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☒ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED OCTOBER 30, 2010

OR

☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM _____ TO _____

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TRANS WORLD ENTERTAINMENT CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

14-1541629

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

38 Corporate Circle
Albany, New York 12203

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(518) 452-1242

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by a check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Sections 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for 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 definition 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 ☒ Smaller reporting company ☐

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.

Common Stock, \$.01 par value,
31,424,529 shares outstanding as of November 27, 2010

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TRANS WORLD ENTERTAINMENT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
PART 1. FINANCIAL INFORMATION
Item 1 - Financial Statements
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(in thousands, except share amounts)
(unaudited)

	October 30, 2010	January 30, 2010	October 31, 2009
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,127	\$ 71,514	\$ 9,136
Merchandise inventory	270,800	266,568	368,958
Other current assets	17,673	15,062	19,781
Total current assets	294,600	353,144	397,875
NET FIXED ASSETS	26,763	33,908	41,576
OTHER ASSETS	9,427	7,514	7,508
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 330,790	\$ 394,566	\$ 446,959
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES:			
Accounts payable	\$ 115,312	\$ 130,549	\$ 135,518
Borrowings under line of credit	8,588		55,545
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	27,635	38,701	38,049
Current portion of long-term debt	630	602	593
Current portion of capital lease obligations	700	1,372	2,021
Total current liabilities	152,865	171,224	231,726
LONG-TERM DEBT, less current portion	1,911	2,388	2,541
CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS, less current portion	3,953	4,486	4,652
OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	21,621	23,115	25,376
TOTAL LIABILITIES	180,350	201,213	264,295
SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY			
Preferred stock (\$0.01 par value; 5,000,000 shares authorized; none issued)			
Common stock (\$0.01 par value; 200,000,000 shares authorized; 56,527,519, 56,498,429 and 56,498,429 shares issued, respectively)	565	565	565
Additional paid-in capital	308,223	307,823	307,615
Treasury stock at cost (25,102,990, 25,102,990 and 25,102,990 shares, respectively)	(217,555)	(217,555)	(217,555)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	1,518	1,518	2,396
Retained earnings	57,689	101,002	89,643
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	150,440	193,353	182,664
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	\$ 330,790	\$ 394,566	\$ 446,959

See Accompanying Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

TRANS WORLD ENTERTAINMENT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(in thousands, except per share amounts)
(unaudited)

	Thirteen Weeks Ended		Thirty-nine Weeks Ended	
	October 30,	October 31,	October 30,	October 31,
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Net sales	\$ 128,787	\$ 161,387	\$ 421,129	\$ 518,566
Cost of sales	84,870	106,747	279,959	339,404
Gross profit	43,917	54,640	141,170	179,162
Selling, general and administrative expenses	59,051	76,166	181,783	231,291
Loss from operations	(15,134)	(21,526)	(40,613)	(52,129)
Interest expense, net	927	698	2,431	2,085
Loss before income tax (benefit)	(16,061)	(22,224)	(43,044)	(54,214)
Income tax expense (benefit)	55	93	270	(406)
Net loss	\$ (16,116)	\$ (22,317)	\$ (43,314)	\$ (53,808)
LOSS PER SHARE:				
Basic and diluted loss per share	\$ (0.51)	\$ (0.71)	\$ (1.38)	\$ (1.72)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding basic and diluted	31,425	31,395	31,415	31,362

See Accompanying Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

TRANS WORLD ENTERTAINMENT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(in thousands)
(unaudited)

	Thirty-nine Weeks Ended	
	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009
Net cash used by operating activities	\$ (68,126)	\$ (69,796)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of fixed assets	(2,347)	(3,883)
Acquisition of business, net of cash received	(1,848)	
Net cash used by investing activities	(4,195)	(3,883)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from line of credit	8,588	55,545
Payments of long-term debt	(449)	(422)
Payments of capital lease obligations	(1,205)	(2,363)
Net cash provided by financing activities	6,934	52,760
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(65,387)	(20,919)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	71,514	30,055
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 6,127	\$ 9,136
Supplemental disclosure of non-cash investing and financing activities:		
Issuance of deferred shares	\$ 160	\$ 465

See Accompanying Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

TRANS WORLD ENTERTAINMENT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
October 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009

Note 1. Nature of Operations

Trans World Entertainment Corporation and subsidiaries (the Company) is one of the largest specialty retailers of entertainment software, including music, video, video games and related products in the United States. The Company operates a chain of retail entertainment stores, primarily under the brand names *f.y.e. for your entertainment* and *Suncoast Motion Pictures*, and operates e-commerce sites www.fye.com, www.secondspin.com and www.wherehouse.com in a single industry segment. As of October 30, 2010, the Company operated 533 stores totaling approximately 3.6 million square feet in the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Liquidity and Cash Flows:

The Company's primary sources of working capital are cash provided by operations and borrowing capacity under its revolving credit facility (see Note 7 for further details on the revolving credit facility). The Company generated \$49.8 million in cash flow from operations in 2009. The Company's cash flows fluctuate from quarter to quarter due to various items, including seasonality of sales and earnings, merchandise inventory purchases and returns and the related terms on the purchases and capital expenditures. Management believes it will have adequate resources to fund its cash needs for at least the next twelve months, including its capital spending, its seasonal increase in merchandise inventory and other operating cash requirements and commitments. Management has considered and implemented many initiatives as part of its operating plan for 2010 and beyond, including a focus on the operation of a core base of stores, optimized pricing strategies and further streamlining its operations. During Fiscal 2009, management carried out certain strategic initiatives in its efforts to reduce certain operating costs such as the reduction of headcount at the home office, the closure of 157 stores and the elimination or curtailment of certain other general and administrative expenses. Also, during the thirty nine weeks ended October 30, 2010, the Company closed an additional 29 stores. During the fourth quarter of Fiscal 2010, management plans to close between 60 and 80 of the remaining 533 stores and plans to continue its careful evaluation of store profitability of its remaining stores in consideration of lease terms and expirations. In addition, the Company plans to close its distribution facility in Carson, California during the Fourth Quarter of 2010.

Seasonality:

The Company's business is seasonal in nature, with the fourth fiscal quarter constituting the Company's peak selling period. In 2009, the fourth fiscal quarter accounted for approximately 36% of annual sales. In anticipation of increased sales activity during these months, the Company purchases additional inventory and hires additional, temporary employees to supplement its permanent store sales staff. If, for any reason, the Company's net sales were below seasonal norms during the fourth quarter (which the Company has experienced during its three most recent fourth quarters), the Company's operating results, particularly operating and net income, would be adversely affected. Additionally, quarterly sales results, in general, are affected by the timing of new product releases, store closings and the performance of existing stores.

Note 2: Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements consist of Trans World Entertainment Corporation, its wholly-owned subsidiary, Record Town, Inc. ("Record Town"), and Record Town's subsidiaries, all of which are wholly-owned. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The information furnished in these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements reflects all normal, recurring adjustments which, in the opinion of management, are necessary for the fair presentation of such financial statements. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in the financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been condensed or omitted pursuant to rules and regulations applicable to interim financial statements.

The information presented in the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheet as of January 30, 2010 has been derived from the Company's January 30, 2010 audited consolidated financial statements. All other information has been derived from the Company's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements as of and for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009. These unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2010.

The Company's significant accounting policies are the same as those described in Note 1 to the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2010.

Note 3. Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

There are no recently issued accounting standards that are expected to have a material effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Note 4. Acquisition

On March 29, 2010 ("Acquisition Date"), the Company acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of the Value Music Concepts, Inc., ("Value Music") a Georgia Corporation. The purchase included substantially all of the ongoing business of Value Music, which includes five store leases and equipment, inventory and all related trade names and trademarks (the "Acquisition"). The purchase price consideration was \$1.8 million.

The Acquisition has been accounted for in accordance with ASC Topic 805, Business Combinations ("ASC Topic 805"). Accordingly, the total purchase price has been allocated on a provisional basis to assets acquired and net liabilities assumed in connection with the Acquisition based on their estimated fair values as of the completion of the Acquisition. These allocations reflect various provisional

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estimates that were available at the time and are subject to change during the purchase price allocation period as valuations are finalized.

The fair value of the net assets acquired was approximately \$2.2 million, which exceeds the preliminary estimated purchase price of \$1.8 million. Accordingly, the Company recognized the excess of the fair value of the net assets over the purchase price of approximately \$0.4 million as a gain on bargain purchase. The gain on bargain purchase of \$0.4 million was included as a reduction of SG&A expenses within income from operations in the Consolidated Statements of Operations in the first quarter of 2010. The recorded amounts are provisional and subject to change. The Company continues to evaluate the purchase price allocation, including the opening fair value of inventory and accrued liabilities, which may require the Company to adjust the recorded gain.

The Company believes that it was able to acquire Value Music for less than the fair value of its assets because of (i) the seller's intent to exit its Value Music operations through bankruptcy liquidation and (ii) the Company's unique position as a market leader in this industry segment.

