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### FORM 10-K

[ X ] ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010

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 1-14761

GAMCO Investors, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York 13-4007862
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

13-4007862
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Corporate Center, 10580-1422

Rye, NY

(Address of principal (Zip Code)

executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (914) 921-5100 Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share Name of each exchange on which registered New York Stock Exchange, Inc.

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

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

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 o No x.

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

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

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 o.

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

Large accelerated filer o

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

Accelerated filer x

Smaller reporting company o

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

The aggregate market value of the class A common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of June 30, 2010 (the last business day of the Registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter) was \$253,089,047.

As of February 1, 2011, 6,949,921 shares of class A common stock and 20,290,140 shares of class B common stock were outstanding. 19,779,500 shares of class B common stock were held by a subsidiary of GGCP, Inc.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE: Portions of the registrant's definitive proxy statement relating to the 2011 Annual Meeting of Shareholders are incorporated by reference in Items 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Part II of this report.

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#### PART I

### Forward-Looking Statements

Our disclosure and analysis in this report and in documents that are incorporated by reference contain some forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements give our current expectations or forecasts of future events. You can identify these statements because they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. You should not place undue reliance on these statements. They use words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "project," "inten "plan," "believe," and other words and terms of similar meaning. They also appear in any discussion of future operating or financial performance. In particular, these include statements relating to future actions, future performance of our products, expenses, the outcome of any legal proceedings, and financial results.

Although we believe that we are basing our expectations and beliefs on reasonable assumptions within the bounds of what we currently know about our business and operations, there can be no assurance that our actual results will not differ materially from what we expect or believe. Some of the factors that could cause our actual results to differ from our expectations or beliefs include, without limitation: the adverse effect from a decline in the securities markets; a decline in the performance of our products; a general downturn in the economy; changes in government policy or regulation; changes in our ability to attract or retain key employees; and unforeseen costs and other effects related to legal proceedings or investigations of governmental and self-regulatory organizations. We also direct your attention to any more specific discussions of risk contained in Item 1A below and in our other public filings or in documents incorporated by reference here or in prior filings or reports.

We are providing these statements as permitted by the Private Litigation Reform Act of 1995. We do not undertake to update publicly any forward-looking statements if we subsequently learn that we are unlikely to achieve our expectations or if we receive any additional information relating to the subject matters of our forward-looking statements.

### **ITEM 1: BUSINESS**

Unless we have indicated otherwise, or the context otherwise requires, references in this report to "GAMCO Investors, Inc.," "GBL," "Gabelli," "we," "us" and "our" or similar terms are to GAMCO Investors, Inc., its predecessors and subsidiaries.

### Overview

GAMCO Investors, Inc. (New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"): GBL), a company incorporated under the laws of New York, well known for our value investing hallmark Private Market Value (PMV) with a CatalystTM investment approach, is a widely-recognized provider of investment advisory services to mutual funds, institutional and private wealth management investors, and investment partnerships, principally in the United States. Through Gabelli & Company, Inc. ("Gabelli & Company"), our broker-dealer subsidiary, we provide institutional research services to institutional clients and investment partnerships. We generally manage assets on a discretionary basis and invest in a variety of U.S. and international securities through various investment styles. Our revenues are based primarily on the firm's levels of assets under management ("AUM") and to a lesser extent, incentive fees associated with our various investment products.

Since 1977, we have been identified with and enhanced the "value" style approach to investing. Over the 33 years since the inception of the firm, consistent with our fundamental objective of providing an absolute rate of return for our clients, we have generated over \$16.2 billion in investment returns for our institutional and private wealth

management clients. As stated in our mission statement, our investment objective is to earn a superior risk-adjusted return for our valued clients over the long-term through our proprietary fundamental research. In addition to our value portfolios, GAMCO and other brands offer our clients a broad array of investment strategies that include global, growth, international and convertible products. We also offer a series of investment partnership (performance fee-based) vehicles that provide a series of long-short investment opportunities, both market and sector specific opportunities, including offerings of non-market correlated investments in merger arbitrage, as well as a fixed income strategy.

As of December 31, 2010, we had \$32.5 billion of AUM. We conduct our investment advisory business principally through our subsidiaries: GAMCO Asset Management Inc. (Institutional and Private Wealth Management), Gabelli Funds, LLC (Mutual Funds) and Gabelli Securities, Inc. (Investment Partnerships). We also act as an underwriter, are a distributor of our open-end funds and provide institutional research services through Gabelli & Company.

### Our AUM are organized into three groups:

- · Investment Partnerships: We provide advisory services to limited partnerships and offshore funds ("Investment Partnerships"). We managed a total of \$515 million in Investment Partnership assets on December 31, 2010.
- · Institutional and Private Wealth Management: We provide advisory services to a broad range of investors, including private wealth management, corporate pension and profit-sharing plans, foundations, endowments, jointly-trusteed plans and municipalities, and also serve as sub-advisor to certain other third party investment funds including registered investment companies ("Institutional and Private Wealth Management"). Each Institutional and Private Wealth Management ("PWM") portfolio is managed to meet the needs and objectives of the particular client by utilizing investment strategies and techniques within our areas of expertise. On December 31, 2010, we had \$13.7 billion of Institutional and Private Wealth Management AUM.
- · Open and Closed-End Funds: We provide advisory services to twenty-one open-end funds and nine closed-end funds under Gabelli, GAMCO and Comstock brands (collectively, the "Funds"). The Funds had \$18.3 billion of AUM on December 31, 2010.

GBL is a holding company formed in connection with our initial public offering ("Offering") in February 1999. GGCP Holdings, LLC, a subsidiary of GGCP, Inc. owns a majority of the outstanding shares of Class B Common Stock ("Class B Stock") of GBL. Such ownership represented approximately 94% of the combined voting power of the outstanding common stock and approximately 73% of the equity interest on December 31, 2010. GGCP, Inc. is majority-owned by Mr. Mario J. Gabelli ("Mr. Gabelli"). Accordingly, Mr. Gabelli is deemed to control GBL.

Our principal executive offices are located at One Corporate Center, Rye, New York 10580. Our telephone number is (914) 921-5100. We post or provide a link on our website, www.gabelli.com, to the following filings as soon as reasonably practicable after they are electronically filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission" or "SEC"): our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and any amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. All such filings on our website are available free of charge.

#### 2010

Since our Offering in February 1999, GBL's Class A Common Stock ("Class A Stock") has generated an annual compounded return of 11.2% (including dividends) for its shareholders through December 31, 2010 versus an annual compounded return of 2.04% (including dividends) for the S&P 500 Index during that time. Our Class A Stock, which is traded on the NYSE under the symbol "GBL", ended the year at a closing market price of \$48.01 per share.

During 2010, we returned \$139.2 million of our earnings to shareholders through dividends and our stock buyback program. We paid \$49.4 million, or \$1.82 per share, in cash dividends to our common shareholders, \$59.6 million (\$86.4 million in face value or \$3.20 of principal per share), in zero coupon subordinated debentures due 2015 and repurchased 684,003 shares at an average investment of \$44.15 per share or \$30.2 million.

Since the Offering, we have returned \$591.2 million in total of which \$313.2 million was in the form of dividends and \$278.0 million was through buybacks.

As of December 31, 2010, nine open-end funds that we manage have a 4 or 5-star three year Morningstar RatingTM representing 76% of open-end fund equity assets under management.

Our liquid balance sheet provides access to financial markets and the flexibility to opportunistically add operating resources to our firm, repurchase our stock and consider strategic initiatives. As a result of GBL's shelf registration in the third quarter 2009, we have the ability to issue any combination of senior and subordinate debt securities, convertible debt securities and equity securities (including common and preferred securities) up to a total amount of \$400 million. Our financial strength is underscored by having received an investment grade rating from two ratings agencies, Moody's Investors Services and Standard and Poor's Ratings Services. We believe that maintaining these investment grade ratings will assist in providing greater access to the capital markets, enhance liquidity and lower overall borrowing costs. However, we will also consider the use of leverage as part of our corporate financial strategy even if it results in a lowering of our investment rating.

Gabelli & Company, which conducts our institutional research business, hosted eight institutional symposiums and conferences during 2010. These meetings are an important component of the research services the firm provides its institutional clients. Specifically, 2010 featured our 34th annual Automotive Aftermarket Symposium, 20th annual Pump Valve & Motor Symposium, 16th annual Aircraft Supplier Conference, eighth annual Smallcap Healthcare Conference, fourth annual Water Investment Summit, third annual Specialty Chemicals and Best Ideas Conferences, and our second Movie Industry Conference.

### **Business Strategy**

Our business strategy targets global growth of the franchise through continued leveraging of our proven asset management strengths including our brand name, long-term performance record, diverse product offerings and experienced investment, research and client service professionals. In order to achieve growth in AUM and profitability, we are pursuing a strategy which includes the following key elements:

· Gabelli "Private Market Value (PMV) with a CatalystTM" Investment Approach. While we have expanded our investment product offerings, our "value investing" approach remains the core of our business. This method is based on the value investing principles articulated by Graham & Dodd in 1934 and further augmented by Mario J. Gabelli, CFA, with his development of Private Market Value (PMV) with a CatalystTM as the value investment methodology. The development of PMV analysis combined with the concept of a catalyst has evolved from the original Graham & Dodd value investing approach to a Gabelli augmented Graham & Dodd.

Private Market Value (PMV) with a CatalystTM investing is a disciplined, research-driven approach based on intensive security analysis. In this process, we generally select stocks whose intrinsic value, based on our estimate of current asset value and future growth and earnings power, is significantly different from the value as reflected in the public market. We then calculate the firm's PMV, which is defined as the price an informed industrial buyer would be likely to pay to acquire the business.

Our value team generally looks for situations in which catalyst(s) is (are) working to help to narrow the spread between the public market price and the estimated PMV. Catalysts which are company specific include: realization of hidden assets, recognition of underperforming subsidiaries, share buybacks, spin-offs, mergers and acquisitions, balance sheet changes, new products, accounting changes, new management and cross-shareholder unwinding. Other catalysts are related to industry dynamics or macroeconomics and include but are not limited to: industry consolidation, deregulation, accounting, tax, pension and political reforms, technological change and the macroeconomic backdrop. The time horizons for catalysts to trigger change can either be short-term, medium-term or long-term.

- · Establishing Research Centers. To enhance our research in our core research competency, we have two Asian research offices in Shanghai and Hong Kong supplementing our existing offices in London, New York, Chicago, Greenwich, Connecticut, Minneapolis and St. Louis, Missouri. We will continue to evaluate adding additional research offices throughout the world. In addition to research, these centers along with Reno, Nevada and Palm Beach, Florida serve as relationships centers.
- · Introducing New Products and Services. We believe we have the capacity for development of new products and services around the Gabelli and GAMCO brands to complement our existing product offerings. New products since our initial public offering include:
- Eight closed-end funds: The Gabelli Dividend & Income Trust, The GDL Fund, The Gabelli Global Utility and Income Trust, The Gabelli Global Gold, Natural Resources & Income Trust, The Gabelli

Utility Trust, The Gabelli Healthcare and WellnessRX Trust, and The Gabelli Natural Resources, Gold & Income Trust. In January 2011, we added the eighth closed end fund since going public and our tenth closed end fund overall, with the offering of The Gabelli Natural Resources, Gold & Income Trust (GNT).

- Four open-end funds: Gabelli Blue Chip Value Fund, Gabelli Utilities Fund, Gabelli Woodland Small Cap Value Fund, Gabelli SRI Fund, rebranded as Gabelli Green SRI Fund, Inc.
- Four offshore funds: Gabelli Global Partners, Ltd., Gabelli Capital Structure Arbitrage Fund Ltd., Gabelli Associates Limited II E and GAMCO Strategic Value Fund, a Luxembourg SICAV.
- Eight private limited partnerships: Gemini Global Partners, L.P., Gabelli Capital Structure Arbitrage Fund L.P., Gabelli Intermediate Credit, L.P., Gabelli Japanese Value Partners, L.P., Gabelli Associates Fund II, L.P., GAMA Select Energy Plus, L.P., GAMCO Medical Opportunities, L.P. and Gabelli Green Fund, L.P.

- · Incentive Fees and Fulcrum Fees. We strive to receive an increasing portion of our revenues and earnings through various products with incentive and fulcrum fees. Since we envision that a growing percentage of the firm's revenues will be directly linked to performance-based fees, this may increase the variability of our revenues and profits, largely booked in the fourth quarter. As of December 31, 2010, approximately \$1.8 billion of Institutional and Private Wealth Management assets are managed on a performance fee basis along with \$875 million of preferred issues of closed-end funds, the \$414 million The GDL Fund and \$515 million of investment partnership assets. Unlike most money management firms, we elected not to receive a management fee on a majority of the preferred offerings in our closed-end funds until the fund's overall performance exceeds each preferred's nominal cost of capital. In addition, the incubation of new product strategies using proprietary capital will compensate the investment team with a performance fee model to reinforce our pay-for-performance approach.
- Expanding Mutual Fund Distribution. We continue to expand our distribution network primarily through national and regional brokerage firms and have developed additional classes of shares for most of our mutual funds for sale through these firms and other third party distribution channels on a commission basis. We have increased our wholesaling efforts to market the multi-class shares, which have been designed to meet the needs of investors who seek advice through financial consultants.
- · Increasing Presence in Private Wealth Management Market. Our private wealth management business focuses, in general, on serving clients who have established an account relationship of \$1 million or more with us. According to industry estimates, the number of households with over \$1 million in investable assets will continue to grow in the future, subject to ups and downs in the equity and fixed income markets. With our 33-year history of serving this segment, long-term performance record, customized portfolio approach, dominant, tax-sensitive, investment strategy, brand name recognition and broad array of product offerings, we believe that we are well-positioned to capitalize on the growth opportunities in this market.
- · Increasing Marketing for Institutional and Private Wealth Management. The Institutional and Private Wealth Management business was principally developed through direct marketing channels. Historically, pension and financial consultants have not been a major source of new institutional and private wealth management business for us. We plan to augment our institutional sales force through the addition of staff to market directly to the consultant community as well as our traditional marketing channels.
- Attracting and Retaining Experienced Professionals. We offer significant variable compensation that provides opportunities to our staff. We have increased the scope of our investment management capabilities by adding portfolio managers and other investment personnel in order to expand our broad array of products. The ability to attract and retain highly-experienced investment and other professionals with a long-term commitment to us and our clients has been, and will continue to be, a significant factor in our long-term growth. At December 31, 2010, we had 123,100 restricted stock awards ("RSAs") outstanding to our professional staff recommended by and excluding Mr. Gabelli, who has not received options or RSAs, which originally had three- and five-year vesting, which will align our professional team with our commitment to our long term goals.
- · Sponsorship of Industry Conferences. Gabelli & Company, our institutional research services firm, sponsors industry conferences and management events throughout the year. At these conferences and events, senior management from leading industry companies share their thoughts on the industry, competition, regulatory issues and the challenges and opportunities in their businesses with portfolio managers and securities analysts.

- · Hosting of Institutional Investor Symposiums. We have a tradition of sponsoring institutional investor symposiums that bring together prominent portfolio managers, members of academia and other leading business professionals to present, discuss and debate current issues and topics in the investment industry.
  - -1997 "Active vs. Passive Stock Selection"
  - -1998 "The Role of Hedge Funds as a Way of Generating Absolute Returns"
  - -2001 "Virtues of Value Investing"
  - -2003 "Dividends, Taxable versus Non-Taxable Issues"
  - -2006 "Closed-End Funds: Premiums vs. Discounts, Dividends and Distributions"

We also hold annual conferences for our investment partnership clients and prospects in New York and London at which our portfolio management team discusses the investment environment, our strategies and portfolios, and event-driven investment opportunities.

· Capitalizing on Acquisitions, Alliances and Lift-outs. We intend to selectively and opportunistically pursue acquisitions, alliances and lift-outs that will broaden our product offerings and add new sources of distribution. On October 1, 1999, we completed our alliance with Mathers and Company, Inc. and now act as investment advisor to the Mathers Fund (renamed GAMCO Mathers Fund), and in May 2000, we added Comstock Partners Funds, Inc., (renamed Comstock Funds, Inc.). The Mathers and Comstock funds are part of our Non-Market Correlated mutual fund product line. In November 2002, we completed our alliance with Woodland Partners LLC, a Minneapolis based investment advisor focused on investing in small capitalization companies. On March 11, 2008, Funds Advisor assumed the role of investment advisor to the AXA Enterprise Mergers and Acquisitions Fund, subsequently renamed Gabelli Enterprise Mergers and Acquisitions Fund, a fund that has been sub-advised by GAMCO since the fund's inception on February 28, 2001. On August 1, 2010, the clients of Florida-based NMF Asset Management, head by Nola Maddox Falcone, became part of the institutional and private wealth operation of GAMCO.

We believe that we have the financial capacity to pursue acquisitions and lift-outs.

We believe that our growth to date is traceable to the following factors:

- · Strong Industry Fundamentals: According to data compiled by the U.S. Federal Reserve, the investment management industry has grown faster than more traditional segments of the financial services industry, including the banking and insurance industries. Since GBL began managing assets for institutional and private wealth management clients in 1977, world equity markets have grown at a 11.1% compounded annual growth rate through December 31, 2010 to nearly \$52 trillion(a). The U.S. equity market comprises about \$15.4 trillion(a) or roughly 30% of world markets. We believe that demographic trends and the growing role of money managers in the placement of capital compared to the traditional role played by banks and life insurance companies will result in continued growth of the investment management industry.
- · Long-Term Performance: We have a superior long-term record of achieving relatively high returns for our Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients. We believe that our performance record represents a competitive advantage and a recognized component of our franchise.
- · Stock Market Gains: Since we began managing for institutional and private wealth management clients in 1977, our traditional value-oriented Institutional and Private Wealth Management composite has earned a compound annual return of 16.3% net of fees versus a compound annual return of 11.1% for the S&P 500 through December 31, 2010.
- · Widely-Recognized "Gabelli" and "GAMCO" Brand Names: For much of our history, our portfolio managers and investment products have been featured in a variety of financial print media, including both U.S. and international publications such as The Wall Street Journal, Financial Times, Money Magazine, Barron's, Fortune, Business Week, Nikkei Financial News, Forbes Magazine, Consumer Reports and Investor's Business Daily. We also underwrite publications written by our investment professionals, including Deals...Deals...and More Deals which examines the history of merger arbitrage and Global Convertible Investing: The Gabelli Way, a comprehensive guide to effective investing in convertible securities.
- · Diversified Product Offerings: Since the inception of our investment management activities, we have sought to expand the breadth of our product offerings. We currently offer a wide spectrum of investment products and strategies, including product offerings in U.S. equities, U.S. fixed income,

global and international equities, convertible securities, U.S. balanced and investment partnerships.

(a) Source: Birinyi Associates, LLC

### **Business Description**

GBL started operations in 1977 as an institutional services firm. We entered the institutional and private wealth management business in 1977, management of investment partnerships in 1985 and the mutual fund business in 1986. Our initial product offerings centered on our tax sensitive, buy-hold, value-oriented investment philosophy. Starting in the mid-1980s, we began building on our core value-oriented equity investment products by adding new investment strategies designed for a broad array of clients seeking to invest in growth-oriented equities, convertible securities and fixed income products. Since then, we have continued to build our franchise by expanding our investment management capabilities through the addition of industry specific, international, global, non-market correlated, venture capital, leveraged buy-out and merchant banking product offerings. Throughout our 33-year history, we have marketed most of our products under the "Gabelli" and "GAMCO" brand names. Specialty brands offered to investors have included Mathers, Comstock, Westwood and Woodland.

Our AUM are clustered mostly in three groups: Institutional and Private Wealth Management, Mutual Funds and Investment Partnerships.

Institutional and Private Wealth Management: Since 1977, we have provided investment management services through our subsidiary GAMCO to a broad spectrum of institutional and private wealth investors. At December 31, 2010, we had \$13.7 billion of AUM in approximately 1,600 Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts, representing approximately 42.0% of our total AUM. We currently provide advisory services to a broad range of investors, the majority of which (in total number of accounts) are private wealth management client accounts – defined as individuals generally having minimum account balances of \$1 million. As of December 31, 2010, Institutional client accounts, which include corporate pension and profit sharing plans, jointly-trusteed plans and public funds, represented 46% of the Institutional and Private Wealth Management assets and 8% of the accounts. Private Wealth Management accounts comprised approximately 82% of the total number of Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts and approximately 26% of the assets under management as of December 31, 2010. We believe that private wealth management clients are attracted to us by our returns and the tax efficient nature of the underlying investment process in these traditional products.

Foundation and endowment fund assets represented 10% of the number of Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts and approximately 9% of the assets under management. The sub-advisory portion of the Institutional and Private Wealth Management (where we act as sub-advisor to certain other third party investment funds) held approximately \$2.6 billion or 19% of total Institutional and Private Wealth Management assets with less than 1% of the number of accounts.

The ten largest relationships comprised approximately 46% of our total Institutional and Private Wealth Management AUM and approximately 29% of our total Institutional and Private Wealth Management revenues as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, respectively. During the fourth quarter of 2010, we lost an institutional client with AUM of approximately \$340 million, which is approximately 1% of AUM at December 31, 2010.

In general, our Institutional and Private Wealth Management AUM are managed to meet the specific needs and objectives of each client by utilizing investment strategies – "all cap value", "large cap value", "small cap value", "large cap growth", "international growth", "high yield" and "convertible bond" – and techniques that are within our areas of expertise. We distinguish between taxable and tax-free assets and manage client portfolios with tax sensitivity within given investment strategies.

Sales efforts are conducted on a regional and product specialist basis. Members of the sales and marketing staff for the Institutional and Private Wealth Management business have an average of more than ten years of experience with us and focus on developing and maintaining direct, long-term relationships with their Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients. The firm will host its 26th Annual Client Conference in May 2011. This conference will be held at the Pierre Hotel in New York and will include presentations by our portfolio managers and analysts.

We act as a sub-advisor on certain funds for several large and well-known fund distributors. Sub-advisory clients are subject to business combinations, much the same as corporate clients, and may result in the curtailment of product distribution or the termination of the relationship.

Investment advisory agreements for our Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients are typically subject to termination by the client without penalty on 30 days notice or less.

Open and Closed-End Funds: Funds Advisor provides advisory services to twenty-one open-end funds and nine closed-end funds. At December 31, 2010, we had \$18.3 billion of AUM in open-end funds and closed-end funds, representing approximately 56.4% of our total AUM. Our equity funds and closed-end funds were \$16.7 billion in

AUM on December 31, 2010, 27.5% above the \$13.1 billion on December 31, 2009.

GAMCO is the brand for our "Growth" business, which is primarily represented by The GAMCO Growth Fund, The GAMCO Global Growth Fund, and The GAMCO International Growth Fund. GAMCO also includes other distinct investment strategies and styles including our gold, convertible securities and contrarian funds.

The eight GAMCO branded open-end funds are:

### **GAMCO** Growth

- " International Growth
- " Gold
- " Global Telecommunications
- " Global Growth
- " Global Opportunity
- " Vertumnus Fund (formerly known as The GAMCO Global Convertible

### Securities Fund)

" Mathers

The Gabelli brand represents our "Value" business, primarily representing our absolute return, research-driven Private Market Value (PMV) with a CatalystTM funds. The GAMCO Global Telecommunications Fund is a value portfolio but retains the GAMCO name. The Gabelli brand also includes The Gabelli Blue Chip Value Fund and The Gabelli Woodland Small Cap Growth Fund as well as all of the closed-end funds.

### Open-end Funds

On December 31, 2010, we had \$12.9 billion of AUM in twenty-one open-end funds. At year-end, of the open-end funds having an overall rating from Morningstar, Inc. ("Morningstar"), 94% were ranked "three stars" or better, with approximately 81% ranked "five stars" or "four stars" on an overall basis (i.e., derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with their three-, five-, and ten-year Morningstar Rating metrics). There can be no assurance, however, that these funds will be able to maintain such ratings or that past performance will be indicative of future results.

We market our open-end funds through third party distribution programs, particularly no-transaction fee ("NTF") programs, and have developed additional share classes for many of our funds for distribution through additional third party distribution channels. At December 31, 2010, third party distribution programs accounted for approximately 72% of all assets in open-end funds. At December 31, 2010, approximately 28% of our AUM in open-end, equity funds was sourced through direct sales relationships.

In March 2008, Funds Advisor, through an acquisition, assumed the role of investment advisor to the AXA Enterprise Mergers and Acquisitions Fund, subsequently renamed to Gabelli Enterprise Mergers and Acquisitions Fund, a fund that has been sub-advised by GAMCO since the fund's inception on February 28, 2001. The GAMCO portfolio management team, which has managed the fund since inception, remained the same.

#### Closed-end Funds

We act as investment advisor to ten closed-end funds, all of which trade on the NYSE or its affiliated exchange: Gabelli Equity Trust (GAB), GDL Fund (GDL), Gabelli Global Multimedia Trust (GGT), Gabelli Healthcare & Wellness Rx Trust (GRX), Gabelli Convertible and Income Securities Fund (GCV), Gabelli Utility Trust (GUT), Gabelli Dividend & Income Trust (GDV), Gabelli Global Utility & Income Trust (GLU), Gabelli Global Gold, Natural Resources & Income Trust (GGN) and The Gabelli Natural Resources, Gold & Income Trust (GNT), launched in January 2011. As of December 31, 2010, the nine Gabelli closed-end funds had total assets of \$5.5 billion, representing 29.8% of the total assets in our Mutual Funds business.

The Gabelli Equity Trust, which raised \$400 million through its initial public offering in August 1986, finished its 24th year with net assets of \$1.4 billion. Since inception, the Gabelli Equity Trust has distributed \$2.5 billion in cash

to common shareholders through its 10% distribution policy and spawned three other closed-end funds, the Gabelli Global Multimedia Trust, the Gabelli Utility Trust and the Gabelli Healthcare & Wellness Rx Trust.

The Gabelli Dividend & Income Trust, launched in November 2003, raised \$196.6 million in net proceeds through its placement of Series D and Series E Preferred Shares in November 2005. The Gabelli Dividend & Income Trust, which invests primarily in dividend-paying equity securities, had net assets of \$1.9 billion as of December 31, 2010.

The Gabelli Global Gold, Natural Resources & Income Trust ("GGN") raised gross proceeds of \$352 million through its initial public offering in March 2005 and the exercise of the underwriters' overallotment option in May 2005. GGN filed a \$350 million shelf registration statement with the SEC that went effective September 24, 2007. The shelf registration statement gave GGN the ability to offer additional common and preferred shares. On October 16, 2007, GGN completed the placement of \$100 million of cumulative preferred shares. GGN received net proceeds of \$96.5 million (after underwriting discounts of \$1.2 million and offering expenses of \$0.4 million) from the public offering of 4,000,000 shares of 6.625% Series A cumulative preferred shares. During the year ended December 31, 2010, GGN issued 22,553,236 common shares through various "at the market offerings". The net proceeds received from these various at the market offerings was approximately \$375.4 million. As of December 31, 2010, after taking into account the issuance of the preferred and common shares, GGN had approximately \$9 million available for issuance under the shelf registration statement. GGN, which invests primarily in equity securities of gold and natural resources companies and utilizes a covered call option writing program to generate current income, had net assets of \$1.1 billion as of December 31, 2010. GGN filed a \$750 million shelf offering with the SEC that was effective on February 4, 2011, enabling GGN to offer additional common and preferred shares.

In January 2007, we launched The GDL Fund, a closed-end fund which seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing primarily in announced merger and acquisition transactions and, to a lesser extent, in corporate reorganizations involving stubs, spin-offs and liquidations. During 2009, The GDL Fund raised \$96 million through a rights offering of Series A preferred shares.

In January 2011, we launched The Gabelli Natural Resources, Gold & Income Trust, a closed-end fund that seeks to achieve its investment objective by providing a high level of current income from interest, dividends and option premiums. This launch raised approximately \$370 million in AUM.

A detailed description of our Funds is provided within this Item 1 beginning on page 13.

Investment Partnerships: We manage Investment Partnerships through our 93% majority-owned subsidiary, Gabelli Securities, Inc. ("GSI"). The Investment Partnerships consist primarily of limited partnerships and offshore funds. As of December 31, 2010, we had \$515 million of Investment Partnership AUM.

We introduced our first investment partnership, a merger arbitrage partnership, in 1985. An offshore version of this strategy was added in 1989. Building on our strengths in global event-driven value investing, several new Investment Partnerships have been added to balance investors' geographic, strategy and sector needs. Today we offer a broad range of absolute return products. Within our merger arbitrage strategy, we manage approximately \$427 million of assets for investors who seek positive returns not correlated to fluctuations of the general market. These funds seek to drive returns by investing in announced merger and acquisition transactions that are primarily dependent on deal closure and less on the overall market environment. In event-driven strategies, we manage \$43 million of assets focused on the U.S. and Japanese markets. We also manage a series of sector-focused absolute return funds designed to offer investors a mechanism to diversify their portfolios by global economic sector rather than by geographic region. We currently offer three sector-focused portfolios: the Gabelli International Gold Fund Ltd., GAMA Select Energy Plus, L.P., and GAMCO Medical Opportunities, L.P. Venture capital activities are carried out through ALCE Partners, L.P. and Gabelli Multimedia Partners, L.P., both of which are currently closed to new investors.

