,720                   | 21,479                   |
| <b>Total Stockholders Equity</b>   | <b>787,519</b>           | <b>648,761</b>           |

|  |    |           |    |           |
|--|----|-----------|----|-----------|
| <b>Total Liabilities and Stockholders Equity</b> | \$ | 1,529,709 | \$ | 1,240,359 |
|--|----|-----------|----|-----------|

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements

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**WATSON WYATT WORLDWIDE, INC.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**  
(Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

|  | <b>Year ended June 30</b> |                   |                   |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|  | <b>2007</b>               | <b>2006</b>       | <b>2005</b>       |
| <b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>   |                           |                   |                   |
| Net income   | \$ 116,275                | \$ 87,191         | \$ 52,162         |
| <b>Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash from operating activities:</b>                              |                           |                   |                   |
| Loss on foreign currency forward contract  |                           | 3,602             | 4,803             |
| Income from discontinued operations, net of income tax expense   |                           | (1,028 )          | (739 )            |
| Provision for doubtful receivables from clients  | 8,551                     | 5,687             | 5,755             |
| Depreciation   | 47,090                    | 36,763            | 19,899            |
| Amortization of intangible assets  | 10,145                    | 8,155             | 311               |
| Provision for (benefit from) deferred income taxes   | (3,045 )                  | 33,692            | (4,587 )          |
| Loss/(Income) from affiliates  | 5,500                     | (1,136 )          | (7,146 )          |
| Distributions from affiliates  |                           | 1,614             | 6,131             |
| Other, net   | 977                       | 449               | 866               |
| <b>Changes in operating assets and liabilities (net of business acquisitions and discontinued operations):</b> |                           |                   |                   |
| Receivables from clients   | (43,464 )                 | (27,917 )         | (14,738 )         |
| Other current assets   | (7,211 )                  | 7,181             | (488 )            |
| Other assets   | 1,324                     | (2,000 )          | (6,868 )          |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities   | 19,246                    | 5,238             | 9,532             |
| Income taxes payable   | 564                       | 760               | (8,601 )          |
| Accrued retirement benefits  | (2,831 )                  | 4,148             | 2,101             |
| Deferred rent and accrued lease losses   | 54                        | 1,561             | 8,502             |
| Other noncurrent liabilities   | 13,937                    | 5,163             | 1,189             |
| <b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>   | <b>167,112</b>            | <b>169,123</b>    | <b>68,084</b>     |
| <b>Cash flows used in investing activities:</b>  |                           |                   |                   |
| Purchases of marketable securities   |                           |                   | (469,400 )        |
| Sales and maturities of marketable securities  |                           |                   | 489,400           |
| Business acquisitions and contingent consideration payments  | (48,099 )                 | (137,784 )        | (812 )            |
| Purchases of fixed assets  | (43,989 )                 | (38,060 )         | (34,648 )         |
| Capitalized software costs   | (22,295 )                 | (27,743 )         | (14,296 )         |
| Contingent proceeds from divestitures  | 178                       | 1,296             | 20                |
| <b>Cash flows used in investing activities:</b>  | <b>(114,205 )</b>         | <b>(202,291 )</b> | <b>(29,736 )</b>  |
| <b>Cash flows from/(used in) financing activities</b>  |                           |                   |                   |
| Borrowings   | 149,600                   | 102,000           |                   |
| Repayments of borrowings   | (74,600 )                 | (72,000 )         |                   |
| Foreign currency forward contract  |                           | (8,405 )          |                   |
| Dividends paid   | (12,717 )                 | (12,667 )         | (9,756 )          |
| Repurchases of common stock  | (48,303 )                 | (4,272 )          | (9,358 )          |
| Excess tax benefit of exercises of stock options and stock purchase plan                                       | 3,349                     | 2,034             |                   |
| Issuances of common stock - exercises of stock options   | 3,714                     | 3,911             | 1,992             |
| Issuances of common stock - employee stock purchase plan   | 6,182                     | 6,255             | 8,078             |
| <b>Cash flows from/(used in) financing activities</b>  | <b>27,225</b>             | <b>16,856</b>     | <b>(9,044 )</b>   |
| Effect of exchange rates on cash   | 2,709                     | 13,581            | 1,832             |
| <b>Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>  | <b>82,841</b>             | <b>(2,731 )</b>   | <b>31,136</b>     |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period   | 165,345                   | 168,076           | 136,940           |
| <b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of period</b>  | <b>\$ 248,186</b>         | <b>\$ 165,345</b> | <b>\$ 168,076</b> |



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**WATSON WYATT WORLDWIDE, INC.**  
**Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity**  
(Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

|   | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock<br>Outstanding<br>(number<br>of shares,<br>in thousands) | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | Additional<br>Paid-in<br>Capital | Treasury<br>Stock,<br>at Cost | Retained<br>Earnings | Accumulated<br>Other<br>Comprehensive<br>(Loss)/Income | Total      |
|---|---|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--|------------|
| Balance at July 1, 2004   | 32,317  | \$ 334                     | \$ 149,508                       | \$ (26,149)                   | \$ 125,669           | \$ (4,178)   | \$ 245,184 |
| Comprehensive income/(loss):                                    |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      |  |            |
| Net income  |   |                            |                                  |                               | 52,162               |  | 52,162     |
| Additional minimum pension liability, net of tax                |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      | (61,728)   | (61,728)   |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment, net of tax             |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      | 2,457  | 2,457      |
| Total comprehensive loss  |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      |  | (7,109)    |
| Cash dividends  |   |                            |                                  |                               | (9,756)              |  | (9,756)    |
| Repurchases of common stock                                     | (365)   |                            |                                  | (9,358)                       |                      |  | (9,358)    |
| Issuances of common stock - employee stock purchase plan shares | 362   |                            | (936)                            | (9,014)                       |                      |  | 8,078      |
| Issuances of common stock - deferred stock units                | 151   |                            | 276                              | 3,769                         |                      |  | 4,045      |
| Issuances of common stock to outside directors                  | 8   |                            | 16                               | 209                           |                      |  | 225        |
| Issuances of common stock - stock options                       | 154   |                            | (1,818)                          | (3,810)                       |                      |  | 1,992      |
| Tax benefit of exercises of stock options                       |   |                            | 902                              |                               |                      |  | 902        |
| Balance at June 30, 2005  | 32,627  | \$ 334                     | \$ 147,948                       | \$ (18,705)                   | \$ 168,075           | \$ (63,449)  | \$ 234,203 |
| Comprehensive income:   |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      |  |            |
| Net income  |   |                            |                                  |                               | 87,191               |  | 87,191     |
| Additional minimum pension liability, net of tax                |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      | 61,662   | 61,662     |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment, net of tax             |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      | 23,266   | 23,266     |
| Total comprehensive income                                      |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      |  | 172,119    |
| Cash dividends  |   |                            |                                  |                               | (12,667)             |  | (12,667)   |
| Repurchases of common stock                                     | (150)   |                            |                                  | (4,272)                       |                      |  | (4,272)    |
| Issuances of common stock - employee stock purchase plan shares | 228   |                            | 405                              | 5,850                         |                      |  | 6,255      |
| Issuances of common stock - deferred stock units                | 181   |                            | 721                              | 4,553                         |                      |  | 5,274      |
| Issuances of common stock to outside directors                  | 14  |                            | 21                               | 356                           |                      |  | 377        |
| Issuances of common stock - stock options                       | 302   |                            | (3,845)                          | (7,756)                       |                      |  | 3,911      |
| Business combination with WWLLP                                 | 9,091   | 91                         | 238,627                          |                               |                      |  | 238,718    |
| Other business acquisition                                      | 93  |                            | 172                              | 2,328                         |                      |  | 2,500      |
| Non-qualified stock option expense                              |   |                            | 307                              |                               |                      |  | 307        |
| Tax benefit of exercises of stock options                       |   |                            | 2,036                            |                               |                      |  | 2,036      |
| Balance at June 30, 2006  | 42,386  | \$ 425                     | \$ 386,392                       | \$ (2,134)                    | \$ 242,599           | \$ 21,479  | \$ 648,761 |

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**WATSON WYATT & COMPANY HOLDINGS**  
**Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity, continued**  
(Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

|  | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock<br>Outstanding<br>(number<br>of shares,<br>in thousands) | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | Additional<br>Paid-in<br>Capital | Treasury<br>Stock,<br>at Cost | Retained<br>Earnings | Accumulated<br>Other<br>Comprehensive<br>(Loss)/Income | Total      |
|--|---|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--|------------|
| Cumulative adjustment to retained earnings for adoption of SAB 108, net of tax |   |                            |                                  |                               | (10,056 )            |  | (10,056 )  |
| Adoption of FAS 158, net of tax  |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      | (1,412 )   | (1,412 )   |
| Comprehensive income:  |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      |  |            |
| Net income   |   |                            |                                  |                               | 116,275              |  | 116,275    |
| Additional minimum pension liability, net of tax                               |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      | 6,716  | 6,716      |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment, net of tax                            |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      | 50,937   | 50,937     |
| Total comprehensive income   |   |                            |                                  |                               |                      |  | 173,928    |
| Cash dividends declared  |   |                            |                                  |                               | (12,717 )            |  | (12,717 )  |
| Repurchases of common stock  | (1,083 )  |                            |                                  | (48,303 )                     |                      |  | (48,303 )  |
| Issuance of common stock - WWN acquisition                                     | 252   | 3                          | 11,274                           | 99                            |                      |  | 11,376     |
| Issuances of common stock - employee stock purchase plan shares                | 151   |                            | 93                               | 6,089                         |                      |  | 6,182      |
| Issuances of common stock - deferred stock units and other                     | 301   |                            | 2,182                            | 10,174                        |                      |  | 12,356     |
| Issuances of common stock to outside directors                                 | 10  |                            | 64                               | 277                           |                      |  | 341        |
| Issuances of common stock - stock options                                      | 282   |                            | (7,833 )                         | 11,547                        |                      |  | 3,714      |
| Excess tax benefit of exercises of stock options and stock purchase plan       |   |                            | 3,349                            |                               |                      |  | 3,349      |
| Balance at June 30, 2007   | 42,299  | \$ 428                     | \$ 395,521                       | \$ (22,251 )                  | \$ 336,101           | \$ 77,720  | \$ 787,519 |

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WATSON WYATT WORLDWIDE, INC.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

(Tabular Amounts in Thousands of U.S. Dollars Except Share and Percentage Data)

**Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Nature of the Business - Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc. (collectively referred to as we, Watson Wyatt or the company), together with our subsidiaries, is an international company engaged in the business of providing professional consultative services on a fee basis, primarily in the human resource areas of employee benefits and compensation, but also in other areas of specialization such as human capital consulting and human resource-related technology consulting. The company's fiscal year ends on June 30th.

Principles of Consolidation - Our consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the company and our majority-owned and controlled subsidiaries after elimination of intercompany accounts and transactions. Investments in affiliated companies over which we have the ability to exercise significant influence are accounted for using the equity method.

Use of Estimates - Preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates are used when accounting for revenue, allowances for uncollectible receivables, investments in affiliates, depreciation and amortization, profits on long-term contracts, asset write-downs, employee benefit plans, taxes, pension plan assumptions, accruals for estimated losses related to reported and unreported professional liability claims and discontinued operations.

Reclassifications - Certain amounts previously presented have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation. See Note 12 and Note 13 for further information regarding these reclassifications.

Cash and Cash Equivalents - We consider short-term, highly-liquid investments with original maturities of 90 days or less to be cash equivalents. All of our cash and short term investments at June 30, 2007 were deemed to be cash and cash equivalents.

Receivables from Clients - Billed receivables from clients are presented at their billed amount less an allowance for doubtful accounts. Unbilled receivables are stated at net realizable value less an allowance for unbillable amounts.

Revenue Recognition - Revenue includes fees primarily generated from consulting services provided. We recognize revenue from these consulting engagements when hours are worked, either on a time-and-materials basis or on a fixed-fee basis, depending on the terms and conditions defined at the inception of an engagement with a client. The terms of our contracts with clients are fixed and determinable and may change based upon agreement by both parties. Individual consultants' billing rates are principally based on a multiple of salary and compensation costs.

Revenue for fixed-fee arrangements, which span multiple months, is based upon the percentage of completion method. The company typically has three types of fixed-fee arrangements: annual recurring projects, projects of a short duration, and non-recurring system projects. Annual recurring projects and the projects of short duration are typically straightforward and highly predictable in nature. As a result, the project manager and financial staff are able to identify, as the project status is reviewed and bills are prepared monthly, the occasions when cost overruns could lead to the recording of a loss accrual.

Our non-recurring system projects are typically found in our Technology and Administration Solutions Group. They tend to be more complex projects that are longer in duration and subject to more changes in scope as the project progresses than projects undertaken in other segments. We evaluate at least quarterly, and more often as needed, project managers' estimates-to-complete to assure that the projects' current status is accounted for properly. Our Technology and Administration Solutions Group contracts generally provide that if the client terminates a contract, the company is entitled to payment for services performed through termination.

Revenue recognition for fixed-fee engagements is affected by a number of factors that change the estimated amount of work required to complete the project such as changes in scope, the staffing on the engagement and/or the level of client participation. The periodic engagement evaluations require us to make judgments and estimates regarding the overall profitability and stage of project completion that, in turn, affect how we recognize revenue. The company recognizes a loss on an engagement when estimated revenue to be received for that engagement is less than the total estimated direct and indirect costs associated with the engagement. Losses are recognized in the period in which the loss becomes probable and the amount of the loss is reasonably estimable. The company has experienced certain costs in excess of estimates from time to time. Management believes that it is rare, however, for these excess costs to result in overall project losses.

The company has developed various software programs and technologies that we provide to clients in connection with consulting services. In most instances, such software is hosted and maintained by the company and ownership of the technology and rights to the related code remain with the company. Software developed to be utilized in providing services to a client, but for which the client does not have the contractual right to take possession, is capitalized in accordance with the AICPA's Statement of Position 98-1 Accounting for the Costs of Computer Software Developed or Obtained for Internal Use. Revenue associated with the related contract, together with amortization of the related capitalized software, is recognized over the service period. As a result, we do not recognize revenue during the implementation phase of an engagement.

