SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(X) QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2001

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() TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from ______ to _____

Delaware

Commission File Number 0-16211

DENTSPLY International Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

39-1434669

(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

570 West College Avenue, P. O. Box 872, York, PA 17405-0872 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

> (717) 845-7511 (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.

(X) Yes () No

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date: At November 5, 2001 the Company had 51,899,220 shares of Common Stock outstanding, with a par value of \$.01 per share.

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DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,			ths Ended ber 30,
	2001 (2000 in thousands, exco	200 ept per share	2000 amounts)
Net sales Cost of products sold	\$ 253,50 121,11		\$ 753,805 357,879	\$ 655,443 314,277
Gross profit Selling, general and administrative expenses Restructuring costs (Note 6)	132,38 87,97 		395,926 266,759 5,500	341,166 226,558
Operating income	44,41	0 38,137	123,667	114,608
Other income and expenses: Interest expense Interest income Other (income) expense, net	4,87 (21 1,69	2) (95)	12,749 (696) (22,025)	8,217 (936) 1,117
Income before income taxes Provision for income taxes	38,05 12,13	•	133,639 45,990	106,210 36,056
Net income	\$ 25,91	9 \$ 23,335	\$ 87,649	\$ 70,154
Earnings per common share (Note 3): Basic Diluted	\$0.5 0.4		\$ 1.69 1.67	\$ 1.35 1.34
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.0687	5 \$ 0.06250	\$ 0.20625	\$ 0.18750
Weighted average common shares outstanding: Basic Diluted	51,83 52,76	,	51,742 52,570	51,963 52,419

See accompanying notes to unaudited interim consolidated condensed financial statements.

DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (unaudited)

	September 2001 (in	December 31, 2000 usands)
Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 11,879	\$ 15,433
Accounts and notes receivable-trade, net	146,568	133,643
Inventories, net (Notes 1 and 5)	163,853	133,304
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	41,439	43,074
Total Current Assets	363,739	325,454
Property, plant and equipment, net	195,217	181,341
Identifiable intangible assets, net	172,081	80,730
Costs in excess of fair value of net		
assets acquired, net	434,256	264,023
Other noncurrent assets	53,878	15,067
Total Assets	\$ 1,219,171	\$ 866,615
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 47,515	\$ 45,764
Accrued liabilities	113,719	88,058
Income taxes payable	46,782	33,522
Notes payable and current portion	1 0 10	704
of long-term debt	1,049	794
Total Current Liabilities	209,065	168,138
Long-term debt	343,153	109,500
Deferred income taxes	22,817	16,820
Other noncurrent liabilities	48,355	47,226
Total Liabilities	623,390	341,684
Minority interests in consolidated subsidiaries	2,260	4,561
Commitments and contingencies (Note 8)		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; .25 million		
shares authorized; no shares issued		
Common stock, \$.01 par value; 100 million		
shares authorized; 54.3 million shares		
issued at September 30, 2001 and	543	543
December 31, 2000 Capital in excess of par value	543 153,210	543 151,899
Retained earnings	567,136	490,167
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(61,362)	(49,296)
Unearned ESOP compensation	(3,799)	(4,938)
Treasury stock, at cost, 2.4 million shares		,
at September 30, 2001 and 2.6 million at December 31, 2000	(62,207)	(68,005)
Total Stockholders' Equity	593,521	520,370
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 1,219,171	\$ 866,615

See accompanying notes to unaudited interim consolidated condensed financial statements.

DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (unaudited)

	Septer 2001	nths Ended mber 30, 2000 housands)
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 87,649	\$ 70,154
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: Depreciation Amortization Restructuring and other costs Gain on sale of business Other, net	19,716 20,933 5,500 (23,121) 7,282	17,762 14,393 10,035
Net cash provided by operating activities	117,959	112,344
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Acquisitions of businesses, net of cash acquired Additional consideration for prior purchased businesses Capital expenditures Other, net	(203,634) (104,627) (34,918) 3,188	(12,474) (20,292) (1,337)
Net cash used in investing activities	(339,991)	(34,103)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from long-term borrowings, net of deferred financing costs Payments on long-term borrowings Decrease in short-term borrowings Cash paid for treasury stock Cash dividends paid Other, net	358,048 (125,908) (4,054) (875) (10,662) 6,832	90,236 (121,777) (5,281) (38,367) (9,782) 4,817
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	223,381	(80,154)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(4,903)	2,797
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(3,554)	884
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	15,433	7,276
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 11,879	\$ 8,160

See accompanying notes to unaudited interim consolidated condensed financial statements.

DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC.

NOTES TO UNAUDITED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

September 30, 2001

The accompanying unaudited interim consolidated condensed financial statements reflect all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) which in the opinion of management are necessary for a fair statement of financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods. These interim financial statements conform to the requirements for interim financial statements and consequently do not include all the disclosures normally required by generally accepted accounting principles. Disclosures included in the Company's most recent Form 10-K filed March 20, 2001 are updated where appropriate.

NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated condensed financial statements include the accounts of DENTSPLY International Inc. (the "Company") and its subsidiaries.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. At September 30, 2001, the cost of \$15.2 million or 9% of inventories was determined by the last-in, first-out (LIFO) method. At December 31, 2000, the cost of \$14.0 million or 10% of inventories was determined by the last-in, first-out (LIFO) method. The cost of other inventories was determined by the first-in, first-out (FIFO) or average cost method.

Pre-tax income was \$0.5 million lower in the nine months ended September 30, 2001 and \$0.4 million lower for the same period in 2000 as a result of using the LIFO method compared to the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method. If the FIFO method had been used to determine the cost of the LIFO inventories, the amounts at which net inventories are stated would be higher than reported at September 30, 2001 by \$0.2 million and lower than reported at December 31, 2000 by \$0.2 million.