## Assets Under Management

The following table sets forth total AUM by product type as of the dates shown and their compound annual growth rates ("CAGR"):

Assets Under Management By Product Type (Dollars in millions)

|                              |          |        |          |        | (L    | onars in  | шшш      | ons)   |           |        |         |    |        |      |
|------------------------------|----------|--------|----------|--------|-------|-----------|----------|--------|-----------|--------|---------|----|--------|------|
|                              |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        | Januar  | У  |        |      |
|                              |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        | 1,      |    |        |      |
|                              |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        | 2006 t  |    | e.     |      |
|                              |          |        |          |        | 4 . D | 1         | 2.1      |        |           |        | Decemb  |    | %      |      |
|                              |          |        |          |        | At D  | ecember : | 31,      |        |           |        | 31, 20  |    | Change | e    |
|                              |          | 2006   |          | 2007   |       | 2000      |          | 2000   |           | 2010   | CAGI    | Κ. | 2010/2 | 000  |
| E assistant                  |          | 2006   |          | 2007   |       | 2008      |          | 2009   |           | 2010   | (a)     |    | 2010/2 | 2009 |
| Equity:                      | φ        | 12.704 | φ        | 15 (0) | ф     | 0.021     | φ        | 12.005 | ф         | 16 700 | 5.0     | 01 | 27.0   | 01   |
| Mutual Funds Institutional & | <b>3</b> | 13,794 | <b>3</b> | 15,686 | \$    | 9,931     | <b>3</b> | 13,085 | <b>\$</b> | 16,723 | 5.9     | %  | 27.8   | %    |
| Private Wealth               |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        |         |    |        |      |
|                              |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        |         |    |        |      |
| Management Direct            |          | 10,282 |          | 10,708 |       | 6,861     |          | 9,312  |           | 11,005 | 2.9     |    | 18.2   |      |
| Sub-advisory                 |          | 2,340  |          | 2,584  |       | 1,585     |          | 1,897  |           | 2,637  | (1.4    | )  | 39.0   |      |
| Investment                   |          | 2,340  |          | 2,364  |       | 1,363     |          | 1,097  |           | 2,037  | (1.4    | )  | 39.0   |      |
| Partnerships                 |          | 491    |          | 460    |       | 295       |          | 305    |           | 515    | (4.1    | )  | 68.9   |      |
| Total Equity                 |          | 26,907 |          | 29,438 |       | 18,672    |          | 24,599 |           | 30,880 | 3.8     | ,  | 25.5   |      |
| Fixed Income:                |          | 20,707 |          | 27,730 |       | 10,072    |          | 27,377 |           | 50,000 | 3.0     |    | 23.3   |      |
| Money Market                 |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        |         |    |        |      |
| Mutual Funds                 |          | 734    |          | 1,111  |       | 1,507     |          | 1,721  |           | 1,616  | 17.4    |    | (6.1   | )    |
| Institutional &              |          | 731    |          | 1,111  |       | 1,507     |          | 1,721  |           | 1,010  | 17.1    |    | (0.1   | ,    |
| Private Wealth               |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        |         |    |        |      |
| Management                   |          | 50     |          | 24     |       | 22        |          | 26     |           | 26     | (20.9   | )  | -      |      |
| Total Fixed                  |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        | ( - 1.1 |    |        |      |
| Income                       |          | 784    |          | 1,135  |       | 1,529     |          | 1,747  |           | 1,642  | 15.2    |    | (6.0   | )    |
|                              |          |        |          | ,      |       | ,         |          | Í      |           | ,      |         |    |        |      |
| Total AUM                    | \$       | 27,691 | \$       | 30,573 | \$    | 20,201    | \$       | 26,346 | \$        | 32,522 | 4.3     |    | 23.4   |      |
| Breakdown of                 |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        |         |    |        |      |
| Total AUM:                   |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        |         |    |        |      |
| Mutual Funds                 | \$       | 14,528 | \$       | 16,797 | \$    | 11,438    | \$       | 14,806 | \$        | 18,339 | 6.7     |    | 23.9   |      |
| Institutional &              |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        |         |    |        |      |
| Private Wealth               |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        |         |    |        |      |
| Management                   |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        |         |    |        |      |
| Direct                       |          | 10,332 |          | 10,732 |       | 6,883     |          | 9,338  |           | 11,031 | 2.7     |    | 18.1   |      |
| Sub-advisory                 |          | 2,340  |          | 2,584  |       | 1,585     |          | 1,897  |           | 2,637  | (1.4    | )  | 39.0   |      |
| Investment                   |          |        |          |        |       |           |          |        |           |        |         |    |        |      |
| Partnerships                 |          | 491    |          | 460    |       | 295       |          | 305    |           | 515    | (4.1    | )  | 68.9   |      |
| Total AUM                    | \$       | 27,691 | \$       | 30,573 | \$    | 20,201    | \$       | 26,346 | \$        | 32,522 | 4.3     | %  | 23.4   | %    |

<sup>(</sup>a) Compound annual growth rate.

### **Summary of Investment Products**

We manage assets in the following wide spectrum of investment products and strategies, many of which are focused on fast-growing areas:

| U.S.        | Global and           | Investment     |
|-------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Equities:   | International        | Partnerships:  |
| •           | Equities:            | •              |
| All Cap     | International Growth | Merger         |
| Value       |                      | Arbitrage      |
| Large Cap   | Global Growth        | U.S.           |
| Value       |                      | Long/Short     |
| Large Cap   | Global Value         | Global         |
| Growth      |                      | Long/Short     |
| Mid Cap     | Global               | Japanese       |
| Value       | Telecommunications   | Long/Short     |
| Small Cap   | Global Multimedia    | Sector-Focused |
| Value       |                      |                |
| Small Cap   | Gold                 | - Energy       |
| Growth      |                      |                |
| Micro Cap   |                      | - Gold         |
| Natural     | U.S. Fixed Income:   | - Medical      |
| Resources   |                      | Opportunities  |
| Income      | Corporate            | Merchant       |
|             |                      | Banking        |
| Utilities   | Government           |                |
| Non-Market  | Asset-backed         |                |
| Correlated  |                      |                |
| Options     | Intermediate         |                |
| Income      |                      |                |
|             | Short-term           |                |
| Convertible |                      | U.S. Balanced: |
| Securities: |                      |                |
| U.S.        |                      | Balanced       |
| Convertible |                      | Growth         |
| Securities  |                      |                |
| Global      |                      | Balanced       |
| Convertible |                      | Value          |
| Securities  |                      |                |

During 2010, we continued to develop the skills of our investment team by allocating firm capital to incubate investment strategies. This began with a capital structure arbitrage strategy (2004) and now includes a merger-arbitrage and a global trading strategy.

### Additional Information on Mutual Funds

Through our affiliate, Funds Advisor, we act as advisor to all of the Funds, except with respect to the Gabelli Capital Asset Fund for which we act as a sub-advisor. Guardian Investment Services Corporation, an unaffiliated company, acts as manager. As sub-advisor, we make day-to-day investment decisions for the \$137 million Gabelli Capital Asset

Fund.

The following table lists the Funds, together with the December 31, 2010 Morningstar overall rating for the open-end mutual funds, where rated (ratings are not available for the money-market fund and other open-end mutual funds, which collectively represent 14.6% of the open-end mutual fund AUM in the Funds), and provides a description of the primary investment objective, fund characteristics, fees, the date that the fund was initially offered to investors, and the AUM in the funds as of December 31, 2010.

|                    |                                |                             |                     |       |           | Net Assets as<br>of<br>December |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| Fund               |                                |                             | Advisory            | 12b-1 | Initial   | 31, 2010                        |
| (Morningstar       |                                |                             | 7 <b>Id</b> V1501 y | 120 1 | IIIItitai | 31, 2010                        |
| Overall            | Primary Investment             | Fund                        | Fees                | Fees  | Offer     | (all classes)                   |
|                    |                                |                             |                     |       |           | (\$ in                          |
| Rating) (1)        | Objective                      | Characteristics             | (%)                 | (%)   | Date      | millions)                       |
| OPEN-END<br>FUNDS: |                                |                             |                     |       |           |                                 |
| EQUITY<br>INCOME:  |                                |                             |                     |       |           |                                 |
| The Gabelli        | High level of total            |                             |                     |       |           |                                 |
| Equity             | return with an                 | Class AAA,                  | 1.00                | .25   | 01/02/92  | \$ 1,702                        |
| 1                  | emphasis on                    |                             |                     |       |           |                                 |
| Income Fund        | income-producing               | No-load,                    |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    | equities with yields           | 0 1                         |                     |       |           |                                 |
| <b>««««</b>        | greater than                   | Open-end, Diversified,      |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    | the S&P 500 average.           | Multi-class                 |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    |                                | shares (2)                  |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    |                                |                             |                     |       |           |                                 |
| VALUE:             |                                |                             |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    | C                              |                             |                     |       |           |                                 |
| The Gabelli        | Growth of capital as a primary | Class AAA,                  | 1.00                | .25   | 03/03/86  | \$ 2,651                        |
| The Gabeth         | investment objective,          | Class AAA,                  | 1.00                | .23   | 03/03/60  | φ 2,031                         |
| Asset Fund         | with                           | No-load,                    |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    | current income as a            |                             |                     |       |           |                                 |
| <b>««««</b>        | secondary                      | Open-end,                   |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    | investment objective.          | D' 'C' 1                    |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    | Invests in                     | Diversified,<br>Multi-class |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    | equity securities of companies | shares (2)                  |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    | selling at a significant       | shares (2)                  |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    | discount                       |                             |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    | to their private market        |                             |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    | value.                         |                             |                     |       |           |                                 |
|                    |                                | Class A A A                 | 1.00                | 25    | 08/26/00  | \$ 28                           |
|                    |                                | Class AAA,                  | 1.00                | .25   | 08/26/99  | φ 28                            |

| The Gabelli Blue | Capital appreciation                        |              |      |     |             |       |
|------------------|---|--------------|------|-----|-------------|-------|
| Chip             | through                                     |              |      |     |             |       |
| -                | investments in equity                       |              |      |     |             |       |
| Value Fund       | securities                                  | No-load,     |      |     |             |       |
|                  | of established                              |              |      |     |             |       |
| <b>«</b> ««      | companies, which                            | Open-end,    |      |     |             |       |
|                  | are temporarily out of                      |              |      |     |             |       |
|                  | favor and                                   | Diversified, |      |     |             |       |
|                  | which have market                           | Multi-class  |      |     |             |       |
|                  | capitalizations                             | shares (2)   |      |     |             |       |
|                  | in excess of \$5 billion.                   |              |      |     |             |       |
|                  |   |              |      |     |             |       |
| SMALL CAP VALUE: |   |              |      |     |             |       |
|                  | TT 1 1 C 1 1                                |              |      |     |             |       |
| The Gabelli      | High level of capital                       | C1           | 1.00 | 25  | 10/20/01 #  | 2.160 |
| Small Cap        | appreciation                                | Class AAA,   | 1.00 | .25 | 10/22/91 \$ | 2,168 |
| Caracada Franci  | from equity securities                      | N. 1 1       |      |     |             |       |
| Growth Fund      | of smaller                                  | No-load,     |      |     |             |       |
| <b>«««</b>       | companies with market capitalization of \$2 | Open-end,    |      |     |             |       |
|                  | billion or less                             | Diversified, |      |     |             |       |
|                  | Ullifoli Of ICSS                            | Multi-class  |      |     |             |       |
|                  | at the time of purchase.                    |              |      |     |             |       |
|                  | at the time of purchase.                    | 511a1 C5 (2) |      |     |             |       |
|                  |   |              |      |     |             |       |
| 14               |   |              |      |     |             |       |

|  |  |  |          |       |          | Net Assets<br>as of<br>December |
|--|--|--|----------|-------|----------|---------------------------------|
| Fund                                       |  |  | Advisory | 12b-1 | Initial  | 31, 2010                        |
| (Morningstar<br>Overall                    | Primary Investment   | Fund   | Fees     | Fees  | Offer    | (all classes)                   |
| Rating) (1)                                | Objective  | Characteristics  | (%)      | (%)   | Date     | (\$ in millions)                |
| The Gabelli<br>Woodland<br>Small Cap Value | Long Term capital appreciation investing at least 80%        | Class AAA,   | 1.00 (9) | .25   | 12/31/02 | \$ 7                            |
| Fund                                       | of its   | No-load,   |          |       |          |                                 |
| «««  | in equity securities of companies with market                | Open-end,  |          |       |          |                                 |
|  | capitalizations less<br>than the greater of \$3.0<br>billion | Non-diversified,<br>Multi-class<br>shares (2)              |          |       |          |                                 |
|  | or the largest company<br>in the Russell 2000<br>Index.      |  |          |       |          |                                 |
| FOCUSED<br>VALUE:                          |  |  |          |       |          |                                 |
| The Gabelli                                | High level of capital appreciation From undervalued          | Class A,   | 1.00     | .25   | 09/29/89 | \$ 625                          |
| Value Fund                                 | equity securities that are held                              | Front end-load,  |          |       |          |                                 |
| <b>««</b>                                  | in a concentrated portfolio.                                 | Open-end,<br>Non-diversified,<br>Multi-class<br>shares (2) |          |       |          |                                 |
| GROWTH:                                    |  |  |          |       |          |                                 |
| The GAMCO                                  | Capital appreciation from companies that have                | Class AAA,   | 1.00     | .25   | 04/10/87 | \$ 552                          |
| Growth Fund                                | favorable,<br>yet undervalued,                               | No-load,   |          |       |          |                                 |
| <b>««</b>                                  | prospects for earnings                                       | Open-end,  |          |       |          |                                 |
|  | growth. Invests in equity securities of companies            | Diversified,<br>Multi-class<br>shares (2)                  |          |       |          |                                 |

that have above-average or expanding market shares and profit margins. **GAMCO** Capital appreciation by .25 06/30/95 \$ International investing Class AAA, 1.00 32 primarily in equity Growth Fund securities No-load, of foreign companies with Open-end, **~~~** rapid growth in revenues and Diversified, Multi-class shares (2) earnings. **AGGRESSIVE GROWTH:** The GAMCO High level of capital Global appreciation Class AAA, 1.00 .25 02/07/94 \$ 70 Through investment in Growth Fund a portfolio No load, of equity securities focused on Open-end, companies involved in Non-diversified, the Multi-class global marketplace. shares (2) SPECIALTY EQUITY: The Gabelli SRI Capital appreciation Class AAA, 1.00 (9) .25 6/1/07 \$ 18 Green from equity securities of Fund Inc. companies No-load, the fund deems to be Open-end, **«««««** socially responsible. Diversified, Multi-class shares (2) 15

|                                       |                            |  |          |       |          | Net Assets as of    |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|----------|-------|----------|---------------------|
|                                       |                            |  |          |       |          | December            |
| Fund                                  |                            |  | Advisory | 12b-1 | Initial  | 31, 2010            |
| (Morningstar                          |                            |  |          |       |          |                     |
| Overall                               | Primary Investment         | Fund                                     | Fees     | Fees  | Offer    | (all classes)       |
| Rating) (1)                           | Objective                  | Characteristics                          | (%)      | (%)   | Date     | (\$ in<br>millions) |
| The GAMCO                             | High level of capital      |  |          |       |          |                     |
| Global                                | appreciation               | Class AAA,                               | 1.00 (9) | .25   | 05/11/98 | \$ 14               |
| Global                                | through worldwide          | Cluss III II,                            | 1.00 ()) | .23   | 03/11/70 | ψ 14                |
| Opportunity Fund                      | investments                | No-load,                                 |          |       |          |                     |
| ««««                                  | in equity securities.      | Open-end,                                |          |       |          |                     |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | in equity securities.      | Non-diversified,                         |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       |                            | rion diversifica,                        |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | High level of total return |  |          |       |          |                     |
| The GAMCO                             | through                    | Class AAA,                               | 1.00 (9) | .25   | 02/03/94 | \$ 9                |
|                                       | a combination of current   | C1465 1 11 11 1,                         | 2.00 ()  |       | 02/00//  | Ţ                   |
| Vertumnus Fund                        | income                     | No-load,                                 |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | and capital appreciation   | -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, - |          |       |          |                     |
| <b>«</b>                              | through                    | Open-end,                                |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | investment in              | · · ·                                    |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | convertible                | Non-diversified,                         |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       |                            | Multi-class                              |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | securities of U.S. and     | shares (2)                               |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | non-U.S. issuers.          |  |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       |                            |  |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | Capital appreciation       |  |          |       |          |                     |
| The Gabelli Capital                   | from equity                | No-load,                                 | .75      | n/a   | 05/01/95 | \$ 137              |
|                                       | securities of companies    |  |          |       |          |                     |
| Asset Fund                            | selling at                 | Open-end,                                |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | a significant discount to  |  |          |       |          |                     |
| (not rated) (8)                       | their                      | Diversified,                             |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       |                            | Variable                                 |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | private market value.      | Annuity                                  |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       |                            |  |          |       |          |                     |
| SECTOR:                               |                            |  |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       |                            |  |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | High level of total return |  |          |       |          |                     |
| The Gabelli                           | through                    | Class AAA,                               | 1.00     | .25   | 08/31/99 | \$ 1,508            |
| Utilities Fund                        | a combination of capital   | No-load,                                 |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | appreciation and current   |  |          |       |          |                     |
| <b>««««</b>                           | income                     | Open-end,                                |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | from investments in        | 5  |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | utility                    | Diversified,                             |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       |                            | Multi-class                              |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       | companies.                 | shares (2)                               |          |       |          |                     |
|                                       |                            |  |          |       |          |                     |

| The GAMCO          | High level of capital      |                  |      |     |             |     |
|--------------------|----------------------------|------------------|------|-----|-------------|-----|
| Global             | appreciation               | Class AAA,       | 1.00 | .25 | 11/01/93 \$ | 158 |
|                    | through worldwide          |                  |      |     |             |     |
| Telecommunications | investments                | No-load,         |      |     |             |     |
|                    | in equity securities,      |                  |      |     |             |     |
| Fund               | including                  | Open-end,        |      |     |             |     |
| <b>««««</b>        | the U.S., primarily in the | Non-diversified, |      |     |             |     |
|                    | telecommunications         | Multi-class      |      |     |             |     |
|                    | industry.                  | shares (2)       |      |     |             |     |
|                    |                            |                  |      |     |             |     |
|                    | Seeks capital              |                  |      |     |             |     |
| GAMCO              | appreciation and           | Class AAA,       | 1.00 | .25 | 07/11/94 \$ | 737 |
|                    | employs a value            |                  |      |     |             |     |
| Gold Fund          | approach to                | No-load,         |      |     |             |     |
|                    | investing primarily in     |                  |      |     |             |     |
| <b>«««</b>         | equity                     | Open-end,        |      |     |             |     |
|                    | securities of gold-related | Diversified,     |      |     |             |     |
|                    |                            | Multi-class      |      |     |             |     |
|                    | companies worldwide.       | shares (2)       |      |     |             |     |
|                    |                            |                  |      |     |             |     |

| Fund                      |  |  | Advisory | 12b-1   | Initial | Net Assets<br>as of<br>December<br>31, 2010 |
|---------------------------|--|--|----------|---------|---------|---|
| (Morningstar<br>Overall   | Primary Investment   | Fund   | Fees     | Fees    | Offer   | (all classes)                               |
| Rating) (1)               | Objective  | Characteristics                              | (%)      | (%)     | Date    | (\$ in<br>millions)                         |
| ABSOLUTE RETURN:          |  |  |          |         |         |   |
| The Gabelli               | Total returns that are attractive to                         | No-load,                                     | .50 (7)  | n/a (7) | 5/14/93 | \$ 442                                      |
| ABC Fund                  | investors in various<br>market<br>conditions without         | Open-end,                                    |          |         |         |   |
| ««««                      | excessive risk<br>of capital loss,<br>utilizing certain      | Non-diversified<br>Multi-class<br>shares (2) |          |         |         |   |
|                           | arbitrage strategies<br>and investing<br>in value orientated |  |          |         |         |   |
|                           | common stocks at a significant                               |  |          |         |         |   |
|                           | discount to their PMV.                                       |  |          |         |         |   |
| The Gabelli<br>Enterprise | Capital appreciation through                                 | Class A                                      | .94 (9)  | .45     |         | \$ 250                                      |
| Mergers and               | investment in companies believed                             | Load,  | , ,      |         |         |   |
| Acquisitions              | to be likely acquisition targets within 12 to 18             | Open-end,                                    |          |         |         |   |
| Fund                      | months and companies involved                                | Diversified<br>Multi-class                   |          |         |         |   |
| ««««                      | with publically announced mergers,                           | shares (2)                                   |          |         |         |   |
|                           | takeovers, tender offers,                                    |  |          |         |         |   |
|                           | leveraged buyouts,<br>spin-offs,<br>liquidations, and other  |  |          |         |         |   |
|                           | corporate reorganizations.                                   |  |          |         |         |   |
| CONTRARIAN:               |  |  |          |         |         |   |

|                    | Maximize total return          |               |        |     |             |       |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|--------|-----|-------------|-------|
| Comstock Capital   | consisting                     | Class A       | 1.00   | .25 | 10/10/85 \$ | 123   |
|                    | of capital appreciation        |               |        |     |             |       |
| Value Fund         | and                            | Load,         |        |     |             |       |
| (not rated) (8)    | current income.                | Open-end,     |        |     |             |       |
|                    |                                | Diversified   |        |     |             |       |
|                    |                                | Multi-class   |        |     |             |       |
|                    |                                | shares (2)    |        |     |             |       |
|                    | T 4                            |               |        |     |             |       |
| GAMCO Mathers      | Long-term capital              | Class AAA:    | 1.00   | .25 | 8/19/65 \$  | 22    |
| GAMCO Matners      | appreciation in various market | Class AAA:    | 1.00   | .23 | 8/19/03 \$  | 22    |
| Fund               | conditions                     | No-load,      |        |     |             |       |
| ruiid              | without excess risk of         | NO-10au,      |        |     |             |       |
|                    | capital                        | Open-end,     |        |     |             |       |
| «                  | loss.                          | Diversified   |        |     |             |       |
|                    | 1055.                          | Diversified   |        |     |             |       |
| CASH MANAGEMENT-MO | ONEY MARKET:                   |               |        |     |             |       |
|                    |                                |               |        |     |             |       |
|                    | High current income            |               |        |     |             |       |
| The Gabelli U.S.   | with                           | Money Market, | .30(9) | n/a | 10/01/92 \$ | 1,616 |
|                    | preservation of                |               |        |     |             |       |
| Treasury           | principal and                  | Open-end,     |        |     |             |       |
| Money Market       | liquidity, while               |               |        |     |             |       |
| Fund               | striving to keep               | Diversified   |        |     |             |       |
|                    | expenses among the             | Multi-class   |        |     |             |       |
| (11)               | lowest of all                  | shares (2)    |        |     |             |       |
|                    | U.S. Treasury money market     |               |        |     |             |       |
|                    | funds.                         |               |        |     |             |       |
|                    | Tulius.                        |               |        |     |             |       |
|                    |                                |               |        |     |             |       |
| 17                 |                                |               |        |     |             |       |

|                   |                                   |                              |          |         |          | Net Assets<br>as of<br>December |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|---------|----------|---------------------------------|
| Fund              |                                   |                              | Advisory | 12b-1   | Initial  | 31, 2010                        |
| (Morningstar      |                                   |                              | ,        |         |          | , , ,                           |
| Overall           | Primary Investment                | Fund                         | Fees     | Fees    | Offer    | (all classes)                   |
| Rating) (1)       | Objective                         | Characteristics              | (%)      | (%)     | Date     | (\$ in millions)                |
| CLOSED-END FUNDS: |                                   |                              |          |         |          |                                 |
| The Gabelli       | Long-term growth of               | Closed-end,                  | 1.00(10) | ) n/a   | 08/14/86 | \$ 1,364                        |
| Equity Trust Inc. | capital by investing              | Non-diversified NYSE Symbol: | 1.00(10  | ) II/U  | 00/14/00 | Ψ 1,501                         |
|                   | in equity securities.             | GAB                          |          |         |          |                                 |
|                   | High total natural fram           |                              |          |         |          |                                 |
| The Gabelli       | High total return from investing  | Closed-end,                  | 1.00 (10 | )) n/a  | 07/03/89 | \$ 105                          |
| Convertible and   | mvesting                          | Closed Cha,                  | 1.00 (10 | , III a | 01103107 | Ψ 103                           |
| Income            | primarily in convertible          | Diversified                  |          |         |          |                                 |
| Securities Fund   |                                   | NYSE Symbol:                 |          |         |          |                                 |
| Inc. (4)          | instruments.                      | GCV                          |          |         |          |                                 |
| The Gabelli       | Long-term capital                 |                              |          |         |          |                                 |
| Global            | appreciation                      | Closed-end,                  | 1.00 (10 | )) n/a  | 11/15/94 | \$ 160                          |
| Multimedia        | from equity investments           | Closed Clia,                 | 1.00 (10 | , III a | 11/15/71 | Ψ 100                           |
| Trust Inc.        | in                                | Non-diversified              |          |         |          |                                 |
|                   | global                            | NYSE Symbol:                 |          |         |          |                                 |
| (3)               | telecommunications,               | GGT                          |          |         |          |                                 |
|                   | media, publishing and             |                              |          |         |          |                                 |
|                   | entertainment holdings.           |                              |          |         |          |                                 |
| The Gabelli       | High total return from            | Closed-end,                  | 1.00 (10 | )) n/a  | 07/09/99 | \$ 219                          |
| Utility Trust (5) | investments primarily in          |                              | 1,00 (10 | , 11, 4 | 01103133 | Ψ =17                           |
|                   | •                                 | NYSE Symbol:                 |          |         |          |                                 |
|                   | securities of companies           | GUT                          |          |         |          |                                 |
|                   | involved in gas,                  |                              |          |         |          |                                 |
|                   | electricity and water industries. |                              |          |         |          |                                 |
|                   | and water industries.             |                              |          |         |          |                                 |
|                   | Qualified dividend                |                              |          |         |          |                                 |
| The Gabelli       | income                            | Closed-end,                  | 1.00 (10 | ) n/a   | 11/24/03 | \$ 1,925                        |
| Dividend &        |                                   |                              |          |         |          |                                 |
| Income            | and capital appreciation          |                              |          |         |          |                                 |
| T                 |                                   | NYSE Symbol:                 |          |         |          |                                 |
| Trust             | potential.                        | GDV                          |          |         |          |                                 |
|                   | A consistent level of             |                              |          |         |          |                                 |
| The Gabelli       | after-tax                         | Closed-end,                  | 1.00     | n/a     | 5/28/04  | \$ 63                           |
|                   |                                   |                              |          |         |          |                                 |

|                  | total return with an      |                 |      |     |            |       |
|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|------|-----|------------|-------|
| Global Utility & | emphasis                  | Non-diversified |      |     |            |       |
|                  | on tax-advantaged         | NYSE Symbol:    |      |     |            |       |
| Income Trust     | dividend                  | GLU             |      |     |            |       |
|                  | income.                   |                 |      |     |            |       |
|                  |                           |                 |      |     |            |       |
|                  | High level of current     |                 |      |     |            |       |
| The Gabelli      | income                    | Closed-end,     | 1.00 | n/a | 3/29/05 \$ | 1,119 |
| Global Gold,     | through an option         |                 |      |     |            |       |
| Natural          | writing strategy          | Non-diversified |      |     |            |       |
| Resources &      | on equity securities      | NYSE Symbol:    |      |     |            |       |
| Income           | owned in the              | GGN             |      |     |            |       |
|                  | gold and natural          |                 |      |     |            |       |
| Trust            | resources                 |                 |      |     |            |       |
|                  | industries.               |                 |      |     |            |       |
|                  |                           |                 |      |     |            |       |
|                  | Achieve absolute return   |                 | 0.50 | n/a | 1/26/07    |       |
| The GDL Fund     | through                   | Closed-end,     |      |     | \$         | 414   |
|                  | investments in various    |                 |      |     |            |       |
|                  | market                    | Non-diversified |      |     |            |       |
|                  | conditions without        | NYSE Symbol:    |      |     |            |       |
|                  | excessive                 | GDL             |      |     |            |       |
|                  | risk of capital.          |                 |      |     |            |       |
|                  | 1                         |                 |      |     |            |       |
| The Gabelli      | Seeks long-term growth    |                 |      | n/a | 6/28/07    |       |
| Healthcare       | of                        | Closed-end,     | 1.00 |     | \$         | 102   |
|                  | capital within the health | ,               |      |     |            |       |
| and Wellness Rx  | and                       | Non-diversified |      |     |            |       |
|                  |                           | NYSE Symbol:    |      |     |            |       |
| Fund (6)         | wellness industries.      | GRX             |      |     |            |       |
|                  |                           |                 |      |     |            |       |
|                  |                           |                 |      |     |            |       |
| 18               |                           |                 |      |     |            |       |
|                  |                           |                 |      |     |            |       |

(1) Morningstar RatingTM as of December 31, 2010 is provided if available for open-end funds only. Morningstar ratings may be available for certain closed-end funds. Morningstar ratings are not an indication of absolute performance. Call 800-GABELLI for performance results through the most recent month end. For each fund with at least a three-year history, Morningstar calculates a Morningstar RatingTM based on a Morningstar risk-adjusted return measure that accounts for variation in a fund's monthly performance (including the effects of sales charges, loads and redemption fees) placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The top 10% of the funds in an investment category receive five stars, the next 22.5% receive four stars, the next 35% receive three stars, the next 22.5% receive two stars and the bottom 10% receive one star. The Overall Morningstar Rating for a fund is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its three, five, and ten-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics. Morningstar Ratings are shown for the respective class shown; other classes may have different performance characteristics. There were 593 Conservative Allocation funds rated for three years, 433 funds for five years and 162 funds for ten years (GAMCO Mathers Fund). There were 373 Mid-Cap Blend funds rated for three years, 304 funds for five years and 171 funds for ten years (The Gabelli Value Fund, The Gabelli Enterprise Mergers & Acquisition Fund). There were 677 Mid-Cap Growth funds rated for three years, 594 funds for five years and 392 funds for ten years (The Gabelli ABC Fund, The Gabelli SRI Green Fund Inc.). There were 1,120 Large Value funds rated for three years, 956 funds for five years and 502 funds for ten years (The Gabelli Equity Income Fund). There were 1,753 Large Blend funds rated for three years, 1,457 funds for five years and 802 funds for ten years (The Gabelli Asset Fund, The Gabelli Blue Chip Value Fund). There were 63 Convertibles funds rated for three years, 55 funds for five years and 43 funds for ten years (The GAMCO Vertumnus Fund). There were 628 World Stock funds rated for three years, 493 funds for five years and 261 funds for ten years (The GAMCO Global Growth Fund, The GAMCO Global Opportunity Fund). There were 39 Specialty-Communications funds rated for three years, 33 funds for five years and 29 funds for ten years (The GAMCO Global Telecommunications Fund). There were 72 Specialty-Precious Metals funds rated for three years, 61 funds for five years and 39 funds for ten years (GAMCO Gold Fund).

There were 1,504 Large Growth funds rated for three years, 1,286 funds for five years and 787 funds for ten years (The GAMCO Growth Fund). There were 209 Foreign Large Growth funds rated for three years, 162 funds for five years and 89 funds for ten years (GAMCO International Growth Fund). There were 83 Specialty-Utilities funds rated for three years, 78 funds rated for five years and 52 funds for ten years (The Gabelli Utilities Fund). There were 563 Small Blend funds rated for three years and 484 funds for five years and 279 funds for ten years (The Gabelli Small Cap Growth Fund, The Gabelli Woodland Small Cap Value Fund). (a) 2010 Morningstar, Inc. All Rights reserved. This information is (1) proprietary to Morningstar and/or its content providers (2) may not be copied or distributed; and (3) is not warranted to be accurate, complete or timely. Neither Morningstar nor its content providers are responsible for any damages or losses arising from any use of this information. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

(2) These funds have multi-classes of shares available. Multi-class shares include Class A shares which have a front-end sales charge, Class B shares which are subject to a back-end contingent deferred sales charge for up to six years and Class C which shares are subject to a 1% back-end contingent deferred sales charge for up to two years. However, Class B shares are no longer offered for new purchases as of July 2004. Comstock Capital Value Fund Class R shares, which are no-load, are available only for retirement and certain institutional accounts. Comstock Capital Value class AAA shares are no-load and became available on December 8, 2008 Class I shares are available to institutional accounts. Gabelli ABC Fund advisor class shares are no-load and are available through intermediaries. Net assets include all share classes.

- (3) The Gabelli Global Multimedia Trust Inc. was formed in 1994 through a spin-off of assets from The Gabelli Equity Trust.
- (4) The Gabelli Convertible and Income Securities Fund Inc. was originally formed in 1989 as an open-end investment company and was converted to a closed-end investment company in March 1995.
- (5) The Gabelli Utility Trust was formed in 1999 through a spin-off of assets from The Gabelli Equity Trust.
- (6) The Gabelli Healthcare and WellnessRX Trust was formed in 2007 through a spin-off of assets from The Gabelli Equity Trust.
- (7) Funds Advisor has reduced the Advisory fee from 1.00% to 0.50% since April 1, 2002. Gabelli & Company waived receipt of the 12b-1 Plan distribution fees as of January 1, 2003, and on February 25, 2004, the Fund's Board of Directors agreed with the Funds Advisor's request to terminate the 12b-1 Plan. The advisory fee was contractually set at 0.50% as of May 1, 2007. The Gabelli ABC Fund Advisor class has a 12b-1 Plan which pays 0.25%.
- (8) Certain funds are not rated because they do not have a three-year history, or there are not enough similar funds in the category determined by Morningstar.

- (9) Funds Advisor has agreements in place to waive its advisory fee or reimburse expenses of the Fund to maintain fund expenses at a specified level for Class AAA shares; multi-class shares have separate limits as described in the Fund's prospectus. (The Gabelli Woodland Small Cap Value Fund 2.00%; The GAMCO Global Opportunity Fund 2.00%; The GAMCO Vertumnus Fund 2.00%; The Gabelli SRI Fund 2.00%; The Gabelli Enterprise Mergers and Acquisitions Fund 1.90% for class A; The Gabelli U.S. Treasury Money Market Fund 0.08%. Such agreements are renewable annually).
- (10) Funds Advisor has agreed to reduce its advisory fee on the liquidation value of preferred stock outstanding if certain performance levels are not met.
- (11) The Gabelli U.S. Treasury Money Market Fund ranked third in total return for the twelve months ended December 31, 2010 among 69 U.S. Treasury money market funds tracked by Lipper Inc. For the 5 year and 10 year periods ended December 31, 2010, the fund ranked first out of 62 funds and second out of 45 funds, respectively, within that category. Investment returns and yield will fluctuate. An investment in a money market fund is not guaranteed by the United States government nor insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any government agency. Although the Fund seeks to preserve the value of an investment at \$1.00 per share, it is possible to lose money by investing on the Fund.

Shareholders of the open-end funds are allowed to exchange shares among the same class of shares of the other open-end funds as economic and market conditions and investor needs change at no additional cost. However, as noted below, certain open-end funds impose a 2% redemption fee on shares redeemed in seven days or less after a purchase. We periodically introduce new funds designed to complement and expand our investment product offerings, respond to competitive developments in the financial marketplace and meet the changing needs of investors.

Our marketing efforts for the open-end funds are currently focused on increasing the distribution and sales of our existing funds as well as creating new products for sale through our distribution channels. We believe that our marketing efforts for the funds will continue to generate additional revenues from investment advisory fees. We have traditionally distributed most of our open-end funds by using a variety of direct response marketing techniques, including telemarketing and advertising, and as a result we maintain direct relationships with many of our no-load open-end fund customers. Beginning in late 1995, we expanded our product distribution by offering several of our open-end funds through third party distribution programs, including NTF programs. In 1998 and 1999, we further expanded these efforts to include substantially all of our open-end funds in third party distribution programs. More than 28% of the AUM in the open-end funds are still attributable to our direct response marketing efforts. Third party distribution programs have become an increasingly important source of asset growth for us. Of the \$11.3 billion of AUM in the open-end equity funds as of December 31, 2010, approximately 72% were generated through third party distribution programs. We are responsible for paying the service and distribution fees charged by many of the third party distribution programs, although a portion of such service fees under certain circumstances are payable by the funds. During 2000, we completed development of additional classes of shares for many of our Funds for sale through national brokerage and investment firms and other third party distribution channels on a commission basis. The multi-class shares are available in all of the Gabelli Funds, except for the Gabelli Capital Asset Fund and the GAMCO Mathers Fund. We believe that the use of multi-class share products will expand the distribution of Gabelli Fund products into the advised sector of the mutual fund investment community. During 2003, we introduced Class I shares, which are no-load shares with higher minimum initial investment and without distribution fees available to Institutional and Retirement Plan Accounts held directly through Gabelli & Company. The no-load shares are designated as Class AAA shares and are available for new and current investors. In general, distribution through third party distribution programs has greater variable cost components and lower fixed cost components than distribution through our traditional direct sales methods.

We provide investment advisory and management services pursuant to an investment management agreement with each fund. The investment management agreements with the funds generally provide that we are responsible for the overall investment and administrative services, subject to the oversight of each fund's Board of Directors or Trustees and in accordance with each fund's fundamental investment objectives and policies. The investment management agreements permit us to enter into separate agreements for administrative and accounting services on behalf of the respective Funds.

Our affiliated advisors provide the funds with administrative services pursuant to the management contracts. Such services include, without limitation, supervision of the calculation of net asset value, preparation of financial reports for shareholders of the funds, internal accounting, tax accounting and reporting, regulatory filings and other services. Most of these administrative services are provided through sub-contracts with unaffiliated third parties. Transfer agency and custodial services are provided directly to the funds by unaffiliated third parties.

Our fund investment management agreements may continue in effect from year to year only if specifically approved at least annually by (i) the fund's Board of Directors or Trustees or (ii) the fund's shareholders and, in either case, the vote of a majority of the fund's directors or trustees who are not parties to the agreement or "interested persons" of any such party, within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940 as amended (the "Company Act"). Each fund may terminate its investment management agreement at any time upon 60 days' written notice by (i) a vote of the majority of the Board of Directors or Trustees cast in person at a meeting called for the purpose of voting on such termination or (ii) a vote at a meeting of shareholders of the lesser of either 67% of the voting shares represented in person or by proxy or 50% of the outstanding voting shares of such Fund. Each investment management agreement automatically terminates in the event of its assignment, as defined in the Company Act. We may terminate an investment management agreement without penalty on 60 days' written notice.

Mutual Fund Distribution, Institutional Research, Brokerage and Underwriting

Gabelli & Company, the wholly-owned subsidiary of our 93% majority-owned subsidiary GSI, is a broker-dealer registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is regulated by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA"). Gabelli & Company's revenues are derived primarily from the distribution of our Funds, institutional research services, underwriting fees and selling concessions.

#### Mutual Fund Distribution

Gabelli & Company distributes our open-end funds pursuant to distribution agreements with each fund. Under each distribution agreement with an open-end fund, Gabelli & Company offers and sells such open-end fund's shares on a continuous basis and pays the majority of the costs of marketing and selling the shares, including printing and mailing prospectuses and sales literature, advertising and maintaining sales and customer service personnel and sales and services fulfillment systems, and payments to the sponsors of third party distribution programs, financial intermediaries and Gabelli & Company sales personnel. Gabelli & Company receives fees for such services pursuant to distribution plans adopted under provisions of Rule 12b-1 ("12b-1") of the Company Act. Distribution fees from the open-end funds are computed daily based on average net assets. Distribution fees from the open-end funds amounted to \$29.0 million, \$20.8 million and \$23.8 million for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. In 2010, GAMCO filed an application for the establishment of a new broker dealer. It is contemplated that this new broker dealer would become the distributor of the affiliated mutual funds which Gabelli & Company currently distributes. Currently, Gabelli & Company is the principal underwriter for funds distributed in multiple classes of shares which carry either a front-end or back-end sales charge. Underwriting fees and sales charges retained amounted to \$1.9 million, \$946,000 and \$627,000 for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Under the distribution plans, the open-end Class AAA shares of the funds (except The Gabelli U.S. Treasury Money Market Fund, Gabelli Capital Asset Fund and The Gabelli ABC Fund) and the Class A and V shares of various funds pay Gabelli & Company a distribution or service fee of .25% per year (except the Class A shares of the GAMCO Westwood Funds and Gabelli Enterprise Mergers & Acquisition Fund which pay .50% and 0.45% per year, respectively, and the GAMCO Westwood Intermediate Bond Fund which pays .35%) on the average daily net assets of the fund. Class B and Class C shares have a 12b-1 distribution plan with a service and distribution fee totaling 1%. Gabelli & Company's distribution agreements with the funds may continue in effect from year to year only if specifically approved at least annually by (i) the fund's Board of Directors or Trustees or (ii) the fund's shareholders and, in either case, the vote of a majority of the fund's directors or trustees who are not parties to the agreement or "interested persons" of any such party, within the meaning of the Company Act. Each fund may terminate its distribution agreement, or any agreement thereunder, at any time upon 60 days' written notice by (i) a vote of the majority of its directors or trustees cast in person at a meeting called for the purpose of voting on such termination or (ii) a vote at a meeting of shareholders of the lesser of either 67% of the voting shares represented in person or by

proxy or 50% of the outstanding voting shares of such fund. Each distribution agreement automatically terminates in the event of its assignment, as defined in the Company Act. Gabelli & Company may terminate a distribution agreement without penalty upon 60 days' written notice.

Gabelli & Company also offers our open-end Fund products through our website, www.gabelli.com, where directly registered mutual fund investors can access their personal account information and buy, sell and exchange Fund shares. Fund prospectuses, quarterly reports, fund applications, daily net asset values and performance charts are all available online.

#### **Institutional Research Services**

Gabelli & Company provides institutional investors with investment ideas on numerous industries and special situations, with a particular focus on small-cap and mid-cap companies. Our research analysts are industry-focused, following sectors that stem from our core competencies. They are experts on their industries, and look at companies of all market capitalizations on a global basis. Their financial models look five years into the past, and project five years forward, to understand earnings power and free cash flow. They look for growing companies, with improving balance sheets and shareholder-sensitive management. The primary function of the research team is to gather data, array the data, project and interpret data from which investment decisions can be made. The objective of the institutional research services is to provide superior investment ideas to investment decision makers.

Analysts are generally assigned to research teams, coordinated by a senior analyst, in order to enhance idea cross-fertilization, and more efficiently share knowledge acquired in related industry subsectors. Our teams are broken down into Digital, which includes cable, telecommunications, broadcasting, publishing, advertising, and entertainment, Gabelli Green, which researches investment opportunities in clean and renewable energy, Consumer, Health and Wellness, and Industrial.

Gabelli & Company generates institutional research services revenues through brokerage activities from securities transactions executed on an agency basis on behalf of institutional and private wealth management clients as well as from retail customers and mutual funds. Institutional research services revenues totaled \$16.6 million, \$16.7 million, and \$16.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Gabelli & Company continues to pursue expansion of such activities.

#### Underwriting

During 2010, Gabelli & Company acted as underwriter in the Gabelli Healthcare & WellnessRX Trust offering of 5.76% Series A Cumulative Preferred shares and as agent in the secondary offerings of the Gabelli Global Gold, Natural Resources & Income Trust. During 2009, Gabelli & Company acted as the Dealer Manager for The GDL Fund's Series A Cumulative Callable Preferred Share Rights Offering and as agent in the secondary offerings of the Gabelli Global Gold, Natural Resources & Income Trust. In 2008, Gabelli & Company did not participate in any underwritings.

#### Competition

We compete with other investment management firms and mutual fund companies, insurance companies, banks, brokerage firms and other financial institutions that offer products that have similar features and investment objectives to those offered by us. Many of the investment management firms with which we compete are subsidiaries of large diversified financial companies and many others are much larger in terms of AUM and revenues and, accordingly, have much larger sales organizations and marketing budgets. Historically, we have competed primarily on the basis of the long-term investment performance of many of our investment products. However, we have taken steps to increase our distribution channels, brand name awareness and marketing efforts.

The market for providing investment management services to institutional and private wealth management Institutional and Private Wealth Management is also highly competitive. Approximately 34% of our investment advisory fee revenue for the year ended December 31, 2010 was derived from our Institutional and Private Wealth Management. Selection of investment advisors by U.S. institutional investors is often subject to a screening process and to favorable recommendations by investment industry consultants. Many of these investors require their investment advisors to have a successful and sustained performance record, often five years or longer, and also focus on one-year and three-year performance records. We have significantly increased our AUM on behalf of U.S.

institutional investors since our entry into the institutional asset management business in 1977. At the current time, we believe that our investment performance record would be attractive to potential new institutional and private wealth management clients. However, no assurance can be given that our efforts to obtain new business will be successful.

#### Intellectual Property

Service marks and brand name recognition are important to our business. We have rights to the service marks under which our products are offered. We have registered certain service marks in the United States and will continue to do so as new trademarks and service marks are developed or acquired. We have rights to use the "Gabelli" name, the "GAMCO" name, and other names. Pursuant to an assignment agreement, Mr. Gabelli has assigned to us all of his rights, title and interests in and to the "Gabelli" name for use in connection with investment management services, mutual funds and securities brokerage services. However, under the agreement, Mr. Gabelli will retain any and all rights, title and interests he has or may have in the "Gabelli" name for use in connection with (i) charitable foundations controlled by Mr. Gabelli or members of his family or (ii) entities engaged in private investment activities for Mr. Gabelli or members of his family. In addition, the funds managed by Mr. Gabelli outside GBL have entered into a license agreement with us permitting them to continue limited use of the "Gabelli" name under specified circumstances. We have taken, and will continue to take, action to protect our interests in these service marks.

#### Regulation

Virtually all aspects of our businesses are subject to various federal, state and foreign laws and regulations. These laws and regulations are primarily intended to protect investment advisory clients and shareholders of investment funds, the markets and customers of broker-dealers. Under such laws and regulations, agencies that regulate investment advisors and broker-dealers have broad powers, including the power to limit, restrict or prohibit such an advisor or broker-dealer from carrying on its business in the event that it fails to comply with such laws and regulations. In such an event, the possible sanctions that may be imposed include civil and criminal liability, the suspension of individual employees, injunctions, limitations on engaging in certain lines of business for specified periods of time, revocation of the investment advisor and other registrations, censures, and fines.

Our business is subject to extensive regulation at the federal, state and foreign level by the SEC and other regulatory bodies. Certain of our subsidiaries are registered with the SEC under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 ("Advisers Act"), and the funds are registered with the SEC under the Company Act. We also have a subsidiary that is registered as a broker-dealer with the SEC and is subject to regulation by the FINRA and various states.

The subsidiaries of GBL that are registered with the Commission under the Advisers Act (Funds Advisor, Gabelli Fixed Income LLC, GAMCO and GSI) are regulated by and subject to examination by the SEC. The Advisers Act imposes numerous obligations on registered investment advisors including fiduciary duties and disclosure obligations and record keeping, operational and marketing requirements. The Commission is authorized to institute proceedings and impose sanctions for violations of the Advisers Act, ranging from censure to termination of an investment advisor's registration. The failure of an advisory subsidiary to comply with the requirements of the SEC could have a material adverse effect on us.

We derive a substantial majority of our revenues from investment advisory services through our various investment management agreements. Under the Advisers Act, our investment management agreements may not be assigned without the client's consent. Under the Company Act, advisory agreements with registered investment companies such as our Funds terminate automatically upon assignment. The term "assignment" is broadly defined and includes direct as well as assignments that may be deemed to occur, under certain circumstances, upon the transfer, directly or indirectly, of a controlling interest in GBL.

In its capacity as a broker-dealer, Gabelli & Company is required to maintain certain minimum net capital and cash reserves for the benefit of our customers. Gabelli & Company's net capital, as defined, has consistently met or exceeded all minimum requirements. Gabelli & Company is also subject to periodic examination by FINRA, the SEC and the states.

Subsidiaries of GBL are subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), and to regulations promulgated there under, insofar as they are "fiduciaries" under ERISA with respect to certain of their clients. ERISA and applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), impose certain duties on persons who are fiduciaries under ERISA and prohibit certain transactions involving ERISA plan clients. Our failure to comply with these requirements could have a material adverse effect on us.

Investments by GBL and on behalf of our advisory clients and investment funds often represent a significant equity ownership position in an issuer's class of stock. As of December 31, 2010, we had five percent or more beneficial ownership with respect to approximately 113 equity securities. This activity raises frequent regulatory, legal, and disclosure issues regarding our aggregate beneficial ownership level with respect to portfolio securities, including issues relating to issuers' shareholder rights plans or "poison pills," and various federal and state regulatory limitations, including state gaming laws and regulations, federal communications laws and regulations and public utility holding company laws and regulations as well as federal proxy rules governing shareholder communications and federal laws and regulations regarding the reporting of beneficial ownership positions. Our failure to comply with these requirements could have a material adverse effect on us.

The USA Patriot Act of 2001, contains anti-money laundering and financial transparency laws and mandates the implementation of various new regulations applicable to broker-dealers, mutual funds and other financial services companies, including standards for verifying client identification at account opening, and obligations to monitor client transactions and report suspicious activities. Anti-money laundering laws outside of the U.S. contain some similar provisions. Our failure to comply with these requirements could have a material adverse effect on us.

We and certain of our affiliates are subject to the laws of non-U.S. jurisdictions and non-U.S. regulatory agencies or bodies. In connection with our opening of an office in London and our plans to market certain products in Europe, we are required to comply with the laws of the United Kingdom and other European countries regarding these activities. Our subsidiary, GAMCO Asset Management (UK) Limited, is regulated by the Financial Services Authority. In connection with our registration in the United Kingdom, we have minimum capital requirements that have been consistently met or exceeded. Several of our investment funds are organized under the laws of foreign jurisdictions and subject to regulation. We opened research offices in Shanghai and Hong Kong and therefore are subject to national and local laws in those jurisdictions. We are subject to requirements in numerous jurisdictions regarding reporting of beneficial ownership positions in securities issued by companies whose securities are publicly-traded in those countries.

#### Regulatory matters

The investment management industry is likely to continue facing a high level of regulatory scrutiny and become subject to additional rules designed to increase disclosure, tighten controls and reduce potential conflicts of interest. In addition, the Commission has substantially increased its use of focused inquiries in which it requests information from investment advisors and a number of fund complexes regarding particular practices or provisions of the securities laws. We participate in some of these inquiries in the normal course of our business. Changes in laws, regulations and administrative practices by regulatory authorities, and the associated compliance costs, have increased our cost structure and could in the future have a material impact. Although we have installed procedures and utilize the services of experienced administrators, accountants and lawyers to assist us in adhering to regulatory guidelines and satisfying these requirements, and maintain insurance to protect ourselves in the case of client losses, there can be no assurance that the precautions and procedures that we have instituted and installed or the insurance that we maintain to protect ourselves in case of client losses will protect us from potential liabilities.

See item 3 below.

#### Personnel

On January 31, 2011, we had a full-time staff of 222 individuals, of whom 69 served in the portfolio management, research and trading areas (including 20 portfolio managers for the Mutual Funds, Institutional and Private Wealth Management and Investment Partnerships), 76 served in the marketing and shareholder servicing areas and 77 served in the administrative area.

#### ITEM 1A: RISK FACTORS

#### **Business Risks**

We caution the reader that the following business risks and those risks described elsewhere in this report and in our other SEC filings could cause our actual results to differ materially from expectations stated in our forward-looking statements.

#### Risks Related to Our Industry

Changes in laws or regulations or in governmental policies could limit the sources and amounts of our revenues, increase our costs of doing business, decrease our profitability and materially and adversely affect our business.

Our business is subject to extensive regulation in the United States, primarily at the federal level, including regulation by the SEC under the Company Act and the Advisers Act, by the Department of Labor under ERISA, as well as regulation by FINRA and state regulators. The Funds managed by Funds Advisor are registered with the SEC as investment companies under the Company Act. The Advisers Act imposes numerous obligations on investment advisors, including record-keeping, advertising and operating requirements, disclosure obligations, custodial requirements and prohibitions on fraudulent activities. The Company Act imposes similar obligations, as well as additional detailed operational requirements, on registered investment companies and investment advisors. Our failure to comply with applicable laws or regulations could result in fines, censure, suspensions of personnel or other sanctions, including revocation of our registration as an investment advisor or broker-dealer. Industry regulations are designed to protect our clients and investors in our funds and other third parties who deal with us and to ensure the integrity of the financial markets. Our industry is frequently altered by new laws or regulations and by revisions to, and evolving interpretations of, existing laws and regulations. Changes in laws or regulations or in governmental policies could limit the sources and amounts of our revenues including distribution revenue under the Company Act, increase our costs of doing business, decrease our profitability and materially and adversely affect our business.

To the extent we are forced to compete on the basis of price, we may not be able to maintain our current fee structure.

The investment management business is highly competitive and has relatively low barriers to entry. To the extent we are forced to compete on the basis of price, we may not be able to maintain our current fee structure. Although our investment management fees vary from product to product, historically we have competed primarily on the performance of our products and not on the level of our investment management fees relative to those of our competitors. In recent years, however, there has been a trend toward lower fees in the investment management industry. In order to maintain our fee structure in a competitive environment, we must be able to continue to provide clients with investment returns and service that make investors willing to pay our fees. In addition, the board of directors or trustees of each fund managed by Funds Advisor must make certain findings as to the reasonableness of its fees. We cannot be assured that we will succeed in providing investment returns and service that will allow us to maintain our current fee structure. Fee reductions on existing or future new business could have an adverse effect on our profit margins and results of operations.

We derive a substantial portion of our revenues from contracts that may be terminated on short notice.

A substantial majority of all of our revenues are derived from investment management agreements and distribution arrangements. Investment management agreements and distribution arrangements with the Funds are terminable without penalty on 60 days' notice (subject to certain additional procedural requirements in the case of termination by a Fund) and must be specifically approved at least annually, as required by law. Such annual renewal requires, among other things, approval by the disinterested members of each Fund's board of directors or trustees. Investment advisory

agreements with our Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients are typically terminable by the client without penalty on 30 days' notice or less. Any failure to renew or termination of a significant number of these agreements or arrangements would have a material adverse effect on us.

Investors in the open-end funds can redeem their investments in these funds at any time without prior notice, which could adversely affect our earnings.

Open-end fund investors may redeem their investments in those funds at any time without prior notice. Investors may reduce the aggregate amount of AUM for any number of reasons, including investment performance, changes in prevailing interest rates and financial market performance. In a declining stock market, the pace of mutual fund redemptions could accelerate. Poor performance relative to other asset management firms tends to result in decreased purchases of mutual fund shares and increased redemptions of mutual fund shares. The redemption of investments in mutual funds managed by Funds Advisor would adversely affect our revenues, which are substantially dependent upon the AUM in our funds. If redemptions of investments in mutual funds caused our revenues to decline, it could have a material adverse effect on our earnings.

Certain changes in control of our company would automatically terminate our investment management agreements with our clients, unless our Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients consent and, in the case of fund clients, the funds' boards of directors and shareholders vote to continue the agreements, and could prevent us for a two-year period from increasing the investment advisory fees we are able to charge our mutual fund clients.

Under the Company Act, an investment management agreement with a fund must provide for its automatic termination in the event of its assignment. The fund's board and shareholders must vote to continue the agreement following its assignment, the cost of which ordinarily would be borne by us. Under the Advisers Act, a client's investment management agreement may not be "assigned" by the investment advisor without the client's consent. An investment management agreement is considered to be assigned to another party when a controlling block of the advisor's securities is transferred. In our case, an assignment of our investment management agreements may occur if, among other things, we sell or issue a certain number of additional common shares in the future. We cannot be certain that our clients will consent to assignments of our investment management agreements or approve new agreements with us if an assignment occurs. Under the Company Act, if a fund's investment advisor engages in a transaction that results in the assignment of its investment management agreement with the fund, the advisor may not impose an "unfair burden" on that fund as a result of the transaction for a two-year period after the transaction is completed. The term "unfair burden" has been interpreted to include certain increases in investment advisory fees. This restriction may discourage potential purchasers from acquiring a controlling interest in our company.

Regulatory developments designed to increase oversight of private funds may adversely affect our business.

The SEC has proposed a rule that would limit the eligibility of individuals to invest in private funds by requiring that such individuals own not less than \$2.5 million in investments at the time of their private fund investment. The SEC may also propose or enact other rules designed to increase oversight of private funds by the SEC. Any regulations applicable to private funds that may be adopted could have an impact on our operations and may adversely affect our private fund business and decrease our future income.

A decline in the prices of securities would lead to a decline in our assets under management, revenues and earnings.

Substantially all of our revenues are determined by the amount of our AUM. Under our investment advisory contracts with our clients, the investment advisory fees we receive are typically based on the market value of AUM. In addition, we receive asset-based distribution and/or service fees with respect to the open-end funds managed by Funds Advisor or Teton Advisors, Inc. ("Teton") over time pursuant to distribution plans adopted under provisions of Rule 12b-1 under the Company Act. Rule 12b-1 fees typically are based on the average AUM and represented approximately 10.3%, 9.5% and 9.7% of our total revenues for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Accordingly, a decline in the prices of securities generally may cause our revenues and net income to decline by either causing the value of our AUM to decrease, which would result in lower investment advisory and

Rule 12b-1 fees, or causing our clients to withdraw funds in favor of investments they perceive to offer greater opportunity or lower risk, which would also result in lower fees. The securities markets are highly volatile, and securities prices may increase or decrease for many reasons, including economic and political events and acts of terrorism beyond our control. If a decline in securities prices caused our revenues to decline, it could have a material adverse effect on our earnings.

Catastrophic and unpredictable events could have a material adverse effect on our business.

A terrorist attack, war, power failure, cyber-attack, natural disaster or other catastrophic or unpredictable event could adversely affect our future revenues, expenses and earnings by: interrupting our normal business operations; sustaining employee casualties, including loss of our key executives; requiring substantial expenditures and expenses to repair, replace and restore normal business operations; and reducing investor confidence.

We have a disaster recovery plan to address certain contingencies, but we cannot be assured that this plan will be sufficient in responding or ameliorating the effects of all disaster scenarios. If our employees or vendors we rely upon for support in a catastrophic event are unable to respond adequately or in a timely manner, we may lose clients resulting in a decrease in AUM which may have a material adverse effect on revenues and net income.

#### Risks Related to Our Business

Control by Mr. Gabelli of a majority of the combined voting power of our common stock may give rise to conflicts of interests.

Since our initial public offering in 1999, Mr. Gabelli, through his control and majority ownership of GGCP, has beneficially owned a majority of our outstanding Class B Stock, representing 94% of voting control. As long as Mr. Gabelli indirectly beneficially owns a majority of the combined voting power of our common stock, he will have the ability to elect all of the members of our Board of Directors and thereby control our management and affairs, including determinations with respect to acquisitions, dispositions, borrowings, issuances of common stock or other securities, and the declaration and payment of dividends on the common stock. In addition, Mr. Gabelli will be able to determine the outcome of matters submitted to a vote of our shareholders for approval and will be able to cause or prevent a change in control of our company. As a result of Mr. Gabelli's control, none of our agreements with Mr. Gabelli and other companies controlled by him can be assumed to have been arrived at through "arm's-length" negotiations, although we believe that the parties endeavor to implement market-based terms. There can be no assurance that we would not have received more favorable terms from an unaffiliated party.

On February 6, 2008, Mr. Mario Gabelli entered into an amended and restated employment agreement (the "2008 Employment Agreement") with the Company, which was approved by the Company's shareholders on November 30, 2007 and which limits his activities outside of the Company. The 2008 Employment Agreement modified Mr. Mario Gabelli's previous employment agreement primarily by (i) eliminating outdated provisions, clarifying certain language and reflecting our name change; (ii) revising the term of the Employment Agreement for an indefinite term to a three-year initial term that automatically extends the initial term for an additional year on each anniversary of the Employment Agreement's effective date unless either party gives written notice at least 90 days in advance of the expiration date; (iii) allowing for services to be performed for former subsidiaries that are spun off to shareholders or otherwise cease to be subsidiaries in similar transactions; (iv) allowing new investors in the permitted outside accounts if all of the performance fees, less expenses, generated by assets attributable to such investors are paid to us; (v) allowing for the management fee to be paid directly to Mr. Mario Gabelli or to an entity designated by him; and (vi) adding certain language to ensure that the 2008 Employment Agreement complies with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

Under the 2008 Employment Agreement, the manner of computing Mr. Gabelli's remuneration from GAMCO is unchanged.

Mr. Gabelli (or his designee under the Amended Agreement) will continue receiving an incentive-based management fee in the amount of 10% of our aggregate pre-tax profits, if any, as computed for financial reporting purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (before consideration of this fee) so long as he is an

executive of GAMCO and devotes the substantial majority of his working time to our business. This incentive-based management fee is subject to the Compensation Committee's review at least annually for compliance with its terms.

Consistent with the firm's practice since its inception in 1977, Mr. Gabelli will also continue receiving a percentage of revenues or net operating contribution, which are substantially derived from AUM, as compensation relating to or generated by the following activities: (i) managing or overseeing the management of various investment companies and partnerships, (ii) attracting mutual fund shareholders, (iii) attracting and managing Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients, and (iv) otherwise generating revenues for the company. Such payments are made in a manner and at rates as agreed to from time to time by GAMCO, which rates have been and generally will be the same as those received by other professionals at GAMCO performing similar services. With respect to our institutional and high net worth asset management and mutual fund advisory business, our business model strives to pay out up to 40% of the revenues or net operating contribution to the portfolio managers and marketing staff who introduce, service or generate such business, with payments involving the Institutional and Private Wealth Management business being typically based on revenues and payments involving the mutual funds being typically based on net operating contribution.

Mr. Gabelli has agreed that while he is employed by us he will not provide investment management services outside of GAMCO, except for certain permitted accounts. These accounts held assets at December 31, 2010 and 2009 of approximately \$91.8 million and \$83.4 million, respectively. Mr. Gabelli continues to be a member of the team that manages the GAMCO Westwood Mighty MitesSM Fund, whose advisor, Teton, was spun-off from GBL in March 2009. The assets in the GAMCO Mighty MitesSM Fund at December 31, 2010 were \$517.6 million. The Amended Agreement may not be amended without the approval of the Compensation Committee.

We depend on Mr. Gabelli and other key personnel.

We are dependent on the efforts of Mr. Gabelli, our Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and the primary portfolio manager for a significant majority of our AUM. The loss of Mr. Gabelli's services would have a material adverse effect on us.

In addition to Mr. Gabelli, our future success depends to a substantial degree on our ability to retain and attract other qualified personnel to conduct our investment management business. The market for qualified portfolio managers is extremely competitive and has grown more so in recent periods as the investment management industry has experienced growth. We anticipate that it will be necessary for us to add portfolio managers and investment analysts as we further diversify our investment products and strategies. There can be no assurance, however, that we will be successful in our efforts to recruit and retain the required personnel. In addition, our investment professionals and senior marketing personnel have direct contact with our Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients, which can lead to strong client relationships. The loss of these personnel could jeopardize our relationships with certain Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients, and result in the loss of such accounts. The loss of key management professionals or the inability to recruit and retain sufficient portfolio managers and marketing personnel could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Potential adverse effects on our performance prospects from a decline in the performance of the securities markets.

Our results of operations are affected by many economic factors, including the performance of the securities markets. During the 1990s, unusually favorable and sustained performance of the U.S. securities markets, and the U.S. equity market, in particular, attracted substantial inflows of new investments in these markets and has contributed to significant market appreciation which has, in turn, led to an increase in our AUM and revenues. At December 31, 2010, approximately 95% of our AUM were invested in portfolios consisting primarily of equity securities. More recently, the securities markets in general have experienced significant volatility. Any decline in the securities markets, in general, and the equity markets, in particular, could reduce our AUM and consequently reduce our revenues. In addition, any such decline in the equity markets, failure of these markets to sustain their prior levels of growth, or continued short-term volatility in these markets could result in investors withdrawing from the equity markets or decreasing their rate of investment, either of which would be likely to adversely affect us. From time to time, a relatively high proportion of the assets we manage may be concentrated in particular industry sectors. A general decline in the performance of securities in those industry sectors could have an adverse effect on our AUM and revenues.

Possibility of losses associated with proprietary investment activities.

Currently, we maintain large proprietary investment positions in securities. Market fluctuations and other factors may result in substantial losses in our proprietary accounts, which could have an adverse effect on our balance sheet, reduce our ability or willingness to make new investments or impair our credit ratings.

Future investment performance could reduce revenues and other income.

Success in the investment management and mutual fund businesses is dependent on investment performance as well as distribution and client servicing. Good performance generally stimulates sales of our investment products and tends to keep withdrawals and redemptions low, which generates higher management fees (which are based on the amount of AUM). Conversely, relatively poor performance tends to result in decreased sales, increased withdrawals and redemptions in the case of the open-end Funds, and in the loss of Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients, with corresponding decreases in revenues to us. Many analysts of the mutual fund industry believe that investment performance is the most important factor for the growth of open and closed-end funds, such as those we offer. Failure of our investment products to perform well or failure of the Funds to maintain ratings or rankings could, therefore, have a material adverse effect on us.

Loss of significant Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts could affect our revenues.

We had approximately 1,600 Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts as of December 31, 2010, of which the ten largest accounts generated approximately 8% of our total revenues during the year ended December 31, 2010. Loss of these accounts for any reason would have an adverse effect on our revenues. Not withstanding performance, we have from time to time lost large Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts as a result of corporate mergers and restructurings, and we could continue to lose accounts under these or other circumstances.

A decline in the market for closed-end funds could reduce our ability to raise future assets to manage.

Market conditions may preclude us from increasing the assets we manage in closed-end funds. A significant portion of our recent growth in the assets we manage has resulted from public offerings of the common and preferred shares of closed-end funds. We have raised approximately \$2.4 billion in gross assets through closed-end fund offerings since January 2004. The market conditions for these offerings may not be as favorable in the future, which could adversely impact our ability to grow the assets we manage and our revenue.

We rely on third party distribution programs.

Since 1996, we have experienced significant growth in sales of our open-end funds through third party distribution programs, which are programs sponsored by third party intermediaries that offer their mutual fund customers a variety of competing products and administrative services. Most of the sales growth from our third party distribution programs is from programs with no transaction fees payable by the customer, which we refer to as NTF programs. Approximately \$3.9 billion of our AUM in the open-end funds as of December 31, 2010 were obtained through NTF programs. The cost of participating in third party distribution programs is higher than our direct distribution costs, and it is anticipated that the cost of third party distribution programs will increase in the future. Any increase would be likely to have an adverse effect on our profit margins and results of operations. In addition, there can be no assurance that the third party distribution programs will continue to distribute the Funds. At December 31, 2010, approximately 94% of the NTF program net assets in the Gabelli/GAMCO families of funds are attributable to two NTF programs. The decision by these third party distribution programs to discontinue distribution of the funds, or a decision by us to withdraw one or more of the funds from the programs, could have an adverse effect on our growth of AUM.

Possibility of losses associated with underwriting, trading and market-making activities.

Our underwriting and trading activities are primarily conducted through our subsidiary, Gabelli & Company, primarily as agent. Such activities subject our capital to significant risks of loss. The risks of loss include those resulting from ownership of securities, extension of credit, leverage, liquidity, counterparty failure to meet commitments, client fraud, employee errors, misconduct and fraud (including unauthorized transactions by traders), failures in connection with the processing of securities transactions and litigation. We have procedures and internal controls to address such risks, but there can be no assurance that these procedures and controls will prevent losses from occurring.

We may have liability as a general partner or otherwise with respect to our alternative investment products.

Certain of our subsidiaries act as general partner for investment partnerships, including arbitrage, event-driven long/short, sector focused and merchant banking limited partnerships. As a general partner of these partnerships, we may be held liable for the partnerships' liabilities in excess of their ability to pay such liabilities. In addition, in certain circumstances, we may be liable as a control person for the acts of our investment partnerships. As of December 31, 2010, our AUM included approximately \$515 million in investment partnerships. A substantial adverse judgment or

other liability with respect to our investment partnerships could have a material adverse effect on us.

Operational risks may disrupt our businesses, result in regulatory action against us or limit our growth.

We face operational risk arising from errors made in the execution, confirmation or settlement of transactions or from transactions not being properly recorded, evaluated or accounted for. Our business is highly dependent on our ability to process, on a daily basis, transactions across markets in an efficient and accurate manner. Consequently, we rely heavily on our financial, accounting and other data processing systems. If any of these systems do not operate properly or are disabled, we could suffer financial loss, a disruption of our businesses, liability to clients, regulatory intervention or reputational damage.

Dependence on information systems.

We operate in an industry that is highly dependent on its information systems and technology. We outsource a significant portion of our information systems operations to third parties who are responsible for providing the management, maintenance and updating of such systems. There can be no assurance, however, that our information systems and technology will continue to be able to accommodate our growth or that the cost of maintaining such outsourcing arrangements will not increase from its current level. Such a failure to accommodate growth, or an increase in costs related to these information systems, could have a material adverse effect on us.

Our credit ratings affect our borrowing costs.

Our borrowing costs and our access to the debt capital markets depend significantly on our credit ratings. A reduction in our credit ratings could increase our borrowing costs and may limit our access to increased capital resources.

We face exposure to litigation and arbitrage claims within our business.

The volume of litigation and arbitrage claims against financial services firms and the amount of damages claimed has increased over the past several years. The types of claims that we may face are varied. For example, we may face claims against us for purchasing securities that are inconsistent with a client's investment objectives or guidelines, in connection with the operation of the Funds or arising from an employment dispute. The risk of litigation is difficult to assess or quantify, and may occur years after the activities or events at issue. Even if we prevail in a legal action brought against us, the costs alone of defending against the action could have a material adverse effect on us.

Compliance failures and changes in regulation could adversely affect us.

Our investment management activities are subject to client guidelines, and our Mutual Fund business involves compliance with numerous investment, asset valuation, distribution and tax requirements. A failure to adhere to these guidelines or satisfy these requirements could result in losses which could be recovered by the client from us in certain circumstances. There can be no assurance that the precautions and procedures that we have instituted and installed or the insurance we maintain to protect ourselves in case of client losses will protect us from potential liabilities.

Our businesses are subject to extensive regulation in the United States, including by the SEC, FINRA and the FSA in the UK. We are also subject to the laws of non-U.S. jurisdictions and non-U.S. regulatory agencies or bodies. Our failure to comply with applicable laws or regulations could result in fines, suspensions of personnel or other sanctions, including revocation of our subsidiaries' registrations as an investment advisor or broker-dealer. Changes in laws or regulations or in governmental policies could have a material adverse effect on us. The regulatory matters described in the "Regulatory Matters" section above or other regulatory or compliance matters could also have a material adverse effect on us.

Our reputation is critical to our success.

Our reputation is critical to maintaining and developing relationships with our clients, Mutual Fund shareholders and third party intermediaries. In recent years, there have been a number of well-publicized cases involving fraud, conflicts of interest or other misconduct by individuals in the financial services industry. Misconduct by our staff, or even unsubstantiated allegations, could result not only in direct financial harm but also harm to our reputation, causing injury to the value of our brands and our ability to retain or attract AUM. In addition, in certain circumstances, misconduct on the part of our clients or other parties could damage our reputation. Harm to our reputation could have a material adverse effect on us.

We face strong competition from numerous and sometimes larger companies.

We compete with numerous investment management companies, stock brokerage and investment banking firms, insurance companies, banks, savings and loan associations and other financial institutions. Continuing consolidation in the financial services industry has created stronger competitors with greater financial resources and broader distribution channels than our own. Additionally, competing securities dealers whom we rely upon to distribute our mutual funds also sell their own proprietary funds and investment products, which could limit the distribution of our investment products. To the extent that existing or potential customers, including securities dealers, decide to invest in or distribute the products of our competitors, the sales of our products as well as our market share, revenues and net income could decline.

Fee pressures could reduce our profit margins.

There has been a trend toward lower fees in some segments of the investment management industry. In order for us to maintain our fee structure in a competitive environment, we must be able to provide clients with investment returns and service that will encourage them to be willing to pay such fees. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that we will be able to maintain our current fee structure. Fee reductions on existing or future new business could have an adverse impact on our profit margins and results of operations.

Risks Related to the Company

The disparity in the voting rights among the classes of shares may have a potential adverse effect on the price of our Class A Stock.

The holders of Class A Stock and Class B Stock have identical rights except that (i) holders of Class A Stock are entitled to one vote per share, while holders of Class B Stock are entitled to ten votes per share on all matters to be voted on by shareholders in general, and (ii) holders of Class A Stock are not eligible to vote on matters relating exclusively to Class B Stock and vice versa. The differential in voting rights and the ability of our company to issue additional Class B Stock could adversely affect the value of the Class A Stock to the extent the investors, or any potential future purchaser of our company, view the superior voting rights of the Class B Stock to have value. On November 30, 2007, Class A Stock shareholders approved a referendum for the Board of Directors to consider the conversion and reclassification of our shares of Class B Stock into Class A Stock at a ratio of 1.15 shares of Class A Stock for each share of Class B Stock.

Future sales of our Class A Stock in the public market or sales or distributions of our Class B Stock could lower our stock price, and any additional capital raised by us through the sale of equity or convertible securities may dilute our stockholders' ownership in us.

We may sell additional shares of Class A Stock in subsequent public offerings. We also may issue additional shares of Class A Stock or convertible debt securities. In addition, sales by our current shareholders could be perceived negatively.

No prediction can be made as to the effect, if any, that future sales or distributions of Class B Stock owned by GGCP Holdings LLC will have on the market price of the Class A Stock prevailing from time to time. Sales or distributions of substantial amounts of Class A or Class B Stock, or the perception that such sales or distributions could occur, could adversely affect the prevailing market price for the Class A Stock.

ITEM 1B: UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

#### **ITEM 2: PROPERTIES**

As of December 31, 2010, we leased our principal offices which consisted of a single 60,000 square foot building located at 401 Theodore Fremd Avenue, Rye, New York which expires on December 31, 2023. The lease was extended for 15 years out in October 2008. This building was leased in December 1997 (prior to our 1999 IPO) from an entity controlled by members of Mr. Gabelli's immediate family. For 2010, 2009 and 2008 we paid approximately \$1.1 million, \$1.1 million and \$890,000, respectively, or \$18.15, \$18.00 and \$14.83 per square foot, respectively,

under this lease. 5,000 square feet was subleased to entities under the control of Mr. Gabelli including Teton and LICT Corp. We receive rental payments under the sublease agreements, which totaled approximately \$179,000, \$181,000 and \$151,000 in 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and were used to offset operating expenses incurred for the property. The lease is a net net lease, which provides that in addition to the lease payments, all operating expenses related to the property, which are estimated at \$860,000 annually, are to be paid by us.

We have also entered into leases for office space in both the U.S. and overseas principally for portfolio management, research, sales and marketing personnel. These offices are generally less than 4,000 square feet and leased for periods of five years or less.

#### ITEM 3: LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

From time to time, the Company is named in legal actions and proceedings. These actions may seek substantial or indeterminate compensatory as well as punitive damages or injunctive relief. The Company is also subject to governmental or regulatory examinations or investigations. The examinations or investigations could result in adverse judgments, settlements, fines, injunctions or other relief. The Company cannot predict the ultimate outcome of such matters. The consolidated financial statements include the necessary provision for losses that are deemed to be probable and estimable. In the opinion of management, the resolution of such claims will not be material to the financial condition of the Company.

#### ITEM 4: SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

Reserved.

PART II

# ITEM 5: MARKET FOR THE REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Our shares of Class A Stock are traded on the NYSE under the symbol GBL.

As of February 1, 2011, there were 167 Class A Stockholders of record and 24 Class B Stockholders of record. These figures do not include stockholders with shares held under beneficial ownership in nominee name, which are estimated to be approximately 3,000.

The following table sets forth the high and low prices of our Class A Stock for each quarter of 2010 and 2009 as reported by the NYSE.

| Quarter   |         |         |
|-----------|---------|---------|
| Ended     | High    | Low     |
|           |         |         |
| March 31, |         |         |
| 2010      | \$49.82 | \$38.97 |
| June 30,  |         |         |
| 2010      | 48.46   | 34.94   |
| September |         |         |
| 30, 2010  | 41.27   | 33.63   |
| December  |         |         |
| 31, 2010  | 50.85   | 37.99   |
|           |         |         |
| March 31, |         |         |
| 2009      | 36.38   | 25.13   |
| June 30,  |         |         |
| 2009      | 55.25   | 31.93   |
| September |         |         |
| 30, 2009  | 49.37   | 42.56   |
| December  |         |         |
| 31, 2009  | \$53.00 | \$41.62 |
|           |         |         |

In 2008, we paid \$2.02 per share in dividends to our shareholders. This included four quarterly dividends of \$0.03 per share on March 28, 2008, June 27, 2008, September 30, 2008, and December 30, 2008, respectively, to all shareholders of record on March 14, 2008, June 13, 2008, September 16, 2008, and December 16, 2008, respectively. We also paid special dividends of \$1.00 and \$0.90 per share, respectively, to all of our shareholders, payable on September 16, 2008 and December 23, 2008, respectively, to shareholders of record on September 2, 2008 and December 9, 2008, respectively.

In 2009, we paid \$2.13 per share in dividends to our shareholders. This included four quarterly dividends of \$0.03 per share on March 31, 2009, June 30, 2009, September 29, 2009, and December 29, 2009, respectively, to all shareholders of record on March 17, 2009, June 16, 2009, September 15, 2009, and December 15, 2009, respectively. We also paid a special dividend of \$2.00 per share to all of our shareholders, payable on December 15, 2009 to shareholders of record on December 1, 2009. Additionally, we distributed the shares of Teton that the Company owned on March 20, 2009 to shareholders of record on March 10, 2009 that had an initial value of approximately \$0.01 per GBL share.

In 2010, we paid \$1.82 per share in cash dividends to our shareholders. This included four quarterly dividends of \$0.03 per share on March 30, 2010, June 29, 2010, September 28, 2010, and December 28, 2010, respectively, to all shareholders of record on March 16, 2010, June 15, 2010, September 14, 2010, and December 14, 2010, respectively. We also paid two special cash dividends of \$0.90 per share and \$0.80 per share to all of our shareholders, payable on September 14, 2010 and December 31, 2010, respectively, to shareholders of record on August 31, 2010 and December 15, 2010, respectively. Additionally, we paid a special dividend of \$3.20 of principal per share in the form of a five-year, zero coupon subordinated debenture due 2015 to all of our shareholders, payable on December 31, 2010 to shareholders of record on December 15, 2010. For dividend accounting purposes, the Company used a value of \$2.21 per share for the subordinated debenture.

As of December 31, 2010, since the Offering, we have returned \$591.2 million in total to shareholders of which \$313.2 million was in the form of dividends and \$278.0 million was through buybacks.

The following table provides information with respect to the shares of our Class A Stock we repurchased during the three months ended December 31, 2010:

|            |             |               | Total Number     |              |
|------------|-------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
|            |             |               | of               | Maximum      |
|            |             |               | Shares           | Number of    |
|            | Total       | Average       | Repurchased as   | Shares       |
|            |             | Price Paid    |                  | That May Yet |
|            | Number of   | Per           | Part of Publicly | Be           |
|            |             |               | Announced        | Purchased    |
|            | Shares      | Share, net of | Plans            | Under        |
|            |             |               |                  | the Plans or |
| Period     | Repurchased | Commissions   | or Programs      | Programs     |
| 10/01/10 - |             |               |                  |              |
| 10/31/10   | -           | \$ -          | -                | 784,136      |
| 11/01/10 - |             |               |                  |              |
| 11/30/10   | 17,384      | 41.98         | 17,384           | 766,752      |
| 12/01/10 - |             |               |                  |              |
| 12/31/10   | 242,419     | 47.86         | 242,419          | 524,333      |
| Totals     | 259,803     | \$ 47.46      | 259,803          |              |
|            |             |               |                  |              |

In 1999, the Board of Directors established the stock repurchase program. Our stock repurchase program is not subject to an expiration date.

We are required to provide a comparison of the cumulative total return on our Class A Stock as of December 31, 2010 with that of a broad equity market index and either a published industry index or a peer group index selected by us. The following chart compares the return on the Class A Stock with the return on the S&P 500 Index and an index comprised of public asset managers ("Peer group index"). The comparison assumes that \$100 was invested in the Class A Stock and in each of the named indices, including the reinvestment of dividends, on December 31, 2005. This chart is not intended to forecast future performance of our common stock.

|                  | Dec.   | Dec.   | Dec.   | Dec.  | Dec.   | Dec.   |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
|                  | 31,    | 31,    | 31,    | 31,   | 31,    | 31,    |
|                  | 2005   | 2006   | 2007   | 2008  | 2009   | 2010   |
| GAMCO            |        |        |        |       |        |        |
| Investors, Inc.  | 100.00 | 88.62  | 162.65 | 67.95 | 125.79 | 139.17 |
| Peer group index | 100.00 | 115.97 | 132.01 | 62.74 | 101.78 | 117.15 |
| S&P 500 Index    | 100.00 | 115.79 | 122.16 | 76.96 | 97.33  | 111.99 |

The following table shows information regarding outstanding options and shares reserved for future issuance under our equity compensation plans as of December 31, 2010.

|                     | Number of<br>Securities<br>to be |    |                            |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|----|----------------------------|
|                     | Issued upon Exercise of          | We | ighted-Average<br>Exercise |
|                     |                                  |    | Price of                   |
|                     | Outstanding                      |    | Outstanding                |
|                     | Options,                         |    | Options,                   |
| Plan Category       | Warrants and Rights              | •  | Warrants and<br>Rights     |
| Equity              | C                                |    | Č                          |
| compensation        |                                  |    |                            |
| plans approved      |                                  |    |                            |
| by security         |                                  |    |                            |
| holders:            |                                  |    |                            |
| Stock options       | 90,900                           | \$ | 36.93                      |
| Restricted stock    | 123,100                          |    | n/a                        |
| awards              |                                  |    |                            |
| Equity              |                                  |    |                            |
| compensation        |                                  |    |                            |
| plans not approved  |                                  |    |                            |
| by security holders | -0-                              |    | -0-                        |
| Total               | 214,000                          |    |                            |

The number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in the first column above) are 800,075. All stock options and restricted stock awards ("RSAs") are recommended by the Company's Chairman, whom has never received either stock options or RSAs since the Company went public.

ITEM 6: SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

#### General

The selected historical financial data presented below has been derived in part from, and should be read in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" included in Item 7 and "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" included in Item 8 of this report.

|                        | Year Ended December 31, |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
|------------------------|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|--|--|--|
|                        | 2010                    | 2009       | 2008       | 2007       | 2006           |  |  |  |
| Income Statement Data  | (in                     |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| thousands) (unaudited) |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| Revenues               |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| Investment             |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| advisory and           |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| incentive fees \$      | 3 231,269               | \$ 178,713 | \$ 204,293 | \$ 250,410 | \$ 227,005     |  |  |  |
| Institutional          |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| research services      | 16,600                  | 16,715     | 16,129     | 15,729     | 12,619         |  |  |  |
| Distribution fees      |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| and other income       | 32,511                  | 22,686     | 24,590     | 26,230     | 21,839         |  |  |  |
| Total revenues         | 280,380                 | 218,114    | 245,012    | 292,369    | 261,463        |  |  |  |
| Expenses:              |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| Compensation           |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| costs                  | 123,840                 | 92,859     | 102,840    | 120,036    | 102,411        |  |  |  |
| Management fee         | 12,013                  | 9,758      | 4,086      | 14,463     | 13,236         |  |  |  |
| Distribution costs     | 31,048                  | 24,339     | 25,090     | 28,500     | 25,366         |  |  |  |
| Other operating        |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| expenses               | 22,450                  | 18,948     | 27,979     | 26,203     | 44,103         |  |  |  |
| Total expenses         | 189,351                 | 145,904    | 159,995    | 189,202    | 185,116        |  |  |  |
|                        |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| Operating income       | 91,029                  | 72,210     | 85,017     | 103,167    | 76,347         |  |  |  |
| Other income           |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| (expense), net         |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| Net gain/(loss)        |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| from investments       | 24,391                  | 25,558     | (52,299)   | 6,147      | 35,613         |  |  |  |
| Interest and           |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| dividend income        | 5,905                   | 3,425      | 13,136     | 32,497     | 35,506         |  |  |  |
| Interest expense       | (11,984)                | (13,290)   | (9,441 )   | (12,040)   | (14,477)       |  |  |  |
| Total other            |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| income (expense),      |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| net                    | 18,312                  | 15,693     | (48,604)   | 26,604     | 56,642         |  |  |  |
| Income before          |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| income taxes           | 109,341                 | 87,903     | 36,413     | 129,771    | 132,989        |  |  |  |
| Income tax             | 20.226                  | 0.1 = 6.1  | 10.000     | 40.740     | <b>7</b> 0.040 |  |  |  |
| provision              | 39,326                  | 31,761     | 12,323     | 49,548     | 50,848         |  |  |  |
| Net income             | 70,015                  | 56,142     | 24,090     | 80,223     | 82,141         |  |  |  |
| Net income (loss)      |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| attributable to        |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |
| noncontrolling         |                         |            |            |            |                |  |  |  |

| interests                    |          | 1,223       |        | 609           |          | (776     | )       | 654           |          | 10,214              |
|------------------------------|----------|-------------|--------|---------------|----------|----------|---------|---------------|----------|---------------------|
| Net income                   |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| attributable to              |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| GAMCO                        |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| Investors,<br>Inc.'s         |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| shareholders                 | \$       | 68,792      |        | \$ 55,533     | \$       | 24,866   |         | \$ 79,569     |          | \$ 71,927           |
| Shareholders                 | Ψ        | 00,772      |        | Ψ 33,333      | Ψ        | 24,000   |         | Ψ 17,507      |          | Ψ /1,72/            |
| Net income                   |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| attributable to              |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| GAMCO                        |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| Investors,                   |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| Inc.'s                       |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| shareholders per             |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| share:<br>Basic              | Φ        | 2.55        |        | \$ 2.03       | ¢        | 0.80     |         | \$ 2.83       |          | \$ 2.52             |
| Diluted                      | \$<br>\$ | 2.52        |        | \$ 2.03       |          | 0.89     |         | \$ 2.83       |          | \$ 2.32<br>\$ 2.49  |
| Diluted                      | φ        | 2.32        |        | \$ 2.02       | Ф        | 0.09     |         | \$ 2.19       |          | φ 2. <del>4</del> 9 |
| Weighted average             |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| shares outstanding:          |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| Basic                        |          | 26,959      |        | 27,345        |          | 27,805   |         | 28,142        |          | 28,542              |
| Diluted                      |          | 28,348      |        | 28,214        |          | 27,841   |         | 29,129        |          | 29,525              |
|                              |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| Actual shares                |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| outstanding at December 31st |          | 27.052      | (2)    | 27.605        | (0)      | 27.746   | (2)     | 20 446        | (0)      | 20 241              |
| December 31st                |          | 27,053      | (a)    | 27,605        | (a)      | 27,746   | (a)     | 28,446        | (a)      | 28,241              |
| Dividends declared           |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |
| per share:                   | \$       | 5.02        |        | \$ 2.13       | \$       | 2.02     |         | \$ 1.12       |          | \$ 0.12             |
| (a) Includes unvested        | RS       | As of 123,1 | 00, 36 | 50,100, 369,9 | 00 and 3 | 82,400 a | t Decen | nber 31, 2010 | ), 2009, | 2008 and            |
| 2007, respectively.          |          |             |        |               |          |          |         |               |          |                     |

|                             |               |               | De | cember 31,  |               |               |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|----|-------------|---------------|---------------|
|                             | 2010          | 2009          |    | 2008        | 2007          | 2006          |
|                             |               |               |    |             |               |               |
| Balance Sheet Data (in      |               |               |    |             |               |               |
| thousands) (unaudited)      |               |               |    |             |               |               |
| Total assets                | \$<br>672,736 | \$<br>707,809 | \$ | 697,634     | \$<br>757,580 | \$<br>837,231 |
| Long-term obligations       | 163,762       | 204,116       |    | 204,095     | 152,133       | 234,593       |
| Other liabilities and       |               |               |    |             |               |               |
| noncontrolling interest     | 119,366       | 60,032        |    | 48,598      | 98,342        | 145,659       |
| Total liabilities and       |               |               |    |             |               |               |
| noncontrolling interest     | 283,128       | 264,148       |    | 252,693     | 250,475       | 380,252       |
| Total equity                | \$<br>389,608 | \$<br>443,661 | \$ | 444,941     | \$<br>507,105 | \$<br>456,979 |
|                             |               |               |    |             |               |               |
|                             |               |               |    |             |               |               |
|                             |               |               | De | ecember 31, |               |               |
|                             | 2010          | 2009          |    | 2008        | 2007          | 2006          |
|                             |               |               |    |             |               |               |
| Assets Under Management     |               |               |    |             |               |               |
| (unaudited)                 |               |               |    |             |               |               |
| (at year end, in millions): |               |               |    |             |               |               |
| Mutual Funds                | \$<br>18,339  | \$<br>14,806  | \$ | 11,438      | \$<br>16,797  | \$<br>14,528  |
| Institutional & PWM         |               |               |    |             |               |               |
| Separate Accounts           |               |               |    |             |               |               |
| Direct                      | 11,031        | 9,338         |    | 6,883       | 10,732        | 10,332        |
| Sub-advisory                | 2,637         | 1,897         |    | 1,585       | 2,584         | 2,340         |
| Investment Partnerships     | 515           | 305           |    | 295         | 460           | 491           |
| Total                       | \$<br>32,522  | \$<br>26,346  | \$ | 20,201      | \$<br>30,573  | \$<br>27,691  |
|                             |               |               |    |             |               |               |

# ITEM 7: MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and the notes thereto included in Item 8 to this report.

#### Introduction

Our revenues are highly correlated to the level of AUM and fees associated with our various investment products, rather than our own corporate assets. AUM, which are directly influenced by the level and changes of the overall equity markets, can also fluctuate through acquisitions, the creation of new products, the addition of new accounts or the loss of existing accounts. Since various equity products have different fees, changes in our business mix may also affect revenues. At times, the performance of our equity products may differ markedly from popular market indices, and this can also impact our revenues. It is our belief that general stock market trends will have the greatest impact on our level of AUM and hence, revenues.

As of December 31, 2010, we had \$32.5 billion of AUM. We conduct our investment advisory business principally through: GAMCO (Institutional and Private Wealth Management), Funds Advisor (Mutual Funds) and GSI (Investment Partnerships). We also act as an underwriter and are a distributor of our open-end mutual funds and provide institutional research services through Gabelli & Company, our broker-dealer subsidiary.

#### Overview

#### Consolidated Statements of Income

Investment advisory and incentive fees, which are based on the amount and composition of AUM in our Mutual Funds, Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts and Investment Partnerships, represent our largest source of revenues. In addition to the general level and trends of the stock market, growth in revenues depends on good investment performance, which influences the value of existing AUM as well as contributes to higher investment and lower redemption rates and facilitates the ability to attract additional investors while maintaining current fee levels. Growth in AUM is also dependent on being able to access various distribution channels, which is usually based on several factors, including performance and service. Historically, we have depended primarily on direct distribution of our products and services but since 1995 have participated in third party distribution programs, including NTF programs. A majority of our cash inflows to mutual fund products have come through these channels since 1998. In recent years, we have been engaged to act as a sub-advisor for other much larger financial services companies with much larger sales distribution organizations. A substantial portion of the cash flows into our Institutional and Private Wealth Management business has come through this channel. These sub-advisory clients are subject to business combinations that may result in the termination of the relationship. The loss of a sub-advisory relationship could have a significant impact on our financial results in the future.

Advisory fees from the open-end funds, closed-end funds and sub-advisory accounts are computed daily or weekly based on average net assets. Advisory fees from Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients are generally computed quarterly based on account values as of the end of the preceding quarter. Management fees from Investment Partnerships are computed either monthly or quarterly. These revenues are highly correlated to the stock market and can vary in direct proportion to movements in the stock market and the level of sales compared with redemptions, financial market conditions and the fee structure for AUM. Revenues derived from the equity-oriented portfolios generally have higher management fee rates than fixed income portfolios.

Revenues from Investment Partnerships also generally include an incentive allocation on the absolute gain in a portfolio or a fee of 20% of the economic profit, as defined in the partnership agreement. We recognize revenue only when the measurement period has been completed and when the incentive fees have been earned. We also receive fulcrum fees from certain Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients, which are based upon meeting or exceeding specific benchmark index or indices. These fees are recognized at the end of the stipulated contract period for the respective account. Management fees on assets attributable to a majority of the closed-end preferred shares are earned at year-end if the total return to common shareholders of the closed-end fund for the calendar year exceeds the dividend rate of the preferred shares. These fees are recognized at the end of the measurement period.

Institutional research services revenues consist of brokerage commissions derived from securities transactions executed on an agency basis on behalf of mutual funds, institutional and private wealth management clients as well as investment banking revenue, which consists of underwriting profits, selling concessions and management fees associated with underwriting activities. Commission revenues vary directly with account trading activity and new account generation. Investment banking revenues are directly impacted by the overall market conditions, which affect the number of public offerings which may take place.

Distribution fees and other income primarily include distribution fee revenue earned in accordance with Rule 12b-1 of the Company Act, as amended, along with sales charges and underwriting fees associated with the sale of the Mutual Funds plus other revenues. Distribution fees fluctuate based on the level of AUM and the amount and type of Mutual Funds sold directly by Gabelli & Company or through various distribution channels.

Compensation costs include variable and fixed compensation and related expenses paid to officers, portfolio managers, sales, trading, research and all other professional staff. Distribution costs include marketing, product distribution and promotion costs. Management fee is incentive-based and entirely variable compensation in the amount of 10% of the aggregate pre-tax profits which is paid to Mr. Gabelli or his designee for acting as CEO pursuant to his amended Employment Agreement so long as he is an executive of GBL and devoting the substantial majority of his working time to the business. Other operating expenses includes general and administrative operating costs and clearing charges and fees for Gabelli & Company's brokerage operation.

Other income and expenses include net gains and losses from investments (which includes both realized and unrealized gains and losses from trading securities and equity in earnings of investments in partnerships), interest and dividend income, and interest expense. Net gains and losses from investments is derived from our proprietary investment portfolio consisting of various public and private investments.

Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests represents the share of net income attributable to the minority stockholders, as reported on a separate company basis, of our consolidated majority-owned subsidiaries and net income attributable to third party limited partners of certain partnerships and offshore funds we consolidate. Please refer to Notes D and E in our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this report.

#### Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition

We ended the 2010 year with approximately \$583.7 million in gross adjusted cash and investments, which includes \$29.9 million of cash and investments held by our consolidated investment partnerships. Of this amount, \$169.6 million were cash and cash equivalents, primarily our 100% U.S. Treasury Money Market Fund, a net amount of \$151.1 million was invested in common stocks, \$27.3 million was invested in U.S. Treasury obligations, \$82.9 million was invested in partnerships, \$45.1 million in net receivable from brokers and \$5.5 million in other types of investments. This also included approximately \$102.3 million of our available for sale ("AFS") securities, consisting of investments in The Gabelli Dividend & Income Trust, The GDL Fund, and Westwood Holdings Group and various other Gabelli and GAMCO open-end funds. We had gross adjusted cash and investments, net of debt and noncontrolling interest, of \$14.53 per share on December 31, 2010 compared with \$15.75 per share on December 31, 2009. We caution that this metric, while correct from a mathematical point of view, is not always the same as investors would view cash-on-hand and is a Non-GAAP measure.

| (in millions, except per   |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| share data)                | 12/31/2010 |
| Cash and cash equivalents  | \$ 169.6   |
| Investments (trading)      | 266.7      |
| Total cash and             |            |
| investments (trading)      | 436.3      |
| Net amounts receivable     |            |
| from/(payable to) brokers  | 45.1       |
| Adjusted cash and          |            |
| investments (trading)      | 481.4      |
| Investments (available for |            |
| sale)                      | 102.3      |
|                            |            |

| Gross adjusted cash and    |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| investments                | 583.7       |
| Less: Debt, noncontrolling |             |
| interests and mandatorily  |             |
| redeemable shares          | 190.6       |
| Total adjusted cash and    |             |
| investments                | \$<br>393.1 |
| Shares outstanding         | 27.1        |
| Total adjusted cash and    |             |
| investments per share      | \$<br>14.53 |

Our debt consisted of \$99 million of 5.5% senior notes due May 2013 and \$59.6 million in zero coupon subordinated debentures (principal amount of \$86.4 million) due December 31, 2015, which were dividended to shareholders on December 31, 2010.

Equity, excluding noncontrolling interest, was \$386.0 million or \$14.27 per share on December 31, 2010 compared to \$439.6 million or \$15.93 per share on December 31, 2009. The decrease in equity from the end of 2009 was principally related to the declaration of dividends of \$109.0 million and the purchase of treasury stock of \$30.2 million during 2010 partially offset by a \$75.1 million increase in total comprehensive income.

Our liquid balance sheet, coupled with an investment grade credit rating, provides us access to financial markets and the flexibility to opportunistically add operating resources to our firm, repurchase our stock and consider strategic initiatives. As a result of a shelf registration statement which was filed with the SEC and became effective in August 2009, we have the ability to issue any combination of senior and subordinate debt securities, convertible debt securities and equity securities (common and/or preferred securities) up to a total amount of \$400 million.

Our primary goal is to use our liquid resources to opportunistically and strategically convert our interest income to operating income. While this goal is a priority, if opportunities are not present with what we consider a margin of safety, we will consider alternatives to return capital to our shareholders including stock repurchase and dividends.

Assets Under Management Highlights (unaudited)

We reported assets under management as follows (dollars in millions):

| Year Ended December 31, |           |           |           |           |           |             |           |   |  |  |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|---|--|--|
|                         |           |           |           |           |           | % Inc (Dec) |           |   |  |  |
|                         |           |           |           |           |           | CAGR        |           |   |  |  |
|                         | 2010      | 2009      | 2008      | 2007      | 2006      | (a)         | 2010/2009 |   |  |  |
| Equities:               |           |           |           |           |           |             |           |   |  |  |
| Open-End                | \$ 11,252 | \$ 8,476  | \$ 6,139  | \$ 9,345  | \$ 7,988  | 8.5 %       | 32.8      | % |  |  |
| Closed-End              | 5,471     | 4,609     | 3,792     | 6,341     | 5,806     | 1.5         | 18.7      |   |  |  |
| Institutional &         |           |           |           |           |           |             |           |   |  |  |
| PWM direct              | 11,005    | 9,312     | 6,861     | 10,708    | 10,282    | 2.9         | 18.2      |   |  |  |
| Institutional &         |           |           |           |           |           |             |           |   |  |  |
| PWM                     |           |           |           |           |           |             |           |   |  |  |
| sub-advisory            | 2,637     | 1,897     | 1,585     | 2,584     | 2,340     | (1.4)       | 39.0      |   |  |  |
| Investment              |           |           |           |           |           |             |           |   |  |  |
| Partnerships            | 515       | 305       | 295       | 460       | 491       | (4.1)       | 68.9      |   |  |  |
| Total Equities          | 30,880    | 24,599    | 18,672    | 29,438    | 26,907    | 3.8         | 25.5      |   |  |  |
| Fixed Income:           |           |           |           |           |           |             |           |   |  |  |
| Money-Market            |           |           |           |           |           |             |           |   |  |  |
| Fund                    | 1,616     | 1,721     | 1,507     | 1,111     | 734       | 17.4        | (6.1      | ) |  |  |
| Institutional &         |           |           |           |           |           |             |           |   |  |  |
| PWM                     | 26        | 26        | 22        | 24        | 50        | (20.9)      | -         |   |  |  |
| Total Fixed             |           |           |           |           |           |             |           |   |  |  |
| Income                  | 1,642     | 1,747     | 1,529     | 1,135     | 784       | 15.2        | (6.0      | ) |  |  |
| Total AUM               | \$ 32,522 | \$ 26,346 | \$ 20,201 | \$ 30,573 | \$ 27,691 | 4.3 %       | 23.4      | % |  |  |

(a) The % compound annual growth rate ("CAGR") is computed for the five-year period January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2010.

Our net cash inflows or outflows by product line were as follows (in millions):

|              | Year End | ded Decer | nber 31, |
|--------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| (unaudited)  | 2010     | 2009      | 2008     |
| Equities:    |          |           |          |
| Mutual Funds | \$ 1,178 | \$ 461    | \$ (652) |
|              | (534)    | 310       | 31       |

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| I.,                   |       |           |             |
|-----------------------|-------|-----------|-------------|
| Institutional &       |       |           |             |
| PWM direct            |       |           |             |
| Institutional &       |       |           |             |
| PWM                   |       |           |             |
| sub-advisory          | 190   | (183)     | 136         |
| Investment            |       |           |             |
| Partnerships          | 170   | (25)      | (144)       |
| <b>Total Equities</b> | 1,004 | 563       | (629)       |
| Fixed Income:         |       |           |             |
| Money-Market          |       |           |             |
| Fund                  | (106) | 210       | 377         |
| Institutional &       |       |           |             |
| PWM                   | -     | 4         | (3)         |
| Total Fixed           |       |           |             |
| Income                | (106) | 214       | 374         |
|                       |       |           |             |
| Total Net Cash        |       |           |             |
| In (Out) Flows \$     | 898   | \$<br>777 | \$<br>(255) |

Net inflows in 2010 and 2009 totaled \$898 million and \$777 million, respectively, compared to net outflows of \$255 million in 2008.

Total net inflows from equities products were approximately \$1.0 billion in 2010, and net outflows from fixed income products were \$106 million in 2010.

Our net appreciation and depreciation by product line were as follows (in millions):

|                             | Yea         | r End | led Dece | ember | 31,      |    |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------|----------|-------|----------|----|
| (unaudited)                 | 2010        |       | 2009     |       | 2008     |    |
| Equities:                   |             |       |          |       |          |    |
| Mutual Funds                | \$<br>2,460 | \$    | 2,693    | \$    | (5,518   | )  |
| Institutional & PWM direct  | 2,227       |       | 2,141    |       | (3,878   | )  |
| Institutional & PWM         |             |       |          |       |          |    |
| sub-advisory                | 550         |       | 495      |       | (720     | )  |
| Investment Partnerships     | 40          |       | 35       |       | (21      | )  |
| Total Equities              | 5,277       |       | 5,364    |       | (10, 13) | 7) |
| Fixed Income:               |             |       |          |       |          |    |
| Money-Market Fund           | 1           |       | 4        |       | 19       |    |
| Institutional & PWM         | -           |       | -        |       | 1        |    |
| Total Fixed Income          | 1           |       | 4        |       | 20       |    |
|                             |             |       |          |       |          |    |
| Total Net                   |             |       |          |       |          |    |
| Appreciation/(Depreciation) | \$<br>5,278 | \$    | 5,368    | \$    | (10,11   | 7) |

Note: \$415 million was reclassified from Equities: Institutional & PWM sub-advisory to Equities: Mutual Funds during 2008 resulting from the purchase of the Gabelli Enterprise Mergers and Acquisition Fund advisory contract.

AUM was \$32.5 billion as of December 31, 2010, 23.4% above December 31, 2009 AUM of \$26.3 billion. Equity AUM were \$30.9 billion on December 31, 2010, 25.5% above the \$24.6 billion on December 31, 2009.

- Our open-end equity fund AUM were \$11.3 billion on December 31, 2010, 32.8% above the \$8.5 billion on December 31, 2009.
- Our Institutional and Private Wealth Management business ended the year with \$13.6 billion in separately managed accounts, 21.4% higher than the \$11.2 billion on December 31, 2009.
- Our closed-end equity funds had AUM of \$5.5 billion on December 31, 2010, 18.7% above the \$4.6 billion on December 31, 2009.
  - AUM in The Gabelli U.S. Treasury Fund, our 100% U.S. Treasury money market fund, declined slightly to \$1.6 billion at December 31, 2010 from \$1.7 billion on December 31, 2009.
- We have the opportunity to earn incentive fees for certain institutional client assets, preferred issues for our closed-end funds, common shares of The GDL Fund (NYSE: GDL) and investment partnership assets. As of December 31, 2010, assets with incentive fee opportunities were \$3.7 billion, 32.1% higher than the \$2.8 billion on December 31, 2009.
- Our Investment Partnerships AUM were \$515 million on December 31, 2010 versus \$305 million on December 31, 2009.

Operating Results for the Year Ended December 31, 2010 as Compared to the Year Ended December 31, 2009

#### Revenues

Total revenues were \$280.4 million in 2010, \$62.3 million or 28.6% higher than the total revenues of \$218.1 million in 2009. The change in total revenues by revenue component was as follows (in millions):

|                     | Y    | ear Ended | Decen | iber 31. |    | Increase (decrease) |        |       |   |  |  |
|---------------------|------|-----------|-------|----------|----|---------------------|--------|-------|---|--|--|
| (unaudited)         | 2010 |           |       | 2009     |    |                     | (3.7.7 | %     |   |  |  |
| Investment advisory |      |           |       |          |    |                     |        |       |   |  |  |
| and incentive fees  | \$   | 231.3     | \$    | 178.7    | \$ | 52.6                |        | 29.4  | % |  |  |
| Institutional       |      |           |       |          |    |                     |        |       |   |  |  |
| research services   |      | 16.6      |       | 16.7     |    | (0.1)               | )      | (0.6) | ) |  |  |
| Distribution fees   |      |           |       |          |    |                     |        |       |   |  |  |
| and other income    |      | 32.5      |       | 22.7     |    | 9.8                 |        | 43.2  |   |  |  |
| Total revenues      | \$   | 280.4     | \$    | 218.1    | \$ | 62.3                |        | 28.6  | % |  |  |

Investment Advisory and Incentive Fees: Investment advisory and incentive fees, which comprised 82.5% of total revenues in 2010, are directly influenced by the level and mix of AUM. At December 31, 2010, AUM were \$32.5 billion, a 23.4% increase from prior year-end AUM of \$26.3 billion. Our equity AUM were \$30.9 billion on December 31, 2010, or 25.5% higher, than the \$24.6 billion on December 31, 2009. We experienced increases in assets in open-end and closed-end equity funds of \$3.6 billion, in Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts of \$2.4 billion and in our investment partnerships of \$210 million. Our fixed income assets decreased 6.1% to \$1.6 billion at year-end 2010 from \$1.7 billion at the end of 2009. The primary driver in this decrease were net outflows of \$0.1 billion.

Mutual fund revenues increased \$30.0 million or 25.8%, driven by higher average AUM. Revenue from open-end funds increased \$23.5 million or 32.2% from the prior year as average AUM in 2010 increased \$2.6 billion, or 30.2%, to \$11.2 billion from the \$8.6 billion in 2009. Closed-end fund revenues increased \$6.5 million, or 15.1%, to \$49.6 million from the prior year. The increase was primarily attributable to higher average AUM of \$4.9 billion during 2010 as compared with \$4.0 billion during 2009, offset slightly by a \$2.6 million decline in fulcrum fee revenue on The GDL Fund. Revenue from Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts, which are generally billed on beginning quarter AUM, increased \$20.8 million, or 36.0%, principally due to higher billable asset levels and an increase of \$6.3 million in fulcrum fees earned on certain accounts. In 2010, average assets in our equity Institutional and Private Wealth Management business increased \$2.7 billion or 29.4% for the year to \$11.9 billion.

Total advisory fees from Investment Partnerships increased to \$6.4 million in 2010 from \$4.7 million in 2009. Incentive allocations and fees from investment partnerships, which generally represent 20% of the economic profit, increased to \$3.6 million in 2010 compared to \$2.7 million in 2009 and management fees were \$2.8 million in 2010 increasing \$0.8 million from the \$2.0 million in 2009.

Institutional Research Services: Institutional research services revenues in 2010 were \$16.6 million, a \$0.1 million or 0.6% decrease from \$16.7 million in 2009. Institutional research services revenues derived from transactions on behalf of our Mutual Funds and Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients totaled \$12.5 million, or approximately 75% of total institutional research services revenues in 2010.

Distribution Fees and Other Income: Distribution fees and other income increased \$9.8 million, or 43.2%, to \$32.5 million in 2010 from \$22.7 million in 2009. The increase was primarily due to higher distribution fees of \$29.0 million in 2010 versus \$20.8 million for the prior year, principally as a result of increased average AUM in our open-end equity mutual funds of 37.4%.

# Expenses

Compensation: Our business model from inception in 1977 is to try to payout approximately 40% of revenues to portfolio managers and sales people. Total compensation costs, which are largely variable in nature, increased approximately \$30.9 million, or 33.3%, to \$123.8 million in 2010 from \$92.9 million in 2009. Variable compensation costs increased \$21.9 million to \$83.3 million in 2010 from \$61.5 million in 2009 and as a percent of revenues to 29.7% in 2010 compared to 28.2% in 2009 due to the higher marginal payout on incentive fees. Variable compensation is driven by revenue levels which increased in 2010 from 2009. Fixed compensation costs increased to \$40.5 million in 2010 from \$31.4 million in 2009 largely driven by the acceleration of the 2007 RSA grant during the fourth quarter of 2010 that added a \$5.5 million non-cash charge that would have been taken in 2011 and 2012.

Management Fee: Management fee expense is incentive-based and entirely variable in the amount of 10% of the aggregate pre-tax profits which is paid to Mr. Gabelli (or his designee) for acting as CEO pursuant to his 2008 Employment Agreement so long as he is an executive of GBL and devoting the substantial majority of his working time to the business. In accordance with his 2008 Employment Agreement, Mr. Gabelli chose to allocate 20% or \$2.4 million of his management fee to an employee of the Company in 2010. In 2010 management fee expense increased 22.4% to \$12.0 million versus \$9.8 million in 2009.

Distribution Costs: Distribution costs, which include marketing, promotion and distribution costs increased \$6.7 million to \$31.0 million from \$24.3 million, or 27.6%, in 2010 from the 2009 period as average open-end mutual funds AUM increased 29.1%.

Other Operating Expenses: Our other operating expenses were \$22.5 million in 2010 compared to \$18.9 million in 2009. The largest contributors to the increase were increases in legal expenses of \$2.7 million and charitable contributions of \$0.3 million.

### Other Income and Expense

Total other income (expense) (which represents primarily investment income from our proprietary investments), net of interest expense, was \$18.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2010 compared to \$15.7 million in 2009.

Net gain/(loss) from investments was \$24.4 million in 2010 as compared to \$25.6 million in 2009.

Interest and dividend income was \$5.9 million in 2010 compared to \$3.4 million in 2009. The increase of \$2.5 million was due to an increase of \$3.2 million of dividend income offset by a reduction of interest income of \$733,000 due to lower average balances in our cash and cash equivalent holdings.

Interest expense decreased \$1.3 million to \$12.0 million in 2010, from \$13.3 million in 2009. The decrease was primarily due to the repurchases of the \$40 million 2011 Notes and the \$60 million 2018 Notes during the course of 2010.

#### **Income Taxes**

The effective tax rate was 36.0% for the year ended December 31, 2010, versus 36.1% for the year ended December 31, 2009.

# Noncontrolling interest

Noncontrolling interest was an expense of \$1.2 million in 2010 compared to \$609,000 in 2009. The increase was primarily due to increased earnings at our 93%-owned subsidiary, GSI in 2010 as compared to 2009.

#### Net Income

Net income for 2010 was \$68.8 million or \$2.52 per fully diluted share versus \$55.5 million or \$2.02 per fully diluted share for 2009.

### Operating Margin

For the full year ended December 31, 2010, the operating margin before management fee was 36.8% versus 37.6% in the prior year. Operating margin after management fee was 32.5% for the full year ended December 31, 2010 compared to 33.1% in the prior year because of the impact of the other income (expense) on the management fee. The acceleration of RSAs in 2010, impacted operating margin negatively by a non-cash charge of \$5.8 million or 2.0% of margin.

# Shareholder Compensation and Initiatives

During 2010, we returned \$139.2 million of our earnings to shareholders through dividends and our stock repurchases. We returned \$1.82 per share in cash dividends (\$49.4 million) to our common shareholders in 2010, which included four quarterly dividends of \$0.03 per share on March 30, 2010, June 29, 2010, September 28, 2010, and December 28, 2010 to all shareholders of record on March 16, 2010, June 15, 2010, September 14, 2010, and December 14, 2010, respectively. We also paid two special cash dividends of \$0.90 per share and \$0.80 per share to all of our shareholders, payable on September 14, 2010 and December 31, 2010, respectively, to shareholders of record on August 31, 2010 and December 15, 2010, respectively. Additionally, we paid a special dividend of \$59.6

million (\$3.20 of principal per share or \$86.4 million) in the form of a five-year, zero coupon subordinated debenture due 2015 to all of our shareholders, payable on December 31, 2010 to shareholders of record on December 15, 2010. During 2009, we returned \$65.8 million of our earnings to shareholders through dividends and our stock repurchases. We returned \$2.13 per share in dividends (\$58.8 million) to our common shareholders in 2009, which included four quarterly dividends of \$0.03 per share on March 31, 2009, June 30, 2009, September 29, 2009, and December 29, 2009 to all shareholders of record on March 17, 2009, June 16, 2009, September 15, 2009, and December 15, 2009, respectively. We also paid a special dividend of \$2.00 per share to all of our shareholders, on December 15, 2009 to shareholders of record on December 1, 2009. Additionally, we distributed the shares of Teton that the Company owned on March 20, 2009 to shareholders of record on March 10, 2009 that had an initial value of approximately \$0.01 per GBL share. Through our stock buyback program, we repurchased 684,003 and 156,500 shares in 2010 and 2009, respectively, for a total of approximately \$30.2 million and \$7.0 million, respectively or \$44.15 and \$44.91 per share, respectively. Approximately 524,000 shares remain authorized under our stock buyback program at December 31, 2010.

Weighted average shares outstanding on a diluted basis in 2010 were 28.3 million and included approximately 1.1 million shares from the assumed conversion of the 6% convertible note and from the assumed conversion of the 6.5% convertible note for the full year 2010. During 2010, we issued 53,850 shares from the exercise of stock options and 88,800 RSAs. RSAs affect weighted average shares for diluted earnings per share but not for basic earnings per share. See Note I to the financial statements for details.

At December 31, 2010, we had 90,900 options outstanding to purchase our Class A Stock and 123,100 RSAs which were granted under our Stock Award and Incentive Plans (the "Plans"). The allocation of the options and RSAs was recommended by the Company's Chairman who did not receive options or an RSA award.

Operating Results for the Year Ended December 31, 2009 as Compared to the Year Ended December 31, 2008

#### Revenues

Total revenues were \$218.1 million in 2009, \$26.2 million or 10.7% lower than the total revenues of \$245.0 million in 2008. The change in total revenues by revenue component was as follows (in millions):

| Year Ended December |     |       |  |    |       |    |                     |       |    |  |  |  |
|---------------------|-----|-------|--|----|-------|----|---------------------|-------|----|--|--|--|
|                     | 31, |       |  |    |       |    | Increase (decrease) |       |    |  |  |  |
| (unaudited)         |     | 2009  |  |    | 2008  | \$ |                     | %     |    |  |  |  |
| Investment advisory |     |       |  |    |       |    |                     |       |    |  |  |  |
| and incentive fees  | \$  | 178.7 |  | \$ | 204.3 | \$ | (25.6)              | (12.5 | %) |  |  |  |
| Institutional       |     |       |  |    |       |    |                     |       |    |  |  |  |
| research services   |     | 16.7  |  |    | 16.1  |    | 0.6                 | 3.7   |    |  |  |  |
| Distribution fees   |     |       |  |    |       |    |                     |       |    |  |  |  |
| and other income    |     | 22.7  |  |    | 24.6  |    | (1.9)               | (7.7  | )  |  |  |  |
| Total revenues      | \$  | 218.1 |  | \$ | 245.0 | \$ | (26.9)              | (11.0 | %) |  |  |  |

Investment Advisory and Incentive Fees: Investment advisory and incentive fees, which comprised 81.9% of total revenues in 2009, are directly influenced by the level and mix of AUM. At December 31, 2009, AUM were \$26.3 billion, a 30.2% increase from prior year-end AUM of \$20.2 billion. Our equity AUM were \$24.6 billion on December 31, 2009, or 31.6% higher, than the \$18.7 billion on December 31, 2008. We experienced increases in assets in open-end and closed-end funds of \$3.4 billion, in Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts of \$2.8 billion and in our investment partnerships of \$10 million. Our fixed income assets increased 13.3% to \$1.7 billion at year-end 2009 from \$1.5 billion at the end of 2008. The primary driver in this increase were net inflows of \$214 million.

Mutual fund revenues decreased \$13.1 million or 10.1%, driven by lower average AUM. Revenue from open-end funds decreased \$15.7 million or 17.7% from the prior year as average AUM in 2009 declined \$1.4 billion to \$7.3 billion from the \$8.7 billion in 2008. Closed-end fund revenues increased \$2.6 million, or 6.4%, from the prior year to \$43.1 million. The increase was primarily attributable to the fulcrum fee revenue on the majority of the preferred shares AUM in 2009 of \$14.6 million as compared to none in 2008 and offset partially due to lower average AUM in 2009 as compared to 2008. Revenue from Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts, which are generally billed on beginning quarter AUM, decreased \$14.5 million, or 20.1%, principally due to lower billable asset levels, and partially offset by an increase in fulcrum fees earned on certain accounts. In 2009, average assets in our equity Institutional and Private Wealth Management business decreased \$2.0 billion or 17.9% for the year to \$9.2 billion.

Total advisory fees from Investment Partnerships increased to \$4.7 million in 2009 from \$2.7 million in 2008. Incentive allocations and fees from investment partnerships, which generally represent 20% of the economic

profit, increased to \$2.7 million in 2009 compared to \$34,000 in 2008 while management fees were \$2.0 million in 2009 down from \$2.7 million in 2008.

Institutional Research Services: Institutional research services revenues in 2009 were \$16.7 million, a \$586,000 or 3.7% increase from \$16.1 million in 2008. Institutional research services revenues derived from transactions on behalf of our Mutual Funds and Institutional and Private Wealth Management clients totaled \$12.8 million, or approximately 77% of total institutional research services revenues in 2009.

Distribution Fees and Other Income: Distribution fees and other income decreased 7.7%, or \$1.9 million, to \$22.7 million in 2009 from 2008. The decrease was primarily due to lower distribution fees of \$20.8 million in 2009 versus \$23.8 million for the prior year, principally as a result of decreased average AUM in our open-end equity mutual funds of 15.4%.

# Expenses

Compensation: Our business model from inception in 1977 is to try to payout approximately 40% of revenues to portfolio managers and sales people. Total compensation costs, which are largely variable in nature, decreased approximately \$9.9 million, or 9.6%, to \$92.9 million in 2009 from \$102.8 million in 2008. Variable compensation costs decreased \$9.8 million to \$61.5 million in 2009 from \$71.3 million in 2008 and as a percent of revenues to 28.2% in 2009 compared to 29.1% in 2008. The variable compensation is driven by revenue levels which declined in 2009 from 2008. Fixed compensation costs declined slightly to \$31.4 million in 2009 from \$31.5 million in 2008.

Management Fee: Management fee expense is incentive-based and entirely variable compensation in the amount of 10% of the aggregate pre-tax profits which is paid to Mr. Gabelli (or his designee) for acting as CEO pursuant to his amended Employment Agreement so long as he is an executive of GBL and devoting the substantial majority of his working time to the business. In accordance with his amended employment agreement, Mr. Gabelli chose to allocate \$4.0 million of his management fee to certain other employees of the Company in 2009. In 2009 management fee expense increased 139.0% to \$9.8 million versus \$4.1 million in 2008.

Distribution Costs: Distribution costs, which include marketing, promotion and distribution costs decreased \$751,000 to \$24.3 million from \$25.1 million, or 3.2%, in 2009 from the 2008 period.

Other Operating Expenses: Our other operating expenses were \$18.9 million in 2009 compared to \$28.0 million in 2008. The largest contributors to the decline were reductions in clearing charges of \$2.0 million, administrative fees of \$1.1 million, legal expenses of \$1.0 million and accounting of \$709,000. Also, included in 2008 was a write down of an intangible asset of \$1.5 million related to an advisory contract.

# Other Income and Expense

Total other income (expense) (which represents primarily investment income from our proprietary investments), net of interest expense, was \$15.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to a loss of \$48.6 million in 2008.

Net gain/(loss) from investments was income of \$25.6 million in 2009 as compared to a loss of \$52.3 million in 2008. 2008 included an impairment charge of \$17.4 million from losses on available for sale securities deemed from an accounting point of view to be other than temporary.

Interest and dividend income was \$3.4 million in 2009 compared to \$13.1 million in 2008. Dividend income was lower by \$3.1 million as a result of more distributions being classified as return of capital as opposed to income on our investments. Interest income was lower by \$6.6 million due to lower interest rates on our cash and cash equivalent holdings.

Interest expense increased \$3.9 million to \$13.3 million in 2009, from \$9.4 million in 2008. The increase was primarily due to the issuance of the \$60 million convertible note during October 2008.

#### **Income Taxes**

The effective tax rate was 36.1% for the year ended December 31, 2009, versus 33.8% for the year ended December 31, 2008. The increase was primarily the result of revisions to uncertain tax position accruals in the prior year and lower dividend received deductions in the current year.

# Noncontrolling interest

Noncontrolling interest was an expense of \$608,000 in 2009 compared to an income of \$774,000 in 2008. The increase was primarily due to gains at our 93%-owned subsidiary, GSI in 2009 as compared to losses in 2008.

# Net Income

Net income for 2009 was \$55.5 million or \$2.02 per fully diluted share versus \$24.9 million or \$0.89 per fully diluted share for 2008.

# Operating Margin

For the full year ended December 31, 2009, the operating margin before management fee was 37.6% versus 36.4% in the prior year. Operating margin after management fee was 33.1% for the full year ended December 31, 2009 compared to 34.7% in the prior year because of the impact of the other income (expense) on the management fee.

#### Shareholder Compensation and Initiatives

During 2009, we returned \$65.8 million of our earnings to shareholders through dividends and our stock repurchases. We returned \$2.13 per share in dividends (\$58.8 million) to our common shareholders in 2009, which included four quarterly dividends of \$0.03 per share on March 31, 2009, June 30, 2009, September 29, 2009, and December 29, 2009 to all shareholders of record on March 17, 2009, June 16, 2009, September 15, 2009, and December 15, 2009, respectively. We also paid a special dividend of \$2.00 per share to all of our shareholders, on December 15, 2009 to shareholders of record on December 1, 2009. Additionally, we distributed the shares of Teton that the Company owned on March 20, 2009 to shareholders of record on March 10, 2009 that had a value of approximately \$0.01 per GBL share. During 2008, we returned \$95.6 million of our earnings to shareholders through dividends and our stock repurchases. We returned \$2.02 per share in dividends (\$56.2 million) to our common shareholders in 2008, which included four quarterly dividends of \$0.03 per share on March 28, 2008, June 27, 2008, September 30, 2008, and December 30, 2008, to all shareholders of record on March 14, 2008, June 13, 2008, September 16, 2008, and December 16, 2008, respectively. We also paid special dividends of \$1.00 per share to all of our shareholders, on September 16, 2008 to shareholders of record on September 2, 2008 and \$0.90 per share to all of our shareholders, on December 23, 2008 to shareholders of record on December 9, 2008. Through our stock buyback program, we repurchased 156,500 and 896,525 shares in 2009 and 2008, respectively, for a total of approximately \$7.0 million and \$39.4 million, respectively or \$44.91 and \$43.93 per share, respectively. Approximately 708,000 shares remain authorized under our stock buyback program on December 31, 2009.

Weighted average shares outstanding on a diluted basis in 2009 were 28.2 million and included approximately 755,000 shares from the assumed conversion of the 6% convertible note but did not include any shares from the assumed conversion of the 6.5% convertible note for the full year 2009, under the applicable accounting methodology used to compute dilution, the 6.5% convertible note was anti-dilutive. The full number of shares which may be issued upon conversion of the 6.5% convertible note is approximately 897,000. During 2009, we issued 25,425 shares from the exercise of stock options and 15,000 RSAs. RSAs affect weighted average shares for diluted earnings per share but not for basic earnings per share. See Note I to the financial statements for details.

At December 31, 2009, we had 144,750 options outstanding to purchase our Class A Stock and 360,100 RSAs which were granted under our Stock Award and Incentive Plans (the "Plans"). The allocation of the options and RSAs was recommended by the Company's Chairman who did not receive options or an RSA award.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our principal assets consist of cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, securities held for investment purposes and investments in mutual funds, and investment partnerships and offshore funds, both proprietary and external. Cash and cash equivalents are comprised primarily of United States Treasury securities with maturities of three months or less and money market funds managed by GAMCO. Short-term investments are comprised primarily of United States Treasury securities with maturities between three months and one year. Although the investment partnerships and offshore funds are for the most part illiquid, the underlying investments of such partnerships or funds are for the most part liquid, and the valuations of these products reflect that underlying liquidity.

Summary cash flow data is as follows:

|                                   | Year 1         | Ende  | ed Decembe | r 31 | ,        |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------|------------|------|----------|
|                                   | 2010           | 2009  |            | 2008 |          |
| (unaudited)                       |                | (in t | housands)  |      |          |
| Cash flows provided by (used in): |                |       |            |      |          |
| Operating activities              | \$<br>(80,030) | \$    | 131,793    | \$   | 183,443  |
| Investing activities              | 67,186         |       | (55,250)   |      | 16,631   |
| Financing activities              | (155,816)      |       | (69,531)   |      | (36,312) |

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| (Decrease) increase in cash and cash      |               |    |         |               |   |
|---|---------------|----|---------|---------------|---|
| equivalents                               | (168,666      | 0) | 7,012   | 163,762       |   |
| Effect of exchange rates on cash and cash |               |    |         |               |   |
| equivalents                               | (9            | )  | 84      | (298          | ) |
| Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash  |               |    |         |               |   |
| equivalents                               | (168,669)     | 9) | 7,096   | 163,464       |   |
| Net decrease in cash from consolidated    |               |    |         |               |   |
| partnerships and offshore funds           | -             |    | -       | (609          | ) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning    |               |    |         |               |   |
| of year                                   | 338,270       | )  | 331,174 | 168,319       |   |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year  | \$<br>169,601 | \$ | 338,270 | \$<br>331,174 |   |

Cash and liquidity requirements have historically been met through cash generated by operating income and our borrowing capacity. At December 31, 2010, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$169.6 million, a decrease of \$168.7 million from the prior year-end primarily due to the Company's operating and financing activities.

Net cash used in operating activities was \$80.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. The most significant contributor to the lower cash provided by operating activities for 2010 as compared to 2009 was the increase in investments in trading securities. Net cash provided by operating activities was \$131.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2009. The most significant contributors to the lower cash provided by operating activities for 2009 as compared to 2008 were the increase in investment advisory fees receivable and increase in receivable from brokers.

Net cash provided by investing activities of \$67.2 million in 2010 is due to a decrease in restricted cash of \$62.3 million as the collateral underlying the Cascade escrow account during 2010 was released and no longer considered restricted while during 2009 the collateral was invested in treasury bills with maturities of less than three months and considered cash equivalents. Additionally, there were purchases of available for sale securities of \$157,000, proceeds from sales of available for sale securities of \$2.1 million and return of capital from available for sale securities of \$3.0 million. Net cash used in investing activities of \$55.3 million in 2009 was due to increase in restricted cash of \$55.1 million as the collateral underlying the Cascade escrow account during 2009 had been invested in treasury bills with maturities of three month or less and are classified as cash and cash equivalents while during 2008 the collateral was invested in treasury bills with maturities of greater than three months and considered investments in securities. Additionally, there were purchases of available for sale securities of \$8.2 million, proceeds from sales of available for sale securities of \$4.3 million and return of capital from available for sale securities of \$3.7 million.

Net cash used in financing activities of \$155.8 million in 2010 principally resulted from the repayment of both the 2011 Notes and the 2018 Notes of \$100.4 million, repurchase of our Class A Stock under the Stock Repurchase Program of \$30.2 million and dividends paid of \$50.6 million offset by contributions of \$25.1 million from redeemable non-controlling interests. Net cash used in financing activities of \$69.5 million in 2009 principally resulted from the repurchase of our Class A Stock under the Stock Repurchase Program of \$7.0 million and dividends paid of \$58.8 million.

Under the terms of the Rye office lease, we are obligated to make minimum total payments of \$14.1 million through December 2023.

We continue to maintain our investment grade ratings which we have received from two ratings agencies, Moody's Investors Services and Standard and Poor's Ratings Services. We believe that our ability to maintain our investment grade ratings will provide greater access to the capital markets, enhance liquidity and lower overall borrowing costs. As of December 31, 2010 we have debt outstanding of \$99 million of 5.5% senior notes due May 15, 2013 and \$59.6 million of zero coupon subordinated debentures due December 15, 2015 (with a face value of \$86.4 million). In addition to the \$169.6 million in cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2010, we also had \$414.1 million in investments in securities, investments in partnerships and receivable from brokers, net of securities sold not yet purchased and payables to brokers. On a per share basis at December 31, 2010 we had \$14.53 in cash and investments, net of debt and noncontrolling interest.

Gabelli & Company is registered with the SEC as a broker-dealer and is regulated by FINRA. As such, it is subject to the minimum net capital requirements promulgated by the SEC. Gabelli & Company Inc.'s ("Gabelli & Company") net capital has historically exceeded these minimum requirements. Gabelli & Company computes its net capital under the alternative method permitted by the SEC, which requires minimum net capital of \$250,000. As of December 31, 2010 and 2009, Gabelli & Company had net capital, as defined, of approximately \$11.2 million and \$18.8 million, respectively, exceeding the regulatory requirement by approximately \$11.0 million and \$18.6 million, respectively. Regulatory net capital requirements increase when Gabelli & Company is involved in underwriting activities.

Our subsidiary, GAMCO Asset Management (UK) Limited is a registered member of the Financial Services Authority. In connection with this registration in the United Kingdom, we have a minimum Liquid Capital Requirement of £267,000, (\$413,000 at December 31, 2010) and an Own Funds Requirement of €50,000 (\$66,000 at

December 31, 2010). We have consistently met or exceeded these minimum requirements.

#### Market Risk

Our primary market risk exposure is to changes in equity prices and interest rates. Since over 95% of our AUM are equities, our financial results are subject to equity-market risk as revenues from our money management services are directly correlated to changes in the stock market and are sensitive to other stock market dynamics. In addition, returns from our proprietary investment portfolio are exposed to interest rate and equity market risk.

The Company's Chief Investment Officer oversees the proprietary investment portfolios and allocations of proprietary capital among the various strategies. The Chief Investment Officer and the Board of Directors review the proprietary investment portfolios throughout the year. Additionally, the Company has a risk committee which monitors the proprietary investment portfolios to ensure that they are in compliance with the Company's guidelines.

# **Equity Price Risk**

With respect to our proprietary investment activities, included in investments in securities of \$305.5 million and \$157.4 million at December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively, were investments in United States Treasury Bills and Notes of \$27.3 million and \$0 million, respectively, mutual funds, largely invested in equity products, of \$66.7 million and \$63.7 million, respectively, a selection of common and preferred stocks totaling \$209.5 million and \$93.1 million, respectively, and other investments of approximately \$2.0 million and \$585,000, respectively. Investments in mutual funds generally have lower market risk through the diversification of financial instruments within their portfolio. In addition, we may alter our investment holdings from time to time in response to changes in market risks and other factors considered appropriate by management. Of the approximately \$209.5 million and \$93.1 million, invested in common and preferred stocks at December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively, \$37.1 million and \$34.3 million, respectively, was related to our investment in Westwood Holdings Group Inc., and \$24.8 million and \$24.6 million, respectively, was invested in risk arbitrage opportunities in connection with mergers, consolidations, acquisitions, tender offers or other similar transactions. Securities sold, not yet purchased are financial instruments purchased under agreements to resell and financial instruments sold under agreement to repurchase. These financial instruments are stated at fair value and are subject to market risks resulting from changes in price and volatility. At December 31, 2010 and 2009, the fair value of securities sold, not yet purchased was \$19.3 million and \$9.6 million, respectively. Investments in partnerships and affiliates totaled \$82.9 million and \$62.7 million at December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively, the majority of which consisted of investment partnerships and offshore funds which invest in risk arbitrage opportunities. These transactions generally involve announced deals with agreed upon terms and conditions, including pricing, which typically involve less market risk than common stocks held in a trading portfolio. The principal risk associated with risk arbitrage transactions is the inability of the companies involved to complete the transaction.

The following table provides a sensitivity analysis for our investments in equity securities and partnerships and affiliates which invest primarily in equity securities, excluding arbitrage products for which the principal exposure is to deal closure and not overall market conditions, as of December 31, 2010. The sensitivity analysis assumes a 10% increase or decrease in the value of these investments (in thousands):

|                        |    |          | Fa | air Value | Fa          | air Value |  |  |
|------------------------|----|----------|----|-----------|-------------|-----------|--|--|
|                        |    |          | a  | ssuming   | a           | ssuming   |  |  |
|                        |    |          |    | 10%       |             | 10%       |  |  |
|                        |    |          | de | crease in | increase in |           |  |  |
|                        |    |          |    | equity    |             | equity    |  |  |
| (unaudited)            | Fa | ir Value |    | prices    | prices      |           |  |  |
| At December 31, 2010:  |    |          |    |           |             |           |  |  |
| Equity price sensitive |    |          |    |           |             |           |  |  |
| investments, at fair   |    |          |    |           |             |           |  |  |
| value                  | \$ | 359,699  | \$ | 323,729   | \$          | 395,669   |  |  |
| At December 31, 2009:  |    |          |    |           |             |           |  |  |
| Equity price sensitive |    |          |    |           |             |           |  |  |
| investments, at fair   |    |          |    |           |             |           |  |  |
| value                  | \$ | 206,978  | \$ | 186,280   | \$          | 227,676   |  |  |

During 2010, the Company reallocated approximately \$119 million of capital from cash equivalents to investments in securities and investments in partnerships, including Gabelli Associates Limited II E and GAMCO Strategic Value Fund, a Luxembourg SICAV.

The Company earns substantially all of its revenue as advisory fees from our Mutual Fund, Institutional and Private Wealth Management, and Investment Partnership assets. Such fees represent a percentage of assets under management and the majority of these assets are in equity investments. Accordingly, since revenues are proportionate to the value of those investments, a substantial increase or decrease in equity markets overall will have a corresponding effect on the Company's revenues.

Investment advisory fees for mutual funds and sub-advisory relationships are based on average daily or weekly asset values. Advisory fees earned on Institutional and Private Wealth Management assets, for any given quarter, are generally determined based on asset values at the beginning of a quarter with any significant increases or decreases in market value of assets managed which occur during a quarter resulting in a relative increase or decrease in revenues for the following quarter.

Investment Partnership advisory fees are computed based on monthly or quarterly asset values. The incentive allocation or fee of 20% of the economic profit from Investment Partnerships is impacted by changes in the market prices of the underlying investments of these products and is not recognized until the end of the measurement period.

#### Interest Rate Risk

Our exposure to interest rate risk results, principally, from our investment of excess cash in U.S. Government securities. These investments are primarily short term in nature, and the carrying value of these investments generally approximates fair value.

#### Commitments and Contingencies

We are obligated to make future payments under various contracts such as debt agreements and capital and operating lease agreements. The following table sets forth our significant contractual cash obligations as of December 31, 2010 (in thousands):

|                   | Total         | 2011        | ,       | 2012  |   | 2013          | 2014        | 2015         | T  | hereafter |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------|---------|-------|---|---------------|-------------|--------------|----|-----------|
| Contractual       |               |             |         |       |   |               |             |              |    |           |
| Obligations:      |               |             |         |       |   |               |             |              |    |           |
| 5.5% Senior notes | \$<br>99,000  | \$<br>-     | \$<br>5 | -     | 9 | \$<br>99,000  | \$<br>-     | \$<br>-      | \$ | -         |
| Interest on 5.5%  |               |             |         |       |   |               |             |              |    |           |
| senior notes      | 13,386        | 5,445       |         | 5,445 |   | 2,496         | -           | -            |    | -         |
| Zero coupon       |               |             |         |       |   |               |             |              |    |           |
| Subordinated      |               |             |         |       |   |               |             |              |    |           |
| debentures        | 86,373        | -           |         | -     |   | -             | -           | 86,373       |    | -         |
| Capital lease     |               |             |         |       |   |               |             |              |    |           |
| obligations       | 14,064        | 1,104       |         | 1,080 |   | 1,080         | 1,080       | 1,080        |    | 8,640     |
| Non-cancelable    |               |             |         |       |   |               |             |              |    |           |
| operating         | -             |             |         |       |   |               |             |              |    |           |
| lease obligations | 567           | 369         |         | 131   |   | 67            | -           | -            |    | -         |
| Total             | \$<br>213,390 | \$<br>6,918 | \$<br>5 | 6,656 | 9 | \$<br>102,643 | \$<br>1,080 | \$<br>87,453 | \$ | 8,640     |

In June 2006, GBL and Cascade agreed to amend the terms of the 6% Convertible Note due August 14, 2011 ("2011 Note"). Effective September 15, 2006, the rate on the 2011 Note increased from 5% to 6% while the conversion price was raised to \$53 per share from \$52 per share. In addition, the exercise date of Cascade's put option was extended to May 15, 2007, the expiration date of the related letter of credit was extended to May 22, 2007 and a call option was included giving GBL the right to redeem the 2011 Note at 101% of its principal amount together with all accrued but unpaid interest thereon upon at least 30 days prior written notice, subject to certain provisions. On April 18, 2007, the Company and Cascade amended the terms of the 2011 Note, to extend the exercise date for Cascade's put option from May 15, 2007 to December 17, 2007 and to extend the expiration date of the related letter of credit to December 24, 2007. The put option expired on December 17, 2007, the related letter of credit expired on December 24, 2007, and the collateral securing the letter of credit was released and became unrestricted company assets as of that date. On January 3, 2008, GBL filed a Form S-3 to register the resale of shares of GBL by Cascade. On January 22, 2008, Cascade elected to convert \$10 million of the 2011 Note into 188,697 Class A Stock GBL shares. Cascade requested that the remaining \$40 million face value of notes be segregated into eight notes each with a face value of \$5 million each. On May 28, 2010, the Company repurchased \$20 million of the 2011 Note at 101% of par value plus accrued but unpaid interest from Cascade. The redemption was accounted for as an extinguishment and resulted in a loss of approximately \$256,000 which was included in interest and other expense on the consolidated statements of income. On September 30, 2010, the Company redeemed the remaining \$20 million of the 2011 Note at 101% of par value plus accrued but unpaid interest. The redemption was accounted for as an extinguishment and resulted in a loss of approximately \$241,000 which was included in interest and other expense on the consolidated statements of income.

On October 2, 2008, GBL privately placed a \$60 million convertible promissory note maturing October 2, 2018 ("2018 Note") with Cascade. The 2018 Note had an interest rate of 6.5% per annum and was convertible into shares of the Company's Class A Stock at an initial conversion price of \$70 per share. The terms of the 2018 Note called for adjusting the conversion price upon certain circumstances, including the payment of dividends in excess of \$1.12 in any twelve month period. With the payment of the \$2.00 dividend on December 15, 2009, the conversion price of the 2018 Note was changed to \$66.89. In connection with the issuance of the 2018 Note, the Company set up an escrow

account with an initial sum of \$61.95 million, and was disclosed as restricted assets on the Statements of Financial Condition. The Company was required to repurchase the 2018 Note at the request of the holder on specified dates and after certain circumstances as specified in the 2018 Note. On September 2, 2010, the Company and Cascade agreed to extend the exercise date of Cascade's put option on the 2018 Note from October 2, 2010 to November 3, 2010 and to extend the escrow agreement that was entered into in connection with the 2018 Note. On September 30, 2010, Cascade exercised their put option on the 2018 Note with respect to the entire \$60 million. On October 13, 2010, Cascade was paid \$60.1 million of principal and accrued but unpaid interest, and the escrow agreement relating to the 2018 Note was terminated by mutual consent between the Company and Cascade. The remaining funds in the escrow account were no longer restricted and were sent to the Company. The repayment was accounted for as an extinguishment of debt with no gain or loss recorded.

The capital lease contains an escalation clause tied to the change in the New York Metropolitan Area Consumer Price Index which may cause the future minimum payments to exceed \$1,080,000 annually. Any increases to the base rental will be accounted for prospectively.

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

We are the General Partner or co-General Partner of various limited partnerships whose underlying assets consist primarily of marketable securities.

Our income from these limited partnerships consists of our share of the management fees and the 20% incentive allocation from the limited partners. We also receive our pro-rata return on any investment made in the limited partnership. We earned management fees of \$2.1 million, \$1.5 million and \$1.7 million in 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and incentive fees of \$2.2 million, \$1.8 million and \$0.1 million in 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Our pro-rata gain on investments in these limited partnerships totaled \$2.1 million and \$1.3 million in 2010 and 2009, respectively, as compared to a pro-rata loss of \$0.9 million in 2008.

We do not invest in any other off-balance sheet vehicles that provide financing, liquidity, market or credit risk support or engage in any leasing activities that expose us to any liability that is not reflected on the Consolidated Financial Statements.

# **Critical Accounting Policies**

In the ordinary course of business, we make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reporting of results of operations and financial condition in the preparation of our financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. We base our estimates on historical experience, when available, and on other various assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates under different assumptions and conditions.

We believe the critical assumptions and estimates are those applied to revenue recognition, the accounting for and valuation of investments in securities, partnerships, and offshore funds, goodwill and other long-lived intangibles, income taxes, and stock based compensation accounting.

Major Revenue-Generating Services and Revenue Recognition

The Company's revenues are derived primarily from investment advisory and incentive fees, institutional research services and distribution fees.

Investment advisory and incentive fees are directly influenced by the level and mix of AUM as fees are derived from a contractually-determined percentage of AUM for each account as well as fulcrum fees earned on certain accounts. Advisory fees from the open-end mutual funds, closed-end funds and sub-advisory accounts are computed daily or weekly based on average net assets and amounts receivable are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition. Advisory fees from Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts are generally computed quarterly based on account values as of the end of the preceding quarter, and amounts receivable are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition. Management fees from investment partnerships and offshore funds are computed either monthly or quarterly, and amounts receivable are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition. The Company derived approximately 83%, 82% and 83% of its total revenues from advisory and management fees for the periods ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. These revenues vary depending upon the level of sales compared with redemptions, financial market conditions, performance and the fee structure for AUM. Revenues derived from the equity-oriented portfolios generally have higher management fee rates than fixed income portfolios.

Revenues from investment partnerships and offshore funds also generally include an incentive allocation on the absolute gain in a portfolio or a fee of 20% of the economic profit as defined in the partnership agreement. The incentive allocation or fee is recognized at the end of the measurement period, and amounts receivable are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition. There were \$3.7 million and \$2.7 million in incentive allocations or fees receivable as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The Company also receives fulcrum fees from certain Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts, which are based upon meeting or exceeding specific benchmark index or indices. These fees are recognized at the end of the stipulated contract period for the respective account, and receivables due from fulcrum fees earned are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition. There was \$8.4 million and \$3.1 million in fulcrum fees receivable as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Management fees on a majority of the closed-end preferred shares are received at year-end if the total return to common shareholders of the closed-end fund for the calendar year exceeds the dividend rate of the preferred shares. These fees are recognized at the end of the measurement period. Receivables due on management fees on closed-end preferred shares are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition. There were \$8.7 million in management fees receivable on closed-end preferred shares as of both December 31, 2010 and 2009. For The GDL Fund, there is a performance fee earned as of the end of the calendar year if the total return of the fund is in excess of the T-Bill Index total return. This fee is recognized at the end of the measurement period. Receivables due on performance fees relating to The GDL Fund are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition and were \$3.3 million and \$5.9 million as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Gabelli & Company, Inc. provides institutional research services and earns brokerage commission revenues and sales manager fees on a trade-date basis from securities transactions executed on an agency basis on behalf of institutional clients and mutual funds, private wealth management clients and retail customers of affiliated companies. It has also been involved in syndicated underwriting activities that included public equity and debt offerings managed by major investment banks. Underwriting fees include underwriting revenues and syndicate profits and are accrued as earned. Underwriting fees include gains, losses, selling concessions and fees, net of syndicate expenses, arising from securities offerings in which the Company acts as underwriter or agent. It provides institutional investors and investment partnerships with investment ideas on numerous industries and special situations, with a particular focus on small-cap and mid-cap companies. Commission revenue and related clearing charges are recorded on a trade-date basis and are included in commission revenue and other operating expenses, respectively, on the consolidated statements of income.

Distribution fees revenues are derived primarily from the distribution of Gabelli and GAMCO open-end mutual funds ("Funds") advised by a subsidiary of GBL, Funds Advisor and a subsidiary of GGCP, Teton. Gabelli & Company, distributes our open-end Funds pursuant to distribution agreements with each Fund. Under each distribution agreement with an open-end Fund, Gabelli & Company offers and sells such open-end Fund shares on a continuous basis and pays all of the costs of marketing and selling the shares, including printing and mailing prospectuses and sales literature, advertising and maintaining sales and customer service personnel and sales and services fulfillment systems, and payments to the sponsors of third party distribution programs, financial intermediaries and Gabelli & Company's sales personnel. Gabelli & Company receives fees for such services pursuant to distribution plans adopted under provisions of Rule 12b-1. Gabelli & Company is the principal underwriter for funds distributed in multiple classes of shares which carry either a front-end or back-end sales charge.

Under the distribution plans, the open-end Class AAA shares of the Funds (except The Gabelli U.S. Treasury Money Market Fund, Gabelli Capital Asset Fund and The Gabelli ABC Fund) and the Class A shares of certain Funds pay Gabelli & Company a distribution or service fee of .25% per year (except the Class A shares of the Westwood Funds which pay .50% per year and the Class A shares of the Gabelli Enterprise Mergers and Acquisitions Fund which pays .45% per year) on the average daily net assets of the fund. Class B and Class C shares have a 12b-1 distribution plan with a service and distribution fee totaling 1%.

Distribution fees from the open-end mutual funds are computed daily based on average net assets. The amounts receivable for distribution fees are included in receivables from affiliates on the consolidated statements of financial condition.

Finally, GBL also has investment gains or losses generated from its proprietary trading activities which are included in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income.

Investments in Securities Transactions and Other Than Temporary Impairment

Investments in securities are accounted for as either "trading securities" or "available for sale" and are stated at fair value. Management determines the appropriate classification of debt and equity securities at the time of purchase and reevaluates such designations as of each balance sheet date. U.S. Treasury Bills and Notes with maturities of greater than three months at the time of purchase are considered investments in securities. Securities that are not readily marketable are stated at their estimated fair values in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"). A substantial portion of investments in securities are held for resale in anticipation of short-term market movements and therefore are classified as trading securities. Trading securities are stated at fair value, with any unrealized gains or losses reported in current period earnings in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income. AFS investments are stated at fair value, with any unrealized gains or losses, net of taxes, reported as a component of equity except for losses deemed to be other than temporary which are recorded as realized

losses on the consolidated statements of income. Securities transactions and any related gains and losses are recorded on a trade date basis. Realized gains and losses from securities transactions are recorded on the specific identified cost basis and are included in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income.

AFS securities are evaluated for other than temporary impairments each reporting period and any impairment charges are recorded in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income. Management reviews all available for sale securities whose cost exceeds their fair value to determine if the impairment is other than temporary. Management uses qualitative factors such as diversification of the investment, the intent to hold the investment, the amount of time that the investment has been impaired and the severity of the decline in determining whether the impairment is other than temporary.

Securities sold, but not yet purchased are recorded on the trade date, and are stated at fair value and represent obligations of GBL to purchase the securities at prevailing market prices. Therefore, the future satisfaction of such obligations may be for an amount greater or less than the amounts recorded on the consolidated statements of financial condition. The ultimate gains or losses recognized are dependent upon the prices at which these securities are purchased to settle the obligations under the sales commitments. Realized gains and losses from covers of securities sold, not yet purchased transactions are included in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income. Securities sold, not yet purchased are stated at fair value, with any unrealized gains or losses reported in current period earnings in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income.

# Investments in Partnerships and Affiliates

The equity method of accounting is used for investments in non-controlled entities in which the Company is able to exercise significant influence but not control. The Company's share in net earnings or losses of these partnerships and affiliated entities are reflected in income as earned and are included in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income. Capital contributions were recorded as an increase in investments when paid and distributions received were reductions of the investments. Depending on the terms of the investment, the Company may be restricted as to the timing and amounts of withdrawals. The Company consolidates all investments in partnerships and affiliates in which the Company has control including any variable interest entity ("VIE") for which the Company is considered the primary beneficiary. For feeder funds that owned 100% of their offshore master funds the Company has retained the specialized investment company accounting of the consolidated feeder funds in the Company's consolidated financial statements. The Company records noncontrolling interests in consolidated subsidiaries for which the Company's ownership is less than 100%. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

A VIE is an entity in which either (a) the equity investment at risk is not sufficient to permit the entity to finance its own activities without additional financial support or (b) the equity investors do not have the ability to make decisions about the entities' activities or obligation to absorb the expected losses of the entity or the right to receive the expected residual returns of the entity or (c) the voting rights are not proportional to their obligations to absorb the expected losses of the entity or their rights to receive the expected residual returns of the entity. The Company evaluates whether entities in which it has an interest are VIEs and whether the Company qualifies as the primary beneficiary of any VIEs identified in its analysis. The Company applies the guidance for VIEs prior to the FASB's amendment to the guidance on the accounting for VIEs in June 2009 because all of the entities subject to such guidance that the Company is involved with qualified for the FASB's deferral of such guidance.

# Goodwill and Identifiable Intangible Assets

Goodwill is initially measured as the excess of the cost of the acquired business over the sum of the amounts assigned to assets acquired less the liabilities assumed. At December 31, 2010 and 2009 goodwill recorded on the consolidated statements of financial condition relates to our 93%-owned subsidiary, GSI and the identifiable intangible asset is an investment advisory contact for the Gabelli Enterprise Mergers and Acquisition Fund. Goodwill and identifiable intangible assets are tested for impairment at least annually on November 30th and whenever certain triggering events are met. In assessing the recoverability of goodwill and identifiable intangible assets, projections regarding estimated future cash flows and other factors are made to determine the fair value of the respective assets.

#### **Income Taxes**

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded for temporary differences between the tax basis of assets and liabilities and the reported amounts on the consolidated financial statements using the statutory tax rates in effect for the year when the reported amount of the asset or liability is recovered or settled, respectively. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in the results of operations in the period that includes the enactment date. A valuation allowance is recorded to reduce the carrying values of deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. For each tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return, the Company determines whether it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon examination based on the technical merits of the position, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation. A tax position that meets the more likely than not recognition threshold is measured to determine the amount of benefit to recognize. The tax position is measured at the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon settlement. The Company recognizes the accrual of interest on uncertain tax positions and penalties in income tax provision on the consolidated statements of income.

# **Stock Based Compensation**

The Company has granted RSAs and stock options which were recommended by the Company's Chairman, who did not receive an RSA or option award, and approved by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors. We use a fair value based method of accounting for stock-based compensation provided to our employees. The estimated fair value of RSAs is determined by using the closing price of our Class A Stock on the day prior to the grant date. The total expense, which is reduced by estimated forfeitures, is recognized over the vesting period for these awards which is 30% over three years from the date of grant and 70% over five years from the date of grant. The forfeiture rate is determined by reviewing historical forfeiture rates for previous stock-based compensation grants and is reviewed and updated quarterly, if necessary. During the vesting period, dividends to RSA holders are held for them until the RSA vesting dates and are forfeited if the grantee is no longer employed by the Company on the vesting dates. Dividends declared on these RSAs, less estimated forfeitures, are charged to retained earnings on the declaration date.

The estimated fair value of option awards is determined using the Black Scholes option-pricing model. This sophisticated model utilizes a number of assumptions in arriving at its results, including the estimated life of the option, the risk free interest rate at the date of grant and the volatility of the underlying common stock. There may be other factors, which have not been considered, which may have an effect on the value of the options as well. The effects of changing any of the assumptions or factors employed by the Black Scholes model may result in a significantly different valuation for the options. The total expense, which is reduced by estimated forfeitures, is recognized over the vesting period for these awards which is 75% over three years from the date of grant and 25% after four years from date of grant. The forfeiture rate is determined by reviewing historical forfeiture rates for previous stock-based compensation grants and is reviewed and updated quarterly, if necessary.

# Recent Accounting Developments

In June 2009, the FASB issued guidance to improve the relevance, representational faithfulness, and comparability of the information that a reporting entity provides in its financial statements about a transfer of financial assets; the effects of a transfer on its financial position, financial performance, and cash flows; and a transferor's continuing involvement, if any, in transferred financial assets. This guidance is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after November 15, 2009 and shall be applied prospectively. Early adoption is prohibited. The Company adopted the applicable guidance on January 1, 2010 with no impact to the consolidated financial statements.

In June 2009, the FASB issued amended guidance on the accounting for VIEs. The amendments will significantly affect the overall consolidation analysis, changing the approach taken by companies in identifying which entities are VIEs and in determining which party is the primary beneficiary. The guidance requires continuous assessment of the reporting entity's involvement with such VIEs. The revised guidance also enhances the disclosure requirements for a reporting entity's involvement with VIEs, irrespective of whether they qualify for deferral, as discussed below. The guidance is effective as of the beginning of the first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2009 and early adoption is prohibited. In February 2010, the FASB issued further guidance which provided a limited scope deferral for a reporting entity's interest in an entity that meets all of the following conditions: (a) the entity has all the attributes of an investment company as defined under AICPA Audit and Accounting Guide, Investment Companies, or does not have all the attributes of an investment company but is an entity for which it is acceptable based on industry practice to apply measurement principles that are consistent with the AICPA Audit and Accounting Guide, Investment Companies, (b) the reporting entity does not have explicit or implicit obligations to fund any losses of the entity that could potentially be significant to the entity, and (c) the entity is not a securitization entity, asset-backed financing entity or an entity that was formerly considered a qualifying special-purpose entity. The reporting entity is required to perform a consolidation analysis for entities that qualify for the deferral in accordance with previously issued

guidance on VIEs. The Company adopted the applicable portions of this guidance on January 1, 2010 and has evaluated the deferral guidelines and determined that all significant entities that the Company is involved with that this guidance would potentially have impacted qualify for the deferral, and therefore the guidance issued did not have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements.

In January 2010, the FASB issued guidance to improve disclosures about fair value measurements. The guidance affects all entities that are required to make disclosures about recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements. The guidance requires new disclosures regarding transfers in and out of Level 1 and 2 fair value measurements and activity related to Level 3 fair value measurements. In addition, the guidance clarifies existing fair value disclosure requirements related to the level of disaggregation of assets and liabilities and the valuation techniques and inputs used. This guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the disclosures about purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements in the roll forward of activity in Level 3 fair value measurements. Those disclosures are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2010, and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company adopted the applicable portions of this guidance on January 1, 2010 without a material impact to the consolidated financial statement disclosures.

In July 2010, the FASB issued guidance to improve disclosures about an entity's allowance for credit losses and the credit quality of its financing receivables. The guidance affects all entities. The guidance requires the entity to disclose the nature of credit risk inherent in the entity's portfolio of financing receivables, how that risk is analyzed and assessed in arriving at the allowance for credit losses and the changes and reasons for those changes in the allowance for credit losses. This update is effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending on or after December 15, 2010, except for the disclosures about activity that occurs during a reporting period which is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning on or after December 15, 2010. The Company adopted the applicable portions of this guidance for the year ended December 31, 2010 without a material impact to the consolidated financial statements.

### Seasonality and Inflation

We do not believe our operations are subject to significant seasonal fluctuations. We do not believe inflation will significantly affect our compensation costs, as they are substantially variable in nature. However, the rate of inflation may affect our expenses such as information technology and occupancy costs. To the extent inflation results in rising interest rates and has other effects upon the securities markets, it may adversely affect our financial position and results of operations by reducing our AUM, revenues or otherwise.

# ITEM 7A: QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Reference is made to the information contained under the heading "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations -- Market Risk."

# ITEM 8: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

# GAMCO INVESTORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES INDEX TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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All schedules for which provision is made in the applicable accounting regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission that are not required under the related instructions or are inapplicable have been omitted.

#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of GAMCO Investors, Inc.
Rye, New York

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of financial condition of GAMCO Investors, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, and the related consolidated statements of income, equity and comprehensive income, and cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2010. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

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

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of GAMCO Investors, Inc. and subsidiaries at December 31, 2010 and 2009, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2010, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2010, 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 February 22, 2011 expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

**DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP** 

New York, New York February 22, 2011

#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Stockholders GAMCO Investors, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of income, equity and comprehensive income, and cash flows of GAMCO Investors, Inc. and Subsidiaries (the "Company") for the year ended December 31, 2008. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements 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 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated results of operations and cash flows of GAMCO Investors, Inc. and Subsidiaries for the year ended December 31, 2008, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

**ERNST & YOUNG LLP** 

New York, New York March 10, 2009

#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of GAMCO Investors, Inc.
Rye, New York

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of GAMCO Investors, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2010, based on criteria established in Internal Control — Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

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

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

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

In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2010, based on the criteria established in Internal Control — Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010 of the Company and our report dated February 22, 2011, expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

# DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

New York, New York February 22, 2011

# GAMCO INVESTORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(In thousands, except per share data)

|               | Year   | r End  | led Deceml   | ber 31  | ,   |   |   |
|---------------|--|--|--|---|---|---|---|
| 2010          |  |  | 2009   |   | ,   | 2008  |   |
|               |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |
| \$<br>231,269 |  | \$   | 178,713  |   | \$  | 204,293   |   |
| 16,600        |  |  | 16,715   |   |   | 16,129  |   |
| 32,511        |  |  | 22,686   |   |   | 24,590  |   |
| 280,380       |  |  | 218,114  |   |   | 245,012   |   |
|               |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |
| 123,840       |  |  | 92,859   |   |   | 102,840   |   |
| 12,013        |  |  | 9,758  |   |   | 4,086   |   |
| 31,048        |  |  | 24,339   |   |   | 25,090  |   |
| 22,450        |  |  | 18,948   |   |   | 27,979  |   |
| 189,351       |  |  | 145,904  |   |   | 159,995   |   |
| 91,029        |  |  | 72,210   |   |   | 85,017  |   |
|               |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |
| 24,391        |  |  | 25,558   |   |   | (52,299   | )   |
| 5,905         |  |  | 3,425  |   |   | 13,136  |   |
| (11,984       | )  |  | (13,290  | )   |   | (9,441  | )   |
| 18,312        |  |  | 15,693   |   |   | (48,604   | )   |
| 109,341       |  |  | 87,903   |   |   | 36,413  |   |
| 39,326        |  |  | 31,761   |   |   | 12,323  |   |
| 70,015        |  |  | 56,142   |   |   | 24,090  |   |
| 1,223         |  |  | 609  |   |   | (776  | )   |
|               |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |
| \$<br>68,792  |  | \$   | 55,533   |   | \$  | 24,866  |   |
|               |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |
|               |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |
|               |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |
| \$<br>2.55    |  | \$   | 2.03   |   | \$  | 0.89  |   |
| \$<br>2.52    |  | \$   | 2.02   |   | \$  | 0.89  |   |
|               |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |
|               |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |
| 26,959        |  |  | 27,345   |   |   | 27,805  |   |
| 28,348        |  |  | 28,214   |   |   | 27,841  |   |
|               |  |  |  |   |   |   |   |
| \$            | \$ 231,269<br>16,600<br>32,511<br>280,380<br>123,840<br>12,013<br>31,048<br>22,450<br>189,351<br>91,029<br>24,391<br>5,905<br>(11,984<br>18,312<br>109,341<br>39,326<br>70,015<br>1,223<br>\$ 68,792<br>\$ 2.55<br>\$ 2.55 | 2010<br>\$ 231,269<br>16,600<br>32,511<br>280,380<br>123,840<br>12,013<br>31,048<br>22,450<br>189,351<br>91,029<br>24,391<br>5,905<br>(11,984 )<br>18,312<br>109,341<br>39,326<br>70,015<br>1,223<br>\$ 68,792<br>\$ 2.55<br>\$ 2.52 | 2010<br>\$ 231,269 \$ 16,600 32,511 280,380<br>123,840 12,013 31,048 22,450 189,351 91,029<br>24,391 5,905 (11,984 ) 18,312 109,341 39,326 70,015 1,223<br>\$ 68,792 \$ \$ 2.55 \$ 2.52 \$ | \$ 231,269 \$ 178,713<br>16,600 16,715<br>32,511 22,686<br>280,380 218,114<br>123,840 92,859<br>12,013 9,758<br>31,048 24,339<br>22,450 18,948<br>189,351 145,904<br>91,029 72,210<br>24,391 25,558<br>5,905 3,425<br>(11,984) (13,290<br>18,312 15,693<br>109,341 87,903<br>39,326 31,761<br>70,015 56,142<br>1,223 609<br>\$ 68,792 \$ 55,533<br>\$ 2.55 \$ 2.03<br>\$ 2.52 \$ 2.02 | \$ 231,269 \$ 178,713<br>16,600 16,715<br>32,511 22,686<br>280,380 218,114  123,840 92,859<br>12,013 9,758<br>31,048 24,339<br>22,450 18,948<br>189,351 145,904<br>91,029 72,210  24,391 25,558<br>5,905 3,425<br>(11,984) (13,290)<br>18,312 15,693<br>109,341 87,903<br>39,326 31,761<br>70,015 56,142<br>1,223 609  \$ 68,792 \$ 55,533  \$ 2.55 \$ 2.03<br>\$ 2.55 \$ 2.03<br>\$ 2.55 \$ 2.02 | \$ 231,269 \$ 178,713 \$ 16,600 16,715 32,511 22,686 280,380 218,114    123,840 92,859 12,013 9,758 31,048 24,339 22,450 18,948 189,351 145,904 91,029 72,210    24,391 25,558 5,905 3,425 (11,984 ) (13,290 ) 18,312 15,693 109,341 87,903 39,326 31,761 70,015 56,142 1,223 609    \$ 68,792 \$ 55,533 \$ \$ 2.55 \$ 2.03 \$ \$ 2.55 \$ 2.02 \$ | 2010       2009       2008         \$ 231,269       \$ 178,713       \$ 204,293         16,600       16,715       16,129         32,511       22,686       24,590         280,380       218,114       245,012         123,840       92,859       102,840         12,013       9,758       4,086         31,048       24,339       25,090         22,450       18,948       27,979         189,351       145,904       159,995         91,029       72,210       85,017         24,391       25,558       (52,299         5,905       3,425       13,136         (11,984       )       (13,290       )       (9,441         18,312       15,693       (48,604         109,341       87,903       36,413         39,326       31,761       12,323         70,015       56,142       24,090         1,223       609       (776         \$ 68,792       \$ 55,533       \$ 24,866         \$ 2.55       \$ 2.02       \$ 0.89         \$ 2.59       \$ 2.59       \$ 0.89 |

# GAMCO INVESTORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

(In thousands, except per share data)

|  | Dε | ecember 31, | De | December 31, |  |
|--|----|-------------|----|--------------|--|
|  | 20 | 2010        | 20 | 2009         |  |
| ASSETS   |    | 2010        |    | 2007         |  |
| INDELO   |    |             |    |              |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash of \$0 and \$62,258,                    |    |             |    |              |  |
| respectively   | \$ | 169,601     | \$ | 400,528      |  |
| Investments in securities  |    | 305,486     |    | 157,403      |  |
| Investments in partnerships  |    | 82,871      |    | 62,655       |  |
| Receivable from brokers  |    | 46,621      |    | 30,072       |  |
| Investment advisory fees receivable  |    | 44,660      |    | 35,685       |  |
| Receivable from affiliates   |    | 3,837       |    | 2,956        |  |
| Capital lease  |    | 3,394       |    | 3,655        |  |
| Goodwill and identifiable intangible asset   |    | 5,358       |    | 5,358        |  |
| Income tax receivable and deferred tax assets  |    | 325         |    | -            |  |
| Other assets   |    | 10,583      |    | 9,497        |  |
| Total assets   | \$ | 672,736     | \$ | 707,809      |  |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY   |    |             |    |              |  |
|  |    |             |    |              |  |
| Payable to brokers   | \$ | 1,554       | \$ | 395          |  |
| Income taxes payable and deferred tax liabilities  |    | 23,225      |    | 8,523        |  |
| Capital lease obligation   |    | 5,182       |    | 5,265        |  |
| Compensation payable   |    | 23,771      |    | 13,302       |  |
| Securities sold, not yet purchased   |    | 19,299      |    | 9,569        |  |
| Mandatorily redeemable noncontrolling interests  |    | 1,444       |    | 1,622        |  |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities   |    | 23,089      |    | 25,157       |  |
| Sub-total  |    | 97,564      |    | 63,833       |  |
| 5.5% Senior notes (due May 15, 2013)   |    | 99,000      |    | 99,000       |  |
| 6% Convertible note (conversion price, \$53.00 per share)                                    |    | -           |    | 39,851       |  |
| 6.5% Convertible note (conversion price, \$66.89 per share)                                  |    | -           |    | 60,000       |  |
| Zero coupon subordinated debenture, \$86.4 million outstanding (due December                 |    |             |    |              |  |
| 31, 2015)  |    | 59,580      |    | -            |  |
| Total liabilities  |    | 256,144     |    | 262,684      |  |
| Redeemable noncontrolling interests  |    | 26,984      |    | 1,464        |  |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note K)   |    |             |    |              |  |
| Communicitis and contingencies (Note K)  |    |             |    |              |  |
| Equity:  |    |             |    |              |  |
| Preferred stock, \$.001 par value; 10,000,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding |    |             |    |              |  |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized;                      |    |             |    |              |  |
| 13,255,503 and 13,120,276  |    | 13          |    | 13           |  |
|  |    | 10          |    | 10           |  |

| shares issued, respectively; 6,763,221 and 7,311,997 shares outstanding, |               |    |           |
|--|---------------|----|-----------|
| respectively   |               |    |           |
| Class B Common Stock, \$0.001 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized;  |               |    |           |
| 24,000,000 shares issued   |               |    |           |
| and 20,290,140 and 20,292,917 shares outstanding, respectively           | 20            |    | 20        |
| Additional paid-in capital   | 262,108       |    | 251,591   |
| Retained earnings  | 370,272       |    | 410,473   |
| Accumulated comprehensive income   | 25,389        |    | 19,088    |
| Treasury stock, at cost (6,492,282 and 5,808,279 shares, respectively)   | (271,773      | )  | (241,567) |
| Total GAMCO Investors, Inc. stockholders' equity                         | 386,029       |    | 439,618   |
| Noncontrolling interests   | 3,579         |    | 4,043     |
| Total equity   | 389,608       |    | 443,661   |
| Total liabilities and equity   | \$<br>672,736 | \$ | 707,809   |
|  |               |    |           |
| See accompanying notes.  |               |    |           |
|  |               |    |           |
|  |               |    |           |
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# GAMCO INVESTORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (In thousands)

|                                 |            |                  | GA         | MCO Invest | tors, Inc. sto | ckholders    |                      |           |           |  |  |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------------|------------|------------|----------------|--------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|--|--|
|                                 |            |                  | Additional | I          | Accumulate     | d            | F                    | Redeemab  | le        |  |  |
| ]                               | Noncontrol | i <b>log</b> mmo | n Paid-in  | RetainedC  | omprehensi     | ve Treasury  | Noncontro Comprehens |           |           |  |  |
|                                 | Interests  | Stock            | Capital    | Earnings   | Income         | Stock        | Total                | Interests | Income    |  |  |
| Balance at December 31, 2007    | \$ 5,791   | \$ 33            | \$ 230,483 | \$ 445,121 | \$ 20,815      | \$ (195,137) | \$ 507,106           | \$ 5,210  | \$ -      |  |  |
| Payment of subsidiary dividend  |            |                  |            |            |                |              |                      |           |           |  |  |
| to noncontrolling               | (604       |                  |            |            |                |              | (604                 | (620)     |           |  |  |
| interest                        | (604)      |                  | -          | -          | -              | -            | (604)                | ()        |           |  |  |
| Net income                      | (399       | ) –              | -          | 24,866     | -              | -            | 24,467               | (377)     | 24,090    |  |  |
| Net unrealized                  |            |                  |            |            |                |              |                      |           |           |  |  |
| gains on securities             |            |                  |            |            |                |              |                      |           |           |  |  |
| available for sale,             |            |                  |            |            |                |              |                      |           |           |  |  |
| net of income                   |            |                  |            |            |                |              |                      |           |           |  |  |
| tax (\$14,288)                  | -          | -                | -          | -          | (5,716)        | -            | (5,716)              | -         | (5,716)   |  |  |
| Foreign current translation     | cy<br>-    | _                | -          | -          | (176 )         | -            | (176 )               | -         | (176      |  |  |
| Dividends declared (\$2.02      | 2          |                  |            |            |                |              |                      |           |           |  |  |
| per<br>share)                   | _          | _                | _          | (56,226)   | _              | _            | (56,226)             | _         | _         |  |  |
| Conversion of                   |            | _                | _          | (30,220)   | _              | _            | (30,220)             | <u> </u>  | _         |  |  |
| 6% convertible                  | <b>,</b>   |                  |            |            |                |              |                      |           |           |  |  |
| Note                            | -          | -                | 9,923      | _          | -              | -            | 9,923                | -         | -         |  |  |
| Stock based compensation        |            |                  |            |            |                |              |                      |           |           |  |  |
| expense                         | -          | -                | 4,892      | -          | -              | -            | 4,892                | -         | -         |  |  |
| Exercise of stooptions          | ck         |                  |            |            |                |              |                      |           |           |  |  |
| including tax benefit           |            |                  | 675        |            |                |              | 675                  |           |           |  |  |
| Purchase of                     | <u>-</u>   | -                | 073        | -          | -              | <del>-</del> | 073                  | -         | -         |  |  |
| treasury stock                  | _          | _                | _          | _          | _              | (39,400)     | (39,400)             | _         | _         |  |  |
| Balance at December 31,         |            |                  |            |            |                | (32,400)     | (37,400)             |           |           |  |  |
| 2008                            | \$ 4,788   | \$ 33            | \$ 245,973 | \$ 413,761 | \$ 14,923      | \$ (234,537) | \$ 444,941           | \$ 4,201  | \$ 18,198 |  |  |
| Comprehensive loss attributable | e          |                  |            | ,          |                |              |                      |           |           |  |  |
| 1088 atti ibutable              |            |                  |            |            |                |              |                      |           | \$ 776    |  |  |
|                                 |            |                  |            |            |                |              |                      |           | Ψ // Ο    |  |  |

| to noncontrolling interest |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Total                      |           |
| comprehensive              |           |
| income                     |           |
| attributable to            |           |
| GAMCO                      |           |
| Investors, Inc.            | \$ 18,974 |
|                            |           |
| See                        |           |
| accompanying               |           |
| notes.                     |           |
|                            |           |
|                            |           |
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# GAMCO INVESTORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (continued) (In thousands)

|                                      |            |                 | GA         | MCO Invest | tors, Inc. sto | ockholders   |                           |           |           |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|------------|-----------------|------------|------------|----------------|--------------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|--|--|
|                                      |            |                 | Additional | 1          | Accumulate     | ed           | Redeemable                |           |           |  |  |
|                                      | Noncontrol | i <b>ng</b> mmo | n Paid-in  | RetainedC  | omprehensi     | iveTreasury  | Noncontrol (Ing.) prehens |           |           |  |  |
|                                      | Interests  | Stock           | Capital    | Earnings   | Income         | Stock        | Total                     | Interests | Income    |  |  |
| Balance at                           |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| December 31,                         |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| 2008                                 | \$ 4,788   | \$ 33           | \$ 245,973 | \$ 413,761 | \$ 14,923      | \$ (234,537) | \$ 444,941                | \$ 4,201  | \$ -      |  |  |
| Redemptions o noncontrolling         |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| interests                            | (747)      | -               | -          | -          | -              | -            | (747                      | ) (2,932) | -         |  |  |
| Spin-off of subsidiary shar          | es         |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| to                                   |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| noncontrolling                       |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| interests                            | (412)      | -               | -          | -          | -              | -            | (412                      | ) -       | -         |  |  |
| Net income                           | 414        | -               | -          | 55,533     | -              | -            | 55,947                    | 195       | 56,142    |  |  |
| Net unrealized                       |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| gains on                             |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| securities<br>available for<br>sale, |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| net of income                        |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| tax (\$15,765)                       | -          | -               | -          | -          | 4,112          | -            | 4,112                     | -         | 4,112     |  |  |
| Foreign curren                       | су         |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| translation                          | -          | -               | -          | -          | 53             | -            | 53                        | -         | 53        |  |  |
| Dividends                            |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| declared (\$2.13                     | 3          |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| per                                  |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| share)                               | -          | -               | -          | (58,821)   | -              | -            | (58,821                   | ) -       | -         |  |  |
| Income tax                           |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| effect of                            |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| transaction                          |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| with                                 |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| shareholders                         | -          | -               | (243)      | -          | -              | -            | (243                      | ) -       | -         |  |  |
| Stock based compensation             |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| expense                              | _          | -               | 5,085      | -          | _              | -            | 5,085                     | -         | -         |  |  |
| Exercise of sto                      | ck         |                 | .,         |            |                |              | - ,                       |           |           |  |  |
| options                              |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| including tax                        |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| benefit                              | _          | _               | 776        | -          | _              | _            | 776                       | -         | -         |  |  |
| Purchase of                          |            |                 |            |            |                |              |                           |           |           |  |  |
| treasury stock                       | -          | _               | -          | -          | -              | (7,030 )     | (7,030                    | ) -       | -         |  |  |
| Balance at                           | \$ 4,043   | \$ 33           | \$ 251,591 | \$ 410,473 | \$ 19,088      |              |                           | \$ 1,464  | \$ 60,307 |  |  |
| December 31,                         | ,          |                 | ,          | •          | ,              | , , ,        | ,                         | •         | ·         |  |  |

| 2009            |           |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Comprehensive   |           |
| income          |           |
| attributable    |           |
| to              |           |
| noncontrolling  |           |
| interest        | \$ (609 ) |
| Total           |           |
| comprehensive   |           |
| income          |           |
| attributable to |           |
| GAMCO           |           |
| Investors, Inc. | \$ 59,698 |
|                 |           |
| See             |           |
| accompanying    |           |
| notes.          |           |
|                 |           |
| 62              |           |
|                 |           |

# GAMCO INVESTORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (continued) (In thousands)

|                                |           |        | GA          | MCO Invest         | ors. Inc. sto                           | ockholders   |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--------|-------------|--------------------|---|--------------|------------------------|-----------|--------|--|--|--|
|                                |           |        | Additional  |                    | Accumulate                              |              | Redeemable             |           |        |  |  |  |
| No                             | oncontrol | ilimmo |             |                    |   | veTreasury   | Noncontrol Comprehensi |           |        |  |  |  |
|                                |           |        | Capital     | Earnings           | Income                                  | Stock        | Total                  | Interests | Income |  |  |  |
| Balance at                     |           |        | T           | 8                  |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| December 31,                   |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| 2009                           | \$ 4,043  | \$ 33  | \$ 251,591  | \$ 410,473         | \$ 19,088                               | \$ (241,567) | \$ 443,661             | \$ 1,464  | \$ -   |  |  |  |
| Redemptions of noncontrolling  | , ,,,     | ,      | , , , , , , | , ,,,,,,,          | , ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | , , , , ,    | , ,,,,,,               | , , -     |        |  |  |  |
| interests                      |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        | (475)     |        |  |  |  |
| Contributions of               | -         | -      | -           | -                  | -                                       | -            | -                      | (473 )    | -      |  |  |  |
| noncontrolling                 |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| interests                      | -         | -      | -           | -                  | -                                       | -            | -                      | 25,137    | -      |  |  |  |
| Payment of subsidiary dividend |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| to                             |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| noncontrolling                 |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| interest                       | (829)     | -      | _           | _                  | _                                       |              | (829)                  | _         | _      |  |  |  |
| Net income                     | 365       | _      | _           | 68,792             | _                                       | _            | 69,157                 | 858       | 70,015 |  |  |  |
| Net unrealized                 | 303       | _      | _           | 00,792             | _                                       | _            | 09,137                 | 0.50      | 70,013 |  |  |  |
| gains on                       |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| securities                     |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| available for sale,            |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| net of income                  |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| tax (\$3,710)                  | _         | _      | _           | _                  | 6,317                                   | _            | 6,317                  | _         | 6,317  |  |  |  |
| Foreign currency               | ,         |        |             |                    | 0,017                                   |              | 0,617                  |           | 0,017  |  |  |  |
| translation                    | _         | _      | _           | _                  | (16                                     | ) -          | (16)                   | _         | (16)   |  |  |  |
| Cash dividends                 |           |        |             |                    | (10                                     |              | (10 )                  |           | (10 )  |  |  |  |
| declared                       |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| (\$1.82 per                    |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| share)                         |           |        |             | (49,413)           |   |              | (49,413)               |           |        |  |  |  |
| Non-cash                       | -         | _      | -           | (47,413 )          | -                                       | -            | (47,413)               | -         | -      |  |  |  |
|                                |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| dividends                      |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| declared                       |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| (\$3.20 of                     |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| principal per                  |           |        |             | 4 <b>50 5</b> 00 : |   |              | (50.500)               |           |        |  |  |  |
| share)                         | -         | -      | -           | (59,580)           | -                                       | -            | (59,580)               | -         | -      |  |  |  |
| Stock based                    |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| compensation                   |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| expense                        | -         | -      | 10,585      | -                  | -                                       | -            | 10,585                 | -         | -      |  |  |  |
| Reduction of                   |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| deferred tax                   |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
| asset                          |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |
|                                |           |        |             |                    |   |              |                        |           |        |  |  |  |

| for excess of<br>recorded RSA<br>tax                    |          |       |            |            |           |              |            |           |             |
|---|----------|-------|------------|------------|-----------|--------------|------------|-----------|-------------|
| benefit over<br>actual tax benefit<br>Exercise of stock |          | -     | (1,872)    | -          | -         | -            | (1,872)    | -         | -           |
| options including tax                                   |          |       |            |            |           |              |            |           |             |
| benefit   | -        | -     | 1,804      | -          | -         | -            | 1,804      | -         | -           |
| Purchase of treasury stock                              | -        | -     | -          | -          | -         | (30,206)     | (30,206)   | -         | -           |
| Balance at December 31,                                 |          |       |            |            |           |              |            |           |             |
| 2010  | \$ 3,579 | \$ 33 | \$ 262,108 | \$ 370,272 | \$ 25,389 | \$ (271,773) | \$ 389,608 | \$ 26,984 | \$ 76,316   |
| Comprehensive income attributable                       |          |       |            |            |           |              |            |           |             |
| to  |          |       |            |            |           |              |            |           |             |
| noncontrolling interest                                 |          |       |            |            |           |              |            |           | \$ (1,223 ) |
| Total comprehensive income                              |          |       |            |            |           |              |            |           |             |
| attributable to GAMCO                                   |          |       |            |            |           |              |            |           |             |
| Investors, Inc.   |          |       |            |            |           |              |            |           | \$ 75,093   |
| See accompanying notes.                                 |          |       |            |            |           |              |            |           |             |
|   |          |       |            |            |           |              |            |           |             |
| 63  |          |       |            |            |           |              |            |           |             |

#### GAMCO INVESTORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In thousands)

|  |              | Year | End | ed Decem | ber 31 | 1, |         |   |
|--|--------------|------|-----|----------|--------|----|---------|---|
|  | 2010         |      |     | 2009     |        |    | 2008    |   |
| Operating activities                                       |              |      |     |          |        |    |         |   |
| Net income   | \$<br>70,015 |      | \$  | 56,142   |        | \$ | 24,090  |   |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided   | ,            |      |     | ,        |        |    | ,       |   |
| by operating activities:                                   |              |      |     |          |        |    |         |   |
| Equity in net (gains) losses from partnerships and         |              |      |     |          |        |    |         |   |
| affiliates   | (9,155       | )    |     | (10,335  | )      |    | 18,467  |   |
| Depreciation and amortization                              | 700          |      |     | 656      |        |    | 1,127   |   |
| Stock based compensation expense                           | 10,585       |      |     | 5,085    |        |    | 4,892   |   |
| Deferred income taxes                                      | 7,553        |      |     | 1,831    |        |    | (1,642  |   |
| Tax benefit from exercise of stock options                 | 216          |      |     | 168      |        |    | 10      |   |
| Foreign currency translation gain/(loss)                   | (16          | )    |     | 53       |        |    | (176    | ) |
| Other-than-temporary loss on available for sale securities | _            | ,    |     | -        |        |    | 17,352  |   |
| Impairment of identifiable intangible asset                | -            |      |     | -        |        |    | 1,479   |   |
| Fair value of donated securities                           | (524         | )    |     | 370      |        |    | 507     |   |
| (Gains) losses on sales of available for sale securities   | (29          | )    |     | (2,150   | )      |    | 33      |   |
| Income related to consolidated investment partnerships     |              |      |     |          |        |    |         |   |
| and offshore funds   | _            |      |     | _        |        |    | (2,444  | , |
| Amortization of discount on debt                           | 52           |      |     | 85       |        |    | 158     |   |
| Loss on extinguishment of debt                             | 497          |      |     | -        |        |    | -       |   |
| Acquisition of identifiable intangible asset               | -            |      |     | -        |        |    | (3,370  | , |
| (Increase) decrease in assets:                             |              |      |     |          |        |    |         |   |
| Investments in trading securities                          | (132,702     | )    |     | 97,533   |        |    | 104,328 |   |
| Investments in partnerships:                               |              |      |     |          |        |    |         |   |
| Contributions to partnerships                              | (20,743      | )    |     | (4,351   | )      |    | (421    | ` |
| Distributions from partnerships                            | 9,680        |      |     | 12,739   |        |    | 23,660  |   |
| Receivable from brokers                                    | (16,549      | )    |     | (13,612  | )      |    | 23,686  |   |
| Investment advisory fees receivable                        | (8,975       | )    |     | (23,749  | )      |    | 21,819  |   |
| Income tax receivable and deferred tax assets              | -            |      |     | 14,865   |        |    | (23,736 | , |
| Other receivables from affiliates                          | -            |      |     | (352     | )      |    | 4,377   |   |
| Other assets   | (2,411       | )    |     | (2,121   | )      |    | (92     |   |
| Increase (decrease) in liabilities:                        |              |      |     |          |        |    |         |   |
| Payable to brokers   | 1,159        |      |     | (1,462   | )      |    | (5,705  | ` |
| Income tax payable and deferred tax liabilities            | 1,241        |      |     | -        |        |    | 6,060   |   |
| Compensation payable                                       | 10,470       |      |     | (1,295   | )      |    | (7,494  | , |
| Mandatorily redeemable noncontrolling interests            | (178         | )    |     | 226      |        |    | (233    | , |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities                     | (916         | )    |     | 1,467    |        |    | (23,289 | , |
| Total adjustments  | (150,045     | )    |     | 75,651   |        |    | 159,353 |   |
| Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities        | (80,030      | )    |     | 131,793  |        |    | 183,443 |   |
| See accompanying notes                                     |              |      |     |          |        |    |         |   |

# GAMCO INVESTORS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(continued) (In thousands)

|  |               | Ves | ar Ende | ed Decem | her 31  |               |   |
|--|---------------|-----|---------|----------|---------|---------------|---|
|  | 2010          | 100 | a Liiu  | 2009     | 001 31, | 2008          |   |
|  | 2010          |     |         | 2007     |         | 2000          |   |
| Investing activities                       |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| Purchases of available for sale securities | (157          | )   |         | (8,194   | )       | (1,832        | ) |
| Proceeds from sales of available for sale  | (,            |     |         | (0,-2    | ,       | (-,           |   |
| securities                                 | 2,097         |     |         | 4,329    |         | 16,682        |   |
| Return of capital on available for sale    | ,             |     |         | ,        |         | ,             |   |
| securities                                 | 2,988         |     |         | 3,717    |         | 3,939         |   |
| Decrease / (increase) in restricted cash   | 62,258        |     |         | (55,102  | )       | (2,158        | ) |
| Net cash (used in) provided by investing   | ,             |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| activities                                 | 67,186        |     |         | (55,250  | )       | 16,631        |   |
| Financing activities                       | ,             |     |         | ,        | ,       | ,             |   |
| Contributions from redeemable              |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| noncontrolling interests                   | 25,137        |     |         | -        |         | 252           |   |
| Redemptions of redeemable noncontrolling   |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| interest                                   | (475          | )   |         | (2,930   | )       | -             |   |
| Repayment of 5.5% senior notes due May     |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| 15, 2013                                   | -             |     |         | -        |         | (1,000        | ) |
| Repayment of 6% Convertible notes due      |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| August 14, 2011                            | (40,400       | )   |         | -        |         | -             |   |
| Repayment of 6.5% Convertible note due     |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| October 2, 2018                            | (60,000       | )   |         | -        |         | -             |   |
| Issuance of 6.5% Convertible note due      |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| October 2, 2018                            | -             |     |         | -        |         | 60,000        |   |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options    | 1,588         |     |         | 607      |         | 666           |   |
| Dividends paid                             | (50,631       | )   |         | (59,431  | )       | (56,226       | ) |
| Dividends paid to noncontrolling interests | (829          | )   |         | -        |         | (604          | ) |
| Purchase of subsidiary shares from         |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| noncontrolling interests                   | -             |     |         | (747     | )       | -             |   |
| Purchase of treasury stock                 | (30,206       | )   |         | (7,030   | )       | (39,400       | ) |
| Net cash used in financing activities      | (155,816      | )   |         | (69,531  | )       | (36,312       | ) |
| Effect of exchange rates on cash and cash  |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| equivalents                                | (9            | )   |         | 84       |         | (298          | ) |
| Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash   |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| equivalents                                | (168,669      | )   |         | 7,096    |         | 163,464       |   |
| Net decrease in cash from consolidated     |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| partnerships and offshore funds            | -             |     |         | -        |         | (609          | ) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of  |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| year                                       | 338,270       |     |         | 331,174  |         | 168,319       |   |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year   | \$<br>169,601 |     | \$      | 338,270  |         | \$<br>331,174 |   |
| Supplemental disclosures of cash flow      |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| information:                               |               |     |         |          |         |               |   |
| Cash paid for interest                     | \$<br>12,902  |     | \$      | 12,890   |         | \$<br>8,746   |   |

Cash paid for taxes \$ 29,870 \$ 25,364 \$ 33,549

#### Non-cash activity:

- -On January 22, 2008, Cascade Investment, L.L.C. elected to convert \$10 million of its \$50 million convertible note paying interest at 6% 188,679 GAMCO Investors, Inc. class A common shares.
- -On September 15, 2008, GAMCO Investors, Inc. modified and extended its lease with M4E, LLC, the Company's landlord at 401 Theodore Fremd Ave, Rye, NY. The lease term was
- extended to December 31, 2023. This resulted in an increase to the capital lease obligation and corresponding asset of \$3.0 million each.
- -On March 20, 2009, GAMCO Investors, Inc. distributed its shares of Teton Advisors, Inc. (\$300) to its shareholders which resulted in the deconsolidation of Teton, and decreases
- of approximately \$911 of cash and cash equivalents, \$199 of net liabilities and \$412 of noncontrolling interests.
- -On December 31, 2010, GAMCO Investors, Inc. distributed \$59,580 of zero coupon subordinated debenture (\$86.4 million principal amount) due December 31, 2015 as dividends.
- -The Company recorded \$1,872 as a reduction to its deferred tax asset and additional paid-in capital for the excess of the recorded RSA tax benefit over the actual tax benefit.
- -For 2010, 2009 and 2008 the Company accrued RSA dividends of \$174, \$1,393 and \$0, respectively. See accompanying notes

#### A. Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Basis of Presentation**

GAMCO Investors, Inc. ("GBL" or the "Company") was incorporated in April 1998 in the state of New York, with no significant assets or liabilities and did not engage in any substantial business activities prior to the initial public offering ("Offering") of our shares. On February 9, 1999, we exchanged 24 million shares of our Class B Common Stock ("Class B Stock"), representing all of our then issued and outstanding common stock, with Gabelli Funds, Inc. ("GFI") and two of its subsidiaries in consideration for substantially all of the operating assets and liabilities of GFI, relating to its institutional and retail asset management, mutual fund advisory, underwriting and brokerage business (the "Reorganization"). GBL distributed net assets and liabilities, principally a proprietary investment portfolio, of approximately \$165 million, including cash of \$18 million, which was recorded for accounting purposes as a deemed distribution to GFI. GFI, which was renamed Gabelli Group Capital Partners, Inc. in 1999, is the majority shareholder of GBL and was renamed GGCP, Inc. ("GGCP") during 2005. During 2010, the shares of GBL owned by GGCP were transferred to GGCP Holdings LLC, a subsidiary of GGCP.

On February 17, 1999, we completed our sale of six million shares of Class A Common Stock ("Class A Stock") in the Offering and received proceeds, after fees and expenses, of approximately \$96 million. Immediately after the Offering, GGCP owned 80% of the outstanding common stock of GBL and as of December 31, 2010 their indirect ownership is 73.1%. In addition, with the completion of the Offering, we became a "C" Corporation for federal and state income tax purposes and are subject to substantially higher income tax rates.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the assets, liabilities and earnings of:

- · GBL; and
- · Our wholly-owned subsidiaries: Gabelli Funds, LLC ("Funds Advisor"), GAMCO Asset Management Inc. ("GAMCO"), GAMCO Asset Management (UK) Limited, Gabelli Arbitrage Holdings LLC, Gabelli Trading Holdings LLC, Gabelli Fixed Income, Inc. ("Fixed Income") and its subsidiaries, GAMCO International Partners LLC, GAMCO Acquisition LLC, GAMCO Asset Management (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.;
- · Our majority-owned or majority-controlled subsidiaries: Gabelli Securities, Inc. ("GSI") and its subsidiaries and Teton Advisors, Inc. ("Teton") (through the date of the spin-off on March 20, 2009); and
- · Certain investment partnerships ("Investment Partnerships") and offshore funds in which we have a direct or indirect controlling financial interest. Please see Notes D and E included herein.

At December 31, 2010 and 2009, we owned approximately 93% of GSI. At December 31, 2008, we owned approximately 92% of GSI and had a 51% voting interest in Teton (42% economic interest). The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of GBL and its subsidiaries as of December 31 of each year. The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting year as the parent company, using consistent accounting policies. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date of acquisition, being the date on which GBL obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases.

Subsequent to the issuance of the Company's second quarter 2010 Form 10-Q, filed with the SEC on August 5, 2010, the Company determined that pursuant to ASC 810, Consolidation, it should have presented a separate column for redeemable noncontrolling interests and the amount of comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests

and comprehensive income attributable to GAMCO in its consolidated statement of equity and comprehensive income. The affected periods include each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2009. The accompanying consolidated statement of equity and comprehensive income for the periods ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 have been corrected to also include such information. The Company believes this correction was not material to the consolidated financial statements taken as a whole.

Certain items previously reported have been reclassified to conform to the current period's consolidated financial statements presentation.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported on the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Nature of Operations

GAMCO, Funds Advisor, Gabelli Fixed Income LLC ("Fixed Income LLC"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Fixed Income, Teton and GSI (effective January 19, 2006) are registered investment advisors under the Advisers Act of 1940. Gabelli & Company, Inc. ("Gabelli & Company"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of GSI, is a registered broker-dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and is regulated by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA"). Gabelli & Company acts as an introducing broker, and all transactions for its customers are cleared through the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") member firms on a fully-disclosed basis. Accordingly, open customer transactions are not reflected in the accompanying consolidated statements of financial condition. Gabelli & Company is exposed to credit losses on these open positions in the event of nonperformance by its customers, pursuant to conditions of its clearing agreements with its clearing brokers. This exposure is reduced by the clearing brokers' policy of obtaining and maintaining adequate collateral and credit of the counterparties until the open transaction is completed. Refer to Major Revenue-Generating Services and Revenue Recognition section within Note A for additional discussion of GBL's business.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents primarily consist of an affiliated money market mutual fund which is highly liquid. U.S. Treasury Bills and Notes with maturities of three months or less at the time of purchase are also considered cash equivalents. At December 31, 2009, approximately \$62.3 million of cash and cash equivalents was held in escrow to secure the \$60 million convertible note, and this amount is disclosed as restricted cash on the consolidated statements of financial condition. On October 13, 2010, Cascade Investment LLC ("Cascade") was paid \$60.1 million of principal and accrued but unpaid interest, and the escrow agreement relating to the 2018 Note was terminated by mutual consent between the Company and Cascade. The remaining funds in the escrow account were no longer restricted and were sent to the Company.

#### Securities Transactions

Investments in securities are accounted for as either "trading securities" or "available for sale" and are stated at fair value. Management determines the appropriate classification of debt and equity securities at the time of purchase and reevaluates such designations as of each balance sheet date. U.S. Treasury Bills and Notes with maturities of greater than three months at the time of purchase are considered investments in securities. Securities that are not readily marketable are stated at their estimated fair values in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"). A substantial portion of investments in securities are held for resale in anticipation of short-term market movements and therefore are classified as trading securities. Trading securities are stated at fair value, with any unrealized gains or losses reported in current period earnings in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income. Available for sale ("AFS") investments are stated at fair value, with any unrealized gains or losses, net of taxes, reported as a component of equity except for losses deemed to be other than temporary which are recorded as realized losses on the consolidated statements of income. Securities transactions and any related gains and losses are recorded on a trade date basis. Realized gains and losses from securities transactions are recorded on the specific identified cost basis and are included in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income.

Available for sale securities are evaluated for other than temporary impairments each reporting period and any impairment charges are recorded in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income. Management reviews all available for sale securities whose cost exceeds their fair value to determine if the impairment is other than temporary. Management uses qualitative factors such as diversification of the investment, the intent to hold the investment, the amount of time that the investment has been impaired and the severity of the decline in determining whether the impairment is other than temporary.

Securities sold, but not yet purchased are recorded on the trade date, and are stated at fair value and represent obligations of GBL to purchase the securities at prevailing market prices. Therefore, the future satisfaction of such obligations may be for an amount greater or less than the amounts recorded on the consolidated statements of financial condition. The ultimate gains or losses recognized are dependent upon the prices at which these securities are purchased to settle the obligations under the sales commitments. Realized gains and losses from covers of securities sold, not yet purchased transactions are included in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income. Securities sold, not yet purchased are stated at fair value, with any unrealized gains or losses reported in current period earnings in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income.

#### Investments in Partnerships and Affiliates

The equity method of accounting is used for investments in non-controlled entities in which the Company is able to exercise significant influence but not control. The Company's share in net earnings or losses of these partnerships and affiliated entities are reflected in income as earned and are included in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income. Capital contributions were recorded as an increase in investments when paid and distributions received were reductions of the investments. Depending on the terms of the investment, the Company may be restricted as to the timing and amounts of withdrawals. The Company consolidates all investments in partnerships and affiliates in which the Company has control including any variable interest entity ("VIE") for which the Company is considered the primary beneficiary. For feeder funds that owned 100% of their offshore master funds the Company has retained the specialized investment company accounting of the consolidated feeder funds in the Company's consolidated financial statements. The Company records noncontrolling interests in consolidated subsidiaries for which the Company's ownership is less than 100%. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

A VIE is an entity in which either (a) the equity investment at risk is not sufficient to permit the entity to finance its own activities without additional financial support or (b) the equity investors do not have the ability to make decisions about the entities' activities or obligation to absorb the expected losses of the entity or the right to receive the expected residual returns of the entity or (c) the voting rights are not proportional to their obligations to absorb the expected losses of the entity or their rights to receive the expected residual returns of the entity. The Company evaluates whether entities in which it has an interest are VIEs and whether the Company qualifies as the primary beneficiary of any VIEs identified in its analysis. The Company applies the guidance for VIEs prior to the FASB's amendment to the guidance on the accounting for VIEs in June 2009 because all of the entities subject to such guidance that the Company is involved with qualified for the FASB's deferral of such guidance.

#### Receivables from and Payables to Brokers

Receivables from and payables to brokers consist of amounts arising from the purchases and sales of securities as well as cash amounts held in anticipation of investment.

#### Major Revenue-Generating Services and Revenue Recognition

The Company's revenues are derived primarily from investment advisory and incentive fees, institutional research services and distribution fees.

Investment advisory and incentive fees are directly influenced by the level and mix of assets under management ("AUM") as fees are derived from a contractually-determined percentage of AUM for each account as well as fulcrum fees earned on certain accounts. Advisory fees from the open-end mutual funds, closed-end funds and sub-advisory accounts are computed daily or weekly based on average net assets and amounts receivable are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition. Advisory fees from Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts are generally computed quarterly based on account values as of the end of the preceding quarter, and amounts receivable are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition. Management fees from investment partnerships and offshore funds are computed either monthly or quarterly, and amounts receivable are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition. The Company derived approximately 83%, 82% and 83% of its total revenues from advisory and management fees for the periods ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. These revenues vary depending upon the level of sales compared with redemptions, financial market conditions, performance and the fee structure for AUM. Revenues derived from the equity-oriented portfolios generally have higher management fee rates than fixed income portfolios.

Revenues from investment partnerships and offshore funds also generally include an incentive allocation on the absolute gain in a portfolio or a fee of 20% of the economic profit as defined in the partnership agreement. The incentive allocation or fee is recognized at the end of the measurement period, and amounts receivable are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition. There were \$3.7 million and \$2.7 million in incentive allocations or fees receivable as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The Company also receives fulcrum fees from certain Institutional and Private Wealth Management accounts, which are based upon meeting or exceeding specific benchmark index or indices. These fees are recognized at the end of the stipulated contract period for the respective account, and receivables due from fulcrum fees earned are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition. There was \$8.4 million and \$3.1 million in fulcrum fees receivable as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Management fees on a majority of the closed-end preferred shares are received at year-end if the total return to common shareholders of the closed-end fund for the calendar year exceeds the dividend rate of the preferred shares. These fees are recognized at the end of the measurement period. Receivables due on management fees on closed-end preferred shares are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition. There were \$8.7 million in management fees receivable on closed-end preferred shares as of both December 31, 2010 and 2009. For The GDL Fund, there is a performance fee earned as of the end of the calendar year if the total return of the fund is in excess of the T-Bill Index total return. This fee is recognized at the end of the measurement period. Receivables due on performance fees relating to The GDL Fund are included in investment advisory fees receivable on the consolidated statements of financial condition and were \$3.3 million and \$5.9 million as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Gabelli & Company provides institutional research services and earns brokerage commission revenues and sales manager fees on a trade-date basis from securities transactions executed on an agency basis on behalf of institutional clients and mutual funds, private wealth management clients and retail customers of affiliated companies. It has also been involved in syndicated underwriting activities that included public equity and debt offerings managed by major investment banks. Underwriting fees include underwriting revenues and syndicate profits and are accrued as earned. Underwriting fees include gains, losses, selling concessions and fees, net of syndicate expenses, arising from securities offerings in which the Company acts as underwriter or agent. It provides institutional investors and investment partnerships with investment ideas on numerous industries and special situations, with a particular focus on small-cap and mid-cap companies. Commission revenue and related clearing charges are recorded on a trade-date basis and are included in commission revenue and other operating expenses, respectively, on the consolidated statements of income.

Distribution fees revenues are derived primarily from the distribution of Gabelli and GAMCO open-end mutual funds ("Funds") advised by a subsidiary of GBL, Funds Advisor and a subsidiary of GGCP, Teton. Gabelli & Company distributes our open-end Funds pursuant to distribution agreements with each Fund. Under each distribution agreement with an open-end Fund, Gabelli & Company offers and sells such open-end Fund shares on a continuous basis and pays all of the costs of marketing and selling the shares, including printing and mailing prospectuses and sales literature, advertising and maintaining sales and customer service personnel and sales and services fulfillment systems, and payments to the sponsors of third party distribution programs, financial intermediaries and Gabelli & Company's sales personnel. Gabelli & Company receives fees for such services pursuant to distribution plans adopted under provisions of Rule 12b-1 ("12b-1") of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Company Act"). Gabelli & Company is the principal underwriter for funds distributed in multiple classes of shares which carry either a front-end or back-end sales charge.

Under the distribution plans, the open-end Class AAA shares of the Funds (except The Gabelli U.S. Treasury Money Market Fund, Gabelli Capital Asset Fund and The Gabelli ABC Fund) and the Class A shares of certain Funds pay Gabelli & Company a distribution or service fee of .25% per year (except the Class A shares of the Westwood Funds which pay .50% per year and the Class A shares of the Gabelli Enterprise Mergers and Acquisitions Fund which pays .45% per year) on the average daily net assets of the fund. Class B and Class C shares have a 12b-1 distribution plan with a service and distribution fee totaling 1%.

Distribution fees from the open-end mutual funds are computed daily based on average net assets. The amounts receivable for distribution fees are included in receivables from affiliates on the consolidated statements of financial condition.

Finally, GBL also has investment gains or losses generated from its proprietary trading activities which are included in net gain/(loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income.

#### **Distribution Costs**

We incur certain promotion and distribution costs, which are expensed as incurred, principally related to the sale of shares of open-end mutual funds, shares sold in the initial public offerings of our closed-end funds, and after-market support services related to our closed-end funds. Additionally, Funds Advisor has agreed to reimburse expenses on certain funds, beyond certain expense caps.

Dividends and Interest Income and Interest Expense

Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income and interest expense are accrued as earned or incurred.

#### Depreciation and Amortization

Fixed assets other than leasehold improvements, with net book value of \$869,000 and \$929,000 at December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively, which are included in other assets, are recorded at cost and depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives from five to seven years. Accumulated depreciation was \$1.5 million and \$4.1 million at December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Leasehold improvements, with net book value of \$2.0 million and \$1.9 million at December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively, which are included in other assets, are recorded at cost and amortized using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives or lease terms, whichever is shorter. The leased property under the capital lease is depreciated utilizing the straight-line method over the term of the lease, which expires on December 31, 2023. The capital lease was extended on September 15, 2008 to December 31, 2023 from April 30, 2013. For the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, depreciation and amortization were \$700,000, \$656,000 and \$1.1 million, respectively. We estimate that depreciation and amortization will be approximately \$700,000 annually over the next three years.

#### **Derivative Financial Instruments**

The Company recognizes all derivatives as either assets or liabilities measured at fair value and are included in either investments in securities or securities sold, not yet purchased on the consolidated statements of financial condition. From time to time, the Company will enter into hedging transactions to manage its exposure to foreign currencies and equity prices related to its proprietary investments. These transactions are not designated as hedges, and changes in fair values of these derivatives are included in net gain (loss) from investments on the consolidated statements of income. During 2010 and 2009, the Company had derivative transactions which resulted in a net gain of \$42,000 and a net loss of \$281,000, respectively. At December 31, 2010 and 2009 we held derivative contracts on 403,000 equity shares and 122,000 equity shares, respectively, and the fair value was \$1.0 million and \$246,000, respectively, and are included as investments in securities on the consolidated statements of financial condition. These transactions are not designated as hedges for accounting purposes, and changes in fair values of these derivatives are included in net gain from investments on the consolidated statements of income and included in investments in trading securities on the consolidated statements of cash flows.

#### Goodwill and Identifiable Intangible Assets

Goodwill is initially measured as the excess of the cost of the acquired business over the sum of the amounts assigned to assets acquired less the liabilities assumed. At December 31, 2010 and 2009 goodwill recorded on the consolidated statements of financial condition relates to our 93%-owned subsidiary, GSI and the identifiable intangible asset is an investment advisory contact for the Gabelli Enterprise Mergers and Acquisition Fund. Goodwill and identifiable intangible assets are tested for impairment at least annually on November 30th and whenever certain triggering events are met. In assessing the recoverability of goodwill and identifiable intangible assets, projections regarding estimated future cash flows and other factors are made to determine the fair value of the respective assets.

#### **Income Taxes**

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded for temporary differences between the tax basis of assets and liabilities and the reported amounts on the consolidated financial statements using the statutory tax rates in effect for the year when the reported amount of the asset or liability is recovered or settled, respectively. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in the results of operations in the period that includes the enactment date. A valuation allowance is recorded to reduce the carrying values of deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. For each tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return, the Company determines whether it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon examination based on the technical merits of the position, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation. A tax position that meets

the more likely than not recognition threshold is measured to determine the amount of benefit to recognize. The tax position is measured at the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon settlement. The Company recognizes the accrual of interest on uncertain tax positions and penalties in income tax provision on the consolidated statements of income.

#### Noncontrolling Interests

Noncontrolling interests that are mandatorily redeemable upon a certain date or event occurring are classified as liabilities. This liability relates to certain shareholders of GSI who are employed by GBL, or its affiliates, who are required to sell their shares back to GSI at book value once they cease being employed by GBL, or its affiliates. Noncontrolling interests in investment partnerships that are redeemable at the option of the holder are classified as redeemable noncontrolling interests in the mezzanine section between liabilities and equity. All other noncontrolling interests are classified as equity and are presented within the equity section, separately from GAMCO Investors, Inc.'s portion of equity.

For the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests on the consolidated statements of income represents income attributable to certain minority stockholders of GSI and Teton (through March 20, 2009), as well as to certain limited partners of investment partnerships and offshore funds that are also consolidated. The minority stockholders of Teton were principally employees, officers and directors of GBL. The income/expense attributable to the noncontrolling interests classified as liabilities is included in interest expense.

#### Fair Values of Financial Instruments

All of the instruments within cash and cash equivalents, investments in securities and securities sold, not yet purchased are measured at fair value. Certain investments in partnerships are also measured at fair value.

The Company's assets and liabilities recorded at fair value have been categorized based upon a fair value hierarchy in accordance with the Financial Accounting Standards Board's ("FASB's") guidance on fair value measurement. The levels of the fair value hierarchy and their applicability to the Company are described below:

- Level 1 inputs utilize quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the reporting date. Level 1 assets include cash equivalents, government obligations, open and closed end mutual funds and equities.
- Level 2 inputs utilize inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities that are not active and inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, such as interest rates and yield curves that are observable at commonly-quoted intervals. Assets that generally are included in this category may include certain limited partnership interests in private funds in which the valuations for substantially all of the investments within the fund are based upon Level 1 or Level 2 inputs and over the counter derivatives that have inputs to the valuations that can generally be corroborated by observable market data.
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability. Assets included in this category generally include equities that trade infrequently and direct private equity investments held within consolidated partnerships.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls has been determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. The Company's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the asset or liability. Investments are transferred into or out of any level at their beginning period values.

The availability of observable inputs can vary from product to product and is affected by a wide variety of factors, including, for example, the type of product, whether the product is new and not yet established in the marketplace, and other characteristics particular to the transaction. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised by the Company in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized as Level 3.

In the absence of a closing price, an average of the bid and ask price is used. Bid prices reflect the highest price that the market is willing to pay for an asset. Ask prices represent the lowest price that the market is willing to accept for

an asset.

Cash equivalents – Cash equivalents primarily consist of an affiliated money market mutual fund which is invested solely in U.S. Treasuries. U.S. Treasury Bills and Notes with maturities of three months or less at the time of purchase are also considered cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are valued using quoted market prices.

Investments in securities and securities sold, not yet purchased – Investments in securities and securities sold, not yet purchased are generally valued based on quoted prices from an exchange. To the extent these securities are actively traded, valuation adjustments are not applied, and they are categorized in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy. Securities categorized in Level 2 investments are valued using other observable inputs. Nonpublic and infrequently traded investments are included in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy because significant inputs to measure fair value are unobservable.

Investments in Partnerships – The Company's investments include limited partner investments in consolidated feeder funds. The Company considers the net asset value of the fund to be the best estimate of fair value. Investments in private funds that are redeemable at the measurement date or within the near term, are categorized in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. These funds primarily invest in long and short investments in debt and equity securities that are traded in public and over-the-counter exchanges in the United States and are classified as level 1 assets or liabilities in the funds' financial statements. We may redeem our investments in these funds monthly with 30 days' notice.

#### Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share is based on the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during each period less unvested restricted stock. Diluted earnings per share is based on basic shares plus the incremental shares that would be issued upon the assumed exercise of in-the-money stock options and unvested restricted stock using the treasury stock method and, if dilutive, assumes the conversion of the convertible notes for the periods outstanding since the issuances in August 2001 and October 2008 using the if converted method.

#### Management Fee

Management fee expense is incentive-based and entirely variable compensation in the amount of 10% of the aggregate pre-tax profits which is paid to Mr. Gabelli or his designee for acting as CEO pursuant to his amended Employment Agreement so long as he is an executive of GBL and devoting the substantial majority of his working time to the business. In accordance with his amended employment agreement, he has allocated approximately \$2.4 million, \$4.0 million and \$1.7 million of his management fee to certain other employees of the Company in 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

#### **Stock Based Compensation**

The Company has granted restricted stock awards ("RSAs") and stock options which were recommended by the Company's Chairman, who did not receive an RSA or award, and approved by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors. We use a fair value based method of accounting for stock-based compensation provided to our employees. The estimated fair value of RSAs is determined by using the closing price of our Class A Stock on the grant date. The total expense, which is reduced by estimated forfeitures, is recognized over the vesting period for these awards which is 30% over three years from the date of grant and 70% over five years from the date of grant. The forfeiture rate is determined by reviewing historical forfeiture rates for previous stock-based compensation grants and is reviewed and updated quarterly, if necessary. During the vesting period, dividends to RSA holders are held for them until the RSA vesting