The following table summarizes the provisional amounts recognized for assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the Acquisition Date. A single estimate of fair value results from a series of judgments about future events and uncertainties and relies heavily on estimates and assumptions. The Company's judgments used to determine the estimated fair value assigned to each class of assets acquired and liabilities assumed are not expected to materially impact the Company's results of operations. Certain estimated values are not yet finalized and are subject to change. The Company will finalize the amounts recognized as information necessary to complete the analyses is obtained. The Company expects to finalize these amounts as soon as possible but no later than one year from the acquisition date. The following are estimated fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the Acquisition date (in thousands):

Cash	\$ 11
Inventory	2,502
Other assets	9
Other liabilities	(312)
Net assets acquired	2,210
Less: Purchase price	1,860
Gain on bargain purchase	\$ 350

Under ASC 805-10, acquisition related costs (i.e., advisory, legal, valuation and other professional fees) are not included as a component of consideration transferred, but are accounted for as expenses in the periods in which the costs are incurred. The Company incurred \$277,000 of acquisition related costs, which are included in Selling, General and Administrative expenses in the Statement of Operations. Any additional acquisition expense is expected to be immaterial.

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The unaudited pro forma statement of operations of the Company assuming this transaction occurred at February 1, 2009 is as follows:

	Thirteen Weeks Ended		Thirty-nine Weeks Ended	
	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009
(In thousands, except per share amounts)				
Net Sales	\$ 128,787	\$ 164,097	\$ 422,553	\$ 527,394
Net Loss	\$ (16,116)	\$ (21,938)	\$ (43,338)	\$ (52,431)
Diluted Loss per Share	\$ (0.51)	\$ (0.70)	\$ (1.38)	\$ (1.67)

The unaudited pro forma financial information is presented for informational purposes only and is not intended to represent or be indicative of the consolidated results of operations of the Company that would have been reported had the acquisition been completed as of the beginning of the periods presented, and should not be taken as being representative of the future consolidated results of operations of the Company.

Note 5. Stock Based Compensation

During the thirteen weeks ended October 30, 2010, the Company recognized expense of \$0.1 million for stock-based compensation. Total stock-based compensation expense recognized in the condensed consolidated statements of operations for the thirteen weeks ended October 31, 2009 was \$0.6 million before income taxes. No deferred tax benefit was recorded against stock-based compensation expense for the thirteen weeks ended October 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009.

Total stock-based compensation expense recognized in the condensed consolidated statements of operations for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009 was \$0.5 million and \$2.0 million, respectively, before income taxes. No deferred tax benefit was recorded against stock-based compensation expense for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009.

As of October 30, 2010, there was approximately \$0.8 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to stock awards that is expected to be recognized as expense over a weighted average period of 1.2 years.

As of October 30, 2010, stock awards authorized for issuance under the Company's plans total 20.6 million. Of these awards authorized for issuance, 7.2 million were granted and are outstanding, 5.7 million of which were vested and exercisable. Awards available for future grants at October 30, 2010 were 2.6 million.

The table below outlines the assumptions that the Company used to estimate the fair value of stock based awards granted during the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010:

	Thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010
Dividend yield	0%
Expected stock price volatility	76.4%
Risk-free interest rate	2.13%
Expected award life (in years)	5.45
Weighted average fair value per share of awards granted during the period	\$ 1.37

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The following table summarizes stock award activity during the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010:

Employee and Director Stock Award Plans			
	Number of Shares Subject To Award	Weighted Average Exercise Price⁽¹⁾	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term
Balance January 30, 2010	7,770,140	\$ 7.91	4.0
Granted	1,179,898	2.11	9.5
Exercised			
Vested deferred shares issued ⁽²⁾	(29,090)		
Forfeited	(183,356)	3.17	
Expired	(1,551,150)	9.34	
Balance October 30, 2010	7,186,442	6.89	4.3
Exercisable at October 30, 2010	5,629,842	7.72	3.0

(1) Exercise price ranges exclude the impact of deferred or restricted stock units that were granted at an exercise price of \$0. During the thirty six weeks ended October 30, 2010, 279,898 restricted stock units were granted.

(2) Deferred shares are exchangeable for common shares on a 1:1 basis and therefore have an exercise price of \$0.

Note 6. Defined Benefit Plans

The Company maintains a non-qualified Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan (SERP) for certain executive officers of the Company. The SERP provides eligible executives defined pension benefits that supplement benefits under other retirement arrangements.

The Company had previously provided the Board of Directors with a noncontributory, unfunded retirement plan (Director Retirement Plan) that paid retired directors an annual retirement benefit. Directors who were not yet vested in their retirement benefits as of June 1, 2003 had the present value of benefits already accrued as of the effective date converted to deferred shares of the Company's Common Stock. Directors that were fully or partially vested in their retirement benefits were given a one time election to continue to participate in the current retirement program or convert the present value of their benefits to deferred shares.

The measurement date for the SERP and Director Retirement Plan is fiscal year end, using actuarial techniques which reflect estimates for mortality, turnover and expected retirement. In addition, management makes assumptions concerning future salary increases. Discount rates are generally established as of the measurement date using theoretical bond models that select high-grade corporate bonds with maturities or coupons that correlate to the expected payouts of the applicable liabilities.

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The following represents the components of the net periodic pension cost related to the Company's SERP and Director Retirement Plan for the respective periods:

	Thirteen weeks ended		Thirty-nine weeks ended	
	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009
	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
Service cost	\$ 33	\$ 49	\$ 99	\$ 147
Interest cost	163	200	489	600
Amortization of prior service cost	86	85	258	255
Amortization of net gain	(171)	(86)	(513)	(258)
Net periodic pension cost	\$ 111	\$ 248	\$ 333	\$ 744

During the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010, the Company did not make any cash contributions to the SERP or the Director Retirement Plan, and presently expects to pay approximately \$69,000 in benefits relating to the SERP and \$29,000 in benefits relating to the Director Retirement Plan during Fiscal 2010.

Note 7. Line of Credit

In April 2010, the Company entered into a \$100 million amended and restated Credit Agreement (Amended Credit Facility). The principal amount of all outstanding loans under the Amended Credit Facility together with any accrued but unpaid interest, are due and payable in April 2013, unless otherwise paid earlier pursuant to the terms of the Amended Credit Facility. Payments of amounts due under the Amended Credit Facility are secured by the assets of the Company.

The Amended Credit Facility includes customary provisions, including affirmative and negative covenants, which include representations, warranties and restrictions on additional indebtedness and acquisitions. The Company is compliant with all covenants. The Amended Credit Facility also includes customary events of default, including, among other things, material adverse effect, bankruptcy, and certain changes of control. The Amended Credit Facility also contains other terms and conditions, including prohibiting the payment of dividends and covenants around the number of store closings. It also changed the formula for interest rates.

Interest under the Amended Credit Facility will accrue, at the election of the Company, at a Base Rate or LIBO Rate, plus, in each case, an Applicable Margin, which is determined by reference to the level of Availability as defined in the Credit Agreement, with the Applicable Margin for LIBO Rate loans ranging from 4.00% to 4.50% and the Applicable Margin for Base Rate loans ranging from 3.00% to 3.50%. In addition, a commitment fee of 0.75% is also payable on unused commitments.

The availability under the Amended Credit Facility is subject to limitations based on sufficient inventory levels. Based on inventory levels at the end of the quarter, the availability under the credit facility was \$90.0 million as of October 30, 2010. As of October 30, 2010, the Company had \$8.6 million outstanding on the revolving credit facility and had \$1.1 million in outstanding letter of credit obligations and \$80.3 million was available for borrowing. The weighted average interest rate on outstanding borrowings for the thirteen weeks ended October 30, 2010 was 5.42%.

As of October 31, 2009, the Company had borrowed \$55.5 million under the previous Credit Facility, had \$3.6 million in outstanding letter of credit obligations under the previous Credit Facility and \$90.9

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million was available for borrowing. The weighted average interest rate on outstanding borrowings for the thirteen weeks ended October 31, 2009 was 1.33%.

Note 8. Comprehensive Loss

Other accumulated comprehensive income that the Company reports in the condensed consolidated balance sheets represents the excess of accrued pension liability over accrued benefit cost, net of taxes, associated with the Company's defined benefit plans. Comprehensive loss was equal to net loss for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009.

Note 9. Depreciation and Amortization of Fixed Assets

Depreciation and amortization of fixed assets included in the condensed consolidated statements of operations is as follows:

	Thirteen Weeks Ended		Thirty-nine Weeks Ended	
	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009
	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
Cost of sales	\$ 297	\$ 351	\$ 919	\$ 1,106
Selling, general and administrative expenses	2,769	3,933	8,420	11,246
Total	\$ 3,066	\$ 4,284	\$ 9,339	\$ 12,352

Note 10. Loss Per Share

Basic loss per share is calculated by dividing net loss by the weighted average common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock or resulted in the issuance of common stock (net of any assumed repurchases) that then shared in the earnings of the Company, if any. It is computed by dividing net earnings by the sum of the weighted average shares outstanding and additional common shares that would have been outstanding if the dilutive potential common shares had been issued for the Company's common stock awards from the Company's Stock Award Plans.

For the thirteen and thirty-nine week periods ended October 30, 2010, and October 31, 2009, the impact of outstanding stock awards was not considered because the Company reported a net loss and such impact would be anti-dilutive. Accordingly, basic and diluted loss per share is the same. Total anti-dilutive stock awards for the thirteen weeks ended October 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009 were approximately 4.7 million and 6.4 million, respectively. Total anti-dilutive stock awards for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009 were approximately 4.9 million and 6.9 million, respectively.

TRANS WORLD ENTERTAINMENT CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
Item 2 - Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and
Results of Operations
October 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations provides information that the Company's management believes necessary to achieve an understanding of its financial statements and results of operations. To the extent that such analysis contains statements which are not of a historical nature, such statements are forward-looking statements, which involve risks and uncertainties. These risks include, but are not limited to, changes in the competitive environment for the Company's merchandise, including the entry or exit of non-traditional retailers of the Company's merchandise to or from its markets; releases by the music, home video and video games industries of an increased or decreased number of hit releases; general economic factors in markets where the Company's merchandise is sold; and other factors discussed in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The following discussion and analysis of the Company's financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this report and the audited financial statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2010.

The preparation of financial statements and related disclosures in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires that management apply accounting policies and make estimates and assumptions that affect results of operations and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements. Management continually evaluates its estimates and judgments including those related to merchandise inventory and return costs, valuation of long-lived assets, income taxes, stock-based compensation and accounting for gift card liability. Management bases its estimates and judgments on historical experience and other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Note 1 of Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements on Form 10-K for the year ended January 30, 2010 includes a summary of the significant accounting policies and methods used by the Company in the preparation of its condensed consolidated financial statements. There have been no material changes or modifications to the policies since January 30, 2010.

At October 30, 2010, the Company operated 533 stores totaling approximately 3.6 million square feet in the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The Company's stores offer predominantly entertainment software, including music, video and video games and related products. In total, these categories represented 85% of the Company's sales in the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010. The balance of categories, including software accessories, electronics and trend products represented 15% of the Company's sales in the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010.

The Company's results have been, and will continue to be, dependent upon management's ability to understand general economic and business trends and to manage the business in response to those trends. Management monitors a number of key performance indicators to evaluate its performance, including:

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Sales and Comparable Store Sales: The Company measures the rate of comparable store sales change. A store is included in comparable store sales calculations at the beginning of its thirteenth full month of operation. Mall stores relocated in the same shopping center after being open for at least thirteen months are considered comparable stores. Closed stores that were open for at least thirteen months are included in comparable store sales through the month immediately preceding the month of closing. The Company further analyzes sales by store format and by product category.

Cost of Sales and Gross Profit: Gross profit is impacted primarily by the mix of products sold, by discounts negotiated with vendors and discounts offered to customers. The Company records its distribution and product shrink expenses in cost of sales. Distribution expenses include those costs associated with purchasing, receiving, shipping, inspecting and warehousing product and costs associated with product returns to vendors. Cost of sales further includes obsolescence charges and is reduced by the benefit of vendor allowances, net of direct reimbursements of expense.

Selling, General and Administrative (SG&A) Expenses: Included in SG&A expenses are payroll and related costs, occupancy charges, general operating and overhead expenses and depreciation charges (excluding those related to distribution operations, as disclosed in Note 9 to the condensed consolidated financial statements). SG&A expenses also include asset impairment charges and write-offs, if any, and miscellaneous items, other than interest.

Balance Sheet and Ratios: The Company views cash, net inventory investment (merchandise inventory less accounts payable) and working capital (current assets less current liabilities) as relevant indicators of its financial position. See Liquidity and Capital Resources for further discussion of these items.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS Thirteen and Thirty-nine Weeks Ended October 30, 2010 Compared to the Thirteen and Thirty-nine Weeks Ended October 31, 2009

The following table sets forth a period over period comparison of the Company's sales for the thirteen weeks and thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, by category:

	Thirteen weeks ended					Thirty-nine weeks ended				
	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009	Change	%	Comp Store Sales	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009	Change	%	Comp Store Sales
	<i>(in thousands)</i>					<i>(in thousands)</i>				
Net sales	\$ 128,787	\$ 161,387	\$ (32,600)	(20.2)%	(4.5)%	\$ 421,129	\$ 518,566	\$ (97,437)	(18.8)%	(3.1)%
As a % of sales										
Music	36%	37%			(6.9)%	37%	37%			(3.4)%
Home Video	44%	41%			1.8%	43%	42%			1.7%
Video Games	5%	8%			(41.0)%	5%	8%			(38.1)%
Other	15%	14%			4.7%	15%	13%			3.8%
Store Count:						533	690	(157)	(22.8)%	

Net sales. Sales decreased 20% and 19% in the thirteen and thirty-nine week periods ending October 30, 2010, respectively. The decrease in total sales is due to comparable store sales decline of 5% and 3% for the thirteen and thirty-nine week periods ended October 30, 2010, respectively and a decline of 23% in the number of stores in operation as compared to the same periods last year.

Music:

The Company's stores and Internet websites offer a wide range of compact discs (CDs) and music DVDs across most music genres, including new releases from current artists as well as an extensive catalog of music from past periods and artists. The music category represented 36% and 37% of total net sales for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010, respectively.