Revenue recognized in excess of billings is recorded as unbilled accounts receivable. Cash collections and invoices generated in excess of revenue recognized are recorded as deferred revenue until the revenue recognition criteria are met. Client reimbursable expenses, including those relating to travel, other out-of-pocket expenses and any third-party costs, are included in revenue, and an equivalent amount of reimbursable expenses are included in professional and subcontracted services as a cost of revenue.

Foreign Currency Translation - Gains and losses on foreign currency transactions, including settlement of intercompany receivables and payables, are recognized currently in the Occupancy, communications and other line of our Consolidated Statements of Operations. Assets and liabilities of our subsidiaries outside the United States are translated into the reporting currency, the U.S. dollar, based on exchange rates at the balance sheet date. Revenue and expenses of our subsidiaries outside the United States are translated into U.S. dollars at the average exchange rates during the year. Gains and losses on translation of our equity interests in our subsidiaries outside the United States and on intercompany notes are reported separately as accumulated other comprehensive income within stockholders equity in the Consolidated Balance Sheets, since we do not plan or anticipate settlement of such balances in the foreseeable future.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments - The carrying amount of our cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, receivables from clients and notes and accounts payable approximates fair value because of the short maturity and liquidity of those instruments. There were borrowings of \$105 million and \$30 million outstanding under our revolving credit agreement at June 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively. There were no events of default that would require us to satisfy the guarantees described in Note 14.

Concentration of Credit Risk - Financial instruments that potentially subject the company to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of certain cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments and receivables from clients. We invest our excess cash in financial instruments that are rated in the highest short-term rating category by major rating agencies such as Moody's and Standard and Poor's. Concentrations of credit risk with respect to receivables from clients are limited due to our large number of clients and their dispersion across many industries and geographic regions.

Incurred But Not Reported (IBNR) Claims - The company accrues for IBNR professional liability claims that are estimable and probable, and for which we have not yet contracted for insurance coverage. This liability was \$35.5 million and \$33.9 million at June 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

Stock-based Compensation - In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) published revisions to Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation (FAS 123(R)). FAS 123(R) requires companies to account for share-based payment transactions with employees using a fair-value based method, thereby eliminating the disclosure-only provisions of FAS 123. FAS 123(R) became effective for the company as of July 1, 2005. FAS 123(R) was implemented using the modified prospective method.

During fiscal year 2005, the company elected to follow APB 25 in accounting for its share-based compensation plans, in accordance with FAS 123. As a result, the company disclosed pro forma compensation cost as if the company had accounted for its share-based compensation plans using a fair value based method.

The table below reflects the effect on net income and earnings per share for fiscal year 2005, as if the company were to recognize compensation expense under the fair-value-based method of FAS 123.

|   | 2005      |
|---|-----------|
| Net income, as reported   | \$ 52,162 |
| Add: Stock-based compensation expense included in reported net income, net of related tax effects   | 241       |
| Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair-value-based method for all awards, net of related tax effects | (1,411 )  |
| Pro forma net income  | \$ 50,992 |
| Earnings per share:   |           |
| Basic - as reported   | \$ 1.60   |
| Basic - pro forma   | \$ 1.57   |
| Diluted - as reported   | \$ 1.58   |
| Diluted - pro forma   | \$ 1.55   |

During fiscal year 2007 and 2006, the company recognized compensation expense of \$4.1 million or \$0.09 per diluted share and \$2.1 million, or \$.05 per diluted share, respectively, in connection with our share-based compensation plans. This does not include any expense related to the 2001 Deferred Stock Unit Plan for Selected Employees, as expense related to shares awarded under this plan is recorded as a component of the company's accrual for discretionary compensation.





The total income tax benefit recognized in the income statement for the exercise of nonqualified stock options and the award of stock purchase plan shares was \$3.3 million and \$2.0 million for fiscal years 2007 and 2006, respectively, which has been reported in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

The company repurchases shares of common stock to offset potential dilution from shares issued in connection with the company's share-based compensation plans.

Earnings per Share - The computation of basic earnings per share is based upon the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per share is calculated on the basis of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding plus the effect of outstanding stock options, stock based compensation plan shares and employee stock purchase plan shares using the treasury stock method. See Note 15 for identification of the components of basic and diluted earnings per share. The diluted earnings per share calculation for fiscal years 2007 and 2006 assume that 1,950,000 contingent shares related to the WWLLP business combination had been issued as of the date of the WWLLP business combination.

Goodwill and Intangible Assets - Goodwill is not amortized but is reviewed for impairment during the fourth quarter of each fiscal year or more frequently if indicators arise. The evaluation is based upon a comparison of the estimated fair value of the reporting unit to which the goodwill has been assigned to the sum of the carrying value of the assets and liabilities for that reporting unit. The fair values used in this evaluation are estimated based upon a multiple of revenue for the reporting unit. Intangible assets with definite lives are amortized over their estimated useful lives and are reviewed for impairment if indicators of impairment arise. The evaluation of impairment would be based upon a comparison of the carrying amount of the intangible asset to the estimated future undiscounted net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If estimated future undiscounted net cash flows are less than the carrying amount of the asset, the asset would be considered impaired. The impairment expense would be determined by comparing the estimated fair value of the intangible asset to its carrying value, with any shortfall from fair value recognized as an expense in the current period.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements - In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) published Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No.157, Fair Value Measurements (FAS 157). FAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. FAS 157 applies under other accounting pronouncements that require or permit fair value measurements and accordingly, does not require any new fair value measurements. FAS 157 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. The company does not believe the adoption of FAS 157 will have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In September 2006, the FASB published Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 158, *Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension Plans and Other Postretirement Plans* (FAS 158), which is an amendment to FAS 87, *Employers' Accounting for Pensions*; FAS 88, *Employers' Accounting for Settlements and Curtailments of Defined Benefit Pension Plans and for Termination Benefits*; and FAS 132(R), *Employers' Disclosures about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits*. The provisions of FAS 158 are effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2006 and the transition method is prospective. As a result, the company adopted the provisions of FAS 158 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. FAS 158 requires companies to recognize the funded status of each of the defined benefit pension and postretirement plans. Each over funded plan is recognized as an asset and each under funded plan is recognized as a liability. The initial impact of the standard, due to unrecognized prior services costs and net actuarial gains and losses as well as subsequent changes in funded status, is recognized as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income which is included in total shareholders' equity, net of applicable income tax. Previous amounts recorded as additional minimum liabilities and related intangible assets are also reversed upon adoption of the new standard. In accordance with FAS 158, the fiscal year 2006 accounting and related disclosures were not affected by the adoption of the new standard.

The table below summarizes the incremental effect of FAS 158 adoption on the individual line items in the company's consolidated balance sheet at June 30, 2007:

|  | <b>Pre-SFAS<br/>No. 158<br/>Adoption</b> | <b>SFAS<br/>No. 158<br/>Adjustments</b> | <b>Post-SFAS<br/>No. 158<br/>Adoption</b> |
|--|--|---|---|
| Net Deferred Income Taxes                  | 57,650                                   | 3,448                                   | 61,098                                    |
| Intangible pension asset                   | 602                                      | (602)                                   |   |
| Prepaid Retirement Benefits                |  | 43,793                                  | 43,793                                    |
| Current Retirement Benefits                | 7,975                                    | 1,851                                   | 9,826                                     |
| Noncurrent Retirement Benefits             | 159,780                                  | 38,897                                  | 198,677                                   |
| Additional Minimum liability (net of tax)  | (6,716)                                  | 6,716                                   |   |
| Unamortized Pension liability (net of tax) |  | (1,412)                                 | (1,412)                                   |
| Foreign Currency                           |  | 589                                     | 589                                       |

The net unrealized loss of \$1.2 million, the prior service credit of \$1.9 million, and the transition obligation asset of \$0.1 million results in a net decrease in expense of \$0.8 million which will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive income into pension expense over the next fiscal year.

In June 2006, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 48 (FIN 48), *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes* - an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 (FAS 109), which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an enterprise's financial statements in accordance with FAS No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*. FIN 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. This Interpretation also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. This Interpretation is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006 so it will be effective for the company in first quarter of fiscal year 2008, which begins on July 1, 2007. The company is currently evaluating the impact of FIN 48 on its consolidated financial statements.

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In September 2006, the SEC released Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 108, *Considering the Effects of Prior Year Misstatements When Quantifying Misstatements in Current Year Financial Statement* (SAB 108), which provides guidance on how companies should quantify financial statement misstatements. SAB 108 requires that the effect of misstatements that were not corrected at the end of the prior year be considered in quantifying misstatements in the current-year financial statements. Two techniques were identified as being used by companies in practice to accumulate and quantify misstatements: the rollover approach and the iron curtain approach. The rollover approach quantifies a misstatement based on the amount of the misstatement originating in the current-year income statement. Thus, this approach ignores the effects of correcting the portion of the current-year balance sheet misstatement that originated in prior years. The iron curtain approach quantifies a misstatement based on the effects of correcting the cumulative misstatement existing in the balance sheet at the end of the current year, irrespective of the misstatement's year(s) of origination. SAB 108 permits companies to adjust for the cumulative effect of misstatements relating to prior years in the carrying amount of assets and liabilities as of the beginning of the current fiscal year, with an offsetting adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in the year of adoption.

Prior to the issuance of SAB 108, the company used the rollover method to evaluate the effects of misstatements that were not corrected at the end of the prior year but were determined to be immaterial individually and in the aggregate. The company adopted SAB 108 in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2007 and performed an evaluation of prior year misstatements under the iron curtain method. The company concluded that a prior year misstatement would have been material under the iron curtain method. Specifically, the practice by which we value work in process, resulted in the need for a material adjustment to the financial statements under the iron curtain method described above. As a result, the company has elected, as allowed under SAB 108, to record the effect of initially applying this guidance by adjusting the carrying amount of the impacted accounts as of the beginning of fiscal year 2007 and recording an offsetting adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in fiscal year 2007.

The following table summarizes the SAB 108 cumulative effect adjustment as of July 1, 2006:

|                                       | <b>Retained Earnings<br/>Adjustment Recorded<br/>As of July 1, 2006<br/>Decrease/(Increase)<br/>(In thousands) (1)</b> |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Valuation of unbilled receivables (2) | \$ 9,184   |
| Lease Incentives (3)                  | 3,650  |
| Stock-based compensation (4)          | 2,234  |
| Associate expense (5)                 | 1,750  |
| Deferred taxes and taxes payable (6)  | (6,762)  |
| Retained Earnings (7)                 | \$ 10,056  |

(1) We previously evaluated these misstatements utilizing the roll-over approach and concluded that they were insignificant individually and in the aggregate to all periods prior to April 1, 2007. The entries below reflect the impact of recording these misstatements on the iron curtain method.

(2) Valuation of Unbilled Receivables - The company's practice in North America associated with the valuation of unbilled receivables has historically been to adjust the net realizable value in conjunction with our billing process, which typically occurs in the month after the unbilled receivables are generated. Thus, each accounting period has contained the valuation adjustments from the previous period, which has resulted in immaterial differences to our income statements over time. The cumulative impact has resulted in an overstatement of our unbilled receivables that would be material to the company under the iron curtain approach. In June 2007, the company corrected the unbilled receivables with an adjustment of \$9.2 million, less an income tax effect of \$3.7 million, to the beginning balance of retained earnings at July 1, 2006.

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(3) Lease Incentives - In February 2005, the SEC clarified its view on accounting for leasehold incentives and indicated that the gross method, which requires that leasehold incentives be recorded separately and amortized over the life of the lease, was the only acceptable method of accounting for leasehold incentives. Prior to that time, the company had accounted for leasehold incentives by netting them into the related leasehold improvements (the net method). Effective March 1, 2005, the company changed its accounting with regards to leasehold incentives such that incentives associated with any new leases entered into after that date would be amortized separately over the life of the lease or the useful life, whichever is shorter.

Since the majority of the company's leases were for terms in excess of the depreciable life of the leasehold improvements, the impact of our using the net method was that the benefits of the leasehold incentives were amortized into the income statement faster than they would have been if amortized over the full term of the leases. Thus at the time of the policy change, our deferred rent liability was understated by the amount of the incentives that had been prematurely amortized into income. In June 2007, the company corrected this liability with an adjustment of \$3.7 million, less an income tax effect of \$1.5 million, to the beginning balance of retained earnings at July 1, 2006.

(4) Stock-based Compensation During the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2007, we determined that compensation expense and the related liability associated with one of our stock-based compensation plans had erroneously not been recorded for fiscal year 2006. In June 2007, the company corrected this liability with an adjustment of \$2.2 million, less an income tax effect of \$0.9 million, to the beginning balance of retained earnings at July 1, 2006.

(5) Associate Expenses - The company's associates incur expenses on behalf of the company in fulfillment of their work responsibilities. Submission of these expenses to the company for reimbursement has historically lagged the actual expenditure, typically by a month. Thus, each accounting period has contained the associate expenses from the previous period, which has resulted in immaterial differences to our income statements over time. In June 2007, the company corrected this misstatement with an adjustment of \$1.8 million, less an income tax effect of \$0.7 million, to the beginning balance of retained earnings at July 1, 2006.

(6) Deferred Taxes and Taxes Payable As a result of the misstatements previously described, we recorded an increase to deferred income tax as of July 1, 2006 with a corresponding offset to retained earnings to correct these misstatements.

(7) Retained Earnings Represents the net reduction to retained earnings as of July 1, 2006, to reflect the initial application of SAB 108.

Certain of the adjustments included above also resulted in misstatements in the first three quarters of fiscal year 2007. We previously evaluated these misstatements utilizing the rollover approach and concluded that these errors were insignificant, individually and in the aggregate, to each of the first three quarters of fiscal 2007.

## **Note 2 - Business Combinations**

### Watson Wyatt Netherlands

On February 1, 2007, Watson Wyatt B.V., an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the company, acquired the net assets of Watson Wyatt Netherlands (WWN), its long-time alliance partner in the Netherlands. As of the date of the acquisition, WWN employed approximately 180 associates in five offices throughout the Netherlands. Revenues generated in calendar year 2006 were approximately \$37 million (Euro 28 million). The financial results of WWN have been consolidated into the company's financial statements since February 1, 2007.

