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**FORM 10-Q**

Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the quarterly period ended August 2, 2008

Commission File number 0-6506

**NOBILITY HOMES, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Florida**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or  
organization)

**59-1166102**

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

**3741 S.W. 7th Street**

**Ocala, Florida**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**34474**

(Zip Code)

**(352) 732-5157**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Title of Class

Common Stock

Shares Outstanding

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4,085,689

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NOBILITY HOMES, INC.  
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS  
(Unaudited)

	August 2, 2008	November 3, 2007
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,636,662	\$ 13,696,990
Short-term investments	388,565	544,271
Accounts receivable	829,314	846,868
Inventories	12,217,191	12,696,388
Prepaid income taxes	78,461	13,232
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	722,213	468,739
Deferred income taxes	309,229	404,776
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Total current assets	21,181,635	28,671,264
Property, plant and equipment, net	4,404,812	3,867,279
Long-term investments	9,979,341	10,666,321
Other investments	7,467,945	1,917,661
Deferred income taxes	239,564	49,364
Other assets	2,360,020	2,280,010
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Total assets	\$ 45,633,317	\$ 47,451,899
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<b>Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 511,250	\$ 642,484

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	August 2, 2008	November 3, 2007
Accrued compensation	281,516	544,970
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	460,988	738,950
Income taxes payable	--	134,500
Customer deposits	727,222	1,466,037
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>1,980,976</b>	<b>3,526,941</b>
Deferred income taxes	56,086	--
Uncertain tax liabilities	275,000	--
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>2,312,062</b>	<b>3,526,941</b>
Commitments and contingent liabilities (Note 9)		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$.10 par value, 500,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding	--	--
Common stock, \$.10 par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized; 5,364,907 shares issued	536,491	536,491
Additional paid in capital	10,135,857	9,999,799
Retained earnings	41,752,551	42,389,839
Accumulated other comprehensive income	137,610	234,724
Less treasury stock at cost, 1,279,218 and 1,277,763 shares, respectively, in 2008 and 2007	(9,241,254)	(9,235,895)
<b>Total stockholders' equity</b>	<b>43,321,255</b>	<b>43,924,958</b>
<b>Total liabilities and stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 45,633,317</b>	<b>\$ 47,451,899</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

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NOBILITY HOMES, INC.  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	August 2, 2008	August 4, 2007	August 2, 2008	August 4, 2007
Net sales	\$ 7,395,885	\$ 10,739,808	\$ 24,265,336	\$ 29,866,261
Cost of goods sold	(5,435,537)	(7,532,895)	(17,629,032)	(21,238,967)
Gross profit	1,960,348	3,206,913	6,636,304	8,627,294
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(1,747,293)	(1,937,777)	(5,150,011)	(5,570,350)
Operating income	213,055	1,269,136	1,486,293	3,056,944

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	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
Other income:				
Interest income	118,993	193,658	389,923	584,310
Undistributed earnings in joint venture - Majestic 21	60,035	74,399	228,730	229,148
Earnings from finance revenue sharing agreement	191,200	154,400	536,300	424,200
Undistributed gains (losses) from investments in limited partnerships	10,646	--	(168,196)	--
Miscellaneous	16,163	40,188	20,405	107,062
<b>Total other income</b>	<b>397,037</b>	<b>462,645</b>	<b>1,007,162</b>	<b>1,344,720</b>
Income before provision for income taxes	610,092	1,731,781	2,493,455	4,401,664
Provision for income taxes	(212,531)	(576,493)	(887,171)	(1,446,387)
<b>Net income</b>	<b>397,561</b>	<b>1,155,288</b>	<b>1,606,284</b>	<b>2,955,277</b>
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:				
Unrealized investment gain (loss)	(29,271)	(53,960)	(97,114)	23,325
<b>Comprehensive income</b>	<b>\$ 368,290</b>	<b>\$ 1,101,328</b>	<b>\$ 1,509,170</b>	<b>\$ 2,978,602</b>
Weighted average number of shares outstanding				
Basic	4,087,639	4,085,901	4,087,442	4,084,620
Diluted	4,092,094	4,095,847	4,092,452	4,095,759
Earnings per share				
Basic	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.72
Diluted	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.72
Cash dividends paid per common share	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.50

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NOBILITY HOMES, INC.  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended	
	August 2, 2008	August 4, 2007
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 1,606,284	\$ 2,955,277
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	244,593	239,328
Amortization of bond premium/discount	76,980	96,331
Deferred income taxes	94,993	--

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	<u>Nine Months Ended</u>	
Undistributed earnings in joint venture - Majestic 21	(228,730)	(229,148)
Distributions from joint venture - Majestic 21	75,000	214,447
Undistributed earnings from finance revenue sharing agreement	(536,300)	(424,200)
Distributions from finance revenue sharing agreement	536,300	424,200
Undistributed losses from investments in limited partnerships	168,196	--
Increase in cash surrender value of life insurance	(80,010)	(75,600)
Stock based compensation	124,025	44,418
Decrease (increase) in:		
Accounts receivable	17,554	100,114
Inventories	479,197	(680,905)
Prepaid income taxes	(65,229)	866,387
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(253,474)	(252,005)
(Decrease) in:		
Accounts payable	(131,234)	(384,102)
Accrued compensation	(263,454)	(414,013)
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	(277,962)	(218,180)
Income taxes payable	(134,500)	--
Customer deposits	(738,815)	(921,126)
	<u>713,414</u>	<u>1,341,223</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities		
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Equity investment in limited partnerships	(6,390,000)	--
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(782,126)	(165,086)
Proceeds from sales of equity investment in limited partnership	825,250	--
Proceeds from maturity of long-term investment	610,000	110,000
	<u>(5,736,876)</u>	<u>(55,086)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities		
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Payment of cash dividends	(2,043,572)	(2,041,071)
Proceeds from exercise of employee stock options	42,481	29,320
Purchase of treasury stock	(35,775)	--
	<u>(2,036,866)</u>	<u>(2,011,751)</u>
Net cash used in financing activities		
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(7,060,328)	(725,614)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	13,696,990	12,380,874
Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter	<u>\$ 6,636,662</u>	<u>\$ 11,655,260</u>
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information		
Income taxes paid	<u>\$ 995,675</u>	<u>\$ 580,000</u>

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## Nobility Homes, Inc. Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

### 1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements for the three and nine months ended August 2, 2008 and August 4, 2007 have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information and pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission for Form 10-Q. Accordingly, they do not include all the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for complete financial statements.

The unaudited financial information included in this report includes all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) which are, in the opinion of management, necessary to reflect a fair statement of the results for the interim periods. The operations for the three and nine months ended August 2, 2008 are not necessarily indicative of the results of the full fiscal year.

The consolidated financial statements included in this report should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto included in the Registrant's November 3, 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

### 2. Inventories

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost or market. Cost of finished home inventories is determined on the specific identification method. Other inventory costs are determined on a first-in, first-out basis. Inventories at August 2, 2008 and November 3, 2007 are summarized as follows:

	August 2, 2008	November 3, 2007
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
Raw materials	\$ 956,768	\$ 863,179
Work-in-process	148,576	151,859
Finished homes	9,995,841	10,952,741
Pre-owned manufactured homes	833,094	461,371
Model home furniture and other	282,912	267,238
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
	\$ 12,217,191	\$ 12,696,388
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### 3. Other Investments

The Company formed a limited liability company called Nobility Parks I, LLC to invest in a new Florida retirement manufactured home community, Walden Woods, III Ltd. (Walden Woods) located in Homosassa, Florida. The investment was \$2,360,000 and will provide the Company with 49% of the earnings/losses of the 236 residential lots. The investment amount is equivalent to \$10,000 per residential lot. The investment is included in Other Investments in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. Nobility Parks I, LLC has the right to assign some of its ownership to partners other than Nobility Homes. Nobility Parks I, LLC has sold \$825,250 of its ownership, which reduced the Company's investment by the same amount to 31.9%.

The Company formed a limited liability company called Nobility Parks II, LLC to invest in a new Florida retirement manufactured home community, CRF III, Ltd. (Cypress Creek) located in Winter Haven, Florida. The investment was \$4,030,000 and will provide the Company with 49% of the earnings/losses of the 403 residential lots. The investment amount is equivalent to \$10,000 per residential lot. The investment is included in Other Investments in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. Nobility Parks II, LLC has the right to assign some of its ownership to partners other than Nobility Homes.

4. Product Warranties

The Company provides the retail home buyer a one-year limited warranty covering defects in material or workmanship in home structure, plumbing and electrical systems. For estimated future warranty costs relating to homes sold, based upon management's assessment of historical experience factors and current industry trends, the activity in the liability for product warranty are as follows:

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	August 2, 2008	August 4, 2007	August 2, 2008	August 4, 2007
Beginning accrued warranty expense	\$ 215,000	\$ 215,000	\$ 215,000	\$ 215,000
Less: reduction for payments	(153,190)	(222,925)	(524,685)	(726,613)
Plus: additions to accrual	153,190	222,925	524,685	726,613
Ending accrued warranty expense	\$ 215,000	\$ 215,000	\$ 215,000	\$ 215,000

5. Income Taxes

Effective November 4, 2007, the Company adopted the provisions of FASB Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes* (FIN 48), which prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. FIN 48 also provides guidance on derecognizing, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. The evaluation of a tax position in accordance with FIN 48 is a two-step process. Under FIN 48, an entity may only recognize or continue to recognize tax positions that meet a more likely than not threshold. Upon adoption of FIN 48, we have elected an accounting policy to classify accrued penalties and interest expense on underpayment of income taxes in our income tax provision. Upon adoption of FIN 48, the Company accrued a liability of \$275,000 to offset the uncertainty of \$75,000 in certain deferred tax assets and \$200,000 in other permanent items, for which the Company recorded a charge against beginning retained earnings of \$200,000, (including \$13,000 of interest expense) representing the cumulative effect of the change in accounting principle. Our U.S. federal income tax returns for tax years 2003 and subsequent years remain subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service.

6. Stock Option Plan

On December 26, 2007, the Company issued 26,900 options to employees with a grant date fair value of \$4.01 and a life of six years.

7. Earnings Per Share

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	August 2, 2008	August 4, 2007	August 2, 2008	August 4, 2007

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Weighted average shares outstanding:				
Basic	4,087,639	4,085,901	4,087,442	4,084,620
Add: common stock equivalents	4,455	9,946	5,010	11,139
Diluted	4,092,094	4,095,847	4,092,452	4,095,759
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.72
Diluted	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.72

8. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, Fair Value Measurements. SFAS No. 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 applies under other accounting pronouncements that require or permit fair value measurements. The Company is required to adopt SFAS No. 157 effective at the beginning of fiscal year 2009. In February 2008, the FASB granted a one year deferral for non-financial assets and liabilities that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis, at least annually, to comply with SFAS No. 157. However, the effective date for financial assets and liabilities remains intact. The Company is evaluating the impact this statement will have on its consolidated financial statements.

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities. SFAS No. 159 provides all entities with an option to report selected financial assets and liabilities at fair value. The Statement is effective as of the beginning of an entity's first fiscal year beginning after November 15, 2007, with early adoption available in certain circumstances. The Company is evaluating the impact this statement will have on its consolidated financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141 (revised 2007) ( SFAS 141R ), Business Combinations and SFAS No. 160 ( SFAS 160 ), Non controlling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements, an amendment of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51". SFAS 141R will change how business acquisitions are accounted for and will impact financial statements both on the acquisition date and in subsequent periods. SFAS 160 will change the accounting and reporting for minority interests, which will be recharacterized as non controlling interests and classified as a component of equity. SFAS 141R and SFAS 160 are effective for us beginning in the first quarter of fiscal 2010. Early adoption is not permitted. The Company is evaluating the impact these statements will have on its consolidated financial statements.

9. Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

The Company is contingently liable under terms of repurchase agreements with financial institutions providing dealer floor plan financing arrangements for independent dealers of its manufactured homes. These arrangements, which are customary in the industry, provide for the repurchase of homes sold to independent dealers in the event of default by the independent dealer. The price the Company is obligated to pay declines over the period of the repurchase agreement (generally 18-24 months) and the risk of loss is further reduced by the sales value of any homes which may be required to be repurchased. The contingent liability under these repurchase agreements is on an individual unit basis and amounted to approximately \$1,169,800 at August 2, 2008. The Company applies FASB Interpretation ( FIN ) No. 45, Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness to Others, an interpretation of FASB Statements No. 5, 57 and 107 and a rescission of FASB Interpretation No. 3 and SFAS No. 5, Accounting for Contingencies to account for its liability for repurchase commitments. Under the provisions of FIN 45, during the period in which a home is sold (inception of a repurchase commitment), the Company records the greater of the estimated fair value of the non-contingent obligation or a contingent liability under the provisions of SFAS No. 5, based on historical information available at the time, as a reduction to revenue. Additionally, subsequent to the inception of the repurchase commitment, the Company evaluates the likelihood that it will be called on to perform under the inventory repurchase commitments.



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If it becomes probable that a dealer will default and a SFAS No. 5 loss reserve should be recorded, then such contingent liability is recorded equal to the estimated loss on repurchase. Based on identified changes in dealers' financial conditions, the Company evaluates the probability of default for the group of dealers who are identified at an elevated risk of default and applies a probability of default to the group, based on historical default rates. Changes in the reserve, if any, are recorded as an adjustment to revenue. Following the inception of the commitment, the recorded reserve, if any, is reduced over the repurchase period and is eliminated once the dealer sells the home. Based upon management's analysis, the fair value of the guarantee related to the Company's repurchase agreements is not material and no amounts have been recorded related to the fair value of the guarantee in the accompanying consolidated financial statements. In addition, there were no homes repurchased under any of the Company's repurchase agreements in the nine months ended August 2, 2008 or the comparable period of 2007.

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Certain claims and suits arising in the ordinary course of business have been filed or are pending against the Company. In the opinion of management, the ultimate outcome of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

The Company does not maintain casualty insurance on some of our property, including the inventory at our retail centers, our plant machinery and plant equipment and is at risk for those types of losses.

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

#### Results of Operations

The following table summarizes certain key sales statistics and percent of gross profit as of and for three and nine months ended August 2, 2008 and August 4, 2007.

	<u>Three Months Ended</u>		<u>Nine Months Ended</u>	
	<u>August 2, 2008</u>	<u>August 4, 2007</u>	<u>August 2, 2008</u>	<u>August 4, 2007</u>
Homes sold through Company owned sales centers	84	127	270	341
Homes sold to independent dealers	12	7	54	41
Total new factory built homes produced	90	127	285	366
Less: intercompany	78	120	231	325
Average new manufactured home price - retail	\$73,587	\$73,624	\$74,434	\$75,552
Average new manufactured home price - wholesale	\$35,496	\$37,176	\$35,897	\$36,774
As a percent of net sales:				
Gross profit from the Company owned retail sales centers	21.3%	22.4%	21.2%	21.8%
Gross profit from the manufacturing facilities - including intercompany sales	11.9%	16.6%	15.2%	16.1%

For the three and nine month period ended August 2, 2008 and August 4, 2007, results of operations are as follows: Total net sales in third quarter 2008 were \$7,395,885 compared to \$10,739,808 in the third quarter 2007. Total net sales for the first nine months of 2008 were \$24,265,336 compared to \$29,866,261 for the first nine months of 2007. Third quarter sales and operations for fiscal 2008 were adversely impacted by the reduced manufactured housing shipments in Florida plus the overall decline in Florida's and the nation's housing market. Industry shipments in Florida for the period November of 2007 through June of 2008 were down approximately 27% from the same period last year. Although the current overall housing market has continued to decline this year, the long-term demographic trends still favor strong growth in the Florida market area we serve. Management remains convinced that our specific geographic market is one of the best long-term growth areas in the country and because of the strong operating leverage inherent in the Company; we expect to continue out-performing the industry. Assuming a strong and stable economy, improved sales in the existing home market, stable unemployment and low interest rates, management expects the demand for our homes to improve in the future periods. Fiscal year 2008 is Nobility's 41<sup>st</sup> year of operating in our market area and we have been increasing the level of consumer awareness and confidence in Nobility and Prestige, our retail organization, with the introduction and special promotion of more special edition homes and by using television commercials in our different marketing areas within Florida. The Company has also invested as a limited partner in two new Florida retirement manufactured home communities in fiscal year 2008. Although these investments will report losses in the initial fill-up stage, management believes that the new attractive and affordable manufactured home communities for senior citizens will be a growth area for Florida in the future.

Insurance revenues in the third quarter of 2008 were \$89,894 compared to \$88,980 in the third quarter of 2007. Total insurance revenues for the first nine months of 2008 were \$328,779 compared to \$321,362 for the first nine months of 2007. These increases resulted from new policies generated and renewal of existing policies. Prestige's wholly-owned subsidiary, Mountain Financial, Inc., is an independent insurance agent, licensed mortgage lender and mortgage broker. Its principal activity is the performance of retail insurance services, which involves placing various types of insurance, including property and casualty, automobile and extended home warranty coverage, with insurance underwriters on behalf of its Prestige customers in connection with their purchase and financing of manufactured homes. As agent, Mountain Financial solely assists our Prestige customers in obtaining various insurance and extended warranty coverage with insurance underwriters. As such, we have no agreements with homeowners and/or third party insurance companies other than agency agreements with various insurance carriers and therefore, we have no material commitments or contingencies related to Mountain Financial, Inc. The Company provides appropriate reserves for policy cancellations based on numerous factors, including past transaction history with customers, historical experience and other information, which is periodically evaluated and adjusted as deemed necessary. In the opinion of management, no reserve is deemed necessary for policy cancellations at August 2, 2008 and August 4, 2007.

The construction lending operation provides financing to buyers who are purchasing a home through the Company's retail sales centers. The loan provides the homeowner with enough money to pay for the land, land improvements, construction and installation of the home, impact fees and permits. The loan is disbursed in draws as construction progresses and is secured by a first mortgage on the land, home and all of the improvements. The term is typically for one year, with interest only payable monthly. There is also a finance charge which is added to the loan at closing. The construction loan is paid off when the homeowner closes on the permanent financing, typically a 30 year fixed mortgage. The prepaid finance charge in the third quarter of 2008 was \$33,367 compared to \$15,307 in the third quarter of 2007 and was \$92,511 for the first nine months of 2008 compared to \$18,795 for the first nine months of 2007. The construction interest in third quarter of 2008 was \$11,334 compared to \$9,337 in the third quarter of 2007 and was \$53,201 for the first nine months of 2008 compared to \$11,119 for the first nine months of 2007. The construction lending operation began in the second quarter of 2007.

Gross profit as a percentage of net sales was 26.5% in third quarter of 2008 compared to 29.9% in third quarter of 2007 and was 27.4% for the first nine months of 2008 compared to 28.9% for the first nine months of 2006. The decrease in gross profit was primarily due to the rapidly increasing material costs at the manufacturing facilities that were not passed on until the beginning of the Company's fourth quarter. The increased cost of goods sold also impacted the retail sales centers gross profit margin as they were locked into retail customer's contracts and could not pass along the increases. Fixed overhead costs associated with the lower sales volume at the manufacturing facilities and retail sales centers also reduced gross profit margins. Cost of goods sold at our manufacturing facilities include: materials, direct and indirect labor, and manufacturing expenses (which consists of factory occupancy, salary and salary related delivery costs, mobile home service costs and other manufacturing expenses). Cost of goods sold at our retail sales centers include: appliances, air conditioners, electrical and plumbing hook-ups, furniture, insurance, impact and permit fees, land and home fees, manufactured home, service warranty, setup contractor, interior drywall finish, setup display, skirting, steps, well and septic tank and other expenses.

Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percent of net sales was 23.6% in third quarter of 2008 compared to 18.0% in the third quarter of 2007 and was 21.2% for the first nine months of 2008 compared to 18.7% for the first nine months of 2007. The increase in selling, general and administrative expenses as a percent of net sales resulted from fixed expenses at the Company's manufacturing facilities and retail sales centers, which directly relates to the decrease in sales. Selling, general and administrative expenses at our manufacturing facility includes salaries, professional services, advertising and promotions, corporate expense, employee benefits, office equipment and supplies and utilities. Selling, general and administrative expenses at our retail sales center includes: advertising, retail sales centers expenses, salary and salary related, professional fees, corporate expense, employee benefit, office equipment and supplies, utilities and travel. Selling, general and administrative expenses at the insurance company include: advertising, professional fees and office supplies.

The Company earned \$60,035 from its joint venture, Majestic 21, in the third quarter of 2008 compared to \$74,399 for the third quarter of 2007. For the first nine months of 2008, the Company earned \$228,730 compared to \$229,148 for the first nine months of 2007 from Majestic 21. The earnings from Majestic 21 represent the allocation of the Company's share of net income on a 50/50 basis. The Majestic 21 portfolio of loans is not being increased and the portfolio continues to runoff.

The Company reported earnings from the finance revenue sharing agreement between 21<sup>st</sup> Mortgage Corporation, Prestige Home Centers, Inc. and Majestic Homes Inc. in the amount of \$191,200 in the third quarter of 2008 compared to \$154,400 in the third quarter of 2007. For the first nine months of 2008 the Company earned from the finance revenue sharing agreement \$536,300 compared to \$424,200 for the first nine months of 2007. The increase is primarily due to increase in the number of loans added to the finance revenue sharing agreement.

The Company reported income from the investments in limited partnerships in the amount \$10,646 in the third quarter of 2008. For the first nine months of 2008, the Company recorded a loss of \$168,196 from the investments in limited partnerships. The Company has invested as a limited partner in two new Florida retirement manufactured home communities in fiscal year 2008. Although these investments will report losses in the

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initial fill-up stage, management believes that new attractive and affordable manufactured home communities for senior citizens will be a significant growth area for Florida in the future.

The Company earned interest on cash, cash equivalents and investments in the amount of \$118,993 for the third quarter of 2008 compared to \$193,658 for the third quarter of 2007. For the first nine months of 2008 interest earned on cash equivalents and investments were \$389,923 compared to \$584,310 in the first nine months of 2007. The decreased interest income was primarily due to a decrease in the amount of cash and cash equivalents and in the variable rate portion of our cash and cash equivalents balances.

As a result of the factors discussed above, earnings for the third quarter of 2008 were \$397,561 or \$0.10 per diluted share compared to \$1,155,288 or \$0.28 per diluted share for the third quarter of 2007. For the first nine months of 2008 earnings were \$1,606,284 or \$0.39 per diluted share compared to \$2,955,277 or \$0.72 per diluted share in the third quarter 2007.

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Cash and cash equivalents were \$6,636,662 at August 2, 2008 compared to \$13,696,990 at November 3, 2007. The decrease in cash and cash equivalents was primarily due to investments into two new manufactured home retirement communities, retail sales lot land purchase and the payment of cash dividends. Short and long-term investments in marketable securities were \$10,367,906 at August 2, 2008 compared to \$11,210,592 at November 3, 2007. Working capital was \$19,200,659 at August 2, 2008 as compared to \$25,144,323 at November 3, 2007. Nobility owns the entire inventory for its Prestige retail sales centers and does not incur any third party floor plan financing expenses. Customer deposits continued to decrease to a normal historic level due to the decrease in the number of sold retail homes in the field waiting for funding.

The Company invested \$6,390,000 to obtain 49% limited partner interests in two new Florida retirement manufactured home communities in the first quarter 2008. During the second and third quarters of fiscal year 2008, the Company sold \$825,250 of its ownership in one of the limited partnerships, which reduced the Company's investment by the same amount to 31.9%.

In November 2007, the Company purchased the land for one existing retail sales center for \$739,000.

Nobility paid an annual cash dividend of \$0.50 per common share for fiscal year 2007 on January 11, 2008 in the amount of \$2,043,572. On January 12, 2007, the Company paid an annual cash dividend of \$0.50 per common share for fiscal year 2006 in the amount of \$2,041,071.

Nobility maintains a revolving credit agreement with a major bank providing for borrowing up to \$4,000,000. At August 2, 2008 and November 3, 2007, there were no amounts outstanding under this agreement.

Nobility's operations may require significant capital expenditures during fiscal 2008 compared to fiscal 2007, as the Company considers increasing manufacturing plant capacity through plant expansion, purchasing some of our current retail sales centers locations that are currently leased and opening new retail sales centers in Florida. Nobility may also require additional funds for capital expenditures relating to its finance revenue sharing agreement and to underwrite its own construction and mortgage loans. Working capital requirements will be met with internal sources.

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### Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The Company applies judgment and estimates, which may have a material effect in the eventual outcome of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, for accounts receivable, and inventory. The following explains the basis and the procedure for each account where judgment and estimates are applied.

#### *Revenue Recognition*

The Company recognizes revenue from its retail sales upon the occurrence of the following:

- its receipt of a down payment,
- construction of the home is complete,
- home has been delivered and set up at the retail home buyer's site and title has been transferred to the retail home buyer,
- remaining funds have been released by the finance company (financed sales transaction), remaining funds have been committed by the finance company by an agreement with respect to financing obtained by the customer, usually in the form of a written approval for permanent home financing received from a lending institution, (financed construction sales transaction) or cash has been received from the home buyer (cash sales transaction), and

completion of any other significant obligations.

The Company recognizes revenues from its independent dealers upon receiving wholesale floor plan financing or establishing retail credit approval for terms, shipping of the home and transferring title and risk of loss to the independent dealer. For wholesale shipments to independent dealers, the Company has no obligation to setup the home or to complete any other significant obligations.

The Company recognizes revenues from its wholly-owned subsidiary, Mountain Financial, Inc., as follows: commission income (and fees in lieu of commissions) is recorded as of the effective date of insurance coverage or the billing date, whichever is later. Commissions on premiums billed and collected directly by insurance companies are recorded as revenue when received which, in many cases, is the Company's first notification of amounts earned due to the lack of policy and renewal information. Contingent commissions are recorded as revenue when received. Contingent commissions are commissions paid by insurance underwriters and are based on the estimated profit and/or overall volume of business placed with the underwriter. The data necessary for the calculation of contingent commissions cannot be reasonably obtained prior to the receipt of the commission which, in many cases, is the Company's first notification of amounts earned. The Company provides appropriate reserves for policy cancellations based on numerous factors, including past transaction history with customers, historical experience and other information, which is periodically evaluated and adjusted as deemed necessary. In the opinion of management, no reserve is deemed necessary for policy cancellations at August 2, 2008 or August 4, 2007.

#### *Investment In Manufactured Home Communities*

See disclosure of investment in manufactured home communities in note 3 of the consolidated financial statements included in Item 1.

#### *Investment in Majestic 21*

Majestic 21 was formed in 1997 as a joint venture with our joint venture partner, an unrelated entity (21<sup>st</sup> Mortgage Corporation (21<sup>st</sup> Mortgage)). We have been allocated our share of net income and distributions on a 50/50 basis since Majestic 21's formation. While Majestic 21 has been deemed to be a variable interest entity, the Company only holds a 50% interest in this entity and all allocations of profit and loss are on a 50/50 basis. Since all allocations are to be made on a 50/50 basis and the Company's maximum exposure is limited to its investment in Majestic 21, management has concluded that the Company would not absorb a majority of Majestic 21's expected losses nor receive a majority of Majestic 21's expected residual returns; therefore, the Company is not required to consolidate Majestic 21 with the accounts of Nobility Homes in accordance with FIN 46R. Management believes that the Company's maximum exposure to loss as a result of its involvement with Majestic 21 is its investment in the joint venture recorded in the accounts of Nobility Homes of \$1,821,391 as of August 2, 2008 and \$1,667,661 as of November 3, 2007. However, based on management's evaluation, there was no impairment of this investment at August 2, 2008 or November 3, 2007.

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The Company is not obligated to repurchase any foreclosed/repossessed units of Majestic 21 as it does not have a repurchase agreement or any other guarantees with Majestic 21. The Company resells foreclosed/repossessed units of Majestic 21 through the Company's network of retail centers as we believe it benefits the historical loss experience of the joint venture. We earn commissions from reselling such foreclosed/repossessed units and have historically not recorded any material losses in connection with this activity.

#### *Finance Revenue Sharing Agreement*

The finance revenue sharing agreement is between 21<sup>st</sup> Mortgage Corporation, Prestige Home Centers, Inc. and Majestic Homes, Inc. and no separate entity has been formed. As a condition to the finance revenue sharing agreement, the Company has agreed to repurchase homes from defaulted loans which were financed under the agreement. However, the Company has no risk of loss. All expenses related to the repossession, foreclosure and liquidation are reimbursed by 21<sup>st</sup> Mortgage Corporation. No losses have been incurred in connection with the finance revenue sharing agreement.

#### *Warranty Costs*

The warranty reserve is established at the time of revenue recognition based on management's best estimate of costs that may be incurred under the Company's warranty policies.

#### *Vendor Volume Rebates*

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The Company receives volume rebates from its vendors based upon reaching a certain level of purchased materials during a specified period of time. Volume rebates are estimated based upon annual purchases, and are adjusted quarterly if the accrued volume rebate is applicable.

### *Dealer Volume Rebate*

The Company pays a volume rebate to independent dealers based upon the dollar volume of homes purchased and paid for by the dealer in excess of a certain specific dollar amount during a specific time period. Dealer volume rebates are accrued when sales are recognized.

### *Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements*

As part of our ongoing business, we do not participate in transactions that generate relationships with unconsolidated entities of financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance or variable interest entities ( VIE s ), which would have been established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements or other contractually narrow or limited purposes where the Company is the primary beneficiary.

### Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this report are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws, including our statement that working capital requirements will be met with internal sources. Although Nobility believes that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, there are risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from expectations. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, competitive pricing pressures at both the wholesale and retail levels, increasing material costs, continued excess retail inventory, increase in repossessions, changes in market demand, changes in interest rates, availability of financing for retail and wholesale purchasers, consumer confidence, adverse weather conditions that reduce sales at retail centers, the risk of manufacturing plant shutdowns due to storms or other factors, the impact of marketing and cost-management programs, reliance on the Florida economy, impact of labor shortage, impact of materials shortage, increasing labor cost, cyclical nature of the manufactured housing industry, impact of rising fuel costs, catastrophic events impacting insurance costs, availability of insurance coverage for various risks to Nobility, market demographics, management s ability to attract and retain executive officers and key personnel, increased global tensions, market disruptions resulting from terrorist or other attack and any armed conflict involving the United States and the impact of inflation.

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### **Item 4T. Controls and Procedures**

Based on their evaluation as of the end of the fiscal period covered by this report, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) were effective to ensure that the information required to be disclosed by us in this report was recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission s rules and forms and that the information required to be disclosed in this report was accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. There have been no changes in the Company s internal controls over financial reporting identified in connection with this evaluation that occurred during the period covered by this report and that have materially affected, or are reasonable likely to materially affect, the Company s internal controls over financial reporting.

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**Part II. OTHER INFORMATION AND SIGNATURES**

There were no reportable events for Items 1 through 5.

**Item 6. Exhibits**

- 31. (a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
- (b) Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
- 32. (a) Written Statement of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350
- (b) Written Statement of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350

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**Signatures**

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, thereunto duly authorized.

NOBILITY HOMES, INC.

DATE: September 16, 2008

By: /s/ Terry E. Trexler

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Terry E. Trexler, Chairman,  
President and Chief Executive Officer

DATE: September 16, 2008

By: /s/ Thomas W. Trexler

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Thomas W. Trexler, Executive Vice President,  
and Chief Financial Officer

DATE: September 16, 2008

By: /s/ Lynn J. Cramer, Jr.

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Lynn J. Cramer, Jr., Treasurer  
and Principal Accounting Officer

