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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2012

OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 001-32240

NEENAH PAPER, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

20-1308307

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

3460 Preston Ridge Road

Alpharetta, Georgia

(Address of principal executive offices)

30005

(Zip Code)

(678) 566-6500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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

As of July 27, 2012, there were approximately 15,795,000 shares of the Company's common stock outstanding.

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(In millions, except share and per share data)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Net sales	\$ 211.7	\$ 182.9	\$ 409.9	\$ 355.6
Cost of products sold	167.9	149.4	324.2	288.9
Gross profit	43.8	33.5	85.7	66.7
Selling, general and administrative expenses	19.1	18.0	38.6	35.0
SERP settlement charge (Note 6)			3.5	
Acquisition integration costs	1.9		4.4	
Loss on retirement of bonds	0.2		0.2	2.4
Other (income) expense - net	0.6	(0.2)	0.8	(1.2)
Operating income	22.0	15.7	38.2	30.5
Interest expense - net	3.5	3.7	7.1	8.2
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	18.5	12.0	31.1	22.3
Provision for income taxes	5.8	4.2	9.5	7.5
Income from continuing operations	12.7	7.8	21.6	14.8
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes				(0.1)
Net income	\$ 12.7	\$ 7.8	\$ 21.6	\$ 14.7
Earnings Per Common Share				
Basic				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.52	\$ 1.34	\$ 0.98
Discontinued operations				(0.01)
	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.52	\$ 1.34	\$ 0.97
Diluted				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.49	\$ 1.32	\$ 0.94
Discontinued operations				(0.01)
	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.49	\$ 1.32	\$ 0.93
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding (in thousands)				
Basic	15,809	14,943	15,587	14,899
Diluted	16,099	15,651	15,918	15,597
Cash Dividends Declared Per Share of Common Stock				
	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.22

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NEENAH PAPER, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(In millions, except share and per share data)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Net income	\$ 12.7	\$ 7.8	\$ 21.6	\$ 14.7
Unrealized foreign currency translation gain				
(loss)	(12.2)	4.0	(7.0)	15.7
Net gain from pension and other postretirement benefit liabilities		0.1	1.1	0.1
Reclassification of amortization of adjustments to pension and other postretirement benefit liabilities recognized in net periodic benefit cost	1.3	0.5	2.5	1.2
SERP settlement charge			3.5	
Curtailment loss			0.3	
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities		0.1	0.1	0.1
Income (loss) from other comprehensive income items	(10.9)	4.7	0.5	17.1
Provision for income taxes	0.5	0.2	2.9	0.5
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(11.4)	4.5	(2.4)	16.6
Comprehensive income	\$ 1.3	\$ 12.3	\$ 19.2	\$ 31.3

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NEENAH PAPER, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In millions)

(Unaudited)

	June 30, 2012	December 31, 2011
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1.8	\$ 12.8
Restricted cash		7.0
Accounts receivable (less allowances of \$2.1 million and \$1.9 million)	102.1	71.4
Inventories	105.3	68.8
Income taxes receivable	2.4	1.9
Deferred income taxes	27.4	17.6
Prepaid and other current assets	11.2	14.0
Total Current Assets	250.2	193.5
Property, Plant and Equipment, at cost	580.2	579.2
Less accumulated depreciation	336.2	326.9
Property, plant and equipment net	244.0	252.3
Deferred Income Taxes	30.9	45.5
Goodwill	39.0	40.5
Intangible Assets net	34.1	21.9
Other Assets	10.7	11.4
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 608.9	\$ 565.1
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Debt payable within one year	\$ 6.5	\$ 21.7
Accounts payable	45.7	30.2
Accrued expenses	50.6	51.6
Total Current Liabilities	102.8	103.5
Long-term Debt	196.3	164.5
Deferred Income Taxes	14.5	16.0
Noncurrent Employee Benefits	106.2	113.0
Other Noncurrent Obligations	1.4	1.4
TOTAL LIABILITIES	421.2	398.4
Contingencies and Legal Matters (Note 10)		
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY	187.7	166.7
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY	\$ 608.9	\$ 565.1

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NEENAH PAPER, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In millions)

(Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2012	2011
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net income	\$ 21.6	\$ 14.7
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	14.6	15.6
Stock-based compensation	3.0	2.2
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation (Note 7)	(4.8)	(0.6)
Deferred income tax provision	5.8	4.3
Inventory acquired in Wausau acquisition (Note 3)	(6.6)	
SERP payment, net of settlement charge	(3.4)	
Loss on retirement of bonds	0.2	2.4
Loss on asset dispositions	0.1	
Increase in working capital	(39.2)	(19.9)
Pension and other postretirement benefits	(1.1)	(3.5)
Other	(0.4)	(0.7)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(10.2)	14.5
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Capital expenditures	(9.3)	(12.9)
Decrease in restricted cash	7.0	
Purchase of marketable securities	(0.1)	(3.7)
Purchase of Wausau brands	(14.1)	
Other	0.1	0.6
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(16.4)	(16.0)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	45.2	27.8
Debt issuance costs		(0.4)
Repayments of long-term debt	(13.3)	(75.9)
Short-term borrowings	1.2	8.1
Repayments of short-term debt	(16.1)	(2.4)
Shares purchased	(6.3)	(0.5)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	4.1	1.1
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation (Note 7)	4.8	0.6
Cash dividends paid	(3.9)	(3.3)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES	15.7	(44.9)
EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
	(0.1)	0.1
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(11.0)	(46.3)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	12.8	48.3
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	\$ 1.8	\$ 2.0
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:		
Cash paid during period for interest, net of interest expense capitalized	\$ 6.7	\$ 8.5
Cash paid during period for income taxes	\$ 4.3	\$ 1.6
Non-cash investing activities:		

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Liability for equipment acquired	\$	2.4	\$	1.1
Liability related to acquisition of Wausau brands	\$	0.5	\$	

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NEENAH PAPER, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Tabular amounts in millions, except as noted)

Note 1. Background and Basis of Presentation

Background

Neenah Paper, Inc. ("Neenah" or the "Company"), is a Delaware corporation incorporated in April 2004. The Company has two primary operations: its technical products business and its fine paper business.

The technical products business is an international producer of transportation and other filter media and durable, saturated and coated substrates for industrial products backings and a variety of other end markets. The fine paper business is a supplier of premium writing, text and cover papers, bright papers and specialty papers in North America. The Company's premium writing, text, cover and specialty papers are used in commercial printing and imaging applications for corporate identity packages, invitations, personal stationery and high-end advertising, as well as, premium labels and luxury packaging.

On January 31, 2012, the Company purchased certain premium paper brands and other assets from Wausau Paper Mills, LLC, a subsidiary of Wausau Paper Corp. ("Wausau") for approximately \$21 million. See Note 3, "Acquisitions."

Basis of Consolidation and Presentation

These condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and, in accordance with those rules and regulations, do not include all information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). Management believes that the disclosures made are adequate for a fair presentation of the Company's results of operations, financial position and cash flows. In the opinion of management, the condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, necessary to present fairly the results of operations, financial position and cash flows for the interim periods presented herein. The preparation of condensed consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make extensive use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results may vary from these estimates.

These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K. The results of operations for any interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations to be expected for the full year.

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The condensed consolidated financial statements of Neenah and its subsidiaries included herein are unaudited, except for the December 31, 2011 condensed consolidated balance sheet, which was derived from audited financial statements. The condensed consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its wholly owned and majority owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated from the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Earnings per Share (EPS)

The Company computes basic earnings per share (EPS) in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 260, *Earnings Per Share* (ASC Topic 260). In accordance with ASC Topic 260, share-based awards with non-forfeitable dividends are classified as participating securities. In calculating basic earnings per share, this method requires net income to be reduced by the amount of dividends declared in the current period for each participating security and by the contractual amount of dividends or other participation payments that are paid or accumulated for the current period. Undistributed earnings for the period are allocated to participating securities based on the contractual participation rights of the security to share in those current earnings assuming all earnings for the period are distributed. Holders of restricted stock and restricted stock units (RSUs) have contractual participation rights that are equivalent to those of common stockholders. Therefore, the Company allocates undistributed earnings to restricted stock, RSUs and common stockholders based on their respective ownership percentage, as of the end of the period.

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ASC Topic 260 also requires companies with participating securities to calculate diluted earnings per share using the Two Class method. The Two Class method requires first calculating diluted earnings per share using a denominator that includes the weighted average share equivalents from the assumed conversion of dilutive securities. Diluted earnings per share is then calculated using net income reduced by the amount of distributed and undistributed earnings allocated to participating securities calculated using the Treasury Stock method and a denominator that includes the weighted average share equivalents from the assumed conversion of dilutive securities excluding participating securities. Companies are required to report the lowest diluted earnings per share amount under the two calculations subject to the anti-dilution provisions of ASC Topic 260.

Diluted EPS was calculated to give effect to all potentially dilutive non-participating common share equivalents using the Treasury Stock method. Outstanding stock options, stock appreciation rights (SARs) and certain RSUs with performance conditions represent the only potentially dilutive non-participating security effects on the Company's weighted-average shares. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2012 approximately 1,045,000 and 1,030,000 potentially dilutive options, respectively, were excluded from the computation of dilutive common shares because the exercise price of such options exceeded the average market price of the Company's common stock for the period the options were outstanding. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2011 approximately 1,340,000 and 1,358,000 potentially dilutive options, respectively, were excluded from the computation of dilutive common shares.

The following table presents the computation of basic and diluted EPS (dollars in millions except per share amounts, shares in thousands):

Earnings (Loss) Per Basic Common Share

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Income from continuing operations	\$ 12.7	\$ 7.8	\$ 21.6	\$ 14.8
Distributed and undistributed amounts allocated to participating securities	(0.3)	(0.1)	(0.7)	(0.2)
Income from continuing operations available to common stockholders	12.4	7.7	20.9	14.6
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes				(0.1)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 12.4	\$ 7.7	\$ 20.9	\$ 14.5
Weighted-average basic shares outstanding	15,809	14,943	15,587	14,899
Basic				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.52	\$ 1.34	\$ 0.98
Discontinued operations				(0.01)
	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.52	\$ 1.34	\$ 0.97

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	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Income from continuing operations	\$ 12.7	\$ 7.8	\$ 21.6	\$ 14.8
Distributed and undistributed amounts allocated to participating securities	(0.3)	(0.1)	(0.6)	(0.2)
Income from continuing operations available to common stockholders	12.4	7.7	21.0	14.6
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes				(0.1)
Net income available to common stockholders	\$ 12.4	\$ 7.7	\$ 21.0	\$ 14.5
Weighted-average basic shares outstanding	15,809	14,943	15,587	14,899
Add: Assumed incremental shares under stock compensation plans	290	708	331	698
Weighted-average diluted shares	16,099	15,651	15,918	15,597
Diluted				
Continuing operations	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.49	\$ 1.32	\$ 0.94
Discontinued operations				(0.01)
	\$ 0.77	\$ 0.49	\$ 1.32	\$ 0.93

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company's investments in marketable securities are accounted for as available-for-sale securities in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 320, *Investments - Debt and Equity Securities* (ASC Topic 320). Pursuant to ASC Topic 320, marketable securities are reported at fair value on the condensed consolidated balance sheet and unrealized holding gains and losses are reported in other comprehensive income until realized upon sale. As of June 30, 2012, the cost and fair value of the Company's marketable securities was \$2.4 million and \$2.5 million, respectively. These marketable securities are classified as Other Assets on the condensed consolidated balance sheet and will be used for the payment of employee benefits.

Note 2. Accounting Standard Changes

As of June 30, 2012, no amendments to the ASC had been issued that will have or are reasonably likely to have a material effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Note 3. Acquisitions

On January 31, 2012, the Company purchased certain premium paper brands and other assets from Wausau. The Company paid approximately \$21 million for (i) the premium fine paper brands ASTROBRIGHTS®, ASTROPARCHE® and ROYAL, (ii) exclusive, royalty free and

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perpetual license rights for a portion of the EXACT® brand specialty business, including Index, Tag and Vellum Bristol, (iii) approximately one month of finished goods inventory and (iv) certain converting equipment used for retail grades. In addition, the parties entered into a supply agreement under which Wausau will manufacture and supply certain products to the Company during a transition period. The acquisition was financed through the Company's existing credit facility and cash on hand. The results of the Index, Tag and Vellum Bristol brands are reported in the Other segment from the date of acquisition. The results of all other brands acquired from Wausau are reported in the Fine Paper segment from the date of acquisition.

The Company accounted for the acquisition of the Wausau brands as an asset purchase. The Company measured the fair value of the acquired assets in accordance with ASC Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* (ASC Topic 820) which establishes a framework for measuring fair value. ASC Topic 820 provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under ASC Topic 820 are described below:

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Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Company has the ability to access.

Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

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

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques attempt to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the fair value of the assets acquired from Wausau:

	Acquired Assets at Fair Value				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3		Total
Amortizable intangible assets					
Customer based intangibles	\$	\$	\$	2.0	\$ 2.0
Trade names and trademarks				0.2	0.2
Non-amortizable intangible assets					
Trade names				11.5	11.5
Finished goods inventory		6.6			6.6
Property, plant and equipment				0.9	0.9
Total assets at fair value	\$	\$	\$	6.6	\$ 21.2

The Company expects to incur approximately \$7.0 million in acquisition integration costs. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2012, the Company incurred \$1.9 million and \$4.4 million of such costs.

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The following presents inventories by major class:

	June 30, 2012	December 31, 2011
Inventories by major class:		
Raw materials	\$ 20.6	\$ 17.1
Work in progress	25.8	11.8
Finished goods	71.0	51.6
Supplies and other	2.6	1.7
	120.0	82.2
Adjust FIFO inventories to LIFO cost	(14.7)	(13.4)
Total	\$ 105.3	\$ 68.8

The FIFO values of inventories valued on the LIFO method were \$96.6 million and \$59.1 million as of June 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively.

Note 5. Debt

Long-term debt consisted of the following:

	June 30, 2012	December 31, 2011
Senior Notes (7.375% fixed rate) due November 2014	\$ 148.0	\$ 158.0
Revolving bank credit facility (variable rates) due November 2015	42.8	
Neenah Germany project financing (3.8% fixed rate) due in 16 equal semi-annual installments ending December 2016	7.0	8.1
Neenah Germany revolving lines of credit (variable rates)	5.0	20.1
Total debt	202.8	186.2
Less: Debt payable within one year	6.5	21.7
Long-term debt	\$ 196.3	\$ 164.5

Unsecured Notes

On June 30, 2012, the Company had \$148 million of ten-year 7.375% senior unsecured notes, originally issued on November 30, 2004 (the Senior Notes) outstanding. A description and history of the Senior Notes is as follows:

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- **Original Issuance.** On November 30, 2004, the Company issued \$225 million aggregate principal amount of Senior Notes. Interest on the Senior Notes is payable May 15 and November 15 of each year. The Senior Notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by substantially all of the Company's subsidiaries, with the exception of our non-Canadian international subsidiaries.
- **Covenants.** The Senior Notes contain terms, covenants and events of default with which the Company must comply, which the Company believes are ordinary and standard for notes of this nature. Among other things, the Senior Notes contain covenants restricting our ability to incur certain additional debt, make specified restricted payments, pay dividends, authorize or issue capital stock, enter into transactions with our affiliates, consolidate or merge with or acquire another business, sell certain of our assets or liquidate, dissolve or wind-up the Company.
- **First Open Market Purchases.** During the three months ended September 30, 2010, the Company completed open market purchases of \$2 million aggregate principal amount of the Senior Notes for slightly less than par value.
- **First Early Redemption.** On March 10, 2011, the Company completed an early redemption of \$65 million in aggregate principal amount of the Senior Notes (the First Early Redemption). For the six months ended June 30, 2011, the Company recognized a pre-tax loss, including the write-off of related unamortized debt issuance costs, of approximately \$2.4 million in connection with the First Early Redemption.

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- **Second Early Redemption.** On April 23, 2012, the Company redeemed \$10 million in aggregate principal amount of the Senior Notes (the **Second Early Redemption**). The Second Early Redemption was financed with available secured revolving credit facility borrowings. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2012, the Company recognized a pre-tax loss, including the write-off of related unamortized debt issuance costs, of approximately \$0.2 million in connection with the Second Early Redemption.
- **Redemption Rights/Open Market Purchases.** During the 12-month period commencing on November 15, 2011 and ending on November 14, 2012, the Company may redeem all or any portion of the Senior Notes at 101.229 percent of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest. Commencing on or after November 15, 2012, the Company may redeem all or any portion of the Senior Notes at 100 percent of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest. From time-to-time, the Company may either redeem or repurchase on the open market its Senior Notes. The Company's ability to either redeem or repurchase its Senior Notes is limited under the terms of its amended credit agreement.

Secured Revolving Credit Facility

As of June 30, 2012, the Company had a \$95 million secured revolving credit facility (the **Revolver**) pursuant to its amended credit agreement dated as amended on November 16, 2011 (the **Amended Credit Agreement**). As of June 30, 2012, the weighted-average interest rate on outstanding Revolver borrowings was 2.9 percent per annum. Borrowing availability under the Revolver is reduced by outstanding letters of credit and reserves for certain other items as defined in the Amended Credit Agreement. As of June 30, 2012, the Company had \$42.8 million of Revolver borrowings outstanding, approximately \$0.8 million of outstanding letters of credit and other items, and \$51.4 million of available credit under the Revolver.

The Amended Credit Agreement has the following general terms and conditions:

- **Borrowing Limit.** The Company's ability to borrow under the Revolver is limited to the lowest of (a) \$95 million; (b) the Company's borrowing base (as determined in accordance with the Amended Credit Agreement) and (c) the applicable cap on the amount of credit facilities under the indenture for the Senior Notes. Under certain conditions, the Company has the ability to increase the size of the Revolver to \$150 million. The total commitment under the Amended Credit Agreement cannot exceed \$150 million.
- **Term and Security.** The Amended Credit Agreement will terminate on November 30, 2015 (or on August 31, 2014 if the Senior Notes have not been repurchased, defeased, refinanced or extended as of such date). The Amended Credit Agreement is secured by substantially all of the assets of the Company and the subsidiary borrowers. Neenah Germany is not obligated with respect to the Amended Credit Agreement, either as a borrower or a guarantor.
- **Interest Rate.** The Revolver bears interest at either (1) a prime rate-based index plus a percentage ranging from 0.75 percent to 1.00 percent, or (2) LIBOR plus a percentage ranging from 2.25 percent to 2.50 percent, depending upon the amount of borrowing availability under the Revolver. The Company is also required to pay a monthly facility fee on the unused amount of the Revolver commitment at a per annum rate ranging between 0.375 percent and 0.50 percent, depending upon usage under the Revolver.

- **Terms, Covenants and Events of Default.** The Amended Credit Agreement contains terms, covenants and events of default with which the Company must comply, which the Company believes are ordinary and standard for agreements of this nature. Among other things, such covenants restrict the Company's ability to incur certain additional debt, make specified restricted payments, authorize or issue capital stock, enter into transactions with affiliates, consolidate or merge with or acquire another business, sell certain of its assets, or dissolve or wind up. In addition, if borrowing availability under the Amended Credit Agreement is less than \$20 million, the Company would be required to achieve a fixed charge coverage ratio (as defined in the Amended Credit Agreement) of not less than 1.1 to 1.0 for the preceding 12-month period, tested as of the end of such quarter. As of June 30, 2012, borrowing availability under the Amended Credit Agreement was \$51.4 million and the Company was not required to comply with the fixed charge coverage ratio. The Company's ability to pay cash dividends on its common stock is limited under the terms of both the Amended Credit Agreement and the Senior Notes. At June 30, 2012, under the most restrictive terms of these agreements, the Company's ability to pay cash dividends on its common stock is limited to a total of \$8 million in a 12-month period.

- **Stock Repurchases.** The Amended Credit Agreement allows the Company to repurchase (1) up to \$15 million of its own stock on or before December 31, 2012, and (2) up to an additional \$10 million of its stock annually thereafter during the term of the Amended Credit Agreement, subject to the terms and conditions contained in the Amended Credit Agreement.

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Other Debt

German Project Financing

German Loan Agreement. In December 2006, Neenah Germany entered into a 10-year agreement with HypoVereinsbank and IKB Deutsche Industriebank AG to provide 10.0 million of project financing (the German Loan Agreement). As of June 30, 2012, 5.6 million (\$7.0 million, based on exchange rates at June 30, 2012) was outstanding under the German Loan Agreement.

German Lines of Credit

HypoVereinsbank Line of Credit. Neenah Germany has a revolving line of credit with HypoVereinsbank (the HypoVereinsbank Line of Credit) that provides for borrowings of up to 15 million for general corporate purposes. As of December 31, 2011, the weighted-average interest rate on outstanding HypoVereinsbank Line of Credit borrowings was 3.8 percent per annum. As of June 30, 2012, no amounts were outstanding under the HypoVereinsbank Line of Credit and 15.0 million (\$18.7 million, based on exchange rates at June 30, 2012) of credit was available.

Commerzbank Line of Credit. In January 2011, Neenah Germany entered into an agreement with Commerzbank AG (Commerzbank) to provide up to 3.0 million of unsecured revolving credit borrowings for general corporate purposes (the Commerzbank Line of Credit). In February 2012, the Company and Commerzbank amended the Commerzbank Line of Credit to provide up to 5.0 million of unsecured revolving credit borrowings. As of June 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the weighted average interest rate on Commerzbank Line of Credit borrowings was 3.5 percent and 3.6 percent per annum, respectively. As of June 30, 2012, 4.0 million (\$5.0 million, based on exchange rates at June 30, 2012) was outstanding under the Commerzbank Line of Credit and 1.0 million (\$1.3 million, based on exchanges rates at June 30, 2012) of credit was available.

Restrictions under German Credit Facilities

Neenah Germany's ability to pay dividends or transfer funds to the Company is limited under the terms of both the HypoVereinsbank and Commerzbank lines of credit, to not exceed certain limits defined in the agreements without approval from the lenders or repayment of the amount outstanding under the lines of credit. In addition, the terms of the HypoVereinsbank and Commerzbank lines of credit require Neenah Germany to maintain a ratio of stockholder's equity to total assets equal to or greater than 45 percent. The Company was in compliance with all provisions of the HypoVereinsbank and Commerzbank lines of credit as of June 30, 2012.

Note 6. Pension and Other Postretirement Benefits

Pension Plans

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Substantially all active employees of the Company's U.S. operations participate in defined benefit pension plans and/or defined contribution retirement plans. Neenah Germany has defined benefit plans designed to provide a monthly pension upon retirement for substantially all its employees in Germany. In addition, the Company maintains a Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan (the "SERP") which is a non-qualified defined benefit plan. The Company provides benefits under the SERP to the extent necessary to fulfill the intent of its defined benefit retirement plans without regard to the limitations set by the Internal Revenue Code on qualified defined benefit plans.

For the six months ended June 30, 2012, SERP benefit payments of \$7.0 million exceeded the sum of expected service cost and interest costs for the plan for calendar 2012. In accordance with ASC Topic 715, *Compensation - Retirement Benefits* (ASC Topic 715), the Company remeasured the liabilities of the SERP as of January 1, 2012 and recognized a settlement charge of \$3.5 million.

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The following table presents the components of net periodic benefit cost:

Components of Net Periodic Benefit Cost

	Pension Benefits		Postretirement Benefits Other than Pensions	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Service cost	\$ 1.1	\$ 1.0	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.5
Interest cost	3.6	3.7	0.5	0.6
Expected return on plan assets (a)	(3.8)	(3.7)		
Recognized net actuarial loss	1.1	0.4	0.1	
Amortization of prior service cost			0.1	0.1
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 2.0	\$ 1.4	\$ 1.1	\$ 1.2

	Pension Benefits		Postretirement Benefits Other than Pensions	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Service cost	\$ 2.3	\$ 2.0	\$ 0.9	\$ 0.9
Interest cost	7.1	7.3	1.0	1.2
Expected return on plan assets (a)	(7.6)	(7.5)		
Recognized net actuarial loss	2.1	0.8	0.2	0.1
Amortization of prior service cost	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
SERP settlement charge	3.5			
Curtailement loss			0.3	
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 7.5	\$ 2.7	\$ 2.5	\$ 2.4

(a) The expected return on plan assets is determined by multiplying the fair value of plan assets at the prior year-end (adjusted for estimated current year cash benefit payments and contributions) by the expected long-term rate of return.

The Company expects to make aggregate contributions to qualified defined benefit pension trusts and pay pension benefits for unfunded pension plans of approximately \$20 million (based on exchange rates at June 30, 2012) in calendar 2012. For the six months ended June 30, 2012, the Company made approximately \$12.8 million of such payments.

Note 7. Stock Compensation Plan

The Company reserved 3,500,000 shares of \$0.01 par value common stock (Common Stock) for issuance under the 2004 Omnibus Stock and Incentive Plan (the Omnibus Plan). As of June 30, 2012, approximately 765,000 shares of Common Stock were reserved for future issuance under the Omnibus Plan.

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Substantially all stock-based compensation expense is recorded in selling, general and administrative expenses on the condensed consolidated statements of operations. The following table summarizes stock-based compensation expense and related income tax benefits.

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Stock-based compensation expense	\$ 1.4	\$ 1.2	\$ 3.0	\$ 2.2
Income tax benefit	(0.6)	(0.4)	(1.2)	(0.8)
Stock-based compensation, net of income tax benefit	\$ 0.8	\$ 0.8	\$ 1.8	\$ 1.4

The following table summarizes total compensation costs related to the Company's equity awards and amounts recognized in the six months ended June 30, 2012.

	Stock Options	Restricted Stock
Unrecognized compensation cost December 31, 2011	\$ 0.8	\$ 2.4
Grant date fair value of current year grants	2.5	4.3
Compensation expense recognized	(0.9)	(2.1)
Estimated forfeitures for awards granted in prior years		0.1
Unrecognized compensation cost June 30, 2012	\$ 2.4	\$ 4.7
Expected amortization period (in years)	3.4	2.0

Stock Options and SARs

During the six months ended June 30, 2012, the Company awarded nonqualified stock options to Long-Term Compensation Plan (the "LTCP") participants to purchase approximately 96,000 shares of Common Stock (subject to forfeiture due to termination of employment and other conditions). In addition, the Company awarded to a non-employee member of the Board of Directors (the "Board of Directors") nonqualified stock options to purchase 1,570 shares of Common Stock. For the six months ended June 30, 2012, the weighted-average exercise price of such nonqualified stock option awards was \$24.14 per share. The weighted-average grant date fair value for stock options granted during the six months ended June 30, 2012 was \$10.83 per share and was estimated using the Black-Scholes option valuation model with the following assumptions:

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2012
Expected term in years	4.9
Risk free interest rate	1.1%
Volatility	61.8%
Dividend yield	2.0%

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Volatility and the expected term were estimated by reference to the historical stock price performance of the Company and historical data for the Company's stock option awards, respectively. The risk-free interest rate was based on the yield on U.S. Treasury bonds with a remaining term approximately equal to the expected term of the stock option awards. Forfeitures were estimated at the date of grant.

During the six months ended June 30, 2012, the Company awarded nonqualified stock options to its President and Chief Operating Officer to purchase 125,000 shares of Common Stock (subject to forfeiture due to termination of employment and other conditions). The exercise price of such nonqualified stock option awards was \$24.09 per share and the options expire in ten years. If certain absolute total return to shareholder targets are achieved, 25 percent of the options will vest on December 31, 2014, 50 percent will vest on December 31, 2015 and 100 percent will vest on December 31, 2016. Any unvested shares as of December 31, 2016 will be forfeited. The grant date fair value of such stock options was \$11.61 per share and was estimated using a Monte-Carlo simulation valuation model.

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For the three and six months ended June 30, 2012, the aggregate pre-tax intrinsic value of stock options and SARs exercised was approximately \$0.2 million and \$3.5 million, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2011, the aggregate pre-tax intrinsic value of stock options exercised was approximately \$1.1 million and \$1.4 million, respectively. The aggregate intrinsic value of approximately 1,365,000 stock options and SARs that were exercisable at June 30, 2012 was \$6.6 million. The aggregate intrinsic value of approximately 1,660,000 stock options and SARs that were exercisable at December 31, 2011 was \$4.7 million.

The aggregate grant date fair value of approximately 180,000 stock options and SARs that vested during the six months ended June 30, 2012, was \$0.9 million. As of June 30, 2012, certain participants met age and service requirements that allowed their stock options and SARs to qualify for accelerated vesting upon retirement. As of June 30, 2012, such LTCP participants held options to purchase approximately 85,000 shares of common stock that would have been exercisable if they had retired as of such date. The aggregate grant date fair value of options subject to accelerated vesting was \$0.6 million. Stock options subject to accelerated vesting for expense recognition become exercisable according to the contract terms of the stock-based awards.

As of June 30, 2012, the weighted-average grant date fair value and aggregate intrinsic value of 1,790,000 stock options and SARs that were vested or expected to vest was \$9.38 per share and \$9.7 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2011, the weighted-average grant date fair value and aggregate intrinsic value of 2,035,000 stock options and SARs that were vested or expected to vest was \$9.03 per share and \$8.1 million, respectively.

As of June 30, 2012, the Company had approximately 435,000 unvested stock options with a weighted-average grant date fair value of \$8.52 per share. As of December 31, 2011, approximately 395,000 unvested stock options were outstanding with a weighted-average grant date fair value of \$5.25 per share.

Performance Units

For the six months ended June 30, 2012, the Company granted target awards of 103,000 Performance Units to LTCP participants. The measurement period for the Performance Units is January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. The Performance Units vest on December 31, 2014. Common Stock equal to not less than 40 percent and not more than 200 percent of the Performance Unit target will be awarded based on the Company's return on invested capital, consolidated revenue growth, the percentage of consolidated free cash flow to revenue and total return to shareholders relative to the companies in the Russell 2000® Value small cap index. As of June 30, 2012, the Company expects that Common Stock equal to 175 percent of the Performance Unit targets will be earned. The market price on the date of grant for the Performance Units was \$23.09 per share. Based on the expected achievement of performance targets, the Company is recognizing stock-based compensation expense pro-rata over the vesting term of the Performance Units.

RSUs

During the six months ended June 30, 2012, the Company awarded 12,025 RSUs to the Board of Directors (the Director Awards). The weighted average grant date fair value of the Director Awards was \$27.05 per share and the awards vest one year from the date of grant. During the vesting period, the holders of Director Awards are entitled to dividends, but the shares do not have voting rights and are forfeited in the event the holder is no longer a member of the Board of Directors. In addition, the Company issued 449 RSUs in lieu of dividends on RSUs held by

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non-U.S. employees and a member of the Board of Directors. For the six months ended June 30, 2012, the aggregate intrinsic value of 635,000 RSUs that vested was \$15.0 million.

Excess Tax Benefits

The Company accounts for stock-based compensation pursuant to the fair value recognition provisions of ASC Topic 718, *Compensation Stock Compensation* (ASC Topic 718). ASC Topic 718 requires the reporting of excess tax benefits related to the exercise or vesting of stock-based awards as cash provided by financing activities. Excess tax benefits represent the difference between the tax deduction the Company will receive on its tax return for compensation recognized by employees upon the vesting or exercise of stock-based awards and the tax benefit recognized for the grant date fair value of such awards. Excess tax benefits are a non-cash item and therefore a reduction in cash flow from operations is recorded to offset the amount of excess tax benefits reported in cash flows from financing activities. For the six months ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, the Company recognized excess tax benefits related to the exercise or vesting of stock-based awards of \$4.8 million and \$0.6 million, respectively.

Note 8. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

The following table presents changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the six months ended June 30, 2012. All such goodwill is reported in the Technical Products segment.

	Gross Amount		Cumulative Impairment Losses		Net
Balance at December 31, 2012	\$ 89.1	\$	(48.6)	\$	40.5
Foreign currency translation	(3.3)		1.8		(1.5)
Balance at June 30, 2012	\$ 85.8	\$	(46.8)	\$	39.0

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The following table presents the gross carrying amount of intangible assets and the related accumulated amortization for intangible assets subject to amortization.

	June 30, 2012		December 31, 2011	
	Gross Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Amount	Accumulated Amortization
Amortizable intangible assets				
Customer based intangibles	\$ 15.6	\$ (5.3)	\$ 14.1	\$ (5.0)
Trade names and trademarks	5.3	(2.9)	5.4	(2.8)
Acquired technology	1.0	(0.6)	1.0	(0.5)
Total	21.9	(8.8)	20.5	(8.3)
Unamortizable intangible assets:				
Trade names	21.0		9.7	
Total	\$ 42.9	\$ (8.8)	\$ 30.2	\$ (8.3)

In conjunction with the acquisition of the Wausau brands, the Company recorded approximately \$11.5 million in non-amortizable intangible trade names, approximately \$0.2 million in amortizable intangible trade names and trademarks and approximately \$2.0 million in customer based intangible assets. The weighted average useful lives assigned to amortizable intangible trade names and trademarks and customer based intangible assets was 8 years and 15 years, respectively.

Note 9. Stockholders Equity

Common Stock

The Company has authorized 100 million shares of Common Stock. Holders of the Company's Common Stock are entitled to one vote per share. As of June 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the Company had 15,795,521 and 15,593,506 shares of Common Stock outstanding, respectively.

On May 17, 2012, the Company announced that its Board of Directors authorized a program that would allow the Company to repurchase up to \$10 million of its outstanding Common Stock (the Stock Purchase Plan). Purchases by the Company under the Stock Purchase Plan will be made from time to time in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions in accordance with the requirements of applicable law. The timing and amount of any purchases will depend on share price, market conditions and other factors. The Stock Purchase Plan does not require the Company to purchase any specific number of shares and may be suspended or discontinued at any time.

The Company expects to fund the Stock Purchase Plan using cash on hand or Revolver borrowings. For the six months ended June 30, 2012, the Company purchased approximately 47,000 shares of Common Stock at an aggregate cost of \$1.2 million.

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For the six months ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, the Company acquired 213,000 and 25,000 shares of Common Stock, respectively, at a cost of approximately \$5.1 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, for shares surrendered by employees to pay taxes due on vested restricted stock awards.

Note 10. Contingencies and Legal Matters

Litigation

The Company is involved in certain legal actions and claims arising in the ordinary course of business. While the outcome of these legal actions and claims cannot be predicted with certainty, it is the opinion of management that the outcome of any such claim which is pending or threatened, either individually or on a combined basis, will not have a material effect on the consolidated financial condition, results of operations or liquidity of the Company.

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Income Taxes

The Company is continuously undergoing examination by the Internal Revenue Service (the IRS) as well as various state and foreign jurisdictions. The IRS and other taxing authorities routinely challenge certain deductions and credits reported by the Company on its income tax returns.

US Tax Audit Tax Years 2007 and 2008

In December 2010, the IRS issued a Revenue Agent's Report for the 2007 and 2008 tax years. In January 2011, the Company submitted a protest to the Appeals Division of the IRS with respect to certain unresolved issues which involve a proposed IRS adjustment with respect to dual consolidated losses (DCLs) and the recapture of net operating losses emanating from the Company's former Canadian operations. The Company's protest asserts that the IRS made several errors in its assessment of the DCL rules and, as such, the proposed adjustment is erroneous. The initial administrative hearing on this matter was held in March 2012. As of June 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, no amounts were reserved related to these issues. Management intends to vigorously contest this proposed adjustment, however, the outcome is uncertain and, should the Company not prevail, the outcome could have a material effect on the Company's results of operations, cash flows and financial position. Although it is reasonably possible that these matters could be resolved in our favor during the next 12 months, the timing is uncertain. We believe it is remote that our liability for unrecognized tax benefits related to these matters will significantly increase within the next 12 months.

German Tax Audit Tax Years 2006 to 2007

In November 2010, the Company received a tax examination report from the German tax authorities challenging certain interest expense deductions claimed on the Company's tax returns for the years 2006 and 2007. The Company is indemnified by FiberMark, Inc. for any tax liabilities arising from the operations of Neenah Germany prior to October 2006. In August 2011, the Company received tax assessments totaling 3.7 million from the German tax authorities and submitted an appeal challenging these assessments. As of June 30, 2012, the German tax authorities had not rendered a decision on the Company's appeal. The Company believes that the finding in the report is improper and will be rejected on appeal. As of June 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, no amounts were reserved related to these issues. Management intends to vigorously contest the finding in the report, however, the outcome is uncertain and, should the Company not prevail, the outcome could have a material effect on the Company's results of operations, cash flows and financial position. Although it is reasonably possible that these matters could be resolved in our favor during the next 12 months, the timing is uncertain. We believe it is remote that our liability for unrecognized tax benefits related to these matters will significantly increase within the next 12 months.

In November 2011, the Company paid 1.5 million and in January 2012 paid an additional 0.3 million against the tax assessments. Consistent with the Company's conclusion to not recognize a liability related to the tax assessments, the Company reflected these payments, and accrued interest thereon, as assets (\$2.4 million in Income taxes receivable on the consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2012). In January 2012, the Company provided certain additional information requested by the German tax authorities. Pending the German tax authorities consideration of such additional information, the Company does not anticipate that additional payments will be required. As of June 30, 2012, the Company believes it is more likely than not that it will prevail on this appeal and all amounts paid, plus accrued interest, will be refunded.

Employees and Labor Relations

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Hourly employees at the Whiting, Neenah, Munising and Appleton paper mills are represented by the United Steelworkers Union (the USW). The collective bargaining agreements between the Whiting, Neenah, Munising and Appleton paper mills and the USW expire on January 31, 2013, June 30, 2013, July 14, 2013 and May 31, 2014, respectively. Separately, the Whiting, Neenah, Munising and Appleton paper mills have bargained jointly with the union on pension matters. The agreement on pension matters expires in September 2019.

Approximately 50 percent of salaried employees and 80 percent of hourly employees of Neenah Germany are eligible to be represented by the Mining, Chemicals and Energy Trade Union, Industriegewerkschaft Bergbau, Chemie und Energie (the IG BCE). In December 2011, the IG BCE and a national trade association representing all employers in the industry signed a new collective bargaining agreement covering union employees of Neenah Germany that expires in May 2013.

As of June 30, 2012, approximately 360 hourly employees in the United States were covered by collective bargaining agreements that have expired or will expire within the next 12-months. Under German law, union membership is voluntary and does not need to be disclosed to the Company. As a result, the number of employees covered by the collective bargaining agreement with the IG BCE that expires in May 2013 cannot be determined. The Company believes it has satisfactory relations with its employees covered by such collective bargaining agreements.