WWN was established in 1945 as an actuarial firm and has extended its services from retirement consulting to incorporate legal aspects of employee benefits and investment consulting to a wide range of clients. The company and WWN had jointly offered services since 1999 pursuant to alliance agreements and as a result, have business segments that are very similar in nature.

The purchase price of \$58.5 million consisted of \$34.3 million in cash, or \$44.5 million, the issuance of 252,285 shares of the company's common stock valued at \$11.4 million, and transaction costs and investment elimination of \$2.6 million. The shares paid were valued at \$45.09 per share, which was the average of the closing market prices of the company's stock over five business days beginning with two business days prior to the announcement date of January 3, 2007 and ending with the two business days following the announcement date. In connection with this acquisition, payment of up to an additional \$8.0 million worth of Class A shares (approximately 220,000 shares) after January 31, 2008 is contingent upon achievement by the acquired business of certain financial performance goals during the twelve month period ending January 31, 2008. The contingent consideration is payable by Watson Wyatt Limited, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc., and the payment obligations are guaranteed by the company. If the contingent shares are issued they will be accounted for as additional goodwill. Pro forma information has not been provided as WWN is not deemed to be a material business combination.

*Purchase Price Allocation*

This business combination has been accounted for using the purchase method of accounting as prescribed in Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 141, Business Combinations (FAS 141), where the assets acquired and liabilities assumed are recorded at their respective fair values as of the business combination date. The company has determined the following preliminary fair values for the proportionate assets purchased and liabilities assumed. The determination of estimated fair value requires management to make significant estimates and assumptions.

|   | <b>February 1, 2007</b><br><b>(in thousands)</b> |           |
|---|--|-----------|
| Total purchase price                    |  | \$ 58,474 |
| Less net assets acquired:               |  |           |
| Customer related intangibles            | 18,671   |           |
| Non-compete agreements                  | 596  |           |
| Client receivables and unbilled revenue | 7,519  |           |
| Fixed assets                            | 2,066  |           |
| Other assets                            | 1,904  |           |
| Liabilities                             | (3,482 )   |           |
| Net assets acquired                     |  | 27,274    |
| Goodwill                                |  | \$ 31,200 |

The allocation of the purchase price resulted in the allocation of \$31.2 million to goodwill, which has been assigned to our segments as follows:

|   | <b>Goodwill</b> |
|---|-----------------|
| Benefits Group                              | \$ 27,768       |
| Human Capital Group                         | 624             |
| Investment Consulting Group                 | 2,808           |
| Allocation of goodwill to business segments | \$ 31,200       |

The majority of the goodwill will be deductible for tax purposes in the Netherlands over a period not exceeding 10 years.

Watson Wyatt LLP

On July 31, 2005, the company acquired substantially all of the assets and assumed most liabilities of Watson Wyatt LLP ( WWLLP ) (the WWLLP business combination ), a leading United Kingdom-based actuarial, benefits and human resources consulting partnership. The company and WWLLP had jointly offered services since 1995 pursuant to alliance agreements and as a result, have business segments that are very similar in nature. See Note 13 for further information regarding the related accounting and operating segments of the combined company. The financial results of WWLLP have been consolidated into the company s financial statements since August 1, 2005.

The purchase price of \$437.0 million consisted of £88.3 million in cash, or \$156.1 million at the exchange rate in effect at July 31, 2005, the issuance of 9,090,571 shares of the company s common stock valued at \$238.7 million, transaction costs of \$20.5 million and additional consideration including debt forgiveness and investment elimination. The shares paid were valued at \$26.26 per share, which was the average of the closing market prices of the company s stock over five business days beginning with two business days prior to the announcement date of January 18, 2005 and ending with the two business days following the announcement date. As of June 30, 2007, the contingencies associated with the payment of an additional 1,950,000 shares were met. As a result, these shares will be issued in fiscal year 2008. The issuance of these shares will be accounted for as additional goodwill.

*Purchase Price Allocation*

The WWLLP business combination has been accounted for using the purchase method of accounting as prescribed in FAS 141, where the assets acquired and liabilities assumed are recorded at their respective fair values as of the combination date. As of the combination date, the company determined the following estimated fair values for the proportionate assets purchased and liabilities assumed. The determination of estimated fair value requires management to make significant estimates and assumptions.

|   | <b>July 31, 2005</b><br><b>(in thousands)</b> |            |
|---|---|------------|
| Total purchase price                    |   | \$ 437,042 |
| Less net assets acquired:               |   |            |
| Trademark and trade name                | \$ 108,000                                    |            |
| Customer related intangibles            | 60,600  |            |
| Core/developed technology               | 17,500  |            |
| Cash and cash equivalents               | 31,230  |            |
| Client receivables and unbilled revenue | 111,305                                       |            |
| Other current assets                    | 47,153  |            |
| Fixed assets                            | 13,068  |            |
| Other assets                            | 3,795   |            |
| Current liabilities                     | (154,854 )                                    |            |
| Accrued retirement benefits             | (49,046 )                                     |            |
| Other non current liabilities           | (33,657 )                                     |            |
|   |   | 155,094    |
| Goodwill                                |   | \$ 281,948 |

The allocation of the purchase price resulted in the allocation of \$281.9 million to goodwill, which has been assigned to our segments as follows:

|   | <b>Goodwill</b> |
|---|-----------------|
| Benefits Group                                | \$ 136,463      |
| Technology and Administration Solutions Group | 40,037          |
| Human Capital Group                           | 16,071          |
| Insurance and Financial Services Group        | 52,160          |
| Investment Consulting Group                   | 37,217          |
| Allocation of goodwill to business segments   | \$ 281,948      |

The majority of the goodwill will be deductible for tax purposes in the U.K. over a period not exceeding 25 years.

*Hedge Treatment*

During the third quarter of fiscal year 2005, the company entered into a foreign currency forward contract to offset the risk associated with the foreign exchange (British Pound) exposure inherent in the WWLLP business combination. The forward contract provided for the purchase of £88 million at a fixed price of \$164.5 million, with a settlement date of July 29, 2005. In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards Board No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities (FAS 133), as amended and interpreted, since the forward contract was associated with a business combination that is subject to the provisions of FAS 141 and the combination involves an equity method investment, the forward contract did not qualify for hedge accounting. As a result, changes in fair value associated with the forward contract were required to be recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Operations during the first quarter of fiscal year 2006. Consequently, a loss of \$3.6 million was recognized during the first quarter of fiscal year 2006 in non-operating income.

**Note 3 - Cash Flow Information**

Net cash from operating activities in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows includes cash payments for the following:

|                  | <b>Year Ended June 30</b> |             |             |
|------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                  | <b>2007</b>               | <b>2006</b> | <b>2005</b> |
| Interest expense | \$ 1,822                  | \$ 3,822    | \$ 662      |
| Income taxes     | 68,893                    | 21,578      | 43,373      |



**Note 4 - Investments in Affiliates**

The company has historically worked with three affiliates: PCIC, as defined below, WWLLP and Watson Wyatt Holdings (Europe) Limited ( WWHE ). PCIC has been and continues to be an affiliate of the company during the three years ended June 30, 2007.

WWLLP and WWHE were historically the company's principal affiliates through which we operated globally as alliance partners. However, as a result of the WWLLP business combination described in Note 2, WWLLP and WWHE ceased to be affiliates during fiscal year 2006 and began to be included in the company's consolidated results from the effective date of the combination, July 31, 2005. Thus, for fiscal year 2005 and for the first month of fiscal year 2006 (July 2005), the company's investment in affiliates included our investments in WWLLP, WWHE and PCIC. Our investments in WWLLP and WWHE were eliminated in conjunction with the accounting for the WWLLP business combination. Starting August 1, 2005, the company's investment in affiliates included PCIC alone. Our investments in PCIC were \$3.1 million and \$8.6 million as of June 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively. Our share of the results of our affiliates for the relevant times periods were recorded using the equity method of accounting and is reflected in the "Income from affiliates" line in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Combined summarized operating results (prior to distribution of profits) reported by the affiliates for the years ended June 30 are as follows:

|                     | 2007        | 2006      | 2005       |
|---------------------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| Revenue             | \$ 36,394   | \$ 33,313 | \$ 495,264 |
| Operating expenses  | 44,630      | 26,391    | 373,423    |
| Income before taxes | (8,236 )    | 6,922     | 121,841    |
| Net income          | \$ (5,436 ) | \$ 4,568  | \$ 121,612 |

*Professional Consultants Insurance Company, Inc.*

Professional Consultants Insurance Company, Inc. (PCIC) was organized in 1987 as a captive insurance company under the laws of the State of Vermont. PCIC provides professional liability insurance on a claims-made basis to three actuarial and management consulting firms, all of which participate in the program as both policyholders and stockholders.

Capital contributions to PCIC are required when approved by a majority of its stockholders. From the time PCIC was organized through June 30, 2007, we have contributed \$5.4 million in cash and have designated PCIC as the beneficiary on a total of \$8.0 million of letters of credit. Our ownership interest in PCIC as of June 30, 2007 and 2006 was 34.15 percent for both periods. Management believes that the company's maximum financial statement exposure to loss of its investment in PCIC as of June 30, 2007 is limited to the carrying value of the company's investment in PCIC of \$3.1 million, combined with letters of credit totaling \$8.0 million for which PCIC has been designated as beneficiary, for a total maximum exposure of \$11.1 million.

In July 2007, the Shareholders of PCIC approved a requirement for an additional capital contribution. As a result, the company contributed, in July 2007, an additional \$1.9 million of capital to PCIC and increased the amount of the letter of credit for which PCIC is designated as beneficiary by \$2.6 million for a total maximum exposure as of July 2007 of \$15.6 million. This capital contribution resulted in an increase in the company's ownership percentage of PCIC from 34.15 percent to 36.43 percent.

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Summarized balance sheet information for PCIC, whose year end is December 31, is as follows:

|   | <b>December 31<br/>2006</b> | <b>2005</b>       |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Current assets                                    | \$ 135,754                  | \$ 98,011         |
| Noncurrent assets                                 | 100,689                     | 101,518           |
| <b>Total assets</b>                               | <b>\$ 236,443</b>           | <b>\$ 199,529</b> |
| Current liabilities                               | \$ 24,323                   | \$ 20,831         |
| Noncurrent liabilities                            | 193,513                     | 155,107           |
| Stockholders' equity                              | 18,607                      | 23,591            |
| <b>Total liabilities and stockholders' equity</b> | <b>\$ 236,443</b>           | <b>\$ 199,529</b> |

### Note 5 - Fixed Assets

Furniture, fixtures, equipment and leasehold improvements are recorded at cost and presented net of accumulated depreciation or amortization. Furniture, fixtures and equipment are depreciated using straight-line and accelerated methods over lives ranging from three to seven years. Leasehold improvements are amortized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease terms or the asset lives.

The components of fixed assets are as follows:

|   | <b>June 30<br/>2007</b> | <b>2006</b>       |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Furniture, fixtures and equipment               | \$ 182,591              | \$ 189,650        |
| Computer software                               | 144,427                 | 103,914           |
| Leasehold improvements                          | 73,738                  | 67,574            |
|   | 400,756                 | 361,138           |
| Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization | (228,609 )              | (213,400 )        |
| <b>Fixed assets, net</b>                        | <b>\$ 172,147</b>       | <b>\$ 147,738</b> |

Total unamortized computer software costs were \$94.7 million and \$76.7 million as of June 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively. Total amortization expense for computer software was \$21.0 million, \$12.9 million and \$5.1 million for fiscal years 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

### Note 6 Retirement Benefits

#### Defined Benefit Plans

We sponsor both qualified and non-qualified, non-contributory defined benefit pension plans in North America and the UK that cover approximately 85% of our associates. Under our plans in North America, benefits are based on the number of years of service and the associates' compensation during the five highest paid consecutive years of service. Under our plan in the UK, benefits are based on the number of years of service and the associates' compensation during the three years before leaving the plan. The non-qualified plan in North America provides for pension benefits that would be covered under the qualified plan but are limited by the Internal Revenue Code. The non-qualified plan has no assets and therefore is an unfunded arrangement which is reflected in the balance sheet. The UK does not have a non-qualified plan. The measurement date for all plans is June 30.

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The disclosures for the UK plan are shown separately because the amounts are material relative to North America plans and the assumptions used in the plan are significantly different than those used in the North America plans. The measurement date for the plan is June 30.

Determination of our obligations and annual expense under the plans is based on a number of assumptions that, given the longevity of the plans, are long-term in focus. A change in one or a combination of these assumptions could have a material impact on our pension benefit obligation and related expense. For this reason, management employs a long-term view so that assumptions do not change frequently in response to short-term volatility in the economy. Any difference between actual and assumed results is amortized into our pension expense over the average remaining service period of participating employees. We consider several factors prior to the start of each fiscal year when determining the appropriate annual assumptions, including economic forecasts, historical trends, portfolio composition and peer comparisons.

Funding is based on actuarially determined contributions and is limited to amounts that are currently deductible for tax purposes. Since funding calculations are based on different measurements than those used for accounting purposes, pension contributions are not equal to net periodic pension cost. The excess of net periodic pension cost over such contributions and direct benefit payments under non-qualified plan provisions is accrued by the company. The following table sets forth our projected pension contributions for fiscal year 2008, as well as the pension contributions to our various plans in fiscal years 2007 and 2006:

|        | <b>2008<br/>(Projected)</b> | <b>2007<br/>(Actual)</b> | <b>2006<br/>(Actual)</b> |
|--------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| U.S.   | \$ 15,000                   | \$ 15,000                | \$ 15,000                |
| Canada | 3,000                       | 2,488                    | 2,747                    |
| U.K.   | 20,000                      | 12,036                   | 11,039                   |

The fair value of plan assets is based on the market value of domestic equity, international equity and fixed income securities that are in the pension portfolio, which vary by country. To the extent the expected return on the pension portfolio varies from the actual return, there is an unrecognized gain or loss.

