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### **FORM 10-K**

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### ANNUAL REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) **OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2004

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TRANSITION REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) **OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934** 

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### **JAKKS PACIFIC, INC.**

(Name of registrant as specified in its charte

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

22619 Pacific Coast Highway Malibu, California (Address of principal executive offices)

95-4527222 (I.R.S. Employer **Identification No.)** 

> 90265 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (310) 456-7799

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act:

Name of each exchange Title of each class on which registered

None

### Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act:

**Title of Class** 

### Common Stock, \$.001 par value per share

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

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. o

Indicate by a check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes 🗵 No o

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity (the only such common equity being Common Stock, \$.001 par value per share) held by non-affiliates of the registrant (computed by reference to the closing sale price of the Common Stock on March 28, 2005) is \$557,486,684.

The number of shares outstanding of the registrant's Common Stock, \$.001 par value (being the only class of its common stock) is 26,665,703 (as of March 28, 2005).

### **Documents Incorporated by Reference**

None.

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### DISCLOSURE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

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This report includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. For example, statements included in this report regarding our financial position, business strategy and other plans and objectives for future operations, and assumptions and predictions about future product demand, supply, manufacturing, costs, marketing and pricing factors are all forward-looking statements. When we use words like "intend," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "plan" or "expect," we are making forward-looking statements. We believe that the assumptions and expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, based on information available to us on the date hereof, but we cannot assure you that these assumptions and expectations will prove to have been correct or that we will take any action that we may presently be planning. We have disclosed certain important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from our current expectations elsewhere in this report. You should understand that forward-looking statements made in this report are necessarily qualified by these factors. We are not undertaking to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement if we obtain new information or upon the occurrence of future events or otherwise.

#### Item 1. Business

In this report, "JAKKS," the "Company," "we," "us" and "our" refer to JAKKS Pacific, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

### **Company Overview**

We are a leading multi-line, multi-brand toy company that designs, develops, produces and markets toys and related products. We focus our business on acquiring or licensing well-recognized trademarks and brand names with long product histories ("evergreen brands"). We seek to acquire these evergreen brands because we believe they are less subject to market fads or trends. Our products are typically lower-priced toys and accessories and include:

- Action figures and accessories including licensed characters, principally based on *World Wrestling Entertainment*<sup>TM</sup> ("WWE") and the *Dragon Ball*<sup>®</sup> franchise, and toy vehicles, including *Road Champs*<sup>®</sup> die-cast collectibles and *Remco*<sup>®</sup> toy vehicles and role-play toys and accessories;
- Craft, activity and stationery products, including *Flying Colors Toys*® activity sets, compounds, playsets and lunch boxes, and Colorworkshop® craft products such as the *Blopen*® and *Pentech*® writing instruments, stationery and activity products;
- Infant and pre-school electronic toys, TV activities, toy foam puzzle mats and blocks, activity sets, outdoor products, plush toys featuring *Care Bears* and *Teletubbies*, soft body dolls featuring *Cabbage Patch Kids* and slumber bags;
- Seasonal toys and leisure products, including kites, *Funnoodle*® pool toys, and *Storm*™ water guns;
- Electronics products, including *Plug it in & Play TV Games*™ and *Laser Challenge*™;
- Junior sports, including Disney products, *Gaksplat*<sup>TM</sup> and *Storm*<sup>TM</sup>; and
- Fashion and mini dolls and related accessories, including Disney Princesses sold in The Disney Store chain.

We continually review the marketplace to identify and evaluate evergreen brands that we believe have the potential for significant growth. We endeavor to generate growth within these brands by:

- creating innovative products under established brand names;
- focusing our marketing efforts to enhance consumer recognition and retailer interest;
- linking them with our evergreen portfolio of brands;
- adding new items to the branded product lines that we expect will enjoy greater popularity; and
- adding new features and improving the functionality of products in the line.

In addition to developing our proprietary brands and marks, we license brands such as *WWE*<sup>TM</sup>, *Nickelodeon*<sup>®</sup>, *Rugrats*<sup>®</sup>, *Dora the Explorer*<sup>®</sup>, *Blue's Clues*<sup>®</sup>, *SpongeBob SquarePants*<sup>®</sup>, *Mickey Mouse, Winnie the Pooh, Hello Kitty*<sup>®</sup> and *NASCAR*<sup>®</sup>. Licensing enables us to use these high-profile marks at a lower cost than we would incur if we purchased these marks or developed comparable marks on our own. By licensing marks, we have access to a far greater range of marks than would be available for purchase. We also license technology produced by unaffiliated inventors and product developers to improve the design and functionality of our products.

We have obtained an exclusive worldwide license for our joint venture with THQ Inc. ("THQ"), which develops, produces, manufactures and markets video games based on WWE characters and themes. Since the joint venture's first title release in 1999, it has released 23 new titles. We have recognized approximately \$49.5 million in profit from the joint venture through December 31, 2004. On October 19, 2004, we were named as defendants in a lawsuit commenced by WWE, pursuant to which WWE is seeking treble, punitive and other damages (including disgorgement of profits) in an undisclosed amount and a declaration that the video game license with the joint venture and an amendment to our toy licenses with WWE are void and unenforceable (see "Legal Proceedings").

Through the Toymax International, Inc. ("Toymax") acquisition, we added toy brand names such as *Laser Challenge* and *Creepy Crawlers*® to our brand portfolio. In addition, pool-related products branded under the name *Funnoodle* and kites branded under the name *Go Fly a Kite*® further diversified our portfolio with products popular in the spring and summer seasons.

Through the assets acquired from Trendmasters<sup>®</sup>, Inc. ("Trendmasters"), we added to our portfolio the *The Storm* brand of water guns, gliders and junior sports toys, seasonal products for Halloween, Christmas and Easter, and vehicles, action figures, dolls and playsets under multiple brands.

In May 2003, we acquired from P&M Products USA, Inc. and an affiliated United Kingdom company, P&M Products Limited, (collectively "P&M") the *Blopen*, *Blitzer*™, *Vivid Velvet*® and *Paints*® line of products.

In June 2004, we acquired from Play Along, Inc., Play Along (Hong Kong) Limited and PA Distribution, Inc. (collectively "Play Along") pre-school toys including plush toys featuring *Care Bears* and *Teletubbies*, soft body dolls featuring *Cabbage Patch Kids*, and others.

Most of our current products are relatively inexpensive. In 2004, approximately 70% of our revenue came from products priced at twenty dollars or less at retail. We believe that these products have enduring appeal and are less subject to general economic conditions, toy product fads and trends, and changes in retail distribution channels. As of December 31, 2004, we had over 4,775 products in over 21 product categories. In addition, the simplicity of these products enables us to choose among a wider range of manufacturers and affords us greater flexibility in product design, pricing and marketing. Our product development process typically takes from three to nine months from concept to production and shipment to our customers. We believe that many licensors and retailers recognize and reward our ability to bring product to market faster and more efficiently than many of our competitors.

We sell our products through our in-house sales staff and independent sales representatives to toy and mass-market retail chain stores, department stores, office supply stores, drug and grocery store chains, club stores, toy specialty stores and wholesalers. The *Road Champs*, *Flying Colors* and *Pentech* products also are sold to smaller hobby shops, specialty retailers and corporate accounts, among others. Our five largest customers are Target, Kmart, Toys 'R' Us, Wal-Mart, and Kay Bee Toys, which collectively accounted for approximately 65.6% of our net sales in 2004. No other customer accounted for more than 2.0% of our net sales in 2004. Kay Bee Toys filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in January 2004. As a result, we have reserved \$2.1 million for potential bad debt, which represents 84% of Kay Bee Toys' \$2.5 million pre-petition accounts receivable balance with us. If Kay Bee Toys is unable to extricate itself from bankruptcy and we are unable to replace the revenues previously earned by us from Kay Bee Toys with other retailers, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected (see "Risk Factors").

### **Our Growth Strategy**

The execution of our growth strategy has resulted in increased revenues and earnings. In 2003 and 2004, we generated net sales of \$315.8 million and \$574.3 million, respectively, and net income of \$15.9 million and \$43.6 million, respectively. We believe approximately 12.7% and 29.4% of our increase in net sales in 2003 and 2004 were respectively attributable to our acquisitions. Key elements of our growth strategy include:

• *Expand Core Products.* We manage our existing and new brands through strong product development initiatives, including introducing new products, modifying existing products and extending existing product lines. Our product designers strive to develop new products or product lines to offer added technological, aesthetic and functional improvements to our product lines. We use real-scan technology in our action toys, and we incorporate articulated joints and a flexible rubberized coating to enhance the life-like and feel of these action toys. These innovations produce higher quality and better likenesses of the representative characters.

• *Enter New Product Categories.* We will continue to use our extensive experience in the toy and other industries to evaluate products and licenses in new product categories and to develop additional product lines. We have entered the toy candy category through our internal creation of *Tongue Tape*, commenced marketing of licensed classic video games for simple plug-in use with television sets and expanded into slumber bags through the licensing of this category from our current licensors, such as Nickelodeon.

• *Pursue Strategic Acquisitions*. We intend to supplement our internal growth rate with selected strategic acquisitions. Since our inception in 1995, we have successfully completed and integrated twelve acquisitions of companies and trademarks. Most recently, in June 2004, we acquired the assets of Play Along which expanded our pre-school offerings. We will continue focusing our acquisition strategy on businesses or brands that have compatible product lines and offer valuable trademarks or brands.

• Acquire Additional Character and Product Licenses. We have acquired the rights to use many familiar corporate, trade and brand names and logos from third parties that we use with our primary trademarks and brands. Currently, we have license agreements with the WWE, Nickelodeon, Disney, and Warner Bros.®, as well as with the licensors of the many popular licensed children's characters previously mentioned, among others. We intend to continue to pursue new licenses from these entertainment and media companies and other licensors. We also intend to continue to purchase additional inventions and product concepts through our existing network of product developers.

• *Expand International Sales.* We believe that foreign markets, especially Europe, Australia, Canada, Latin America and Asia, offer us significant growth opportunities. In 2004, our sales generated outside the United States were approximately \$68.5 million, or 11.9% of total net sales. We intend to continue to expand our international sales by capitalizing on our experience and our relationships with foreign distributors and retailers. Our recent expansion efforts included expanding internal resources and entering into a distribution agreement with Vivid Imaginations Ltd., a United Kingdom based toy distributor. We expect these initiatives to continue to contribute to our international growth in 2005 along with the addition of the Play Along product.

• *Capitalize On Our Operating Efficiencies*. We believe that our current infrastructure and low-overhead operating model can accommodate significant growth without a proportionate increase in our operating and administrative expenses, thereby increasing our operating margins.

The execution of our growth strategy, however, is subject to several risks and uncertainties and we cannot assure you that we will continue to experience growth in, or maintain our present level of, net sales (see "— Risk Factors That May Affect Future Results," beginning on page 14). For example, our growth strategy will place additional demands on our management, operational capacity and financial resources and systems. The increased demand on management may necessitate our recruitment and retention of qualified management personnel. We cannot assure you that we will be able to recruit and retain qualified personnel or expand and manage our operations effectively and profitably. To effectively manage future growth, we must continue to expand our operational, financial and management information systems and to train, motivate and manage our work force. There can be no assurance that our operational, financial and management information systems will be adequate to support our future operations. Failure to expand our operational, financial and management information systems or to train, motivate or manage employees could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Moreover, implementation of our growth strategy is subject to risks beyond our control, including competition, market acceptance of new products, changes in economic conditions, our ability to obtain or renew licenses on commercially reasonable terms and our ability to finance increased levels of accounts receivable and inventory necessary to support our sales growth, if any.

Furthermore, we cannot assure you that we can identify attractive acquisition candidates or negotiate acceptable acquisition terms, and our failure to do so may adversely affect our results of operations and our ability to sustain growth.

Finally, our acquisition strategy involves a number of risks, each of which could adversely affect our operating results, including difficulties in integrating acquired businesses or product lines, assimilating new facilities and personnel and harmonizing diverse business strategies and methods of operation; diversion of management attention from operation of our existing business; loss of key personnel from acquired companies; and failure of an acquired business to achieve targeted financial results.

### **Industry Overview**

According to Toy Industry Association, Inc. ("TIA"), the leading toy industry trade group, the United States is the world's largest toy market, followed by Japan and Western Europe. Total retail sales of toys, excluding video games, in the United States, were approximately \$20.1 billion in 2004. Sales by domestic toy manufacturers to foreign customers exceeded \$6.0 billion in 2002. We believe the two largest United States toy companies, Mattel and Hasbro, collectively hold a dominant share of the domestic non-video toy market. In addition, hundreds of smaller companies compete in the design and development of new toys, the procurement of character and product licenses, and the improvement and expansion of previously introduced products and product lines. In the United States video game segment, total retail sales of video game software were approximately \$9.9 billion in 2004.

Over the past few years, the toy industry has experienced substantial consolidation among both toy companies and toy retailers. We believe that the ongoing consolidation of toy companies provides us with increased growth opportunities due to retailers' desire to not be entirely dependent on a few dominant toy companies. Retailer concentration also enables us to ship products, manage account relationships and track retail sales more effectively and efficiently.

#### Products

We focus our business on acquiring or licensing well-recognized trademarks or brand names, and we seek to acquire evergreen brands which are less subject to market fads or trends. Some of our license agreements for products and concepts call for royalties ranging from 1% to 18% of net sales, and some may require minimum guarantees and advances. Our principal products include:

### Action Figures and Accessories

We have an extensive toy license with the WWE pursuant to which we have the exclusive worldwide right, until December 31, 2009, to develop and market a full line of toy products based on the popular *WWE* professional wrestlers. These wrestlers perform throughout the year at live events that attract large crowds, many of which are broadcast on free and cable television, including pay-per-view specials. We launched this product line in 1996 with various series of 6 inch articulated action figures that have movable body parts and feature real-life action sounds from our patented bone-crunching mechanism that allows the figures' "bones" to crack when they are bent. We continually expand and enhance this product line by using technology in the development and in the products themselves. The 6 inch figures currently make up a substantial portion of our overall *WWE* line, which has since grown to include many other new products including playsets using interactive technology. Our strategy has been to release new figures and accessories frequently to keep the line fresh and to retain the interest of the consumers.

In 2003, we began to develop, manufacture and distribute action figures and action figure accessories based on the animated series *Dragon Ball*, *Dragon Ball Z* and *Dragon Ball GT*. We also introduced action figures based on Universal Studios' Classic Monsters and Van Helsing feature film and another animated series, *Mucha Lucha*. In 2005, we will introduce action figures and accessories based on the animated series *Dragon Boosters*.

#### Flying Colors/Pentech Activity Sets, Compounds, Playsets, Writing Instruments and Lunch Boxes

Through our acquisition of Flying Colors Toys we entered into the toy activity category with compounds and plastic molded activity cases containing a broad range of activities, such as make and paint your own characters, jewelry making, art studios, posters, puzzles and other projects. The activity cases, with molded and painted likenesses of popular characters, such as Nickelodeon's *Blue's Clues* and *SpongeBob SquarePants*, and *Hello Kitty*, have immediate visual appeal. Using a related production technology, our lunch boxes complement this line with similarly-styled molded and painted likenesses featuring these and other popular characters. Our product lines also include stationery, back-to-school pens, pencils, markers, notebooks and P&M craft products such as *Blopens*® and *Vivid Velvet*.

Our compounds represent another significant area of emphasis for Flying Colors. Launched under the *Blue's Clues* license, this line has expanded from play clay in a bucket to an entire *Blue's Clues* playset featuring book molds, extrusion and other devices. We are continuing to expand the compound area and have introduced a full line of innovative compounds under the *Nickelodeon* brand, including *Splish Splat*<sup>TM</sup>, among others.

### **Electronics Products**

Through our acquisition of Toymax we entered into the electronic products category with our *Plug it in & Play TV Games* and *Laser Challenge* product line. Our *Laser Challenge* product line includes laser games and NRG paintball<sup>TM</sup>. Our current TV Games include licenses from Activision, Atari, Namco and Nickelodeon, and feature such games as Centipede<sup>®</sup> and Pac-Man<sup>®</sup>.



In 2004, we released twelve new TV Games including Ms. Pac-Man®, Spider-Man®, Disney and several licensed and non-licensed preschool titles, and we expect to release approximately 20 new TV Games in 2005, including Batman, Star Wars and a wireless version of Ms. Pac-Man. TV Games generated a significant amount of net sales in 2004 and we expect that level of sales to continue in 2005.

### Seasonal Products

We have a wide range of seasonal toys and leisure products. Our *Go Fly A Kite* product line includes youth and adult kites and a wide array of decorative flags, windstocks, and windwheels. Our *Funnoodle* pool toys include the basic funnoodle, pool floats and a variety of other pool toys. Our *Storm* product line includes water guns, gliders and sport balls. In addition, we added a holiday product line for Easter, Halloween and Christmas.

### Junior Sports Products

Our junior sports products include Disney licensed products, *Gaksplat* and *Storm*. Our Disney sports include such activities as basketball, bowling and golf. Our *Gaksplat* and *Storm* junior sports include a variety of mini sport balls and activity products.

#### Wheels Division Products

### • Road Champs die-cast collectible and toy vehicles

The *Road Champs* product line consists of highly detailed, die-cast replicas of new and classic cars, trucks, motorcycles, emergency vehicles and service vehicles, primarily in <sup>1</sup>/<sub>43</sub> scale (including police cars, fire trucks and ambulances), buses and aircraft (including propeller planes, jets and helicopters). Through licenses, we produce replicas of well-known vehicles including those from *Ford*®, *Chevrolet*® and *Porsche*®. Additionally, through our *NASCAR* license, we produce radio-controlled vehicles in a variety of scales. We believe that these licenses, increase the perceived value of the products and enhance their marketability.

### • Extreme sports die-cast collectibles and toy vehicles and action figures

Our extreme sports offering includes our *MXS*<sup>®</sup> line of motorcycles with riders featuring "click n grip" functionality which allows the user to release the rider from the motorcycle seat and perform the signature moves of the sport's top riders. Other products include off-road vehicles, personal watercraft, surfboards and skateboards, all sold individually and with playsets and accessories.

### • Toy and activity vehicles

Our *Remco* toy line includes toy and activity vehicles and other toys. In 2002, we also added infrared radio controlled vehicles and *Mighty Mo's*® toy vehicles. Our toy vehicle line is comprised of a large assortment of rugged die-cast and plastic vehicles that range in size from four and three-quarter inch to big-wheeled seventeen inch vehicles. The breadth of the line is extensive, with themes ranging from emergency, fire, farm and construction, to racing and jungle adventure.

In 2004, we introduced an internally developed line of toy wheels and play sets called *Fly Wheels* that feature scale replicas of popular automobile tires and wheels. The wheels are launched from a handle with the pull of a zip cord.

### Infant and pre-school toys

Through our acquisition of Play Along we added to our pre-school toys with *Care Bears* plush and electronic toys, *Teletubbies* plush and *Cabbage Patch Kids* soft body dolls. These products generated a significant amount of net sales in 2004, and we expect that level of sales to continue in 2005.

### • Child Guidance

Our line of pre-school Child Guidance electronic toys features products that enhance sensory stimulation and learning through play, while offering value to the trade as well as to the consumer. Our products are designed for children ages two and under. We have combined the fun of music, lights, motion and sound with the early introduction of numbers, letters, shape and color recognition, all at a value price. In 2004, we introduced a line of licensed TV activity products featuring Disney and Nickelodeon characters as well as non-licensed versions.

### • Foam puzzle mats and playsets

The foam toy products include puzzle mats featuring licensed characters, such as *Winnie the Pooh* and *Blue's Clues*, among others, as well as letters of the alphabet and numbers. The inter-locking puzzle pieces can also be used to build houses and other play areas. Other products include foam puzzles of the United States, foam vehicles and outdoor foam products.

### • Slumber bags

Our line of children's indoor slumber bags features *Dora the Explorer*, *SpongeBob SquarePants* and *Blue's Clues* in addition to proprietary designs.

### Fashion and Mini Dolls and Related Accessories

We produce various proprietary and licensed fashion and mini dolls and accessories for children between the ages of three and ten. The proprietary product lines include 11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inch fashion dolls customized with high-fashion designs that correspond with particular holidays, events or themes, and fashion dolls based on children's classic fairy tales and holidays. We also have an agreement to manufacture for The Disney Store chain a full line of dolls under a private label which features *Disney* Princesses and classic Disney characters.

Our in-house product developers originate the design and functionality of most of our fashion dolls. In many cases, they work with retailers and incorporate their input on doll characteristics, packaging and other design elements to create exclusive product lines for them.

### World Wrestling Entertainment Video Games

In June 1998, we formed a joint venture with THQ, Inc., a developer, publisher and distributor of interactive entertainment software for the leading hardware game platforms in the home video game market. The joint venture entered into a license agreement with the WWE under which it acquired the exclusive worldwide right to publish *WWE* video games on all hardware platforms. The term of the license agreement expires on December 31, 2009, and the joint venture has a right to renew the license for an additional five years under various conditions. On October 19, 2004, we were named as defendants in a lawsuit commenced by WWE, pursuant to which WWE is seeking treble, punitive and other damages (including disgorgement of profits) in an undisclosed amount and a declaration that the video game license with the joint venture and an amendment to our toy licenses with WWE are void and unenforceable (see "Legal Proceedings").

The games are designed, developed, manufactured and distributed by THQ. THQ arranges for the manufacture of the CD-ROMs and game cartridges used in the various video game platforms under non-exclusive licenses with Sony, Nintendo and Microsoft. No other licenses are required for the manufacture of the personal computer titles.

Through June 30, 2006, we are entitled to receive a guaranteed percentage preferred return from the joint venture at varying rates of net sales of the video games depending on the cumulative unit sales and platform of each particular game, as well as on the royalties earned by the joint venture from the publishing of game guides by third parties. After June 30, 2006, the amount of our preferred return from the joint venture will be subject to renegotiation between THQ and us. THQ is entitled to receive the balance of the profits.

The joint venture currently publishes titles for the Sony *PlayStation*® and *PlayStation* 2®, *Nintendo* 64® and *GameCube*® and Microsoft *Xbox*® consoles, Nintendo *Game Boy Color*® and *Game Boy Advance*® hand-held platforms, mobile/wireless and personal computers. The joint venture launched its first products in November 1999. It will also publish titles for new hardware platforms when, and as they are introduced to the market and have established a sufficient installed base to support new software. These titles are marketed to our existing customers as well as to game, electronics and other specialty stores, such as Electronics Boutique and Best Buy.

The following table presents our past results with the joint venture:

	New Ga	me Titles		
	Console Platforms	Hand-held Platforms	Profit from Jo Venture(1) (In millions)	
1999	1	1	\$	3.6
2000	4	1		15.9
2001	1	2		6.7
2002	3	1		8.0
2003	5			7.4
2004	2	1		7.9

(1) Profit from the joint venture reflects our preferred return on joint venture revenue less certain costs incurred directly by us.

Wrestling video games have demonstrated consistent popularity, with six of our wrestling-themed video games each having sold in excess of 1 million units since 1999, at retail prices ranging from approximately \$42 to \$60 per game. We believe that the success of *WWE* titles is dependent on the graphic look and feel of the software, the depth and variation of game play and the popularity of *WWE*. We believe that as a franchise property, *WWE* titles have brand recognition and sustainable consumer appeal, which may allow the joint venture to use titles over an extended period of time through the release of sequels and extensions and to re-release such products at different price points in the future.

#### Sales, Marketing and Distribution

We sell all of our products through our own in-house sales staff and independent sales representatives to toy and mass-market retail chain stores, department stores, office supply stores, drug and grocery store chains, club stores, toy specialty stores and wholesalers. Our five largest customers are Target, Kmart, Toys 'R' Us, Wal-Mart, and Kay Bee Toys, which accounted for approximately 57.7% of our net sales in 2003 and 65.6% of our net sales in 2004. Kay Bee Toys filed for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11 in January 2004. Except for purchase orders relating to products on order, we do not have written agreements with our customers. Instead, we generally sell products to our customers pursuant to letters of credit or, in some cases, on open account with payment terms typically varying from 30 to 90 days. From time to time, we allow our customers credits against future purchases from us in order to facilitate their retail markdown and sales of slow-moving inventory. We also sell our products through e-commerce sites, including Toysrus.com.