During the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010, music sales in comparable stores decreased 7% and 3%, respectively, versus the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 31, 2009. The decrease is related to continued industry declines. Total CD unit sales for the Company decreased 12% and 8% during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010. According to Soundscan, total CD unit sales industry-wide were down 24% and 21% during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010.

Home Video:

The Company offers DVDs and high definition DVDs (Bluray) in all of its stores. Comparable store sales in the video category increased 2% during the thirteen and thirty-nine week periods ending October 30, 2010. Total DVD and Bluray unit sales for the Company decreased 9% during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010. According to Warner Brothers Home Entertainment, total DVD and Bluray unit sales industry-wide were down 11% and 12% during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010.

Video Games:

The 41% comparable store sales decline in video games during the thirteen weeks ended October 30, 2010 was due to a reduction in the number of stores carrying games. During Fiscal 2009, the Company eliminated the game category in over 200 stores. As of quarter-end, 135 of our stores carried games compared to 347 a year ago.

Other:

The Company offers accessory items for the use, care and storage of entertainment software, along with electronics and trend products. For the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010, comparable store net sales increased 5% and 4% for these categories, respectively.

Gross Profit. The following table sets forth a period over period comparison of the Company's gross profit:

	Thirteen weeks ended (in thousands)		Change		Thirty-nine weeks ended (in thousands)		Change	
	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009	\$	%	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009	\$	%
Gross Profit	\$ 43,917	\$ 54,640	\$ (10,723)	(19.6)%	\$ 141,170	\$ 179,162	\$ (37,992)	(21.2)%
As a % of sales	34.1%	33.9%			33.5%	34.5%		

Gross profit dollars decreased 20% and 21% in the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010, respectively, as compared to the same period last year. The decline is due to the decline in total sales.

The decrease in gross profit as a percentage of sales for the thirty-nine week periods ended October 30, 2010 reflects lower vendor allowances this year versus last year.

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Selling, General & Administrative Expenses (SG&A). The following table sets forth a period over period comparison of the Company's SG&A:

	Thirteen weeks ended (in thousands)		Change		Thirty-nine weeks ended (in thousands)		Change	
	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009	\$	%	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009	\$	%
SG&A	\$ 59,051	\$ 76,166	\$ (17,115)	(22.5)%	\$ 181,783	\$ 231,291	\$ (49,508)	(21.4)%

As a % of sales

45.9%

47.2%

43.2%

44.6%

SG&A expenses for the thirteen weeks ended October 30, 2010 decreased \$17.1 million, or 23% on the net sales decline of 20%. The decrease is primarily due to lower overhead expenses associated with the decrease in store count, lower depreciation expense due to lower store count, the write-down of fixed assets at underperforming locations during the fourth quarter of 2009 and lower variable selling expenses on the sales decline.

SG&A expenses for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010 decreased \$49.5 million, or 21% on the net sales decline of 19%. The decrease is primarily due to lower overhead expenses associated with the decrease in store count, lower depreciation expense due to lower store count, the write-down of fixed assets at underperforming locations during the fourth quarter of 2009 and lower variable selling expenses on the sales decline. Included in SG&A expenses for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010 is a gain on bargain purchase of \$0.4 million related to the acquisition of five Value Music stores, which is offset by \$277,000 in acquisition costs incurred during the thirty-nine week period of 2010.

Interest Expense, net. Interest expense, net was \$0.9 million and \$2.4 million during the thirteen and thirty-nine week periods ended October 30, 2010 compared to \$0.7 million and \$2.1 million for the thirteen and thirty-nine week periods ended October 31, 2009, respectively. The increase in interest expense is due to higher effective interest rates on the Company's amended credit facility as compared to the previous credit facility.

Income Tax Expense (Benefit). As of January 30, 2010 and January 31, 2009, the Company had incurred cumulative three-year losses. Based on the cumulative three-year losses and other available objective evidence, management concluded that a full valuation allowance should be recorded against the Company's deferred tax assets. Due to the recognition of a full valuation allowance as of January 30, 2010, the projected net loss for the year ending January 29, 2011 and the net loss incurred for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010, the Company did not provide a current tax benefit for the net loss incurred for this thirteen week period.

For the thirty-nine weeks ended October 31, 2009, the tax benefit associated with the quarter-specific items is primarily attributed to the net impact of the interest accrual related to uncertain tax positions, the reduction of tax reserves due to a tax examination settlement and state taxes based on modified gross receipts incurred during this period.

For all other periods presented, the tax expense associated with the quarter-specific items is primarily attributed to the net impact of the interest accrual related to uncertain tax positions and state taxes based on modified gross receipts incurred during this period.

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Net Loss. The following table sets forth a period over period comparison of the Company's net loss:

	Thirteen weeks ended		Thirty-nine weeks ended	
	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009
<i>(in thousands)</i>				
Loss before income tax	\$ (16,061)	\$ (22,224)	\$ (43,044)	\$ (54,214)
Income tax expense (benefit)	55	93	270	(406)
Net loss	\$ (16,116)	\$ (22,317)	\$ (43,314)	\$ (53,808)

Loss before income tax benefit decreased \$6.1 million to \$16.1 million for the third quarter of 2010, from \$22.2 million last year. For the thirteen weeks ended October 30, 2010, the Company's net loss decreased \$6.2 million, to \$16.1 million from \$22.3 million for the thirteen weeks ended October 31, 2009. The decrease in the Company's net loss for the thirteen weeks ended October 30, 2010 as compared to the prior year is due to lower SG&A expenses.

For the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010, the loss before income taxes decreased \$11.2 million to \$43.0 million from \$54.2 million last year. The Company's net loss decreased \$10.5 million to \$43.3 million from \$53.8 million for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 31, 2009. The decrease in the Company's net loss for the thirty nine weeks ended October 30, 2010 as compared to the prior year is due to lower SG&A expenses.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Liquidity and Cash Flows: The Company's primary sources of working capital are cash provided by operations and borrowing capacity under its revolving credit facility (see Note 7 for further details on the revolving credit facility). The Company generated \$49.8 million in cash flow from operations in 2009. The Company's cash flows fluctuate from quarter to quarter due to various items, including seasonality of sales and earnings, merchandise inventory purchases and returns and the related terms on the purchases and capital expenditures. Management believes it will have adequate resources to fund its cash needs for at least the next twelve months, including its capital spending, its seasonal increase in merchandise inventory and other operating cash requirements and commitments. Management has considered and implemented many initiatives as part of its operating plan for 2010 and beyond, including a focus on the operation of a core base of stores, optimized pricing strategies and further streamlining its operations. During Fiscal 2009, management carried out certain strategic initiatives in its efforts to reduce certain operating costs such as the reduction of headcount at the home office, the closure of 157 stores and the elimination or curtailment of certain other general and administrative expenses. Also, during the thirty nine weeks ended October 30, 2010, the Company closed an additional 29 stores. During the fourth quarter of Fiscal 2010, management plans to close between 60 and 80 of the remaining 533 stores and plans to continue its careful evaluation of store profitability of its remaining stores in consideration of lease terms and expirations. In addition, the Company plans to close its distribution facility in Carson, California during the Fourth Quarter of 2010.

The following table sets forth a summary of key components of cash flow and working capital for each of the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009:

	Thirty-nine weeks ended		Change
	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009	\$
<i>(in thousands)</i>			
Operating Cash Flows	\$ (68,126)	\$ (69,796)	\$ 1,670
Investing Cash Flows	(4,195)	(3,883)	(312)
Financing Cash Flows	6,934	52,760	(45,826)
Capital Expenditures	(2,347)	(3,883)	1,536
Cash and Cash Equivalents	6,127	9,136	(3,009)
Merchandise Inventory	270,800	368,958	(98,158)
Working Capital	141,735	166,149	(24,414)

The Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$6.1 million at October 30, 2010, compared to \$71.5 million at January 30, 2010 and \$9.1 million at October 31, 2009. Merchandise inventory was \$76 per square foot at October 30, 2010, compared to \$83 per square foot at October 31, 2009.

Cash used by operating activities was \$68.1 million for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010. The primary uses of cash during the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010 were a seasonal reduction of accounts payable, resulting in a \$19.5 million increase in net inventory (inventory less accounts payable) and losses from operations. The Company's merchandise inventory and accounts payable are heavily influenced by the seasonality of its business. A significant reduction of accounts payable occurs annually in the fiscal first quarter, reflecting payments for merchandise inventory sold during the prior year's holiday season.

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Cash used by investing activities was \$4.2 million for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010. The primary use of cash was \$2.3 million in capital expenditures.

Cash provided by financing activities was \$6.9 million for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010. Borrowings on the company's line of credit were \$8.6 million during the period, which were offset by payments on long term debt on capital lease obligations.

In April 2010, the Company entered into a \$100 million amended and restated Credit Agreement ("Amended Credit Facility"). The principal amount of all outstanding loans under the Amended Credit Facility together with any accrued but unpaid interest, are due and payable in April 2013, unless otherwise paid earlier pursuant to the terms of the Amended Credit Facility. Payments of amounts due under the Amended Credit Facility are secured by the assets of the Company.

The Amended Credit Facility includes customary provisions, including affirmative and negative covenants, which include representations, warranties and restrictions on additional indebtedness and acquisitions. The Amended Credit Facility also includes customary events of default, including, among other things, material adverse effect, bankruptcy, and certain changes of control. The Amended Credit Facility also contains other terms and conditions including prohibiting the payment of dividends and covenants around the number of store closings. It also changed the formula for interest rates.

Interest under the Amended Credit Facility will accrue, at the election of the Company, at a Base Rate or LIBO Rate, plus, in each case, an Applicable Margin, which is determined by reference to the level of Availability as defined in the Credit Agreement, with the Applicable Margin for LIBO Rate loans ranging from 4.00% to 4.50% and the Applicable Margin for Base Rate loans ranging from 3.00% to 3.50%. In addition, a commitment fee of 0.75% is also payable on unused commitments.

The availability under the Amended Credit Facility is subject to limitations based on sufficient inventory levels. Based on inventory levels at the end of the quarter, the availability under the credit facility was \$90.0 million as of October 30, 2010. As of October 30, 2010, the Company had \$8.6 million outstanding on the revolving credit facility and had \$1.1 million in outstanding letter of credit obligations and \$80.3 million was remained available for borrowing. The weighted average interest rate on outstanding borrowings for the thirteen weeks ended October 30, 2010 was 5.42%.

As of October 31, 2009, the Company had borrowed \$55.5 million under the Credit Facility, had \$3.6 million in outstanding letter of credit obligations under the Credit Facility and \$90.9 million was available for borrowing. The weighted average interest rate on outstanding borrowings for the thirteen weeks ended October 31, 2009 was 1.33%.

We believe that cash flows provided by operations and available borrowing capacity under our credit facility, which expires on April, 2013, will provide us with sufficient liquidity through the expiration of this credit facility.

Capital Expenditures. During the thirty-nine weeks ended October 30, 2010, the Company made capital expenditures of \$2.3 million. The Company plans to spend less than \$5 million for capital expenditures in 2010.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements and related disclosures in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires that management apply accounting policies and make estimates and assumptions that affect results of operations and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements. Management continually evaluates its estimates and judgments including those related to merchandise inventory and return costs, valuation of long-lived assets, income taxes and accounting for gift card liability. Management bases its estimates and judgments on historical experience and other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in the Form 10-K for the year ended January 30, 2010 includes a summary of the critical accounting policies and methods used by the Company in the preparation of its condensed consolidated financial statements. There have been no material changes or modifications to the policies since January 30, 2010.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements:

The Financial Accounting Standards Board (the "FASB") has codified a single source of U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the Accounting Standards Codification. Unless needed to clarify a point to readers, we will refrain from citing specific section references when discussing application of accounting principles or addressing new or pending accounting rule changes. There are no recently issued accounting standards that are expected to have a material effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

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Item 3 - Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

To the extent the Company borrows under its Credit Facility, the Company is subject to risk resulting from interest rate fluctuations since interest on the Company's borrowings under its Credit Facility can be variable. Interest under the Amended Credit Facility will accrue, at the election of the Company, at a Base Rate or LIBO Rate, plus, in each case, an Applicable Margin, which is determined by reference to the level of Availability as defined in the Credit Agreement, with the Applicable Margin for LIBO Rate loans ranging from 4.00% to 4.50% and the Applicable Margin for Base Rate loans ranging from 3.00% to 3.50%. If interest rates on the Company's Credit Facility were to increase by 25 basis points, and to the extent borrowings were outstanding, for every \$1,000,000 outstanding on the facility, income before income taxes would be reduced by \$2,500 per year. For a discussion of the Company's accounting policies for financial instruments and further disclosures relating to financial instruments, see "Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 30, 2010. The Company does not currently hold any derivative instruments.

Item 4 Controls and Procedures

(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures. The Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer after evaluating the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) as of October 30, 2010, have concluded that as of such date the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were adequate and effective and designed to ensure that material information relating to the Company and its subsidiaries would be made known to such officers on a timely basis.

(b) Changes in internal controls. There have been no changes in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting that occurred during the fiscal quarter covered by this quarterly report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal controls over financial reporting.

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PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1 Legal Proceedings

The Company is subject to legal proceedings and claims that have arisen in the ordinary course of its business and have not been finally adjudicated. Although there can be no assurance as to the ultimate disposition of these matters, it is management's opinion, based upon the information available at this time, that the expected outcome of these matters, individually and in the aggregate, will not have a material adverse effect on the results of operations and financial condition of the Company.

Item 1A Risk Factors

Risks relating to the Company's business and Common Stock are described in detail in Item 1A of the Company's most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 30, 2010.

Item 2 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

None.

Item 3 Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 5 Other Information

None.

Item 6 - Exhibits

(A) Exhibits -

Exhibit No.	Description
31.1	Chief Executive Officer certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Chief Financial Officer certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

SIGNATURES

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

TRANS WORLD ENTERTAINMENT CORPORATION

December 9, 2010

By: /s/ Robert J. Higgins

Robert J. Higgins
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

December 9, 2010

By: /s/ John J. Sullivan

John J. Sullivan
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Chief Accounting Officer)