The assumptions used in the valuation for the North America plans, included the following at the end of the past three fiscal years:

|   | <b>Year Ended June 30</b> |             |             |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | <b>2007</b>               | <b>2006</b> | <b>2005</b> |
| Discount rate, Projected Benefit Obligation                 | 6.25 %                    | 6.25 %      | 5.25 %      |
| Discount rate, Net Periodic Benefit Cost                    | 6.25 %                    | 5.25 %      | 6.25 %      |
| Expected long-term rate of return on assets                 | 8.75 %                    | 8.75 %      | 9.00 %      |
| Rate of increase in compensation, PBO                       | 3.84 %                    | 3.84 %      | 3.34 %      |
| Rate of increase in compensation, Net Periodic Benefit Cost | 3.84 %                    | 3.34 %      | 3.34 %      |

The 6.25 percent discount rate assumption used at the end of fiscal year 2007 and 2006 represents a 100 basis point increase from the 5.25 percent discount rate used at the end of fiscal year 2005. The company's 2006 and 2007 discount rate assumption was determined by matching future pension benefit payments with expected future AA bond yields for the same periods.

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The expected long-term rate of return on assets assumption of 8.75 percent per annum used in fiscal years 2007 and 2006 represents a 25 basis point decrease from the 9.0 percent rate utilized in fiscal years 2005. Selection of the return assumption at 8.75 percent per annum was supported by an analysis performed in fiscal year 2006 by the company of the weighted average yield expected to be achieved with the anticipated makeup of investments. A similar analysis was performed in fiscal year 2007 to validate the rate remaining at 8.75 percent. The investment makeup is heavily weighted towards equities. The return on assets for fiscal year 2007 was 17.3 percent, compared to a return of 9.4 percent for fiscal year 2006.

The following assumptions were used at June 30, 2007 and 2006, and July 31, 2005, or the date of the WWLLP business combination and the valuation of our U.K. plan:

|   | <b>June 30,<br/>2007</b> |   | <b>June 30,<br/>2006</b> |   | <b>July 31,<br/>2005</b> |   |
|---|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|
| Discount rate                               | 5.80                     | % | 5.10                     | % | 5.00                     | % |
| Expected long-term rate of return on assets | 5.69                     | % | 5.63                     | % | 5.63                     | % |
| Rate of increase in compensation levels     | 4.95                     | % | 4.75                     | % | 4.75                     | % |

The 5.80 percent discount rate assumption used at the end of fiscal year 2007 represents a 70 basis point increase over the rate used at fiscal year 2006 and an 80 basis point increase over the discount rate at July 31, 2005. The discount rate is set in relation to yields on AA European corporate bonds at the measurement date and this change reflects the increase in yields between these two dates.

The expected long-term rate of return on assets assumption remained 5.69 percent per annum for fiscal year 2007. The rate of return was supported by an analysis performed by the company of the weighted average return expected to be achieved with the anticipated makeup of investments which is heavily weighted towards bonds. The actual return on assets through fiscal year 2007 was 16.4 percent compared to 7.8 percent for fiscal year 2006.

Net periodic pension cost consists of the following components reflected as expense in the company's Consolidated Statements of Operations:

|   | <b>Year Ended June 30, 2007</b> |             | <b>Year Ended June 30, 2006</b> |             | <b>Year Ended<br/>June 30,<br/>2005</b> |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------|---|
|   | <b>North<br/>America</b>        | <b>U.K.</b> | <b>North<br/>America</b>        | <b>U.K.</b> | <b>North<br/>America</b>                |
| Service cost                                    | \$ 26,275                       | \$ 13,461   | \$ 29,423                       | \$ 11,007   | \$ 24,280                               |
| Interest cost                                   | 40,159                          | 18,061      | 36,811                          | 14,319      | 34,368                                  |
| Expected return on plan assets                  | (46,845 )                       | (18,123 )   | (43,824 )                       | (13,717 )   | (40,252 )                               |
| Amortization of transition obligation           | (39 )                           | -           | (38 )                           | -           | (36 )                                   |
| Amortization of net unrecognized losses/(gains) | 8,594                           | (555 )      | 16,155                          | 294         | 6,989                                   |
| Amortization of prior service cost              | (2,934 )                        | 754         | (1,718 )                        | 11          | (2,161 )                                |
| Net periodic pension cost                       | \$ 25,210                       | \$ 13,598   | \$ 36,809                       | \$ 11,914   | \$ 23,188                               |

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In March 2006, the company amended its pension plan to remove long-term disability benefits from the plan effective July 1, 2006. These benefits will thereafter be provided through an insurance provider. Given the significance of this amendment, the company remeasured the pension plan effective March 31, 2006. The remeasurement caused pension expense to decrease by \$4.0 million during the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2006.

The following table provides a reconciliation of the changes in the qualified plans projected benefit obligations and fair value of assets for the years ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, and a statement of funded status as of June 30, 2007 and 2006.

|  | June 30, 2007 |            | June 30, 2006 |             |
|--|---------------|------------|---------------|-------------|
|  | North America | U.K.       | North America | U.K.        |
| <b>Change in Benefit Obligation</b>                                      |               |            |               |             |
| Benefit obligation at beginning of year                                  | \$ 561,566    | \$ 344,862 | \$ 603,616    | \$ 312,481  |
| Service cost   | 20,995        | 13,461     | 23,422        | 11,007      |
| Interest cost  | 35,076        | 18,061     | 31,759        | 14,319      |
| Actuarial (gains)/losses   | 27,004        | (38,010)   | (70,849)      | (1,330)     |
| Benefit payments   | (20,154)      | (5,862)    | (17,725)      | (3,869)     |
| Change in assumptions  | 4,302         |            | (1,484)       |             |
| Settlements  | 305           |            | 305           |             |
| Plan amendments & other  |               | 1,731      | (11,999)      | 1,380       |
| Foreign currency adjustment  | 2,944         | 28,960     | 4,521         | 10,874      |
| Benefit obligation at end of year  | \$ 632,038    | \$ 363,203 | \$ 561,566    | \$ 344,862  |
| <b>Change in Plan Assets</b>   |               |            |               |             |
| Fair value of plan assets, beginning of year                             | \$ 541,237    | \$ 294,153 | \$ 491,989    | \$ 254,513  |
| Actual return on plan assets   | 98,988        | 14,646     | 44,524        | 21,742      |
| Company contributions  | 16,273        | 23,339     | 17,747        | 11,039      |
| Benefit payments   | (20,154)      | (5,862)    | (17,725)      | (3,869)     |
| Participant contributions  |               | 1,672      |               | 1,380       |
| Foreign currency adjustment  | 3,034         | 26,462     | 4,702         | 9,348       |
| Fair value of plan assets, end of year                                   | \$ 639,378    | \$ 354,410 | \$ 541,237    | \$ 294,153  |
| <b>Reconciliation of Accrued Obligation and Total Amounts Recognized</b> |               |            |               |             |
| Funded status at end of year   | \$ 7,340      | \$ (8,793) | \$ (20,329)   | \$ (50,709) |
| Unrecognized prior service cost  |               |            | (17,904)      | 115         |
| Unrecognized net loss/(gain)   |               |            | 84,819        | (675)       |
| Unrecognized transition obligation/(asset)                               |               |            | (214)         |             |
| <b>Net Amount Recognized</b>   | \$ 7,340      | \$ (8,793) | \$ 46,372     | \$ (51,269) |
| Accrued benefit liability  | (16,195)      |            |               | (9,154)     |
| Prepaid benefit/Intangible asset   | (24,466)      | 32,373     |               | 115         |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income                                   | 40,661        | (32,373)   |               | 9,039       |
| <b>Net Amounts Recognized</b>  | \$ 7,340      | \$ (8,793) | \$ 46,372     | \$ (51,269) |

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The following table provides a reconciliation of the changes in the North American non-qualified plans projected benefit obligations for the years ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, and a statement of funded status as of June 30, 2007 and 2006:

|  | June 30,<br>2007<br>Non-<br>Qualified | 2006<br>Non-<br>Qualified |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Change in Benefit Obligation</b>                                      |                                       |                           |
| Benefit obligation, beginning of year                                    | \$ 96,789                             | \$ 92,613                 |
| Service cost   | 5,280                                 | 6,001                     |
| Interest cost  | 5,084                                 | 5,052                     |
| Actuarial losses   | 166                                   | 3,999                     |
| Benefit payments   | (1,350 )                              | (9,574 )                  |
| Change in assumptions  | 613                                   | 132                       |
| Settlements  | (11,015 )                             |                           |
| Plan Amendments  | 3,748                                 | (2,972 )                  |
| Foreign currency adjustment  | 644                                   | 1,538                     |
| Benefit obligation, end of year  | \$ 99,959                             | \$ 96,789                 |
| <b>Change in Plan Assets</b>   |                                       |                           |
| Fair value of plan assets, beginning of year                             | \$                                    | \$                        |
| Actual return on plan assets   |                                       |                           |
| Company contributions  | 12,364                                | 9,574                     |
| Benefit payments   | (12,364 )                             | (9,574 )                  |
| Participant contributions  |                                       |                           |
| Foreign currency adjustment  |                                       |                           |
| Fair value of plan assets, end of year                                   | \$                                    | \$                        |
| <b>Reconciliation of Accrued Obligation and Total Amounts Recognized</b> |                                       |                           |
| Funded status at end of year   | \$ (99,959 )                          | \$ (96,789 )              |
| Unrecognized prior service cost  |                                       | (5,826 )                  |
| Unrecognized net loss/(gain)   |                                       | 10,664                    |
| Unrecognized transition obligation/(asset)                               |                                       | 115                       |
| <b>Net Amount Recognized</b>   | <b>\$ (99,959 )</b>                   | <b>\$ (91,836 )</b>       |
| Accrued benefit liability  | (8,651 )                              | (1,244 )                  |
| Intangible assets  |                                       | 456                       |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income                                   | 8,651                                 | 788                       |
| <b>Net Amounts Recognized</b>  | <b>\$ (99,959 )</b>                   | <b>\$ (91,836 )</b>       |

In fiscal year 2006, the unrecognized prior service cost represents the cumulative prior service costs and benefits from amendments to the postretirement plan which has not yet been recognized in the financial statements. Previous amendments are being amortized and included in the net periodic postretirement benefit costs over the average remaining service period of participating employees, which is approximately eight years. The company adopted SFAS 158 for fiscal year ending 2007 which required the recognition of the funded status of each of the defined benefit pension plans therefore eliminating unrecognized differences.

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All qualified plans in North America and U.K. each had assets greater than the accumulated benefit obligation. The non-qualified amounts reflect only the U.S. and Canadian plans and are unfunded.

|                                | <b>June 30,<br/>2007</b>  | <b>2006</b>               |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
|                                | <b>Non-<br/>Qualified</b> | <b>Non-<br/>Qualified</b> |
| Projected Benefit Obligation   | \$ 99,959                 | \$ 96,789                 |
| Accumulated Benefit Obligation | 79,099                    | 74,454                    |
| Fair value of plan assets      |                           |                           |

The following table, and the narrative that follows, provide information relating to the weighted-average asset allocations at June 30, 2007 and 2006 and the investment strategy for the company's U.S. and U.K. defined benefit pension plan, which comprises the majority of our defined benefit pension plans:

| <u>Asset Category</u> | <b>North America Plan</b> |             | <b>U.K. Plan Assets at</b> |             |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|
|                       | <b>Assets at June 30,</b> |             | <b>June 30,</b>            |             |
|                       | <b>2007</b>               | <b>2006</b> | <b>2007</b>                | <b>2006</b> |
| Equity securities     | 64.9 %                    | 73.7 %      | 33.0 %                     | 26.0 %      |
| Debt securities       | 33.8 %                    | 26.0 %      | 57.0 %                     | 57.0 %      |
| Real estate           | 0.0 %                     | 0.0 %       | 9.0 %                      | 14.0 %      |
| Other                 | 1.3 %                     | 0.3 %       | 1.0 %                      | 3.0 %       |
| Total                 | 100.0 %                   | 100.0 %     | 100.0 %                    | 100.0 %     |

The investment objectives of the company's qualified pension plan are designed to generate returns that will enable the plan to meet its future obligations. The precise amount for which these obligations will be settled depends on future events, including the life expectancy of the plan's members and salary inflation. The obligations are estimated using actuarial assumptions, based on the current economic environment.

The pension plan seeks to achieve total returns both sufficient to meet expected future obligations as well as returns greater than its policy benchmark reflecting the target weights of the asset classes used in its targeted strategic asset allocation. The plan's targeted strategic allocation to each asset class was determined through an Asset-Liability Modeling study to evaluate long-term asset-allocation strategy. This comprehensive study provides an evaluation of the projected status of asset and liability measures for the plan under a range of both positive and negative environments. The study includes a number of different asset mixes, spanning a range of diversification and potential equity exposures.

In evaluating the strategic asset allocation choices, an emphasis is placed on the long-term characteristics of each individual asset class, and the benefits of diversification among multiple asset classes. Consideration is also given to the proper long-term level of risk for the plan, particularly with respect to the long-term nature of the plan's liabilities, the impact of asset allocation on investment results, and the corresponding impact on the volatility and magnitude of plan contributions and expense and the impact certain actuarial techniques may have on the plan's recognition of investment experience. The currently adopted strategic asset allocation targets for each of the plans is displayed above.

The company monitors investment performance and portfolio characteristics on a quarterly basis to ensure that managers are meeting expectations with respect to their investment approach. With the exception of securities issued by the U.S. Government and its agencies, no single issue is to comprise more than 5 percent of the portfolio's value although index fund managers are exempt from the security weighting constraints. There are also various restrictions and controls placed on managers including prohibition from investing in company stock.

The expected return on assets assumption is developed in conjunction with advisors and using the company's asset model that reflects a combination of rigorous historical analysis and the forward looking views of the financial markets as revealed through the yield on long-term bonds, the price earnings ratios of the major stock market indices and long-term inflation. Amounts are tested for reasonableness against their historical averages. The actual return on assets for the U.S. plan in fiscal year 2007 was 17.3 percent, compared to a return of 9.4 percent in fiscal year 2006. The actual return on assets for the U.K. plan in fiscal year 2007 was 16.4 percent, compared to a return of 7.8 percent in fiscal year 2006.