NOTE 2 - COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

The components of comprehensive income are as follows:

		onths Ended ember 30, 2000 (in the		nths Ended mber 30, 2000
Net income Other comprehensive income:	\$ 25,919	\$ 23,335	\$ 87,649	\$ 70,154
Foreign currency translation adjustments Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle for derivative and hedging	7,164	(9,606)	(9,623)	(14,691)
activities (SFAS 133) Net loss on derivative financial			(503)	
instruments Total comprehensive income	(1,007) \$ 32,076	 \$ 13,729	(1,940) \$ 75,583	 \$ 55,463

The balances included in accumulated other comprehensive loss in the consolidated balance sheets are as follows:

	September 30,	December 31,
	2001	2000
	(in th	ousands)
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$ (58,248)	\$ (48,625)
Net loss on derivative financial	(2,443)	
Minimum pension liability	(671)	(671)
	\$ (61,362)	\$ (49,296)

NOTE 3 - EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per common share:

	Septe 2001	nths Ended ember 30, 2000 unds, except	Septem 2001	2000
Basic EPS Computation				
Numerator (Income)	\$25,919	\$23,335	\$87,649	\$70,154
Denominator: Common shares outstanding	51,834	51,665	51,742	51,963
Basic EPS	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.45	\$ 1.69	\$ 1.35
Diluted EPS Computation				
Numerator (Income)	\$25,919	\$23,335	\$87,649	\$70,154
Denominator: Common shares outstanding Incremental shares from assumed exercise	51,834 932	51,665	51,742	51,963 456
of dilutive options Total shares	932 52,766	657 52,322	828 52,570	450 52,419
Diluted EPS	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.45	\$ 1.67	\$ 1.34

Options to purchase 12,000 and 8,000 shares of common stock that were outstanding during the quarter ended September 30, 2001 and 2000, respectively, were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share since the options' exercise prices were greater than the average market price of the common shares and, therefore, the effect would be antidilutive. Antidilutive options outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2001 and 2000 were 68,000 and 142,000, respectively.

NOTE 4 - BUSINESS ACQUISITIONS/DIVESTITURES

In December 2000, the Company agreed to acquire all the outstanding shares of Friadent GmbH ("Friadent") for 220 million German marks or \$106 million (\$104.7 million, net of cash acquired). The acquisition closed in January 2001. Headquartered in Mannheim, Germany, Friadent is a major global dental implant manufacturer and marketer with subsidiaries in Germany, France, Denmark, Sweden, the United States, Switzerland, Brazil, and Belgium.

In December 2000, the Company agreed to sell InfoSoft, LLC to PracticeWorks, Inc. InfoSoft, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, develops and sells software and related products for dental practice management. PracticeWorks is the dental software management and dental claims processing company which was spun-off by Infocure Corporation (NASDAQ-INCX). The transaction closed in March 2001. In the transaction, the Company received 6.5% convertible preferred stock in PracticeWorks, with a fair value of \$32 million, which is included in "Other noncurrent assets" on the balance sheet. These preferred shares are convertible into 9.8% of PracticeWorks common stock. If not previously converted, the preferred shares are redeemable for cash after 5 years. This sale has resulted in a \$23.1 million pretax gain. The Company will measure recoverability on this investment on a periodic basis.

In January 2001, the Company agreed to acquire the dental injectible anesthetic assets of AstraZeneca ("AZ"), including licensing rights to the dental trademarks, for \$136.5 million and royalties on future sales of a new anesthetic product for scaling and root planing (Oraqix(TM)) that was in Stage III clinical trials at the time of the agreement. The \$136.5 million purchase price was composed of the following: an initial \$96.5 million payment which was made at closing in March 2001; a \$20 million contingency payment associated with sales of injectible dental anesthetic; a \$10 million milestone payment upon submission of an Oraqix New Drug Application (NDA) in the U.S., and Marketing Authorization Application (MAA) in Europe; and a \$10 million milestone payment upon approval of the NDA and MAA. After an analysis of the available clinical data to date, the Company has concluded that the Oraqix product does not provide pain relief equivalent to that provided by injectible anesthetic. As a result, the Company has decided not to proceed under the existing contract terms with AstraZeneca regarding the Oraqix product; however the Company is involved in discussions with AstraZeneca to modify the contract and payment terms associated with this product.

In August 1996, the Company purchased a 51% interest in CeraMed Dental ("CeraMed") for \$5 million with the right to acquire the remaining 49% interest. In March 2001, the Company entered into an agreement for an early buy out of the remaining 49% interest in CeraMed at a cost of \$20 million with a potential contingent consideration ("earn-out") provision capped at \$5 million. The acquisition of the remaining 49% was made in early July 2001. In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets", the goodwill associated with this acquisition will not be amortized. The earn-out is based on future sales of CeraMed products during the August 1, 2001 to July 31, 2002 time frame with any additional pay out due on September 30, 2002.

Certain assets of Tulsa Dental Products LLC were purchased in January 1996 for \$75.1 million, plus \$5.0 million paid in May 1999 related to earn-out provisions in the purchase agreement based on performance of the acquired business. The purchase agreement provided for an additional earn-out payment based upon the operating performance of the Tulsa Dental business for one of the three two-year periods ending December 31, 2000, December 31, 2001 or December 31, 2002, as selected by the seller. The seller chose the two-year period ended December 31, 2000 and the final earn-out payment of \$84.6 million was made in May 2001.

In October 2001, the Company completed the acquisition of Degussa Dental Group ("Degussa Dental"), a unit of Degussa AG, pursuant to the May 2001 Sale and Purchase Agreement. The preliminary purchase price for Degussa Dental was 548 million Euros or \$504 million, which was paid at closing. The preliminary purchase price is subject to increase or decrease, based on certain working capital levels of Degussa Dental as of October 1, 2001. The Company expects that the final purchase price will be approximately 576 million Euros or \$530 million, plus restructuring and other costs associated with the acquisition of approximately \$25 million. In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets", the goodwill and indefinite lived intangible assets associated with this acquisition will not be amortized. Degussa Dental manufactures and sells dental products, including precious metal alloys, ceramics and dental laboratory equipment, and chairside products. It is the world's second largest dental company and the market leader in Germany and Europe and the only significant non-domestic dental company in the Japanese market. Headquartered in Hanau-Wolfgang, Germany since 1992, Degussa Dental Group has modern production facilities throughout the world.

The acquisitions above were accounted for under the purchase method of accounting; accordingly, the results of their operations are included in the accompanying financial statements since the respective dates of the acquisitions. The purchase prices plus direct acquisition costs have been allocated on the basis of estimated fair values at the dates of acquisition, pending final determination of the fair value of certain acquired assets and liabilities. The preliminary purchase price allocations for Friadent and AZ are as follows:

	Friadent		AZ	
Current assets	\$	16,068	\$	
Property, plant and equipment		4,164		6,593
Identifiable intangible assets and costs in excess of				
fair value of net assets acquired		96,542		92,132
Other long-term assets		1,071		
Current liabilities		(12,936)		
	\$	104,909	\$	98,725

Assuming that the acquisitions of Friadent and AZ had occurred on January 1, 2000, the results of operations would have approximated the following in comparison to the reported results:

	As Reported		Pro Forma with	AZ and Friadent
	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months En	ded September 30,
	2001	2000	2001	2000
Net sales Net income	\$ 753,805 87,649	\$ 655,443 70,154	\$ 762,784 87,626	\$ 737,824 70,969
Earnings per common share Basic Diluted	\$ 1.69 1.67	\$ 1.35 1.34	\$ 1.69 1.67	\$ 1.37 1.35

NOTE 5 - INVENTORIES

Inventories consist of the following:

	September 2001	30, December 31, 2000
		(in thousands)
Finished goods	\$ 106,505	\$ 84,436
Work-in-process Raw materials and supplies	26,976 30,372	22,102 26,766
	\$ 163,853	\$ 133,304

NOTE 6 - RESTRUCTURING AND OTHER COSTS

In the first quarter of 2001, the Company recorded a pre-tax charge of \$5.5 million related to reorganizing certain functions within Europe, Brazil and North America. The primary objectives of this reorganization were to consolidate duplicative functions and to improve efficiencies within these regions and are expected to contribute to future earnings. Included in this charge were severance costs of \$3.1 million and other costs of \$2.4 million. The restructuring plan will result in the elimination of approximately 330 administrative and manufacturing positions in Brazil and Germany. Approximately 25 of these positions remain to be eliminated. The Company anticipates that most aspects of this plan will be completed, and the benefits of the restructuring will begin to be realized, by the first quarter of 2002. The major components of this restructuring charge and the remaining outstanding balances are as follows:

	2001 Provision	Amounts Applied During 2001 (in thousands)	Balance September 30, 2001
Severance Other costs	\$ 3,130 2,370 \$ 5,500	\$ (1,180) (46) \$ (1,226)	\$ 1,950 2,324 \$ 4,274

In the fourth quarter of 2000, the Company recorded a pre-tax charge of \$2.7 million related to the reorganization of its French and Latin American businesses. The primary focus of the reorganization is consolidation of operations in these regions in order to eliminate duplicative functions. The Company anticipates that this plan will increase operational efficiencies and contribute to future earnings. Included in this charge were severance costs of \$2.3 million and other costs of \$0.4 million. The restructuring will result in the elimination of approximately 40 administrative positions, mainly in France. Approximately 15 of these positions remain to be eliminated. The Company anticipates that most aspects of this plan will be completed, and the benefits of the restructuring will begin to be realized, by the end of 2001. The major components of this restructuring charge and the remaining outstanding balances are as follows:

	2000 Provision	Amounts Applied During 2000	Amounts Applied During 2001	Balance September 30, 2001	
	(in thousands)				
Severance Other costs	\$ 2,299 403 \$ 2,702	\$ (611) \$ (611)	\$ (426) (262) \$ (688)	\$ 1,262 141 \$ 1,403	

NOTE 7 - DERIVATIVES

Adoption of SFAS 133

Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133 ("SFAS 133"), "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," was issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) in June 1998. This statement establishes accounting and reporting standards for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts, and for hedging activities. It requires recognition of all derivatives as either assets or liabilities on the balance sheet and measurement of those instruments at fair value. This statement, as amended, was adopted effective January 1, 2001, and as required, the Company recognized a cumulative adjustment for the change in accounting principle. This adjustment increased other current liabilities by \$1.1 million and resulted in a cumulative loss, reflected in current earnings of \$0.3 million (\$0.2 million, net of tax), and a reduction in other comprehensive income of \$0.8 million (\$0.5 million, net of tax). The cumulative loss on adoption of SFAS 133 recognized in the income statement was recorded in "Other (income) expense, net" and was considered immaterial for presentation as a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle.

Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

The Company's activities expose it to a variety of market risks which primarily include the risks related to the effects of changes in foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates and commodity prices. These financial exposures are monitored and managed by the Company as part of its overall risk-management program. The objective of this risk management program is to reduce the potentially adverse effects that these market risks may have on the Company's operating results.

A portion of the Company's borrowings and certain inventory purchases are denominated in foreign currencies which exposes the Company to market risk associated with exchange rate movements. The Company's policy generally is to hedge major foreign currency transaction exposures through foreign exchange forward contracts. These contracts are entered into with major financial institutions thereby minimizing the risk of credit loss. In addition, the Company's investments in foreign subsidiaries are denominated in foreign currencies, which creates exposures to changes in exchange rates. The Company uses non-U.S. dollar-denominated-debt as a means of hedging some of this risk.

Much of the Company's long-term debt is variable-rate, which exposes the Company to earnings fluctuations from changing interest rates. In order to adjust these interest rate exposures, the Company's policy is to manage interest rates through the use of interest rate swaps when appropriate, based upon market conditions.

The manufacturing of some of the Company's products requires a significant volume of commodities with potentially volatile prices. In order to limit the unanticipated earnings fluctuations from such volatility in commodity prices, the Company selectively enters into commodity price swaps to convert variable raw material costs to fixed costs.

Cash Flow Hedges

The Company enters into forward exchange contracts to hedge the foreign currency exposure of its anticipated purchases of certain inventory from Japan. The forward contracts that are used in this program mature in twelve months or less. The Company generally hedges between 33% and 67% of its anticipated purchases.

The Company uses interest rate swaps to convert a portion of its variable-rate debt to fixed-rate debt. In January 2000, the Company entered into an interest rate swap agreement with notional amounts totaling 50 million Swiss francs which converts a portion of the Company's variable rate Swiss franc financing to a fixed rate of 3.4% for a period of three years. In February 2001, the Company entered into interest rate swap agreements with notional amounts totaling 130 million Swiss francs which converts a portion of the Company's variable rate financing to an average fixed rate of 3.3% for an average period of four years.

The Company selectively enters into commodity price swaps to convert variable raw material costs to fixed. In August 2000, the Company entered into a commodity price swap agreement with notional amounts totaling 270,000 troy ounces of silver bullion throughout calendar year 2001. The average fixed rate of this agreement is \$5.10 per troy ounce. The Company generally hedges between 33% and 67% of its projected annual silver needs.

For the period ended September 30, 2001, the Company recognized a net loss of \$0.4 million in "Other expense (income), net" of the income statement, which represented the total ineffectiveness of all cash flow hedges.

As of September 30, 2001, \$0.7 million of deferred net losses on derivative instruments recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income are expected to be reclassified to current earnings during the next twelve months. Transactions and events that are expected to occur over the next twelve months that will necessitate such a reclassification include: the sale of inventory that includes previously hedged purchases made in Japanese yen; the sale of inventory that includes previously hedged purchases of silver; and amortization of a portion of the net deferred loss on interest rate swaps terminated as part of a swap restructuring in February 2001, which is being amortized over the remaining term of the underlying loan being hedged. The maximum term over which the Company is hedging exposures to variability of cash flows (for all forecasted transactions, excluding interest payments on variable-rate debt) is eighteen months.

Hedges of Net Investments in Foreign Operations

The Company has numerous investments in foreign subsidiaries. The net assets of these subsidiaries are exposed to the volatility in currency exchange rates. Currently, the Company uses nonderivative financial instruments (at the parent company level) to hedge some of this exposure. The translation gains and losses related to the net assets of the foreign subsidiaries are offset by gains and losses in the parent company's debt obligations. At September 30, 2001, the Company had Swiss franc-denominated debt (at the parent company level) to hedge the currency exposure related to the net assets of its Swiss subsidiaries.

For the period ended September 30, 2001, \$1.3 million of net losses related to the Swiss franc-denominated debt were included in the Company's foreign currency translation adjustment.

Other

As of September 30, 2001, the Company had recorded the fair value of derivative instrument liabilities of \$0.2 million in "Accrued liabilities" and \$1.6 million in "Other noncurrent liabilities" on the balance sheet.

In accordance with SFAS 52, "Foreign Currency Translation", the Company utilizes long-term intercompany loans to eliminate foreign currency transaction exposures of certain foreign subsidiaries. Net gains or losses related to these long-term intercompany loans, those for which settlement is not planned or anticipated in the foreseeable future, are included in the Company's foreign currency translation adjustment.

NOTE 8 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

DENTSPLY and its subsidiaries are from time to time parties to lawsuits arising out of their respective operations. The Company believes that pending litigation to which DENTSPLY is a party will not have a material adverse effect upon its consolidated financial position or results of operations or liquidity.

In June 1995, the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice initiated an antitrust investigation regarding the policies and conduct undertaken by the Company's Trubyte Division with respect to the distribution of artificial teeth and related products. On January 5, 1999 the Department of Justice filed a Complaint against the Company in the U.S. District Court in Wilmington, Delaware alleging that the Company's tooth distribution practices violate the antitrust laws and seeking an order for the Company to discontinue its practices. Three follow on private class action suits on behalf of dentists, laboratories and denture patients in seventeen states, respectively, who purchased Trubyte teeth or products containing Trubyte teeth were filed and transferred to the U.S. District Court in Wilmington, Delaware. These cases have been assigned to the same judge who is handling the Department of Justice action. The class action filed on behalf of the dentists has been dismissed by the plaintiffs. The private party suits seek damages in an unspecified amount. The Company filed Motions for Summary Judgment in all of the above cases. The Court denied the Motion for Summary Judgment regarding the Department of Justice action, granted the Motion on the lack of standing of the patient class action and granted the Motion on lack of standing of the laboratory class action to pursue damage claims. After the Court's decision, in an attempt to avoid the effect of the Court's ruling, the attorneys for the laboratory class action filed a new Complaint naming DENTSPLY and its dealers as co-conspirators with respect to DENTSPLY's distribution policy. DENTSPLY has filed a Motion to Dismiss this re-filed action. The attorneys for the patient class have also filed a new action to avoid the effect of the Court's ruling. This action is filed in the U.S. District Court in Delaware. Four private party class actions on behalf of indirect purchasers have been filed in California. These cases are based on allegations similar to those in the Department of Justice case. In response to the Company's Motion, these cases have been consolidated in one Judicial District in Los Angeles. It is the Company's position that the conduct and activities of the Trubyte Division do not violate the antitrust laws.

NOTE 9 - OTHER EVENTS

On January 25, 2001, a fire broke out in one the Company's Swiss manufacturing facilities. The fire caused severe damage to a building and to most of the equipment it contained. The Company has assessed the damages and anticipates having all of the lost production capacity replaced by the middle of the fourth quarter. Minimal impacts to customer shipments occurred as a result of the fire and the majority of these occurred in the second quarter of 2001. The Company has worked closely with its insurers and anticipates closing out most of the claims (with the exception of the building claim) in the fourth quarter of 2001. The building claim settlement is anticipated in the first half of 2002. The claims process is lengthy and its outcome cannot be predicted with certainty; however, the Company anticipates that all or most of the financial loss imposed by this fire will be recovered under its various insurance policies.

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

Certain statements made by the Company, including without limitation, statements containing the words "plans", "anticipates", "believes", "expects", or words of similar import constitute forward-looking statements which are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Investors are cautioned that forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties which may materially affect the Company's business and prospects, and should be read in conjunction with the risk factors set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Quarter Ended September 30, 2001 Compared to Quarter Ended September 30, 2000

For the quarter ended September 30, 2001, net sales increased \$36.8 million, or 17.0%, to \$253.5 million, up from \$216.7 million in the same period of 2000. Base business sales (internal sales growth exclusive of acquisitions/divestitures and the impact of currency translation) grew 6.3%. This growth was achieved over both large equipment and consumable product categories. The impact of currency translation had a negative effect of 1.3% on the third quarter results compared to the comparable period in 2000 due to the strong U.S. dollar against most global currencies while acquisitions in 2001, net of divestitures, had a positive 12.0% impact on net sales growth.

Sales in the United States for the third quarter grew 10.8%. Base business sales growth in the U.S., up 6.7%, was the result of increases in both consumable and large equipment lines. Strong growth was achieved in bone grafting materials, endodontics, orthodontics, intraoral cameras and digital x-ray systems. Acquisitions, net of divestitures, added 4.1% to net sales in the U.S. during the third quarter.

European sales, including the Commonwealth of Independent States, increased 31.4% during the third quarter of 2001. European base business sales increased 7.9%. Currency translation had a positive 0.3% effect on the quarter in Europe. Acquisitions added 23.2% to European sales during the quarter. Base business sales growth was strong across all major products groups in Europe as performance at the European central warehouse improved significantly during the third quarter.

Asia (excluding Japan) base business sales increased 8.3% despite slowing economies in this region. Latin American base business sales declined 5.6% during the third quarter 2001, primarily due to sharply contracting economies in Brazil and Argentina, which negatively impacted growth throughout the Latin American region. Sales in the rest of the world grew 46.9%: 9.1% from base business primarily in Canada, Africa, and Australia; less 4.0% from the impact of currency translation plus 41.8% from acquisitions.

Gross profit grew 17.9% in the third quarter due to higher sales. The 52.2% third quarter, 2001 gross profit percentage was higher than the 51.8% gross profit percentage for the third quarter of 2000. This increase was due to a favorable product mix and improved operating efficiencies, offset by the negative impact of a strong U.S. dollar in 2001.

Selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expense increased \$13.9 million, or 18.7%. As a percentage of sales, expenses increased from 34.2% in the third quarter of 2000 to 34.7% for the same period of 2001 due to recent acquisitions. SG&A spending, excluding acquisitions, represented 33.2% of sales during the third quarter of 2001 compared to 34.2% for the same period in 2000. This decrease is mainly due to lower legal expenses and a partial recovery from the Healthco bankruptcy, which occurred in 1993.

Net interest expense increased \$2.2 million in the third quarter of 2001 due to higher debt levels in 2001 to finance the acquisition of Friadent and the dental injectible anesthetic assets of AstraZeneca, the remaining 49% acquisition of CeraMed and the Tulsa acquisition earn-out, offset somewhat by strong operating cash flows and the further utilization of lower rate Swiss debt. Other expense increased \$0.8 million in the third quarter of 2001 due primarily to currency transaction losses offset somewhat by the preferred stock dividends due from PracticeWorks, Inc. resulting from the sale of SoftDent in the first quarter of 2001.

The effective year to date tax rate for operations was 33.0% in the third quarter of 2001 compared to 34.0% in the third quarter of 2000 reflecting savings from federal, state and foreign tax planning activities.

Net income increased \$2.6 million, or 11.1% from the third quarter of 2000 and diluted earnings per common share were \$0.49, an increase of 8.9% from \$0.45 in the third quarter of 2000, including a negative \$.03 per common share impact from the Tulsa earn-out payment made in May 2001. Excluding this impact, dilutive earnings per common share increased 15.6% in the third quarter.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2001 Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2000

Net sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 were 15.0% above the comparable period in 2000, including 10.9% for acquisitions. Excluding acquisitions/divestitures, base business net sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 were up 6.2% at 2001 actual exchange rates for both periods (constant exchange rates), up 4.2% at reported exchange rates. This growth was achieved over both large equipment and consumable product categories. The impact of currency had a 2.0% negative impact as the U.S. dollar remained strong against most global currencies adversely affecting the comparison to the prior year.

Sales in the United States for the first nine months grew 11.5%. Base business growth in the U.S., up 7.6%, was achieved across both consumable and large equipment lines. Notable growth was achieved in endodontics, orthodontics, intraoral cameras and digital x-rays systems. Acquisitions, net of divestitures, added 3.9% to net sales in the U.S. during the first nine months of 2001.

European sales, including C.I.S., increased 22.4% during the first nine months of 2001. European base business sales increased 4.2%. Currency translation had a negative 3.4% effect on the period. Acquisitions added 21.6% to European sales during the first nine months of 2001. Large equipment base business sales in Europe grew 18.5%, reflecting the continued strong demand for digital x-ray and intraoral cameras. Consumable base business sales growth in Europe has rebounded with growth achieved in the endodontic and German consumables businesses.

Asia (excluding Japan) base business sales increased 11.1% as the Company's subsidiaries in the key Asian countries continued to gain market share. Latin American base business sales decreased 2.1% during the first nine months of 2001 primarily due to a recession in Brazil and Argentina, the two key Latin American markets. Sales in the rest of the world grew 31.8%: 6.1% from base business primarily in Canada, Africa, Japan, and Australia; less 4.6% from the impact of currency translation plus 30.3% from acquisitions.

For the first nine months of 2001, worldwide consumable base business sales were up 6.3%, while large equipment base business sales increased 13.3%. Gross profit grew 16.1% in the first nine months of 2001 due to higher sales. The 52.5% gross profit percentage for the first nine months of 2001 was higher than the 52.1% gross profit percentage for the same period of 2000. Gross profit margins benefited from restructuring and operational improvements and a favorable product mix offset somewhat by the negative impact of a strong U.S. dollar and the amortization of the Friadent inventory step up in 2001.

Selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses increased \$40.2 million, or 17.7%. As a percentage of sales, expenses increased from 34.6% in the first nine months of 2000 to 35.4% for the same period of 2001. The recent acquisitions accounted for 1.2 percentage points of the rate increase. The net decrease in base SG&A spending includes lower legal expenses and a partial recovery from the Healthco bankruptcy which occurred in 1993. These decreases more than offset the additional sales and marketing expenses due to the North American sales conference held in February 2001 and the bi-annual International Dental Society (IDS) meeting held in Cologne, Germany in March 2001.

The first nine months of 2001 included a \$5.5 million pre-tax charge (\$3.8 million after tax) for improving efficiencies in Europe, Brazil and North America.

Net interest expense increased \$4.8 million in the first half of 2001 due to higher debt levels in 2001 to finance the acquisition of Friadent and the dental injectible anesthetic assets of AstraZeneca, the remaining 49% acquisition of CeraMed and the Tulsa earn-out, offset somewhat by a strong operating cash flow and the further utilization of lower rate Swiss debt in 2001. Other income increased \$23.1 million in the first nine months of 2001 due to the \$23.1 million net gain on the sale of SoftDent.

Net income increased \$17.5 million, or 24.9% from the first nine months of 2000 including a \$13.6 million after tax gain on the sale of SoftDent and the \$3.8 million after tax charge for restructuring recorded in the first quarter of 2001. Without the restructuring charge and the gain on the sale of SoftDent, net income was \$77.8 million, up 10.9% from the first nine months of 2000, and diluted earnings per common share were \$1.48, an increase of 10.4% from \$1.34 in the first nine months of 2000, including a negative \$.05 per common share impact from the Tulsa earn-out payment made in May 2001. Without this negative impact, diluted earnings per share increased 14.2%. This increase was due to higher sales, higher gross profit margin, and a lower income tax rate, offset slightly by higher expenses as a percent of sales and higher interest expense in the first nine months of 2001.

Recent Developments

In October 2001, the Company generated a pre-tax gain of \$8.5 million related to the restructuring of its UK pension arrangements. This is expected to have a one-time earnings per share benefit of approximately \$0.10 and a corresponding cash benefit in the fourth quarter of 2001.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

For the nine months ended September 30, 2001, cash flows from operating activities were \$118.0 million compared to \$112.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2000. The increase of \$5.7 million results primarily from higher earnings, increases in accrued liabilities and income taxes payable offset by an increase in inventory.

Investing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 include capital expenditures of \$34.9 million.

In December 2000, the Board of Directors authorized a stock buyback program for 2001 to purchase up to 1.0 million shares of common stock on the open market or in negotiated transactions. During the nine months ended September 30, 2001, the Company repurchased 25,000 shares of its common stock for \$0.9 million.

The Company's current ratio was 1.7 with working capital of \$154.7 million at September 30, 2001. This compares with a current ratio of 1.9 and working capital of \$157.3 million at December 31, 2000.

The Company had acquisition activity during the nine months ended September 30, 2001 that has resulted or will result in significant cash outlays. In January 2001, the Company completed the acquisition of Friadent GmbH ("Friadent") for 220 million German marks or \$106 million (\$104.7, net of cash acquired). In March 2001, the Company completed the acquisition of the dental injectible anesthetic assets of AstraZeneca ("AZ"), including licensing rights to the dental trademarks, for \$96.5 million, with potential additional payments, ranging between \$20 million and \$40 million, to be made at future dates. Additionally, in March 2001, the Company entered into an agreement for an early buyout of the remaining 49% interest in CeraMed Dental at a cost of \$20 million with a potential earn-out provision capped at \$5 million. The \$20 million payment was made in early July 2001 and the earn-out is based on future sales. In May 2001, the Company also made an earn-out payment of \$84.6 million related to its 1996 purchase of Tulsa Dental Products LLC. The earn-out is based on provisions in the purchase agreement related to the operating performance of the acquired business. These transactions are discussed in Note 4 of the Notes to Unaudited Interim Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements.

In October 2001, the Company completed the acquisition of Degussa Dental Group ("Degussa Dental"), a unit of Degussa AG, pursuant to the May 2001 Sale and Purchase Agreement. Degussa Dental manufactures and sells dental products, including precious metal alloys, ceramics and dental laboratory equipment, and chairside products. The preliminary purchase price for Degussa Dental was 548 million Euros or \$504 million, which was paid at closing. The preliminary purchase price is subject to increase or decrease, based on certain working capital levels of Degussa Dental as of October 1, 2001. The company expects that the final purchase price will be approximately 576 million Euros or \$530 million, plus restructuring and other costs associated with the acquisition of approximately \$25 million. The Company has funded this acquisition with a temporary short-term loan ("bridge financing"), the private placement of notes with a major insurance company and the Company's existing revolving credit facility. The Company intends to replace the bridge financing and a portion of its outstanding balance under the bank revolving credit facility with proceeds from a Eurobond offering, which is currently planned for late November or early December. In addition, the Company plans to sell the precious metals inventory acquired with the Degussa Dental business to a third party and lease it back, with the proceeds being used to pay down debt under the revolving credit facility. The Company estimates that the proceeds from this sale will be approximately \$70 million.

In order to fund these transactions, the Company completed a \$150 million five year average life private placements of debt, denominated in Swiss francs at an average interest rate of 4.5% to 5.0% with a major insurance company in March and October 2001. In May 2001, the Company also replaced and expanded its revolving credit agreements to \$500 million from its previous level of \$300 million.

The Company's long-term debt increased \$233.7 million from December 31, 2000 to \$343.2 million due to the acquisitions that closed through September 30, 2001. The resulting long-term debt to total capitalization at September 30, 2001 was 36.6% compared to 17.4% at December 31, 2000. The Company expects on an ongoing basis, to be able to finance cash requirements, including capital expenditures, stock repurchases, debt service, and potential future acquisitions, from the funds generated from operations and amounts available under its existing credit facilities, and its planned Eurobond offering.

NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133 ("SFAS 133"), "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," was issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) in June 1998. This statement establishes accounting and reporting standards for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts, and for hedging activities. It requires recognition of all derivatives as either assets or liabilities on the balance sheet and measurement of those instruments at fair value. This statement, as amended, was adopted effective January 1, 2001, and as required, the Company recognized a cumulative adjustment for the change in accounting principle. This adjustment increased other current liabilities by \$1.1 million and resulted in a cumulative loss, reflected in current earnings of \$0.3 million (\$0.2 million, net of tax), and a reduction in other comprehensive income of \$0.8 million (\$0.5 million, net of tax). The Company does not expect this statement to have a significant impact on future net income as its derivative instruments are held primarily for hedging purposes, and the Company considers the resulting hedges to be highly effective under SFAS 133.

In June 2001 FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 141 ("SFAS 141"), "Business Combinations" and Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142 ("SFAS 142"), "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets". SFAS 141 addresses financial accounting and reporting for business combinations. Specifically, effective for business combinations occurring after July 1, 2001, it eliminates the use of the pooling method of accounting and requires all business combinations to be accounted for under the purchase method. SFAS 142 addresses financial accounting and reporting for acquired goodwill and other intangible assets. The primary change related to this new standard is that the amortization of goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives will be discontinued and instead an annual impairment approach will be applied. Except for goodwill and intangible assets related to acquisitions after July 1, 2001 (in which case, amortization on these intangible assets effective January 1, 2002. The Company is in the process of analyzing all the effects of these new standards 'provisions. The Company expects the application of these new standards will have a positive impact on earnings per share of approximately \$0.20 to \$0.25 beginning in 2002.

In June 2001, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 143 ("SFAS 143"), "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations". It applies to legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets that result from the acquisition, construction, development and (or) the normal operation of a long-lived asset, except for certain obligations of lessees. SFAS 143 requires that the fair value of a liability for an asset retirement obligation be recognized in the period in which it is incurred if a reasonable estimate of fair value can be made. The associated asset retirement costs are capitalized as part of the carrying amount of the long-lived asset and subsequently allocated to expense over the asset's useful life. SFAS 143 is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2002. The Company is currently evaluating this new standard and has not yet determined the full effect of adopting it.

In August 2001, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 144 ("SFAS 144"), "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets". SFAS 144 retains the current requirement to recognize an impairment loss only if the carrying amounts of long-lived assets to be held and used are not recoverable from their expected undiscounted future cash flows. However, goodwill is no longer required to be allocated to these long-lived assets when determining their carrying amounts. The new standard requires that a long-lived asset to be abandoned, exchanged for a similar productive asset, or distributed to owners in a spin-off be considered held and used until it is disposed. However, SFAS 144 requires the depreciable life of an asset to be abandoned be revised. SFAS 144 requires that long-lived assets to be disposed of by sale be recorded at the lower of their carrying amount or fair value less cost to sell and to cease depreciation (amortization). Therefore, discontinued operations are no longer measured on a net realizable value basis, and future operating losses are no longer recognized before they occur. The provisions of SFAS 144 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2001. The Company is currently evaluating this new standard and has not yet determined the full effect of adopting it.

EURO CURRENCY CONVERSION

On January 1, 1999, eleven of the fifteen member countries of the European Union (the "participating countries") established fixed conversion rates between their legacy currencies and the newly established Euro currency.

The legacy currencies will remain legal tender in the participating countries between January 1, 1999 and January 1, 2002 (the "transition period"). Starting January 1, 2002 the European Central Bank will issue Euro-denominated bills and coins for use in cash transactions. On or before July 1, 2002, the legacy currencies of participating countries will no longer be legal tender for any transactions.

The Company's various operating units which are affected by the Euro conversion have adopted the Euro as the functional currency effective January 1, 2001. At this time, the Company does not expect the reasonably foreseeable consequences of the Euro conversion to have material adverse effects on the Company's business, operations or financial condition.

IMPACT OF INFLATION

The Company has generally offset the impact of inflation on wages and the cost of purchased materials by reducing operating costs and increasing selling prices to the extent permitted by market conditions.

CERTAIN RISK FACTORS

The following risk factors, in addition to the risks described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000, may cause actual results to differ materially from those in any forward-looking statements in this report or made in the future by the Company or its representatives:

The Dental Degussa Acquisition

Achieving the benefits of our acquisition of Degussa Dental will depend in part on the integration of the operations and personnel of the two companies in a timely and efficient manner in order to minimize the risk that the acquisition will result in the loss of customers or key employees or the continued diversion of the attention of management. In general, we cannot offer any assurances that we can successfully integrate the operations of DENTSPLY and Degussa Dental, and our failure to do so will make it more difficult to achieve the cost savings and other benefits we expect from the acquisition. In addition, the integration will require the significant attention of management which could divert management's attention from other important tasks.

Other risks include unanticipated expenses related to technology integration, difficulties in maintaining uniform standards, controls, procedures and policies, the impairment of relationships with employees and customers as a result of any integration of new management personnel, unanticipated difficulties in securing regulatory approvals required in order to sell DENTSPLY's and Degussa Dental's products in foreign markets, the failure to predict accurately the growth rate of markets for new and existing products of the combined company, and the difficulties inherent in product innovation.

Financing

As at September 30, 2001, our long-term debt was U.S.\$343.2 million reflecting drawings under our revolving credit facility and a private placement of debt securities. After giving effect to the expected total acquisition costs of Degussa Dental, less the expected proceeds from the planned sale of the precious metals inventory, our long-term debt as of September 30, 2001 on a pro forma basis increased to \$828.2 million.

Our ability to make payments on our indebtedness, and to fund our operations depends on our future performance and financial results, which, to a certain extent, are subject to general economic, financial, competitive, regulatory and other factors that are beyond our control. After giving effect to the acquisition of Degussa Dental, our ratio of long-term debt to total capitalization as of September 30, 2001 on a pro forma basis was 58.3%. Our level of debt, and any increase in our level of debt, has several important effects on our future operations, including, without limitation: increasing our vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions; limiting our ability to obtain additional financing to fund our general corporate requirements; requiring the dedication of a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to the payment of principal of, and interest on, our indebtedness, and exposing us to the risk of increased interest rates since certain of our borrowings are at variable rates of interest.

Our existing borrowing documentation contains a number of covenants and financial ratios which we are required to satisfy. Any breach of any such covenants or restrictions would result in a default under the existing borrowing documentation that would permit the lenders to declare all borrowings under such documentation to be immediately due and payable and, through cross default provisions, would entitle our other lenders to accelerate their loans.

Competition

We conduct our operations, both domestic and foreign, under highly competitive market conditions. Competition in the dental consumables and equipment industries is based primarily upon product performance, quality, safety and ease of use, as well as price, customer service, innovation and acceptance by professionals and technicians. We believe that our principal strengths include our well-established brand names, our reputation for high-quality and innovative products, our leadership in product development and manufacturing and our commitment to customer service and technical support.

The worldwide market for dental supplies and equipment is highly competitive. The size and number of our competitors vary by product line and from region to region. There are many companies that produce some, but not all, of the same types of products as those produced by us. Certain of our competitors may have greater resources than we do in certain of our product offerings. There can be no assurance that we will successfully identify new product opportunities and develop and market new products successfully or that new products and technologies introduced by competitors will not render our products obsolete or non-competitive.

Regulation

Our products are subject to regulation by, among other governmental entities, Food and Drug Administration (the "FDA"). In general, if a dental "device" is subject to FDA regulation, compliance with the FDA's requirements constitutes compliance with corresponding state regulations. In order to ensure that dental products distributed for human use in the United States are safe and effective, the FDA regulates the introduction, manufacture, advertising, labeling, packaging, marketing and distribution of, and record-keeping for, such products. Dental devices of the types sold by the company are generally classified by the FDA into a category that renders them subject only to general controls that apply to all medical devices, including regulations regarding alteration, misbranding, notification, record-keeping and good manufacturing practices. Our facilities are subject to periodic inspection by the FDA to monitor our compliance with these regulations. There can be no assurance that the FDA will not raise compliance concerns. Failure to satisfy FDA requirements can result in FDA enforcement actions, including product seizure, injunction, and/or criminal or civil proceedings.

In the European Union, our products are subject to the medical devices laws of the various member states which are based on a Directive of the European Commission. Such laws generally regulate the safety of the products in a similar way to the FDA regulations. Our products in Europe bear the CE sign showing that such products adhere to the European regulations

All dental amalgam filling materials, including those manufactured and sold by us, contain mercury. Various groups have alleged that dental amalgam containing mercury is harmful to human health and have actively lobbied state and federal lawmakers and regulators to pass laws or adopt regulatory changes restricting the use, or requiring a warning against alleged potential risks, of dental amalgams. The FDA's Dental Devices Classification Panel, the National Institutes of Health and the United States Public Health Service have each indicated that no direct hazard to humans from exposure to dental amalgams has been demonstrated. If the FDA were to reclassify dental mercury and amalgam filling materials as classes of products requiring FDA pre-market approval, there can be no assurance that the required approval would be obtained or that the FDA would permit the continued sale of amalgam filling materials pending its determination. In Europe, in particular in Scandinavia and Germany, the contents of mercury in amalgam filling materials had been the subject of public discussion. As a consequence, in 1994 the German health authorities asked suppliers of dental amalgam to amend, as a precautionary measure, the instructions for use for amalgam filling materials. We adhered to this request. We also manufacture and sell non-amalgam dental filling materials that do not contain mercury.

The introduction and sale of dental products of the types produced by us are also subject to government regulation in the various countries around the world in which they are produced or sold. Some of these regulatory requirements are more stringent than those applicable in the United States. We believe that we are in substantial compliance with all regulatory requirements that are applicable to our products and manufacturing operations.

Item 3 - Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

There have been no significant material changes to the market risks as disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed for the year ending December 31, 2000.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1 - Legal Proceedings

DENTSPLY and its subsidiaries are from time to time parties to lawsuits arising out of their respective operations. The Company believes that pending litigation to which DENTSPLY is a party will not have a material adverse effect upon its consolidated financial position or results of operations or liquidity.

In June 1995, the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice initiated an antitrust investigation regarding the policies and conduct undertaken by the Company's Trubyte Division with respect to the distribution of artificial teeth and related products. On January 5, 1999 the Department of Justice filed a Complaint against the Company in the U.S. District Court in Wilmington, Delaware alleging that the Company's tooth distribution practices violate the antitrust laws and seeking an order for the Company to discontinue its practices. Three follow on private class action suits on behalf of dentists, laboratories and denture patients in seventeen states, respectively, who purchased Trubyte teeth or products containing Trubyte teeth were filed and transferred to the U.S. District Court in Wilmington, Delaware. These cases have been assigned to the same judge who is handling the Department of Justice action. The class action filed on behalf of the dentists has been dismissed by the plaintiffs. The private party suits seek damages in an unspecified amount. The Company filed Motions for Summary Judgment in all of the above cases. The Court denied the Motion for Summary Judgment regarding the Department of Justice action, granted the Motion on the lack of standing of the patient class action and granted the Motion on lack of standing of the laboratory class action to pursue damage claims. After the Court's decision, in an attempt to avoid the effect of the Court's ruling, the attorneys for the laboratory class action filed a new Complaint naming DENTSPLY and its dealers as co-conspirators with respect to DENTSPLY's distribution policy. DENTSPLY has filed a Motion to Dismiss this re-filed action. The attorneys for the patient class have also filed a new action to avoid the effect of the Court's ruling. This action is filed in the U.S. District Court in Delaware. Four private party class actions on behalf of indirect purchasers have been filed in California. These cases are based on allegations similar to those in the Department of Justice case. In response to the Company's Motion, these cases have been consolidated in one Judicial District in Los Angeles. It is the Company's position that the conduct and activities of the Trubyte Division do not violate the antitrust laws.

Item 6 - Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

- (a) Exhibits- None.
- (b) Reports on Form 8-K

No reports on Form 8-K were filed by the Company during the quarter ended September 30, 2001. The Company filed a report on Form 8-K on October 17, 2001 disclosing information related to the completion of the acquisition of Degussa Dental Group.

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.

DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC.

November 13, 2001 Date /s/ John C. Miles II John C. Miles II Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

November 13, 2001 Date /s/ William R. Jellison William R. Jellison Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer