

MYERS INDUSTRIES, INC. 2001 ANNUAL REPORT

PRODUCTS...

PROCESSES...

CUSTOMERS...



PRINCIPLES FOR GROWTH.



COMPANY PROFILE

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MYERS INDUSTRIES MILESTONES – Inside Back Cover

Myers Industries, Inc. is an international manufacturer of polymer products for industrial, agricultural, automotive, commercial, and consumer markets. We are an international leader in reusable plastic containers and North America's leading manufacturer of plastic flower planters. Other principal product lines include plastic storage and organization containers, plastic storage tanks, molded rubber OEM parts, rubber tire repair products, and custom rubber products.

The Company is also the largest wholesale distributor of tools, equipment, and supplies for the tire, wheel, and undervehicle service industry in the United States. Our distribution products range from tire balancers and alignment systems to valve caps and other consumable service supplies.

Headquartered in Akron, Ohio, Myers encompasses: 25 manufacturing facilities in North America and Europe, 43 domestic and five international distribution branches, more than 20,000 products, and more than 4,100 employees. Myers Industries' stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol MYE.

About the 2001 Report

Products, Processes, and Customers— these are the principles on which Myers Industries is built. Supported by the fundamentals profiled in last year's report, each works together to bring value to our customers and their customers. The photographs on the cover capture just a sample of the diverse activities that define Myers Industries and the value advantages that position both our customers and ourselves for success: (from top down) our wide range of plastic material handling containers provide safe delivery of health care items; custom rubber sheet stock is produced to exact specifications and used for products like highway markings and conveyor systems; and sales representatives from our distribution business work closely with tire service professionals to ensure they get the latest products and know the newest repair procedures.

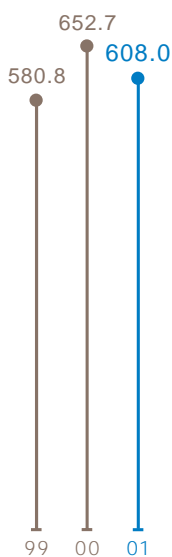


2001 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

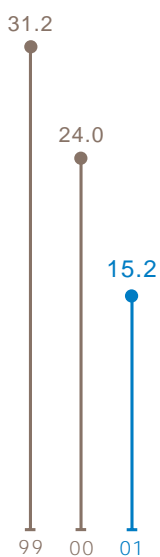
Dollars In Thousands (Except Per Share Data)

| Operations for the Year | 2001 | 2000 | % Change |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|----------|
| Net Sales | \$607,950 | \$652,660 | (6.9) |
| Income Before Taxes | 27,240 | 40,910 | (33.4) |
| Net Income | 15,191 | 24,001 | (36.7) |
| Net Income Per Common Share | .64 | 1.01 | (36.6) |
| Financial Position At Year-End | | | |
| Working Capital | \$91,719 | \$106,417 | (13.8) |
| Shareholders' Equity | 217,526 | 213,903 | 1.7 |
| Book Value Per Common Share | 9.12 | 9.01 | 1.2 |
| Other Data | | | |
| Dividends Paid Per Common Share | .23 | .21 | 9.5 |
| Average Common Shares Outstanding | 23,801,899 | 23,862,568 | (0.3) |

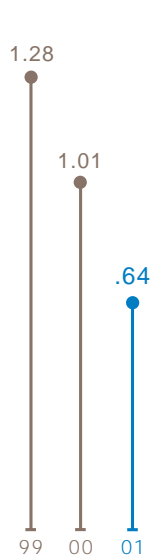
NET SALES
\$ Millions



NET INCOME
\$ Millions



NET INCOME
PER SHARE
\$ Dollars



2001 NET SALES
By Business Segment



MYERS INDUSTRIES OVERVIEW

NORTH AMERICA



MANUFACTURING SEGMENT

We design, manufacture, and market more than 11,000 polymer products. . .

Key Products

- Reusable Plastic Material Handling Containers & Pallets
- Plastic Storage & Organization Products
- Plastic Planters & Garden Accessories
- Plastic Storage Tanks
- Plastic & Metal Material Handling Carts
- Rubber OEM & Replacement Parts
- Custom Rubber Sheet Stock
- Reflective Highway Marking Tape
- Tire Repair & Retreading Products

Product Brands

- Akro-Mils
- Allibert Équiptement
- Ameri-Kart
- Buckhorn
- Buckhorn Rubber
- Dillen
- Listo
- Patch Rubber
- raaco



We manufacture the broadest range of reusable plastic bulk containers for efficient shipping and handling of large or dense product loads.

Manufacturing Processes

- Plastic & Rubber Injection Molding
- Rotational Molding
- Vacuum Forming
- Winding Extrusion
- Compression Molding
- Rubber Compounding, Calendering & Extrusion
- Rubber-to-Metal Bonding
- Metal Forming

Representative Markets

- Agriculture
- Automotive
- Chemical
- Construction
- Consumer
- Food Processing & Distribution
- General Industrial
- Healthcare
- Horticulture
- Marine / Watercraft
- Recreational Vehicle
- Tire Repair / Retread
- Telecommunications
- Transportation
- Waste Collection
- Water Control

Processes...

For manufacturing original equipment parts, we work with customers to develop and test rubber compounds that fit precise tolerances.



EUROPE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Manufacturing Plants ■ Multiple Manufacturing Plants near the Same Location <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18 United States <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Indiana -Kansas -Kentucky -Michigan -Missouri -Nevada -North Carolina -Ohio 6 Europe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Denmark -France -Spain -United Kingdom 1 Canada <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -British Columbia ■ Manufacturing Distribution Points <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Austria -Belgium -Canada -Germany -Italy -Portugal -United States ■ Tire Supply Distribution Branches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 43 United States 5 International |
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DISTRIBUTION SEGMENT

We buy and sell nearly 10,000 tire, wheel, and undervehicle service items. . .

Key Products

- Tire Valves & Accessories
- Tire Changing & Balancing Equipment
- Lifts & Alignment Equipment
- Service Equipment & Tools
- Tire Repair/Retread Equipment & Supplies

Product Brand

- Myers Tire Supply

Distribution Capabilities

- Broad Sales Coverage
- International Distribution
- Personalized Service
- Customer Product Training
- 68 Years of Expertise in Tire Repair & Retreading
- National Accounts

Representative Markets

- Retail Tire Dealers
- Truck Tire Dealers
- Auto Dealers
- Commercial Auto & Truck Fleets
- Tire Retreaders
- General Repair Facilities
- Government Agencies

Customers...



Products like this heavy-duty impact wrench sold by Myers help service professionals remove and repair large truck tires with ease.

A Focused Business Approach for Growth. . .

- Concentrate on markets where our products and expertise create profit opportunities for our customers and ourselves.
- Achieve leadership in key product areas through breadth of offering, consistent quality, and superior customer service.
- Drive internal growth with new products, line extensions, and new technology.
- Leverage brand equity and capabilities to increase business with existing customers and cultivate new ones.
- Investigate complementary acquisitions with potential for long-term growth.
- Respond to opportunities that present themselves and work to protect that which has been gained.

... Supported by Strong Fundamentals to Increase Benefits for Our Customers and Our Shareholders:

- Long-Term Approach
- Consistent Quality
- Multiple Growth Platforms
- Diverse Product Offering
- Complementary Acquisitions
- International Reach
- Brand Strength and Market Leadership
- Broad Distribution Capabilities
- Broad Manufacturing Capabilities
- Superior Customer Service
- Product Innovation

PRODUCT BRANDS

Easily displaying plants for sale in a greenhouse. Efficiently linking components of the air system in the engine of a construction vehicle to maintain top performance. Quickly repairing brake parts on semi-trucks to keep fleets moving coast-to-coast. No matter where Myers Industries products are put to work, they contribute to our customers' success by improving productivity and profitability. Our brands have strong positions in diverse niche markets and draw from an extensive range of products, processes, and capabilities to increase value for our customers— and their customers.



MANUFACTURING SEGMENT

Akro-Mils®



Industrial, commercial, and consumer users find storage, organization, and transport solutions with our **Akro-Mils** plastic and metal products. Sold by distributors nationwide, our industrial containers and bins perform many tasks, from creating assembly workstations to transporting medical supplies. Our Akro-Mils/RB-Dura™ line provides an extensive range of metal transport carts for industrial and commercial markets. Akro-Mils consumer products, sold by leading retailers, offer storage and organization efficiency with home, holiday, crafts, and office products.

Allibert Équipement™



In Europe, Myers makes the leading brand of reusable plastic material handling products, **Allibert Équipement**. Our broad range of bulk containers, totes, and pallets eliminate waste and improve productivity for customers in manufacturing, distribution, agriculture, and food businesses. We are also the leading manufacturer of plastic bulk storage tanks on the Continent. In sizes up to 50 cubic meters, these tanks replace stainless steel versions and are used for waste handling, water treatment, and chemical storage.

Ameri-Kart™



Under our **Ameri-Kart** brand, we produce an extensive range of custom rotationally-molded and vacuum-formed plastic parts including storage tanks, fenders, trim, and dashboards used to manufacture recreational vehicles. We also make specialty products for automotive, commercial, and agriculture markets. Other Ameri-Kart products include plastic carts used in material handling and residential waste collection.

Buckhorn™



Our **Buckhorn** reusable plastic container systems replace cardboard and wood containers to help customers reduce material handling costs. We offer one of North America's most comprehensive selections of bulk and hand-held containers and pallets to meet product transport and handling needs in industries from automotive to grocery. We also provide custom product design and manufacturing, plus services to help customers implement reusable container programs.

Buckhorn Rubber®



Myers' **Buckhorn Rubber** original equipment and replacement parts meet the performance needs of customers in waterworks, transportation, and other industries. Our engineered, molded products range from air intake hoses and hood latches for semi-trucks to gate seals for flood control dams and specialty parts for agriculture equipment. We also bond rubber to metal to develop products such as seals for water valves and vibration dampening bushings for axle assemblies.

Dillen Products™

Listo Products™



With our **Dillen** and **Listo** brands, Myers manufactures the most extensive range of plastic planters in North America. The Myers offering includes indoor planters, pots, bowls, hanging baskets, window boxes, and grower trays.

Combined with our **Akro-Mils Specialty** line of outdoor decorative planters and garden accessories, Myers brings a comprehensive plastic planter offering to diverse customers: growers, greenhouses and nurseries, retail garden centers, mass merchandisers, and, ultimately, consumers.

Patch Rubber®



Myers' **Patch Rubber** brand has the most comprehensive line of tire repair and retreading products in the U. S. From tire plugs to specialty chemicals, these products repair everything from small punctures in passenger tires to large breaks in construction vehicle tires. Other Patch products include custom calendered rubber and sheet stock used in many industries as the base to create items such as golf grips and conveyor belt linings. Our rubber-based ATM™ reflective marking tape and symbols are applied by road construction professionals to replace paint for marking highways and road repair areas.

raaco™



European customers know our **raaco** brand for plastic small item storage products. Our raaco bins and containers organize small parts in manufacturing operations. Service professionals transport repair items in our durable tool cases and cabinet systems, which are available in various sizes with compartments and inserts to organize different-size tools and parts. Our raaco products also provide consumers with storage solutions for home and sports, such as bin and rack systems for workshops and tackle boxes for fishing.

DISTRIBUTION SEGMENT

Myers Tire Supply®



We are the one-stop-shop for tire, wheel, and undervehicle service tools, equipment, and supplies under the **Myers Tire Supply** name. We buy from the leading manufacturers, and our product offering encompasses everything professionals need to service passenger, truck, and OTR tires and wheels— computerized alignment equipment, tire balancers, impact wrenches, tire repair plugs, small hand tools, and more. Myers also provides products for allied services, such as transmission, oil, brake, and cooling system maintenance.

LETTER TO SHAREHOLDERS

Dear Fellow Shareholders,

2001 was our worst year in a long time. The fourth quarter, typically a strong one for us, was particularly weak. The recession that began in 2000 accelerated and eroded activity in nearly every market.

Despite the challenges, the Company remained profitable. We reduced working capital and employment; we constrained investment and expenditure; we began activity based costing reviews in some operations to better control our performance in the faster-moving, more competitive environment; and we paid down our debt, reducing it by 12 percent over the course of the year.

Fourth Quarter and Full Year Financial Results

Net sales for the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2001, were \$148.5 million, a decrease of 13 percent from the \$171.3 million reported in 2000. Net income was \$2.3 million, a decrease of 48 percent compared to \$4.5 million in last year's fourth quarter. Net income per share of \$.10 was down 47 percent compared with \$.19 in the fourth quarter of 2000.

At \$608.0 million, net sales for the year ended December 31, 2001 were 7 percent below the prior year's record results of \$652.7 million. Net income was \$15.2 million, a decrease of 37 percent from \$24.0 million in 2000. Net income per share was \$.64, also a decrease of 37 percent from the \$1.01 reported in 2000.

Excluding contributions from acquisitions, net sales would have decreased 14 percent for the fourth quarter and 9 percent for the full year of 2001. The translation effect of foreign currencies had no material impact on sales and earnings for neither the quarter nor the year.

Manufacturing Segment Overview

In the manufacturing segment, net sales were down 15 percent for the fourth quarter and 7 percent for the year, compared to the same periods in 2000. Excluding contributions from the RB Manufacturing Company and Best Plastics acquisitions, made early in the fourth

quarter of 2000, manufacturing segment net sales would have been 16 percent lower for the fourth quarter and 10 percent lower for the year.

2001 was a tough year to be a manufacturer. As economic conditions declined during the course of the year, industrial markets served by our manufacturing segment were affected most severely. Heavy-truck, recreational vehicle, and other manufacturing-based businesses experienced a squeeze on their own revenues and profits. Most companies responded by cutting spending, producing less, and reducing inventories.

The effects of widespread consolidation, both within the markets we serve and among competitors, further exacerbated already-intense pressure on pricing within our product lines. Although price variances for high-density polyethylene, the primary raw material for the plastic products we manufacture, were favorable throughout 2001, they were insufficient to offset lower demand within the context of the intense price competition that resulted from the overcapacity within the marketplace.

Distribution Segment Overview

Compared to 2000's fourth quarter and full year results, sales in the distribution segment were down 6 percent for the quarter and 5 percent for the year. Lower sales of both passenger and truck original equipment and replacement tires, plus weak demand for service to both tires and wheels, as well as related undervehicle components which our products support, hurt our performance in this segment.

Product mix was consistent with that of the previous year, weighted more toward consumable supplies than capital equipment. During last year, we worked at expanding relationships with national accounts to achieve exclusive or preferred supplier status. The modest sales and profit decline in the distribution segment, when compared to the manufacturing segment, particularly in the fourth quarter, illustrates its relative stability.

We believe Myers Tire Supply's single-source supplier strategy is sound. We possess extensive knowledge of the tire service industry. We have the nationwide coverage to speed new and existing products to market, and we enjoy close relationships that our customers depend upon for training and support to help them advance their business.

Cash Flow, Debt Reduction, and Capital Expenditures

Cash flow from operations was a record \$76.8 million for the year, an increase of 14 percent compared to \$67.3 million in 2000. We reduced our total debt by \$35.3 million for the year, from \$300.2 million at the start of the year to \$264.2 million at December 31, 2001. Debt as a percentage of capitalization was 54.9 percent at the end of the year, down 6 percent from the previous year.

Capital expenditures for the year totaled \$25.2 million, 42 percent lower than in 2000. Investments for tooling and equipment over the last several years increased our capacity, not a necessary commodity during a period of weakened sales.

Stock Performance and Return to Shareholders

Myers stock appreciated 3.6 percent during 2001, closing out the year at \$13.65 and outperforming most major market indexes. On May 1, the shares of the Company began trading on the New York Stock Exchange. Continuing in our belief that shareholders deserve an ongoing return on their investment, in August the Board of Directors declared a 10 percent stock dividend, marking the 26th consecutive year in which they have increased the cash payout to shareholders. Compared to 2000, shareholders' equity increased to \$217.5 million, up 2 percent, and book value per share rose to \$9.12, an increase of 1 percent.

Summary

We hope that we have seen the worst of the economic obstacles, and approach 2002 with cautious optimism.

In addition to the other areas of operational improvement, we continue to review our manufacturing capacity needs and constraints, deciding how best to align our product requirements, manufacturing capabilities, and geographies for market needs going forward.

Board of Directors

The task of an outside Director has never been an easy one. It takes many board meetings to get a sense of a business in which one has no day-to-day involvement. Both management and shareholders of Myers Industries have been fortunate in the intelligence, knowledge, commitment, and dedication of its Board of directors.

It is with respect and appreciation that we acknowledge the great contributions to the Company of Edwin P. Schrank and Samuel Salem, who retire from the Board of Directors this term: Ed with more than 30 years of service and Sam with over 15 years of service. Both have aided the Company and its shareholders immeasurably. I thank them for their valuable service, will miss their wise counsel and companionship, and wish them good health and happiness.

We thank you, our shareholders, for continued confidence in Myers Industries; our suppliers for their support; and our employees for their commitment to serving our customers, building value, and strengthening our business.



Respectfully submitted,

Stephen E. Myers
President and
Chief Executive Officer

March 8, 2002



Products from Myers Industries bring value to customers by helping them to reduce costs and build their business— from reusable material handling containers that protect food in distribution, to plugs and chemicals for safe tire repair, to wheel weights for accurate tire balancing. Bolstered by new products, line expansions, and acquisitions, our extensive product offering in each business segment supports the needs of customers as diverse as flower growers and truck service centers and helps Myers to develop niche growth opportunities.



Cube Out, Cash In

One of the newest reusable containers from our Allibert Équiptement brand is "Crescendo," a folding pallet box used to ship bulk products in closed-loop supply chains. Set-up or collapsed, the boxes stack and fully utilize, or "cube," transport space— which helps customers improve freight costs for loaded incoming and empty outgoing containers.

Product



Working Under Pressure

Myers' Buckhorn Rubber brand air hoses and screens help filter the air and maintain consistent pressure in the compressed air system of heavy trucks, while our hood latches secure the engine covers. We offer a wide range of molded rubber original equipment and replacement parts for truck, agriculture, marine, and construction equipment.

Innovation in Cleaning

Adding to our extensive line of carts, we entered a new niche market with the introduction of the AkroClean™ janitorial cart. The cart combines innovative storage, ergonomic, and sanitary features to boost efficiency in industrial and commercial cleaning operations.



Speedy Service

Just one of nearly 10,000 products distributed by Myers Tire Supply to help our customers improve their service: this portable wheel stud remover allows technicians to remove and install wheel studs without taking off the hub, reducing a two-hour job to 20 minutes.



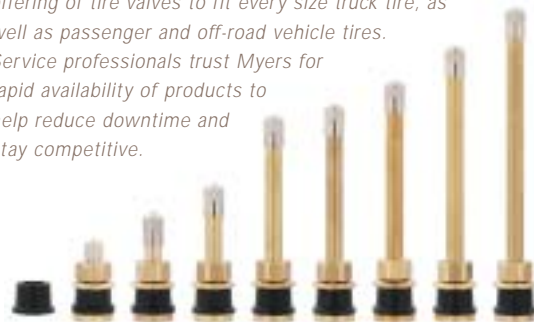
Spare the Rims

A new, fully automatic tire changer sold by Myers Tire Supply helps service technicians eliminate the risk of damaging expensive wheel rims during service. The computer-controlled process takes only minutes to remove an old tire and set a new one, providing a safer, more efficient tire changing operation.

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A Perfect Fit

We provide customers with quick access to a complete offering of tire valves to fit every size truck tire, as well as passenger and off-road vehicle tires. Service professionals trust Myers for rapid availability of products to help reduce downtime and stay competitive.



Upward Mobility

To help grow their business, customers depend on Myers' full-line product coverage, such as our wide selection of hydraulic lifts. We sell lifts that provide total underside access for every size vehicle— from sport coupes to trucks that weigh up to 18,000 lbs— and install easily to add service bay space.

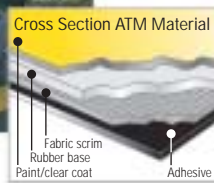


Processes, or capabilities, for Myers Industries are driven by a commitment to know customers' needs and provide superior products and services that improve their work, whether it's extruded-plastic storage tanks for chemicals, molded-rubber seals for flood control dams, or quick access to undervehicle service equipment. In manufacturing, our engineering and molding of polymer products is backed by design innovation and shared capabilities across brands to increase value for customers. In distribution, our product selection and nationwide coverage helps service professionals avoid costly downtime.



Visibly Bright Ideas

Layered polymer construction, pressure-sensitive adhesives, and brilliant colors combine to provide superior wear and visibility in Myers' rubber-based reflective tape, Advance Traffic Markings. Both temporary and permanent, the tape replaces paint for easier marking of roads with stripes and symbols, as well as identification of facility areas.



P r o c e s s



Growth in the Aging Process

Myers creates the natural beauty of aged stone and metal—in plastic planters. Through special injection-molding techniques, the "Mojave" recreates stone texture and the "Versailles" portrays intricate metal engraving. The finishes differentiate these new Listo products from competitors to give retailers and consumers the benefits of resin planters with authentic styles.



Going Great Lengths for Customers

At lengths up to 70" and heights up to 50", our new Buckhorn Extended Length Bulk Box delivers design "firsts" to improve material handling. Structural foam-molded for strength, the reusable container's sides fold in a unique pattern to protect them against bowing, a condition which can create instability when loaded containers are stacked on one another. Doors on all sides allow easier interior access. For customers, the innovation increases safety and productivity in their supply chain.



Location, Location, Location!

Myers Tire Supply provides tire and undervehicle service specialists with the broadest product and sales coverage possible at one stop. We are present in every major U.S. metropolitan area with 43 branches in 31 states—marked here by one of our best-selling products for truck tires, the "V2B Valve Cap." We also sell through five international affiliates and provide worldwide access through our "virtual branch" web site. Our leadership is built on keeping supply lines to customers short, ensuring fast delivery and personal service.

S S e S . . .

Spray it On to Keep Clean, Remove Squeaks

A squeaking door, noisy brakes, a rusty bolt— the little annoyances add up on any vehicle. To help our customers simplify their daily service tasks, in 2001 we introduced a diverse line of Myers Tire Supply brand spray chemicals. They include lubricants to loosen parts, cleaners to improve fuel system and brake action, and degreasers to clean parts.



Any Tire, AnyTime

Tire repairs are often time sensitive, so product availability is critical. Whether plugging simple punctures in passenger tires or repairing large breaks in truck and off-highway vehicle tires, Myers' distribution capabilities deliver all the equipment, supplies, and tools customers need for safe, fast repairs— such as the truck tire spreader, patches, cements, safety glasses, and tire buffer, shown here.





Customers rely on products and processes from Myers Industries to add value in their business— helping them to grow with their customers. In manufacturing, value includes innovation and consistent quality, such as designing a custom container that protects the finish on engines shipped to assembly points, or supplying special rubber material to create the best-selling golf club grips. In distribution, value is product scope and knowledge built on 68 years of close relationships with the people who service tires and related components.

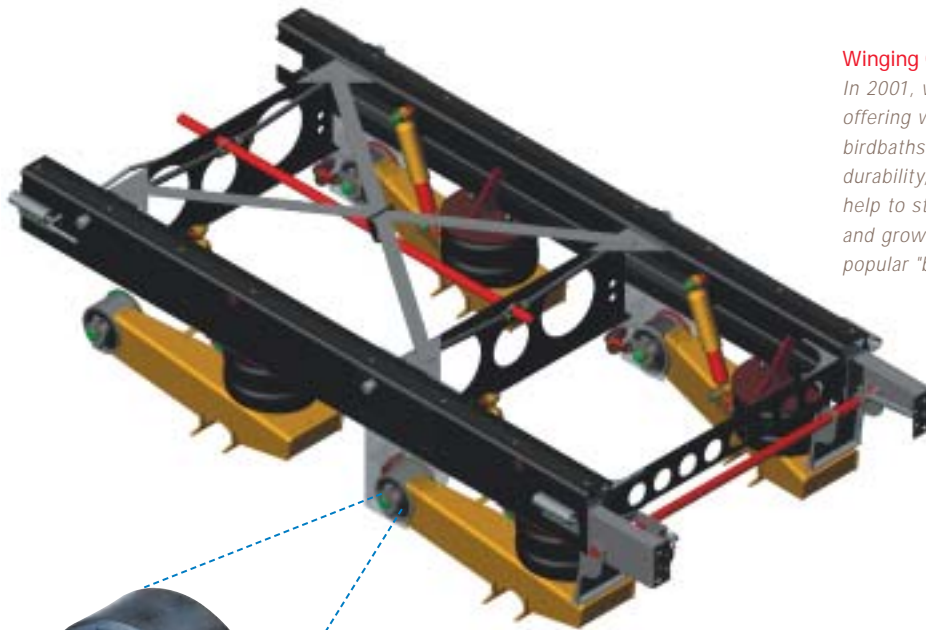


Value in the Fine Print

Myers adds value for customers through creative solutions. With our Dillen brand, we are a leader in providing plant growers with custom printing and label application on plastic pots. Printing logos, bar codes, and planting tips on pots builds brand identity for growers, speeds checkout for retailers, and provides consumers with easy plant care reference.

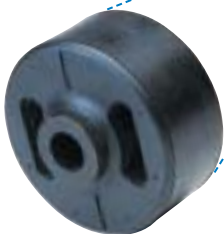


C u s t o



Winging Our Way to Retail Shelves

In 2001, we expanded our lawn and garden product offering with new Akro-Mils plastic birdfeeders, birdbaths, and birdhouses. Unique designs and durability, plus attractive display packaging, help to strengthen our ties with retailers and grow their sales in the popular "birder" market.



Smoothing the Ride

Working closely with customers, we improved the design of our Buckhorn Rubber trailer bushings to provide longer life and better performance in absorbing torque and vibration in semi-truck trailer suspensions. By relieving more stress on suspension beams, the product innovation allows customers to produce beams from lighter-weight materials, thereby reducing manufacturing costs.

Relationships Make the Difference

In today's digital world, people still value relationships, and no one gets closer to customers than Myers. Our goal is to meet customers' needs through product scope and service that exceeds their expectations. Customers rely on face-to-face interaction with our sales professionals to gain industry knowledge and train on new products and service techniques. We emphasize such close interaction to help customers grow and foster loyal relationships.



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Brake-ing New Ground

Myers helps customers improve vehicle service efficiency by speeding the newest products to market. This computer-assisted brake lathe machines a rotor to factory specifications without removing it from the car, saving time and reducing the margin for error.

Getting a Charge Under the Hood

Our distribution expertise is not limited to tires, wheels, and brake components. We sell many products for coolant, transmission, and electrical service— like this battery tester for passenger cars and heavy-duty vehicles. The hand-held device prompts the technician through testing the battery, starter, and charging system in seconds. As customers' needs grow, we adapt to enhance the one-stop-shopping value they depend upon.





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Summarized Quarterly Results of Operations

(Unaudited) Thousands of Dollars, Except Per Share Data

2001

| Quarter Ended | March 31 | June 30 | Sept. 30 | Dec. 31 | Total |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Net sales | \$165,260 | \$152,738 | \$141,447 | \$148,505 | \$607,950 |
| Gross profit | 58,891 | 50,291 | 45,970 | 49,787 | 204,939 |
| Net income | 7,987 | 3,181 | 1,691 | 2,332 | 15,191 |
| Per share | .34 | .13 | .07 | .10 | .64 |

2000

| Quarter Ended | March 31 | June 30 | Sept. 30 | Dec. 31 | Total |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Net sales | \$161,586 | \$166,235 | \$153,548 | \$171,291 | \$652,660 |
| Gross profit | 56,954 | 57,135 | 47,815 | 55,674 | 217,578 |
| Net income | 8,332 | 8,059 | 3,150 | 4,460 | 24,001 |
| Per share | .34 | .34 | .14 | .19 | 1.01 |

Common Stock Market Prices and Dividends

The Company's Common Stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange (ticker symbol MYE). The approximate number

of record holders at December 31, 2001 was 2,200. High and low stock prices and dividends for the last two years were:

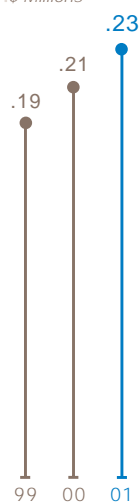
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| Quarter Ended | Sales Price | | Dividends Paid |
|---------------|-------------|-------|----------------|
| | High | Low | |
| March 31 | 14.55 | 10.01 | .055 |
| June 30 | 14.18 | 11.14 | .055 |
| September 30 | 13.82 | 10.70 | .060 |
| December 31 | 14.58 | 10.90 | .060 |

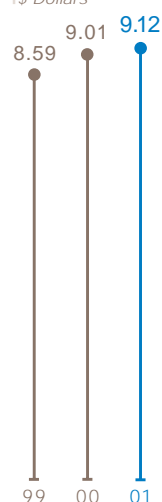
2000

| Quarter Ended | Sales Price | | Dividends Paid |
|---------------|-------------|------|----------------|
| | High | Low | |
| March 31 | 13.22 | 9.66 | .050 |
| June 30 | 11.83 | 8.88 | .050 |
| September 30 | 12.95 | 9.09 | .055 |
| December 31 | 13.41 | 8.75 | .055 |

DIVIDENDS
PER SHARE
\$ Millions



BOOK VALUE
PER SHARE
\$ Dollars



Results Of Operations

2001

For the year ended December 31, 2001, net sales of \$608.0 million were down 7 percent from the \$652.7 million in 2000. Net income for 2001 of \$15.2 million or \$.64 per share decreased 37 percent from the \$24.0 million and \$1.01 per share reported in 2000.

The Company experienced sales declines in both of its business segments. Distribution segment sales were down \$7.2 million or 5 percent reflecting lower unit volumes, particularly for capital equipment. In the Manufacturing segment, sales decreased \$37.7 million or 7 percent from the prior year as the Company experienced sharply lower demand brought on by the general recession and global economic slowdown affecting most of the industrial markets we serve. In addition, competitive pressures and lower raw material costs resulted in conditions to maintain or lower selling prices for most of the Company's product lines and markets. Excluding the impact of acquired companies, sales in the manufacturing segment would have declined 10 percent and total sales would be down 9 percent for the year. The translation effect of foreign currencies, primarily the euro, did not have a material impact with a difference of less than one percent on the sales amounts as reported.

Cost of sales decreased \$32.1 million or 7 percent, reflecting the significant drop in fiscal 2001 sales. Gross profit, expressed as a percentage of sales, improved slightly to 33.7 percent for the year ended December 31, 2001, compared with 33.3 percent in the prior year. In the distribution segment, margins improved slightly reflecting a shift in sales mix to higher margin supplies versus capital equipment. In the manufacturing segment, margins were virtually unchanged as the benefit of lower raw material costs were offset by slightly lower selling prices and a decrease in the absorption of fixed manufacturing costs resulting from reduced production.

Total operating expenses increased \$4.7 million or 3 percent to \$159.0 million. The increase in fiscal 2001 reflects the full year impact of expenses of companies acquired in the fourth quarter of last year as well as the amortization of related goodwill. In addition, the Company experienced substantially higher costs for medical insurance and bad debt expense, including approximately \$1.0 million as a result of the K-Mart bankruptcy filing in January 2002. Expressed as a percentage of sales, operating expenses were 26.1 percent in 2001 compared with 23.6 percent in 2000. This decrease in operating expense leverage is a result of both the higher costs and reduced sales volume in the current year.

Net interest expense for 2001 decreased \$3.7 million or 16 percent compared with the prior year. This decrease reflects primarily the impact of lower interest rates. In addition, the Company reduced total debt by \$35.3 million

in fiscal 2001 and, therefore, received the benefit of lower average borrowing levels.

Income taxes as a percent of income before taxes was 44.2 percent compared to 41.3 percent in the prior year. The higher effective tax rate reflects the more significant impact of non-deductible goodwill amortization resulting from lower pretax income combined with higher foreign tax rate difference.

2000

Net sales for the year ended December 31, 2000, increased \$71.9 million or 12 percent to a record \$652.7 million. Excluding contributions from acquisitions, total net sales would have increased 3 percent. Sales in the distribution segment decreased 2 percent for the year as sales of capital equipment, the more cyclical part of the distribution segment, continued to be weak. In the manufacturing segment, sales increased 18 percent over the comparable 12 months. Excluding acquisitions, sales in the manufacturing segment increased 5 percent for the year. The translation effect of the euro reduced both total sales and manufacturing segment sales by \$20.0 million for the year. Without the translation effect and excluding acquisitions, both total sales and manufacturing segment sales would have increased 6 percent for the year.

Cost of sales increased \$67.4 million or 18 percent reflecting the higher sales levels and increased cost of raw materials, mainly plastic resins, which reduced gross profit as a percentage of sales from 36.7 percent in 1999 to 33.3 percent in 2000.

Total operating expenses increased \$10.7 million or 7 percent to \$154.3 million. Included in fourth quarter 2000 general administrative expense were costs of approximately \$3.2 million related to the closing of the Company's Dayton, Ohio manufacturing facility. These costs were primarily to cover the estimated loss on disposition of the land, buildings, machinery and equipment and other fixed assets used at the closed facility. Expressed as a percentage of sales, total operating expenses were 23.6 percent in 2000 and 24.7 percent in 1999. This improvement reflects the benefit from greater integration of the various acquisitions made in 1999.

Net interest expenses increased \$7.2 million to \$22.4 million for the year. This increase reflects the higher average borrowing levels resulting from acquisitions combined with slightly higher rates.

Income taxes as a percent of income before taxes was 41.3 percent for 2000 compared to 42.6 percent in the prior year. This decrease is attributable to foreign tax rate differences.

Financial Condition

Liquidity and Capital Resources

In 2001, the Company generated cash from operating activities of \$76.8 million. Investments in property, plant and equipment were \$25.2 million. In 2001, total debt was reduced by \$35.3 million and debt as a percentage of total capitalization was reduced from 58 percent to 55 percent. At December 31, 2001, the Company had working capital of \$91.7 million and a current ratio of 1.9 to 1.

At December 31, 2001, available borrowing under the Company's revolving credit facility was approximately \$47 million. In addition, there is an uncommitted \$25 million springing facility. During the next five years management anticipates on-going capital expenditures in the range of \$25 to \$30 million annually. Cash flows from operations and funds available under existing credit facilities will provide the Company's primary source of future financing. Management believes that it has sufficient financial resources to meet anticipated business requirements in the foreseeable future, including capital expenditures, dividends, working capital and debt service.

Market Risk and Derivative Financial Instruments

The Company has financing arrangements that require interest payments based on floating interest rates. As such, the Company's financial results are subject to changes in the market rate of interest. Our objective in managing the exposure to interest rate changes is to limit the volatility and impact of rate changes on earnings while maintaining the lowest overall borrowing cost. At present, the Company has not entered into any interest rate swaps or other derivative instruments to fix the interest rate on any portion of its financing arrangements with floating rates. Accordingly, based on current debt levels at December 31, 2001, if market interest rates increase one percent, the Company's interest expense would increase approximately \$2.5 million.

Some of the Company's subsidiaries operate in foreign countries and, as such, their financial results are subject to the variability that arises from exchange rate movements. The Company believes that foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations do not represent a significant market risk due to the nature of the foreign countries in which we operate, primarily Canada and Western Europe, as well as the size of those operations relative to the total Company.

The Company uses certain commodities, primarily plastic resins, in its manufacturing processes. As such, the cost of operations is subject to fluctuation as the market for these commodities changes. The Company monitors this risk but currently has no derivative contracts to hedge this risk,

however, the Company also has no significant purchase obligations to purchase fixed quantities of such commodities in future periods.

Accounting Standards for Business Combinations and Goodwill

The Financial Accounting Standards Board recently issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 141 (SFAS 141), "Business Combinations," and SFAS 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets." The statements are effective for the Company on January 1, 2002. These statements will result in modifications relative to the Company's accounting for goodwill and other intangible assets. Specifically, the Company will cease goodwill and certain intangible asset amortization beginning January 1, 2002. Upon adopting the new standards and cessation of amortization for goodwill, the Company anticipates increases in annual income before taxes of \$9.2 million and earnings per share of approximately \$.30 per share. Additionally, intangible assets, including goodwill, will be subject to new impairment testing criteria. Other than the impact to future earnings of eliminating goodwill amortization, the Company has not yet made a complete evaluation regarding the impact of adoption on the Company's financial statements, including the possible impairment of goodwill as recorded on the December 31, 2001, balance sheet.

Statements of Consolidated Income

Myers Industries, Inc. and Subsidiaries

For The Years Ended December 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

| | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Net sales | \$607,950,431 | \$652,659,900 | \$580,760,740 |
| Cost of sales | 403,011,346 | 435,081,945 | 367,635,460 |
| Gross profit | <u>204,939,085</u> | <u>217,577,955</u> | <u>213,125,280</u> |
| Operating expenses | | | |
| Selling | 88,020,857 | 85,632,525 | 83,352,607 |
| General and administrative | 70,979,067 | 68,675,568 | 60,265,518 |
| | <u>158,999,924</u> | <u>154,308,093</u> | <u>143,618,125</u> |
| Operating income | <u>45,939,161</u> | <u>63,269,862</u> | <u>69,507,155</u> |
| Interest | | | |
| Income | (695,140) | (972,248) | (753,648) |
| Expense | 19,394,282 | 23,332,503 | 15,959,457 |
| | <u>18,699,142</u> | <u>22,360,255</u> | <u>15,205,809</u> |
| Income before income taxes | 27,240,019 | 40,909,607 | 54,301,346 |
| Income taxes | 12,049,000 | 16,909,000 | 23,125,000 |
| Net income | \$15,191,019 | \$24,000,607 | \$31,176,346 |
| Net income per share | \$.64 | \$1.01 | \$1.28 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

Statements of Consolidated Financial Position

Myers Industries, Inc. and Subsidiaries

As of December 31, 2001 and 2000

Assets

| | 2001 | 2000 |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| Current Assets | | |
| Cash and temporary cash investments | \$7,074,964 | \$2,177,983 |
| Accounts receivable – less allowances of \$4,417,000 and \$3,644,000, respectively | 104,602,982 | 125,921,325 |
| Inventories | | |
| Finished and in-process products | 66,239,288 | 66,143,998 |
| Raw materials and supplies | 15,109,952 | 22,660,460 |
| | 81,349,240 | 88,804,458 |
| Prepaid expenses | 3,591,411 | 2,403,487 |
| Total Current Assets | 196,618,597 | 219,307,253 |
| Other Assets | | |
| Excess of cost over fair value of net assets of companies acquired | 187,960,222 | 194,205,707 |
| Patents and other intangible assets | 2,834,582 | 2,955,593 |
| Other | 4,017,156 | 4,130,671 |
| | 194,811,960 | 201,291,971 |
| Property, Plant and Equipment, at Cost | | |
| Land | 7,311,493 | 7,365,005 |
| Buildings and leasehold improvements | 73,983,923 | 72,727,170 |
| Machinery and equipment | 282,140,259 | 266,506,306 |
| | 363,435,675 | 346,598,481 |
| Less allowances for depreciation and amortization | 172,699,854 | 145,093,735 |
| | 190,735,821 | 201,504,746 |
| | \$582,166,378 | \$622,103,970 |

Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity

| | 2001 | 2000 |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| Current Liabilities | | |
| Accounts payable | \$44,818,664 | \$49,964,169 |
| Accrued expenses | | |
| Employee compensation and related items | 25,501,181 | 25,516,152 |
| Taxes, other than income taxes | 2,632,663 | 2,481,602 |
| Accrued interest | 1,207,733 | 2,834,366 |
| Other | 12,971,309 | 16,200,940 |
| Current portion of long-term debt | 17,767,688 | 15,893,001 |
| Total Current Liabilities | 104,899,238 | 112,890,230 |
| Long-term Debt, less current portion | 247,145,234 | 284,273,097 |
| Deferred Income Taxes | 12,595,697 | 11,037,935 |
| Shareholders' Equity | | |
| Serial Preferred Shares (authorized 1,000,000 shares) | -- | -- |
| Common Shares, without par value (authorized 60,000,000 shares; outstanding 23,847,694 and 23,749,013 shares, respectively) | 14,503,828 | 13,234,830 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 217,594,648 | 189,779,843 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | (34,411,755) | (27,149,716) |
| Retained income | 19,839,488 | 38,037,751 |
| | 217,526,209 | 213,902,708 |
| | \$582,166,378 | \$622,103,970 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

**Statements of Consolidated Shareholders' Equity
and Comprehensive Income**

Myers Industries, Inc. and Subsidiaries

For The Years Ended December 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

| | Common Shares | | Additional Paid-In Capital | Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) | Retained Income | Comprehensive Income |
|--|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|--|---------------------|-------------------------|
| | Number | Amount | | | | |
| Balance at January 1, 1999 | 18,338,061 | \$11,610,996 | \$134,280,522 | (\$83,002) | \$56,880,337 | -- |
| Additions | | | | | | |
| Net income | -- | -- | -- | -- | 31,176,346 | 31,176,346 |
| Sales under option plans | 75,221 | 42,820 | 744,713 | -- | -- | -- |
| Employees stock purchase plan | 22,986 | 14,381 | 470,531 | -- | -- | -- |
| Dividend reinvestment plan | 9,173 | 5,778 | 194,751 | -- | -- | -- |
| Deductions | | | | | | |
| Purchases for treasury | (297,800) | (576,843) | (3,443,338) | -- | -- | -- |
| Dividends – \$.19 per share | -- | -- | -- | -- | (4,626,471) | -- |
| 10% stock dividend | 1,839,805 | 1,159,077 | 37,260,845 | -- | (38,433,953) | -- |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment | -- | -- | -- | (18,930,673) | -- | (18,930,673) |
| Balance at December 31, 1999 | 19,987,446 | \$12,256,209 | \$169,508,024 | (\$19,013,675) | \$44,996,259 | \$12,245,673 |
| Additions | | | | | | |
| Net income | -- | -- | -- | -- | 24,000,607 | 24,000,607 |
| Sales under option plans | 14,796 | 9,134 | 135,970 | -- | -- | -- |
| Employees stock purchase plan | 42,605 | 25,988 | 458,816 | -- | -- | -- |
| Dividend reinvestment plan | 13,033 | 7,949 | 164,223 | -- | -- | -- |
| Deductions | | | | | | |
| Purchases for treasury | (428,800) | (260,620) | (5,271,582) | -- | -- | -- |
| Dividends – \$.21 per share | -- | -- | -- | -- | (4,969,876) | -- |
| 10% stock dividend | 1,960,932 | 1,196,170 | 24,784,392 | -- | (25,989,239) | -- |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment | -- | -- | -- | (8,136,041) | -- | (8,136,041) |
| Balance at December 31, 2000 | 21,590,012 | \$13,234,830 | \$189,779,843 | (\$27,149,716) | \$38,037,751 | \$15,864,566 |
| Additions | | | | | | |
| Net income | -- | -- | -- | -- | 15,191,019 | 15,191,019 |
| Sales under option plans | 46,404 | 26,707 | 331,899 | -- | -- | -- |
| Employees stock purchase plan | 35,204 | 21,474 | 410,218 | -- | -- | -- |
| Dividend reinvestment plan | 11,830 | 8,840 | 365,917 | -- | -- | -- |
| Deductions | | | | | | |
| Dividends – \$.23 per share | -- | -- | -- | -- | (5,454,868) | -- |
| 10% stock dividend | 2,164,244 | 1,211,977 | 26,706,771 | -- | (27,934,414) | -- |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment | -- | -- | -- | (7,262,039) | -- | (7,262,039) |
| Balance at December 31, 2001 | <u>23,847,694</u> | <u>\$14,503,828</u> | <u>\$217,594,648</u> | <u>(\$34,411,755)</u> | <u>\$19,839,488</u> | <u>\$7,928,980</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

Statements of Consolidated Cash Flows

Myers Industries, Inc. and Subsidiaries

For The Years Ended December 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999

| | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Cash Flows From Operating Activities | | | |
| Net income | \$15,191,019 | \$24,000,607 | \$31,176,346 |
| Items not affecting use of cash | | | |
| Depreciation | 33,361,480 | 33,075,562 | 30,331,491 |
| Amortization of excess of costs over fair value of net assets of companies acquired | 9,223,542 | 8,949,361 | 7,016,458 |
| Amortization of other intangibles | 1,320,197 | 802,606 | 194,525 |
| Deferred taxes | 1,632,285 | 964,870 | 3,539,481 |
| Cash flow provided by (used for) working capital | | | |
| Accounts receivable | 18,608,281 | (11,646,970) | (7,217,304) |
| Inventories | 6,359,412 | (3,079,902) | (7,665,075) |
| Prepaid expenses | (1,220,662) | 3,292,023 | (129,850) |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | (7,674,145) | 10,978,852 | 197,663 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | <u>76,801,409</u> | <u>67,337,009</u> | <u>57,443,735</u> |
| Cash Flows From Investing Activities | | | |
| Acquisition of businesses, net of cash acquired | (7,480,000) | (17,529,677) | (213,630,987) |
| Additions to property, plant and equipment, net | (25,182,509) | (43,606,144) | (27,526,755) |
| Other | (1,807,899) | 42,204 | (287,444) |
| Net cash used for investing activities | <u>(34,470,408)</u> | <u>(61,093,617)</u> | <u>(241,445,186)</u> |
| Cash Flows From Financing Activities | | | |
| Long-term debt proceeds | -- | -- | 75,000,000 |
| Repayment of long-term debt | (12,000,000) | (8,000,000) | (4,041,065) |
| Net borrowings (repayments) – of credit facility | (21,144,207) | 12,540,289 | 86,493,075 |
| Cash dividends paid | (5,454,868) | (4,969,876) | (4,626,471) |
| Proceeds from issuance of common stock | 1,165,055 | 802,080 | 1,458,242 |
| Repurchase of common stock | -- | (5,532,202) | (4,020,181) |
| Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities | <u>(37,434,020)</u> | <u>(5,159,709)</u> | <u>150,263,600</u> |
| Increase (Decrease) In Cash And Temporary | | | |
| Cash Investments | 4,896,981 | 1,083,683 | (33,737,851) |
| Cash And Temporary Cash Investments | | | |
| January 1 | 2,177,983 | 1,094,300 | 34,832,151 |
| Cash And Temporary Cash Investments | | | |
| December 31 | <u>\$7,074,964</u> | <u>\$2,177,983</u> | <u>\$1,094,300</u> |
| Supplemental Disclosures of Cash | | | |
| Flow Information | | | |
| Cash paid during the year for | | | |
| Interest | \$19,715,515 | \$21,370,386 | \$14,360,716 |
| Income taxes | \$11,478,129 | 17,558,167 | 27,731,272 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Myers Industries, Inc. and all wholly owned subsidiaries (Company). Significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Certain amounts in the fiscal 2000 and 1999 financial statements have been reclassified to conform with the fiscal year 2001 presentation.

Translation of Foreign Currencies

All balance sheet accounts of consolidated foreign subsidiaries are translated at the current exchange rate as of the end of the accounting period and income statement items are translated at an average currency exchange rate. The resulting translation adjustment is recorded as a separate component of shareholders' equity and other comprehensive income.

Financial Instruments

Temporary cash investments, all of which have an original maturity of 90 days or less, are considered cash equivalents. Other financial instruments, consisting of trade and notes receivable, and long-term debt, are considered to have a fair value which approximates carrying value at December 31, 2001.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. For approximately 45 percent of its inventories, the Company uses the last-in, first-out (LIFO) method of determining cost. All other inventories are valued at the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method of determining cost.

If the FIFO method of inventory cost valuation had been used exclusively by the Company, inventories would have been \$3,731,000, \$4,756,000 and \$3,779,000 higher than reported at December 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. The Company provides for depreciation and amortization on the basis of the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

| | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Buildings | 20 to 30 years |
| Leasehold Improvements | 7 to 10 years |
| Machinery & Equipment | 3 to 10 years |
| Vehicles | 1 to 3 years |

Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue from sales when goods are shipped and title has passed to the customer.

Income Taxes

Deferred income taxes are provided to recognize the timing differences between financial statement and income tax reporting, principally for depreciation, non-deductible reserves and certain valuation allowances. Deferred taxes are not provided on the unremitted earnings of foreign subsidiaries as the Company's intention is to permanently reinvest these earnings in the operations of these subsidiaries. If these earnings would be remitted in future years, the taxes due after considering available foreign tax credits would not be material.

Excess of Cost Over Fair Value of Net Assets of Companies Acquired

This asset represents the excess of cost over the fair value of net assets of companies acquired and is being amortized on a straight-line basis over periods ranging from 15 to 40 years. Accumulated amortization at December 31, 2001 and 2000 was \$30,706,000 and \$21,483,000, respectively.

In June 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 141 (SFAS 141), "Business Combinations," and SFAS 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets." These statements are effective for the Company on January 1, 2002 and will result in modifications relative to the accounting for goodwill and other intangible assets. Specifically, the Company will no longer amortize goodwill and certain intangible assets, however, such assets will be subject to periodic testing for potential impairment. Upon adopting the new standards and cessation of amortization for goodwill, the Company anticipates increases in annual income before taxes of \$9.2 million and earnings per share of approximately \$.30 per share, however, the Company has not yet made a complete evaluation regarding the impact of the new standards, including the possible impairment of goodwill as recorded on the December 31, 2001 balance sheet.

Net Income Per Share

Basic net income per share, as shown on the Statements of Consolidated Income, is determined on the basis of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the year, and for all periods shown basic and diluted earnings per share are identical. During the years ended December 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999, the Company paid a ten percent stock dividend. All per share data has been adjusted for the stock dividends.

Notes To Consolidated Financial Statements
Myers Industries, Inc. and Subsidiaries
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Acquisitions

In October, 2000, the Company acquired R.B. Manufacturing (RB), a Sandusky, Ohio manufacturer of material handling carts, and Best Plastics, Inc., a Cassopolis, Michigan manufacturer of thermoformed and rotational molded plastic products. Total cost of the acquisitions was approximately \$18.2 million and both acquisitions have been accounted for under the purchase method of accounting. The excess of purchase price over the fair value of assets acquired was approximately \$12.4 million which is being amortized on a straight line basis over 30 years. Consolidated pro-forma sales, income and earnings per share, adjusted to reflect the acquisitions of RB and Best, would not be materially different from the reported amounts for fiscal years 2000 or 1999.

On February 4, 1999, the Company acquired all of the shares of the entities comprising Allibert Équiptement (Allibert), the material handling division of Sommer Allibert S.A., and acquired Allibert-Contico, LLC, a joint venture between Sommer Allibert S.A. and Contico International, Inc., for a total purchase price of approximately \$150 million. The acquired businesses have five manufacturing facilities in Europe and one in North America and had 1998 annual sales of approximately \$145 million.

In August 1999, the Company acquired substantially all of the assets of Dillen Products Companies (Dillen) of Middlefield, Ohio for approximately \$54 million and all of the outstanding shares of Listo Products, Ltd. (Listo) of

Canada for approximately \$15 million. In 2001, the Company paid approximately \$7.5 million as additional and final consideration in connection with the acquisition of Dillen. The Listo purchase agreement provides for payment of additional consideration contingent upon future earnings of the acquired business through February 2002. The Company anticipates a payment of approximately \$2.5 million in 2002 as final consideration in connection with the acquisition of Listo. Dillen and Listo are leading manufacturers of plastic horticultural containers including pots, trays, saucers and decorative planters for customers including greenhouses and nurseries as well as retail garden centers and mass merchandisers.

The acquisitions have been accounted for under the purchase method of accounting and, accordingly, the results of operations have been included in the Company's consolidated financial statements since the dates of acquisition and the total acquisition costs have been allocated to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based upon their estimated fair values, with the excess of purchase price over fair value of net assets acquired of approximately \$166 million being amortized over lives of 15 to 40 years.

The following unaudited pro-forma information presents a summary of consolidated results of operations of the Company and the acquisitions of Allibert, Dillen and Listo, as if the acquisitions had occurred January 1, 1999.

(In thousands, except per share)

Fiscal Year Ended
December 31,
1999

| | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Net Sales | \$625,407 |
| Net Income | 31,759 |
| Net Income Per Share | 1.31 |

These unaudited pro-forma results have been prepared for comparative purposes only and may not be indicative of results of operations which actually would have resulted

had the combination been in effect on January 1, 1999, or of future results.

Retirement Plans

The Company and certain of its subsidiaries have pension and profit sharing plans covering substantially all of their employees. Two plans are defined benefit plans with benefits primarily based upon a fixed amount for each completed year of service as defined. It is the Company's

policy to fund pension costs accrued, which are at least equal to the minimum required contribution as defined by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

For the Company's defined benefit plans, the net periodic pension cost was as follows:

| | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Service cost | \$179,192 | \$131,294 | \$147,496 |
| Interest cost | 288,493 | 259,886 | 245,145 |
| Expected return on assets | (291,192) | (333,208) | (304,447) |
| Amortization of transition obligation | 2,525 | 6,497 | 6,497 |
| Amortization of prior service cost | 42,776 | 27,825 | 27,825 |
| Amortization of net gain | -- | (42,305) | (6,046) |
| Net periodic pension cost | \$221,794 | \$49,989 | \$116,470 |

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Retirement Plans (cont.)

The reconciliation of changes in benefit obligations are as follows:

| | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Benefit obligation at beginning of year | \$3,980,688 | \$3,444,466 | \$3,475,325 |
| Service cost | 179,192 | 131,294 | 147,496 |
| Interest cost | 288,493 | 259,886 | 245,145 |
| Plan amendments | -- | 204,084 | 120,577 |
| Actuarial loss (gain) | 190,309 | 94,742 | (379,828) |
| Benefits paid | (153,361) | (153,784) | (164,249) |
| | | | |
| Benefit obligation at end of year | \$4,485,321 | \$3,980,688 | \$3,444,466 |

The following table reflects the change in fair value of the plans' assets:

| | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year | \$3,744,411 | \$4,236,512 | \$3,901,959 |
| Actual return on plan assets | (380,259) | (358,045) | 523,851 |
| Company contribution | 6,435 | 46,618 | -- |
| Expenses paid | (18,000) | (26,890) | (25,049) |
| Benefits paid | (153,361) | (153,784) | (164,249) |
| | | | |
| Fair value of plan assets at end of year | \$3,199,226 | \$3,744,411 | \$4,236,512 |

The following table provides a reconciliation of the funded status of the plans, both of which were underfunded at December 31, 2001 and 2000:

| | 2001 | 2000 |
|--|----------------------|-------------|
| Funded status | (\$1,286,095) | (\$236,277) |
| Unrecognized net asset | (5,887) | 3,362 |
| Unrecognized prior service cost | 404,477 | 447,253 |
| Unrecognized net loss (gain) | 707,248 | (172,512) |
| | | |
| (Accrued) prepaid benefit cost | (\$180,257) | \$35,102 |

Assumptions used for these plans were a discount rate of 7.0 percent and expected rate of return on plan assets of 8.0 percent. Future benefit increases were not considered as there is no substantive commitment to increase benefits.

A profit sharing plan is maintained for the Company's U.S. based employees, not covered under defined benefit plans, who have met eligibility service requirements. The amount to be contributed by the Company under the profit sharing plan is determined at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Profit sharing plan expense was \$1,500,000,

\$2,000,000, and \$1,700,000 for the fiscal years 2001, 2000 and 1999, respectively. In addition, the Company has a Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan (SERP) to provide participating senior executives with retirement benefits in addition to amounts payable under the profit sharing plan. Expense related to the SERP was \$108,000, \$128,000 and \$375,000 for the years 2001, 2000 and 1999, respectively. The SERP is unfunded apart from the general assets of the Company.

Long-Term Debt and Credit Agreements

Long-term debt at December 31, consisted of the following:

| | 2001 | 2000 |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Revolving credit agreement | \$192,992,890 | \$214,461,680 |
| Term loan | 53,500,000 | 65,500,000 |
| Industrial revenue bonds | 4,000,000 | 4,000,000 |
| Other | 14,420,032 | 16,204,418 |
| | 264,912,922 | 300,166,098 |
| Less current portion | 17,767,688 | 15,893,001 |
| | \$247,145,234 | \$284,273,097 |

The Company has a Multi-Currency Loan Agreement with a group of banks which provides for a \$53.5 million term loan facility and a revolving credit facility in five currencies, approximating \$240 million (US). In addition, there is an uncommitted \$25 million springing facility. Amounts available under the revolving credit facility are 185 million US dollars, 30 million euros, 22 million Canadian dollars, 63 million Danish kroner, and three million pound sterling. At December 31, 2001, the amount borrowed was \$53.5 million under the term loan, and 157 million US dollars, 21 million euros, 15 million Canadian dollars, 40 million Danish kroner and two million pound sterling under the revolving credit facility.

The borrowing under this facility was used to retire the prior revolving credit agreement, fund acquisitions, and for general corporate purposes. Interest is based upon LIBOR for US dollars and similar bases for the other currencies plus an applicable margin that varies depending on the Company's ratio of total debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA). The current average interest rate on the outstanding advances at December 31, 2001 is 3.97 percent. In addition, the Company pays a quarterly facility fee at a rate dependent on the EBITDA ratio, and is currently 45 basis points. The Multi-Currency Loan Agreement expires in February 2005.

The Credit Agreement contains the customary covenants which include among other things, the maintenance of certain financial ratios regarding leverage, net worth, interest coverage, and limits as to payments for cash dividends and capital expenditures. At December 31, 2001, the Company was in compliance with all of its debt covenants. In addition, the facility restricts debt outside the facility to \$35 million. At December 31, 2001, the Company had

\$18.4 million borrowed against this limit consisting of industrial revenue bonds, certain indebtedness of acquired companies, and in-country credit facilities for the Company's international operations. The weighted average interest rate on these amounts outstanding is 4.7 percent.

Maturities of long-term debt for the five years ending December 31, 2006 are \$18,000,000 in 2002; \$17,000,000 in 2003; \$27,000,000 in 2004; \$195,000,000 in 2005 and \$1,000,000 in 2006.

Leases

The Company and certain of its subsidiaries are committed under non-cancelable operating leases involving certain facilities and equipment. Aggregate rental expense for all leased assets was \$9,493,000, \$5,416,000 and \$4,436,000 for the years ended December 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

Future minimum rental commitments for the next five years are as follows:

| Year Ended December 31, | Commitment |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| 2002 | \$8,232,000 |
| 2003 | 7,101,000 |
| 2004 | 5,931,000 |
| 2005 | 5,284,000 |
| 2006 | <u>4,697,000</u> |

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Income Taxes

The effective tax rate was 44.2% in 2001, 41.3% in 2000 and 42.6% in 1999. A reconciliation of the Federal statutory income tax rate to the Company's effective tax rate is as follows:

| | Percent of Pre-Tax Income | | |
|--|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
| Statutory Federal income tax rate | 35.0% | 35.0% | 35.0% |
| State income taxes – net of Federal tax benefit | 3.8 | 4.2 | 4.2 |
| Foreign tax rate differential | 2.1 | (.5) | 2.1 |
| Effect of non-deductible depreciation and amortization | 2.3 | 1.3 | .7 |
| Other | 1.0 | 1.3 | .6 |
| Effective tax rate for the year | <u>44.2%</u> | <u>41.3%</u> | <u>42.6%</u> |

Income taxes consisted of the following:

| | <i>(Dollars in thousands)</i> | | | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | 2001 | | 2000 | | 1999 | |
| | Current | Deferred | Current | Deferred | Current | Deferred |
| Federal | \$6,518 | \$2,140 | \$12,152 | \$671 | \$13,052 | \$3,250 |
| Foreign | 2,322 | (529) | 1,457 | (12) | 3,190 | 9 |
| State and local | 1,651 | (53) | 2,325 | 316 | 3,343 | 281 |
| | <u>\$10,491</u> | <u>\$1,558</u> | <u>\$15,934</u> | <u>\$975</u> | <u>\$19,585</u> | <u>\$3,540</u> |

Significant components of the Company's deferred tax liabilities as of December 31, 2001 and 2000 are as follows:

| | <i>(Dollars in thousands)</i> | |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| | 2001 | 2000 |
| Deferred income tax liabilities | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | \$19,689 | \$17,332 |
| Employee benefit trust | 435 | 354 |
| Other | 388 | 969 |
| | <u>20,512</u> | <u>18,655</u> |
| Deferred income tax assets | | |
| Compensation | 3,276 | 2,945 |
| Inventory valuation | 1,246 | 1,129 |
| Allowance for uncollectible accounts | 971 | 733 |
| Non-deductible accruals | 2,423 | 2,810 |
| | <u>7,916</u> | <u>7,617</u> |
| Net deferred income tax liability | <u>\$12,596</u> | <u>\$11,038</u> |

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Stock Options

In 1999, the Company and its shareholders adopted the 1999 Stock Plan allowing key employees to purchase Common Stock of the Company at the market price on the date of grant. The plan provides that stock options expire five years from date of grant and are exercisable up to 20 percent

of the shares granted each year. At December 31, 2001 there were 1,336,289 stock option shares available for future grant. The activity listed below covers the 1999 Stock Plan, the 1997 Incentive Stock Plan and the 1992 Stock Option Plan.

Options granted during the past three years:

| Year | Shares | Price |
|------|---------|--------------------|
| 2001 | 240,129 | \$10.45 to \$13.00 |
| 2000 | 13,200 | \$10.23 to \$11.36 |
| 1999 | 281,590 | \$10.95 to \$17.37 |

Options exercised during the past three years:

| Year | Shares | Price |
|------|---------|--------------------|
| 2001 | 57,671 | \$10.45 to \$12.29 |
| 2000 | 24,430 | \$8.92 to \$10.15 |
| 1999 | 111,411 | \$8.85 to \$12.92 |

Options outstanding and exercisable at December 31, 2001, 2000 and 1999 were as follows:

| Year | Outstanding | Price | Exercisable |
|------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| 2001 | 946,661 | \$10.23 to \$19.73 | 596,556 |
| 2000 | 821,049 | \$10.23 to \$19.73 | 511,615 |
| 1999 | 866,553 | \$8.92 to \$19.73 | 336,324 |

The Company accounts for stock options under APB Opinion No. 25 and, therefore, does not recognize employee compensation for options granted using the fair value method set forth in the FASB Statement No.123 "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation." If the Company had followed FASB 123 rather than APB 25, net income would not have been materially different than the reported amounts and earnings per share would be identical for 2001, 2000 and 1999.

In calculating the pro-forma compensation expense under SFAS 123 the Company assumes that all options issued will vest and be exercised at the expiration date of the grant. The compensation amount is determined using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with certain variables including an assumed risk free interest rate of 4.85 percent, a dividend yield of 2 percent on the shares and a volatility measure based on the Company's stock beta of .90.

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Industry Segments

The Company's business units have separate management teams and offer different products and services. Using the criteria of FASB No.131, these business units have been aggregated into two reportable segments; Distribution of aftermarket repair products and services and Manufacturing of polymer products. The aggregation of business units is based on management by the chief operating decision maker for the segment as well as similarities of production processes, distribution methods and economic characteristics (e.g. average gross margin and the impact of economic conditions on long-term financial performance).

The Company's distribution segment is engaged in the distribution of equipment, tools and supplies used for tire servicing and undervehicle repair. The distribution segment operates domestically through 43 branches located in major cities throughout the United States and in foreign countries through export sales and businesses in which the Company holds an equity interest.

The Company's manufacturing segment designs, manufactures and markets a variety of polymer based plastic and rubber products. These products are manufactured primarily through the molding process in facilities throughout the United States and in Europe. Sales to external customers for manufactured plastic products were \$411.1 million, \$443.7 million and \$366.2 million for

fiscal years 2001, 2000 and 1999, respectively. Sales of manufactured rubber products were \$46.0 million, \$50.8 million and \$52.7 million for fiscal years 2001, 2000 and 1999.

Operating income for each segment is based on net sales less cost of products sold, and the related selling, administrative and general expenses. In computing segment operating income general corporate overhead expenses and interest expenses are not included. The identifiable assets of each segment include: accounts receivable, inventory, net fixed assets, excess of cost over fair value of net assets acquired, patents and other intangible assets. Corporate assets are principally land, buildings, computer equipment, cash and temporary cash investments.

Total sales from foreign business units and export were approximately \$182.0 million, \$194.2 million and \$173.8 million for the years 2001, 2000 and 1999, respectively. There are no individual foreign countries for which sales are material. Long-lived assets in foreign countries consisting primarily of property, plant and equipment and excess of cost over fair value of net assets acquired were approximately \$113.3 million at December 31, 2001 and \$124.4 million at December 31, 2000. No single customer accounts for 10 percent or more of total company net sales or the net sales of either business segment.

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(Dollars in thousands)

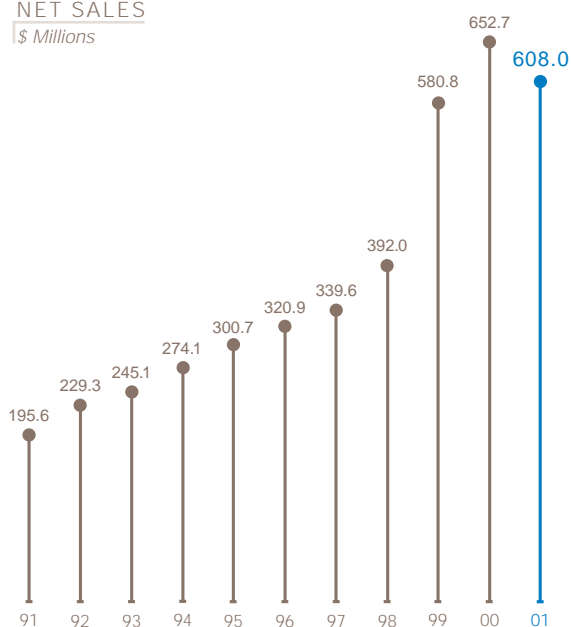
| | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Net Sales | | | |
| Distribution of aftermarket repair products and services | \$150,932 | \$158,151 | \$161,827 |
| Manufacturing of polymer products | 470,387 | 508,070 | 432,462 |
| Intra-segment elimination | <u>(13,369)</u> | <u>(13,561)</u> | <u>(13,528)</u> |
| | <u>\$607,950</u> | <u>\$652,660</u> | <u>\$580,761</u> |
| Income Before Income Taxes | | | |
| Distribution of aftermarket repair products and services | \$14,733 | \$15,431 | \$17,580 |
| Manufacturing of polymer products | 40,597 | 56,562 | 60,742 |
| Corporate | (9,391) | (8,723) | (8,815) |
| Interest expense—net | <u>(18,699)</u> | <u>(22,360)</u> | <u>(15,206)</u> |
| | <u>\$27,240</u> | <u>\$40,910</u> | <u>\$54,301</u> |
| Identifiable Assets | | | |
| Distribution of aftermarket repair products and services | \$48,993 | \$57,136 | \$61,726 |
| Manufacturing of polymer products | 528,775 | 563,637 | 537,722 |
| Corporate | 4,558 | 2,787 | 3,561 |
| Intra-segment elimination | <u>(160)</u> | <u>(1,456)</u> | <u>(2,599)</u> |
| | <u>\$582,166</u> | <u>\$622,104</u> | <u>\$600,410</u> |
| Capital Additions, Net | | | |
| Distribution of aftermarket repair products and services | \$29 | \$344 | \$384 |
| Manufacturing of polymer products | 24,950 | 42,787 | 26,728 |
| Corporate | 206 | 475 | 415 |
| | <u>\$25,185</u> | <u>\$43,606</u> | <u>\$27,527</u> |
| Depreciation | | | |
| Distribution of aftermarket repair products and services | \$483 | \$496 | \$399 |
| Manufacturing of polymer products | 32,172 | 31,965 | 29,212 |
| Corporate | 706 | 615 | 720 |
| | <u>\$33,361</u> | <u>\$33,076</u> | <u>\$30,331</u> |

Eleven-Year Financial Summary
Myers Industries, Inc. and Subsidiaries

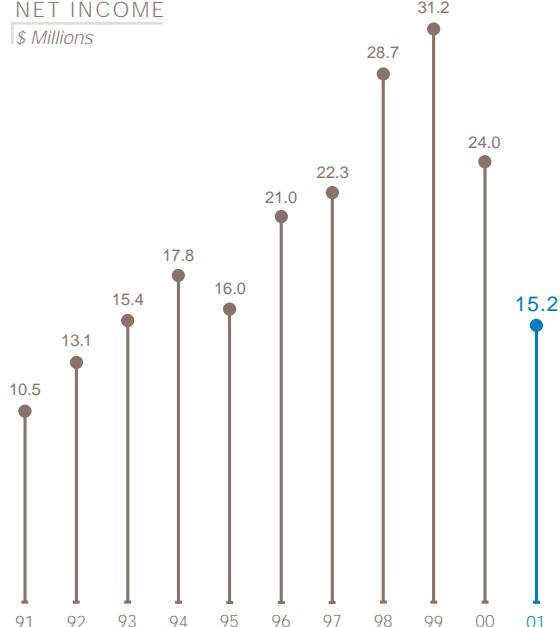
| | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Operations for the Year | | | | |
| Net sales | \$607,950,431 | \$652,659,900 | \$580,760,740 | \$392,019,900 |
| Cost and expenses | | | | |
| Cost of sales | 403,011,346 | 435,081,945 | 367,635,460 | 256,506,103 |
| Selling | 88,020,857 | 85,632,525 | 83,352,607 | 47,959,466 |
| General and administrative | 70,979,067 | 68,675,568 | 60,265,518 | 38,181,368 |
| Interest—net | 18,699,142 | 22,360,255 | 15,205,809 | 887,873 |
| | <u>580,710,412</u> | <u>611,750,293</u> | <u>526,459,394</u> | <u>343,534,810</u> |
| Income before income taxes | 27,240,019 | 40,909,607 | 54,301,346 | 48,485,090 |
| Income taxes | 12,049,000 | 16,909,000 | 23,125,000 | 19,806,000 |
| Net income | <u>\$15,191,019</u> | <u>\$24,000,607</u> | <u>\$31,176,346</u> | <u>\$28,679,090</u> |
| Net income per share* | <u>\$.64</u> | <u>\$ 1.01</u> | <u>\$ 1.28</u> | <u>\$ 1.18</u> |
| Financial Position—at Year End | | | | |
| Total assets | \$582,166,378 | \$622,103,970 | \$600,409,632 | \$306,707,788 |
| Current assets | 196,618,597 | 219,307,253 | 206,990,990 | 153,650,201 |
| Current liabilities | 104,899,238 | 112,890,230 | 102,244,419 | 51,233,510 |
| Working capital | 91,719,359 | 106,417,023 | 104,746,571 | 102,416,691 |
| Other assets | 194,811,960 | 201,291,971 | 203,923,134 | 43,614,594 |
| Property, plant and equipment—net | 190,735,821 | 201,504,746 | 189,495,508 | 109,442,993 |
| Less: | | | | |
| Long-term debt | 247,145,234 | 284,273,097 | 280,103,906 | 48,832,240 |
| Deferred income taxes | 12,595,697 | 11,037,935 | 10,314,490 | 3,953,185 |
| Shareholders' Equity | <u>\$217,526,209</u> | <u>\$213,902,708</u> | <u>\$207,746,817</u> | <u>\$202,688,853</u> |
| Common Shares outstanding* | <u>23,847,694</u> | <u>23,749,013</u> | <u>24,184,810</u> | <u>24,407,959</u> |
| Book value per Common Share* | <u>\$9.12</u> | <u>\$9.01</u> | <u>\$8.59</u> | <u>\$8.30</u> |
| Other Data | | | | |
| Dividends paid | \$5,454,870 | \$4,969,876 | \$4,626,471 | \$4,027,721 |
| Dividends paid per Common Share* | .23 | .21 | .19 | .17 |
| Average Common Shares outstanding during the year.* | <u>23,801,899</u> | <u>23,862,568</u> | <u>24,401,973</u> | <u>24,363,691</u> |

* Adjusted for the ten percent stock dividends paid in August, 2001; August, 2000; August, 1999; August, 1997; and August, 1995; the five-for-four stock split distributed in August, 1994; the ten percent stock dividend paid in August, 1993; the five-for-four stock split distributed in August, 1992; and the ten percent stock dividend paid in August, 1991.

NET SALES
 \$ Millions



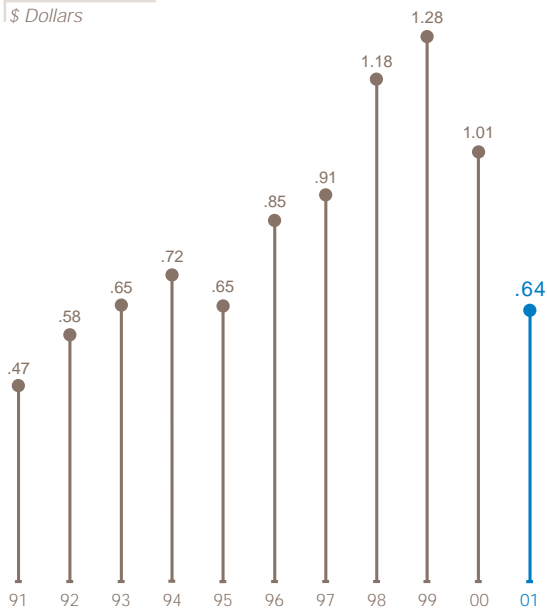
NET INCOME
 \$ Millions



| 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1993 | 1992 | 1991 |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| \$339,625,585 | \$320,943,771 | \$300,699,109 | \$274,054,163 | \$245,136,189 | \$229,255,085 | \$195,581,070 |
| 232,376,615 | 219,152,386 | 206,050,902 | 183,890,614 | 163,794,129 | 154,007,502 | 129,148,273 |
| 39,322,295 | 36,170,478 | 33,973,656 | 32,238,245 | 30,428,260 | 27,286,626 | 24,442,225 |
| 29,613,322 | 29,720,351 | 32,834,285 | 27,258,865 | 24,373,483 | 24,782,393 | 22,407,924 |
| 247,570 | 285,290 | 784,427 | 620,276 | 1,091,590 | 1,341,811 | 1,738,878 |
| <u>301,559,802</u> | <u>285,328,505</u> | <u>273,643,270</u> | <u>244,008,000</u> | <u>219,687,462</u> | <u>207,418,332</u> | <u>177,737,300</u> |
| 38,065,783 | 35,615,266 | 27,055,839 | 30,046,163 | 25,448,727 | 21,836,753 | 17,843,770 |
| 15,727,000 | 14,612,000 | 11,087,000 | 12,215,000 | 10,054,000 | 8,727,000 | 7,308,000 |
| <u>\$22,338,783</u> | <u>\$21,003,266</u> | <u>\$15,968,839</u> | <u>\$17,831,163</u> | <u>\$15,394,727</u> | <u>\$13,109,753</u> | <u>\$10,535,770</u> |
| <u>\$.91</u> | <u>\$.85</u> | <u>\$.65</u> | <u>\$.72</u> | <u>\$.65</u> | <u>\$.58</u> | <u>\$.47</u> |
| <u>\$224,077,922</u> | <u>\$207,121,727</u> | <u>\$193,603,873</u> | <u>\$172,026,887</u> | <u>\$152,386,302</u> | <u>\$142,081,023</u> | <u>\$113,030,476</u> |
| 107,426,627 | 106,309,880 | 101,087,297 | 94,724,955 | 78,922,479 | 74,892,471 | 60,723,337 |
| 39,643,522 | 36,853,013 | 32,372,026 | 34,093,593 | 24,380,541 | 31,685,772 | 25,346,105 |
| 67,783,105 | 69,456,867 | 68,715,271 | 60,631,362 | 54,541,938 | 43,206,699 | 35,377,232 |
| 26,100,386 | 20,151,914 | 23,086,827 | 15,923,620 | 15,769,611 | 16,525,900 | 12,969,476 |
| 90,550,909 | 80,659,933 | 69,429,749 | 61,378,312 | 57,694,212 | 50,662,652 | 39,337,663 |
| 4,261,257 | 4,569,396 | 13,335,191 | 4,154,646 | 10,654,650 | 24,917,426 | 14,559,630 |
| 3,496,196 | 3,254,327 | 2,713,106 | 2,869,976 | 2,064,399 | 1,594,855 | 670,922 |
| <u>\$176,676,947</u> | <u>\$162,444,991</u> | <u>\$145,183,550</u> | <u>\$130,908,672</u> | <u>\$115,286,712</u> | <u>\$83,882,970</u> | <u>\$72,453,819</u> |
| 24,329,210 | 24,676,716 | 24,752,102 | 24,640,950 | 24,606,546 | 22,697,192 | 22,348,079 |
| <u>\$7.26</u> | <u>\$6.58</u> | <u>\$5.86</u> | <u>\$5.31</u> | <u>\$4.69</u> | <u>\$3.70</u> | <u>\$3.24</u> |
| \$3,529,921 | \$3,049,642 | \$2,577,154 | \$2,326,964 | \$2,058,288 | \$1,746,780 | \$1,530,455 |
| <u>.14</u> | <u>.12</u> | <u>.10</u> | <u>.09</u> | <u>.09</u> | <u>.08</u> | <u>.07</u> |
| <u>24,581,382</u> | <u>24,782,127</u> | <u>24,701,366</u> | <u>24,641,360</u> | <u>23,714,112</u> | <u>22,648,325</u> | <u>22,324,931</u> |

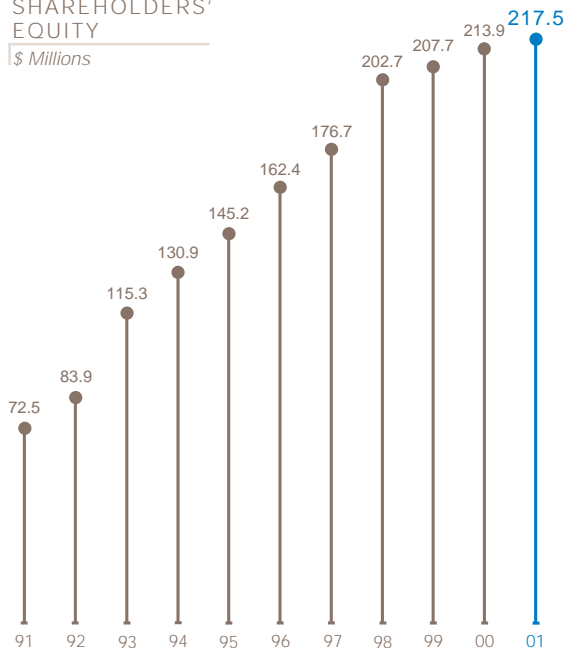
NET INCOME PER SHARE

\$ Dollars



SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

\$ Millions



Report of Independent Public Accountants

We have audited the accompanying statements of consolidated financial position of Myers Industries, Inc. (an Ohio Corporation) and Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2001 and 2000, and the related statements of consolidated income, shareholders' equity and comprehensive income and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

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

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Myers Industries, Inc. and Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2001 and 2000, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2001, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Arthur Andersen LLP

Cleveland, Ohio
February 15, 2002

Forward-Looking Statements Disclosure

Statements contained in this report concerning the Company's goals, strategies, and expectations for business and financial results may be "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and are based on current indicators and expectations. Whenever you read a statement that is not simply a statement of historical fact (such as when we describe what we "believe," "expect," or "anticipate" will occur, and other similar statements), you must remember that our expectations may not be correct, even though we believe they are reasonable. We do not guarantee that the transactions and events described will happen as described (or that they will happen at all).

You should read this report with the understanding that actual future results may be materially different from what we expect. Many of the factors that will determine these results are beyond our ability to control or predict. You are cautioned not to put undue reliance on any forward-looking statement. We do not intend, and undertake no obligation, to update these forward-looking statements.

These statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in the applicable statements. Such risks include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Fluctuations in product demand and market acceptance
- (2) Uncertainties associated with the general economic conditions in our domestic and international markets
- (3) Foreign currency risks
- (4) Interest rate fluctuations
- (5) Increased competition in our markets
- (6) Changes in seasonality
- (7) Our ability to make successful acquisitions
- (8) Difficulties in manufacturing operations
- (9) Our degree of leverage and uncertainties associated with servicing our debt
- (10) Raw material availability
- (11) Fluctuations in raw material costs
- (12) Changes in laws or regulations and approvals and decisions of courts, regulators, and governmental bodies

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Investor Relations Information

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held on Thursday April 25, 2002 at 9:00 a.m. in the Company's L.S. Myers Training Center, 1554 South Main Street, Akron, Ohio. For more information, please call (330) 253-5592.

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- Recent press releases;
- Myers' products, services, and markets;
- Historical information about Myers; and
- Information order form to obtain current financial and investor-related information.

Common Stock

Traded on the
New York Stock Exchange



Dividend Reinvestment Plan

Shareholders have a convenient opportunity to automatically reinvest cash dividends and make voluntary cash investments in the Company's stock through the Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

Participating shareholders pay no brokerage commissions or other charges on purchases of shares under the Plan; all such commissions and charges are paid by the Company.

For full details about participating in the Dividend Reinvestment Plan, please contact Garee Daniska, Assistant Treasurer, Myers Industries, Inc., 1293 South Main Street, Akron, Ohio 44301.

Transfer Agent & Registrar

First Chicago Trust Company of New York is the company's principal transfer agent and registrar. Please contact First Chicago directly with all request to:

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- Consolidate accounts;
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MYERS INDUSTRIES MILESTONES

From tire repair supplies to plastic containers to flower trays, this timeline highlights key operational and financial events in Myers' 68-year expansion from a small storefront in Akron, Ohio, to an international manufacturing and distribution business.





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