Benefit payments for our defined benefit pension plan, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid as follows:

| Fiscal Year     | Benefit Payments |           |            |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------|------------|
|                 | North America    | U.K.      | Total      |
| 2008            | \$ 26,629        | \$ 5,422  | \$ 32,051  |
| 2009            | 28,691           | 5,823     | 34,514     |
| 2010            | 30,731           | 6,225     | 36,956     |
| 2011            | 32,897           | 6,627     | 39,524     |
| 2012            | 34,691           | 7,229     | 41,920     |
| Years 2013-2017 | 215,793          | 45,986    | 261,779    |
|                 | \$ 369,432       | \$ 77,312 | \$ 446,744 |

In fiscal year 2006, the rise in interest rates was the principal reason for the decrease in our accumulated benefit obligation, resulting in plan assets becoming greater than the accumulated benefit obligation for the U.S. pension plans. As a result, the company is no longer required to record a minimum pension liability. Elimination of the prior year's minimum pension liability resulted in a decrease in the pension liability of \$103.7 million, a reduction in the charge to Stockholders' Equity of \$61.3 million (reflected in accumulated other comprehensive income) and a decrease in deferred tax assets of \$42.4 million as of June 30, 2006. Our Canadian non-qualified plan liability recorded in the financial statements remained less than its accumulated benefit obligation, although the amount of the difference decreased in fiscal year 2006, resulting in a decrease in the pension liability of \$0.8 million, a decrease in intangible assets of \$0.1 million, a reduction in the charge to Stockholders' Equity of \$0.4 million (reflected in accumulated other comprehensive income) and a decrease in deferred tax assets of \$0.3 million. The value of the assets held in the historical pension plan in the U.K. remained below the accumulated benefit obligation, resulting in the accumulated benefit obligation remaining greater than the value of the plan assets for U.K. historical pension plan. Our historical U.K. plan currently has an additional minimum pension liability recorded of \$9.0 million at June 30, 2006. Our Canadian and Hong Kong qualified pension plan assets were greater than their associated accumulated benefit obligations as of June 30, 2006 and thus did not require the recording of additional minimum pension liabilities in either period.



*Defined Contribution Plans*

We sponsor a savings plan that provides benefits to substantially all U.S. associates. The company provides a match to employee contributions at a rate of 50% of the first 6% up to \$60,000 of associates' eligible compensation. The company will also make an annual profit sharing contribution to the plan in an amount that is dependant upon the company's financial performance during the fiscal year. The company contributed \$3.5 million, \$3.4 million, and \$3.0 million in fiscal years 2007, 2006, and 2005 respectively.

We also sponsor a Canadian Separation Allowance Plan (CSAP) that provides retirement benefits to substantially all Canadian associates. The CSAP is an unfunded benefit plan; as such, the amounts due to associates are recorded as a liability in the Consolidated Balance Sheets of the company. CSAP expense for fiscal years 2007, 2006 and 2005 amounted to \$0.2 million each year.

*Health Care Benefits*

We sponsor a contributory health care plan that provides hospitalization, medical and dental benefits to substantially all U.S. associates. We accrue a liability for estimated incurred but unreported claims based on projected use of the plan as well as prior plan history. The liability totaled \$1.8 million at June 30, 2007 and \$2.3 million at June 30, 2006, and is included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

*Postretirement Benefits*

We provide certain health care and life insurance benefits for retired associates. The principal plans cover associates in the U.S. and Canada who have met certain eligibility requirements. Our principal plans are unfunded.

Assumptions used in the valuation for the U.S. plan, which comprises the majority of the principal postretirement plans, included the following over the past three fiscal years:

|  | <b>Year Ended June 30,</b> |             |             |
|--|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | <b>2007</b>                | <b>2006</b> | <b>2005</b> |
| <b>Health care cost trend, accumulated benefit obligation:</b>       |                            |             |             |
| Pre-65 benefits  |                            |             |             |
| (decreasing to 5.00% for 2010 and thereafter)                        | 8.00 %                     | 9.00 %      | 10.00 %     |
| Post-65 benefits   |                            |             |             |
| (decreasing to 5.00% for 2010 and thereafter)                        | 9.00 %                     | 9.00 %      | 10.00 %     |
| Discount rate, accumulated benefit obligation postretirement benefit | 6.25 %                     | 6.25 %      | 5.25 %      |

Actuarial gains and losses associated with changing any of the assumptions are accumulated as part of the unrecognized net gain balance which is amortized and included in the net periodic postretirement costs over the average remaining service period of participating employees, which is approximately 16 years.

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A one percentage point change in the assumed health care cost trend rates would have the following effect:

|   | 1%<br>Increase | 1%<br>Decrease |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Effect on net periodic postretirement benefit cost in fiscal year 2007      | \$ 294         | \$ (190 )      |
| Effect on accumulated postretirement benefit obligation as of June 30, 2007 | 2,447          | (2,385 )       |

Net periodic postretirement benefit cost consists of the following components reflected as expense in the company's Consolidated Statements of Operations:

|   | Year Ended June 30, |          |          |
|---|---------------------|----------|----------|
|   | 2007                | 2006     | 2005     |
| Service cost                                    | \$ 1,423            | \$ 1,703 | \$ 1,556 |
| Interest cost                                   | 2,646               | 2,334    | 2,414    |
| Amortization of transition obligation           |                     |          | 77       |
| Amortization of net unrecognized losses/(gains) | (395 )              | 5        | (362 )   |
| Amortization of prior service cost              | (661 )              | (660 )   | (659 )   |
| Net periodic postretirement benefit cost        | \$ 3,013            | \$ 3,382 | \$ 3,026 |

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The following table provides a reconciliation of the changes in the postretirement plan projected benefit obligations and fair value of assets for the years ended June 30, 2007 and 2006 and a statement of funded status as of June 30, 2007 and 2006:

|  | June 30,<br>2007 | 2006         |
|--|------------------|--------------|
| <b>Change in Benefit Obligation</b>                                      |                  |              |
| Benefit obligation, beginning of year                                    | \$ 43,596        | \$ 42,046    |
| Service cost   | 1,423            | 1,703        |
| Interest cost  | 2,646            | 2,334        |
| Participant contributions  | 1,887            | 1,613        |
| Actuarial losses/(gains)   | 38               | (1,710 )     |
| Benefit payments   | (3,551 )         | (3,332 )     |
| Other  | 1,535            |              |
| Foreign currency adjustment  | 638              | 942          |
| Benefit obligation, end of year  | \$ 48,212        | \$ 43,596    |
| <b>Change in Plan Assets</b>   |                  |              |
| Fair value of plan assets, beginning of year                             | \$               | \$           |
| Company contributions  | 1,664            | 1,719        |
| Participant contributions  | 1,887            | 1,613        |
| Benefit payments   | (3,551 )         | (3,332 )     |
| Fair value of plan assets, end of year                                   | \$               | \$           |
| <b>Reconciliation of Accrued Obligation and Total Amounts Recognized</b> |                  |              |
| Funded status at end of year   | \$ (48,212 )     | \$ (43,596 ) |
| Unrecognized prior service cost  |                  | (5,506 )     |
| Unrecognized net gain  |                  | (7,874 )     |
| Unrecognized transition obligation                                       |                  |              |
| <b>Net Accrued Postretirement Liability</b>                              | \$ (48,212 )     | \$ (56,976 ) |
| Reduction of accrued benefit liability                                   | 10,622           |              |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income                                   | (10,622 )        |              |
| <b>Net Accrued Postretirement Liability</b>                              | \$ (48,212 )     | \$ (56,976 ) |

In fiscal year 2006, the unrecognized prior service cost represents the cumulative prior service costs and benefits from amendments to the postretirement plan which has not yet been recognized in the financial statements. Previous amendments are being amortized and included in the net periodic postretirement benefit costs over the average remaining service period of participating employees, which is approximately eight years. The company adopted SFAS 158 for fiscal year ending 2007 which required the recognition of the funded status of each of the defined benefit pension plans therefore eliminating unrecognized differences.

The following benefit payments for our postretirement plan, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid:

| Fiscal<br>Year  | Benefit<br>Payments |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| 2008            | \$ 2,957            |
| 2009            | 3,019               |
| 2010            | 3,122               |
| 2011            | 3,217               |
| 2012            | 3,334               |
| Years 2013-2017 | 17,621              |
|                 | \$ 33,270           |

Based on the Financial Accounting Standards Board Staff Position No. 106-2 Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 (FAS 106-2), plans meeting the definition of actuarial equivalence can begin to reflect drug subsidies that will be provided in 2006 under Medicare (Part D). The liabilities determined as of June 30, 2007 and 2006 for disclosure purposes reflect these changes. The adoption of FAS 106-2 did not have a material effect on liabilities above.

#### Note 7 - Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities, Including Discretionary Compensation

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities consist of:

|   | June 30<br>2007 | 2006       |
|---|-----------------|------------|
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities  | \$ 63,052       | \$ 88,157  |
| Accrued salaries and bonuses  | 149,424         | 116,633    |
| Current portion of defined benefit retirement plans and postretirement benefits other than pensions | 9,826           | 13,299     |
| Accrued vacation  | 28,147          | 25,095     |
| Advance billings deferred revenue   | 49,754          | 42,053     |
| Dividends payable   | 3,143           | 3,159      |
| Total accounts payable and accrued liabilities  | \$ 303,346      | \$ 288,396 |

#### Note 8 - Leases

We lease office space, furniture and selected computer equipment under operating lease agreements with terms generally ranging from one to ten years. We have entered into sublease agreements for some of our excess leased space. Rental expense was \$81.8 million, \$74.8 million, and \$51.8 million for fiscal years 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively, inclusive of operating expenses related to such space and equipment. Sublease income was \$1.1 million and \$0.7 million for fiscal years 2007 and 2006. There was no sublease income in fiscal year 2005.

Future minimum lease payments for Watson Wyatt's operating lease commitments net of anticipated cash inflows for sublease income are:

| Fiscal<br>Year | Lease<br>Commitments |
|----------------|----------------------|
| 2008           | \$ 47,677            |
| 2009           | 44,229               |
| 2010           | 38,853               |
| 2011           | 35,774               |
| 2012           | 31,669               |
| Thereafter     | 93,899               |
| Total          | \$ 292,101           |

We evaluate office capacity on an ongoing basis to meet changing needs in our markets with a goal of minimizing our occupancy expense.

#### **Note 9 - Line of Credit**

The company has a credit facility provided by a syndicate of banks in an aggregate principal amount of \$300 million. Interest rates associated with this facility vary with LIBOR and/or the Prime Rate and are based on our leverage ratio, as defined by the credit agreement. We are charged a quarterly commitment fee, currently 0.125 percent of the facility, which varies with our financial leverage and is paid on the unused portion of the credit facility. On June 29, 2007, the company accessed \$105 million under its credit facility in anticipation of closing the Heissmann Acquisition. As of June 30, 2007 and 2006, the company had \$105 million and \$30 million, respectively, outstanding under the facility. Credit under the facility is available upon demand, although the credit facility requires us to observe certain covenants (including requirements for minimum net worth, which potentially act to restrict dividends, cash flow leverage ratio and a fixed coverage charge) and is collateralized with a pledge of stock of material subsidiaries. We were in compliance with all covenants under the credit facility as of June 30, 2007. This facility is scheduled to mature on June 30, 2010. See Note 19 for additional information related to the Heissmann Acquisition.

A portion of the revolving facility is used to support required letters of credit issued under the credit line. As a result, \$10.6 million of the facility was unavailable for operating needs as of June 30, 2007. We are also charged a fee for outstanding letters of credit that also fluctuates based on our leverage ratio.

The company has also provided a \$5.0 million Australian dollar-denominated letter of credit (US \$4.2 million) to an Australian governmental agency as required by the local regulations. The estimated fair market value of these letters of credit is immaterial because they have never been used, and the company believes that future usage is remote.

#### **Note 10 - Employee Stock Plans and Equity**

##### *Share-based Compensation Plans*

The company has four share-based compensation plans, which are described below. These compensation plans include the 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, 2001 Deferred Stock Unit Plan for Selected Employees, Amended Compensation Plan for Outside Directors and the 2000 Long-Term Incentive Plan. All four plans have been approved by stockholders.

*2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan*

The 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "Stock Purchase Plan") was approved at the annual stockholders' meeting in November 2001. Full-time and regular part-time employees are eligible to participate in the Stock Purchase Plan through payroll deductions of up to 10 percent of each participant's compensation, subject to certain restrictions. Offering periods are held monthly. Shares of common stock acquired pursuant to the Stock Purchase Plan may not be disposed of by the participant for at least three months following the date of purchase.

Certain provisions of the Stock Purchase Plan were revised by the Board of Directors in February 2005. Prior to these changes, under the plan, offering periods were held every three months beginning each November 1, February 1, May 1 and August 1. The purchase price for shares of common stock purchased during offering periods was 85 percent of the lower of the fair market value of common stock on the beginning or ending date of each offering period. Subsequent to changes approved by the Board of Directors, offering periods are now held monthly. Additionally, the purchase price for shares is now calculated as 95 percent of the fair market value of common stock as of the ending date of each offering period.

As a result of the changes to the Stock Purchase Plan discussed above, the company was not required to recognize compensation expense due to the award of shares under the Stock Purchase Plan during fiscal year 2007 or 2006. During fiscal year 2005, the company disclosed pro forma compensation cost resulting from the 15% discount, which approximated fair value. Approximately 150,000 shares, 200,000 shares and 350,000 shares were issued under this plan during fiscal year 2007, 2006 and 2005 respectively.

*2001 Deferred Stock Unit Plan for Selected Employees*

Deferred Stock Units - In November 2001, the 2001 Deferred Stock Unit Plan for Selected Employees (the "Stock Unit Plan") was approved at the annual meeting of stockholders. The Stock Unit Plan is intended to provide senior associates of the company with additional incentives by permitting the company to grant them an equity interest in the company in the form of deferred stock units, in lieu of a portion of their annual fiscal year end bonus, typically paid in September of each year. Each stock unit represents one share of common stock at the market price on the date of grant. The total number of shares authorized for issuance in payment of deferred stock units under the Stock Unit Plan is 2,700,000 shares.

Deferred stock units have been granted annually since September 2002 and have vested immediately in each year. Vesting of future awards is at the discretion of the company, with such determination being made prior to issuance of the deferred stock units.

During fiscal year 2007, 300,552 shares of common stock, at an average market price of \$40.48, were awarded for a total fair value of \$12.4 million. During fiscal year 2006, approximately 181,000 shares of common stock, at a market price of \$29.14 were awarded for a total fair value of \$5.3 million. In fiscal year 2005, 151,610 shares of common stock, at a market price of \$26.68 were awarded, for a total fair value of \$4.0 million.

SBI Program - On November 19, 2004, the company's Board of Directors approved a long-term bonus arrangement pursuant to the company's 2001 Deferred Stock Unit Plan for Selected Employees. The arrangement, called the Performance Share Bonus Incentive Program (the "SBI Program"), is a long-term stock bonus arrangement for senior executives of the company and its affiliates that is designed to strengthen incentives and align behaviors to grow the business in a way that is consistent with the strategic goals of the company.

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Incentives under the SBI Program are provided through grants of deferred stock units pursuant to the company's 2001 Deferred Stock Unit Plan for Selected Employees. Grants of deferred stock units are based on the value of the cash portion of the eligible participant's fiscal year-end bonus target and a multiplier, which is then converted into a target number of deferred stock units based upon the company's stock price as of the fiscal year-end prior to grant. Participants may vest between zero and 170% of the target number of deferred stock units based on the extent to which financial and strategic performance metrics are achieved over a three fiscal year period. The financial and strategic performance metrics are established at the beginning of each performance period. For the fiscal years 2005 through 2007 performance period, the vesting criteria are based upon earnings per share growth and the change in market penetration and cross-selling ratios. For the fiscal year 2006 through 2008 and the 2007 through 2009 performance periods, the vesting criteria are based upon growth in earnings per share and revenue.

Compensation expenses of \$3.8 million and \$1.4 million was recorded pursuant to this plan during fiscal year 2007 and 2006, respectively. Expenses for this plan are recognized when awards are both probable and reasonably estimable. The compensation expense associated with these plans is recognized as a component of salaries and employee benefits.

The table below presents share activity and weighted average fair values for fiscal year 2007:

|                            | Number of<br>Shares<br>(in 000 s) | Weighted Average<br>Fair Value |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Nonvested at June 30, 2006 | 287                               | \$ 26.08                       |
| Granted                    | 117                               | 35.14                          |
| Vested                     | (126 )                            | 26.65                          |
| Forfeited                  |                                   |                                |
| Nonvested at June 30, 2007 | 278                               | \$ 29.64                       |

**The weighted average grant date fair value of shares granted during fiscal year 2007, 2006 and 2005 were \$4.1 million, \$4.1 million and \$3.4 million, respectively. No shares vested during 2006 or 2005.**



*Amended Compensation Plan for Outside Directors*

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In November 2001, the Board of Directors approved the Amended Compensation Plan for Outside Directors (the "Outside Director's Plan") which provides for the cash and stock compensation of outside Directors. Under the Outside Director's Plan, outside Directors are initially paid in shares of the company's common stock, or in a combination of cash and shares, quarterly, at the completed quarter-end share price (which approximates fair value), for services provided during the preceding quarter. The total number of shares reserved for issuance under the Outside Director's Plan is 150,000.

During fiscal year 2007, 10,000 shares of common stock were awarded for a total fair value of \$0.3 million. During fiscal year 2006, 14,000 shares of common stock were awarded for a total fair value of \$0.4 million. In fiscal year 2005, 8,000 shares of common stock were awarded for a total fair value of \$0.2 million.

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*2000 Long-Term Incentive Plan*

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In June 2000, the company adopted the Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings 2000 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Stock Option Plan"), which provides for the granting of non-qualified stock options and stock appreciation rights (collectively referred to as "awards") to full-time associates of the company and to non-associate members of the Board of Directors. The total number of shares of common stock awards that may be granted under the Stock Option Plan is 4,500,000 shares.

The stock option agreements have a seven-year life and vest 20 percent at each option anniversary date over a five-year period. All options under the Stock Option Plan were granted with an exercise price equal to the stock's fair market value on the date of grant. Generally, the number of options granted to associates was based on a percentage of annual compensation. The company does not currently intend to issue further stock options under the Stock Option Plan.

For the Stock Option Plan, the Company uses the Black-Scholes option valuation model to calculate the fair value of options granted. Using the Black-Scholes model, the weighted average fair value of options granted during fiscal year 2002 was \$8.00 per option, and \$5.26 per option for fiscal year 2001. The following assumptions were used in the calculation:

|                         | Fiscal year |   |         |   |
|-------------------------|-------------|---|---------|---|
|                         | 2002        | % | 2001    | % |
| Expected dividend yield | 0           | % | 0       | % |
| Volatility              | 40          | % | 40      | % |
| Risk free interest rate | 4.12        | % | 5.79    | % |
| Expected life           | 4 years     |   | 4 years |   |

As discussed above, during fiscal year 2005, the company elected to follow APB 25 in accounting for its Stock Option Plan, in accordance with FAS 123. As a result, in fiscal year 2005 the company disclosed pro forma compensation cost of \$0.9 million related to nonqualified stock options. Compensation expense of \$0.1 million and \$0.3 million was recorded pursuant to the Stock Option Plan for fiscal year 2007 and 2006, respectively.

The table below presents stock option activity and weighted average exercise prices for fiscal year 2007:

|                                      | Number of<br>Shares<br>(in 000 s) | Weighted<br>Average<br>Exercise<br>Price | Average<br>Remaining<br>Contractual<br>Life (years) |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| Outstanding at June 30, 2006         | 544                               | \$ 13.65                                 |   |
| Granted                              |                                   |  |   |
| Exercised                            | (283 )                            | 13.12                                    |   |
| Forfeited                            | (34 )                             | 13.35                                    |   |
| Expired                              |                                   |  |   |
| Outstanding at June 30, 2007         | 227                               | \$ 14.14                                 | 0.4   |
| Exercisable Options at June 30, 2007 | 227                               |  | 0.4   |

The total fair value of options vested during fiscal year 2007 and 2006 was less than \$100,000 in fiscal year 2007 and \$1.0 million in fiscal year 2006. Cash received from the exercise of nonqualified stock options for fiscal year 2007 was \$3.7 million.

**Note 11 - Goodwill and Intangible Assets**

The increases in goodwill and intangible assets outlined below for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 are principally attributable to the WWN business acquisition during the third quarter. See Note 2 for further details regarding our business combinations. The carrying amount of goodwill for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, are as follows:

|   | <b>Benefits Group</b> | <b>Technology and Administration Solutions Group</b> | <b>Human Capital Group</b> | <b>Investment Consulting Group</b> | <b>Insurance &amp; Financial Services Group</b> | <b>All Other</b> | <b>Total</b> |
|---|-----------------------|--|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|------------------|--------------|
| Balance as of June 30, 2006                               | \$ 167,538            | \$ 43,168  | \$ 18,990                  | \$ 38,780                          | \$ 54,351                                       | \$ 1,214         | \$ 324,041   |
| Goodwill acquired during the year and contingent payments | 28,003                |  | 2,198                      | 2,808                              |   |                  | 33,009       |
| Impairment losses   |                       |  |                            |                                    |   |                  |              |
| Translation adjustment                                    | 12,912                | 3,494  | 1,617                      | 3,309                              | 4,554   |                  | 25,886       |
| Balance as of June 30, 2007                               | \$ 208,453            | \$ 46,662  | \$ 22,805                  | \$ 44,897                          | \$ 58,905                                       | \$ 1,214         | \$ 382,936   |

The following table reflects changes in the net carrying amount of the components of intangible assets for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007 and 2006:

|  | <b>Trademark &amp; trade name</b> | <b>Customer related intangible</b> | <b>Core/developed technology</b> | <b>Non-compete agreements</b> | <b>Pension</b> | <b>Total</b> |
|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Balance as of June 30, 2006                | \$ 112,966                        | \$ 58,546                          | \$ 14,973                        | \$ 21                         | \$ 569         | \$ 187,075   |
| Intangible assets acquired during the year |                                   | 18,671                             |                                  | 596                           |                | 19,267       |
| Reversal of additional minimum liability   |                                   |                                    |                                  |                               | (569)          | (1)(569)     |
| Amortization expense                       |                                   | (6,176)                            | (3,864)                          | (105)                         |                | (10,145)     |
| Translation adjustment                     | 9,700                             | 5,229                              | 1,147                            | 11                            |                | 16,087       |
| Balance as of June 30, 2007                | \$ 122,666                        | \$ 76,270                          | \$ 12,256                        | \$ 523                        | \$             | \$ 211,715   |

(1) Reversal based on adoption of FAS 158.

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The following table reflects the carrying value of intangible assets at June 30, 2007 and 2006:

|  | Fiscal year 2007      |                          | Fiscal year 2006      |                          |
|--|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
|  | Gross Carrying Amount | Accumulated Amortization | Gross Carrying Amount | Accumulated Amortization |
| Intangible assets and intangible pension assets:     |                       |                          |                       |                          |
| Trademark & trade name                               | \$ 122,666            | \$                       | \$ 112,966            | \$                       |
| Customer related intangibles                         | 85,064                | 8,794                    | 64,210                | 5,664                    |
| Core/developed technology                            | 17,935                | 5,679                    | 18,443                | 3,470                    |
| Non-compete  | 1,028                 | 505                      | 672                   | 651                      |
| Intangible pension asset                             |                       |                          | 569                   |                          |
| Total intangible assets and intangible pension asset | \$ 226,693            | \$ 14,978                | \$ 196,860            | \$ 9,785                 |

A component of the change in the gross carrying amount of trademark & trade name, customer related intangibles, core/developed technology and the intangible pension asset reflects foreign currency translation adjustments between June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2007. These intangible assets are denominated in the currencies of our subsidiaries outside the United States, and are translated into our reporting currency, the U.S. dollar, based on exchange rates at the balance sheet date.

The company amortizes its intangible assets using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives as follows: customer related intangibles, 12 years; core/developed technology, 5 years; non-compete agreements, 3 years. Certain trade-mark and trade-name intangibles purchased as part of the WWLLP combination in fiscal year 2005 have indefinite useful lives and are not amortized.

The weighted average remaining life of amortizable intangible assets at June 30, 2007, was 9.4 years. Future estimated amortization expense is as follows:

| Fiscal year ending June 30           | Amount    |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| 2008                                 | \$ 11,505 |
| 2009                                 | 11,505    |
| 2010                                 | 11,420    |
| 2011                                 | 7,658     |
| 2012                                 | 7,326     |
| Thereafter                           | 39,635    |
| Total estimated amortization expense | \$ 89,049 |

**Note 12 - Income Taxes**

The components of the income tax provision for continuing operations include:

|   | <b>Year Ended June 30</b> |                  |                  |
|---|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|
|   | <b>2007</b>               | <b>2006</b>      | <b>2005</b>      |
| <b>Current tax (benefit) expense:</b>   |                           |                  |                  |
| U.S.                                    | \$ 40,485                 | \$ (1,112 )      | \$ 21,917        |
| State and local                         | 5,439                     | 1,402            | 4,221            |
| Foreign                                 | 17,352                    | 12,371           | 7,587            |
|   | 63,276                    | 12,661           | 33,725           |
| <b>Deferred tax (benefit) expense:</b>  |                           |                  |                  |
| U.S.                                    | (10,585 )                 | 23,297           | (1,151 )         |
| State and local                         | (835 )                    | 5,166            | (156 )           |
| Foreign                                 | 8,337                     | 4,461            | (1,115 )         |
|   | (3,083 )                  | 32,924           | (2,422 )         |
| <b>Total provision for income taxes</b> | <b>\$ 60,193</b>          | <b>\$ 45,585</b> | <b>\$ 31,303</b> |

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities reflect the effect of temporary differences between the assets and liabilities recognized for financial reporting purposes and the amounts recognized for income tax purposes. The company recognizes deferred tax assets if it is more likely than not that a benefit will be realized. Prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current classification.

Deferred income tax assets (liabilities) included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets at June 30, 2007, and June 30, 2006, are comprised of the following:

|  | <b>June 30</b>   | <b>2006</b>      |
|--|------------------|------------------|
|  | <b>2007</b>      | <b>2006</b>      |
| Prepaid                                  | \$ (1,422 )      | \$ (1,339 )      |
| Depreciation and amortization            | (31,103 )        | (16,462 )        |
| Goodwill                                 | (6,926 )         | (4,268 )         |
| Change in accounting method              |                  | (40 )            |
| Other                                    | (4,905 )         | (1,673 )         |
| Gross deferred tax liabilities           | (44,356 )        | (23,782 )        |
| Accrued retirement benefits              | 61,098           | 63,789           |
| Deferred rent                            | 6,924            | 5,488            |
| Other                                    | 7,762            | 9,317            |
| Foreign net operating loss carryforwards | 9,084            | 17,990           |
| Share based compensation                 | 1,433            | 123              |
| Accrued liability                        | 20,135           | 15,335           |
| Capitalized expenditure                  | 866              | 941              |
| Accrued compensation                     | 7,966            | 475              |
| Deferred revenue                         | 17,046           | 4,501            |
| Gross deferred tax assets                | 132,314          | 117,959          |
| Deferred tax assets valuation allowance  | (9,826 )         | (23,841 )        |
| <b>Net deferred tax asset</b>            | <b>\$ 78,132</b> | <b>\$ 70,336</b> |



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At June 30, 2007, we had unused loss carryforwards for tax purposes in various jurisdictions outside the U.S. amounting to \$48.9 million of which \$38.4 million can be indefinitely carried forward under local statutes. The remaining foreign loss carryforwards will expire, if unused, in varying amounts from 2008 through 2014. The valuation allowance includes the tax effect of foreign net operating loss carryforwards of \$9.1 million and the tax effect of certain foreign temporary expenses of \$0.7 million.

The company maintains a valuation allowance of \$9.8 million and \$23.8 million at June 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively, against certain of its deferred tax assets, as it is more likely than not that they will not be fully realized. The principal components of the deferred tax assets for which a valuation allowance has been established include certain foreign country net operating loss carry-forwards and deferred foreign expenses.

The net change in the valuation allowance of \$14.0 million in fiscal year 2007 and \$1.1 million in fiscal year 2006 is due to the release of valuation allowance in foreign jurisdictions, the tax effect of the change in foreign net operating losses and deferred foreign expense, and the reclassification of deferred tax assets for foreign branches.

The domestic and foreign components of income from continuing operations before income taxes for each of the three years ended June 30 are as follows:

|          | 2007       | 2006       | 2005      |
|----------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Domestic | \$ 97,241  | \$ 73,672  | \$ 69,003 |
| Foreign  | 79,229     | 58,031     | 13,696    |
|          | \$ 176,470 | \$ 131,703 | \$ 82,699 |

The company has not provided U.S. deferred taxes on cumulative earnings of foreign subsidiaries that have been reinvested indefinitely. These earnings relate to ongoing operations and at June 30, 2007 were approximately \$153 million. Due to the availability of U.S. foreign tax credits, it is not practicable to estimate the U.S. federal income tax liability that might be payable if such earnings were not reinvested indefinitely. Deferred taxes have been provided for the portion of earnings of foreign subsidiaries which the company plans to remit. If future events, including material changes in estimates of cash, working capital and long-term investment requirements, necessitate that these earnings be distributed, an additional provision for withholding taxes may apply, which could materially affect our future effective tax rate.

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The reported income tax provision differs from the amounts that would have resulted had the reported income before income taxes been taxed at the U.S. federal statutory rate. The principal reasons for the differences between the amounts provided and those that would have resulted from the application of the U.S. federal statutory tax rate are as follows:

|  | Year Ended June 30 |                  |                  |
|--|--------------------|------------------|------------------|
|  | 2007               | 2006             | 2005             |
| Tax provision at U.S. federal statutory tax rate of 35 percent | \$ 61,764          | \$ 46,096        | \$ 28,944        |
| Increase (reduction) resulting from:                           |                    |                  |                  |
| Foreign income tax rate differential, net                      | (5,678 )           | (5,974 )         | 1,110            |
| State income taxes, net of federal tax effect                  | 4,604              | 4,720            | 1,787            |
| Non-deductible expenses  | 5,999              | 6,205            | (782 )           |
| Tax credits  | (8,338 )           | (2,812 )         | (443 )           |
| Other  | 1,842              | (2,650 )         | 687              |
| <b>Income tax provision</b>                                    | <b>\$ 60,193</b>   | <b>\$ 45,585</b> | <b>\$ 31,303</b> |

### Note 13 - Segment Information

Watson Wyatt is organized and managed through a matrix form of organization. Beginning fiscal year 2007, the Asia-Pacific and Latin America operations have been reported on a practice basis and are included in our operating segments listed below. We now have five reportable operating segments or practice areas as follows:

- (1) Benefits Group
- (2) Technology and Administration Solutions Group
- (3) Human Capital Group
- (4) Investment Consulting Group
- (5) Insurance & Financial Services Group

Management evaluates the performance of its segments and allocates resources to them based on net operating income on a pre-bonus, pre-tax basis. The category previously reported as other has been reclassified as All other segments in the reconciliation of reportable segments to consolidated amounts as prescribed in Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 131 Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information, (FAS 131). This includes communication and change management implementation support services. Prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current classification.

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The table below presents specified information about reported segments as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007:

|  | <b>Benefits<br/>Group</b> | <b>Technology and<br/>Administration<br/>Solutions<br/>Group</b> | <b>Human<br/>Capital<br/>Group</b> | <b>Investment<br/>Consulting<br/>Group</b> | <b>Insurance &amp;<br/>Financial<br/>Services Group</b> | <b>Total</b> |
|--|---------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|---|--------------|
| Revenue (net of reimbursable expenses) | \$ 820,806                | \$ 157,516   | \$ 169,845                         | \$ 128,720                                 | \$ 113,676  | \$ 1,390,563 |
| Net operating income                   | 222,021                   | 36,663   | 24,052                             | 39,269                                     | 18,985  | 340,990      |
| Interest expense                       | 3,352                     | 425  | 506                                | 369  | 555   | 5,207        |
| Depreciation & Amortization            | 11,118                    | 14,108   | 2,695                              | 830  | 796   | 29,547       |
| Receivables                            | 228,284                   | 15,616   | 40,516                             | 27,427                                     | 31,959  | 343,802      |

The table below presents specified information about reported segments as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006. As a result, it includes the consolidated results from the acquired businesses since July 31, 2005, as now held by Watson Wyatt Limited:

|  | <b>Benefits<br/>Group</b> | <b>Technology and<br/>Administration<br/>Solutions<br/>Group</b> | <b>Human<br/>Capital<br/>Group</b> | <b>Investment<br/>Consulting<br/>Group</b> | <b>Insurance &amp;<br/>Financial<br/>Services<br/>Group</b> | <b>Total</b> |
|--|---------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|---|--------------|
| Revenue (net of reimbursable expenses) | \$ 725,630                | \$ 132,805   | \$ 146,111                         | \$ 86,462                                  | \$ 91,987   | \$ 1,182,995 |
| Net operating income                   | 186,463                   | 31,539   | 12,796                             | 12,622                                     | 18,161  | 261,581      |
| Interest expense                       | 2,618                     | 321  | 559                                | 198  | 252   | 3,948        |
| Depreciation & Amortization            | 13,267                    | 9,615  | 2,848                              | 1,578                                      | 1,413   | 28,721       |
| Receivables                            | 194,014                   | 16,709   | 37,355                             | 19,088                                     | 26,992  | 294,158      |

The table below presents specified information about reported segments as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005. As a result, it does not include results from Watson Wyatt Limited since the combination was not completed until July 31, 2005:

|  | <b>Benefits<br/>Group</b> | <b>Technology<br/>and<br/>Administration<br/>Solutions<br/>Group</b> | <b>Human<br/>Capital<br/>Group</b> | <b>Investment<br/>Consulting<br/>Group</b> | <b>Insurance &amp;<br/>Financial<br/>Services Group</b> | <b>Total</b> |
|--|---------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|---|--------------|
| Revenue (net of reimbursable expenses) | \$ 459,186                | \$ 67,941  | \$ 89,864                          | \$ 30,307                                  | \$  | \$ 647,298   |
| Net operating income                   | 105,281                   | 7,429  | 11,888                             | 2,411                                      |   | 127,009      |
| Interest expense                       | 1,008                     | 137  | 110                                | 62   |   | 1,317        |
| Depreciation & Amortization            | 9,434                     | 1,830  | 2,072                              | 731  |   | 14,067       |
| Receivables                            | 114,292                   | 5,345  | 20,602                             | 6,470                                      |   | 146,709      |

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A reconciliation of the information reported by segment to the consolidated amounts follows for the years ended June 30 (in thousands):

|  | <b>Year Ended June 30,</b> |              |             |
|--|----------------------------|--------------|-------------|
|  | <b>2007</b>                | <b>2006</b>  | <b>2005</b> |
| <b><u>Revenue:</u></b>   |                            |              |             |
| Total segment revenue  | \$ 1,390,563               | \$ 1,182,995 | \$ 647,298  |
| Reimbursable expenses not included in segment revenue                                  | 58,164                     | 51,925       | 37,941      |
| All other segments   | 41,104                     | 40,431       | 46,520      |
| Other, net   | (3,308 )                   | (3,540 )     | 5,662       |
| Consolidated revenue   | \$ 1,486,523               | \$ 1,271,811 | \$ 737,421  |
| <b><u>Net Operating Income:</u></b>  |                            |              |             |
| Total segment income   | \$ 340,990                 | \$ 261,581   | \$ 127,009  |
| Income from affiliates   | (5,500 )                   | 1,135        | 7,146       |
| Differences in allocation methods for depreciation, G&A, pension and medical costs (1) | (9,422 )                   | (4,694 )     | 3,538       |
| Interest Expense   | (1,581 )                   | (4,093 )     | (661 )      |
| Loss on hedge  |                            | (3,602 )     | (4,807 )    |
| Other non-operating income/(loss)  | 178                        | 1,521        | (2,597 )    |
| Discretionary bonuses  | (139,433 )                 | (108,671 )   | (47,403 )   |
| All other segments   | (6,108 )                   | (5,321 )     | 4,428       |
| Other, net   | (2,656 )                   | (6,153 )     | (3,954 )    |
| Income from Continuing Operations Before Income Taxes                                  | \$ 176,468                 | \$ 131,703   | \$ 82,699   |
| <b><u>Interest Expense:</u></b>  |                            |              |             |
| Total segment expense  | \$ 5,207                   | \$ 3,948     | \$ 1,317    |
| All other segments   | 138                        | 104          | 61          |
| Differences in allocation method   | (3,764 )                   | 41           | (718 )      |
| Consolidated interest expense  | \$ 1,581                   | \$ 4,093     | \$ 660      |
| <b><u>Depreciation &amp; Amortization:</u></b>   |                            |              |             |
| Total segment expense  | \$ 29,547                  | \$ 28,721    | \$ 14,067   |
| All other segments   | 8,757                      | 2,631        | 2,704       |
| Intangible asset amortization, not allocated to segments                               | 10,145                     | 8,155        | 311         |
| Differences in allocation method and other   | 8,786                      | 5,411        | 3,128       |
| Consolidated depreciation and amortization expense                                     | \$ 57,235                  | \$ 44,918    | \$ 20,210   |
| <b><u>Receivables:</u></b>   |                            |              |             |
| Total segment receivables  | \$ 343,802                 | \$ 294,158   | \$ 146,709  |
| All other segments   | 6,689                      | 5,030        | 6,407       |
| Net valuation differences (2)  | (13,664 )                  | 4,389        | 5,701       |
| Total billed and unbilled receivables  | 336,827                    | 303,577      | 158,817     |
| Assets not reported by segment   | 1,192,882                  | 936,782      | 459,862     |
| Consolidated assets  | \$ 1,529,709               | \$ 1,240,359 | \$ 618,679  |



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(1) Depreciation, general and administrative, pension, and medical costs are allocated to our segments based on budgeted expenses determined at the beginning of the fiscal year as management believes that these costs are largely uncontrollable to the segment. To the extent that the actual expense base upon which allocations are made differs from the forecast/budget amount, a reconciling item will be created between internally allocated expenses and the actual expense that we report for GAAP purposes.

(2) Total segment receivables, which reflect the receivable balances used by management to make business decisions, are included for management reporting purposes net of deferred revenues.

The following represents total revenue and long-lived assets information by geographic area as of and for the years ended June 30:

|                | <b>Revenue<br/>2007</b> | <b>2006</b>  | <b>2005</b> | <b>Long-lived Assets<br/>2007</b> | <b>2006</b> | <b>2005</b> |
|----------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| United States  | \$ 707,784              | \$ 649,109   | \$ 587,670  | \$ 174,369                        | \$ 153,278  | \$ 112,424  |
| United Kingdom | 468,142                 | 345,732      |             | 617,816                           | 493,942     | 21,816      |
| Rest of World  | 310,597                 | 276,970      | 149,751     | 34,009                            | 29,075      | 27,314      |
|                | \$ 1,486,523            | \$ 1,271,811 | \$ 737,421  | \$ 826,194                        | \$ 676,295  | \$ 161,554  |

Revenue is based on the country of domicile for the legal entity that originated the revenue. Exclusive of the United States and the U.K., revenue from no single country constituted more than 10 percent of consolidated revenues. Revenue from no single customer constituted more than four percent of consolidated revenues.

### **Note 14 - Commitments and Contingent Liabilities**

The company historically has provided guarantees on an infrequent basis to third parties in the ordinary course of business. The guarantees described below are currently in effect and could require the company to make payments to third parties under certain circumstances.

*Letters of Credit.* At June 30, 2007, the company has one outstanding letter of credit totaling \$8.0 million under our existing credit facility to guarantee payment to beneficiaries in the event that the company fails to meet its financial obligations to these beneficiaries. This letter of credit will remain outstanding as long as we retain an ownership share of our affiliated captive insurance company, PCIC. An additional letter of credit for \$2.6 million was issued in July 2007 as an additional capital contribution to PCIC.

The company has also provided a \$5.0 million Australian dollar-denominated letter of credit (US \$4.2 million) to an Australian governmental agency as required by local regulations. The estimated fair market value of these letters of credit is immaterial because they have never been used, and the company believes that probability of future usage is remote.

*Indemnification Agreements.* The company has various agreements that provide that it may be obligated to indemnify the other party with respect to certain matters. Generally, these indemnification clauses are included in contracts arising in the normal course of business and in connection with the purchase and sale of certain businesses. Although it is not possible to predict the maximum potential amount of future payments under these indemnification agreements due to the conditional nature of the company's obligations and the unique facts of each particular agreement, the company does not believe that any potential liability that might arise from such indemnity provisions is probable or material. There are no provisions for recourse to third parties, nor are any assets held by any third parties that any guarantor can liquidate to recover amounts paid under such indemnities.

*Wellspring Leases.* We continue to guarantee two leases for office premises for Wellspring Resources, LLC ( Wellspring ), the benefits administration outsourcing business that we exited from in fiscal year 1998. The last guaranteed lease will expire in November 2007. Based on our analysis and the limited duration of the remaining lease obligations, the company no longer records an obligation, as the probability of any payment under these lease guarantees is remote.

*Legal Proceedings:* From time to time, we are a party to various lawsuits, arbitrations or mediations that arise in the ordinary course of business. The matters reported on below involve the most significant pending or potential claims against us. We also have received subpoenas and requests for information in connection with government investigations.

We carry substantial professional liability insurance with a self-insured retention of \$1 million per occurrence, which provides coverage for professional liability claims including the cost of defending such claims. We reserve for contingent liabilities based on Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 5, Accounting for Contingencies (FAS 5) when it is determined that a liability, inclusive of defense costs, is probable and reasonably estimable. Management believes, based on currently available information including the existence of professional liability insurance, that the results of all pending claims against the company will not have a material adverse effect on the results of operations, but litigation is subject to many factors which are difficult to predict so there can be no assurance that in the event of a material unfavorable result in one or more of such matters, we will not incur material costs.

*Watson Wyatt v. SBC Holdings, Inc. (Stroh Brewery Company):* On July 23, 2004, we received a demand letter from Stroh's counsel alleging that errors in valuations for 2001 and subsequent years understated the liabilities of its pension plan and overstated the company's net worth. As a result, Stroh claimed it did not annuitize its defined benefit plan and redeemed its stock at an inflated price. On April 15, 2005, Watson Wyatt filed a petition in federal court to compel arbitration of the matter. Subsequently, Stroh filed an answer and counterclaim, alleging damages in excess of \$46 million. The court granted in part and denied in part our motion for summary judgment, and an appeal to the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals is pending.

*Department of Labor Investigation:* On November 17, 2006, Watson Wyatt Investment Consulting Inc. ( WWIC ) received a subpoena from the United States Department of Labor ( DOL ) in connection with its investigation into the compensation of consultants and other investment advisers. WWIC has responded to the subpoena and continues to cooperate with the DOL.

*Government Inquiry into Executive Compensation Disclosure:* On May 11, 2007, we received an Information Request from the House Oversight and Government Affairs Committee (the Committee ). The Information Request asked Watson Wyatt to identify all clients in the 2007 Fortune 250 for which we provided executive compensation consulting in addition to any other services between 2002 and 2006. The letter also requested the disclosure of revenues from executive compensation consulting and from other services . The stated purpose of the request was for a better understanding of concerns that a compensation consultant's on-going business relationships with a company could compromise the independence of the advice consultants provide to the company's board about executive compensation. Identical requests were made to the CEOs of at least five other consulting firms, all of which were posted on the Committee's website. After contacting each affected client, we responded to the Information Request by its May 23, 2007 due date by identifying clients and revenues for those that consented to disclosure. On June 29, 2007, we received a subpoena from the Committee compelling the identification of the remaining clients and revenues. We complied with the subpoena on July 10, 2007, after first providing final notice to all clients.

**Note 15 - Earnings Per Share**

Basic earnings per share is calculated on the basis of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year. Diluted earnings per share is calculated on the basis of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding plus the effect of outstanding stock options, stock-based compensation plan shares and employee stock purchase plan shares using the treasury stock method. The components of basic and diluted earnings per share are as follows:

|   | <b>Year Ended June 30</b> |             |             |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | <b>2007</b>               | <b>2006</b> | <b>2005</b> |
| Income from continuing operations   | \$ 116,275                | \$ 86,118   | \$ 51,396   |
| Income from discontinued operations   |                           | 1,073       | 766         |
| Net income  | \$ 116,275                | \$ 87,191   | \$ 52,162   |
| Weighted average outstanding shares of common stock   | 42,413                    | 41,393      | 32,541      |
| Contingency Stock   | 1,950                     | 1,787       |             |
| Dilutive effect of employee stock options, stock-based compensation plan shares and employee stock purchase plan shares | 321                       | 117         | 304         |
| Common stock and stock equivalents  | 44,684                    | 43,297      | 32,845      |
| <b>Basic earnings per share</b>   |                           |             |             |
| Income from continuing operations   | \$ 2.74                   | \$ 2.08     | \$ 1.58     |
| Income from discontinued operations   |                           | 0.03        | 0.02        |
| Basic earnings per share, net income  | \$ 2.74                   | \$ 2.11     | \$ 1.60     |
| <b>Diluted earnings per share</b>   |                           |             |             |
| Income from continuing operations   | \$ 2.60                   | \$ 1.99     | \$ 1.56     |
| Income from discontinued operations   |                           | 0.02        | 0.02        |
| Diluted earnings per share, net income  | \$ 2.60                   | \$ 2.01     | \$ 1.58     |

There were no outstanding stock options for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2006, that were excluded because they would have been antidilutive, and in fiscal year 2005 there were 1,920 that were not included in the diluted earnings per share calculation because their effect would have been antidilutive. The diluted earnings per share calculation for fiscal years 2007 and 2006 assume that 1,950,000 contingent shares related to the WWLLP business combination have been issued and outstanding since July 31, 2005.



**Note 16 - Discontinued Operations**

During the third quarter of fiscal years 2005 and 2006, the company evaluated its accrual for the estimated remaining future obligations and costs related to the exit from Wellspring. The evaluations included an analysis of occupancy rates of Wellspring, along with an analysis of real estate market conditions in cities in which the leases exist and an assessment of probable future sublease income for these leases. As a result of the analysis performed during fiscal years 2005 and 2006, the company reduced its accrual by \$1.25 million and \$1.75 million, respectively, less the associated income tax expenses. Based on our analysis in fiscal year 2006, the Company no longer recorded an obligation as the probability of payment under the lease guarantees is remote. Such adjustments are reflected in the Consolidated Statement of Operations for the third quarter of each fiscal year in the line Adjustment to reduce estimated loss on disposal of discontinued operations.

**Note 17 Restricted Shares.**

In conjunction with our WWLLP business combination on July 31, 2005, we issued 9,090,571 Class A common shares, 4,749,797 of which were subject to contractual transfer restrictions. Transfer restrictions expired on 2,339,761 of these shares on July 31, 2006 and expired on the remaining 2,410,036 shares on July 31, 2007. At June 30, 2007, the contingencies associated with the payment of an additional 1,950,000 Class A shares were met. The company expects to issue these shares during fiscal year 2008. Sale of these shares will be restricted until July 31, 2009.

In conjunction with our acquisition of WWN on February 1, 2007, we issued 252,285 Class A common shares which were subject to contractual transfer restrictions. Transfer restrictions will expire on 50% of these shares on each of February 1, 2008 and 2009. The payment of up to an additional 8.0 million of Class A shares (approximately 220,000 shares) after January 31, 2008 is contingent upon achievement by the acquired business of certain financial performance goals during the twelve month period ending January 31, 2008. Sale of these shares, if issued, will also be subject to contractual transfer restrictions that will expire on 50% of these shares on each of the first and second anniversaries of issuance of the shares.

See Note 2 of this report for further information regarding these acquisitions.

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(a) The basic earnings per share calculation for fiscal year 2007 and the diluted earnings per share calculation for fiscal years 2007 and 2006 assume that the 1,950,000 contingent shares related to the WWLLP business combination have been issued and outstanding since July 31, 2005.

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**Note 19 - Subsequent Events**

Heissmann Acquisition - On July 20, 2007, the company acquired the outstanding stock of Heissmann for 99 million in cash. Heissmann is a leading actuarial, benefits, and human resources consulting firm based in Germany with subsidiaries in Ireland, Netherlands, Austria, and France. Annual revenue, including subsidiaries, was approximately \$70 million (Euro 52 million) for their fiscal year ended March 31, 2007.

WisdomNet Acquisition - On July 2, 2007, the company acquired the net assets of WisdomNet for \$6.9 million in cash and stock, including the payoff of \$0.2 million of debt. WisdomNet is a Denver-based talent management solution and consulting firm that was founded in 2001. WisdomNet offers a proprietary line of business software products, including an end-to-end solution for managing organizations' talent management processes.

PCIC Capital Contribution - In July 2007, the company contributed an additional \$1.9 million of capital to PCIC and increased the amount of the letter of credit associated with PCIC by \$2.6 million. As a result of this capital contribution, the company's ownership percentage in PCIC increased from 34.15 percent to 36.43 percent.

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## WATSON WYATT WORLDWIDE, INC.

## Schedule II

## Valuation and Qualifying Accounts and Reserves

(Thousands of U.S. Dollars)

| Description                                    | Balance<br>at<br>Beginning<br>of<br>Year | Additions<br>Charged<br>Against<br>(Credited<br>to)<br>Revenue | Additions<br>Charged<br>to<br>Other<br>Accounts | Additions<br>Resulting<br>From<br>Acquisitions | Deductions  | Balance<br>at<br>End of<br>Year |
|--|--|--|---|--|-------------|---------------------------------|
| <u>Year Ended June 30, 2007</u>                |  |  |   |  |             |                                 |
| Allowance for uncollectible<br>accounts        | \$ 3,678                                 | \$ 8,676   | \$  | \$   | \$ (6,138 ) | \$ 6,216                        |
| Allowance for unbillable accounts              | 5,348                                    | 2,335  |   |  |             | 7,683                           |
| Valuation allowance for deferred<br>tax assets | 23,841                                   |  | (9,777 )  | (2)  | (4,238 )    | 9,826                           |
| <u>Year Ended June 30, 2006</u>                |  |  |   |  |             |                                 |
| Allowance for uncollectible<br>accounts        | \$ 2,114                                 | \$ 5,680   | \$  | \$ 1,574                                       | \$ (5,690 ) | \$ 3,678                        |
| Allowance for unbillable<br>accounts           | 700                                      | (942 )   |   | 5,590  |             | 5,348                           |
| Valuation allowance for<br>deferred tax assets | 13,549                                   |  |   | 11,386   | (1,094 )    | 23,841                          |
| <u>Year Ended June 30, 2005</u>                |  |  |   |  |             |                                 |
| Allowance for uncollectible<br>accounts        | \$ 1,241                                 | \$ 5,479   | \$  | \$   | \$ (4,606 ) | \$ 2,114                        |
| Allowance for unbillable<br>accounts           | 730                                      | (30 )  |   |  |             | 700                             |
| Valuation allowance for<br>deferred tax assets | 10,887                                   |  | 2,662   | (1)  |             | 13,549                          |

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- (1) The net (decrease)/increase is primarily due to the tax effect of the change in realizable foreign net operating losses and other foreign temporary differences.
- (2) The decrease is due to reclassification of the deferred tax assets for foreign branches.

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**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS.**

- 3.1 Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc.(16)
- 3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc.(16)
- 4 Form of Certificate Representing Common Stock(1)
- 10.1 Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement Among Suntrust Bank and Others dated July 11, 2005(9)
- 10.2 Senior Officer Deferred Compensation Plan(2)
- 10.3 2001 Deferred Stock Unit Plan for Selected Employees(16)
- 10.4 Amended Compensation Plan for Outside Directors(11)
- 10.5 Deed of Lease between Watson Wyatt & Company and Arlington Office, LLC, dated April 27, 2004(4)
- 10.6 Watson Wyatt & Company Performance Share Bonus Incentive Program(5)
- 10.7 First Amendment to Deed of Lease between Watson Wyatt & Company and Arlington Office L.L.C., dated April 22, 2005(6)
- 10.8 Business Transfer Agreement, dated as of April 15, 2005, by and among Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings, Watson Wyatt LLP, Watson Wyatt (UK) Acquisitions 2 Limited and The Wyatt Company Holdings Limited(7)
- 10.9 Form of Employment Agreement between Watson Wyatt Limited and each of Chandrasekhar Ramamurthy, Paul N. Thornton and Roger C. Urwin(7)
- 10.10 Distribution Agreement, dated as of April 15, 2005, by and among Watson Wyatt LLP, The Wyatt Company Holdings Limited, The Wyatt Company (UK) Limited, Wyatt Trustee Limited and Watson Wyatt Limited(7)
- 10.11 Deed of Termination and Amendment and Restatement of Indemnities Relating to the Alliance Documents, dated as of April 15, 2005, by and among The Wyatt Company Holdings Limited, Watson Wyatt LLP, Watson Wyatt & Company, Watson Wyatt Holdings Limited, Watson Wyatt Holdings (Europe) Limited, The Wyatt Company (UK) Limited and Wyatt Trustee Limited (in its capacity as Wyatt Partner) (7)
- 10.12 Deed of Contribution, dated as of April 15, 2005, by and among Watson Wyatt LLP, Watson Wyatt Limited and Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings(8)
- 10.13 Bonuses Deed, dated as of April 15, 2005, by and among Watson Wyatt LLP, Watson Wyatt Limited and Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings(7)
- 10.14 Form of P.I. Claims Deed by and among the P.I. Trustees, Watson Wyatt LLP, Watson Wyatt Limited and Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings(8)
- 10.15 Form of Stock Transfer Agreement by and between Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings, Watson Wyatt (UK) Acquisitions 2 Limited and Watson Wyatt Limited and each of Watson Wyatt LLP and each voting member(7)
- 10.16 Watson Wyatt Incentive Compensation Plan 2005(15)
- 10.17 Form of Indemnification Agreement among Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings and each of its directors and Section 16 officers(11)
- 10.18 Amendment to the Credit Agreement Among Suntrust Bank and Others dated September 30, 2005(12)
- 10.19 First Amendment to Lease Between Watson Wyatt & Company and Arlington Office LLC dated November 14, 2005 (16)
- 10.20 FY06 Performance Share Bonus Incentive Program (14)
- 10.21 Trust Deed and Rules of the Watson Wyatt Share Incentive Plan 2005 (U.K.) (17)
- 10.22 Watson Wyatt Share Incentive Plan 2005 Deed of Amendment (U.K.) (17)
- 10.23 Trust Deed and Rules of the Watson Wyatt Ireland Share Participation Scheme (17)
- 10.24 Share Purchase Plan 2005 (Spain) (17)
- 10.25 Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc. Performance Share Bonus Incentive Program FY07 (16)
- 10.26 Amendment to Credit Agreement Among Suntrust Bank and Others dated June 21, 2007 (13)
- 16 Letter re change in certifying accountant (18)
- 21 Subsidiaries of Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Inc.(13)
- 23 Consent of the Company's Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Deloitte & Touche LLP(13)
- 23.1 Consent of the Company's Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm PricewaterhouseCoopers(13)
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002(13)
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002(13)
- 32 Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Title 18, U.S.C. Section 1350, adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002(13)

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- (1) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 8-K, filed on January 3, 2006
- (2) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 10-K, filed on August 20, 2001
- (3) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form DEF14A, filed on October 17, 2006
- (4) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 10-Q, filed on May 7, 2004
- (5) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 10-Q, filed on February 9, 2005
- (6) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 10-Q, filed on May 10, 2005
- (7) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form S-4 (File No. 33-3124629), filed on May 4, 2005
- (8) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form S-4/A, Amendment No. 1 (File No. 33-3124629) filed on June 13, 2005
- (9) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 8-K, filed on July 14, 2005
- (10) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 8-K, filed on August 25, 2005
- (11) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 8-K, filed on October 4, 2005
- (12) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 10-Q, filed on November 9, 2005
- (13) Filed with this Form 10-K
- (14) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 8-K, filed on May 16, 2006
- (15) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 8-K, filed on November 17, 2005
- (16) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 10-Q, filed on February 9, 2007
- (17) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 10-K, filed on September 1, 2006
- (18) Incorporated by reference from Registrant s Form 8-K, filed on December 13, 2006

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