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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements
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AMREP CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited) (Thousands, except par value and number of shares)



TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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AMREP CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Income and Retained Earnings (Unaudited)
Three Months Ended January 31, 2008 and 2007
(Thousands, except per share amounts)

2008

REVENUES:

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43,435

COSTS AND EXPENSES:
Real estate land sales 2,332
Operating expenses:
Media services operations 30,492
Real estate commissions and selling 300
Restructuring and fire recovery costs 387
Other
(305)

General and administrative:
Media services operations
3,228
Real estate operations and corporate
1,259
Interest expense, net of capitalized amounts
274
37,967
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS BEFORE INCOME TAXES

PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS

NET INCOME
RETAINED EARNINGS, beginning of period
RETAINED EARNINGS, end of period

EARNINGS PER SHARE - BASIC AND DILUTED

WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMON
SHARES OUTSTANDING

6,014

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AMREP CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Income and Retained Earnings (Unaudited)
Nine Months Ended January 31, 2008 and 2007
(Thousands, except per share amounts)
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REVENUES:
Real estate land sales
Media services operations
Interest and other

IN

WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING

6,332

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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AMREP CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended January 31, 2008 and 2007
(Thousands)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:
Net income
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by
operating activities:
Depreciation and amortization
Non-cash credits and charges:
Pension accrual (benefit)
Provision for doubtful accounts
Stock based compensation - Directors' Plan
Gain on disposition of assets, net

DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

$(17,174)$
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period

SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION:
Interest paid - net of amounts capitalized
Income taxes paid - net of refunds
Non-cash transactions:
Transfer to real estate inventory from receivables

|  | $\begin{gathered} (17,174) \\ 42,102 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| \$ | 24,928 |
| \$ | 1,029 |
| \$ | 2,447 |
| \$ | 3,892 |

See notes to consolidated financial statements.
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AMREP CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES<br>Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) Nine Months Ended January 31, 2008 and 2007

(1)

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements included herein have been prepared by AMREP Corporation (the "Registrant" or the "Company") pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission for interim financial information, and do not include all the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements include all adjustments, which are of a normal recurring nature, necessary to reflect a fair presentation of the results for the interim periods presented. The results of operations for such interim periods are not necessarily indicative of what may occur in future periods.

The unaudited consolidated financial statements herein should be read in conjunction with the Company's annual report on Form $10-\mathrm{K}$ for the year ended April 30, 2007, which was previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

## (2) Adoption of FIN 48

The Company adopted the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes - an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109" ("FIN 48"), on May 1, 2007. Previously, the Company had accounted for tax contingencies in accordance with FASB Statement No. 5, "Accounting for Contingencies". As required by FIN 48, the Company recognizes the financial statement benefit of a tax position only after determining that the relevant tax authority would more likely than not sustain the position following an audit. For tax positions meeting the more-likely-than-not threshold, the amount recognized in the financial statements is the largest benefit that management believes has a greater than 50 percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with the relevant
tax authority. Unrecognized tax benefits are tax benefits claimed in the Company's tax returns that do not meet these recognition and measurement standards.

At the adoption date, the Company applied FIN 48 to all tax positions for which the statute of limitations remained open. The adoption of FIN 48 had no impact on the Company's financial statements. The Company's deferred income taxes and other long-term liabilities include an unrecognized tax benefit of $\$ 1,354,000$ at May 1, 2007, which had been previously recorded under FASB Statement No. 5 or FASB Statement No. 109. The Company's unrecognized tax benefit at January 31 , 2008 was $\$ 1,348,000$. If recognized, the unrecognized tax benefit would have an impact on the effective tax rate.

The Company is subject to U.S. Federal income taxes, and also to various state, local and foreign income taxes. Tax regulations within each jurisdiction are subject to the interpretation of the related tax laws and regulations and require significant judgment to apply. The company is not currently under examination by any tax authorities with respect to its income tax returns. In nearly all jurisdictions, the tax years through the fiscal year ended April 30, 2003 are no longer subject to examination.

There were no significant changes in unrecognized tax positions ("UTP") during the nine months ended January 31, 2008. The total amount of UTP could increase or decrease within the next twelve months for a number of reasons, including the expiration of statutes of limitations, audit settlements, tax examinations and the recognition and measurement considerations under FIN 48. At this time, the

Company estimates that it is reasonably possible that the liability for UTP will decrease by up to $\$ 400,000$ in the next twelve months due to either the expiration of statutes of limitations or the recognition and measurement considerations under FIN 48.

The Company has elected to retain its existing accounting policy with respect to the treatment of interest and penalties attributable to income taxes in accordance with FIN 48, and continues to reflect interest and penalties attributable to income taxes, to the extent they arise, as a component of its income tax provision or benefit as well as its outstanding income tax assets and liabilities. The total amount of interest and penalties recognized in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets was $\$ 602,000$ at January 31,2008 and $\$ 395,000$ at May 1, 2007 (date of adoption).
(3) Receivables, Net
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Media services operations accounts receivable, net consist of the following (in thousands):

Fulfillment Services
Newsstand Distribution Services, net of estimated returns

Less allowance for doubtful accounts


|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { April } 30, \\ 2007 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| \$ | 29,606 |
|  | 19,550 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 49,156 \\ & (1,331) \end{aligned}$ |
| \$ | 47,825 |

Newsstand Distribution Services accounts receivable are net of estimated magazine returns of $\$ 50,662,000$ at January 31,2008 and $\$ 52,275,000$ at April 30, 2008. In addition, under a distribution arrangement with one publisher customer of the Newsstand Distribution Services business, that publisher bears the ultimate credit risk of non-collection of related amounts due from the customers to which the Company distributes the publisher's magazines. Accounts receivable subject to this arrangement were netted against the related accounts payable due the publisher on the accompanying consolidated balance sheets $(\$ 28,137,000$ was netted at January 31, 2008 and $\$ 21,106,000$ at April 30, 2007).
(4) Investment Assets, Net

Investment assets, net consist of the following (in thousands):

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { January } 31, \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { April } 30, \\ 2007 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Land held for long-term investment | \$ | 9,734 | \$ | 9,039 |
| Commercial rental properties: |  |  |  |  |
| Land, buildings and improvements |  | 760 |  | 3,535 |
| Furniture and fixtures |  | 40 |  | 42 |
| Less accumulated depreciation |  | $\begin{gathered} 800 \\ (260) \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 3,577 \\ (451) \end{array}$ |
|  |  | 540 |  | 3,126 |
|  | \$ | 10,274 | \$ | 12,165 |

During the second quarter 2008, the Company sold a commercial rental property in its real estate business with a book value of $\$ 2,876,000$.
(5) Property, Plant and Equipment, Net


Property, plant and equipment, net consist of the following (in thousands):

Land, buildings and improvements Furniture and equipment and other

Less accumulated depreciation

| $\begin{gathered} \text { January } 31, \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { April 30, } \\ 2007 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ | 17,931 | \$ | 17,217 |
|  | 45,228 |  | 41,853 |
| $\begin{gathered} 63,159 \\ (33,138) \end{gathered}$ |  |  | 59,070 |
|  |  |  | $(28,552)$ |
| \$ 30,021 |  | \$ | 30,518 |

(6) Intangible and Other Assets, Net

Intangible and other assets, net consist of the following (in thousands):

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { January 31, } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { April } 30, \\ 2007 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Software development costs | \$ | 9,946 | \$ | 9,461 |
| Deferred order entry costs |  | 5,839 |  | 5,837 |
| Prepaid expenses |  | 4,285 |  | 3,302 |
| Customer contracts and relationships |  | 15,000 |  | 15,000 |
| Other |  | 3,892 |  | 5,118 |
|  |  | 38,962 |  | 38,718 |
| Less accumulated amortization |  | $(6,728)$ |  | $(4,704)$ |
|  | \$ | 32,234 | \$ | 34,014 |

Software development costs include internal and external costs of the development of new or enhanced software programs and are generally amortized over five years. Deferred order entry costs represent costs incurred in connection with the data entry of customer subscription information to database files and are charged directly to operations over a 12 -month period. Customer contracts and relationships are amortized over 12 years.
(7) Accounts Payable, Net and Accrued Expenses

Accounts payable, net and accrued expenses consist of the following (in thousands):

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { January } 31, \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { April 30, } \\ 2007 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Publisher payables, net | \$ | 75,232 | \$ | 63,759 |
| Accrued expenses |  | 7,003 |  | 6,803 |
| Trade payables |  | 4,165 |  | 3,701 |
| Other |  | 6,405 |  | 9,294 |
|  | \$ | 92,805 | \$ | 83,557 |

Pursuant to an arrangement with a publisher customer of the Newsstand Distribution Services business, the Company has netted $\$ 28,137,000$ and $\$ 21,106,000$ of accounts receivable against the related accounts payable at January 31, 2008 and April 30, 2007 (see Note 3).

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(8) Notes Payable

Notes payable consist of the following (in thousands):

| January 31, April 30, |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2008 | 2007 |

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Notes payable:
    Line-of-credit borrowings:
        Real estate operations and other
        Media services operations
    Real estate operations term loan
    Other notes payable
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    | \$ | 17,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | 6,257 |
|  | 2,798 |
|  | 2,642 |
| \$ | 28,697 |


| \$ | 6,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | 11,905 |
|  | 10,559 |
|  | 3,835 |
| \$ | 32,299 |

The Company's AMREP Southwest Inc. subsidiary has a revolving credit facility with a bank that originally was to mature in September 2008. During September 2007, the maturity date was extended to September 2009, with all other terms remaining unchanged.

On February 1, 2008, the Company's Kable Media Services group entered into a First Modification to its existing loan agreement with LaSalle Bank National Association dated as of January 16, 2007. The First Modification modifies the existing loan agreement by, among other things, (a) increasing the amount that may be borrowed for capital expenditures from $\$ 1,500,000$ to $\$ 4,500,000$, (b) allowing the borrowers the right to re-borrow the amounts of capital expenditure loans that have been repaid, (c) modifying the interest rate options the borrowers may select and (d) adding Kable Products Services, Inc., a recently organized member of the Kable Media Services group, as a borrower.

## (9)

Discontinued Operations

Loss from operations of discontinued business (net of income taxes) in the nine month period ended January 31, 2008 reflects costs associated with the settlement of all litigation related to the Company's El Dorado, New Mexico water utility subsidiary that were in addition to costs that were estimated and accrued for this matter in the fourth quarter of 2007.

## Restructuring and Fire Recovery Costs

The Company has announced a project to integrate certain aspects of the Kable and Palm Coast fulfillment operations in order to improve operating efficiencies and customer service and also to reduce costs. This project has resulted in one significant workforce reduction that occurred in the first quarter of 2008 together with a second quarter announced plan to redistribute the fulfillment services work performed at the Marion, Ohio facility. The Company has recorded charges to operations directly related to the integration project of $\$ 136,000$ and $\$ 707,000$ for the three and nine-month periods ending January 31, 2008.

On December 5, 2007 a warehouse of approximately 38,000 square feet leased by the Company in Oregon, Illinois was totally destroyed by an accidental fire. The warehouse was used principally to store back issues of magazines published by certain customers for whom the Company fills back-issue orders as part of its services. The Company is reviewing its insurance coverage, including coverage for materials of certain publishers for whom it was required to provide insurance and its business interruption coverage, and evaluating the impact of this event on its operations. At this point, the Company is unable to reach any
process of compiling data to submit to its insurer and has received no insurance proceeds. The Company has recorded charges to operations of $\$ 251,000$ related to fire recovery costs for the three and nine-month periods ended January 31, 2008, principally related to legal and other costs that are not covered by insurance.

## (11) Acquisition

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The Company received a refund of $\$ 195,000$ in the second quarter of 2008 in excess of a receivable valuation related to the acquisition of Palm coast in 2007. The Company adjusted the original amount of goodwill recorded in the purchase accounting for the acquisition, in accordance with FASB Statement No. 141, "Business Combinations".
(12) Information About the Company's Operations in Different Industry Segments

The following tables set forth summarized data relative to the industry segments for continuing operations in which the Company operated for the three and nine-month periods ended January 31, 2008 and 2007 (tables in thousands):

|  |  | Estate rations | Fulfillment Services |  | Newsstand Distribution Services |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Three months ended January 31, 2008 (a): Revenues | \$ | 6,943 | \$ | 33,537 | \$ | 2,944 | \$ |
| Income from continuing operations |  | 2,440 |  | 516 |  | 151 |  |
| Provision for income taxes from continuing operations |  | 1,433 |  | 303 |  | 89 |  |
| Income from continuing operations before income taxes |  | 3,873 |  | 819 |  | 240 |  |
| Interest expense (income), net (b) |  | - |  | 1,236 |  | (346) |  |
| Depreciation and amortization |  | 9 |  | 2,414 |  | 246 |  |
| EBITDA (c) | \$ | 3,882 | \$ | 4,469 | \$ | 140 | \$ |
| Capital expenditures | \$ | 26 | \$ | 1,544 | \$ | 74 | \$ |
| Three months ended January 31, 2007: Revenues | \$ | 17,355 | \$ | 20,612 | \$ | 3,737 | \$ |
| Income from continuing operations |  | 5,937 |  | 241 |  | 522 |  |
| Provision for income taxes from continuing operations |  | $3,487$ |  | 140 |  | 307 |  |
| Income from continuing operations before income taxes |  | 9,424 |  | 381 |  | 829 |  |
| Interest expense (income), net (b) |  | - |  | 456 |  | (191) |  |
| Depreciation and amortization |  | 11 |  | 1,409 |  | 246 |  |
| EBITDA (c) | \$ | 9,435 | \$ | 2,246 | \$ | 884 | \$ |
| Capital expenditures | \$ | 68 | \$ | 252 | \$ | - | \$ |

Nine months ended January 31, 2008 (a): Revenues

Income from continuing operations
$\$$
32,234

12,167 $\$$ 94,560
$(1,209)$
9, 811 959
Provision (benefit) for income taxes from
continuing operations
Income (loss) from continuing operations
before income taxes
Interest expense (income), net (b)
Depreciation and amortization
EBITDA (c)
Goodwill
Total assets
Capital expenditures

|  | 7,145 |  | (705) | 557 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 19,312 |  | $(1,914)$ |  | 1,516 |  |
|  | - |  | 4,097 |  | $(1,215)$ |  |
|  | 125 |  | 7,151 |  | 733 |  |
| \$ | 19,437 | \$ | 9,334 | \$ | 1,034 | \$ |
| \$ | - | \$ | 50,246 | \$ | 3,893 | \$ |
| \$ | 95,755 | \$ | 143,501 | \$ | 45,371 | \$ |
| \$ | 1,204 | \$ | 4,344 | \$ | 111 | \$ |

Nine months ended January 31, 2007:

Revenues

Income from continuing operations
Provision for income taxes from continuing operations

Income from continuing operations before income taxes
Interest expense (income), net (b)
Depreciation and amortization

EBITDA (c)

Goodwill
Total assets
Capital expenditures

| 86,877 | \$ | 57,153 | \$ | 11,179 | \$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 35,575 |  | 1,168 |  | 1,592 |  |
| 20,894 |  | 685 |  | 935 |  |
| 56,469 |  | 1,853 |  | 2,527 |  |
| - |  | 748 |  | (309) |  |
| 112 |  | 3,782 |  | 707 |  |
| 56,581 | \$ | 6,383 | \$ | 2,925 | \$ |
| - | \$ | 50,768 | \$ | 3,893 | \$ |
| 82,259 | \$ | 147,893 | \$ | 44,618 | \$ |
| 2,564 | \$ | 1,322 | \$ | 8 | \$ |

(a) Segment information does not include net loss from discontinued operations of $\$ 57,000$ in the nine months ended January 31, 2008.
(b) Interest expense, net includes inter-segment interest income and expense that is eliminated in consolidation.
(c) The Company uses EBITDA (which the Company defines as income from continuing operations before interest expense, net, income taxes and depreciation and amortization) in addition to income from continuing operations as a key measure of profit or loss for segment performance and evaluation purposes.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition

## INTRODUCTION

The Company, through its subsidiaries, is primarily engaged in three business segments: the Real Estate business operated by AMREP Southwest Inc. and its subsidiaries (collectively, "AMREP Southwest") and the Fulfillment Services and Newsstand Distribution Services businesses operated by Kable Media Services, Inc. and its subsidiaries (collectively, "Kable" or "Media Services"). The Company's foreign sales and activities are not significant.

The following provides information that management believes is relevant to an assessment and understanding of the Company's consolidated results of operations and financial condition. The discussion should be read in conjunction with the 2007 consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. All references in this Item 2 to the third quarter or first nine months of 2008 and 2007 mean the fiscal three or nine-month periods ended January 31, 2008 and 2007.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

Management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations is based on the accounting policies used and disclosed in the 2007 consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes that were prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and included as part of the Company's annual report on Form $10-\mathrm{K}$ for the year ended April 30, 2007 (the " 2007 Form 10-K"). The preparation of those consolidated financial statements required management to make estimates and assumptions that affected the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual amounts or results could differ from those estimates.

The significant accounting policies of the Company are described in Note 1 to the 2007 consolidated financial statements, and the critical accounting policies and estimates are described in Management's Discussion and Analysis included in Item 7 of the 2007 Form $10-\mathrm{K}$. There have been no changes in the critical accounting policies. Information concerning the implementation and the impact of new accounting standards issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") is included in the notes to the 2007 consolidated financial statements. The Company adopted FASB Interpretation No. 48 ("FIN 48") effective May 1, 2007. The adoption of FIN 48 had no impact on the Company's financial condition, liquidity or results of operations. The Company did not adopt any other accounting policies in the first nine months of 2008.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

For the third quarter of 2008 , net income was $\$ 3,446,000$, or $\$ 0.57$ per share, compared to net income of $\$ 6,930,000$, or $\$ 1.04$ per share, in the third quarter of 2007. Results for the third quarter of both 2008 and 2007 were entirely from continuing operations. For the first nine months of 2008, net income was $\$ 13,176,000$, or $\$ 2.08$ per share, compared to net income of $\$ 38,796,000$, or $\$ 5.84$ per share, for the same period of 2007. Results for the first nine months of 2008 included a loss on discontinued operations of $\$ 57,000$, or $\$ .01$ per share, that reflected costs incurred in connection with the settlement of all litigation related to the Company's El Dorado, New Mexico water utility subsidiary that were in addition to costs estimated and accrued for this matter
in the fourth quarter of 2007 , while the results for the same period in 2007 were entirely from continuing operations. Revenues were $\$ 43,435,000$ and $\$ 136,885,000$ for the third quarter and first nine months of 2008 compared to $\$ 42,189,000$ and $\$ 156,513,000$ for the same periods last year.

Revenues from land sales at AMREP Southwest were $\$ 6,302,000$ and $\$ 27,613,000$ for the three and nine-month periods ended January 31, 2008 compared to $\$ 16,563,000$ and $\$ 80,760,000$ for the same periods of the prior year. These decreases reflected substantially lower land sales in the Company's principal market of Rio Rancho, New Mexico, due to the slowdown of the real estate market in the greater Albuquerque-metro and Rio Rancho areas that began in earlier periods. Third quarter land sales revenues and gross profits in fiscal 2008 were primarily from the sale of two commercial properties, while in fiscal 2007 they were from sales of developed lots to homebuilders and commercial developers as well as from sales of undeveloped land. As previously reported, the number of permits for new home construction in both markets was down significantly for calendar 2007 compared to 2006 , with Rio Rancho showing a decrease of nearly 50\%. The Company believes that this decline was consistent with the well-publicized problems of the national home building industry, including fewer sales of both new and existing homes, the increasing number of mortgage delinquencies and foreclosures and a tightening of mortgage availability. As a result of these factors, builders have slowed the pace of building on land previously purchased from the Company in Rio Rancho and, in some cases, have delayed or cancelled the purchase of additional land. These factors are also believed to have contributed to a decline in sales of undeveloped land to both builders and investors.

In Rio Rancho, the Company sells both developed and undeveloped lots to national, regional and local home builders, commercial and industrial property developers and others. For the third quarter and first nine months of 2008 and 2007, the Company's land sales in Rio Rancho have been as follows:


| Total Developed | 69 | 18,119 |  | 263 | 164 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Undeveloped | 326 | 9,494 |  | 29 | 642 |
| Total | 395 | \$ 27,613 | \$ | 70 | 806 |

The average selling price per acre of developed land in the three and nine-month periods ended January 31, 2008 was lower compared to the same periods in 2007 due to a change in the mix and the stage of development of specific projects from which the land was sold. The Company offers developed and undeveloped land in Rio Rancho from a number of different projects, and selling prices may vary from project to project and within projects depending on location, the stage of development and other factors. The decrease in the average selling price of undeveloped land in the third quarter and first nine months of 2008 was primarily attributable to a higher proportion of undeveloped investment land sold in the current year from locations in Rio Rancho that are further removed from developed areas and thus generally have lower average selling prices. The average gross profit percentage on land sales increased from 59\% for the third quarter of 2007 to 63\% for the third quarter of 2008. This increase was attributable to the previously noted commercial land sales during the quarter, which generally have a greater profit percentage than do sales of developed residential lots. The average gross profit percentage for the first nine months of 2007 was $68 \%$ compared to $65 \%$ for the same period of 2008 . The decreased gross profit percentage for the first nine months of fiscal 2008 was principally attributable to a change in the mix of sales between commercial, developed and undeveloped lots sold in each period, with 2007 sales including a higher percentage of revenues from sales of commercial and undeveloped lots which generally have higher gross profit percentages. Revenues and related gross profits from land sales can vary significantly from period to period as a result of many factors, including the nature and timing of specific transactions, and prior results are not necessarily a good indication of what may occur in future periods.

Revenues from Media Services, including both Fulfillment Services and Newsstand Distribution Services, increased from $\$ 24,116,000$ and $\$ 67,855,000$ for the third quarter and first nine months of 2007 to $\$ 36,458,000$ and $\$ 104,317,000$ for the same periods in 2008. These increases were attributable to the January 2007 acquisition of Palm Coast Data Holdco, Inc. ("Palm Coast") by Kable. Revenues from Fulfillment Services operations, including the revenues of Palm Coast, were
$\$ 33,524,000$ and $\$ 94,542,000$ for the third quarter and first nine months of 2008 compared to $\$ 20,604,000$ and $\$ 57,141,000$ in the same periods of the prior year. The increase in Fulfillment Services revenues resulting from the Palm Coast acquisition $(\$ 13,814,000$ and $\$ 41,140,000$ in the third quarter and first nine months) which was included in the consolidated financial statements for a 15 day period after its acquisition in the third quarter 2007, was partly offset by decreases in revenues from other parts of Kable's Fulfillment Services business that resulted from competitive market pressures and customer losses that occurred in earlier periods. Revenues from Kable's Newsstand Distribution Services operations decreased from $\$ 3,512,000$ and $\$ 10,714,000$ for the third quarter and first nine months of 2007 to $\$ 2,934,000$ and $\$ 9,775,000$ for the same periods in 2008. The decrease in Newsstand Distribution Services revenues was due to reduced billings and lower commission rates, as well as the inclusion of certain revenues in the prior year that did not reoccur in 2008. Kable's operating expenses increased by $\$ 10,196,000$ and $\$ 33,116,000$ for the third quarter and first nine months of 2008 compared to the same periods in 2007, with such increases being primarily attributable to the additional operating expenses
of Palm Coast, which were offset in part by decreased payroll and benefit expenses resulting from lower revenue in other parts of the Fulfillment Services business.

The Company has announced a project to integrate certain aspects of the Kable and Palm Coast fulfillment operations in order to improve operating efficiencies and customer service and also to reduce costs. This project has resulted in one significant workforce reduction that occurred in the first quarter of 2008 together with a second quarter announced plan to redistribute the fulfillment services work performed at the Marion, Ohio facility of its Fulfillment Services business and the scheduled closing of the Ohio facility. Approximately $\$ 700,000$ in severance-related costs is projected to be paid in connection with the Ohio facility closure, which will be recorded as positions are eliminated during the transitional period ending September 2008. Following the completion of this program, the Company anticipates realizing annual cost savings of approximately $\$ 2,000,000$, which will bring the total estimated cost savings of the two actions to approximately $\$ 4,700,000$ annually. The company has recorded charges to operations directly related to the integration project of $\$ 136,000$ and $\$ 707,000$ for the three and nine-month periods ending January 31, 2008.

On December 5, 2007 a warehouse of approximately 38,000 square feet leased by the Company in Oregon, Illinois was totally destroyed by an accidental fire. The warehouse was used principally to store back issues of magazines published by certain customers for whom the Company fills back-issue orders as part of its services to these customers. The Company is reviewing its insurance coverage, including coverage for materials of certain publishers for whom it was required to provide insurance and its business interruption coverage, and evaluating the impact of this event on its operations. At this point, the Company is unable to reach any definitive conclusions as to these matters or to determine the ultimate effect on its financial position, results of operations and cash flows. The Company is in the process of compiling data to submit to its insurer and has received no insurance proceeds. The Company has recorded charges to operations of $\$ 251,000$ related to fire recovery costs for the three and nine-month periods ended January 31, 2008, principally related to legal and other costs that are not covered by insurance.

Interest and other revenues were $\$ 675,000$ and $\$ 4,955,000$ for the three and nine-month periods ended January 31, 2008 compared to $\$ 1,510,000$ and $\$ 7,898,000$ for the same periods in the prior year. The decrease in the 2008 third quarter interest and other revenues compared to the same period in 2007 is the result of lower cash balances to invest. During the second quarter of 2008 , the company sold a commercial rental property at AMREP Southwest that resulted in a pre-tax gain of $\$ 1,873,000$, and it also recognized pre-tax income of $\$ 618,000$ from the forfeiture of a deposit for the purchase of land by a homebuilder who did not exercise a purchase option. During the first quarter of 2007 , the Company sold certain of AMREP Southwest's investment assets, including the Company's office building in Rio Rancho, which in the aggregate contributed a pre-tax gain of $\$ 4,107,000$.

Real estate commissions and selling expenses increased by $\$ 27,000$ in the third quarter of 2008 compared to the same period in 2007 , and decreased by $\$ 546,000$ for the nine-month period of 2008 compared to the same period in 2007 . Commissions and selling expenses generally vary depending upon the terms of specific land sale transactions. Other operating expenses decreased $\$ 519,000$ and $\$ 146,000$ for the three and nine-month periods ended January 31, 2008 compared to the same periods in 2007 primarily due to a favorable adjustment of approximately $\$ 550,000$ in the third quarter of 2008 for real estate tax expense resulting from the finalization of a property tax valuation appeal by AMREP Southwest.

General and administrative costs of Media Services operations increased $\$ 899,000$ and $\$ 3,771,000$ in the third quarter and first nine months of 2008 compared to the same periods in 2007, primarily due to the addition of Palm Coast partially offset by reduced spending in other Media Services operations. Real estate and corporate general and administrative expenses in the third quarter of 2008 increased by $\$ 64,000$, including increased Sarbanes-Oxley consulting and salaries that were partially offset by decreases in legal and pension expenses. Real estate and corporate general and administrative expenses decreased by $\$ 225,000$ for the nine-month period ended January 31, 2008 compared to the same period in 2007 primarily due to reduced professional and consulting fees associated with the real estate business.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

During the past several years, the Company has financed its operations from internally generated funds from real estate sales and Media Services operations, and from borrowings under its various lines-of-credit and development loan agreements.

Cash Flows From Financing Activities

AMREP Southwest has a revolving credit facility with a bank that originally was to mature in September 2008. During September 2007, the maturity date was extended to September 2009 , with all other terms remaining unchanged.

On February 1, 2008, the Company's Kable Media Services group entered into a First Modification to its existing loan agreement with LaSalle Bank National Association dated as of January 16, 2007. The First Modification modifies the existing loan agreement by, among other things, (a) increasing the amount that may be borrowed for capital expenditures from $\$ 1,500,000$ to $\$ 4,500,000$, (b) allowing the borrowers the right to re-borrow the amounts of capital expenditure loans that have been repaid, (c) modifying the interest rate options the borrowers may select and (d) adding Kable Products Services, Inc., a recently organized member of the Kable Media Services group, as a borrower.

Cash Flows From Operating Activities
Cash and cash equivalents decreased from $\$ 42,102,000$ at April 30, 2007 to $\$ 24,928,000$ at January 31, 2008, as net cash provided by operating activities was more than offset by the Company's acquisition of treasury stock at a cost of $\$ 21,363,000$.

Real estate inventory was $\$ 66,416,000$ at January 31, 2008 compared to $\$ 46,584,000$ at April 30, 2007. Inventory in the Company's core real estate market of Rio Rancho was $\$ 59,433,000$ at January 31, 2008 and $\$ 39,770,000$ at April 30, 2007. The increase in real estate inventory in Rio Rancho was primarily attributable to capitalized costs incurred for the improvement of certain projects that are in the initial stages of site development. In addition, the Company reclassified approximately $\$ 3,900,000$ to real estate inventory from receivables during the quarter ended January 31, 2008 resulting from the receipt of a deed in lieu of foreclosure related to a delinquent mortgage receivable. The balance of real estate inventory consisted of
properties in Colorado. Real estate investment assets, which includes land held for long-term investment located in areas not planned to be developed in the near term and thus not offered for sale, decreased from $\$ 12,165,000$ at April 30, 2007 to $\$ 10,274,000$ at January 31,2008 primarily as a result of the sale of a
commercial rental property at AMREP Southwest.

Real estate receivables decreased from \$25,117,000 at April 30, 2007 to $\$ 13,333,000$ at January 31,2008 , resulting primarily from the net effect of payments received on previously issued mortgage notes offset in part by mortgage notes received in connection with real estate sales that closed during the first nine months of 2008 and from the reclassification of approximately $\$ 3,900,000$ to real estate inventory from receivables, as discussed above. Receivables from Media Services operations increased from $\$ 47,825,000$ at April 30, 2007 to $\$ 52,882,000$ at January 31, 2008, primarily due to higher quarter-end billings at January 31, 2008 compared to April 30, 2007.

Accounts payable and accrued expenses increased from $\$ 83,557,000$ at April 30, 2007 to $\$ 92,805,000$ at January 31,2008 , primarily as a result of an increase in the amounts due publishers. In addition, under a distribution arrangement with one publisher customer of the Newsstand Distribution Services business, that publisher bears the ultimate credit risk of non-collection of related amounts due from the customers to which the Company distributes the publisher's magazines. Accounts receivable subject to this arrangement were netted $(\$ 28,137,000$ was netted at January 31, 2008 and $\$ 21,106,000$ was netted at April 30, 2007) against the related accounts payable due the publisher on the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

Deferred revenue relates to consideration received on certain real estate land sales which are accounted for under the percentage of completion method and which will be recognized as revenue as the Company completes land development work which it is obligated to perform. Deferred revenue decreased from $\$ 4,352,000$ at April 30, 2007 to none at January 31, 2008 as related sales recorded under the percentage of completion were completed and no new percentage of completion sales were recorded.

Cash Flows From Investing Activities

Capital expenditures amounted to $\$ 5,662,000$ and $\$ 3,910,000$ in the first nine months of 2008 and 2007, primarily for computer hardware and software development expenditures related to Kable's Fulfillment Services business and the acquisition of real estate investment property. The Company believes that it has adequate cash and financing capability to provide for its anticipated future capital expenditures.

Future Payments Under Contractual Obligations

The Company is obligated to make future payments under various contracts, including its debt agreements and lease agreements, and is subject to certain other commitments and contingencies. The table below summarizes significant contractual obligations as of January 31, 2008 for the items indicated (in thousands):

| Contractual Obligations | Total | Less than 1 year | $1-3$ <br> years |  | $\begin{aligned} & 3-5 \\ & \text { years } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Notes payable | \$28,697 | \$ 4,462 | \$23,912 | \$ | 323 |
| Operating leases and other | 24,445 | 5,183 | 9,678 |  | 6,402 |
| Total | \$55,092 | \$ 9,645 | \$33,590 | \$ | 6,725 |

The decrease in notes payable from April 30, 2007 was primarily due to lower borrowings by Kable offset in part by additional borrowings by AMREP Southwest. Operating leases and other includes $\$ 1,950,000$ of unrecognized tax benefits and related interest accrued in accordance with FIN 48. Refer to Notes 9, 14 and 15 to the consolidated financial statements included in the 2007 Form 10-K for additional information on long-term debt and commitments and contingencies.

## Discretionary Stock Repurchase Program

The Company announced on October 8, 2007 that its Board of Directors had authorized the repurchase of up to 500,000 shares of the Company's common stock, which was in addition to the previously announced 500,000 share repurchase program that was completed in early October 2007. The purchases may be made from time-to-time either in the open market or through negotiated private transactions with non-affiliates of the Company. For the nine months ended January 31, 2008, the Company had purchased a total of 658,400 shares under both announced programs, all in open market transactions, for a total purchase price, including commissions, of $\$ 21,363,000$, or an average of $\$ 32.45$ per share.

All repurchases were funded from cash on hand and borrowings, and the Company expects to fund any future purchases from internally generated cash or borrowings.

Risk Factors

In addition to the other information set forth in this report, the factors discussed in Part I, "Item 1A. Risk Factors." in the Company's 2007 Form 10-K, which could materially affect the Company's business, financial condition or future results, should be carefully considered. The risks described in the 2007 Form $10-K$ are not the only risks facing the Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to the Company or that currently are deemed to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect the Company's business, financial condition or operating results.

Statement of Forward-Looking Information

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "Act") provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements made by or on behalf of the company. The Company and its representatives may from time to time make written or oral statements that are "forward-looking", including statements contained in this report and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, reports to the Company's shareholders and news releases. All statements that express expectations, estimates, forecasts or projections are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Act. In addition, other written or oral statements, which constitute forward-looking statements, may be made by or on behalf of the Company. Words such as "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "plans", "believes", "seeks", "estimates", "projects", "forecasts", "may", "should", variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks, uncertainties and contingencies that are difficult to predict. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the risks described above under the heading "Risk Factors". Many of the factors that will determine the Company's future results are beyond the ability of management
to control or predict. Therefore, actual outcomes and results may differ materially from what is expressed or forecasted in or suggested by such forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements contained in this report include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the project to integrate the operations of the Fulfillment Services business and the estimated cost savings of the workforce reduction. The Company undertakes no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements, or to make any other forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk
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The Company has several credit facilities that require the company to pay interest at a rate that may change periodically. These variable rate obligations expose the Company to the risk of increased interest expense in the event of increases in short-term interest rates. At January 31, 2008, borrowings of $\$ 26,055,000$ were subject to variable interest rates. Refer to Item $7(A)$ of the 2007 Form $10-K$ for additional information regarding quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures
The Company's management, with the participation of the Company's chief financial officer and the other executive officers whose certifications accompany this quarterly report, has evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15 (e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) as of the end of the period covered by this report. As a result of such evaluation, the chief financial officer and such other executive officers have concluded that such disclosure controls and procedures are effective to provide reasonable assurance that the information required to be disclosed in the reports the Company files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is (i) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms, and (ii) accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding disclosure. The Company believes that a control system, no matter how well designed and operated, cannot provide absolute assurance that the objectives of the control system are met, and no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within a company have been detected.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

No change in the Company's system of internal control over financial reporting occurred during the most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds


The following table sets forth information regarding purchases of the Company's
common stock by the Company and any of its "affiliated purchasers" (as defined in Rule 10-b-18(a)(3) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) during the quarter ended January 31, 2008.

| Period | ```Total Number of Shares Purchased (1)(2)``` | Average Price Paid Per Share | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs | Maxim <br> Shares <br> Purcha Pla |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| November 1, 2007 - November 30, 2007 | 10,000 | \$31.86 | 10,000 |  |
| December 1, 2007 - December 31, 2007 | 47,500 | \$31.73 | 32,000 |  |
| January 1, 2008 - January 31, 2008 | 65,000 | \$29.43 | - |  |
| Total | 122,500 | \$30.52 | 42,000 |  |

Note (1) - On October 8, 2007, the Company announced that its Board of Directors had authorized the repurchase of up to 500,000 shares of the Company's common stock from time to time in the open market or through negotiated private transactions. There is no designated expiration date for the program. All of the Company's purchases were made in the open market and were part of the publicly announced program.

Note (2) - Includes shares purchased by Nicholas G. Karabots, the Company's controlling shareholder and who may be deemed to be an affiliated purchaser, as follows: 15,500 shares in December; and 65,000 shares in January, as reported on Forms 4 filed by Mr. Karabots with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such purchases were all made in the open market and were not pursuant to any publicly announced plan or program. The Company purchased no shares in January 2008.

Item 6. Exhibits
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## SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements Registrant has duly
caused this
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the report to be signed on its behalf by the
undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

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Date: March 10, 2008
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AMREP CORPORATION
(Registrant)
By: /s/ Peter M. Pizza
Peter M. Pizza
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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