# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

# FORM 8-K

**Current Report** 

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: Date of earliest event reported: February 19, 2008 February 13, 2008

# **OFFICEMAX INCORPORATED**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State of Incorporation)

1-5057 (Commission File Number) **82-0100960** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

263 Shuman Blvd.

Naperville, Illinois 60563 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(630) 438-7800

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 19, 2008, OfficeMax Incorporated (the "Company") issued an Earnings Release announcing its earnings for the fourth quarter and full year 2007. The earnings release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. This information shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference to such filing.

# Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

#### Salary Increases for Named Executive Officers

On February 13, 2008, the Executive Compensation Committee of the board of directors of the Company approved an increase in the annual base salaries of the named executive officers listed below, effective March 30, 2008:

1.	Don Civgin	\$ 546,000
2.	Phillip P. DePaul	\$ 327,600
3.	Sam Martin	\$ 640,000
4.	Ryan T. Vero	\$ 533,540

# Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 OfficeMax Incorporated Earnings Release dated February 19, 2008, announcing its earnings for the fourth quarter and full year 2007.

## SIGNATURE

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

Dated: February 19, 2008

#### OFFICEMAX INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Matthew R. Broad

Matthew R. Broad Executive Vice President and General Counsel

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## EXHIBIT INDEX

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**OfficeMax** 263 Shuman Blvd Naperville, IL 60563

News Release

Media Contact Bill Bonner 630 864 6066 Exhibit 99.1

Investor Relations Contact John Jennings 630 864 6820

# OFFICEMAX REPORTS FOURTH QUARTER AND FULL YEAR 2007 FINANCIAL RESULTS

NAPERVILLE, Ill., February 19, 2008 — OfficeMax<sup>O</sup> Incorporated (NYSE: OMX) today announced the results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended December 29, 2007. Total sales decreased 2.6% in the fourth quarter of 2007 to \$2.2 billion compared to the fourth quarter of 2006, while total sales increased 1.3% for the full year 2007 to \$9.1 billion compared to the full year 2006. Net income increased in the fourth quarter of 2007 to \$71.5 million, or \$.92 per diluted share, from \$58.0 million, or \$.76 per diluted share, in the fourth quarter of 2006. Net income for the full year 2007 increased to \$207.4 million, or \$2.66 per diluted share, compared with net income of \$91.7 million, or \$1.19 per diluted share, reported in 2006.

Results for the fourth quarter and full year 2007 included items which are not expected to be ongoing. All financial measures designated in this release as "adjusted" are non-GAAP financial measures that exclude the effect of certain special items. A detailed description of these special items, and a reconciliation to the company's GAAP financial results, are included in this press release. Adjusted net income in the fourth quarter of 2007 increased 37% to \$51.1 million, or \$.65 per diluted share, from \$37.2 million, or \$.48 per diluted share, in the fourth quarter of 2006. For the full year 2007, adjusted net income increased 18% to \$188.1 million, or \$2.41 per diluted share, from \$159.1 million, or \$2.10 per diluted share, in 2006.

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"We demonstrated progress on our turnaround plan in the fourth quarter and for the full year 2007," said Sam Duncan, Chairman and CEO of OfficeMax. "In the fourth quarter, we were able to generate further operating income margin improvement, while we navigated a weaker economic environment. In our Contract segment, we experienced declining gross margin rates, but we lowered expenses. In our Retail segment, we adjusted our promotional strategies for improved gross margin rates and invested in new stores. For the full year 2007, by lowering costs and managing margins, we enabled operating income margin expansion and bottom-line earnings growth."

#### **Contract Segment Results**

OfficeMax Contract segment sales decreased 0.8% to \$1.2 billion in the fourth quarter of 2007 compared to the fourth quarter of 2006, reflecting U.S. Contract sales decline of 7.8%, partially offset by International Contract operations sales growth of 20.4% in U.S. dollars, or 3.4% in local currencies. U.S. Contract sales declined in the fourth quarter compared to the prior year period primarily due to lower sales from existing customer accounts, to the company's initiative to be more disciplined in account acquisition and retention, and to lower sales from small market customers. For the full year 2007, Contract segment sales increased 2.2% to \$4.8 billion compared to the prior year, reflecting U.S. Contract sales decline of 1.2%, offset by International Contract operations sales growth of 12.3% in U.S. dollars, or 2.8% in local currencies.

Contract segment gross margin decreased to 21.7% in the fourth quarter of 2007 from 22.5% in the fourth quarter of 2006, primarily due to lower vendor income levels compared to the fourth quarter of 2006. For the full year 2007, Contract segment gross margin decreased to 21.8% from 22.5% in 2006. Contract segment operating expense as a percent of sales in the fourth quarter of 2007 improved to 17.3% from adjusted operating expense as a percent of sales of 18.2% in the fourth quarter of 2006. The improvement was primarily due to targeted cost controls, including the reorganization of U.S. Contract, expense leverage in International

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Contract operations, as well as reduced incentive compensation expense. For the full year 2007, Contract segment operating expense as a percent of sales improved to 17.5% from adjusted operating expense as a percent of sales of 18.1% in 2006.

Contract segment operating income increased to \$52.0 million, or 4.4% of sales, from adjusted operating income of \$50.8 million, or 4.3% of sales, in the fourth quarter of 2006. For the full year 2007, Contract segment operating income of \$207.9 million, or 4.3% of sales, was consistent with adjusted operating income of \$208.0 million, or 4.4% of sales, in 2006.

#### **Retail Segment Results**

OfficeMax Retail segment sales decreased 4.5% to \$1.03 billion in the fourth quarter of 2007 compared to the fourth quarter of 2006, reflecting a same-store sales decrease of 7.3% partially offset by sales from new stores. Retail same-store sales for the fourth quarter of 2007 declined across all major product categories due to weakness in consumer and small business customer purchases, as well as the company's more targeted promotional activity during the holiday season. For the full year 2007, OfficeMax Retail segment sales increased 0.3% to \$4.27 billion compared to 2006, reflecting a same-store sales decrease of 1.2% partially offset by sales from new stores. Adjusted for the company's initiative to eliminate mail-in rebates, and to provide instant rebates in lieu of national, vendor-sponsored mail-in rebates, same-store sales decreased 0.5% for the full year 2007.

Retail segment gross margin increased to 30.0% in the fourth quarter of 2007 from 29.1% in the fourth quarter of 2006, primarily due to more effective promotional strategies that drove a sales mix shift to a higher percentage of core office supplies category sales, partially offset by occupancy costs for new

stores. For the full year 2007, Retail segment gross margin increased to 29.5% from 29.3% in 2006. Retail segment operating expense as a percent of sales increased to 26.2% in the fourth quarter of 2007 from 25.1% in the fourth quarter of 2006,

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primarily due to expense deleveraging from new stores and the same-store sales decrease, partially offset by reduced incentive compensation expense. For the full year 2007, Retail segment operating expense as a percent of sales increased to 25.4% from adjusted operating expense as a percent of sales of 25.2% in 2006.

Retail segment operating income decreased to \$39.1 million, or 3.8% of sales, from \$42.3 million, or 3.9% of sales, in the fourth quarter of 2006. For the full year 2007, Retail segment operating income decreased to \$173.7 million, or 4.1% of sales, from adjusted operating income of \$175.8 million, or 4.1% of sales, in 2006.

During the fourth quarter of 2007, OfficeMax opened 41 retail stores in the U.S., closed 2 retail stores in the U.S., and opened 3 retail stores in Mexico. During 2007, OfficeMax opened 59 new retail stores in the U.S. and 15 stores in Mexico. OfficeMax ended 2007 with a total of 976 retail stores, consisting of 908 retail stores in the U.S. and 68 retail stores in Mexico.

#### **Corporate and Other Segment Results**

The OfficeMax Corporate and Other segment includes support staff services and certain other expenses that are not fully allocated to the Retail and Contract segments. Corporate and Other segment operating expense decreased to \$3.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2007 from adjusted operating expense of \$17.0 million in the fourth quarter of 2006, primarily due to lower incentive compensation costs, reduced legacy-related costs, and targeted cost controls. For the full year 2007, Corporate and Other segment operating expense decreased to \$37.4 million from adjusted operating expense of \$71.6 million in 2006.

The company's effective tax rate was 35.4% in the fourth quarter and 37.1% for the full year 2007, both benefiting from the resolution of certain tax matters.

As of December 29, 2007, OfficeMax reported total debt of \$398.4 million, excluding \$1.470 billion of timber securitization notes which have recourse limited to the \$1.635 billion of timber installment notes receivable. During the fourth quarter of 2007, OfficeMax generated \$39.2 million of cash from operations, an increase of \$3.3 million from the fourth quarter 2006. For the full year of 2007, OfficeMax generated \$70.6 million of cash from operations, a decrease of \$305.1 million from 2006, primarily due to the termination of the company's accounts receivable securitization program in July 2007 and a reduction in accounts payable. OfficeMax invested \$39.5 million and \$140.8 million for capital expenditures in the fourth quarter of 2007 and full year 2007, respectively.

"In 2008, we look forward to continuing to implement our turnaround plan initiatives and realizing benefits from our efforts even as we expect to be impacted by a weaker U.S. economy," Mr. Duncan concluded. "We continued to experience pressure on sales in January and early February 2008, but we expect to pursue margin and cost management initiatives throughout 2008. Overall, we remain steadfast in pursuing additional opportunities to create long-term shareholder value."

As previously announced, OfficeMax intends to hold its 2008 Investor Day on Wednesday, March 19, 2008. The company plans to provide additional details of initiatives driving its performance in 2008 and beyond at the Investor Day. Details for accessing a webcast of the Investor Day will be announced at a future date.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Certain statements made in this press release and other written or oral statements made by or on behalf of the company constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the federal securities laws, including statements regarding the company's future performance, as

well as management's expectations, beliefs, intentions, plans, estimates or projections relating to the future. Management believes that these forward-looking statements are reasonable. However, the company cannot guarantee that it will successfully execute its turnaround plans or that its actual results will be consistent with the forward-looking statements and you should not place undue reliance on them. These statements are based on current expectations and speak only as of the date they are made. The company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of future events, new information or otherwise. Important factors regarding the company which may cause results to differ from expectations are included in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 30, 2006, under Item 1A "Risk Factors", and in the company's other filings with the SEC.

#### **Conference Call Information**

OfficeMax will host a conference call with analysts and investors today to discuss its fourth quarter 2007 financial results at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time (8:00 a.m. Central Time). To participate in the conference call, dial (800) 374-0165; international callers should dial (706) 634-0995. An audio webcast of the conference call can be accessed via the Internet by visiting the Investors section of the OfficeMax website at http://investor.officemax.com. The webcast will be archived and available online for one year following the call and will be posted on the "Presentations" page located within the Investors section of the OfficeMax website.

#### About OfficeMax

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OfficeMax Incorporated (NYSE: OMX) is a leader in both business-to-business office products solutions and retail office products. The OfficeMax mission is simple. We help our customers do their best work. The company provides office supplies and paper, in-store print and document services through OfficeMax ImPress<sup>TM</sup>, technology products and solutions, and furniture to consumers and to large, medium and small businesses. OfficeMax customers are served by approximately 36,000 associates through direct sales, catalogs, e-commerce and more than 900 stores. To find the nearest OfficeMax, call 1-877-OFFICEMAX. For more information, visit www.officemax.com.

#### OFFICEMAX INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (unaudited) (thousands)

	December 29, 2007	December 30, 2006
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 152,63	37 \$ 282,070
Receivables, net	720,87	
Inventories	1,088,31	
Other current assets	242,87	
Total current assets	2,204,70	
Property and equipment:		
Property and equipment	1,279,60	9 1,189,686
Accumulated depreciation	(698,95	
Property and equipment, net	580,65	
Goodwill and intangible assets, net	1,416,52	.4 1,417,336
Timber notes receivable	1,635,00	
Other non-current assets	446,88	
Total assets	\$ 6,283,76	6,216,048
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities:		
Short-term borrowings	\$ 14,19	07 \$ —
Current portion of long-term debt	34,82	
Accounts payable	861,28	-
Accrued liabilities and other	460,40	-
Total current liabilities	1,370,70	
Long-term debt:		
Long-term debt, less current portion	349,42	384,246
Timber notes securitized	1,470,00	
Total long-term debt	1,819,42	
Other long-term obligations:		
Compensation and benefits	200,28	3 287,122
Other long-term liabilities	582,74	,
Total other long-term liabilities	783,02	
Minority interest	32,04	2 29,885
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Shareholders' equity: Preferred stock	- 40.00	
	49,98	-
Common stock	188,48	
Additional paid-in capital	922,41	
Retained earnings	1,095,95	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) Total shareholders' equity	21,73 2,278,57	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 6,283,76	6,216,048

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# (thousands, except per-share amounts)

		Quarter Ended		
	I	December 29, 2007		December 30, 2006
Sales	\$	2,198,072	\$	2,256,805
Cost of goods sold and occupancy costs		1,634,848		1,678,157
Gross profit		563,224		578,648
Operating expenses:				
Operating and selling		400,492		409,619
General and administrative		76,356		94,435
Other operating, net		(1,521)		9,186
Operating income		87,897		65,408
Other income (expense):				
Interest expense		(29,976)		(30,806)
Interest income		21,313		23,606
Other, net		32,546		36,174
		23,883		28,974
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and minority interest		111,780		94,382
Income tax expense		(39,613)		(39,201)
Income from continuing operations before minority interest		72,167		55,181
Minority interest, net of income tax		(698)		(791)
Income from continuing operations		71,469		54,390
Discontinued operations:				
Income tax benefit				3,647
Income from discontinued operations				3,647
Net income		71,469		58,037
Preferred dividends		(1,014)		(1,009)
Net income applicable to common shareholders	\$	70,455	\$	57,028
Basic income per common share:				
Continuing operations	\$	0.93	\$	0.72
Discontinued operations	Ψ	0.55	Ψ	0.04
Basic income per common share	\$	0.93	\$	0.76
	¥	0.00	Ψ	0.70
Diluted income per common share:	¢	0.00	¢	0.71
Continuing operations	\$	0.92	\$	0.71
Discontinued operations Diluted income per common share	¢	0.92	¢	0.05
	\$	0.92	\$	0.76
Weighted Average Shares				
Basic		75,385		74,625
Diluted		76,602		75,464

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#### OFFICEMAX INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (unaudited) (thousands ascent par share amounts)

(thousands, except per-share amounts)

		Year Ended				
	_	December 29, 2007	De	ecember 30, 2006		
Sales	\$	9,081,962	\$	8,965,707		
Cost of goods sold and occupancy costs		6,771,657		6,656,497		
Gross profit		2,310,305		2,309,210		
Operating and other expenses:						
Operating and selling		1,633,606		1,641,147		
General and administrative		338,593		361,818		

Other operating, net		(6,065)		140,343
Operating income		344,171		165,902
Other income (expense):				
Debt retirement expense				—
Interest expense		(121,271)		(123,082)
Interest income		87,940		89,723
Other, net		26,687		39,335
		(6,644)		5,976
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and minority interest		337,527		171,878
Income tax expense		(125,282)		(68,741)
Income from continuing operations before minority interest		212,245		103,137
Minority interest, net of income tax		(4,872)		(4,083)
Income from continuing operations		207,373		99,054
Discontinued operations:				
Operating loss		—		(17,972)
Income tax benefit				10,639
Income (loss) from discontinued operations				(7,333)
Net income		207,373		91,721
		207,373		51,721
Preferred dividends		(3,961)		(4,037)
		(5,501)		(4,007)
Net income applicable to common shareholders	\$	203,412	\$	87,684
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Basic income (loss) per common share:				
Continuing operations	\$	2.70	\$	1.30
Discontinued operations	÷		Ψ	(0.10)
Basic income per common share	\$	2.70	\$	1.20
	4	2.70	Ψ	1.20
Diluted income (loss) per common share:				
Continuing operations	\$	2.66	\$	1.29
Discontinued operations	Ý	2.00	Ψ	(0.10)
Diluted income per common share	\$	2.66	\$	1.19
	Ψ	2.00	Ψ	1.15
Weighted Average Shares				
Basic		75,274		73,142
Diluted		76,374		73,713
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# OFFICEMAX INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (unaudited) (thousands)

	 Year Ended				
	December 29, 2007				
Cash provided by operations:					
Net income	\$ 207,373	\$	91,721		
Items in net income not using (providing) cash:					
Depreciation and amortization	131,573		127,812		
Other	39,062		50,563		
Changes other than from acquisitions of business:					
Receivables and inventory	(142,705)		72,127		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(228,269)		8,662		
Income taxes and other	63,570		24,754		
Cash provided by operations	70,604		375,639		
Cash used for investment:					
Expenditures for property and equipment	(140,843)		(174,769)		
Other	1,909		10,833		
Cash used for investment	(138,934)		(163,936)		

Cash used for financing:			
Cash dividends paid		(49,103)	(47,546)
Changes in debt, net		(11,554)	(84,276)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		5,917	129,966
Other		(7,885)	(33)
Cash used for financing		(62,625)	(1,889)
Effect of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		1,522	58
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(129,433)	209,872
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		282,070	72,198
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period		\$ 152,637	\$ 282,070
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## OFFICEMAX INCORPORATED AND SUBSIDIARIES SUPPLEMENTAL SEGMENT INFORMATION (unaudited) (millions, except per-share data)

	Quarter Ended											
			Dec	ember 29 , 2007					Decen	nber 30 , 2006		
	As	Reported		Special Items (a)		As Adjusted (C)		As Reported	Sp	ecial Items (b)	As	Adjusted (c)
Segment Sales												
OfficeMax, Contract	\$	1,168.7			\$	1,168.7	\$	1,178.7			\$	1,178.7
OfficeMax, Retail		1,029.3				1,029.3		1,078.1				1,078.1
		2,198.0				2,198.0		2,256.8				2,256.8
Segment income (loss)												
OfficeMax, Contract	\$	52.0	\$	—	\$	52.0	\$	48.4	\$	2.4	\$	50.8
OfficeMax, Retail		39.1				39.1		42.3				42.3
Corporate and Other		(3.2)				(3.2)		(25.3)		8.3		(17.0)
Operating income		87.9		_		87.9		65.4		10.7		76.1
Operating income margin		4.0%	'n	4.0%	'n	2.9%		3.4%	, 1			
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Interest expense		(30.0)				(30.0)		(30.8)		_		(30.8)
Interest income and other		53.9		(32.4)		21.5		59.8		(38.8)		21.0
Income (loss) from continuing operations		111.0				70.4		04.4		(20.1)		66.2
before income taxes and minority interest		111.8		(32.4)		79.4		94.4		(28.1)		66.3
Income taxes Income (loss) from continuing operations		(39.6)		12.0		(27.6)		(39.2)		10.9		(28.3)
before minority interest		72.2		(20.4)		51.8		55.2		(17.2)		38.0
Minority interest, net of income tax		(0.7)		(20.4)		(0.7)		(0.8)		(17.2)		(0.8)
winority interest, net of income tax		(0.7)				(0.7)		(0.0)				(0.0)
Income (loss) from continuing operations		71.5		(20.4)		51.1		54.4		(17.2)		37.2
Discontinued operations												
Income tax benefit								3.6		(3.6)		
Income (loss) from discontinued operations				_		_		3.6		(3.6)		_
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Net income (loss)	\$	71.5	\$	(20.4)	\$	51.1	\$	58.0	\$	(20.8)	\$	37.2
Diluted income (loss) per common share												
Continuing operations	\$	0.92	\$	(0.27)	\$	0.65	\$	0.71	\$	(0.23)	\$	0.48
Discontinued operations	-		-		-		-	0.05	-	(0.05)	-	
Diluted income (loss) per common share	\$	0.92	\$	(0.27)	\$	0.65	\$	0.76	\$	(0.28)	\$	0.48
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Totals may not foot due to rounding.

(a) See Note 4 for a discussion of these special items.

(b) See Notes 3 and 5 for a discussion of these special items.

(c) For the purpose of evaluating our results, net of taxes, we have presented the special items using an estimated effective annual tax rate.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL SEGMENT INFORMATION (unaudited) (millions, except per-share data)

		Year Ended											
		]	Dece	mber 29 , 2007						December 30 , 2006			
	As	Reported		Special Items (a)		As Adjusted (c)		As Reported		Special Items (b)		As Adjusted (c)	
Segment Sales													
OfficeMax, Contract	\$	4,816.1			\$	4,816.1	\$	4,714.5			\$	4,714.5	
OfficeMax, Retail		4,265.9				4,265.9		4,251.2				4,251.2	
		9,082.0				9,082.0		8,965.7				8,965.7	
Segment income (loss)													
OfficeMax, Contract	\$	207.9	\$		\$	207.9	\$	197.7	\$	10.3	\$	208.0	
OfficeMax, Retail	Ф	173.7	Ф		φ	173.7	Φ	86.3	φ	89.5	φ	175.8	
Corporate and Other		(37.4)				(37.4)		(118.0)		46.4		(71.6)	
Operating income		344.2				344.2	_	166.0		146.2		312.2	
operating meane		544.2				544.2		100.0		140.2		512.2	
Operating income margin		3.8%	, D	3.8%	)	1.9%	6	3.5%	, D				
Interest expense		(121.3)				(121.3)		(123.1)				(123.1)	
Interest income and other		114.6		(32.4)		82.2		129.1		(48.0)		81.1	
Income (loss) from continuing operations													
before income taxes and minority interest		337.5		(32.4)		305.1		172.0		98.2		270.2	
Income taxes		(125.2)		12.0		(113.2)		(68.8)		(38.2)		(107.0)	
Income (loss) from continuing		242.2				101.0		100.0		60.0		160.0	
operationsbefore minority interest		212.3		(20.4)		191.9		103.2		60.0		163.2	
Minority interest, net of income tax		(4.9)		1.1		(3.8)		(4.1)				(4.1)	
Income (loss) from continuing operations		207.4		(19.3)		188.1		99.1		60.0		159.1	
fincome (loss) from continuing operations		207.4		(19.5)		100.1		99.1		60.0		159.1	
Discontinued operations													
Operating loss								(18.0)		18.0		_	
Income tax benefit								10.6		(10.6)		_	
											-		
Loss from discontinued operations								(7.4)		7.4		_	
Net income (loss)	\$	207.4	\$	(19.3)	\$	188.1	\$	91.7	\$	67.4	\$	159.1	
Diluted income (loss) per common share													
Continuing operations	\$	2.66	\$	(0.25)	\$	2.41	\$	1.29	\$	0.81	\$	2.10	
Discontinued operations								(0.10)		0.10			
Diluted income (loss) per common share	\$	2.66	\$	(0.25)	\$	2.41	\$	1.19	\$	0.91	\$	2.10	

Totals may not foot due to rounding.

(a) See Note 4 for a discussion of these special items.

(b) See Notes 3 and 5 for a discussion of these special items.

(c) For the purpose of evaluating our results, net of taxes, we have presented the special items using an estimated effective annual tax rate.

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### (1) Financial Information

The quarterly and annual consolidated financial statements included in this release are unaudited, and should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements in our 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K. In all periods presented, the measurement of net income (loss) involved estimates and judgments.

#### (2) Reconciliation of non-GAAP Measures to GAAP Measures

We evaluate our results of operations both before and after certain gains and losses that management believes are not indicative of our core operating activities. We believe our presentation of financial measures before, or excluding, these items, which are non-GAAP measures, enhances our investors' overall understanding of our recurring operational performance and provides useful information to both investors and management to evaluate the ongoing operations and prospects of OfficeMax by providing better comparisons. Whenever we use non-GAAP financial measures, we designate these measures, which exclude the effect of certain special items, as "adjusted" and provide a reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures to the most closely applicable GAAP financial measure. Investors are encouraged to review the related GAAP financial measures and the reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measure. In the preceding tables, we reconcile our financial measures before special items to our reported GAAP financial results for the fourth quarter and full year of both 2007 and 2006.

Although we believe the non-GAAP financial measures enhance an investor's understanding of our performance, our management does not itself, nor does it suggest

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that investors should, consider such non-GAAP financial measures in isolation from, or as a substitute for, financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP. The non-GAAP financial measures we use may not be consistent with the presentation of similar companies in our industry. However, we present such non-GAAP financial measures in reporting our financial results to provide investors with an additional tool to evaluate our operating results in a manner that focuses on what we believe to be our ongoing business operations.

#### (3) 2006 Special Items

#### First Quarter 2006

During the first quarter of 2006, we closed 109 underperforming domestic retail stores and recorded a charge of \$98.6 million in our Retail segment primarily for remaining lease obligations and we incurred \$15.7 million of expenses in our Corporate and Other segment related to our headquarters consolidation primarily for employee severance and retention.

#### Second Quarter 2006

During the second quarter of 2006, we recorded a \$9.0 million pre-tax benefit in our Retail segment from an adjustment to the reserve for closed retail stores, and we incurred \$10.9 million of expenses in our Corporate and Other segment related to our headquarters consolidation, primarily for employee severance and retention. Also during the second quarter of 2006, we recognized a \$9.2 million credit from an adjustment to the reserve for the additional consideration agreement that was entered into in connect tion with the October 2004 sale of our paper, forest products and timberland assets. This adjustment is included in Other, income (expense) net.

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#### Third Quarter 2006

During the third quarter of 2006, we incurred \$11.5 million of expenses in our Corporate and Other segment related to our headquarters consolidation, and incurred \$7.9 million of expenses in our Contract segment related to our Contract reorganization primarily for severance.

#### Fourth Quarter 2006

During the fourth quarter of 2006, we incurred \$8.3 million of expenses in our Corporate and Other segment primarily related to our headquarters consolidation, and we incurred \$2.4 million of expenses in our Contract segment related to a facility closure and severance. Also during the fourth quarter of 2006, we recognized a \$38.8 million credit from an adjustment to the reserve for the additional consideration agreement that was entered into in connection with the October 2004 sale of our paper, forest products, and timberland assets. This adjustment is included in Other, net income (expense).

## (4) 2007 Special Items

#### First Quarter 2007

During the first quarter of 2007, we sold OfficeMax Contract's operations in Mexico to OfficeMax de Mexico, our 51% owned joint venture, resulting in a net loss of \$1.1 million which is included in minority interest, net of income tax in our Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss) for 2007.

#### Fourth Quarter 2007

During the fourth quarter of 2007, we recognized income of \$32.5 million from the additional consideration agreement that was entered into in connection with the October 2004 sale of our paper, forest products, and timberland assets. This income is included in Other, net income (expense).

#### (5) Discontinued Operations

In the first quarter of 2006, we ceased operations at the Company's wood-polymer building materials facility near Elma, Washington. The costs and expenses related to this business are reflected as discontinued operations in our Consolidated Statements of Income (Loss) for 2006 and are included as special items in our Segment Information tables.