We contract the manufacture of most of our products to unaffiliated manufacturers located in China. We sell the finished products on a letter of credit basis or on open account to our customers, who take title to the goods in Hong Kong or China. These methods allow us to reduce certain operating costs and working capital requirements. A portion of our sales originate in the United States, so we hold certain inventory in our warehouse and fulfillment facilities. To date, a significant portion of all of our sales has been to domestic customers. We intend to continue expanding distribution of our products into foreign territories and, accordingly, we have:

- engaged representatives to oversee sales in certain territories,
- engaged distributors in certain territories, such as Vivid Imaginations Ltd. in England,
- established direct relationships with retailers in certain territories, and
- expanded in-house resources.

Outside of the United States, we currently sell our products primarily in Europe, Australia, Canada, Latin America and Asia. Sales of our products abroad accounted for approximately \$44.7 million, or 14.2% of our net sales, in 2003 and approximately \$68.5 million, or 11.9% of our net sales, in 2004. We believe that foreign markets present an attractive opportunity, and we plan to intensify our marketing efforts and further expand our distribution channels abroad.

We establish reserves for sales allowances, including promotional allowances and allowances for anticipated defective product returns, at the time of shipment. The reserves are determined as a percentage of net sales based upon either historical experience or on estimates or programs agreed upon by our customers.

We obtain, directly, or through our sales representatives, orders for our products from our customers and arrange for the manufacture of these products as discussed below. Cancellations generally are made in writing, and we take appropriate steps to notify our manufacturers of these cancellations.

We maintain a full-time sales and marketing staff, many of whom make on-site visits to customers for the purpose of showing product and soliciting orders for products. We also retain a number of independent sales representatives to sell and promote our products, both domestically and internationally. Together with retailers, we sometimes test the consumer acceptance of new products in selected markets before committing resources to large-scale production.



We advertise our products in trade and consumer magazines and other publications, market our products at international, national and regional toy, stationery and other specialty trade shows, conventions and exhibitions and carry on cooperative advertising programs with toy and mass market retailers and other customers which include the use of in-store displays. We also produce and broadcast television commercials for several of product lines including our *WWE* action figure line, TV Games, *Care Bears* and *Cabbage Patch Kids*, as well as for some of our *Flying Colors* and Electronics products. We may also advertise some of our other products on television, if we expect that the resulting increase in our net sales will justify the relatively high cost of television advertising.

### **Product Development**

Each of our product lines has an in-house manager responsible for product development. The in-house manager identifies and evaluates inventor products and concepts and other opportunities to enhance or expand existing product lines or to enter new product categories. In addition, we create proprietary products, the principal source of products for our fashion doll line, and products to more fully exploit our concept and character licenses. Although we do have the capability to create and develop products from inception to production, we generally use third-parties to provide a substantial portion of the sculpting, sample making, illustration and package design required for our products in order to accommodate our increasing product innovations and introductions. Typically, the development process takes from three to nine months from concept to production and shipment to our customers.

We employ a staff of designers for all of our product lines. We occasionally acquire our other product concepts from unaffiliated third parties. If we accept and develop a third party's concept for new toys, we generally pay a royalty on the toys developed from this concept that are sold, and may, on an individual basis, guarantee a minimum royalty. In addition, we engage third party developers to program our line of *Plug it in & Play TV Games*. Royalties payable to inventors and developers generally range from 1% to 8% of the wholesale sales price for each unit of a product sold by us. We believe that utilizing experienced third-party inventors gives us access to a wide range of development talent. We currently work with numerous toy inventors and designers for the development of new products and the enhancement of existing products. We believe that toy inventors and designers have come to appreciate our practice of acting quickly and decisively to acquire and market licensed products. In addition, we believe that all of these factors, as well as our recent success in developing and marketing products, make us more attractive to toy inventors and developers than some of our competitors.

Safety testing of our products is done at the manufacturers' facilities by an engineer employed by us or by independent third-party contractors engaged by us. Safety testing is designed to meet regulations imposed by federal and state governmental authorities. We also monitor quality assurance procedures for our products for safety purposes. In addition, independent laboratories engaged by some of our larger customers test certain of our products.

### **Manufacturing and Supplies**

Most of our products are currently produced by overseas third-party manufacturers, which we choose on the basis of quality, reliability and price. Consistent with industry practice, the use of third-party manufacturers enables us to avoid incurring fixed manufacturing costs, while maximizing flexibility, capacity and production technology. All of the manufacturing services performed overseas for us are paid for on open account with the manufacturers. To date, we have not experienced any material delays in the delivery of our products; however, delivery schedules are

subject to various factors beyond our control, and any delays in the future could adversely affect our sales. Currently, we have ongoing relationships with approximately twenty-five different manufacturers. We believe that alternative sources of supply are available, although we cannot be assured that we can obtain adequate supplies of manufactured products.

Although we do not conduct the day-to-day manufacturing of our products, we participate in the design of the product prototype and production tools, dies and molds for our products and we seek to ensure quality control by actively reviewing the production process and testing the products produced by our manufacturers. We employ quality control inspectors who rotate among our manufacturers' factories to monitor the production of substantially all of our products.

The principal raw materials used in the production and sale of our toy products are plastics, zinc alloy, plush, printed fabrics, paper products and electronic components, all of which are currently available at reasonable prices from a variety of sources. Although we do not manufacture our products, we own the tools, dies and molds used in the manufacturing process, and these are transferable among manufacturers if we choose to employ alternative manufacturers. Tools, dies and molds represent a substantial portion of our property and equipment with a net book value of \$7.1 million in 2003 and \$6.8 million in 2004. Substantially all of these assets are located in China.

### **Trademarks and Copyrights**

Most of our products are produced and sold under trademarks owned by or licensed to us. We typically register our properties, and seek protection under the trademark, copyright and patent laws of the United States and other countries where our products are produced or sold. These intellectual property rights can be significant assets. Accordingly, while we believe we are sufficiently protected, the loss of some of these rights could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

#### Competition

Competition in the toy industry is intense. Globally, certain of our competitors have greater financial resources, larger sales and marketing and product development departments, stronger name recognition, longer operating histories and benefit from greater economies of scale. These factors, among others, may enable our competitors to market their products at lower prices or on terms more advantageous to customers than those we could offer for our competitive products. Competition often extends to the procurement of entertainment and product licenses, as well as to the marketing and distribution of products and the obtaining of adequate shelf space. Competition may result in price reductions, reduced gross margins and loss of market share, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In each of our product lines we compete against one or both of the toy industry's two dominant companies, Mattel and Hasbro. In addition, we compete, in our *Flying Colors* and *Pentech* product categories, with Rose Art Industries, Hasbro (Play-doh) and Binney & Smith (Crayola), and, in our toy vehicle lines, with RC2 (formerly Racing Champions). We also compete with numerous smaller domestic and foreign toy manufacturers, importers and marketers in each of our product categories. Our joint venture's principal competitors in the video game market are Electronic Arts, Activision and Acclaim Entertainment.

#### Seasonality and Backlog

In 2004, approximately 63% of our pro forma net sales (which includes sales of Play Along products from January 1, 2004) were made in the third and fourth quarters. Generally, the first



quarter is the period of lowest shipments and sales in our business and the toy industry generally and therefore the least profitable due to various fixed costs. Seasonality factors may cause our operating results to fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter. However, our writing instrument and activity products generally are counter-seasonal to the traditional toy industry seasonality due to the higher volume generally shipped for back-to-school beginning in the second quarter. In addition, our seasonal products are primarily sold in the spring and summer seasons. Our results of operations may also fluctuate as a result of factors such as the timing of new products (and related expenses) introduced by us or our competitors, the advertising activities of our competitors, delivery schedules set by our customers and the emergence of new market entrants. We believe, however, that the low retail price of most of our products may be less subject to seasonal fluctuations than higher priced toy products.

We ship products in accordance with delivery schedules specified by our customers, which usually request delivery of their products within three to six months of the date of their orders. Because customer orders may be canceled at any time without penalty, our backlog may not accurately indicate sales for any future period.

### **Government and Industry Regulation**

Our products are subject to the provisions of the Consumer Product Safety Act ("CPSA"), the Federal Hazardous Substances Act ("FHSA"), the Flammable Fabrics Act ("FFA") and the regulations promulgated thereunder. The CPSA and the FHSA enable the Consumer Products Safety Commission ("CPSC") to exclude from the market consumer products that fail to comply with applicable product safety regulations or otherwise create a substantial risk of injury, and articles that contain excessive amounts of a banned hazardous substance. The FFA enables the CPSC to regulate and enforce flammability standards for fabrics used in consumer products. The CPSC may also require the repurchase by the manufacturer of articles. Similar laws exist in some states and cities and in various international markets. We maintain a quality control program designed to ensure compliance with all applicable laws.

### Employees

As of March 29, 2005, we employed 419 persons, all of whom are full-time employees, including four executive officers. We employed 267 in the United States, 3 in the United Kingdom, 124 in Hong Kong and 25 in China. We believe that we have good relationships with our employees. None of our employees is represented by a union.

### **Environmental Issues**

We are subject to legal and financial obligations under environmental, health and safety laws in the United States and in other jurisdictions where we operate. We are not currently aware of any material environmental liabilities associated with any of our operations.

### **Available Information**

We make available free of charge on or through our Internet website, www.jakkspacific.com, our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to these reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC.

#### **Our Corporate Information**

We were formed as a Delaware corporation in 1995. Our principal executive offices are located at 22619 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, California 90265. Our telephone number is (310) 456-7799 and our Internet Website address is www.jakkspacific.com.

### **Risk Factors That May Affect Future Results**

From time to time, including in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, we publish forward-looking statements, as disclosed in our Disclosure Regarding Forward-Looking Statements, beginning immediately following the Table of Contents of this Annual Report. We note that a variety of factors could cause our actual results and experience to differ materially from the anticipated results or other expectations expressed or anticipated in our forward-looking statements. The factors listed below are illustrative of the risks and uncertainties that may arise and that may be detailed from time to time in our public announcements and our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, such as on Forms 8-K, 10-Q and 10-K. We undertake no obligation to make any revisions to the forward-looking statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of the filing of this report.

### The outcome of litigation in which we have been named as a defendant is unpredictable and a materially adverse decision in any such matter could have a material adverse affect on our financial position and results of operations.

We are defendants in litigation matters, as described under "Legal Proceedings" in our periodic reports filed pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including the lawsuit commenced by WWE and the purported securities class action and derivative action claims stemming from the WWE lawsuit (see "— Legal Proceedings"). These claims may divert financial and management resources that would otherwise be used to benefit our operations. Although we believe that we have meritorious defenses to the claims made in each and all of the litigation matters to which we have been named a party, and intend to contest each lawsuit vigorously, no assurances can be given that the results of these matters will be favorable to us. A materially adverse resolution of any of these lawsuits could have a material adverse affect on our financial position and results of operations.

## Our inability to redesign, restyle and extend our existing core products and product lines as consumer preferences evolve, and to develop, introduce and gain customer acceptance of new products and product lines, may materially and adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our business and operating results depend largely upon the appeal of our products. Our continued success in the toy industry will depend on our ability to redesign, restyle and extend our existing core products and product lines as consumer preferences evolve, and to develop, introduce and gain customer acceptance of new products and product lines. Several trends in recent years have presented challenges for the toy industry, including:

- The phenomenon of children outgrowing toys at younger ages, particularly in favor of interactive and high technology products;
- Increasing use of technology;
- Shorter life cycles for individual products; and
- Higher consumer expectations for product quality, functionality and value.

We cannot assure you that:

- our current products will continue to be popular with consumers;
- the product lines or products that we introduce will achieve any significant degree of market acceptance; or
- the life cycles of our products will be sufficient to permit us to recover licensing, design, manufacturing, marketing and other costs associated with those products.

Our failure to achieve any or all of the foregoing benchmarks may cause the infrastructure of our operations to fail, thereby adversely affecting our business, financial condition and results of operations.

### The failure of our character-related and theme-related products to become and/or remain popular with children may materially and adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The success of many of our character-related and theme-related products depends on the popularity of characters in movies, television programs, live wrestling exhibitions, auto racing events and other media. We cannot assure you that:

- media associated with our character-related and theme-related product lines will be released at the times we expect or will be successful;
- the success of media associated with our existing character-related and theme-related product lines will result in substantial promotional value to our products;
- we will be successful in renewing licenses upon expiration on terms that are favorable to us; or
- we will be successful in obtaining licenses to produce new character-related and theme-related products in the future.

Our failure to achieve any or all of the foregoing benchmarks may cause the infrastructure of our operations to fail, thereby adversely affecting our business, financial condition and results of operations.

### There are risks associated with our license agreements.

• Our current licenses require us to pay minimum royalties

Sales of products under trademarks or trade or brand names licensed from others account for substantially all of our net sales. Product licenses allow us to capitalize on characters, designs, concepts and inventions owned by others or developed by toy inventors and designers. Our license agreements generally require us to make specified minimum royalty payments, even if we fail to sell a sufficient number of units to cover these amounts. In addition, under certain of our license agreements, if we fail to achieve certain prescribed sales targets, we may be unable to retain or renew these licenses.

• Some of our licenses are restricted as to use

Under some of our license agreements, including WWE, Nickelodeon and NASCAR, the licensors have the right to review and approve our use of their licensed products, designs or materials before we may make any sales. If a licensor refuses to permit our use of any licensed property in the way we propose, or if their review process is delayed, our development or sale of new products could be impeded.

### • New licenses are difficult and expensive to obtain

Our continued success will depend substantially on our ability to obtain additional licenses. Intensive competition exists for desirable licenses in our industry. We cannot assure you that we will be able to secure or renew significant licenses on terms acceptable to us. In addition, as we add licenses, the need to fund additional royalty advances and guaranteed minimum royalty payments may strain our cash resources.

### • A limited number of licensors account for a large portion of our net sales

We derive a significant portion of our net sales from a limited number of licensors. If one or more of these licensors were to terminate or fail to renew our license or not grant us new licenses, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected.

### The toy industry is highly competitive and our inability to compete effectively may materially and adversely impact our business, financial condition results of operations.

The toy industry is highly competitive. Globally, certain of our competitors have financial and strategic advantages over us, including:

- greater financial resources;
- larger sales, marketing and product development departments;
- stronger name recognition;
- longer operating histories; and
- greater economies of scale.

In addition, the toy industry has no significant barriers to entry. Competition is based primarily on the ability to design and develop new toys, to procure licenses for popular characters and trademarks and to successfully market products. Many of our competitors offer similar products or alternatives to our products. Our competitors have obtained and are likely to continue to obtain licenses that overlap our licenses with respect to products, geographic areas and markets. We cannot assure you that we will be able to obtain adequate shelf space in retail stores to support our existing products or to expand our products and product lines or that we will be able to continue to compete effectively against current and future competitors.

### An adverse outcome in the litigation commenced against us by WWE or a decline in the popularity of WWE could adversely impact our video game joint venture with THQ.

The joint venture with THQ depends entirely on a single license, which gives the venture exclusive worldwide rights to produce and market video games based on World Wrestling Entertainment characters and themes. An adverse outcome against us, THQ or the joint venture in the lawsuit commenced by WWE (see the first Risk Factor, above) would adversely impact our rights under the joint venture's single license, which would adversely effect the joint venture's and our business, financial condition and results of operation.

Furthermore, the popularity of professional wrestling, in general, and World Wrestling Entertainment, in particular, is subject to changing consumer tastes and demands. The relative popularity of professional wrestling has fluctuated significantly in recent years. A decline in the popularity of World Wrestling Entertainment could adversely affect the joint venture's and our business, financial condition and results of operations.

### The termination of THQ's manufacturing licenses and the inability of the joint venture to otherwise obtain these licenses from other manufacturers would materially adversely affect the joint venture's and our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The joint venture relies on hardware manufacturers and THQ's non-exclusive licenses with them for the right to publish titles for their platforms and for the manufacture of the joint venture's titles. If THQ's manufacturing licenses were to terminate and the joint venture could not otherwise obtain these licenses from other manufacturers, the joint venture would be unable to publish additional titles for these manufacturers' platforms, which would materially adversely affect the joint venture's and our business, financial condition and results of operations.

### The failure of the joint venture or THQ to perform as anticipated could have a material adverse affect on our financial position and results of operations.

The joint venture's failure to timely develop titles for new platforms that achieve significant market acceptance, to maintain net sales that are commensurate with product development costs or to maintain compatibility between its personal computer CD-ROM titles and the related hardware and operating systems would adversely affect the joint venture's and our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Furthermore, THQ controls the day-to-day operations of the joint venture and all of its product development and production operations. Accordingly, the joint venture relies exclusively on THQ to manage these operations effectively. THQ's failure to effectively manage the joint venture would have a material adverse effect on the joint venture's and our business and results of operations. We are also dependent upon THQ's ability to manage cash flows of the joint venture. If THQ is required to retain cash for operations, or because of statutory or contractual restrictions, we may not receive cash payments for our share of profits, on a timely basis, or at all.

### We may not be able to sustain or manage our rapid growth, which may prevent us from continuing to increase our net revenues.

We have experienced rapid growth in our product lines resulting in higher net sales over the last six years, which was achieved through acquisitions of businesses, products and licenses. For example, revenues associated with our acquired companies in 2004 and 2003 were approximately \$168.9 million and \$40.1 million, respectively, representing 29.4% and 12.7% of our total revenues for those periods. As a result, comparing our period-to-period operating results may not be meaningful and results of operations from prior periods may not be indicative of future results. We cannot assure you that we will continue to experience growth in, or maintain our present level of, net sales.

Our growth strategy calls for us to continuously develop and diversify our toy business by acquiring other companies, entering into additional license agreements, refining our product lines and expanding into international markets, which will place additional demands on our management, operational capacity and financial resources and systems. The increased demand on management may necessitate our recruitment and retention of qualified management personnel. We cannot assure you that we will be able to recruit and retain qualified personnel or expand and manage our operations effectively and profitably. To effectively manage future growth, we must continue to expand our operational, financial and management information systems and to train, motivate and manage our work force. There can be no assurance that our operational, financial and management information systems will be adequate to support our future operations. Failure to expand our operational, financial and management information systems or to train, motivate or manage

employees could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, implementation of our growth strategy is subject to risks beyond our control, including competition, market acceptance of new products, changes in economic conditions, our ability to obtain or renew licenses on commercially reasonable terms and our ability to finance increased levels of accounts receivable and inventory necessary to support our sales growth, if any. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that our growth strategy will continue to be implemented successfully.

### If we are unable to acquire and integrate companies and new product lines successfully we will be unable to implement our growth strategy.

Our growth strategy depends in part upon our ability to acquire companies and new product lines. Revenues associated with our acquisitions represented approximately 29.4% and 12.7% of our total revenues in 2004 and 2003, respectively. Future acquisitions will succeed only if we can effectively assess characteristics of potential target companies and product lines, such as:

- attractiveness of products;
- suitability of distribution channels;
- management ability;
- financial condition and results of operations; and
- the degree to which acquired operations can be integrated with our operations.

We cannot assure you that we can identify attractive acquisition candidates or negotiate acceptable acquisition terms, and our failure to do so may adversely affect our results of operations and our ability to sustain growth. Our acquisition strategy involves a number of risks, each of which could adversely affect our operating results, including:

- difficulties in integrating acquired businesses or product lines, assimilating new facilities and personnel and harmonizing diverse business strategies and methods of operation;
- diversion of management attention from operation of our existing business;
- loss of key personnel from acquired companies; and
- failure of an acquired business to achieve targeted financial results.

# A limited number of customers account for a large portion of our net sales, so that if one or more of our major customers were to experience difficulties in fulfilling their obligations to us, cease doing business with us, significantly reduce the amount of their purchases from us or return substantial amounts of our products, it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our five largest customers accounted for 65.6% of our net sales in 2004. Except for outstanding purchase orders for specific products, we do not have written contracts with or commitments from any of our customers. A substantial reduction in or termination of orders from any of our largest customers could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, pressure by large customers seeking price reductions, financial incentives, changes in other terms of sale or for us to bear the risks and the cost of carrying inventory also could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. If one or more of our major customers were to experience difficulties in fulfilling their obligations to us, cease doing business with us, significantly reduce the amount of their purchases from us or return substantial amounts of our products, it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition

and results of operations. In addition, the bankruptcy or other lack of success of one or more of our significant retailers could negatively impact our revenues and bad debt expense. For example, one of our five largest customers in 2004, Kay Bee Toys, filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in January 2004. As a result, we have reserved \$2.1 million for potential bad debt, which represents 84% of Kay Bee Toys' \$2.5 million pre-petition accounts receivable balance with us. If Kay Bee Toys is unable to extricate itself from bankruptcy and we are unable to replace the revenues previously earned by us from Kay Bee Toys, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

### We depend on our key personnel and any loss or interruption of either of their services could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our success is largely dependent upon the experience and continued services of Jack Friedman, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and Stephen G. Berman, our President and Chief Operating Officer. We cannot assure you that we would be able to find an appropriate replacement for Mr. Friedman or Mr. Berman if the need should arise, and any loss or interruption of Mr. Friedman's or Mr. Berman's services could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

# We depend on third-party manufacturers, and if our relationship with any of them is harmed or if they independently encounter difficulties in their manufacturing processes, we could experience product defects, production delays, cost overruns or the inability to fulfill orders on a timely basis, any of which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We depend on approximately twenty-five third-party manufacturers who develop, provide and use the tools, dies and molds that we own to manufacture our products. However, we have limited control over the manufacturing processes themselves. As a result, any difficulties encountered by the third-party manufacturers that result in product defects, production delays, cost overruns or the inability to fulfill orders on a timely basis could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We do not have long-term contracts with our third-party manufacturers. Although we believe we could secure other third-party manufacturers to produce our products, our operations would be adversely affected if we lost our relationship with any of our current suppliers or if our current suppliers' operations or sea or air transportation with our overseas manufacturers were disrupted or terminated even for a relatively short period of time. Our tools, dies and molds are located at the facilities of our third-party manufacturers.

Although we do not purchase the raw materials used to manufacture our products, we are potentially subject to variations in the prices we pay our third-party manufacturers for products, depending on what they pay for their raw materials.

### We have substantial sales and manufacturing operations outside of the United States subjecting us to risks associated with the outbreak of SARS, as well as risks common to international operations.

We sell products and operate facilities in numerous countries outside the United States. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, sales to our international customers comprised approximately 11.9% of our net sales. We expect our sales to international customers to account for a greater portion of our revenues in future fiscal periods. Additionally, we utilize third-party manufacturers located principally in The People's Republic of China ("PRC"), which has been significantly

impacted by the outbreak of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome ("SARS"). The inability of the PRC to effectively control the spread of SARS within its borders or the failure of the medical community to develop a cure for this illness may deplete the workforce of the PRC available to manufacture our products, create barriers to entry into commercial markets for our products manufactured in the PRC and prevent us from sending the requisite monitors and inspectors to the PRC to ensure that our products are being manufactured in accordance with our requirements and specifications. Any of the foregoing may cause the infrastructure of our PRC operations to fail, thereby adversely affecting our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Furthermore, our PRC sales and manufacturing operations are subject to the risks normally associated with international operations, including:

- currency conversion risks and currency fluctuations;
- limitations, including taxes, on the repatriation of earnings;
- political instability, civil unrest and economic instability;
- greater difficulty enforcing intellectual property rights and weaker laws protecting such rights;
- complications in complying with laws in varying jurisdictions and changes in governmental policies;
- greater difficulty and expenses associated with recovering from natural disasters;
- transportation delays and interruptions; and
- the potential imposition of tariffs.

Our reliance on external sources of manufacturing can be shifted, over a period of time, to alternative sources of supply, should such changes be necessary. However, if we were prevented from obtaining products or components for a material portion of our product line due to medical, political, labor or other factors beyond our control, our operations would be disrupted while alternative sources of products were secured. Also, the imposition of trade sanctions by the United States against a class of products imported by us from, or the loss of "normal trade relations" status by China, could significantly increase our cost of products imported from that nation. Because of the importance of our international sales and international sourcing of manufacturing to our business, our financial condition and results of operations could be significantly and adversely affected if any of the risks described above were to occur.

# Our business is subject to extensive government regulation and any violation by us of such regulations could result in product liability claims, loss of sales, diversion of resources, damage to our reputation, increased warranty costs or removal of our products from the market, and we cannot assure you that our product liability insurance for the foregoing will be sufficient.

Our business is subject to various laws, including the Federal Hazardous Substances Act, the Consumer Product Safety Act, the Flammable Fabrics Act and the rules and regulations promulgated under these acts. These statutes are administered by the Consumer Product Safety Commission ("CPSC"), which has the authority to remove from the market products that are found to be defective and present a substantial hazard or risk of serious injury or death. The CPSC can require a manufacturer to recall, repair or replace these products under certain circumstances. We cannot assure you that defects in our products will not be alleged or found. Any such allegations or findings could result in:

• product liability claims;

• loss of sales;

- diversion of resources;
- damage to our reputation;
- increased warranty costs; and
- removal of our products from the market.

Any of these results may adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. There can be no assurance that our product liability insurance will be sufficient to avoid or limit our loss in the event of an adverse outcome of any product liability claim.

### We depend on our proprietary rights and our inability to safeguard and maintain the same, or claims of third parties that we have violated their intellectual property rights, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We rely on trademark, copyright and trade secret protection, nondisclosure agreements and licensing arrangements to establish, protect and enforce our proprietary rights in our products. The laws of certain foreign countries may not protect intellectual property rights to the same extent or in the same manner as the laws of the United States. We cannot assure you that we or our licensors will be able to successfully safeguard and maintain our proprietary rights. Further, certain parties have commenced legal proceedings or made claims against us based on our alleged patent infringement, misappropriation of trade secrets or other violations of their intellectual property rights. We cannot assure you that other parties will not assert intellectual property claims against us in the future. These claims could divert our attention from operating our business or result in unanticipated legal and other costs, which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

### Market conditions and other third-party conduct could negatively impact our margins and implementation of other business initiatives.

Economic conditions, such as rising fuel prices and decreased consumer confidence, may adversely impact our margins. In addition, general economic conditions were significantly and negatively affected by the September 11th terrorist attacks and could be similarly affected by any future attacks. Such a weakened economic and business climate, as well as consumer uncertainty created by such a climate, could adversely affect our sales and profitability. Other conditions, such as the unavailability of electronics components, may impede our ability to manufacture, source and ship new and continuing products on a timely basis. Significant and sustained increases in the price of oil could adversely impact the cost of the raw materials used in the manufacture of our products, such as plastic.

### We may not have the funds necessary to purchase our outstanding convertible senior notes upon a fundamental change or other purchase date, as required by the indenture governing the notes.

On June 15, 2010, June 15, 2013 and June 15, 2018, holders of our convertible senior notes may require us to purchase their notes, which repurchase may be made for cash. In addition, holders may also require us to purchase their notes for cash upon the occurrence of certain fundamental changes in our board composition or ownership structure, if we liquidate or dissolve under certain circumstances or if our common stock ceases being quoted on an established over-the-counter trading market in the United States. If we do not have, or have access to, sufficient funds to repurchase the notes, then we could be forced into bankruptcy. In fact, we expect that we would require third-party financing, but we cannot assure you that we would be able to obtain that financing on favorable terms or at all.

### We have a material amount of goodwill which, if it becomes impaired, would result in a reduction in our net income.

Goodwill is the amount by which the cost of an acquisition accounted for using the purchase method exceeds the fair value of the net assets we acquire. Current accounting standards require that goodwill no longer be amortized but instead be periodically evaluated for impairment based on the fair value of the reporting unit. As at December 31, 2004, we have not had any impairment of Goodwill, which is evaluated on an annual basis.

At December 31, 2004, approximately \$258.3 million, or 37.3%, of our total assets represented goodwill. Declines in our profitability may impact the fair value of our reporting units, which could result in a further write-down of our goodwill. Reductions in our net income caused by the write-down of goodwill could harm our results of operations.

### **Item 2.** Properties

Our principal executive offices occupy approximately 19,000 square feet of space in Malibu, California under a lease expiring on February 28, 2008. We have a lease, expiring August 31, 2007, for approximately 11,000 square feet of additional office space in Malibu, California, which contains our design offices. We have a lease, expiring December 31, 2007, for approximately 17,000 square feet of office space in Deerfield Beach, Florida. We have two leases for showroom and office space at the International Toy Center in New York City, one for approximately 14,500 square feet, which expires April 30, 2010, and an additional one for 4,500 square feet, which expires April 30, 2007. We also have leased office and showroom space of approximately 20,000 square feet in Hong Kong from which we oversee our China-based thirdparty manufacturing operations, 318,000 square feet of warehouse space in City of Industry, California, and 10,000 square feet of office space in Surrey, England. We entered into a lease for approximately 25,000 square feet of office and warehouse space in City of Industry, California that is expected to commence in July 2005. We also occupy approximately 25,000 square feet of office and warehouse space in Clinton, Connecticut under a lease expiring September 30, 2007 from which the operations of our Go Fly a Kite and Funnoodle divisions are carried out. We believe that our facilities in the United States, Hong Kong and England are adequate for our reasonably foreseeable future needs.

### Item 3. Legal Proceedings

On October 19, 2004, we were named as defendants in a lawsuit commenced by WWE in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York concerning our toy licenses with WWE and the video game license between WWE and the joint venture company operated by THQ and us, encaptioned World Wrestling Entertainment, Inc. v. JAKKS Pacific, Inc., et al., 1:04-CV-08223-KMK (the "WWE Action"). The complaint also named as defendants THQ, the joint venture, certain of our foreign subsidiaries, Jack Friedman (our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer), Stephen Berman (our Chief Operating Officer, President and Secretary and a member of our Board of Directors), Joel Bennett (our Chief Financial Officer), Stanley Shenker and Associates, Inc., Bell Licensing, LLC, Stanley Shenker and James Bell.

WWE sought treble, punitive and other damages (including disgorgement of profits) in an undisclosed amount and a declaration that the video game license with the joint venture, which is scheduled to expire in 2009 (subject to joint venture's right to extend that license for an additional five years), and an amendment to our toy licenses with WWE, which are scheduled to expire in 2009, are void and unenforceable. This action alleged violations by the defendants of the Racketeer

Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act ("RICO") and the anti-bribery provisions of the Robinson-Patman Act, and various claims under state law.

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We believe that the claims in the WWE Action and the Class Actions are without merit and we intend to defend vigorously against them. However, because these Actions are in their preliminary stages, we cannot assure you as to the outcome of the Actions, nor can we estimate the range of our potential losses.

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of alleged breaches of their fiduciary duties. On or about March 16, 2005, a third shareholder derivative action was filed. It is captioned Warr v. Friedman, Bernan, Bennett, Blatte, Glick, Miller, Skala, and Jakks (as a nominal defendant), and it was filed in the Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County (the "Third Derivative Action"). The Third Derivative Action seeks to hold the individual defendants liable for (1) damages allegedly caused to us by their alleged breaches of fiduciary duty, abuse of control, gross mismanagement, waste of corporate assets and unjust enrichment; and (2) restitution to us of profits, benefits and other compensation obtained by them.

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We are a party to, and certain of our property is the subject of, various other pending claims and legal proceedings that routinely arise in the ordinary course of our business, but we do not believe that any of these claims or proceedings will have a material effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

### PART II

### Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

### **Market Information**

Our common stock is traded on the Nasdaq National Market under the symbol "JAKK." The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the range of high and low sales prices for our common stock on the Nasdaq National Market.

	Price Ran Common S				
	 High	Low			
2003:					
First quarter	\$ 14.49	\$ 9.50			
Second quarter	14.49	10.22			
Third quarter	14.04	10.05			
Fourth quarter	13.77	11.74			
2004:					
First quarter	16.25	12.72			
Second quarter	21.00	14.48			
Third quarter	23.22	18.71			
Fourth quarter	25.55	12.75			

### **Security Holders**

To the best of our knowledge, as of March 25, 2005, there were 149 holders of record of our common stock. We believe there are numerous beneficial owners of our common stock whose shares are held in "street name."

### Dividends

We have never paid any cash dividends on our common stock. We currently intend to retain our future earnings, if any, to finance the growth and development of our business, but may consider implementing a plan to pay cash dividends on our common stock in the future.

### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

The table below sets forth the following information as of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004 for (i) all compensation plans previously approved by our stockholders and (ii) all compensation plans not previously approved by our stockholders, if any:

(a) the number of securities to be issued upon the exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights;

(b) the weighted-average exercise price of such outstanding options, warrants and rights;

(c) other than securities to be issued upon the exercise of such outstanding options, warrants and rights, the number of securities remaining available for future issuance under the plans.

Plan Category	Number of Securities to be Issued upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants and Rights (a)	Exercis Outs Op Warr R	ed-Average se Price of tanding ttions, ants and ights (b)	Number of Securities Remaining Available for Future Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Securities Reflected in Column (a)) (c)
Equity compensation plans approved by				
security holders	2,073,006	\$	13.22	1,728,523
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders				
Total	2,073,006	\$	13.22	1,728,523

Equity compensation plans approved by our stockholders consists of the 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan.

### Item 6. Selected Financial Data

You should read the financial data set forth below in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our consolidated financial statements and the related notes (included in Item 8).

				Year En	ded December 31	l,		
		2000	2001 (In	thousands	2002 , except per shar	(etch a	2003	2004
Consolidated Statement of Operations Data:			(111	ulousanus	, except per snar	c uata)		
Net sales	\$	252,288	\$ 284,309	\$	310,016	\$	315,776	\$ 574,266
Cost of sales		149,881	 164,222		180,173		189,334	 348,259
Gross profit		102,407	120,087		129,843		126,442	226,007
Selling, general and administrative expenses		80,435	89,575		98,111		113,053	172,282
Acquisition shut-down and product recall costs		1,469	 1,214		6,718	_	2,000	 _
Income from operations		20,503	29,298		25,014		11,389	53,725
Profit from Joint Venture		(15,906)	(6,675)		(8,004)		(7,351)	(7,865)
Interest, net		(3,833)	(2,057)		(1,141)		1,405	2,498
Other (income) expense, net		(92)	 _					 
Income before provision for income taxes and minority interest		40,334	38,030		34,159		17,335	59,092
Provision for income taxes		11,697	 9,797		6,466		1,440	 15,533
Income before minority interest		28,637	28,233		27,693		15,895	43,559
Minority interest		_	 _		(237)	_		 _
Net income	\$	28,637	\$ 28,233	\$	27,930	\$	15,895	\$ 43,559
Basic earnings per share	\$	1.50	\$ 1.55	\$	1.27	\$	0.66	\$ 1.69
Weighted average shares outstanding		19,060	 18,199		21,963		24,262	25,797
Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.41	\$ 1.45	\$	1.23	\$	0.66	\$ 1.49
Weighted average shares and equivalents outstanding	_	20,281	 19,410		22,747		27,437	 31,406

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	At December 31,											
	2000		2001		2002 (In thousands)		2003			2004		
Consolidated Balance Sheet Data:						, i						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	29,275	\$	25,036	\$	68,413	\$	118,182	\$	176,544		
Working capital		86,897		116,492		129,183		232,601		229,543		
Total assets		248,722		284,041		408,916		529,997		696,762		
Long-term debt, net of current portion		1,000		77		60		98,042		98,000		
Total stockholders' equity		204,530		244,404		357,236		377,900		451,485		

### Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of various factors. You should read this section in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the related notes (included in Item 8).

### **Critical Accounting Policies**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements and supplementary information were prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Significant accounting policies are discussed in Footnote 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Item 8. Inherent in the application of many of these accounting policies is the need for management to make estimates and judgments in the determination of certain revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities. As such, materially different financial results can occur as circumstances change and additional information becomes known. The policies with the greatest potential effect on our results of operation and financial position include:

The allowance for doubtful accounts is based on our assessment of the collectibility of specific customer accounts and the aging of the accounts receivable. If there were a deterioration of a major customer's creditworthiness, or actual defaults were higher than our historical experience, our estimates of the recoverability of amounts due to us could be overstated, which could have an adverse impact on our operating results.

Our revenue recognition policy is significant because our revenue is a key component of our results of operations. In addition, our revenue recognition determines the timing of certain expenses, such as commissions and royalties. We follow very specific and detailed guidelines in measuring revenues; however, certain judgments affect the application of our revenue policy. Revenue results are difficult to predict, and any shortfall in revenue or delay in recognizing revenue could cause our operating results to vary significantly from quarter to quarter.

We assess the impairment of long-lived assets and goodwill at least annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable. Factors we consider important which could trigger an impairment review include the following:

- significant underperformance relative to expected historical or projected future operating results;
- significant changes in the manner of our use of the acquired assets or the strategy for our overall business; and
- significant negative industry or economic trends.

When we determine that the carrying value of long-lived assets and goodwill may not be recoverable based upon the existence of one or more of the above indicators of impairment, we measure any impairment based on a projected discounted cash flow method using a discount rate determined by our management to be commensurate with the risk inherent in our current business model. Net long-lived assets, including goodwill, amounted to \$312.0 million as of December 31, 2004.

### **Recent Developments**

On June 10, 2004, we purchased substantially all of the assets and assumed certain liabilities of Play Along, Inc., Play Along (Hong Kong) Limited and PA Distribution, Inc. (collectively "Play Along"). The total purchase price of approximately \$85.7 million consisted of cash in the amount of \$70.8 million, 749,005 shares of our common stock at a value of \$14.9 million and the assumption of certain liabilities and resulted in goodwill of \$67.8 million. In addition, we agreed to pay an earn-out of up to \$10.0 million per year for the four calendar years following the acquisition up to an aggregate amount of \$30.0 million based on the achievement of certain financial performance criteria which will be recorded as goodwill when and if earned. Our results of operations have included Play Along from the date of acquisition.

On October 19, 2004, we were named as defendants in a lawsuit commenced by WWE in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York concerning our toy licenses with WWE and the video game license between WWE and the joint venture company operated by THQ and us, encaptioned World Wrestling Entertainment, Inc. v. JAKKS Pacific, Inc., et al., 1:04-CV-08223-KMK (the "WWE Action"). The complaint also named as defendants THQ, the joint venture, certain of our foreign subsidiaries, Jack Friedman (our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer), Stephen Berman (our Chief Operating Officer, President and Secretary and a member of our Board of Directors), Joel Bennett (our Chief Financial Officer), Stanley Shenker and Associates, Inc., Bell Licensing, LLC, Stanley Shenker and James Bell.

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On March 31, 2004, our consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2002 and 2003 and for the two years in the period ended December 31, 2003 were restated from those originally issued to reflect certain adjustments related to the accounting for the acquisitions of Toymax, Trendmasters and P&M in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 141. Specifically, the purchase price of these acquisitions was originally allocated substantially to goodwill, and, based on studies and valuations completed in 2005 by a third-party valuation consultant, the purchase price of these acquisitions was reallocated in part to intangible assets other than goodwill, including those with limited lives. The resulting adjustment to amortization expense related to the limited life intangible assets of \$6.3 million in 2002 and \$7.3 million in 2003 and the resulting charge to cost of sales related to the mark-up of acquired inventory of \$0.7 million in 2002 and \$0.2 million in 2003, which led to a reduction of operating income in 2002 and 2003.

These adjustments impacted the consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2002 and 2003, and the consolidated statements of operations, other comprehensive income, stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the two years ended December 31, 2002 and 2003.

### **Results of Operation**

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, certain statement of operations data as a percentage of net sales.

		Years I	Ended December 3	81,	
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Net sales	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Cost of sales	59.4	57.8	58.1	60.0	60.6
Gross profit	40.6	42.2	41.9	40.0	39.4
Selling, general and administrative expenses	31.9	31.5	31.6	35.8	30.0
Acquisition shut-down and product recall costs	0.5	0.4	2.2	0.6	
Income from operations	8.2	10.3	8.1	3.6	9.4
Profit from Joint Venture	(6.3)	(2.3)	(2.6)	(2.3)	(1.4)
Interest, net	(1.5)	(0.7)	(0.4)	0.4	0.4
Income before income taxes and minority interest	16.0	13.3	11.1	5.5	10.4
Provision for income taxes	4.6	3.4	2.1	0.5	2.7
Income before minority interest	11.4	9.9	9.0	5.0	7.7
Minority interest					_
Net income	11.4%	9.9%	9.0%	5.0%	7.7%

### Comparisons of the Years Ended December 31, 2004 and 2003

*Net Sales.* Net sales were \$574.3 million in 2004 compared to \$315.8 million in 2003, representing an increase of 81.9%. This increase in net sales was primarily due to the addition of \$151.6 million in sales of traditional toys from our recent Play Along acquisition, as well as the addition of (i) \$147.5 million in sales of some of our other traditional toy products, including primarily TV Games (with 15 titles in release in 2004, as compared to 3 titles in release in 2003) and WWE action figures and accessories; and (ii) \$23.7 million in international sales (including \$13.9 million by Play Along). The increase in net sales was offset in part by decreases in sales of

our crafts and activities and writing instruments of \$48.2 million and our seasonal products, including water guns and junior sports toys, of \$16.1 million.

With the addition of Play Along, in addition to our other initiatives, we believe that the increased level of net sales should continue into 2005 (see "Forward Looking Information").

*Gross Profit.* Gross profit increased \$99.6 million, or 78.8%, to \$226.0 million, or 39.4% of net sales, in 2004 from \$126.4 million, or 40.0% of net sales, in 2003. The overall increase in gross profit was attributable to the significant increase in net sales. The decrease in gross profit margin of 0.6% of net sales was primarily due to an increase in royalty expense as a percentage of net sales due to changes in the product mix to more products with higher royalty rates from products with lower royalty rates or proprietary products with no royalties.

*Selling, General and Administrative Expenses.* Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$172.3 million in 2004 and \$113.1 million in 2003, constituting 30.0% and 35.8% of net sales, respectively. The overall increase of \$59.2 million in such costs was primarily due to the impact of stock-based compensation (\$5.2 million), an increase in legal fees and settlements (\$6.8 million) and bonus expense (\$4.5 million), an increase in amortization expense related to intangible assets other than goodwill acquired in the Play Along acquisition and the addition of overhead related to the operations of Play Along (\$27.2 million). Due to the increases in our grants of restricted stock awards and the price of our common stock in 2004, compared to a moderate increase in the price of our common stock in 2003, we had stock-based compensation charges of \$13.6 million compared to \$8.4 million in 2003. The increase in direct selling expenses (\$19.3 million) is primarily due to an increase in advertising and promotional expenses in 2004 in support of the sell-through of our various products at retail. We produced and aired television commercials in support of several of our products, including World Wrestling Entertainment, Dragon Ball and Mucha Lucha action figures, TV Games, Care Bears, Cabbage Patch Kids and Flying Colors products in 2004, and World Wrestling Entertainment and Dragon Ball action figures and Flying Colors products in 2003. From time to time, we may increase our advertising efforts, if we deem it appropriate for particular products.

*Product Recall Costs* There were no product recall costs in 2004. In the second quarter of 2003, we accrued a \$2.7 million charge for the recall of one of our products, and in the third quarter of 2003, we recorded a credit of \$0.7 million for the recovery of recall costs from one of our third-party factories.

The remaining component of the product recall costs is as follows (in thousands):

	Accrueo	l Balance			Accrued Balance
	Decembe	er 31, 2003	Accrual	Actual	December 31, 2004
Product recall costs	\$	490	—	(490)	\$ —

*Profit from Joint Venture*. Profit from joint venture increased by \$0.5 million in 2004 due to the joint venture having lower unit sales at lower wholesale prices of its two vehicle combat games of the five games released in 2003 compared to releasing all new titles with higher unit sales at higher wholesale prices in addition to having higher sales of carryover titles in 2004. New releases typically generate higher unit sales resulting in higher overall sales as compared to carryover titles. Profit from the joint venture contributed significantly to our pre-tax profit, representing 22.2% of pre-tax income in 2003 and 12.7% in 2004. We expect to continue to receive a preferred return over the remaining term of the license agreement ending December 31, 2009, although we cannot predict with certainty what levels of return will be achieved and, in any case, we anticipate substantial fluctuations in the amount of the preferred return distributed to us from year to year.



*Interest Net.* Interest income increased due to higher average cash balances during 2004 than in 2003, but was offset by interest expense of \$4.5 million related to the convertible notes issued in June 2003.

*Provision for Income Taxes*. Provision for income taxes included Federal, state and foreign income taxes in 2003 and 2004, at an effective tax rate of 8.3% and 26.0%, respectively, benefiting from a flat 17.0% Hong Kong Corporation Tax on our income arising in, or derived from, Hong Kong for 2003 and 2004. For 2004, the effective rate increased as a result of the recognition of U.S. taxes on a greater proportion of foreign earnings deemed to be subject to U.S. taxes. As of December 31, 2004, we had net deferred tax assets of approximately \$1.9 million. In making this determination, management believes it considered all available evidence, both positive and negative, as well as the weight and importance given to such evidence.

### Comparisons of the Years Ended December 31, 2003 and 2002

*Net Sales.* Net sales were \$315.8 million in 2003 compared to \$310.0 million in 2002, representing an increase of 1.9%. The increase in net sales of \$17.6 million by our seasonal products, including *Trendmasters, Go Fly a Kite, Funnoodle* and sports toys, and new product introductions, including *Dragon Ball* and *NASCAR* action toys, TV games and *ColorWorkshop* craft products, were offset by a decrease of \$20.6 million in sales of our other traditional products, and \$8.5 million in international sales, which included a reduction in sales of our karaoke machines and Equalizer radio control vehicle in 2003, both higher priced items.

*Gross Profit.* Gross profit decreased \$3.4 million, or 2.7%, to \$126.4 million, or 40.0% of net sales, in 2003 from \$129.8 million, or 41.9% of net sales, in 2002. The overall decrease in gross profit was attributable to a decrease in gross profit margin. The decrease in gross profit margin of 1.9% of net sales was due to higher sales of seasonal products with lower margins and an increase in royalty expense as a percentage of net sales due to changes in the product mix resulting from the sale of more products with higher royalty rates, though offset in part by a decrease in amortization expense of molds and tools used in the manufacture of our products.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses. Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$113.1 million in 2003 and \$98.1 million in 2002, constituting 35.8% and 31.6% of net sales, respectively. The overall increase of \$15.0 million in such costs was primarily due to a charge for the grant of restricted stock of \$8.4 million, a charge of \$2.1 million to bad debt relating to the bankruptcy of several of our customers, including Kay Bee Toys, and an increase in direct selling expenses, product development costs, option compensation expense resulting from the price reset of options in 2000 and operating expenses incurred in connection with the P&M asset acquisition. We produced and aired television commercials in support of several of our products, including *WWE* and *Dragon Ball Z* action figures and *Flying Colors* products in 2003 and *WWE* action figures and *Flying Colors* products in 2002. From time to time, we may increase our advertising efforts, if we deem it appropriate for particular products.

Acquisition Shut-down and Product Recall Costs. Acquisition shut-down costs in 2002 relate to shut-down costs, including lease termination, fixed asset abandonment and other costs, of certain operations of Toymax and Kidz Biz. There were no such costs in 2003. Operations impacted by these shut-downs were sales, design, distribution, and administration. The integrations of Toymax and Kidz Biz were completed in 2002. In 2003, we accrued a net amount of \$2.0 million for the recall of one of our products, compared to having accrued \$2.2 million in 2002 for the recall of the same product.

The remaining component of the acquisition shut-down and product recall costs is as follows (in thousands):

		Accrued Balance			
	Decem	oer 31, 2002	Accrual	Actual	December 31, 2003
Lease abandonment costs	\$	2,310	\$ —	\$ (2,310)	\$ —
Product recall costs			2,000	(1,510)	490
Total	\$	2,310	\$ 2,000	\$ (3,820)	\$ 490

*Profit from Joint Venture*. Profit from joint venture decreased by \$0.7 million in 2003 due to the joint venture having lower unit sales at lower wholesale prices of its two vehicle combat games of the five games released in 2003 compared to releasing all new titles with higher unit sales at higher wholesale prices in addition to having higher sales of carryover titles in 2002. New releases typically generate higher unit sales resulting in higher overall sales as compared to carryover titles. Profit from the joint venture contributed significantly to our pre-tax profit, representing 19.5% of pre-tax income in 2002 and 22.2% in 2003. We expect to continue to receive a preferred return over the remaining term of the license agreement ending December 31, 2009, although we cannot predict with certainty what levels of return will be achieved and, in any case, we anticipate substantial fluctuations in the amount of the preferred return distributed to us from year to year.

*Interest Net.* Interest income increased due to higher average cash balances during 2003 than in 2002, but was offset by interest expense of \$2.5 million related to the convertible notes issued in June 2003.

*Provision for Income Taxes*. Provision for income taxes included Federal, state and foreign income taxes in 2002 and 2003, at an effective tax rate of 18.9% and 8.3%, respectively, benefiting from a flat 16.5% and 17.0%, Hong Kong Corporation Tax on our income arising in, or derived from, Hong Kong for 2002 and 2003, respectively. For 2003, the effective rate decreased as a result of a higher proportionate share of income arising in Hong Kong as opposed to losses arising in the higher statutory jurisdictions. As of December 31, 2003, we had deferred tax assets of approximately \$4.5 million for which no allowance has been provided since, in the opinion of management, realization of the future benefit is probable. In making this determination, management believes it considered all available evidence, both positive and negative, as well as the weight and importance given to such evidence.

#### **Quarterly Fluctuations and Seasonality**

We have experienced significant quarterly fluctuations in operating results and anticipate these fluctuations in the future. The operating results for any quarter are not necessarily indicative of results for any future period. Our first quarter is typically expected to be the least profitable as a result of lower net sales but substantially similar fixed operating expenses. This is consistent with the performance of many companies in the toy industry.

The following table presents our unaudited quarterly results for the years indicated. The seasonality of our business is reflected in this quarterly presentation.

		200	2				2003									2004							
	First uarter	Second Quarter		Third uarter	ourth uarter	ç	First Juarter	C	Second Quarter	Q	Third Juarter	C	Fourth Juarter		First uarter		econd uarter		Fhird uarter		ourth uarter		
								n th	ousands, exc	ept j	per share da	ta)											
Net sales	59,895	78,992		102,640	68,489		67,759		73,290		90,308		84,419		73,986		109,395		206,083		184,802		
As a % of full year	19.3%	25.5%		33.1%	22.1%		21.5%		23.2%		28.6%		26.7%		12.9%		19.0%		35.9%		32.2%		
Gross profit	26,470	35,192		41,812	26,369		27,442		27,906		36,226		34,868		30,466		41,281		81,801		72,459		
As a % of full year	20.4%	27.1%		32.2%	20.3%		21.7%		22.1%		28.7%		27.6%		13.5%		18.3%		36.2%		32.1%		
As a % of net sales	44.2%	44.6%		40.7%	38.5%		40.5%		38.1%		40.1%		41.3%		41.2%		37.7%		39.7%		39.2%		
Income (loss) from																							
operations	1,420	7,863		16,835	(1, 104)		5,960		2,522		10,480		(7,573)		4,885		8,321		29,915		10,604		
As a % of full year	5.7%	31.4%		67.3%	-4.4%		52.3%		22.1%		92.0%		-66.5%		9.1%		15.5%		55.7%		19.7%		
As a % of net sales	2.4%	10.0%		16.4%	-1.6%		8.8%		3.4%		11.6%		-9.0%		6.6%		7.6%		14.5%		5.7%		
Income before income																							
taxes and minority																							
interest	2,985	8,800		17,884	4,490		6,299		2,679		10,495		(2,138)		4,764		7,637		30,042		16,649		
As a % of net sales	5.0%	11.1%		17.4%	6.6%		9.3%		3.7%		11.6%		-2.5%		6.4%		7.0%		14.6%		9.0%		
Net income	2,156	6,973		13,085	5,717		4,988		2,236		8,248		422		3,791		6,004		23,255		10,508		
As a % of net sales	3.6%	8.8%		12.7%	8.3%		7.4%		3.1%		9.1%		0.5%		5.1%		5.5%		11.3%		5.7%		
Diluted earnings per																							
share	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.32	\$	0.54	\$ 0.23	\$	0.20	\$	0.09	\$	0.33	\$	0.02	\$	0.15	\$	0.22	\$	0.75	\$	0.36		
Weighted average shares and equivalents																							
outstanding	20,236	21,953		24,059	24,800		24,917		24,683		24,629		24,642		30,676		31,123		31,919		31,855		

Due to the restatement in 2003 relating to the accounting of the Toymax, Trendmasters and P&M acquisition and to rounding, some of the figures above may differ from our previously filed Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q.

During the first quarter of 2002, we recorded a charge which impacted operating income by approximately \$6.6 million relating to the restructuring of Toymax and Kidz Biz.

During the second quarter of 2002, we recorded a charge which impacted operating income by approximately \$1.5 million relating to the recall of one of our products.

During the fourth quarter of 2002, we reversed \$2.1 million of the restructuring charge recorded in the first quarter of 2002 and recorded an additional charge of approximately \$0.7 million relating to the recall of one of our products, the net of which favorably impacted operating income by approximately \$1.4 million. In addition, our effective tax rate for the year 2002 was reduced from 26% to 19%.

During the second quarter of 2003, we recorded a charge which impacted operating income by approximately \$2.7 million relating to the recall of one of our products.

During the third quarter of 2003, we recovered \$0.7 million of the recall costs, recorded in the second quarter of 2003, from one of our factories.

During the fourth quarter of 2003, we recorded a non-cash charge of \$8.4 million which impacted operating income relating to the grant of restricted stock and a charge of \$2.1 million to provision for bad debt impacting operating income relating to the bankruptcy filing of several of our customers, including Kay Bee Toys.

During the fourth quarter of 2004, we recorded non-cash charges, which impacted operating income, of \$5.6 million relating to the grant of restricted stock and \$8.6 million relating to the amortization of short-lived intangible assets acquired in connection with the Play Along acquisition.

### **Recent Accounting Standards**

In January 2003 and as revised in December 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued FASB Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities" ("Interpretation 46") and FASB Interpretation No. 46R ("Interpretation 46R"). Interpretations 46 and 46R require companies with a variable interest in a variable interest entity to apply the guidance contained in such Interpretations as of the beginning of the first reporting period after December 15, 2003. If applicable, the application of the guidance could result in the consolidation of a variable interest entity. Interpretations 46 and 46R are not applicable to us, as we are not the beneficiary of any variable interest entities.

In May 2003, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of Both Liabilities and Equity" ("SFAS 150"). SFAS 150 establishes standards for how an issuer classifies and measures certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. The provisions of SFAS 150 were adopted effective June 9, 2003. The adoption of SFAS 150 did not have a material effect on our financial position or results of operations.

We use the intrinsic-value method of accounting for stock options granted to employees. As required by our existing stock plans, stock options are granted at, or above, the fair market value of our stock, and, accordingly, no compensation expense is recognized for these grants in the consolidated statement of operations. We record compensation expense related to other stock-based awards, such as restricted stock grants, over the period the award vests. On December 16, 2004, the FASB issued SFAS 123 (revised 2004), "Share-Based Payment" ("SFAS 123(R)"), which amends SFAS 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" and SFAS 95 "Statement of Cash Flows". SFAS 123(R) requires companies to measure all employee stock-based compensation awards using a fair value method and record such expense in its consolidated financial statements. In addition, the adoption of SFAS 123(R) requires additional accounting and disclosure related to the income tax and cash flow effects resulting from share-based payment arrangements. SFAS 123(R) is effective for us as of July 1, 2005. The adoption of SFAS 123(R)'s fair value method will have an impact on our results of operations, although it will have no impact on our overall financial position. While we cannot estimate the level of share-based payments to be issued in the future, based on the stock options that are currently outstanding, we expect that the adoption of SFAS 123(R) will result in a charge to operations in the second half of 2005 of approximately \$1.5 million.

In accordance with Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") Issue 04-8, "The Effect of Contingently Convertible Instruments on Diluted Earnings per Share", which we adopted in December 2004, diluted earnings per share for 2003 was restated to reflect the dilutive effect of the assumed conversion of our convertible senior notes due in 2023. The diluted earnings per share calculations for the two fiscal years ended December 31, 2004 include adjustments to add back to earnings the interest expense, net of tax, incurred on the convertible senior notes, and to include in diluted weighted average shares the shares potentially issuable as if the contingent conversion features were met. There was no effect on 2003 diluted earnings per share.

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

As of December 31, 2004, we had working capital of \$225.9 million, as compared to \$232.6 million as of December 31, 2003. This decrease was primarily attributable to disbursements relating to the acquisition of certain assets of Play Along offset in part by operating activities.



Operating activities provided net cash of \$131.4 million in the year ended December 31, 2004, as compared to \$7.4 million in 2003. Net cash was provided primarily by net income and non-cash charges, including compensation from stock option grants and restricted stock grants, acquisition earnout expense, depreciation and amortization and loss on disposal of property and equipment, as well as increases in accounts payable, accrued expenses, reserve for sales returns and allowances, income taxes payable and deferred income taxes and a decrease in inventory, which were offset in part by an increase in accounts receivable, prepaid expenses and other and an increase in the cash received from the preferred return from our joint venture. Our accounts receivable turnover as measured by days sales outstanding in accounts receivable decreased from approximately 92 days as of December 31, 2003 to approximately 50 days as of December 31, 2004 primarily due to a shift in sales from domestic sales origin to FOB China, which carry shorter payment terms, a shift in domestic sales to customers with shorter payment terms and overall improved collection efforts and results. Other than open purchase orders, issued in the normal course of business, we have no obligations to purchase finished goods from our manufacturers. As of December 31, 2004, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$176.5 million and marketable securities of \$19.0 million.

Our investing activities used cash of \$73.3 million in the year ended December 31, 2004, as compared to \$47.3 million in 2003, consisting primarily of the purchase of office furniture and equipment and molds and tooling used in the manufacture of our products, the purchase of other assets and the goodwill and other intangible assets acquired in the acquisition of Play Along, partially offset by the sale of marketable securities. In 2003, our investing activities consisted primarily of the purchase of molds and tooling used in the manufacture of our products, the purchase of other assets, the goodwill and other intangible assets acquired in the acquisition of P&M, the purchase of marketable securities, partially offset by the repayment of notes receivable from officers. As part of our strategy to develop and market new products, we have entered into various character and product licenses with royalties ranging from 1% to 18% payable on net sales of such products. As of December 31, 2004, these agreements required future aggregate minimum guarantees of \$27.2 million, exclusive of \$9.1 million in advances already paid.

Our financing activities provided net cash of \$1.6 million in the year ended December 31, 2004, as compared to \$90.0 million in 2003. In 2004, cash was primarily provided from the exercise of stock options, partially offset by the repayment of long-term debt. In 2003, cash was primarily provided from the sale of our convertible senior notes and from the exercise of stock options, partially offset by the repurchase of \$6.1 million of our common stock and the repayment of debt.

The following is a summary of our significant contractual cash obligations for the periods indicated that existed as of December 31, 2004 and is based on information appearing in the notes to the consolidated financial statements (in thousands):

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Thereafter	Total
Long-term debt	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 98,000	\$ 98,000
Operating leases	6,543	5,714	4,723	2,819	2,804	6,603	29,206
Minimum guaranteed license/royalty payments	13,635	8,868	1,795	1,427	1,435	_	27,160
Employment contracts	5,069	4,557	4,248	2,180	2,230	2,280	20,564
Total contractual cash obligations	\$ 25,247	\$ 19,139	\$ 10,766	\$ 6,426	\$ 6,469	\$ 106,883	\$ 174,930

In December 2001, we acquired all of the outstanding capital stock of Kidz Biz Limited, a United Kingdom company, and an affiliated Hong Kong company, Kidz Biz Far East Limited, for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$12.4 million. Total consideration was paid on the closing of the transaction in cash in the amount of \$6.4 million and the issuance of 308,992 shares of our common stock at a value of \$6.0 million. In addition, we agreed to pay an earn-out for each of 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005, based on the achievement of certain financial performance criteria,

payable by delivery of up to 25,749 shares of our common stock per year. In 2002, 2003 and 2004, no earn-outs were earned because the criteria were not met. However, we paid the 2005 earn-out at a value of \$0.5 million during 2004 upon the termination of employment of a principal of the seller, which was charged to expense in 2004.

In October 2001, we and all of our domestic subsidiaries jointly and severally secured a syndicated line of credit totaling \$50.0 million with a consortium of banks ("Line of Credit"). On August 6, 2004, we and all of our domestic subsidiaries notified the banks that we were terminating the Line Credit effective August 13, 2004. There have never been any outstanding borrowings under the Line of Credit since its inception.

In February 2003, our Board of Directors approved a buyback of up to \$20.0 million of our common stock. During 2003, we repurchased and retired 554,500 shares of our common stock for a total of approximately \$6.1 million. No shares were repurchased in 2004.

In May 2003, we purchased certain product lines, related assets and assumed certain liabilities of P&M. The total purchase price of approximately \$22.0 million consisted of cash paid in the amount of \$20.7 million and liabilities assumed of \$1.3 million and resulted in goodwill of \$13.5 million. Results of operations have included P&M from the date of acquisition.

On June 10, 2004, we purchased substantially all of the assets and assumed certain liabilities of Play Along, Inc., Play Along (Hong Kong) Limited and PA Distribution, Inc. (collectively "Play Along"). The total purchase price of \$85.7 million consisted of cash paid in the amount of \$70.8 million and the issuance of 749,005 shares of our common stock valued at \$14.9 million. In addition, we agreed to pay an earn-out of up to \$10.0 million per year for the four calendar years following the acquisition up to an aggregate amount of \$30.0 million based on the achievement of certain financial performance criteria which will be recorded as goodwill when and if earned. For the year ended December 31, 2004, \$10.0 million of the earn-out was earned and recorded as goodwill as of December 31, 2004. Accordingly, the annual maximum earn-out for the remaining three years through December 31, 2007 is approximately \$6.7 million, or an aggregate of \$20.0 million. Results of operations have included Play Along from the date of acquisition.

On October 19, 2004, we were named as defendants in a lawsuit commenced by WWE in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York concerning our toy licenses with WWE and the video game license between WWE and the joint venture company operated by THQ and us, encaptioned World Wrestling Entertainment, Inc. v. JAKKS Pacific, Inc., et al., 1:04-CV-08223-KMK (the "WWE Action"). The complaint also named as defendants THQ, the joint venture, certain of our foreign subsidiaries, Jack Friedman (our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer), Stephen Berman (our Chief Operating Officer, President and Secretary and a member of our Board of Directors), Joel Bennett (our Chief Financial Officer), Stanley Shenker and Associates, Inc., Bell Licensing, LLC, Stanley Shenker and James Bell.

WWE sought treble, punitive and other damages (including disgorgement of profits) in an undisclosed amount and a declaration that the video game license with the joint venture, which is scheduled to expire in 2009 (subject to joint venture's right to extend that license for an additional five years), and an amendment to our toy licenses with WWE, which are scheduled to expire in 2009, are void and unenforceable. This action alleged violations by the defendants of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act ("RICO") and the anti-bribery provisions of the Robinson-Patman Act, and various claims under state law.

On February 16, 2005, we filed a motion to dismiss the WWE Action. On March 30, 2005, the day before WWE's opposition to our motion was due, WWE amended its complaint to, among other things, add the Chief Executive Officer of THQ as a defendant and to add a claim under the

Sherman Act. On March 31, 2005, the WWE sent a letter to the Court proposing, *inter alia*, a briefing schedule for defendants' motions to dismiss the amended complaint.

In November 2004, several purported class action lawsuits were filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York: (1) Garcia v. Jakks Pacific, Inc. et al, Civil Action No. 04-8807 (filed on November 5, 2004, (2) Jonco Investors, LLC v. Jakks Pacific, Inc. et al, Civil Action No. 04-9021 (filed on November 16, 2004), (3) Kahn v. Jakks Pacific, Inc. et al, Civil Action No. 04-8910 (filed on November 10, 2004), (4) Quantum Equities L.L.C. v. Jakks Pacific, Inc. et al, Civil Action No. 04-8877 (filed on November 9, 2004), and (5) Irvine v. Jakks Pacific, Inc. et al, Civil Action No. 04-9078 (filed on November 16, 2004) (the "Class Actions"). The complaints in the Class Actions allege that defendants issued positive statements concerning increasing sales of our WWE licensed products which were false and misleading because the WWE licenses had allegedly been obtained through a pattern of commercial bribery, our relationship with the WWE was being negatively impacted by the WWE's contentions and there was an increase risk that the WWE would either seek modification or nullification of the licensing agreements with us. Plaintiffs also allege that we misleadingly failed to disclose the alleged fact that the WWE licenses were obtained through an unlawful bribery scheme. The plaintiffs in the Class Actions are described as purchasers of our common stock, who purchased from as early as October 26, 1999 to as late as October 19, 2004. The Class Actions seek compensatory and other damages in an undisclosed amount, alleging violations of Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder by each of the defendants (namely the Company and Messrs. Friedman, Berman and Bennett), and violations of Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act by Messrs. Friedman, Berman and Bennett. On January 25, 2005, the Court consolidated the Class Actions under the caption In re JAKKS Pacific, Inc. Shareholders Class Action Litigation, Civil Action No. 04-8807.

We believe that the claims in the WWE Action and the Class Actions are without merit and we intend to defend vigorously against them. However, because these Actions are in their preliminary stages, we cannot assure you as to the outcome of the Actions, nor can we estimate the range of our potential losses.

On February 16, 2005, we filed a motion to dismiss WWE's Complaint in the WWE Action. The motion is currently scheduled to be fully briefed on April 14, 2005, with oral argument to be scheduled thereafter.

On December 2, 2004, a shareholder derivative action was filed in the Southern District of New York by Freeport Partner, LLC against us, nominally, and against Messrs. Friedman, Berman and Bennett, Freeport Partners v. Friedman, et al., Civil Action No. 04-9441 (the "Derivative Action"). The Derivative Action seeks to hold the individual defendants liable for damages allegedly caused to us by their actions and in particular to hold them liable on a contribution theory with respect to any liability we incur in connection with the Class Actions. On or about February 10, 2005, a second shareholder derivative action was filed in the Southern District of New York by David Oppenheim against us, nominally, and against Messrs. Friedman, Berman, Bennett, Blatte, Glick, Miller and Skala, Civil Action 05-2046 (the "Second Derivative Action"). The Second Derivative Action seeks to hold the individual defendants liable for damages allegedly caused to us by their actions as a result of alleged breaches of their fiduciary duties. On or about March 16, 2005, a third shareholder derivative action was filed. It is captioned Warr v. Friedman, Berman, Bennett, Blatte, Glick, Miller, Skala, and Jakks (as a nominal defendant), and it was filed in the Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County (the "Third Derivative Action"). The Third Derivative Action seeks to hold the individual defendants liable for (1) damages allegedly caused to us by their alleged breaches of fiduciary duty, abuse of control, gross mismanagement,

waste of corporate assets and unjust enrichment; and (2) restitution to us of profits, benefits and other compensation obtained by them.

On March 1, 2005, we delivered a Notice of Breach of Settlement Agreement and Demand for Indemnification to WWE (the "Notification"). The Notification asserted that WWE's filing of the WWE Action violated A Covenant Not to Sue contained in a January 15, 2004 Settlement Agreement and General Release ("General Release") entered into between WWE and us and, therefore, that we were demanding indemnification, pursuant to the Indemnification provision contained in the General Release, for all losses that the WWE's actions have caused or will cause to us and our officers, including but not limited to any losses sustained by us in connection with the Class Actions. On March 4, 2005, in a letter from its outside counsel, WWE asserted that the General Release does not cover the claims in the WWE Action.

Pursuant to the terms of a Purchase Agreement, dated June 9, 2003, we sold an aggregate of \$98 million of 4.625% Convertible Senior Notes due June 15, 2023. The holders of the notes may convert the notes into shares of our common stock at any time at an initial conversion price of \$20.00 per share, subject to certain circumstances described in the notes. We will pay cash interest on the notes at an annual rate of 4.625% of the principal amount at issuance, from the issue date to June 15, 2010, payable on June 15 and December 15 of each year, commencing on December 15, 2003. After June 15, 2010, we will not pay cash interest on the notes. At maturity, on June 15, 2023, we will redeem the notes at their accreted principal amount, which will be equal to \$1,811.95 (181.195%) per \$1,000 principal amount at issuance.

We may redeem the notes at our option in whole or in part beginning on June 15, 2010, at 100% of their accreted principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional amounts), if any, payable in cash. Holders of the notes may also require us to repurchase all or part of their notes on June 15, 2010, for cash, at a repurchase price of 100% of the principal amount per note plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional amounts), if any. Holders of the notes may also require us to repurchase all or part of their notes on June 15, 2013 and June 15, 2018 at a repurchase price of 100% of the accreted principal amount per note plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional amounts), if any. Holders of the accreted principal amount per note plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional amounts), if any. Any repurchases at June 15, 2013 and June 15, 2018 may be paid in cash, in shares of common stock or a combination of cash and shares of common stock.

We believe that our cash flows from operations, cash and cash equivalents on hand and marketable securities will be sufficient to meet our working capital and capital expenditure requirements and provide us with adequate liquidity to meet our anticipated operating needs for at least the next 12 months. Although operating activities are expected to provide cash, to the extent we grow significantly in the future, our operating and investing activities may use cash and, consequently, this growth may require us to obtain additional sources of financing. There can be no assurance that any necessary additional financing will be available to us on commercially reasonable terms, if at all. We intend to finance our long-term liquidity requirements out of net cash provided by operations, marketable securities and cash on hand.

#### **Exchange Rates**

Sales from our United States and Hong Kong operations are denominated in U.S. dollars and our manufacturing costs are denominated in either U.S. or Hong Kong dollars. Domestic sales from our United Kingdom operations and operating expenses of all of our operations are denominated in local currency, thereby creating exposure to changes in exchange rates. Changes in the Hong Kong dollar or British Pound/U.S. dollar exchange rate may positively or negatively affect our gross margins, operating income and retained earnings. The exchange rate of the Hong Kong dollar to the



U.S. dollar has been fixed by the Hong Kong government since 1983 at HK\$7.80 to US\$1.00 and, accordingly, has not represented a currency exchange risk to the U.S. dollar. We cannot assure you that the exchange rate between the United States and Hong Kong currencies will continue to be fixed or that exchange rate fluctuations between the United States and Hong Kong and United Kingdom currencies will not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

# Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Market risk represents the risk of loss that may impact our financial position, results of operations or cash flows due to adverse changes in financial and commodity market prices and rates. We are exposed to market risk in the areas of changes in United States and international borrowing rates and changes in foreign currency exchange rates. In addition, we are exposed to market risk in certain geographic areas that have experienced or remain vulnerable to an economic downturn, such as China. We purchase substantially all of our inventory from companies in China, and, therefore, we are subject to the risk that such suppliers will be unable to provide inventory at competitive prices. While we believe that, if such an event were to occur we would be able to find alternative sources of inventory at competitive prices, we cannot assure you that we would be able to do so. These exposures are directly related to our normal operating and funding activities. Historically and as of December 31, 2004, we have not used derivative instruments or engaged in hedging activities to minimize our market risk.

### **Interest Rate Risk**

In June 2003, we issued convertible senior notes payable of \$98.0 million with a fixed interest rate of 4.625% per annum. These notes payable were outstanding as of December 31, 2004. Accordingly, we are not generally subject to any direct risk of loss arising from changes in interest rates.

#### **Foreign Currency Risk**

We have wholly-owned subsidiaries in Hong Kong and in the United Kingdom. Sales by these operations made on a FOB China or Hong Kong basis are denominated in U.S. dollars. However, purchases of inventory and Hong Kong operating expenses are typically denominated in Hong Kong dollars and domestic sales and operating expenses made in the United Kingdom are typically denominated in British Pounds, thereby creating exposure to changes in exchange rates. Changes in the British Pound or Hong Kong dollar/ U.S. dollar exchange rates may positively or negatively affect our gross margins, operating income and retained earnings. The British Pound gave rise to the other comprehensive loss in the balance sheet at December 31, 2004. The exchange rate of the Hong Kong dollar to the U.S. dollar has been fixed by the Hong Kong government since 1983 at HK\$7.80 to US\$1.00 and, accordingly, has not represented a currency exchange risk to the U.S. dollar. We do not believe that near-term changes in these exchange rates, if any, will result in a material effect on our future earnings, fair values or cash flows, and therefore, we have chosen not to enter into foreign currency hedging transactions. We cannot assure you that this approach will be successful, especially in the event of a significant and sudden change in the value of the Hong Kong dollar or British Pound.

#### Item 8. Consolidated Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Stockholders JAKKS Pacific, Inc. and Subsidiaries

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of JAKKS Pacific, Inc. and Subsidiaries (Company) as of December 31, 2003 and 2004, and the related consolidated statements of operations, other comprehensive income, stockholders' equity and cash flows and the financial statement schedule for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2004. We also have audited management's assessment, included in the accompanying Management's annual report on internal control over financial reporting, that the Company maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004, based on criteria established in Internal Control — Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). The Company's management is responsible for these financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements, an opinion on management's assessment, and an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit of the financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, evaluating management's assessment, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements and schedule referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of JAKKS Pacific, Inc. and Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003 and 2004, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2004 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also in our opinion, management's assessment that JAKKS Pacific, Inc. and Subsidiaries maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004, is fairly stated, in all material respects, based on criteria established in Internal Control — Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Furthermore, in our opinion, JAKKS Pacific, Inc. and Subsidiaries maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004. Internal Control — Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Furthermore, in our opinion, JAKKS Pacific, Inc. and Subsidiaries maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004. December 31

In conducting their evaluation of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, management of the Company did not include the internal controls of Play Along, Inc., PA Distribution, Inc. and Play Along (Hong Kong) Limited (collectively "Play Along") which the Company acquired on June 11, 2004. The acquired entities constituted approximately 26% of total consolidated assets of the Company as of December 31, 2004 and approximately 29% of consolidated net sales and approximately 75% of consolidated net income for the year ended December 31, 2004. Refer to Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements for a further discussion of the acquisitions and their impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting of the Company also excluded an evaluation of the internal control over financial reporting of Play Along.

/s/ PKF

PKF Certified Public Accountants A Professional Corporation

Los Angeles, California February 21, 2005, except Notes 2, 4 and 18 for which the date is March 29, 2005

# JAKKS PACIFIC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	 2003	December 31	,	2004
		thousands, ex	cept	2004
	(	share data)	p	
Assets				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 118,18	2	\$	176,544
Marketable securities	19,34	5		19,047
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for uncollectible accounts of \$7,877 and \$7,058, respectively	86,12	0		102,266
Inventory, net of reserves of \$5,025 and \$8,042, respectively	44,40	0		50,000
Prepaid and other	 16,76	3		24,682
Total current assets	 284,81	0		372,539
Property and equipment				
Office furniture and equipment	6,56	3		6,823
Molds and tooling	34,48	1		28,818
Leasehold improvements	 2,42	9		2,572
Total	43,47	3		38,213
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	31,75	1		27,273
Property and equipment, net	 11,72	2		10,940
ntangibles and other, net	18,17	2		27,368
nvestment in joint venture	9,09	7		9,816
Goodwill, net	190,72	8		258,331
Frademarks, net	15,46	8		17,768
Total assets	\$ 529,99	7	\$	696,762
		_		
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity				
Current liabilities		_		
Accounts payable	\$ 31,61		\$	53,643
Accrued expenses	10,80			55,333
Reserve for sales returns and allowances	7,75			23,173
Current portion of long-term debt		9		10.045
Income taxes payable	 2,02			10,847
Total current liabilities	52,20			142,996
Long-term debt, net of current portion	98,04			98,000
Deferred income taxes	 1,84	_		4,281
Total liabilities	 152,09	7		245,277
Commitments and contingencies				
Stockholders' equity				
Preferred shares, \$.001 par value; 5,000,000 shares authorized; nil outstanding	-	_		
Common stock, \$.001 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized; 24,926,826 and 26,234,016 shares		_		
issued and outstanding, respectively	2			26
Additional paid-in capital	246,00			276,642
	133,00			176,564
Retained earnings	(78			(4 = +=
Deferred compensation from restricted stock grants	(0.4			
Deferred compensation from restricted stock grants Accumulated other comprehensive loss	 (34			•
Deferred compensation from restricted stock grants	 (34 377,90 529,99	0		(1,747 451,485 696,762

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

# JAKKS PACIFIC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Years Ended December 31,							
	2002		2002 2		003			2004
		(In t	thousand	ls, excep	ot per share a	mounts	)	
Net sales	\$	310,016	9	\$	315,776		\$	574,266
Cost of sales		180,173	_		189,334			348,259
Gross profit		129,843			126,442			226,007
Selling, general and administrative expenses		98,111			113,053			172,282
Acquisition shut-down and product recall costs		6,718			2,000			—
Income from operations		25,014	-		11,389			53,725
Profit from Joint Venture		(8,004)			(7,351)			(7,865)
Interest, net		(1,141)	_		1,405			2,498
Income before provision for income taxes and minority interest		34,159			17,335			59,092
Provision for income taxes		6,466	_		1,440			15,533
Income before minority interest		27,693			15,895			43,559
Minority interest		(237)						
Net income	\$	27,930	0	\$	15,895		\$	43,559
Basic earnings per share	\$	1.27		\$	0.66		\$	1.69
Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.23	9	\$	0.64		\$	1.49

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

# JAKKS PACIFIC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

		Years Ende	ed December 3	1,	
	 2002	(In t	2003 housands)		2004
Other comprehensive income:					
Net income	\$ 27,930	\$	15,895	\$	43,559
Foreign currency translation adjustment	_		(349)		(1,398)
Other comprehensive income	\$ 27,930	\$	15,546	\$	42,161

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

### JAKKS PACIFIC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY DECEMBER 31, 2002, 2003 AND 2004 (In thousands)

	Common S	itock	Additional Paid-in	Treasury	Retained	Deferred Compensation From Restricted	Accumulated Other Comprehensive	Total Stockholders'
	of Shares	Amount	Capital	Stock	Earnings	Stock Grants	Loss	Equity
Balance, December 31, 2001	18,827	\$ 20	\$ 168,115	\$ (12,911)	\$ 89,180	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 244,404
Exercise of options and								
warrants	955	1	5,883	_				5,884
Compensation for fully								
vested stock options		—	(1,308)	—	—		—	(1,308)
Retirement of treasury stock		(1)	(12,910)	12,911				
Fair value of outstanding								
stock options in								
acquisition		—	3,151	—	—	—	—	3,151
Issuance of common stock								
for cash	3,525	3	59,091	_	_	_	_	59,094
Issuance of common stock								
for Toymax	1,166	1	18,080	—	—	—	—	18,081
Net income					27,930			27,930
Balance, December 31, 2002	24,473	24	240,102	_	117,110	—	_	357,236
Exercise of options	312		1,777	—				1,777
Restricted stock grants	696	1	9,152	—	—	(789)	_	8,364
Issuance of warrants			1,057	—				1,057
Compensation for fully								
vested stock options	—		6	—	—		—	6
Repurchase and retirement								
of common stock	(554)		(6,086)		—	—	—	(6,086)
Net income	—	—	—	—	15,895	—	—	15,895
Foreign currency translation								
adjustment	—	_		_	—		(349)	(349)
Balance, December 31, 2003	24,927	25	246,008		133,005	(789)	(349)	377,900
Exercise of options	192	_	1,699	_	_	_	_	1,699
Stock option income tax								
benefit	_	_	739	_	_	_	_	739
Restricted stock grants	340	_	7,487	—	_	789	—	8,276
Compensation for fully								
vested stock options	_	—	5,365	—	—	—	—	5,365
Issuance of common stock								
for Play Along	749	1	14,850	_	_	_	_	14,851
Issuance of common stock								
for Kidz Biz earn-out	26		494	_	_	_	_	494
Net income	_		_	_	43,559	_	_	43,559
Foreign currency translation								
adjustment	_	_		_	_	_	(1,398)	(1,398)
Balance, December 31, 2004	26,234	\$ 26	\$ 276,642	\$ —	\$ 176,564	\$ —	\$ (1,747)	\$ 451,485

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

# JAKKS PACIFIC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

		1,	
	2002	2003 (In thousands)	2004
Cash flows from operating activities		, ,	
Net income	\$ 27,930	\$ 15,895	\$ 43,559
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities			
Depreciation and amortization	15,456	16,029	21,518
Compensation for fully vested stock options	(1,308)	6	5,365
Acquisition Earn-out	—		494
Investment in joint venture	(225)	79	(719)
Loss on disposal of property and equipment	_	_	1,096
Forgiveness of officer note receivable	285	_	_
Restricted stock compensation	_	8,364	8,276
Minority interest	(237)	_	_
Changes in operating assets and liabilities			
Net sale (purchase) of marketable securities	37,119	_	_
Accounts receivable	(3,307)	(28,224)	(4,333)
Inventory	(10,996)	(2,654)	784
Prepaid expenses and other	507	(5,643)	(3,613)
Accounts payable	(3,698)	16,264	19,192
Accrued expenses	(9,534)	(3,259)	19,742
Income taxes payable	7,056	(1,397)	5,945
Reserve for sales returns and allowances	8,626	(5,827)	13,289
Deferred income taxes	3,879	(2,240)	795
Total adjustments	43,623	(8,502)	87,831
Net cash provided by operating activities	71,553	7,393	131,390
Cash flows from investing activities	/1,000	7,000	101,000
Purchases of property and equipment	(6 504)	(4 472)	(E 017)
Purchases of other assets	(6,594) (21,159)	(4,472) (4,936)	(5,917) (26,863)
Cash paid for net assets	(66,232)	(19,676)	(41,438)
Net (purchases) sales of marketable securities	(00,232)		(41,438) 967
Notes receivable — officers	861	(19,345)	907
		1,113	(52.251)
Net cash used by investing activities	(93,124)	(47,316)	(73,251)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from sale of common stock	59,094	—	_
Repurchase of common stock	—	(6,086)	
Proceeds from stock options and warrants exercised	5,884	1,777	1,682
Net proceeds from sale of convertible notes	—	94,366	—
Repayments of debt	(30)	(16)	(61)
Net cash provided by financing activities	64,948	90,041	1,621
Foreign currency translation adjustment	_	(349)	(1,398)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	43,377	49,769	58,362
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	25,036	68,413	118,182
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 68,413	\$ 118,182	\$ 176,544
Cash paid during the period for:			
Interest	\$ 80	\$ 2,375	\$ 4,534
Income taxes	\$ 3,235	\$ 9,694	\$ 2,688

See Note 16 for additional supplemental information to consolidated statements of cash flows.

See notes to consolidated financial statements.



# Note 1—Principal Industry

JAKKS Pacific, Inc. (the "Company") is engaged in the development, production and marketing of toys and related products, some of which are based on highly-recognized entertainment properties and character licenses. The Company commenced its primary business operations in July 1995 through the purchase of substantially all of the assets of a Hong Kong toy company. The Company markets its product lines domestically and internationally.

The Company was incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware in January 1995.

#### Note 2—Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### Principles of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. In consolidation, all significant inter-company balances and transactions are eliminated.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid assets, having an original maturity of less than three months, to be cash equivalents. The Company maintains its cash in bank deposits which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts. The Company believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalents.

### Use of estimates

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, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting periods. Actual future results could differ from those estimates.

# **Revenue recognition**

Revenue is recognized upon the shipment of goods to customers or their agents, depending on terms, provided that there are no uncertainties regarding customer acceptance, the sales price is fixed or determinable, and collectibility is reasonably assured and not contingent upon resale.

Generally, we do not allow for product returns. We provide a negotiated allowance for breakage or defects to our customers, which is recorded when the related revenue is recognized. However, we do make occasional exceptions to this policy and consequently accrue a return allowance in gross sales based on historic return amounts and management estimates.

We also will occasionally grant credits to facilitate markdowns and sales of slow moving merchandise. These credits are recorded as a reduction of gross sales at the time of occurrence. Our reserve for sales returns and allowances increased by \$15.4 million from \$7.8 million as of December 31, 2003 to \$23.2 million as of December 31, 2004. This increase is due primarily to the significant increase in sales in 2004, the timing of customer deductions and an increase in sales of electronic products which have higher defective rates.

## Inventory

Inventory, which includes the ex-factory cost of goods, capitalized warehouse costs and in-bound freight and duty, is valued at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market and consists of the following (in thousands):

	 December 31,				
	2003		2004		
Raw materials	\$ 1,033	\$	1,557		
Finished goods	43,367		48,443		
	\$ 44,400	\$	50,000		

# Marketable securities

Marketable securities categorized as trading securities were liquidated at December 31, 2002 and related unrealized holding gains or losses are included in earnings. New investments made beginning in 2003 are categorized as available for sale and related unrealized holding gains or losses are included as a component of stockholders' equity. At December 31, 2003 and 2004, cost approximated fair market value.

# Fair value of financial instruments

The Company's cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities and accounts receivable represent financial instruments. The carrying value of these financial instruments is a reasonable approximation of fair value. The fair value of the \$98.0 million of convertible senior notes payable at December 31, 2004 was approximately \$131.9 million based on the quoted market price.

# Property and equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost and are being depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Office equipment	5 years
Automobiles	5 years
Furniture and fixtures	5 - 7 years
Molds and tooling	2 - 4 years
Leasehold improvements	Shorter of length of lease or 10 years

### Shipping and handling costs

The consolidated financial statements reflect, for all periods presented, the adoption of the classification or disclosure requirements pursuant to Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") 00-10, "Accounting for Shipping and Handling Fees and Costs," which was effective in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2000. Consistent with EITF 00-10, the Company has historically classified income from freight charges to customers in "Net sales." The Company classifies shipping and handling costs in "Selling, general and administrative expenses." Such costs amounted to approximately \$8.1 million in 2002, \$5.2 million in 2003 and \$3.6 million in 2004.

### Advertising

Production costs of commercials and programming are charged to operations in the year during which the production is first aired. The costs of other advertising, promotion and marketing programs are charged to operations in the year incurred. Advertising expense for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2003 and 2004, was approximately \$12.7 million, \$12.4 million and \$26.4 million, respectively.

The Company also participates in cooperative advertising arrangements with some customers, whereby it allows a discount from invoiced product amounts in exchange for customer purchased advertising that features the Company's products. Typically, theses discounts range from 1% to 5% of gross sales, and are generally based on product purchases or on specific advertising campaigns. Such amounts are accrued when the related revenue is recognized or when the advertising campaign is initiated. These cooperative advertising arrangements are accounted for as direct selling expenses.

#### Income taxes

The Company does not file a consolidated return with its foreign subsidiaries. The Company files Federal and state returns and its foreign subsidiaries each file Hong Kong returns and United Kingdom returns, as applicable. Deferred taxes are provided on a liability method whereby deferred tax assets are recognized as deductible temporary differences and operating loss and tax credit carry-forwards and deferred tax liabilities are recognized for taxable temporary differences. Temporary differences are the differences between the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and their tax basis. Deferred tax assets are reduced by a valuation allowance when, in the opinion of management, it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are adjusted for the effects of changes in tax laws and rates on the date of enactment.

### Translation of foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in Hong Kong dollars or British Pounds Sterling are translated into United States dollars at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions during the period are translated at the rates ruling at the dates of the transactions.

Profits and losses resulting from the above translation policy are recognized in the consolidated statements of operations and statements of other comprehensive income.

#### Accounting for the impairment of long-lived assets

Long-lived assets, which include property and equipment, goodwill and intangible assets other than goodwill, are evaluated at least annually for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable through the estimated undiscounted future cash flows from the use of these assets. When any such impairment exists, the related assets will be written down to fair value.

### Goodwill and other intangible assets

In July 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards "SFAS" No. 141, "Business Combinations" ("SFAS 141") and SFAS 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" ("SFAS 142"). SFAS 141 is effective for business combinations initiated after June 30, 2001, and requires that all business combinations completed after its adoption be accounted for under the purchase method of accounting and establishes specific criteria for the recognition of intangible assets separately from goodwill. SFAS 142 was effective for the Company on January 1, 2002 and primarily addresses the accounting for goodwill and intangible assets subsequent to their acquisition. With the adoption of SFAS 142, goodwill and certain other intangible assets are no longer amortized and are tested for impairment at least annually at the reporting unit level. Losses in value are recorded when and as material impairment has occurred in the underlying assets or when the benefits of the identified intangible assets are realized. As of December 31, 2004, there was no impairment to the underlying value of goodwill or intangible assets other than goodwill.

The carrying value of goodwill is based on management's current assessment of recoverability. Management evaluates recoverability using both objective and subjective factors. Objective factors include management's best estimates of projected future earnings and cash flows and analysis of recent sales and earnings trends. Subjective factors include competitive analysis and the Company's strategic focus.

Intangible assets other than goodwill consist of product technology rights, trademarks, acquired backlog, customer relationships, product lines and license agreements. Intangible assets other than trademarks are amortized over the estimated economic lives of the related assets. Accumulated amortization as of December 31, 2003 and 2004 was \$16.5 million and \$30.2 million, respectively.

#### **Stock Option Plans**

In December 2002, the FASB issued SFAS 148 "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation — Transition and Disclosure, an amendment of FASB Statement No. 123" ("SFAS 148"). SFAS 148 Statement amends SFAS 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" ("SFAS 123"), to provide alternative methods of transition for an entity that voluntarily changes to the fair value based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. It also amends the disclosure provisions of that Statement to require prominent disclosure about the effects on reported net income of an entity's accounting policy decisions with respect to stock-based employee compensation. Finally, SFAS 148 amends APB Opinion No. 28, Interim Financial Reporting, to require disclosure about those effects in interim financial information.

At December 31, 2004, the Company had stock-based employee compensation plans, which are described more fully in Note 14. The Company accounts for those plans under the recognition and measurement principles of APB Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, and related Interpretations. No stock-based employee compensation cost is reflected in net income, as all options granted under those plans had an exercise price equal to the market value of the underlying common stock on the date of grant. However, certain options had been repriced resulting in compensation adjustments, which have been reflected in net income. The following table illustrates the effect on net income and earnings per share if the Company had applied the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS 123, to stock-based employee compensation.



In 2002, 2003 and 2004 the fair value of each employee option grant was estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes optionpricing model with the following assumptions used: risk-free rate of interest of 4%, 4% and 2.25%, respectively; dividend yield of 0%; with volatility of 87%, 82% and 136.9% respectively; and expected lives of five years.

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2002		2003			2004
				thousands, oer share data)		
Net income, as reported	\$	27,930	\$	15,895	\$	43,559
Add (Deduct): Stock-based employee compensation expense (income) included in reported net income net of related tax effects		(1,061)		5		3,970
Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value		(1,001)		0		5,570
method for all awards net of related tax effects		(2,034)		(2,796)		(2,999)
Pro forma net income	\$	24,835	\$	13,104	\$	44,530
Earnings per share:						
Basic — as reported	\$	1.27	\$	0.66	\$	1.69
Basic — pro forma	\$	1.13	\$	0.54	\$	1.73
Diluted — as reported	\$	1.23	\$	0.66	\$	1.49
Diluted — pro forma	\$	1.09	\$	0.55	\$	1.52

# Earnings per share

The following table is a reconciliation of the weighted-average shares used in the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share ("EPS") for the periods presented (in thousands, except per share data):

		2002	
	Income	Weighted Average Shares	Per Share
Basic EPS			
Income available to common stockholders	\$ 27,930	21,963	\$ 1.27
Effect of dilutive securities			
Options and warrants		784	
Diluted EPS			
Income available to common stockholders plus assumed exercises	\$ 27,930	22,747	\$ 1.23
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	Іпсоте	2003 Weighted Average Income Shares		
Basic EPS				
Income available to common stockholders	\$ 15,895	24,262	\$ 0.66	
Effect of dilutive securities				
Convertible senior notes payable	2,114	2,760		
Options and warrants	_	415		
Diluted EPS				
Income available to common stockholders plus assumed exercises	\$ 18,009	27,437	\$ 0.66	

	Income	2004 Weighted Average Shares	Per	r Share
Basic EPS				
Income available to common stockholders	\$ 43,559	25,797	\$	1.69
Effect of dilutive securities				
Convertible senior notes payable	3,354	4,900		
Options and warrants		709		
Diluted EPS				
Income available to common stockholders plus assumed exercises	\$ 46,913	31,406	\$	1.49

Included in diluted EPS in 2003 and 2004 is the assumed conversion of \$98.0 million of convertible senior notes payable (note 8). In accordance with EITF Issue 04-8, "The Effect of Contingently Convertible Instruments on Diluted Earnings per Share", which the Company adopted in December 2004, diluted earnings per share for 2003 was restated to reflect the dilutive effect of the assumed conversion of the Company's convertible senior notes due 2023. The diluted earnings per share calculations for the two fiscal years ended December 31, 2004 include adjustments to add back to earnings the interest expense, net of tax, incurred on the convertible senior notes and to include in diluted weighted average shares the shares potentially issuable as if the contingent conversion features were met. There was no effect on 2003 diluted earnings per share.

# **Recent Accounting Standards**

In January 2003 and as revised in December 2003, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities" ("Interpretation 46") and FASB Interpretation No. 46R ("Interpretation 46R"). Interpretations 46 and 46R require companies with a variable interest in a variable interest entity to apply the guidance contained in such Interpretations as of the beginning of the first reporting period after December 15, 2003. If applicable, the application of the guidance could result in the consolidation of a variable interest entity. Interpretations 46 and 46R are not applicable to the Company, as it is not the beneficiary of any variable interest entities.

In May 2003, the FASB issued SFAS 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of Both Liabilities and Equity" ("SFAS 150"). SFAS 150 establishes standards for how an issuer classifies and measures certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. The provisions of SFAS 150 were adopted effective June 9, 2003. The adoption of SFAS 150 did not have a material effect on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

The Company uses the intrinsic-value method of accounting for stock options granted to employees. As required by the Company's existing stock plans, stock options are granted at, or above, the fair market value of the Company's stock, and, accordingly, no compensation expense is recognized for these grants in the consolidated statement of operations. The Company records compensation expense related to other stock-based awards, such as restricted stock grants, over the period the award vests. On December 16, 2004, the FASB issued SFAS 123 (revised 2004), "Share-Based Payment" ("SFAS 123(R)"), which amends SFAS 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" and SFAS 95 "Statement of Cash Flows". SFAS 123(R) requires companies to measure all employee stock-based compensation awards using a fair value method and record such expense in its consolidated financial statements. In addition, the adoption of SFAS 123(R) requires additional accounting and disclosure related to the income tax and cash flow effects resulting from share-based payment arrangements. SFAS 123(R) is effective for the Company as of July 1, 2005. The adoption of SFAS 123(R)'s fair value method will have an impact on the Company's results of operations, although it will have no impact on its overall financial position. While the Company cannot estimate the level of share-based payments to be issued in the future, based on the stock options that are currently outstanding, the Company expects that the adoption of SFAS 123(R) will result in a charge to operations in the second half of 2005 of approximately \$1.5 million.

In accordance with EITF Issue 04-8, "The Effect of Contingently Convertible Instruments on Diluted Earnings per Share", which the Company adopted in December 2004, diluted earnings per share for 2003 was restated to reflect the dilutive effect of the assumed conversion of the Company's convertible senior notes due in 2023. The diluted earnings per share calculations for the two fiscal years ended December 31, 2004 include adjustments to add back to earnings the interest expense, net of tax, incurred on the convertible senior notes and to include in diluted weighted average shares the shares potentially issuable as if the contingent conversion features were met. There was no effect on 2003 diluted earnings per share.

# Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to prior year balances in order to conform to the current year presentation.

# Note 3—Business Segments, Geographic Data, Sales by Product Group, and Major Customers

The Company is a worldwide producer and marketer of children's toys and related products, principally engaged in the design, development, production and marketing of traditional toys, including boys action figures, vehicles and playsets, craft and activity products, writing instruments, compounds, girls toys, and infant and preschool toys. The Company's reportable segments are North America Toys, International and Other.

The North America Toys segment, which includes the United States and Canada, and the International toy segment, which includes sales to non-North American markets, include the design, development, production and marketing of children's toys and related products. The Company also has an additional segment classified as Other, which sells various products to the specialty markets in the United States.

Segment performance is measured at the operating income level. All sales are made to external customers, and general corporate expenses have been attributed to the North America Toy segment, which is a dominant segment. Segment assets are comprised of accounts receivable and inventories, net of applicable reserves and allowances.

The accounting policies of the segments are described in Note 2.

Results are not necessarily those that would be achieved were each segment an unaffiliated business enterprise. Information by segment and a reconciliation to reported amounts for the three years ended December 31, 2004 are as follows (in thousands):

	 Year Ended December 31,						
	2002 2003			2004		2004	
Net Sales							
North America Toys	\$ 263,	314	\$	272,317		5	521,292
International	46,	251		43,424			52,805
Other		451		35	_		169
	\$ 310,	016	\$	315,776		5	574,266
			Year E	nded Decembe	er 31,		
		2002	-	2003			2004
Operating Income							
North America Toys	\$	21,246		\$ 9,821		\$	48,770
International		3,732		1,566			4,940
Other		36	-	2			15
	\$	25,014		\$ 11,389		\$	53,725
				Decembe	er 31,		
			200	3		2	004
Assets							
North America Toys		\$	4	57,056	\$	(	532,489
International				72,884			64,069
Other				57			204
		\$	5	29,997	\$	(	696,762

The following tables present information about the Company by geographic area as of and for the three years ended December 31, 2004 (in thousands):

,			December 31,				
			2	2003		2004	
Long-lived Assets							
United States			\$	197,751	\$	278,734	
Hong Kong				32,382		30,484	
Europe				4,011		2,783	
			\$	234,144	\$	312,001	
			Year Er	nded December	31,		
		2002		2003		2004	
Net Sales by Geographic Area							
United States	\$	256,799	\$	271,051	\$	505,803	
Europe		39,414		35,547		37,700	
Canada		6,966		5,125		15,658	
Hong Kong		324		1,275		4,410	
Other		6,513		2,778		10,695	
	\$	310,016	\$	315,776	\$	574,266	
	_		Year Ei	nded December	31,		
	_	2002		2003		2004	
Net Sales by Product Group							
Traditional Toys	\$	103,429	\$	106,963	\$	406,023	
Craft/Activities/Writing Products		153,370		164,087		99,779	
Seasonal Products		53,217		44,726		68,464	
	\$	310,016	\$	315,776	\$	574,266	

# **Major Customers**

Net sales to major customers, which are part of our North American Toys segment, were approximately as follows (in thousands, except for percentages):

		20	02	2	2003 2004			004		
	Ā	Amount	Percentage of Net Sales	 Amount	Percen of Net S	0		Amount		entage et Sales
Wal-Mart	\$	46,396	15.0%	\$ 91,378		28.9%	\$	193,776		33.7%
Target		34,018	11.0	30,371		9.6		74,429		13.0
Toys 'R' Us		41,506	13.4	30,009		9.5		68,279		11.9
Kmart		34,773	11.2	17,996		5.7		27,274		4.8
Kay Bee Toys		16,077	5.1	12,670		4.0		12,756		2.2
	\$	172,770	55.7%	\$ 182,424		57.7%	\$	376,514		65.6%

Wal-Mart has increased its percentage of the toy industry's sales at retail and the increase in our sales to Wal-Mart is consistent with this change. No other customer accounted for more than 2% of our total net sales.

### Note 4 — Acquisitions and Joint Venture

The Company owns a fifty percent interest in a joint venture with a company that develops, publishes and distributes interactive entertainment software for the leading hardware game platforms in the home video game market. The joint venture has entered into a license agreement with an initial license period expiring December 31, 2009 under which it acquired the exclusive worldwide right to publish video games on all hardware platforms. The Company's investment is accounted for using the cost method due to the financial and operating structure of the venture and our lack of control over the joint venture. The Company's basis consists primarily of organizational costs, license costs and recoupable advances and is being amortized over the term of the initial license period. The joint venture agreement provides for the Company to receive guaranteed preferred returns through June 30, 2006 at varying rates of the joint venture's net sales depending on the cumulative unit sales and platform of each particular game. For periods after June 30, 2006, the amount of the preferred return will be subject to renegotiation between the parties. The preferred return is accrued in the quarter in which the licensed games are sold and the preferred return is earned. The Company's joint venture partner retains the financial risk of the joint venture and is responsible for the day-to-day operations, including development, sales and distribution, for which they are entitled to any remaining profits. During 2002, 2003 and 2004, the Company earned \$8.0 million, \$7.4 million and \$7.9 million, respectively, in profit from the joint venture.

In December 2001, the Company acquired all the outstanding stock of Kidz Biz Ltd., a United Kingdom company, and Kidz Biz Far East Limited, an affiliated Hong Kong corporation, (collectively "Kidz Biz"), for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$12.4 million, which was paid by the issuance of 308,992 shares of the Company's common stock at a value of \$6.0 million and cash of \$6.4 million. In addition, we agreed to pay an earn-out for each of 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005, based on the year over year increase in Kidz Biz sales, payable by delivery of up to 25,749 shares of our common stock per year. In 2002, 2003 and 2004, no earn-outs were earned. However, the 2005 earn-out at a value of \$0.5 million was paid during 2004 upon the termination of employment of a principal of the seller, which was charged to expense in 2004. Both the United Kingdom and Hong Kong based companies are distributors of toys and related products in the United Kingdom, Ireland and the Channel Islands.

The Company acquired the following entities to further enhance its existing product lines and to continue diversification into other toy categories and seasonal businesses.

In March 2002, the Company purchased a controlling interest in Toymax International, Inc. ("Toymax") and on October 25, 2002, the Company completed that acquisition by acquiring the remaining outstanding common shares in a merger transaction. This acquisition expanded the product offerings in the Company's traditional toy category. The total purchase price of approximately \$62.8 million consisted of 1,166,360 shares of the Company's common stock, 598,697 options and approximately \$41.0 million in cash. This transaction has been accounted for by the Company under the purchase method of accounting, and the Company's results of operations have included Toymax from March 12, 2002; however, for the period from March 12, 2002 through October 25, 2002, the minority interest's share of Toymax's earnings were excluded.

In November 2002, the Company purchased certain product lines, assets and assumed certain specific liabilities from Trendmasters, Inc. ("Trendmasters"). This acquisition expanded the product offerings in the Company's seasonal business, including outdoor and holiday. The total purchase price of approximately \$19.2 million consisted of all cash. This transaction has been accounted for by the Company under the purchase method of accounting, and the Company's results of operations have included Trendmasters from the date of acquisition.

In May 2003, the Company purchased the product lines and related assets and assumed certain liabilities from P&M Products USA, Inc. and an affiliated United Kingdom company, P&M Products Limited, (collectively "P&M"). The total purchase price of approximately \$22.0 million consisted of cash paid in the amount of \$20.7 million and liabilities assumed of \$0.6 million and resulted in goodwill of \$13.5 million. Additionally, the patent for Blopen, one of P&M's significant product lines, was purchased for \$1.8 million in cash in a separate transaction with the patent owner that previously licensed Blopen to P&M. This acquisition expanded the product offerings in the Company's activities category. This transaction has been accounted for by the Company under the purchase method of accounting, and the Company's results of operations have included P&M from the date of acquisition.

In determining the purchase price allocation of the P&M acquisition, the Company considered the acquired intangible assets that arose from contractual or other legal rights, including trademarks, copyrights, patents and license agreements, as well as potential noncontractual intangible assets, including customer lists and customer-related relationships. The Company consummated this acquisition because of the additional value of the expected synergies that would result from combining the operations of P&M into the operations of the Company.

On June 10, 2004, the Company purchased substantially all of the assets and assumed certain liabilities of Play Along. The total purchase price of \$85.7 million consisted of cash paid in the amount of \$70.8 million and the issuance of 749,005 shares of the Company common stock valued at \$14.9 million and resulted in goodwill of \$67.8 million. In addition, the Company agreed to pay an earn-out of up to \$10.0 million per year for the three calendar years following the acquisition up to an aggregate amount of \$30.0 million based on the achievement of certain financial performance criteria which will be recorded as goodwill when and if earned. For the year ended December 31, 2004, \$10.0 million of the earn-out was earned and recorded as goodwill as of December 31, 2004. Accordingly, the annual maximum earn-out for the remaining three years through December 31, 2007 is approximately \$6.7 million, or an aggregate of \$20.0 million. Play Along designs and produces traditional toys, which it distributes domestically and internationally. This acquisition expands our product offerings in the pre-school area and brings new product development and marketing talent to the Company. This transaction has been accounted for by the Company under the purchase method of accounting, and the Company's results of operations have included Play Along from the date of acquisition.

In determining the purchase price allocation of the Play Along acquisition, the Company considered the acquired intangible assets that arise from contractual or other legal rights, including trademarks, copyrights, patents and license agreements, potential noncontractual intangible assets, including customer lists and customer-related relationships, as well as the value of synergies that will result from combining the operations of Play Along into the operations of the Company.

The total purchase price of these acquisitions was allocated to the estimated fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed as set forth in the following table (in thousands):

	P&M	Play Along	Total
Estimated fair value:			
Current assets	\$ 5,616	\$ 24,063	\$ 29,679
Property and equipment, net	17	546	563
Other assets	11	3,184	3,195
Liabilities assumed	(1,378)	(31,995)	(33,373)
Intangible assets other than goodwill	2,900	22,100	25,000
Goodwill	13,541	67,788	81,329
	\$ 20,707	\$ 85,686	\$ 106,393

Approximately \$10.8 million of the Toymax goodwill, \$23.2 million of Trendmasters goodwill, \$14.1 million of the P&M goodwill and \$67.8 million of the Play Along goodwill is expected to be deductible for tax purposes.

The following unaudited pro forma information represents the Company's consolidated results of operations as if the acquisitions of P&M and Play Along had occurred on January 1, 2003 and after giving effect to certain adjustments including the elimination of certain general and administrative expenses and other income and expense items not attributable to ongoing operations, interest expense, and related tax effects. Such pro forma information does not purport to be indicative of operating results that would have been reported had the acquisitions of P&M and Play Along actually occurred on January 1, 2003 or on future operating results.

	Year Ended December 31,						
	 2003 2004						
	(In thousands, except per						
	share	data)					
Net Sales	\$ 326,105	\$	618,952				
Net income	\$ 13,693	\$	44,391				
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.56	\$	1.69				
Weighted average shares outstanding	24,262		26,239				
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.55	\$	1.65				
Weighted average shares and equivalents outstanding	24,677		26,947				

# Note 5—Concentration of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that subject the Company to concentration of credit risk are cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable. Cash equivalents consist principally of short-term money market funds. These instruments are short-term in nature and bear minimal risk. To date, the Company has not experienced losses on these instruments.

The Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its customers' financial condition, but does not require collateral to support domestic customer accounts receivables. Most goods shipped FOB Hong Kong or China are secured with irrevocable letters of credit.

At December 31, 2004 and 2003, the Company's five largest customers accounted for approximately 65.1% and 74.6%, respectively, of net accounts receivable. The concentration of the Company's business with a relatively small number of customers may expose the Company to material adverse effects if one or more of its large customers were to experience financial difficulty. The Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its top customers and maintains an allowance for potential credit losses.

# Note 6—Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses consist of the following (in thousands):

	2003	2004
Royalties and sales commissions	\$ 5,043	\$ 20,527
Bonuses	1,357	9,720
Acquisition earnout		10,000
Other	 4,405	 15,086
	\$ 10,805	\$ 55,333

# Note 7—Related Party Transactions

A director of the Company is a partner in the law firm that acts as counsel to the Company. The Company incurred legal fees and expenses to the law firm in the amount of approximately \$2.7 million in 2002, \$4.6 million in 2003 and \$3.3 million in 2004.

# Note 8—Long-term Debt

Long-term debt consists of the following (in thousands):

2003		2004
\$ 98,000	\$	98,000
 61		
98,061		98,000
(19)		
\$ 98,042	\$	98,000
\$	\$ 98,000 <u>61</u> 98,061 (19)	\$ 98,000 \$ <u>61</u> 98,061 <u>(19)</u>

(1) Pursuant to the terms of a Purchase Agreement, dated June 9, 2003, the Company sold an aggregate of \$98.0 million of 4.625% Convertible Senior Notes due June 15, 2023. The holders of the notes may convert the notes into shares of the Company's common stock at any time at an initial conversion price of \$20.00 per share, subject to certain circumstances described in the notes. The Company will pay cash interest on the notes at an annual rate of 4.625% of the principal amount at issuance, from the issue date to June 15, 2010, payable on June 15 and December 15 of each year, commencing on December 15, 2003. After June 15, 2010, the Company will not pay cash interest on the notes. At maturity, on June 15, 2023, the Company will redeem the notes at their accreted principal amount, which will be equal to \$1,811.95 (181.195%) per \$1,000 principal amount at issuance.

The Company may redeem the notes at its option in whole or in part beginning on June 15, 2010, at 100% of their accreted principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional amounts), if any, payable in cash. Holders of the notes may also require the Company to repurchase all or part of their notes on June 15, 2010, for cash, at a repurchase price of 100% of the principal amount per note plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional amounts), if any. Holders of the notes may also require the Company to repurchase all or part of their notes on June 15, 2013 and June 15, 2018 at a repurchase price of 100% of the accreted principal amount per note plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional amounts), if any. Holders of 100% of the accreted principal amount per note plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional amounts), if any. Any repurchases at June 15, 2013 and June 15, 2018 may be paid in cash, in shares of common stock or a combination of cash and shares of common stock.

The following is a schedule of payments for the long-term debt (in thousands):

2005	\$ —	
2006	_	
2007	—	
2008	—	
2009	—	
Thereafter	98,000	
	\$ 98,000	

# Note 9—Income Taxes

The Company does not file a consolidated return with its foreign subsidiaries. The Company files Federal and state returns and its foreign subsidiaries file Hong Kong and United Kingdom returns. Income taxes reflected in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations are comprised of the following (in thousands):

	2002	2003	2004
Federal	\$ 2,241	\$ 608	\$ 696
State and local	270	55	1,088
Foreign	6,105	 3,017	 12,954
	 8,616	 3,680	14,738
Deferred	(2,150)	(2,240)	795
	\$ 6,466	\$ 1,440	\$ 15,533

The components of deferred tax assets/(liabilities) are as follows (in thousands):

	2003	2004
Net deferred tax assets/(liabilities):		
Current:		
Reserve for sales allowances and possible losses	\$ 1,114	\$ 1,940
Accrued expenses	182	1,044
Restricted stock grant	3,094	136
Foreign tax credit, net of valuation		2,166
Other	132	875
	 4,522	 6,161
Long Term:		
Undistributed earnings	(7,191)	(7,191)
Property and equipment	(1,088)	(983)
Original issue discount interest	(925)	(2,761)
Deductible goodwill	(2,783)	(2,004)
Other	2,152	242
Federal net operating loss carryforwards	7,321	8,416
State net operating loss carryforwards	 667	 _
	(1,847)	(4,281)
Total net deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	\$ 2,675	\$ 1,880

The current portion of deferred tax assets is included in prepaid expenses and other.

Income tax expense varies from the U.S. Federal statutory rate. The following reconciliation shows the significant differences in the tax at statutory and effective rates:

	2002	2003	2004
Federal income tax expense	35%	35%	35%
State income tax expense, net of federal tax effect	0.5	0.2	1.3
Effect of differences in U.S. and Foreign statutory rates	(18.9)	(30.6)	(12.1)
Other	2.3	3.7	1.8
	18.9%	8.3%	26%

Deferred taxes result from temporary differences between tax bases of assets and liabilities and their reported amounts in the consolidated financial statements. The temporary differences result from costs required to be capitalized for tax purposes by the U.S. Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"), and certain items accrued for financial reporting purposes in the year incurred but not deductible for tax purposes until paid.

As of December 31, 2004, the Company has federal and state net operating loss carryforwards of \$19.3 million and \$20.4 million, respectively, expiring through 2023. These carryforwards resulted from the acquisitions of Pentech and Toymax. The utilization of these losses to offset future income is limited under IRC§382. The Company's management concluded that a deferred tax asset valuation allowance was not necessary.

The components of income before provision for income taxes and minority interest are as follows (in thousands):

	2002	2003	2004
Domestic	\$ (3,433)	\$ (5,255)	\$ (22,669)
Foreign	 37,592	 22,590	 81,761
	\$ 34,159	\$ 17,335	\$ 59,092

On October 22, 2004, the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 (the "AJC Act") was signed into law. The AJC Act creates a one-time incentive for U.S. corporations to repatriate undistributed earnings from their international subsidiaries by providing an 85% dividends-received deduction for certain international earnings. The deduction is available to corporations during the tax year that includes October 22, 2004 or in the immediately subsequent tax year. The Company is in the process of evaluating whether it will repatriate any international earnings under the provisions of the AJC Act.

# Note 10—Credit Facility

In October 2001, the Company and all of its subsidiaries jointly and severally secured a syndicated line of credit totaling \$50.0 million with a consortium of banks ("Line of Credit"). The Company terminated the Line of Credit effective August 13, 2004. There had never been any outstanding borrowings under the Line of Credit since its inception.

# Note 11—Leases

The Company leases office, warehouse and showroom facilities and certain equipment under operating leases. Rent expense for the three years ended December 31, 2004 totaled \$4.0 million, \$5.2 million and \$5.8 million, respectively. The following is a schedule of minimum annual lease payments (in thousands).

2005	\$ 6,543	
2006	5,714	
2007	4,723	
2008 2009	2,819	
2009	2,804	
Thereafter	6,603	
	\$ 29,206	

### Note 12—Common Stock, Preferred Stock and Warrants

The Company has 105,000,000 authorized shares of stock consisting of 100,000,000 shares of \$.001 par value common stock and 5,000,000 shares of \$.001 par value preferred stock. In February 2003, the Company's Board of Directors approved a buyback of up to \$20.0 million of the Company's common stock. During 2003, the Company repurchased and retired 554,500 shares of its common stock at an aggregate cost of \$6.1 million. No shares were repurchased during 2004.

During 2004, the Company issued 749,005 shares of common stock at a value of \$14.9 million in connection with the Play Along acquisition, 25,749 shares of common stock at a value of



\$0.5 million in connection with the Kidz Biz acquisition, and 4,310 shares of restricted stock to five non-employee directors of the Company at a value of approximately \$59,000. The Company also issued 192,129 shares of common stock on the exercise of options for a total of \$1.7 million.

During 2003, the Company awarded 2,760,000 shares of restricted stock to four executive officers of the Company pursuant to its 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan, of which 636,000 were earned during 2003, 396,000 were earned during 2004, 288,000 were canceled upon the termination of employment of one of our executive officers in October 2004, and the balance may be earned through 2010 based upon the achievement of certain financial criteria and continuing employment. A charge of \$8.4 million was recorded as of December 31, 2003 relating to this award. The Company also issued 312,491 shares of common stock on the exercise of options for a total of \$1.8 million.

During 2002, the Company issued 954,770 shares of common stock on the exercise of options and warrants for a total of \$5.9 million, 1,166,360 shares of common stock at a value of \$18.1 million in connection with the Toymax acquisition and 3,525,000 shares of common stock in connection with an underwritten public offering for net proceeds of approximately \$59.1 million.

During 2003, the Company issued 100,000 fully vested warrants, expiring in 2013, in connection with license costs relating to its investment in the joint venture. The fair market value of these warrants was approximately \$1.1 million and has been included in the basis of the joint venture (Note 4). The Company also issued \$98.0 million of convertible senior notes payable that may be converted into an aggregate of 4.9 million shares of the Company's common stock (Note 8).

Warrant activity is summarized as follows:

	Number of Shares	Av Ex	eighted verage kercise Price
Outstanding, December 31, 2001	166,875	\$	6.67
Exercised	(166,875)		6.67
Outstanding, December 31, 2002			_
Granted	100,000		11.35
Exercised	—		
Outstanding, December 31, 2003 and 2004	100,000	\$	11.35

### Note 13—Commitments

The Company has entered into various license agreements whereby the Company may use certain characters and properties in conjunction with its products. Such license agreements call for royalties to be paid at 1% to 18% of net sales with minimum guarantees and advance payments. Additionally, under three separate licenses, the Company has committed to spend 12.5% of related net sales up to \$1.0 million, 8% of related net sales and 5% of related net sales on advertising per year on such licenses. We estimate that our minimum commitment for advertising in fiscal 2005 will be \$7.4 million.

Future annual minimum royalty guarantees as of December 31, 2004 are as follows (in thousands):

2005	\$ 13,635	
2006	8,868	
2007	1,795	
2008	1,427	
2009	1,435	
Thereafter	—	
	\$ 27,160	

The Company has entered into employment agreements with certain executives expiring through December 31, 2010. The aggregate future annual minimum guaranteed amounts due under those agreements as of December 31, 2004 are as follows (in thousands):

2005	¢	5,069
	Ų	
2006		4,557
2007		4,248
2008		2,180
2009		2,230
Thereafter		2,280
	\$	20,564

# Note 14—Stock Award and Incentive Plan

Under its 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan ("the Plan"), which incorporated its Third Amended and Restated 1995 Stock Option Plan, the Company has reserved 6,025,000 shares of its common stock for issuance upon the exercise of options granted under the Plan, as well as for the awarding of restricted stock. Under the Plan, employees (including officers), non-employee directors and independent consultants may be granted options to purchase shares of common stock and shares of restricted stock (Note 12).

As of December 31, 2004, 1,728,523 shares were available for future grant. Additional shares may become available to the extent that options presently outstanding under the Plan terminate or expire unexercised. Stock option activity pursuant to the Plan is summarized as follows:

	Number of Shares	A E	/eighted werage xercise Price
Outstanding, December 31, 2001	2,313,556	\$	9.97
Granted	1,124,197		11.06
Exercised	(787,836)		6.71
Canceled	(42,030)		15.00
Outstanding, December 31, 2002	2,607,887		11.35
Granted	184,500		13.31
Exercised	(312,491)		11.78
Canceled	(214,630)		12.71
Outstanding, December 31, 2003	2,265,266		12.15
Granted	287,644		19.49
Exercised	(192,129)		8.89
Canceled	(287,775)		13.76
Outstanding, December 31, 2004	2,073,006	\$	13.22

The weighted average fair value of options granted to employees in 2002, 2003 and 2004 was \$10.65, \$13.28 and \$19.48 per share, respectively.

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding and exercisable at December 31, 2004:

		Outstanding	Exercisable					
Option Price Range	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Life in Years	A	Veighted Average Exercise Price	Number of Shares	1	Veighted Average Exercise Price	
\$7.875 - \$9.125	740,941	1.38	\$	7.92	658,903	\$	7.93	
\$11.35 - \$16.25	998,925	4.38	\$	14.29	489,600	\$	13.93	
\$17.26 - \$20.94	433,144	5.52	\$	19.52	164,044	\$	19.05	

# Note 15—Employee Pension Plan

The Company sponsors for its U.S. employees, a defined contribution plan under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan provides that employees may defer up to 15% of their annual compensation, and that the Company will make a matching contribution equal to 50% of each employee's deferral, up to 5% of the employee's annual compensation. Company matching contributions, which vest equally over a five year period, totaled \$0.3 million, \$0.3 million and \$0.4 million for 2002, 2003 and 2004, respectively.

### Note 16—Supplemental Information to Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

In 2004, 749,005 shares of common stock valued at approximately \$14.9 million were issued in connection with the acquisition of Play Along and 25,749 shares of common stock valued at approximately \$0.5 million were issued in connection with the 2001 Kidz Biz acquisition (Note 4). Additionally, the Company recognized a \$0.7 million tax benefit from the exercise of stock options.

In 2003, the Company issued 100,000 warrants valued at approximately \$1.1 million in connection with license costs relating to its investment in the joint venture (Note 12).

In 2002, 1,166,360 shares of common stock valued at approximately \$18.1 million and 598,697 options valued at \$3.2 million were issued in connection with the acquisition of Toymax (Note 4).

# Note 17—Selected Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)

Selected unaudited quarterly financial data for the years 2003 and 2004 are summarized below:

		2003					2004								
	C	First Juarter		Second Quarter		Third Juarter	C	Fourth Juarter Jusands, exc	First Juarter r share data	(	Second Quarter		Third Quarter		Fourth Quarter
Net sales	\$	67,759	\$	73,290	\$	90,308	\$	84,419	\$ 73,986	\$	109,395	\$	206,083	\$	184,802
Gross profit	\$	27,442	\$	27,906	\$	36,226	\$	34,868	\$ 30,466	\$	41,281	\$	81,801	\$	72,459
Income (loss) from operations	\$	5,960	\$	2,522	\$	10,480	\$	(7,573)	\$ 4,885	\$	8,321	\$	29,915	\$	10,604
Income before income taxes and minority interest	\$	6,299	\$	2,679	\$	10,495	\$	(2,138)	\$ 4,764	\$	7,637	\$	30,042	\$	16,649
Net income	\$	4,988	\$	2,236	\$	8,248	\$	422	\$ 3,791	\$	6,004	\$	23,255	\$	10,508
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.20	\$	0.09	\$	0.34	\$	0.02	\$ 0.15	\$	0.24	\$	0.89	\$	0.40
Weighted average shares outstanding		24,430		24,175		24,177		24,304	25,276		25,502		26,167		26,232
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.20	\$	0.09	\$	0.28	\$	0.01	\$ 0.15	\$	0.22	\$	0.75	\$	0.36
Weighted average shares and equivalents outstanding		24,917		25,814		29,529		29,542	30,676		31,123		31,919		31,855

During the second quarter of 2003, the Company recorded a charge which impacted operating income by approximately \$2.7 million relating to the recall of one of its products.

During the third quarter of 2003, we recovered \$0.7 million of recall costs, recorded in the second quarter of 2003, from one of our factories.

During the fourth quarter of 2003, the Company recorded a non-cash charge of \$8.4 million which impacted operating income relating to the grant of restricted stock and a charge of \$2.1 million to provision for bad debt impacting operating income relating to the bankruptcy filing of several of its customers, including Kay Bee Toys.

During the fourth quarter of 2004, the Company recorded non-cash charges, which impacted operating income, of \$5.6 million relating to the grant of restricted stock and \$8.6 million relating to the amortization of short-lived intangible assets acquired in connection with the Play Along acquisition.

### Note 18—Litigation

On October 19, 2004, the Company was named as defendants in a lawsuit commenced by WWE in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York concerning our toy licenses with WWE and the video game license between WWE and the joint venture company operated by THQ and the Company, encaptioned World Wrestling Entertainment, Inc. v. JAKKS Pacific, Inc., et al., 1:04-CV-08223-KMK (the "WWE Action"). The complaint also named as defendants THQ, the joint venture, certain of the Company's foreign subsidiaries, Jack Friedman (the Company's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer), Stephen Berman (the Company's Chief Operating Officer, President and Secretary and a member of the Company's Board of Directors), Joel Bennett (the Company's Chief Financial Officer), Stanley Shenker and Associates, Inc., Bell Licensing, LLC, Stanley Shenker and James Bell.

WWE sought treble, punitive and other damages (including disgorgement of profits) in an undisclosed amount and a declaration that the video game license with the joint venture, which is scheduled to expire in 2009 (subject to joint venture's right to extend that license for an additional five years), and an amendment to our toy licenses with WWE, which are scheduled to expire in 2009, are void and unenforceable. This action alleged violations by the defendants of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act ("RICO") and the anti-bribery provisions of the Robinson-Patman Act, and various claims under state law.

On February 16, 2005, the Company filed a motion to dismiss the WWE Action. On March 30, 2005, the day before WWE's opposition to the Company's motion was due, WWE amended its complaint to, among other things, add the Chief Executive Officer of THQ as a defendant and to add a claim under the Sherman Act. On March 31, 2005, the WWE sent a letter to the Court proposing, *inter alia*, a briefing schedule for defendants' motions to dismiss the amended complaint.

In November 2004, several purported class action lawsuits were filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York: (1) Garcia v. Jakks Pacific, Inc. et al., Civil Action No. 04-8807 (filed on November 5, 2004), (2) Jonco Investors, LLC v. Jakks Pacific, Inc. et al., Civil Action No. 04-9021 (filed on November 16, 2004), (3) Kahn v. Jakks Pacific, Inc. et al., Civil Action No. 04-8910 (filed on November 10, 2004), (4) Quantum Equities L.L.C. v. Jakks Pacific, Inc. et al., Civil Action No. 04-8877 (filed on November 9, 2004), and (5) Irvine v. Jakks Pacific, Inc. et al., Civil Action No. 04-9078 (filed on November 16, 2004) (the "Class Actions"). The complaints in the Class Actions allege that defendants issued positive statements concerning increasing sales of our WWE licensed products which were false and misleading because the WWE licenses had allegedly been obtained through a pattern of commercial bribery, our relationship with the WWE was being negatively impacted by the WWE's contentions and there was an increased risk that the WWE would either seek modification or nullification of the licensing agreements with us. Plaintiffs also allege that we misleadingly failed to disclose the alleged fact that the WWE licenses were obtained through an unlawful bribery scheme. The plaintiffs in the Class Actions seek compensatory and other damages in an undisclosed amount, alleging violations of Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder by each of the defendants (namely the Company and Messrs. Friedman, Berman and Bennett), and violations of Section 20(a) of the

Exchange Act by Messrs. Friedman, Berman and Bennett. On January 25, 2005, the Court consolidated the Class Actions under the caption In re JAKKS Pacific, Inc. Shareholders Class Action Litigation, Civil Action No. 04-8807.

The Company believes that the claims in the WWE Action and the Class Actions are without merit and we intend to defend vigorously against them. However, because these Actions are in their preliminary stages, the Company cannot assure you as to the outcome of the Actions, nor can we estimate the range of our potential losses.

On February 16, 2005, the Company filed a motion to dismiss WWE's Complaint in the WWE Action. The motion is currently scheduled to be fully briefed on April 14, 2005, with oral argument to be scheduled thereafter.

On December 2, 2004, a shareholder derivative action was filed in the Southern District of New York by Freeport Partner, LLC against the Company, nominally, and against Messrs. Friedman, Berman and Bennett, Freeport Partners v. Friedman, et al., Civil Action No. 04-9441 (the "Derivative Action"). The Derivative Action seeks to hold the individual defendants liable for damages allegedly caused to the Company by their actions and in particular to hold them liable on a contribution theory with respect to any liability the Company incurs in connection with the Class Actions. On or about February 10, 2005, a second shareholder derivative action was filed in the Southern District of New York by David Oppenheim against us, nominally, and against Messrs. Friedman, Berman, Bennett, Blatte, Glick, Miller and Skala, Civil Action 05-2046 (the "Second Derivative Action"). The Second Derivative Action seeks to hold the individual defendants liable for damages allegedly caused to the Company by their actions as a result of alleged breaches of their fiduciary duties. On or about March 16, 2005, a third shareholder derivative action was filed in the Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County (the "Third Derivative Action"). The Third Derivative Action seeks to hold the individual defendants liable for (1) damages allegedly caused to the Company by their alleged breaches of fiduciary duty, abuse of control, gross mismanagement, waste of corporate assets and unjust enrichment; and (2) restitution to the Company of profits, benefits and other compensation obtained by them.

On March 1, 2005, the Company delivered a Notice of Breach of Settlement Agreement and Demand for Indemnification to WWE (the "Notification"). The Notification asserted that WWE's filing of the WWE Action violated A Covenant Not to Sue contained in a January 15, 2004 Settlement Agreement and General Release ("General Release") entered into between WWE and the Company and, therefore, that the Company was demanding indemnification, pursuant to the Indemnification provision contained in the General Release, for all losses that the WWE's actions have caused or will cause to the Company and its officers, including but not limited to any losses sustained by us in connection with the Class Actions. On March 4, 2005, in a letter from its outside counsel, WWE asserted that the General Release does not cover the claims in the WWE Action.

The Company is a party to, and certain of its property is the subject of, various other pending claims and legal proceedings that routinely arise in the ordinary course of its business, but the Company does not believe that any of these claims or proceedings will have a material effect on its business, financial condition or results of operations.

# JAKKS PACIFIC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

SCHEDULE II—VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002, 2003 and 2004

Allowances are deducted from the assets to which they apply, except for sales returns and allowances.

	Be	alance at ginning of Period	C	aarged to osts and xpenses	Charged to Other Accounts (in thousands)		D	Deductions		Balance at End E Period
Year ended December 31, 2002:										
Allowance for:										
Uncollectible accounts	\$	7,273	\$	2,373	\$	_	\$	2,865	\$	6,781
Reserve for potential product obsolescence		2,590		4,085		_		1,893		4,782
Reserve for sales returns										
and allowances		4,953		31,917		7,500(a)		30,790		13,580
	\$	14,816	\$	38,375	\$	7,500	\$	35,548	\$	25,143
Year ended December 31, 2003:										
Allowance for:										
Uncollectible accounts	\$	6,781	\$	2,896	\$	—	\$	1,800	\$	7,877
Reserve for potential product obsolescence		4,782		4,288		_		4,045		5,025
Reserve for sales returns				,				,		,
and allowances		13,580		27,064				32,891		7,753
	\$	25,143	\$	34,248	\$	0	\$	38,736	\$	20,655
Year ended December 31, 2004:										
Allowance for:										
Uncollectible accounts	\$	7,877	\$	2,903	\$	—	\$	3,722	\$	7,058
Reserve for potential product obsolescence		5,025		5,342				2,325		8,042
Reserve for sales returns										
and allowances		7,753		49,956				34,536		23,173
	\$	20,655	\$	58,201	\$		\$	40,583	\$	38,273

(a) Obligations assumed in conjunction with the asset acquisitions of Trendmasters and Dragon Ball Franchise.

# Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures.

Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, after evaluating the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report, have concluded that as of that date, our disclosure controls and procedures were adequate and effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports

we file or submit with the Securities and Exchange Commission is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

(b) Changes in internal control over financial reporting.

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(d) and 15d-15 that occurred during the period covered by this Annual Report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

(c) Management's annual report on internal control over financial reporting.

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. Our internal control system was designed to provide reasonable assurance to management and our board of directors regarding the preparation and fair presentation of published financial statements.

All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation.

Our management assessed the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004. In making this assessment, it used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework*. We believe that, as of December 31, 2004, our internal control over financial reporting is effective based on those criteria.

On June 11, 2004, we completed an asset purchase of Play Along, Inc., PA Distribution, Inc. and Play Along (Hong Kong) Limited, collectively known as "Play Along". Management's assessment did not include the internal controls of Play Along, due to the limited time between the purchase date and management's assessment. Play Along, Inc. contributed \$165.5 million in net sales and \$32.6 million of net income to our consolidated operations during 2004.

Our independent auditors have issued an attestation report on management's assessment of our internal control over financial reporting. This report appears on page 41.

(d) Attestation report of the registered public accounting firm.

Refer to the Financial Statements (see Item 8).

# PART III

#### Item 10. Directors and Executive Officers of the Registrant

### **Directors and Executive Officers**

Our directors and executive officers are as follows:

Name	Age	Positions with the Company
Jack Friedman	65	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Stephen G. Berman	40	Chief Operating Officer, President, Secretary and Director
Joel M. Bennett	43	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Dan Almagor	51	Director
David C. Blatte	40	Director
Robert E. Glick	59	Director
Michael G. Miller	57	Director
Murray L. Skala	58	Director

*Jack Friedman* has been our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer since co-founding JAKKS with Mr. Berman in January 1995. Until December 31, 1998, he was also our President. From January 1989 until January 1995, Mr. Friedman was Chief Executive Officer, President and a director of THQ. From 1970 to 1989, Mr. Friedman was President and Chief Operating Officer of LJN Toys, Ltd., a toy and software company. After LJN was acquired by MCA/ Universal, Inc. in 1986, Mr. Friedman continued as President until his departure in late 1988.

*Stephen G. Berman* has been our Chief Operating Officer and Secretary and one of our directors since co-founding JAKKS with Mr. Friedman in January 1995. Since January 1, 1999, he has also served as our President. From our inception until December 31, 1998, Mr. Berman was also our Executive Vice President. From October 1991 to August 1995, Mr. Berman was a Vice President and Managing Director of THQ International, Inc., a subsidiary of THQ. From 1988 to 1991, he was President and an owner of Balanced Approach, Inc., a distributor of personal fitness products and services.

*Joel M. Bennett* joined us in September 1995 as Chief Financial Officer and was given the additional title of Executive Vice President in May 2000. From August 1993 to September 1995, he served in several financial management capacities at Time Warner Entertainment Company, L.P., including as Controller of Warner Brothers Consumer Products Worldwide Merchandising and Interactive Entertainment. From June 1991 to August 1993, Mr. Bennett was Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of TTI Technologies, Inc., a direct-mail computer hardware and software distribution company. From 1986 to June 1991, Mr. Bennett held various financial management positions at The Walt Disney Company, including Senior Manager of Finance for its international television syndication and production division. Mr. Bennett holds a Master of Business Administration degree and is a Certified Public Accountant.

*Dan Almagor* has been one of our directors since September 2004. Since March 1992, Mr. Almagor has served as the Chairman of ACG Inc., an advisory firm affiliated with First Chicago Bank One Equity Capital, a global private equity organization which provides equity capital financing primarily to private companies.

*David C. Blatte* has been one of our directors since January 2001. From January 1993 to May 2000, Mr. Blatte was a Senior Vice President in the specialty retail group of the investment banking division of Donaldson, Lufkin and Jenrette Securities Corporation. From May 2000 to January

2004, Mr. Blatte was a partner in Catterton Partners, a private equity fund. Since February 2004, Mr. Blatte has been a partner in Centre Partners, a private equity fund.

*Robert E. Glick* has been one of our directors since October 1996. For more than 20 years, Mr. Glick has been an officer, director and principal stockholder in a number of privately-held companies which manufacture and market women's apparel.

*Michael G. Miller* has been one of our directors since February 1996. From 1979 until May 1998, Mr. Miller was President and a director of a group of privately-held companies, including a list brokerage and list management consulting firm, a database management consulting firm, and a direct mail graphic and creative design firm. Mr. Miller's interests in such companies were sold in May 1998. Since 1991, he has been President of an advertising company.

*Murray L. Skala* has been one of our directors since October 1995. Since 1976, Mr. Skala has been a partner of the law firm Feder, Kaszovitz, Isaacson, Weber, Skala, Bass & Rhine LLP, our general counsel. Mr. Skala is a director of Traffix, Inc., a publicly-held company in the business of internet media and marketing.

A majority of our directors are "independent," as defined under the rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market. Such independent directors are Messrs. Blatte, Glick, Miller and Almagor. Our directors hold office until the next annual meeting of stockholders and until their successors are elected and qualified. Our officers are elected annually by our Board of Directors and serve at its discretion.

#### **Committees of the Board of Directors**

We have an Audit Committee, a Compensation Committee and a Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.

*Audit Committee.* The primary functions of the Audit Committee are to select or to recommend to our Board the selection of outside auditors; to monitor our relationships with our outside auditors and their interaction with our management in order to ensure their independence and objectivity; to review, and to assess the scope and quality of, our outside auditor's services, including the audit of our annual financial statements; to review our financial management and accounting procedures; to review our financial statements with our management and outside auditors; and to review the adequacy of our system of internal accounting controls. Messrs. Blatte, Glick and Miller are the current members of the Audit Committee and are each "independent" (as that term is defined in NASD Rule 4200(a)(14)), and are each able to read and understand fundamental financial statements. Mr. Blatte is the Chairman of the Audit Committee and possesses the financial expertise required under Rule 401(h) of Regulation SK of the Act and NASD Rule 4350(d)(2). He is further "independent", as that term is defined under Item 7(d)(3)(iv) of Schedule 14A under the Exchange Act. We will, in the future, continue to have (i) an Audit Committee of at least three members comprised solely of independent directors, each of whom will be able to read and understand fundamental financial statements (or will become able to do so within a reasonable period of time after his or her appointment); and (ii) at least one member of the Audit Committee that will possess the financial expertise required under NASD Rule 4350(d)(2). Our Board has adopted a written charter for the Audit Committee that will possess the financial expertise required under NASD Rule 4350(d)(2). Our Board has adopted a written charter for the Audit Committee that will possess the financial expertises required under NASD Rule 4350(d)(2). Our Board has adopted a written charter for the Audit Committee that will posses.

*Compensation Committee.* The functions of the Compensation Committee are to make recommendations to the Board regarding compensation of management employees and to administer plans and programs relating to employee benefits, incentives, compensation and awards under our 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan (the "2002 Plan"). Messrs. Glick (Chairman) and Miller are the current members of the Compensation Committee. The Board has determined that each of them are "independent," as defined under the applicable rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market.

*Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.* The functions of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee are to develop our corporate governance system and to review proposed new members of our board of directors, including those recommended by our stockholders. Messrs. Almagor (Chairman), Glick and Miller are the current members of our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee operates pursuant to a written charter adopted by the Board. The full text of the charter is available on our website at *www.jakkspacific.com*. The Board has determined that each member of this Committee is "independent," as defined under the applicable rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market.

### **Attendance at Meetings**

From January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004, the Board of Directors, Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee each met or acted without a meeting pursuant to unanimous written consent ten times, seven times, one time and one time, respectively.

# Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Based solely upon a review of Forms 3 and 4 and amendments thereto furnished to us during 2004 and Forms 5 and amendments thereto furnished to us with respect to 2004, during 2004, (i) Michael Bianco, a former executive officer of our Company, untimely filed one report on Form 4 reporting four late transactions; and (ii) Dan Almagor, a member of our Board of Directors, untimely filed one report on Form 3 and untimely filed one report on Form 4 reporting one late transaction. Based solely upon a review of Forms 3 and 4 and amendments thereto furnished to us during 2004 and Forms 5 and amendments thereto furnished to us with respect to 2004, all other Forms 3, 4 and 5 required to be filed during 2004 were done so on a timely basis.

## **Code of Ethics**

We have a Code of Ethics that applies to all our employees, officers and directors. This code was filed as an exhibit to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003. We will disclose when there have been waivers of, or amendments to, such Code, as required by the rules and regulations promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission and/or Nasdaq.

#### Item 11. Executive Compensation

The following table sets forth the compensation we paid for our fiscal years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002 to (i) our Chief Executive Officer; (ii) each of our other executive officers whose compensation exceeded \$100,000 on an annual basis; and (iii) up to two additional individuals for whom disclosure would have been provided under the forgoing clause (ii) but for the fact that the individual was not serving as an executive officer of our Company at the end of the last completed fiscal year (collectively, the "Named Officers").

#### **Summary Compensation Table**

					Long-Term Compensation	
Name and Principal Position	Year	Annua Salary (\$)	l Compensation Bonus (\$)	Other Annual Compensation (\$)	Restricted Stock Awards (\$)(*)	Securities Underlying Options (#)
Jack Friedman	2004	990,000	1,980,000	9,750(5)	1,578,000(6)	
Chairman and Chief	2003	965,000	1,327,140(3	) 9,000(5)	2,524,800(7)	
Executive Officer	2002	846,000	1,429,696(3	) 8,250(5)	_	_
Stephen G. Berman	2004	990,000	1,980,000	6,500(5)	1,578,000(6)	
Chief Operating Officer,	2003	965,000	1,327,140(3	) 6,000(5)	2,524,800(7)	
President and Secretary	2002	821,000	1,429,696(3	) 5,500(5)	_	_
Joel M. Bennett	2004	320,000	300,000	6,500(5)	_	
Executive Vice President and	2003	300,000	_	6,000(5)	1,262,400(8)	
Chief Financial Officer	2002	272,500	495,000(4)	5,500(5)	_	
Michael Bianco, Jr.(1)	2004	1,024,000(2)	_	6,500(5)	1,262,400(9)	
Former Executive Vice President	2003	700,000	_	6,000(5)	1,009,920(10)	
and Chief Merchandising Officer	2002	575,000	600,000	5,500(5)	_	—

\* The shares of restricted stock referenced in this column were all issued pursuant to the 2002 Plan. The total number of restricted shares issued under the 2002 Plan that were outstanding at December 31, 2004 was 1,236,630 shares. Such shares had an aggregate value of \$27,341,890, representing the product of (a) 1,236,630 shares, multiplied by (b) \$22.11, the closing price of our common stock on December 31, 2004, as reported by Nasdaq.

- (1) Effective October 13, 2004, we entered into a Termination Agreement and General Release with Mr. Bianco (the "Bianco Agreement"), which had the effect of terminating Mr. Bianco's employment with us. The Bianco Agreement further (i) canceled all of the 222,279 unexercised stock options (vested and unvested) held by Mr. Bianco, (ii) included the waiver by Mr. Bianco of all claims by him for future compensation under his prior employment agreement with us, including the right to receive 288,000 shares of restricted stock to which he was otherwise entitled to receive between now and January 2007, (iii) revised the vesting schedule of the 96,000 shares of restricted stock he received in January 2004 to delay the vesting of 24,000 of those shares from January 1, 2006 to January 1, 2007 and (iv) provided for mutual general releases between us and Mr. Bianco for all matters arising from his prior employment agreement.
- (2) Consists of \$544,000 in salary and \$480,000 paid to Mr. Bianco under his consulting agreement with us, entered into simultaneously with the Bianco Agreement (the "Consulting Agreement"). Pursuant to the terms of the Consulting Agreement, which is effective until September 30, 2007, Mr. Bianco is to serve as a product development and marketing consultant for us, in particular with regard to our product and marketing activities at the

annual Toy Fair held in New York City, for which he will be compensated in the amount of \$1,280,000 in the aggregate (including the \$480,000 paid him in 2004).

- (3) On March 31, 2005, we restated the financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, which included our financial statements for 2003 and 2002, to account for the acquisition of Toymax, Trendmasters and P&M Products in accordance with paragraph 39 of SFAS 141 (the "Restatement"). Specifically, a portion of the purchase price for each of these transactions has now been allocated to acquired product rights and other intangible assets other than goodwill. The Restatement had the effect of reducing our income before provision for income taxes and minority interest ("pre-tax income") for both 2003 and 2002. The bonuses paid to Messrs. Friedman and Berman in 2003 and 2002 were determined based upon our pre-tax income for those periods. We are evaluating the impact that the Restatement and the attendant reduction in our pre-tax income for 2003 and 2002 may have on the bonuses paid to Messrs. Friedman and Berman for those years.
- (4) Includes the forgiveness of a note receivable and accrued interest in the aggregate amount of \$285,000.
- (5) Represents matching contributions made by us to the Named Officer's 401(k) defined contribution plan. See "— Employee Pension Plan," infra.
- (6) Represents the product of (a) 120,000 shares of restricted stock multiplied by (b) \$13.15, the last sales price of our common stock, as reported by Nasdaq on January 1, 2004, the date the shares were granted, all of which vested on January 1, 2005.
- (7) Represents the product of (a) 240,000 shares of restricted stock multiplied by (b) \$10.52, the closing price of our common stock, as reported by Nasdaq, on March 27, 2003, the date the shares were granted, all of which vested on January 1, 2004.
- (8) Represents the product of (a) 120,000 shares of restricted stock multiplied by (b) \$10.52, the closing price of our common stock, as reported by Nasdaq, on March 27, 2003, the date the shares were granted, which vested as follows: 60,000 shares on each of January 1, 2004 and 2005.
- (9) Represents the product of (a) 96,000 shares of restricted stock multiplied by (b) \$13.15, the last sales price of our common stock, as reported by Nasdaq on January 1, 2004, the date the shares were granted, which vested or will vest as follows: 72,000 shares on January 1, 2005 and 24,000 shares on January 1, 2007 (see Note (1) to this table, above).
- (10) Represents the product of (a) 96,000 shares of restricted stock multiplied by (b) \$10.52, the closing price of our common stock, as reported by Nasdaq, on March 27, 2003, the date the shares were granted, all of which vested on January 1, 2004.

The following table sets forth certain information regarding options exercised and exercisable during 2004, and the value of options held as of December 31, 2004 by the Named Officers:

and Fiscal Year End Option/SAR Values						
Under Shares C			Underlying	f Securities Unexercised s/SARs Year End	Value of Unexercised In-the-Money Options/SARs at Fiscal Year End(1)	
Name	on Energiae (#)	Value	Exercisable	Unexercisable	Exercisable	Unexercisable
	Exercise (#)	Realized (\$)				
Jack Friedman	—	—	255,318	101,936	2,974,920	644,965
Stephen G. Berman	—	—	349,102	101,936	4,309,936	644,965
Joel M. Bennett	—	—	57,176	33,894	738,525	390,356
Michael Bianco Ir						

### Aggregated Option/SAR Exercises in Last Fiscal Year and Fiscal Year End Option/SAR Values

Michael Bianco, Jr.

(1) The product of (x) the difference between \$22.11 (the closing sale price of the common stock on December 31, 2004) and the aggregate exercise price of such options, multiplied by (y) the number of unexercised options.

## Compensation of Directors

Directors currently receive an annual cash stipend of \$15,000 for serving on the Board, and are reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in attending meetings. In addition, the 2002 Plan provides for each newly elected non-employee director to receive at the commencement of his term an option to purchase 10,000 shares of our common stock at their then current fair market value, and for grants to our non-employee directors: (i) on January 1 and July 1 of each year of an option to purchase 7,500 shares of our common stock at their then current fair market value, and (ii) on January 1 of each year of 1,000 shares of restricted stock. Options granted to a non-employee director expire upon the termination of the director's services for cause, but may be exercised at any time during a one-year period after such person ceases to serve as a director for any other reason.

The Chairman of the Audit Committee further receives an annual cash stipend of \$10,000 for serving in such capacity.

# Employment Agreements and Termination of Employment Arrangements

In March 2003 we amended and restated our employment agreements with each of the Named Officers.

Mr. Friedman's amended and restated employment agreement, pursuant to which he serves as our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, provides for an annual base salary in 2005 of \$1,015,000. Mr. Friedman's agreement expires December 31, 2010. His base salary is subject to annual increases determined by our Board of Directors, but in an amount not less than \$25,000 per annum. For our fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, Mr. Friedman received a bonus of \$1,980,000. For each fiscal year between 2005 through 2010, Mr. Friedman's bonus will depend on our achieving certain earnings per share growth targets, with such earnings per share growth targets to be determined annually by the Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors. Depending on the levels of earnings per share growth that we achieve in each fiscal year, Mr. Friedman will receive an annual bonus from 0% to up to 200% of his base salary. This bonus will be paid in accordance with the terms and conditions of our 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan. In addition, in consideration for modifying and replacing the pre-tax income formula provided in his prior employment agreement for

determining his annual bonus, and for entering into the amended employment agreement, Mr. Friedman was granted the right to be issued an aggregate of 1,080,000 shares of restricted stock. The first tranche of restricted stock, totaling 240,000 shares, was granted at the time the agreement became effective, and the second and third tranches of restricted stock, each totaling 120,000 shares (or 240,000 in the aggregate), were granted on each of January 1, 2004 and 2005. In each subsequent year of the employment agreement term, Mr. Friedman will receive 120,000 shares of restricted stock. The grant of these shares is in accordance with our 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan, and the vesting of each tranche of restricted stock is subject to our achieving pre-tax income in excess of \$2,000,000 in the fiscal year that the grant is made. Each tranche of restricted stock granted or to be granted from January 1, 2004 through January 1, 2008 is subject to a two-year vesting period, which may be accelerated to one year if we achieve certain earnings per share growth targets. Each tranche of restricted stock to be granted thereafter through January 1, 2010, is subject to a one-year vesting period. Finally, the agreement provides Mr. Friedman with the opportunity, commencing at age 67, to retire and receive a single-life annuity retirement payment equal to \$975,000 a year for a period of 10 years, or in the event of his death during such retirement period, his estate will receive a death benefit equal to the difference between \$2,925,000 and any prior retirement benefits previously paid to him; provided, however, that Mr. Friedman must agree to serve as Chairman Emeritus of our Board of Directors, if requested to do so by such Board.

Mr. Berman's amended and restated employment agreement, pursuant to which he serves as our President and Chief Operating Officer, provides for an annual base salary in 2005 of \$1,015,000. Mr. Berman's agreement expires December 31, 2010. His base salary is subject to annual increases determined by our Board of Directors, but in an amount not less than \$25,000 per annum. For our fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, Mr. Berman received a bonus of \$1,980,000. For each fiscal year between 2005 through 2010, Mr. Berman's bonus will depend on our achieving certain earnings per share growth targets, with such earnings per share growth targets to be determined annually by the Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors. Depending on the levels of earnings per share growth that we achieve in each fiscal year, Mr. Berman will receive an annual bonus of from 0% to up to 200% of his base salary. This bonus will be paid in accordance with the terms and conditions of our 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan. In addition, in consideration for modifying and replacing the pre-tax income formula provided in his prior employment agreement for determining his annual bonus, and for entering into the amended employment agreement, Mr. Berman was granted the right to be issued an aggregate of 1,080,000 shares of restricted stock. The first tranche of restricted stock, totaling 240,000 shares, was granted at the time the agreement became effective, and the second and third tranches of restricted stock, each totaling 120,000 shares (or 240,000 in the aggregate), were granted on each of January 1, 2004 and 2005. In each subsequent year of the employment agreement term, Mr. Berman will receive 120,000 shares of restricted stock. The grant of these shares is in accordance with our 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan, and the vesting of each tranche of restricted stock is subject to our achieving pre-tax income in excess of \$2,000,000 in the fiscal year that the grant is made. Each tranche of restricted stock granted or to be granted from January 1, 2004 through January 1, 2008 is subject to a two-year vesting period, which may be accelerated to one year if we achieve certain earnings per share growth targets. Each tranche of restricted stock to be granted thereafter through January 1, 2010, is subject to a one-year vesting period.

Mr. Bennett's amended and restated employment agreement, pursuant to which Mr. Bennett serves as our Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, expires December 31, 2006. Mr. Bennett's annual base salary in 2005 is \$340,000 and is subject to annual increases in an amount, not less than \$20,000, determined by our Board of Directors. In addition, as consideration

for relinquishing the prior formula for determining his annual bonus, and for entering into the amended agreement, Mr. Bennett was awarded at the time his agreement became effective 120,000 shares of restricted stock, 60,000 of which vested on each of January 1, 2004 and January 1, 2005. This grant of restricted stock was in accordance with our 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan.

Mr. Bianco's amended and restated employment agreement, pursuant to which he served as our Executive Vice President and Chief Merchandising Officer, provided for an annual base salary in 2004 of \$725,000. Effective October 13, 2004, we entered into a Termination Agreement and General Release with Mr. Bianco (the "Termination Agreement"), which had the effect of terminating such employment agreement. The Termination Agreement further (i) canceled all of the 222,279 unexercised stock options (vested and unvested) held by Mr. Bianco, (ii) included the waiver by Mr. Bianco of all claims by him for future compensation under his prior employment agreement, including the right to receive 288,000 shares of restricted stock to which he was otherwise entitled to receive between now and January 2007, (iii) revised the vesting schedule of the 96,000 shares of restricted stock he received in January 2004 to delay the vesting of 24,000 of those shares from January 1, 2006 to January 1, 2007 and (iv) provided for mutual general releases between us and Mr. Bianco for all matters arising from his prior employment agreement. Simultaneously with the Termination Agreement, we entered into a Consulting Agreement with Mr. Bianco (the "Consulting Agreement"). The Consulting Agreement is effective until September 30, 2007. Under the terms of the Consulting Agreement, Mr. Bianco is to serve as a product development and marketing consultant for us, in particular with regard to our product and marketing activities at the annual Toy Fair held in New York City, for which he will be compensated in the amount of \$1,280,000 in the aggregate. The Consulting Agreement also contains restrictive covenants.

If we terminate Mr. Friedman's, Mr. Berman's or Mr. Bennett's employment other than "for cause" or if such Named Officer resigns because of our material breach of the employment agreement or because we cause a material change in his employment, we are required to make a lump-sum severance payment in an amount equal to his base salary and bonus during the balance of the term of the employment agreement, based on his then applicable annual base salary and bonus. In the event of the termination of his employment under certain circumstances after a "Change of Control" (as defined in each employment agreement), we are required to make a one-time payment of an amount equal to 2.99 times of the "base amount" of such Named Officer determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code.

The foregoing is only a summary of the material terms of our employment agreements with the Named Officers. For a complete description, copies of such agreements are annexed herein in their entirety as exhibits or are otherwise incorporated herein by reference.

# Impact of Restatement on Compensation of Executive Officers

On March 31, 2005, we restated the financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, which included our financial statements for 2003 and 2002, to account for the acquisition of Toymax, Trendmasters and P&M Products in accordance with paragraph 39 of SFAS 141 (the "Restatement"). Specifically, a portion of the purchase price for each of these transactions has now been allocated to acquired product rights and other intangible assets other than goodwill. The Restatement had the effect of reducing our income before provision for income taxes and minority interest ("pre-tax income") for both 2003 and 2002. The bonuses paid to Messrs. Friedman and Berman in 2003 and 2002 were determined based upon our pre-tax income for those periods. We are evaluating the impact that the Restatement and

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the attendant reduction in our pre-tax income for 2003 and 2002 may have on the bonuses paid to Messrs. Friedman and Berman for those years.

#### Employee Pension Plan

We sponsor for our U.S. employees (including the Named Officers), a defined contribution plan under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan provides that employees may defer up to 15% of their annual compensation, and that we will make a matching contribution equal to 50% of each employee's deferral, up to 5% of the employee's annual compensation. Our matching contributions, which vest equally over a five year period, totalled \$0.3 million, \$0.3 million and \$0.4 million for 2002, 2003 and 2004, respectively.

## Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

None of our executive officers has served as a director or member of a compensation committee (or other board committee performing equivalent functions) of any other entity, one of whose executive officers served as a director or a member of our Compensation Committee.

# Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

The following table sets forth certain information as of March 28, 2005 with respect to the beneficial ownership of our common stock by (1) each person known by us to own beneficially more than 5% of the outstanding shares of our common stock, (2) each of our directors, (3) each Named Officer, and (4) all our directors and executive officers as a group.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner(1)(2)	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership(s)(3)	Percent of Outstanding Shares(4)
Third Avenue Management LLC	3,685,321(5)	13.8%
Dimensional Fund Advisors, Inc.	2,050,711(6)	7.7
FMR Corp.	1,800,238(7)	6.8
Barclays Global Investors, N.A.	1,437,196(8)	5.4
Jack Friedman	960,776(9)	3.6
Stephen G. Berman	829,102(10)	3.1
Michael Bianco, Jr.	232,050(11)	*
Joel M. Bennett	174,937(12)	*
Dan Almagor	23,454(13)	*
David C. Blatte	77,000(14)	*
Robert E. Glick	93,519(15)	*
Michael G. Miller	84,144(16)	*
Murray L. Skala	95,457(17)	*
All directors and executive officers as a group (8 persons)	2,335,203(18)	8.5%

\* Less than 1% of our outstanding shares.

(1) Unless otherwise indicated, such person's address is c/o JAKKS Pacific, Inc., 22619 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, California 90265.

(2) The number of shares of common stock beneficially owned by each person or entity is determined under the rules promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Under such rules, beneficial ownership includes any shares as to which the person or entity has sole or shared voting power or investment power. The percentage of our outstanding shares is

calculated by including among the shares owned by such person any shares which such person or entity has the right to acquire within 60 days after March 28, 2005. The inclusion herein of any shares deemed beneficially owned does not constitute an admission of beneficial ownership of such shares.

- (3) Except as otherwise indicated, exercises sole voting power and sole investment power with respect to such shares.
- (4) Does not include any shares of common stock issuable upon the conversion of \$98 million of our 4.625% convertible senior notes due 2023, initially convertible at the rate of 50 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount at issuance of the notes (but subject to adjustment under certain circumstances as described in the notes).
- (5) The address of Third Avenue Management LLC is 622 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10017. Possesses sole voting power with respect to 3,587,152 of such shares and sole dispositive power with respect to all of such 3,685,321 shares. All the information presented in this Item with respect to this beneficial owner was extracted solely from the Schedule 13G/ A filed on February 16, 2005.
- (6) The address of Dimensional Fund Advisors, Inc. is 1299 Ocean Avenue, 11th Floor, Santa Monica, CA 90401. All the information presented in this Item with respect to this beneficial owner was extracted solely from the Schedule 13G/ A filed on February 9, 2005.
- (7) The address of FMR Corp. is 82 Devonshire Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02109. All the information with respect to this beneficial owner was extracted solely from its Schedule 13G/A filed on March 10, 2005.
- (8) The address of Barclays Global Investors, N.A. is 45 Fremont Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. Possesses sole voting power with respect to 1,308,390 of such shares and sole dispositive power with respect to all of such 1,437,196 shares. All the information presented in this Item with respect to this beneficial owner was extracted solely from the Schedule 13G filed on February 14, 2005.
- (9) Includes 3,186 shares held in trusts for the benefit of children of Mr. Friedman. Also includes 255,318 shares of common stock issuable upon the conversion of options held by Mr. Friedman. Also includes 120,000 shares of common stock issued on January 1, 2005 pursuant to the terms of Mr. Friedman's January 1, 2003 Employment Agreement, which shares are further subject to the terms of our January 1, 2005 Restricted Stock Award Agreement with Mr. Friedman (the "Friedman Agreement"). The Friedman Agreement provides that Mr. Friedman will forfeit his rights to all 120,000 shares unless certain conditions precedent are met prior to January 1, 2006, including the condition that our Pre-Tax Income (as defined in the Friedman Agreement) for 2005 exceeds \$2,000,000, whereupon the forfeited shares will become authorized but unissued shares of our common stock. The Friedman Agreement further prohibits Mr. Friedman from selling, assigning, transferring, pledging or otherwise encumbering (a) 60,000 of the 120,000 shares prior to January 1, 2006 and (b) the remaining 60,000 shares prior to January 1, 2007; provided, however, that if our Pre-Tax Income for 2005 exceeds \$2,000,000 and our Adjusted EPS Growth (as defined in the Friedman Agreement) for 2005 increases by certain percentages as set forth in the Friedman Agreement, the vesting of some or all of the 60,000 shares that would otherwise vest on January 1, 2007 will be accelerated to the date the Adjusted EPS Growth is determined.
- (10) Includes 255,318 shares of common stock issuable upon the conversion of options held by Mr. Berman. Also includes 120,000 shares of common stock issued on January 1, 2005 pursuant to the terms of Mr. Berman's January 1, 2003 Employment Agreement, which shares

are further subject to the terms of our January 1, 2005 Restricted Stock Award Agreement with Mr. Berman (the "Berman Agreement"). The Berman Agreement provides that Mr. Berman will forfeit his rights to all 120,000 shares unless certain conditions precedent are met prior to January 1, 2006, including the condition that our Pre-Tax Income (as defined in the Berman Agreement) for 2005 exceeds \$2,000,000, whereupon the forfeited shares will become authorized but unissued shares of our common stock. The Berman Agreement further prohibits Mr. Berman from selling, assigning, transferring, pledging or otherwise encumbering (a) 60,000 of the 120,000 shares prior to January 1, 2006 and (b) the remaining 60,000 shares prior to January 1, 2007; provided, however, that if our Pre-Tax Income for 2005 exceeds \$2,000,000 and our Adjusted EPS Growth (as defined in the Berman Agreement) for 2005 increases by certain percentages as set forth in the Berman Agreement, the vesting of some or all of the 60,000 shares that would otherwise vest on January 1, 2007 will be accelerated to the date the Adjusted EPS Growth is determined.

- (11) Such information was derived exclusively from Mr. Bianco's most recently filed Form 4. Includes 48,000 shares of common stock, 50% of which vest on each of January 1, 2006 and 2007, all in accordance with the terms of that October 13, 2004 Termination Agreement and October 13, 2004 Consulting Agreement by and between Mr. Bianco and us.
- (12) Includes 58,234 shares which Mr. Bennett may purchase upon the exercise of certain stock options.
- (13) Includes 22,144 shares which Mr. Almagor may purchase upon the exercise of certain stock options and 1,310 shares of common stock issued on January 1, 2004, to all of our non-employee directors pursuant to our 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan, pursuant to which such 310 and 1,000 shares may not be sold, mortgaged, transferred or otherwise encumbered prior to December 20, 2005 and January 1, 2006, respectively.
- (14) Includes 75,000 shares which Mr. Blatte may purchase upon the exercise of certain stock options and 2,000 shares of common stock issued pursuant to our 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan, pursuant to which 1,000 of such shares may not be sold, mortgaged, transferred or otherwise encumbered prior to January 1, 2006.
- (15) Includes 91,519 shares which Mr. Glick may purchase upon the exercise of certain stock options and 2,000 shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to our 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan, pursuant to which 1,000 of such shares may not be sold, mortgaged, transferred or otherwise encumbered prior to January 1, 2006.
- (16) Includes 82,144 shares which Mr. Miller may purchase upon the exercise of certain stock options and 2,000 shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to our 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan, pursuant to which 1,000 of such shares may not be sold, mortgaged, transferred or otherwise encumbered prior to January 1, 2006.
- (17) Includes 90,271 shares which Mr. Skala may purchase upon the exercise of certain stock options, 3,186 shares held by Mr. Skala as trustee under a trust for the benefit of Mr. Friedman's minor child and 2,000 shares of common stock issued pursuant to our 2002 Stock Award and Incentive Plan, pursuant to which 1,000 of such shares may not be sold, mortgaged, transferred or otherwise encumbered prior to January 1, 2006.
- (18) Includes 3,186 shares held in a trust for the benefit of Mr. Friedman's minor child and an aggregate of 929,948 shares which the directors and executive officers may purchase upon the exercise of certain stock options.



#### Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions

One of our directors, Murray L. Skala, is a partner in the law firm of Feder, Kaszovitz, Isaacson, Weber, Skala, Bass & Rhine LLP, which has performed, and is expected to continue to perform, legal services for us. In 2004, we incurred approximately \$4,281,292 for legal fees and \$584,648 for reimbursable expenses payable to that firm. As of December 31, 2003 and 2004, legal fees and reimbursable expenses of \$721,837 and \$1,309,829, respectively, were payable to this law firm.

#### Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.

Before PKF is engaged by us to render audit or non-audit services, where required by the rules and regulations promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission and/or Nasdaq, such engagement is approved by the Audit Committee. The following are the fees billed us by PKF for services rendered thereby during 2003 and 2004 (all of which having been pre-approved by the Audit Committee):

	 2003	 2004
Audit Fees	\$ 656,792	\$ 415,635
Audit Related Fees	\$ 85,185	\$ 122,483
Tax Fees	\$ 205,673	\$ 260,949
All Other Fees	\$ 56,811	\$ 191,778

Audit Fees consist of the aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered for the audit of our annual financial statements and the reviews of the financial statements included in our Forms 10-Q and for any other services that are normally provided by PKF in connection with our statutory and regulatory filings or engagements.

Audit Related Fees consist of the aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered for assurance and related services that were reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of our financial statements and were not otherwise included in Audit Fees.

*Tax Fees* consist of the aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered for tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning. Included in such Tax Fees were fees for preparation of our tax returns, consultancy and advice on international and domestic tax structures and tax planning relating to our acquisition efforts.

All Other Fees consist of the aggregate fees billed for products and services provided by PKF and not otherwise included in Audit Fees, Audit Related Fees or Tax Fees. Included in such Other Fees were fees for services rendered by PKF in connection with our private and public offerings conducted during such periods, as well as reviews related to our acquisition efforts.

Our Audit Committee has considered whether the provision of the non-audit services described above is compatible with maintaining PKF's independence and determined that such services are appropriate.

# PART IV

# Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules

(a) The following documents are filed as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K:

- (1) Financial Statements (included in Item 8):
  - Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
  - Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2003 and 2004
  - Consolidated Statements of Operations for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2003 and 2004
  - Consolidated Statements of Other Comprehensive Income for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2003 and 2004
  - Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2003 and 2004
  - Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2003 and 2004
  - Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements
- (2) Financial Statement Schedules (included in Item 8)

• Schedule II — Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

(3) Exhibits

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Exhibit Number	Description		
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (1)		
3.2.1	By-Laws of the Company (2)		
3.2.2	Amendment to By-Laws of the Company (3)		
10.1.1	Third Amended and Restated 1995 Stock Option Plan (4)		
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10.3	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between the Company and Jack Friedman, dated as of March 26, 2003 (9)		
10.4	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between the Company and Stephen G. Berman dated as of March 26, 2003 (9)		
10.5	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between the Company and Joel M. Bennet, dated March 26, 2003 (9)		
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10.7	Office Lease dated November 18, 1999 between the Company and Winco Maliview Partners (11)		
10.8	Lease dated as of November 21, 2000 between Grand Avenue Venture, LLC and JP Ferrero Parkway, Inc. (12)		
10.9	Form of Restricted Stock Agreement (9)		

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(1)	Filed previously as Appendix 2 to the Company's Schedule 14A Proxy Statement, filed August 23, 2002, and incorporated herein by reference.	r
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(3)	Filed previously as an exhibit to the Company's Registration Statement on Form SB-2 (Reg. No. 333-22583), effective May 1, 1997, and incorporated herein by reference.	,
(4)	Filed previously as Appendix A to the Company's Schedule 14A Proxy Statement, filed June 23, 1998, and incorporated herein by reference.	
(5)	Filed previously as an exhibit to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (Reg. No. 333-90055), filed November 1, 1999, and incorporated herein by reference.	,
(6)	Filed previously as an exhibit to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (Reg. No. 333-40392), filed June 29, 2000, and incorporated herein by reference.	
(7)	Filed previously as Appendix B to the Company's Schedule 14A Proxy Statement, filed June 11, 2001, and incorporated herein by reference.	
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# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

Dated: March 31, 2005

JAKKS PACIFIC, INC.

By:

/s/ JACK FRIEDMAN

Jack Friedman Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ JACK FRIEDMAN Jack Friedman	Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	March 31, 2005
/s/ JOEL M. BENNETT Joel M. Bennett	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	March 31, 2005
/s/ STEPHEN G. BERMAN Stephen G. Berman	Director	March 31, 2005
/s/ DAN ALMAGOR Dan Almagor	Director	March 31, 2005
/s/ DAVID C. BLATTE David C. Blatte	Director	March 31, 2005
/s/ ROBERT E. GLICK Robert E. Glick	Director	March 31, 2005
/s/ MICHAEL G. MILLER Michael G. Miller	Director	March 31, 2005
/s/ MURRAY L. SKALA Murray L. Skala	Director	March 31, 2005
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- (\*) Filed herewith.

# EXHIBIT 21

# JAKKS SUBSIDIARIES

Subsidiary	Jurisdiction
JAKKS Pacific (HK) Limited	Hong Kong
JAKKS Pacific/Kidz Biz Limited	United Kingdom
JPI ColorWorkshop Limited	United Kingdom
JAKKS Pacific/Kidz Biz Far East Limited	Hong Kong
J-X Enterprises, Inc.	New York
JAKKS Acquisition Corp.	Delaware
Road Champs, Inc.	Delaware
Road Champs Limited	Hong Kong
Pentech International Inc.	Delaware
Flying Colors Toys, Inc.	Michigan
Flying Colors Toys (HK) Ltd.	Hong Kong
JP Ferrero Parkway, Inc.	California
JPI ColorWorkshop, Inc.	Delaware
All Season Toys, Inc.	Delaware
PA Distribution, Inc.	Delaware
Play Along, Inc.	Delaware
Play Along (Hong Kong) Limited	Hong Kong
Toymax International, Inc.	Delaware
Toymax Inc.	New York
Toymax (H.K.) Limited	Hong Kong
Funnoodle, Inc.	Delaware
Funnoodle (H.K.) Limited	Hong Kong
Go Fly A Kite, Inc.	Delaware
Go Fly A Kite (H.K.) Limited	Hong Kong
Maxverse Interactive, Inc.	Nevada

#### CERTIFICATIONS

I, Jack Friedman, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of JAKKS Pacific, Inc.;

2. Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this annual report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and we have:

a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors:

a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 31, 2005

By: /s/ Jack Friedman

Jack Friedman Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the registrant and will be retained by the registrant and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its Staff upon request.

#### CERTIFICATIONS

I, Joel M. Bennett, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of JAKKS Pacific, Inc.;

2. Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this annual report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and we have:

a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors:

a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 31, 2005

By: /s/ Joel M. Bennett

Joel M. Bennett Chief Financial Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the registrant and will be retained by the registrant and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its Staff upon request.

Written Statement of the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, the undersigned officer of JAKKS Pacific, Inc. ("Registrant"), hereby certifies that the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Registrant.

Date: March 31, 2005

/s/ Jack Friedman

JACK FRIEDMAN Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Written Statement of the Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, the undersigned officer of JAKKS Pacific, Inc. ("Registrant"), hereby certifies that the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Registrant.

Date: March 31, 2005

/s/ Joel M. Bennett

JOEL M. BENNETT Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer