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(Amendment No. 1)

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

For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011

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 No. 001-33861

MOTORCAR PARTS OF AMERICA, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York 11-2153962 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

2929 California Street, Torrance, California 90503 Zip Code
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (310) 212-7910

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: common stock, \$0.01 par value per share

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 No R

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

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

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required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes R No £

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Website, 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 £ No £

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

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

Large accelerated filer	Accelerated filer	Non-accelerated filer	Smaller reporting company
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(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 Act). Yes £ No R

As of September 30, 2010, which was the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed fiscal second quarter, the aggregate market value of the registrant's common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was approximately \$93,626,542 based on the closing sale price as reported on the NASDAQ Global Market.

There were 12,449,221 shares of common stock outstanding as of July 22, 2011.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K (this “Amendment”) amends our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011, that was previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) on June 13, 2011 (the “Original Filing”). We are filing this Amendment to include the information required by Part III of Form 10-K and not included in the Original Filing, as we will be filing our definitive proxy statement later than 120 days after the end of our fiscal year ended March 31, 2011.

Except as set forth in Part III below, no other changes are made to the Original Filing. Unless expressly stated, this Amendment does not reflect events occurring after the filing of the Original Filing, nor does it modify or update in any way the disclosures contained in the Original Filing. Unless the context otherwise requires, all references in this Amendment to “the Company,” “we,” “us,” and “our” refer to Motorcar Parts of America, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

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PART III

Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

Our directors, their ages and present positions with us as of July 29, 2011 are as follows:

Name	Age	Position with the Company
Selwyn Joffe	53	Chairman of the Board of Directors, President and Chief Executive Officer
Mel Marks	83	Director and Consultant
Scott J. Adelson	50	Director
Rudolph J. Borneo	70	Director, Chairman of the Compensation Committee and member of the Ethics and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees
Philip Gay	53	Director, Chairman of the Audit Committee and Ethics Committee, and member of the Compensation and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees
Duane Miller	64	Director, member of the Audit, Compensation, Ethics and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees
Jeffrey Mirvis	47	Director, member of the Audit and Compensation Committees

Selwyn Joffe has been our Chairman of the Board of Directors, President and Chief Executive Officer since February 2003. He has been a director of our Company since 1994 and Chairman since November 1999. From 1995 until his election to his present positions, he served as a consultant to us. Prior to February 2003, Mr. Joffe was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Protea Group, Inc. a company specializing in consulting and acquisition services. From September 2000 to December 2001, Mr. Joffe served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Netlock Technologies, a company that specializes in securing network communications. In 1997, Mr. Joffe co-founded Palace Entertainment, Inc., a roll-up of amusement parks and served as its President and Chief Operating Officer until August 2000. Prior to the founding of Palace Entertainment, Inc., Mr. Joffe was the President and Chief Executive Officer of Wolfgang Puck Food Company from 1989 to 1996. Mr. Joffe is a graduate of Emory University with degrees in both Business and Law and is a member of the bar of the State of Georgia as well as a Certified Public Accountant. As our most senior executive, Mr. Joffe provides the Board of Directors with insight into our business operations, management and strategic opportunities. His history with our Company and industry experience have led the Board of Directors to conclude that he should serve as a director of our Company.

Mel Marks founded our Company in 1968. Mr. Marks served as our Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer from that time until July 1999. Prior to founding our Company, Mr. Marks was employed for over 20 years by Beck/Arnley-Worldparts, a division of Echlin, Inc. (one of the largest importers and distributors of parts for imported cars), where he served as Vice President. Mr. Marks has continued to serve as a consultant and director to us since July 1999. Mr. Marks's 42-year history with our Company in addition to his wealth of industry knowledge and experience have led the Board of Directors to conclude that he should serve as a director of our Company.

Scott J. Adelson joined our Board of Directors on April 11, 2008. Mr. Adelson is also a director and member of the compensation committee of QAD Inc., a public software company, since April 2006. Mr. Adelson is a Senior Managing Director and Global Co-Head of Corporate Finance for Houlihan Lokey, a leading international investment bank. During his 20 plus years with the firm, Mr. Adelson has helped advise hundreds of companies on a diverse and in-depth variety of corporate finance issues, including mergers and acquisitions. Mr. Adelson has written extensively on a number of corporate finance and securities valuation subjects. He is an active member of Board of Directors of various middle-market businesses as well as several recognized non-profit organizations, such as the USC Entrepreneur Program. Mr. Adelson holds a bachelor degree from the University of Southern California and a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Chicago, Graduate School of Business. Mr. Adelson's broad business skills and experience, leadership expertise, knowledge of complex global business and financial matters have led the Board of Directors to conclude that he should serve as a director of our Company.

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Rudolph J. Borneo joined our Board of Directors on November 30, 2004. Mr. Borneo retired from R.H. Macy's, Inc. on March 31, 2009. At the time of his retirement, his position was Vice Chairman and Director of Stores of Macy's West, a division of R.H. Macy's, Inc. Mr. Borneo served as President of Macy's California from 1989 to 1992 and President of R.H. Macy's West from 1992 until his appointment as Vice Chairman and Director of Stores in February 1995. In addition, Mr. Borneo is currently a director of Grill Concepts, Inc. and a member of the Board of Trustees of Monmouth University. Mr. Borneo is the Chairman of our Compensation Committee and a member of our Audit, Ethics and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees. Mr. Borneo's extensive experience in management of employees, organizational management, general business and retail knowledge and financial literacy have led the Board of Directors to conclude that he should serve as a director of our Company.

Philip Gay joined our Board of Directors on November 30, 2004. He chairs our Audit and Ethics Committees and is a member of our Compensation and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees. Mr. Gay currently serves as Managing Director of Triple Enterprises, a business advisory service firm that assists mid-cap sized companies with financing, mergers and acquisitions and strategic financing, which he had previously managed from March 2000 until June 2004. From June 2004 until June 2010, Mr. Gay served as President, Chief Executive Officer and a Director of Grill Concepts, Inc., a company that operates a chain of upscale casual restaurants throughout the United States. From March 2000 to November 2001, Mr. Gay served as an independent consultant with El Paso Energy from time to time and assisted El Paso Energy with its efforts to reduce overall operating and manufacturing overhead costs. Previously he has served as chief financial officer for California Pizza Kitchen (1987 to 1994) and Wolfgang Puck Food Company (1994 to 1996), and he has held various Chief Operating Officer and Chief Executive Officer positions at Color Me Mine and Diversified Food Group from 1996 to 2000. Mr. Gay is also a Certified Public Accountant, a former audit manager at Laventhol and Horwath and a graduate of the London School of Economics. Mr. Gay's leadership experience, general business knowledge, financial literacy and expertise, accounting skills and competency and overall financial acumen have led the Board of Directors to conclude that he should serve as a director of our Company.

Duane Miller joined our Board of Directors on June 5, 2008. Mr. Miller is currently employed by the Genesee County Regional Chamber of Commerce as Executive Vice President. Prior to joining the Genesee County Regional Chamber of Commerce, he was employed by the City of Flint, Michigan, as the Director of Government Operations, from February 2009 to August 2009. Mr. Miller retired from General Motors Corporation in April 2008 after 37 years of service. At the time of his retirement, Mr. Miller served as executive director, GM Service and Parts Operations ("SPO") Field Operations where he was responsible for all SPO field activities, running GM Parts (original equipment), AC Delco (after-market) and GM Accessories business channels, as well as SPO's Global Independent Aftermarket. Mr. Miller served on the Board of Directors of OEConnection, an automotive ecommerce organization focused on applying technology to provide supply chain solutions and analysis. He currently serves on the Boards of Directors of McLaren Regional Medical Center in Flint, Michigan and Prima Civitas Foundation, headquartered in Lansing, Michigan. His experience also includes serving on the Boards of Directors of the Urban League of Flint, Michigan, the Boys and Girls Club of Flint, Michigan and the Flint/Genesee County Convention and Visitor's Bureau. Mr. Miller earned a Bachelor of Science degree in marketing from Western Michigan University, and attended the Executive Development Program at the University of California Berkeley Haas School of Business. Mr. Miller is a member of our Audit, Compensation, Ethics and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees. Mr. Miller's significant experience with the automotive parts industry, combined with his organizational, management and business understanding, have led the Board of Directors to conclude that he should serve as a director of our Company.

Jeffrey Mirvis joined our Board of Directors on February 3, 2009. Mr. Mirvis is currently the Chief Executive Officer of MGT Industries, Inc. ("MGT"), a privately-held apparel company based in Los Angeles. As Chief Executive Officer of MGT, Mr. Mirvis successfully moved all production and sourcing to Asia. During his ten-year tenure as chief executive, Mr. Mirvis has gained valuable knowledge of manufacturing in Asia. Prior to joining MGT in 1990, Mr. Mirvis served as a commercial loan officer at Union Bank of California following his completion of the Union

Bank of California's Commercial Lending Program. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from the University of California at Santa Barbara. He currently serves as a board member of Wildwood School in Los Angeles, and has been a member of the board of the Jewish Federation in Los Angeles. Mr. Mirvis is a member of our Audit and Compensation Committees. Mr. Mirvis' international business experience, operational and production expertise, leadership experience and organizational management have led the Board of Directors to conclude he should serve as a director of our Company.

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Our directors will hold office until the next annual meeting of shareholders, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Corporate Governance, Board of Directors and Committees of the Board of Directors

Board Independence. Each of Duane Miller, Jeffrey Mirvis, Philip Gay, and Rudolph J. Borneo are independent within the meaning of the applicable SEC rules and the NASDAQ listing standards.

Board Leadership Structure. The Board of Directors does not have a policy regarding the separation of the roles of Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board as the Board of Directors believes it is in the best interests of our Company to make that determination based on the position and direction of our Company and the membership of the Board of Directors. The roles of Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer are currently held by the same person, Selwyn Joffe. The Board of Directors believes that Mr. Joffe's service as both Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer is in the best interest of our Company and its stockholders. Mr. Joffe possess detailed and in-depth knowledge of the issues, opportunities and challenges facing our Company and its business and is in the best position to develop agendas that ensure that our Board of Directors' time and attention are focused on the most critical matters. We believe that our Company has been well served by this model because the combined role of Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer has ensured that our directors and senior management act with a common purpose and in the best interest of our Company. This model enhances our ability to communicate clearly and consistently with our stockholders, employees, customers and suppliers. Although we have not designated a "lead director," our Chairman of the Board works closely with the chairs of each of our committees on a variety of matters and our other directors, and all of our committee members are independent within the meaning of the applicable SEC rules and NASDAQ listing standards.

Board's Role in Risk Oversight. Our Board of Directors as a whole has responsibility for risk oversight, with certain categories of risk being reviewed by particular committees of the Board of Directors, which report to the full Board of Directors as needed. The Audit Committee reviews the financial risks, including internal control, audit, financial reporting and disclosure matters, by discussing these risks with management and our internal and external auditors. The Compensation Committee reviews risks relating to our executive compensation plans and arrangements. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee reviews risks related to our governance structure and processes and risks arising from related person transactions. While each committee is responsible for evaluating certain risks and overseeing the management of such risks, the entire Board of Directors is regularly informed about such risks.

Audit Committee. The current members of our Audit Committee are Philip Gay, Rudolph Borneo, Duane Miller and Jeffrey Mirvis, with Mr. Gay serving as chairman. Mr. Mirvis became a member of our Audit Committee on June 8, 2011. Our Board of Directors has determined that all of the Audit Committee members are independent within the meaning of the applicable SEC rules and NASDAQ listing standards. Our Board of Directors has also determined that Mr. Gay is a financial expert within the meaning of the applicable SEC rules. The Audit Committee oversees our auditing procedures, receives and accepts the reports of our independent registered public accountants, oversees our internal systems of accounting and management controls and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors concerning the appointment of our auditors. The Audit Committee met five times in fiscal 2011.

Compensation Committee. The current members of our Compensation Committee are Rudolph Borneo, Philip Gay, Duane Miller and Jeffrey Mirvis, with Mr. Borneo serving as chairman. The Compensation Committee is responsible for developing our executive compensation policies. The Compensation Committee is also responsible for evaluating the performance of our Chief Executive Officer and other senior officers and making determinations concerning the salary, bonuses and stock options to be awarded to these officers. No member of the Compensation Committee has a relationship that would constitute an interlocking relationship with the executive officers or directors of another entity. For further discussion of our Compensation Committee, see "Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider

Participation”. The Compensation Committee met twice in fiscal 2011.

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Ethics Committee. The current members of our Ethics Committee are Philip Gay, who serves as Chairman, Rudolph Borneo and Duane Miller. The Ethics Committee is responsible for implementing our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics. No issues arose which required our Ethics Committee to meet in fiscal 2011.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The current members of our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee are Rudolph Borneo, Philip Gay and Duane Miller. Each of the members of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is independent within the meaning of applicable SEC rules. Our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is responsible for nominating candidates to our Board of Directors. Our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee did not meet in fiscal 2011.

In evaluating potential director nominees, including those identified by shareholders, for recommendation to our Board of Directors, our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee seeks individuals with talent, ability and experience from a wide variety of backgrounds to provide a diverse spectrum of experience and expertise relevant to a diversified business enterprise such as ours. Our Company does not maintain a separate policy regarding the diversity of its board members. However, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee considers individuals with diverse and varied professional and other experiences for membership. A candidate should represent the interests of all shareholders, and not those of a special interest group, have a reputation for integrity and be willing to make a significant commitment to fulfilling the duties of a director. Our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will screen and evaluate all recommended director nominees based on the criteria set forth above, as well as other relevant considerations. Our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will retain full discretion in considering its nomination recommendations to our Board of Directors.

Information about our non-director executive officers and significant employees

Our executive officers (other than executive officers who are also members of our Board of Directors) and significant employees, their ages and present positions with our Company, are as follows:

Name	Age	Position with the Company
Kevin Daly	52	Chief Accounting Officer
Steve Kratz	56	Chief Operating Officer
David Lee	41	Chief Financial Officer
Rick Mochulsky	53	Vice President, Sales
Michael Umansky	70	Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

Our executive officers are appointed by and serve at the discretion of our Board of Directors. A brief description of the business experience of each of our executive officers other than executive officers who are also members of our Board of Directors and significant employees is set forth below.

Kevin Daly has been our Chief Accounting Officer since February 2008. Prior to this, Mr. Daly served as our Vice President, Controller since he joined us in January 2006. From May 2000 until he joined our Company, Mr. Daly served as Corporate Controller for Leiner Health Products Inc., a private label manufacturer of vitamins and over-the-counter pharmaceutical products based in Carson, California. From November 1994 until May 2000, Mr. Daly held various director level finance positions at Dexter Corporation. From November 1988 until October 1994, he held various positions in the finance and controller's departments of FMC Corporation, based in Chicago,

Illinois. From June 1985 to November 1988, Mr. Daly served as Controller of Bio-logic Systems Corp. Mr. Daly is a Certified Public Accountant and worked in the firm of Laventhol & Horwath from 1981 to 1985. Mr. Daly has a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from the University of Illinois and a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Chicago, Booth Graduate School of Business.

Steve Kratz, has been our Chief Operating Officer since May 2007. Prior to this, Mr. Kratz served as our Vice President-QA/Engineering since 2001. Mr. Kratz joined our Company in April 1988. Before joining us, Mr. Kratz was the General Manager of GKN Products Company, a division of Beck/Arnley-Worldparts. In addition to serving as our Chief Operating Officer, Mr. Kratz heads our quality assurance, research and development, engineering and information technology departments.

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David Lee has been our Chief Financial Officer since February 2008. Prior to this, Mr. Lee served as our Vice President of Finance and Strategic Planning since January 2006, focusing primarily on financial management and strategic planning. Mr. Lee joined us in February 2005 as a Director of Finance and Strategic Planning. His primary responsibilities as Chief Financial Officer are treasury, budgeting and financial management. From August 2002 until he joined us in 2005, he served as corporate controller of Palace Entertainment, Inc., an amusement and water park organization. Prior to this, Mr. Lee held various corporate controller and finance positions for several domestic companies and served in the audit department of Deloitte LLP (formerly known as Deloitte & Touche LLP). Mr. Lee is a Certified Public Accountant. Mr. Lee earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from the University of California, San Diego, and a Masters in Business Administration degree from the University of California Los Angeles Anderson School of Management.

Rick Mochulsky has been our Vice President, Sales since February 2011. As Vice President, Sales, Mr. Mochulsky oversees all domestic and international sales. Prior to this, Mr. Mochulsky served as our Vice President of Traditional Sales since joining the company in 2005. Prior to joining us in 2005, Mr. Mochulsky held a variety of sales and sales management positions in both public and privately held companies. Mr. Mochulsky began his automotive career in 1979 in Edmonton Alberta as a territory manager with the Dayco Rubber Company.

Michael Umansky has been our Vice President and General Counsel since January 2004 and is responsible for all legal matters. His responsibilities also include the oversight of Human Resources. His additional appointment as Secretary became effective September 1, 2005. Mr. Umansky was a partner of Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP, and the founding and managing partner of its Los Angeles office from 1975 until 1997 and was Of Counsel to that firm from 1998 to July 2001. Immediately prior to joining our Company, Mr. Umansky was in the private practice of law, and during 2002 and 2003, he provided legal services to us. From February 2000 until March 2001, Mr. Umansky was Vice President, Administration and Legal, of Hiho Technologies, Inc., a venture capital financed producer of workforce management software. Mr. Umansky is admitted to practice law in California and New York and is a graduate of The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and Harvard Law School.

There are no family relationships among our directors or named executive officers. There are no material proceedings to which any of our directors or executive officers or any of their associates, is a party adverse to us or any of our subsidiaries, or has a material interest adverse to us or any of our subsidiaries. To our knowledge, none of our directors or executive officers has been convicted in a criminal proceeding during the last ten years (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors), and none of our directors or executive officers was a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding during the last ten years (except for any matters that were dismissed without sanction or settlement) that resulted in a judgment, decree or final order enjoining the person from future violations of, or prohibiting activities subject to, federal or state securities laws, or a finding of any violation of federal or state securities laws.

Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, requires our directors and executive officers, and persons who own more than ten percent of our common stock, to file with the SEC initial reports of ownership and reports of changes in ownership of our common stock and other equity securities. Based solely on our review of copies of such forms received by us, or written representations from reporting persons that no such forms were required for those persons, we believe that our insiders complied with all applicable Section 16(a) filing requirements during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011 with the following exceptions. Mr. Joffe filed a Form 4 related to a stock option exercise that was due on April 26, 2010 on April 28, 2010. Mr. Marks filed a Form 4 related to a stock option exercise that was due on April 27, 2010 on April 28, 2010.

Code of Ethics

Our Board of Directors formally approved the creation of our Ethics Committee on May 8, 2003 and adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, which applies to all our officers, directors and employees. The Ethics Committee is currently comprised of Philip Gay, who serves as Chairman, Rudolph Borneo and Duane Miller. The Code of Business Conduct and Ethics is filed with the SEC and a copy is posted on our website at www.motorcarparts.com. We intend to disclose future amendments to certain provisions of the code, or waivers of such provisions granted to executive officers and directors, on our website within four business days following the date of such amendment or waivers. We will provide a copy of the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics to any person without charge, upon request addressed to the Corporate Secretary at Motorcar Parts of America, Inc., 2929 California Street, Torrance, CA 90503.

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Item 11. Executive Compensation

Compensation Discussion and Analysis

The following discussion and analysis of compensation arrangements of our named executive officers for fiscal 2011 should be read together with the compensation tables and related disclosures set forth below. This discussion contains certain forward-looking statements that are based on our current plans, considerations, expectations and determinations regarding future compensation programs. Actual compensation programs that we adopt in the future may differ materially from currently planned programs as summarized in this discussion.

Executive Compensation Summary.

The retention of experienced, highly-capable and dedicated executives is crucial to the long-term success of our Company. To achieve the goal of recruiting, retaining and motivating our executives, our Compensation Committee has developed an overall executive compensation program that rewards these employees for their contributions to our Company.

The primary objectives of our practices with respect to executive compensation are to:

- provide appropriate incentives to our executive officers to implement our strategic business objectives and achieve the desired company performance;
- reward our executive officers for their contribution to our success in building long-term shareholder value; and
 - provide compensation that will attract and retain superior talent and reward performance.

Compensation Components.

With our compensation objectives in mind, our executive officer compensation program consists of five primary elements: (1) base salary; (2) an annual bonus; (3) long-term incentive compensation in the form of stock options; (4) non-qualified deferred compensation arrangements; and (5) coverage under our broad-based employee benefit plans, such as our group health and 401(k) plans, and executive perquisites.

Base Salary. Base salary is the “fixed” component of our executive compensation intended to meet the objective of attracting and retaining the executive officers of superior talent that are necessary to manage and lead our Company.

Annual Bonus. We utilize annual bonuses that are designed to provide incentives to motivate the achievement of strategic business objectives, desired company performance and individual performance goals.

Stock Option Program. Equity awards are a part of our overall executive compensation program because we believe that our long-term performance will be enhanced through the use of equity awards that reward our executives for maximizing shareholder value over time. We have historically elected to use stock options that vest over time as the primary long-term equity incentive vehicle to promote retention of our key executives. Although we have not adopted formal stock ownership guidelines, our named directors and executive officers currently hold a significant portion of our fully-diluted common stock, substantially through the ownership of stock options. In determining the number of stock options to be granted to executives, we historically have taken into account the individual’s position, scope of responsibility, ability to affect profits and shareholder value and the value of the stock options in relation to other elements of the individual executive’s total compensation. In fiscal 2011, we adopted our 2010 Incentive Award Plan. Our Compensation Committee anticipates issuing equity-related grants under the 2010 Incentive Award Plan

commencing in fiscal 2012.

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Deferred Compensation Benefits. We offer a non-qualified deferred compensation plan to selected executive officers which provides unfunded, non-tax qualified deferred compensation benefits. We believe this program helps promote the retention of our senior executives. Participants may elect to contribute a portion of their compensation to the plan, and we make matching contributions of 25% of each participant's elective contributions to the plan up to 6% of the participant's compensation for the year. Contributions for fiscal 2011 and year-end account balances for those executive officers can be found in the Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation table.

Other Benefits. We provide to our executive officers medical benefits that are generally available to our other employees. Executives are also eligible to participate in our other broad-based employee benefit plans, such as our long and short-term disability, life insurance and 401(k) plan. Historically, the value of executive perquisites, as determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC related to executive compensation, has not exceeded 10% of the base salary of any of our executives.

Determination of Compensation Decisions.

The Compensation Committee is responsible for establishing, developing and maintaining our executive compensation program. The role of the Compensation Committee is to oversee our compensation and benefits plans and policies, administer our equity incentive plans and review and approve all compensation decisions relating to all executive officers and directors. In order for the Compensation Committee to perform its function, the following process for determining executive compensation decisions has been followed.

Determining Goals. Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, senior executives and department heads meet and establish the Objective Goals Strategies and Measures (the "OGSM") for our Company. The OGSM sets forth performance goals for each department of our Company and certain employees for the upcoming fiscal year. The OGSM provides a basis for developing a base financial operating plan for the upcoming fiscal year. The OGSM and base financial operating plan are reviewed and approved by our Board of Directors.

On a quarterly basis, the Board of Directors reviews the actual financial performance of our Company against the goals set forth in the OGSM and the base financial operating plan. In addition, the members of the Board of Directors receive interim reports detailing the actual financial performance of our Company compared to these goals.

Determining Executive Compensation.

Our method of determining compensation varies from case to case based on a discretionary and subjective determination of what is appropriate at the time. In determining specific components of compensation, the Compensation Committee considers individual performance, level of responsibility, skills and experience, and other compensation awards or arrangements.

Our general policy for setting base salaries of our named executive officers (the "Senior Executives") is to only increase such salaries in the case of promotions or significant increases to an officer's duties and responsibilities. Such increases to base salaries are reviewed by the Compensation Committee on a case-by-case basis. The salary increases reflected in our Summary Compensation Table below reflect: (i) an adjustment to Steve Kratz's base salary in fiscal 2010 to provide for internal parity of salaries between him and other executives in our Company; and (ii) increased responsibilities assigned to Doug Schooner in fiscal 2010 requiring him to spend more time at our Tijuana facility. In making such determinations regarding base salaries for the Senior Executives, we take into account such factors as: the Senior Executive's scope of responsibilities and level of experience; salary data for comparable positions at the peer group companies based on reports of our outside consultant and salary survey data provided by our outside consultant; and internal equity of salaries of individuals in comparable positions at our Company.

At the end of the fiscal year, department heads assess their progress against the OGSM and base financial operating plan and evaluate their results. These self-assessments are reviewed by the Chief Executive Officer who then undertakes his own evaluation of the executives' performance. This involves a two-step process whereby the Chief Executive Officer evaluates: (i) our Company's actual financial performance against the budget, taking into account events that may be beyond the control of any given Senior Executive's performance initiatives and (ii) each Senior Executive's performance against his OGSM goals. Performance is evaluated in a non-formulaic manner with no specific weighting given to the performance measures. The Chief Executive Officer considers both the financial performance of our Company and individual performance relative to each performance goal of the Senior Executives to develop bonus recommendations for each Senior Executive guided by the framework of our compensation consultant's most recent review.

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The Compensation Committee reviews the performance evaluations of the Senior Executives and assesses the specific OGSM goals and execution of such goals for each Senior Executive. The Chief Executive Officer then presents his bonus recommendations for the Senior Executives to the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee then decides whether to approve or adjust these bonus recommendations. The Compensation Committee evaluates all of the factors considered by the Chief Executive Officer and reviews the compensation summaries for each Senior Executive, including base salary, bonus, equity awards (if any), deferred compensation benefits and other benefits. In determining specific components of compensation, the Compensation Committee considers individual performance, level of responsibility, skills and experience, and other compensation awards or arrangements. These measures are evaluated in a non-formulaic manner with no specific weighting given to any specific objectives that the executives were tasked with performing. Based on its review and evaluation, the Compensation Committee makes the final determination of the annual bonuses to be paid to the Senior Executives and reports its decisions to the entire Board of Directors.

Our Compensation Committee performs an annual review of our compensation policies, including the appropriate mix of base salary, bonuses and long-term incentive compensation. The Compensation Committee also reviews and approves all long-term incentive compensation and other benefits (including our 401(k) and our non-qualified deferred compensation plan).

Determining Chief Executive Officer Compensation.

The Compensation Committee is responsible for evaluating the performance of Mr. Joffe, our Chief Executive Officer, and setting his annual compensation. In determining these elements of compensation for Mr. Joffe, the Compensation Committee considered the contributions Mr. Joffe has made to our Company both from strategic and operational perspectives. The Compensation Committee reviews the key operating results and key strategic initiatives of our Company against the goals and base financial plan contained in the OGSM to determine if the Chief Executive Officer has achieved the goal of strategically enhancing our Company while maintaining favorable operating metrics. The Compensation Committee also takes into consideration the standard of living of the Los Angeles vicinity in which our corporate offices are located. The Compensation Committee separately reviews all relevant information, including reports provided by its outside consultant, and arrives at its decision for the Chief Executive Officer's total compensation. The Chief Executive Officer's performance is evaluated in a non-formulaic manner with no specific weighting given to any one of the performance measures. Mr. Joffe does not participate in any decision regarding his compensation. Our employment agreement with Mr. Joffe provides that we may increase, but not decrease, his base salary, which is set at \$500,000. See the "Employment Agreements" section below for a further discussion of certain compensation amounts payable to Mr. Joffe pursuant to his employment agreement. Upon making its determination, the Compensation Committee reports its decision concerning Mr. Joffe's compensation to the entire Board of Directors.

Compensation Committee Consultant.

The Compensation Committee has retained Towers Watson as its outside compensation consultant. Towers Watson does not perform any other consulting work or any other services for our Company, reports directly to the Compensation Committee, and takes direction from the Chairman of the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee engaged Towers Watson to prepare a complete competitive assessment of our executive compensation practices in 2004, an updated assessment of the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer in 2006, a complete executive compensation assessment in 2009 and a complete executive compensation review in 2011.

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The Compensation Committee considers analysis and advice from its outside consultant when making compensation decisions for the Chief Executive Officer and other Senior Executives. The outside consultant's work for the Compensation Committee includes data analysis, market assessments, and preparation of related reports.

Peer Group.

While the Compensation Committee does not undertake a formalized benchmarking process, it does review the assessment provided by its outside consultant detailing the competitiveness of our executive compensation relative to our peer group when making its executive compensation decisions. Our peer group for compensation purposes includes Dorman Products Inc., Modine Manufacturing Co., Standard Motor Products Inc., Strattec Security Corp. and Superior Industries International Inc. The peer group is reviewed annually with the assistance of our outside consultant to ensure that the peer companies remain an appropriate basis for comparison.

Senior Executive Compensation Decisions (Other than the Chief Executive Officer).

The Compensation Committee made decisions for each of the named executive officers (other than the Chief Executive Officer) following the process described above and established the following key individual performance goals for each such officer:

David Lee, Chief Financial Officer

- Monitor all metrics that may have an impact on our financial performance
- Maintain an effective treasury function, including budgeting and forecasting
 - Manage our cash flows
 - Minimize the loan and interest expenses we incur
 - Manage our shareholder relations

Steve Kratz, Chief Operating Officer

- Evaluate and manage the key operating metrics for us
 - Increase quality of our product