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(Mark One)

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

For the Quarterly Period Ended June 30, 2000

or

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

For the Transition Period From . . . to . . .

Commission file number 000-25727

THE CHROMALINE CORPORATION

(Exact name of small business issuer as specified in its charter)

Minnesota
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

41-0730027
(I.R.S. employer
identification no.)

4832 Grand Avenue
Duluth, Minnesota 55807
(Address of principal executive offices)

55807
(Zip code)

(218) 628-2217
Issuer's telephone number

Not Applicable
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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

State the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common equity, as of the latest practical date: Common Stock, \$.10 par value—1,296,827 shares outstanding as of August 8, 2000.

Transitional Small Business Disclosure Format (check one): Yes No

The Chromaline Corporation

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PART I—FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

THE CHROMALINE CORPORATION

BALANCE SHEETS (unaudited)

	June 30 2000	December 31 1999
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 378,798	\$ 706,345
Marketable securities	633,945	626,975
Trade receivables, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$27,400 and \$17,400 respectively	1,543,548	1,517,770
Trade receivable from related party	198,979	189,240
Inventories	1,367,071	1,276,031
Prepaid expenses and other assets	278,979	81,664
Deferred taxes	42,000	42,000
Total current assets	4,443,320	4,440,025
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT, at cost:		
Land and building	1,311,849	1,302,268
Machinery and equipment	2,351,673	2,229,742
Office equipment	631,161	607,364
Vehicles	231,443	231,291
	4,526,126	4,370,665
Less accumulated depreciation	2,996,842	2,814,934
	1,529,284	1,555,731
PATENT, net of amortization of \$19,270 and \$14,764 respectively	90,008	94,514
GOODWILL, net of amortization	216,307	
NON-COMPETE AGREEMENT, net of amortization	100,000	
OTHER	53,997	38,733
DEFERRED TAXES	30,000	30,000
	\$ 6,462,916	\$ 6,159,003
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 283,238	\$ 187,125
Accrued compensation	210,429	203,688
Other accrued expenses	23,135	24,064
Accrued legal costs (Note 3)		27,813
Income taxes payable		54,838
Total current liabilities	516,802	497,528
CONTINGENCIES (Note 3)		
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Preferred stock, par value \$.10 per share; authorized 250,000 shares; issued none		
Common stock, par value \$.10 per share; authorized 4,750,000 shares; issued and outstanding 1,298,056 and 1,298,056 respectively	129,806	129,806
Additional paid-in capital	1,320,416	1,320,416
Retained earnings	4,521,491	4,223,108
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(25,599)	(11,855)
Total stockholders' equity	5,946,114	5,661,475
	\$ 6,462,916	\$ 6,159,003

See notes to financial statements.

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STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	2000	1999	2000	1999
SALES	\$ 2,739,814	\$ 2,551,177	\$ 5,038,349	\$ 4,787,902
COSTS AND EXPENSES:				
Cost of goods sold	1,303,949	1,105,033	2,420,256	2,166,941
Selling, general, and administrative	870,300	864,853	1,803,627	1,656,336
Research and development	182,242	178,343	376,312	340,341

	2,356,491	2,148,229	4,600,195	4,163,618
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	383,323	402,948	438,154	624,284
INTEREST INCOME	16,328	6,287	43,231	11,844
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	399,651	409,235	481,385	636,128
FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAXES	151,900	151,467	183,000	235,367
NET INCOME	\$ 247,751	\$ 257,768	\$ 298,385	\$ 400,761
EARNINGS PER SHARE:				
Basic*	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.31
Diluted*	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.31
WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON SHARES ASSUMED OUTSTANDING:				
Basic*	1,298,056	1,297,437	1,298,056	1,296,981
Diluted*	1,304,450	1,305,901	1,304,971	1,304,677

* Per share amounts are adjusted to reflect the 10% stock dividend of 12/31/99.

See notes to financial statements.

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STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended June 30	
	2000	1999
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income	\$ 298,385	\$ 400,761
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	186,413	198,931
Changes in working capital components:		
Decrease (increase) in:		
Trade receivables	74,219	(382,432)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(197,315)	(125,093)
Inventories	(59,881)	(134,357)
(Decrease) increase in:		
Accounts payable	25,883	106,763
Accrued expenses	(2,293)	132,807
Accrued legal costs	(27,813)	(5,634)
Income taxes payable	(54,838)	185,696
Net cash provided by operating activities	242,759	377,442
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of property and equipment	(89,795)	(285,058)
Net activity in marketable securities	(20,714)	2,707
Purchase of assets net of liabilities assumed	(444,532)	
Investment	(15,265)	
Net cash used in investing activities	(570,306)	(282,351)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		8,697
Net cash provided by financing activities		8,697
NET (DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(327,547)	103,788
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	706,345	274,757
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD	\$ 378,798	\$ 378,545
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:		
Cash payments for income taxes	\$ 134,000	\$ 90,000

See notes to financial statements.

THE CHROMALINE CORPORATION
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

1. Notes to Financial Statements

The balance sheet of The Chromaline Corporation (the Company) as of June 30, 2000, and the related statements of earnings and cash flows for the six months ended June 30, 2000, have been prepared without being audited.

In the opinion of management, these statements reflect all adjustments (consisting of only normal recurring adjustments) necessary to present fairly the financial position of The Chromaline Corporation as of June 30, 2000, and the results of operations and cash flows for all periods presented.

Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been condensed or omitted. Therefore, these statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's December 31, 1999 Form 10-KSB.

The results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results that will be realized for the full fiscal year.

2. Inventory

The major components of inventory at June 30, 2000 and December 31, 1999 are as follows:

	June 30, 2000	December 31, 1999
Raw materials	\$ 565,560	\$ 502,780
Work-in-progress	319,158	336,062
Finished goods	652,353	598,189
Reduction to LIFO cost	(170,000)	(161,000)
Total Inventory	\$ 1,367,071	\$ 1,276,031

3. Legal

The Company is a defendant in a claim filed in the United States District Court, Western District of Washington at Seattle, in which the claimant alleges that certain of the Company's products infringe on two U.S. patents owned by the claimant.

In February 2000, the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) issued reexamined patents to the plaintiff that substantially narrowed the claims of the lawsuit. The Company filed a motion for summary judgement to dismiss the suit early this year. In May 2000, the U.S. Federal District Court in Seattle, WA granted the Company's request for the summary judgement. This eliminated the possibility of infringement damages prior to February 1, 2000. The Company does not produce the allegedly infringing product any longer. During the six months ended June 30, 2000, the Company paid approximately \$62,000 in legal and related costs in the defense of this matter. Approximately \$28,000 of these payments was applied against the original accrual of \$250,000 established at December 31, 1997, fully eliminating the accrual. Therefore, approximately \$34,000 was charged to current expense during the second quarter of this year.

4. Accounting Pronouncements

In June 1998, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities". SFAS No. 133 requires companies to record derivatives on the balance sheet as assets or liabilities, measured at fair value. Gains or losses resulting from changes in the value of those derivatives would be accounted for depending on the use of the derivative and whether it qualifies for hedge accounting. In July 1999, FASB issued SFAS No. 137 delaying the effective date of SFAS No. 133 for one year to fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2000, with earlier adoption encouraged. Management has not yet determined the effects of SFAS No. 133 will have on its financial position or the results of its operations. The Company will be required to adopt SFAS No. 133 in fiscal 2001.

In December 1999, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) issued Staff Accounting Bulletin (SAB) No. 101 *Revenue Recognition in Financial Statements*. SAB 101 summarizes certain of the SEC staff's views in applying generally accepted accounting principles to selected revenue recognition issues. SAB No. 101 is to be implemented by the Company no later than the fourth quarter of fiscal 2000. The Company is currently reviewing SAB No. 101 and its effects on the financial statements, but has not yet determined the effect on its financial position or results of its operations.

5. Stockholders' Equity

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2000
Total Stockholders' Equity-December 31, 1999	\$ 5,661,475
Net income	\$ 298,385
Unrealized loss on available for-sale investments	(13,746)
Comprehensive income	284,639
Total Stockholders' Equity	\$ 5,946,114

6. Net Income per Common Share

Basic and diluted earnings per share are presented in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 128, "Earnings per Share". The difference between average common shares and average common and common equivalent shares is the result of outstanding stock options.

7. Asset Purchase and Non-Compete Agreement

In June 2000 the Company acquired specific assets and assumed certain liabilities of Nichols and Associates for approximately \$445,000. The acquisition was accounted for under the purchase method of accounting. Accordingly, the assets acquired, primarily inventory, accounts receivable, and fixed assets, and liabilities assumed were recorded at their estimated fair values. The excess of the purchase price over the estimated fair value of the assets acquired was recorded as goodwill (\$216,000) and is being amortized on a straight-line basis over fifteen years. Included with the asset purchase, was a non-competes agreement entered into by the Company and the owners of Nichols & Associates.

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The information presented below in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Such statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, including those discussed under "Factors that May Affect Future Results" below, that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. Because actual results may differ, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Certain forward-looking statements are indicated by italics.

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

The following management's discussion and analysis focuses on those factors that had a material effect on the Company's financial results of operations during the second quarter and six months ended June 2000 and the same periods of 1999. They should be read in connection with the Company's unaudited financial statements and notes thereto included in this Form 10-QSB.

Factors that May Affect Future Results

Certain statements made in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-QSB, which are summarized below, are forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, and actual results may be materially different. Factors that could cause actual results to differ include, but are not limited to, those identified as follows:

- *The expectation that selling, general and administrative expenses will remain at current levels during the remainder of the year 2000*—This expectation may be impacted by general economic conditions and unanticipated events causing changes in expenses or sales.
- *The Company's plans to continue to invest in research and development efforts and the expected focus and results of such efforts*—These plans and expectations may be impacted by general market conditions, unanticipated changes in expenses or sales, delays in the development of new products, technological advances or other changes in competitive conditions.
- *The belief that the Company's current financial resources, cash generated from operations and the Company's capacity for debt and/or equity financing will be sufficient to fund current and anticipated business operations*—Changes in anticipated operating results, credit availability and equity market conditions may further enhance or inhibit the Company's ability to maintain or raise appropriate levels of cash.
- *The Company's belief that its vulnerability to foreign currency fluctuations and general economic conditions in foreign countries is not significant*—This belief may be impacted by economic, political and social conditions in foreign markets and changes in regulatory and competitive conditions or a change in the amount or geographic focus of the Company's international sales.
- *The Company's efforts to grow its international business*—These efforts may be impacted by economic, political and social conditions in current and anticipated foreign markets, regulatory conditions in such markets, unanticipated changes in expenses or sales, changes in competitive conditions or other barriers to entry or expansion.
- *The Company's plan to seek acquisitions*—This plan may be impacted by general market conditions, competitive conditions in the Company's industry, unanticipated changes in the Company's financial position or the inability to identify attractive acquisition targets.

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Results of Operations

Quarter Ended June 30, 2000 Compared to Quarter Ended June 30, 1999

Sales. The Company's sales during the second quarter of 2000 increased 7% to \$2.74 million, from the \$2.55 million in sales during the same period in 1999. The increase is attributable to higher unit volume sales in the Company's domestic and international markets, which were partially offset by lower unit selling prices, especially in its decorative sandblast markets, due to competitive forces in the global marketplace. In addition, the Company acquired Nichols & Associates of Lakeville, MN, a producer of screen cleaning chemicals. The purchase was closed on June 7, 2000. As a result, the Company began recording sales on its books for the purchased entity. The sales recorded for the period June 7 through June 30 was \$37,000.

Cost of Goods Sold. Cost of goods sold during the second quarter of 2000 was \$1.30 million, or 47.6% of sales, compared to \$1.11 million, or 43.3% of sales, during the same period in 1999. The increase in the second quarter of 2000 was due to a shift in the Company's product mix within its domestic U.S. screenprinting and decorative sandblasting markets which have lower product margins.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses. Selling, general and administrative expenses increased slightly in dollar terms to \$870,000, or 31.8% of sales, in the second quarter of 2000, from \$865,000, or 33.9% of sales, for the same period in 1999. The Company is making an effort to contain certain selling, general and administrative costs while at the same time not hindering its ability to grow the business. The lower spending as a percent of sales reflects this effort. The overall increase in dollar terms was due to increased sales and marketing costs related to trade shows and advertising.

Research and Development Expenses. Research and development expenses during the second quarter of 2000 increased moderately in dollar terms to \$182,000, or 6.7% of sales, from \$178,000, or 7.0% of sales, for the same period in 1999. The dollar increase was attributable to production trial costs related to development projects. The Company intends to continue to invest in research and development as appropriate to maintain its innovation.

Interest Income. Interest income increased to \$16,000 for the second quarter of 2000 compared to \$6,000 for the same period in 1999. The increase is due to the Company's investment in the second half of 1999 in general revenue obligation bonds for certain municipalities in the state of Minnesota that pay interest on a quarterly basis.

Income Taxes. Income taxes were even at \$152,000, or an effective rate of 38%, during the second quarter of 2000 and \$151,000, or an effective rate of 37%, for the first quarter of 1999. The difference in the effective rate is due to permanent differences for allowable tax deductions including foreign sales corporation credits.

Six Months Ended June 30, 2000 Compared to the Six Months Ended June 30, 1999

Sales. The Company's sales during the first six months of 2000 increased 5% to \$5.04 million, from the \$4.79 million in sales during the same period in 1999. The increase is attributable to higher unit volume sales in the Company's domestic and international markets, which were partially offset by lower unit selling prices, especially in its decorative sandblast markets, due to competitive forces in the global marketplace. In addition, the Company acquired Nichols & Associates of Lakeville, MN, a producer of screen cleaning chemicals. The purchase was closed on June 7, 2000. As a result, the Company began recording sales on its books for the purchased entity. The sales recorded for the period June 7 through June 30 was \$37,000.

Cost of Goods Sold. Cost of goods sold during the first half of 2000 was \$2.42 million, or 48.0% of sales, compared to \$2.17 million, or 45.3% of sales, during the same period in 1999. The increase in

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the second quarter of 2000 was due to a shift in the Company's product mix within its domestic U.S. screenprinting and decorative sandblasting markets which have lower product margins.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses. Selling, general and administrative expenses increased to \$1.80 million, or 35.8% of sales, in the first six months of 2000, from \$1.66 million, or 34.6% of sales, for the same period in 1999. The increase in the first half spending in 2000 versus 1999 is partially related to separation costs for the Company's CEO who resigned February 7, 2000. The balance of the increase was due to increased sales and marketing costs related to trade shows and advertising.

Research and Development Expenses. Research and development expenses during the first half of 2000 increased to \$376,000, or 7.5% of sales, from \$340,000, or 7.1% of sales, for the same period in 1999. The dollar increase was attributable to production trial costs related to development projects. The Company intends to continue to invest in research and development as appropriate to maintain its innovation.

Interest Income. Interest income increased to \$43,000 for the first six months of 2000 compared to \$12,000 for the same period in 1999. The increase is due to the Company's investment in the second half of 1999 in general revenue obligation bonds for certain municipalities in the state of Minnesota that pay interest on a quarterly basis.

Income Taxes. Income taxes were \$183,000, or an effective rate of 38%, during the first half of 2000 and \$235,000, or an effective rate of 37%, for the first quarter of 1999. The difference in the effective rate is due to permanent differences for allowable tax deductions including foreign sales corporation credits.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company has financed its operations principally with funds generated from operations. These funds have been sufficient to cover the Company's normal operating expenditures and annual capital requirements, as well as research and development expenditures.

Cash and cash equivalents were \$379,000 at both June 30, 2000 and June 30, 1999. The Company generated \$243,000 in cash from operating activities during the six months ended June 30, 2000 and \$377,000 for the same period in 1999. Cash generated by operating activities is primarily provided by net income as adjusted for non-cash depreciation and changes in working capital requirements. During the first six months, trade receivables decreased \$74,000 due to increased collections over 1999 year end balances. In June 2000, the Company purchased the assets of Nichols & Associates of Lakeville, MN. This included the purchase of \$120,000 of accounts receivable as of the closing date of June 7, 2000, excluding a \$10,000 holdback. At June 30, 2000, these receivables amounted to \$90,000. New sales commencing June 7, 2000 relating to the Nichols products created new receivables of \$37,000 as of June 30, 2000. Including the impact of the Nichols purchased receivables, the Company's receivables increased \$36,000 during the period. Prepaid expenses increased \$197,000 reflecting certain prepaid marketing expenditures and income taxes paid. Inventories increased \$60,000 primarily due to an increase in raw materials. In addition, the Company purchased the inventory of Nichols & Associates for \$36,000. Accounts payable increased \$26,000, accrued expenses decreased \$30,000 and income taxes payable decreased \$55,000 reflecting second quarter federal and state tax deposits. For the six months ended June 30, 1999, trade receivables increased \$382,000 as the Company modified its export sales terms in accordance with global markets. Prepaid expenses increased \$125,000 reflecting the purchase of a new product line. Inventories increased \$134,000 due to new products entering the marketplace. Accounts payable increased \$107,000, accrued expenses increased \$127,000 reflecting payroll, fringe benefit requirements and legal costs. Income taxes payable increased \$186,000.

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The Company used \$570,000 and \$282,000 in cash for investing activities during the six months ended June 30, 2000 and June 30, 1999, respectively. In both periods, net cash used for investing activities for plant and equipment was \$90,000 and \$285,000, respectively. In June 2000, the Company purchased the assets and assumed certain liabilities of Nichols & Associates of Lakeville, MN for \$445,000. This included the fair value for the fixed assets of the business, the accounts receivable as of the closing date of June 7, 2000, the inventory as of that same date and the value of a non-compete agreement. During the first quarter of 2000, the Company made an additional investment of \$15,000 to Chromaline Europe, S.A. in order to maintain its 19.5% ownership. The Company purchased municipal revenue bonds that are carried at fair value and classified and accounted as "available for sale".

The Company generated no additional cash from financing activities during the six months ended June 30, 2000. During the same period in 1999, \$9,000 in cash was generated from the exercise of stock options.

A bank line of credit exists providing for borrowings of up to \$1,250,000. Outstanding debt under this line of credit is collateralized by accounts receivable and inventory and bears interest at 2.25 percentage points over the 30-day LIBOR rate. The Company has not utilized this line of credit and there is no debt outstanding under this line as of June 30, 2000.

The Company believes that current financial resources, its line of credit, cash generated from operations and the Company's capacity for debt and/or equity financing will be sufficient to fund current and anticipated business operations. Future activities undertaken to expand the Company's business may include acquisitions, building expansion and additions, equipment additions, new product development and marketing opportunities.

Capital Expenditures

Through June 30, 2000, the Company had spent \$155,000 on capital expenditures in 2000. This spending included primarily, plant equipment and building improvements. In

addition, the Company purchased the assets of Nichols & Associates of Lakeville, MN. The fair value of these assets were approximately \$66,000.

Commitments for capital expenditures include building maintenance, research and development equipment to modernize the capabilities and processes of Chromaline's laboratory and research and development to improve measurement and quality control processes. These commitments are to be funded with cash generated from operating activities. Total year 2000 capital commitments are approximately \$350,000 at June 30, 2000.

International Activity

The Company markets its products to over 50 countries in North America, Europe, Latin America, Asia and other parts of the world. Foreign sales were approximately 32% of total sales for the three months ended June 30, 2000. This compares with foreign sales accounting for 29% of total sales during the same period in 1999. Sales to foreign markets for the six months ended June 30, 2000 were 33% of total sales compared to 32% for the same period in 1999. Foreign sales in 1999 were affected by overseas economies that were slow in recovering from economic crises. These economies have improved and the Company expects its sales to continue to grow in 2000. The weakening of certain foreign currencies has not significantly impacted the Company's operations because the Company's foreign sales are not concentrated in any one region of the world. The Company believes its vulnerability to uncertainties due to foreign currency fluctuations and general economic conditions in foreign countries is not significant.

Substantially all of the Company's foreign transactions are negotiated, invoiced and paid in U.S. dollars. Chromaline has not implemented a hedging strategy to reduce the risk of foreign currency

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translation exposures, which management does not believe to be significant based on the scope and geographic diversity of the Company's foreign operations as of June 30, 2000.

Future Outlook

Chromaline has invested over 6% of its sales dollars for the past several years on research and development. The Company plans to expand its efforts in this area and expedite internal product development as well as form technological alliances with outside experts to ensure commercialization of new product opportunities. In addition to its film, emulsion and self-adhesive products, Chromaline's research and development efforts will also focus on improving the efficiency of its automated photo developers for the decorative sand blasting product line.

In addition to its traditional emphasis on domestic markets, the Company will continue efforts to grow its business internationally by attempting to develop new markets and expanding market share where it has already established a presence.

The Company continues to look for acquisition opportunities that complement its existing business and technologies. The search and evaluation process is proceeding in a cautious and prudent manner. The goal is to capitalize on the Company's strong cash and low debt positions as well as the strengths of the Company's core businesses in order to grow shareholder value.

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PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings

On October 22, 1996, Aicello North America, Inc., a Canadian corporation ("ANA"), filed suit against the Company in the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington, alleging infringement by the Company of U.S. Patent No. 5,427,890 (the "890 patent"). Later, ANA added U.S. Patent No. 5,629,132 (the "132 patent") to the lawsuit. The 890 patent and the 132 patent had been assigned to Aicello Chemical Co. Ltd. of Japan ("ACLJ") on October 22, 1996 and were licensed to ANA shortly before filing of the present infringement action. At Chromaline's request, ACLJ was joined to the suit. The subjects of the patents and the allegedly infringing Chromaline products are three-layer photosensitive films used to engrave patterns or designs into hard surfaces such as metal, glass, stone and wood.

The Company and ANA attempted to settle the suit with two mediation sessions that did not result in a settlement. Following these mediations, Chromaline requested in August 1998 that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") reexamine the 890 patent and the 132 patent. This request was granted as to both patents in November 1998 and the lawsuit was stayed pending this review. In the USPTO's *Office Action in Reexamination* dated February 23, 1999, the USPTO initially rejected the plaintiff's claims of patent infringement. The *Office Action* required the ANA and ACLJ to respond within 60 days, which they did. The USPTO's subsequent *Office Action* once again rejected the plaintiff's claims of patent infringement. The plaintiff filed their final response with the USPTO on August 2, 1999. The USPTO examiner then issued a Reexamination Advisory Action rejecting all claims of the patents on August 23, 1999. The plaintiff appealed to the Board of Appeals with the USPTO on September 2, 1999. In February 2000, the USPTO issued reexamined patents to ANA with substantially narrowed claims. United States patent law provides that if the claims of the reexamined patent are not identical to the original claims, there can be no infringement before the date of issuance of the reexamined patent. Since the Company has not manufactured the films at issue in the suit after the reexamined patents were issued and the Company's newly developed films are, the Company believes, clearly outside of the claims of the reexamined patents, the suit should be dismissed. The Company filed a motion for summary judgement to dismiss the suit. In May 2000, the U.S. Federal District Court in Seattle, WA granted the Company's request for the summary judgement. This eliminates the possibility of infringement damages prior to February 1, 2000.

The Company has made provisions to cover certain legal proceedings and related costs and expenses as described in note 3 to its unaudited financial statements included herein. However, the ultimate outcome and materiality of these matters cannot be determined. Accordingly, no provision for any liability that may result therefrom has been made in the unaudited financial statements.

ITEM 2. Changes in Securities

None

ITEM 3. Defaults upon Senior Securities

Not applicable

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ITEM 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

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THE CHROMALINE CORPORATION
COMPUTATION OF NET EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE

(Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended	
	June 30, 2000	June 30, 1999
Net earnings applicable to common shareholders for basic and diluted earnings per share	\$ 298,385	\$ 400,761
Weighted average shares outstanding for basic earnings per share	1,298,056	1,296,981
Dilutive effect of stock options computed using the treasury stock method and the average market price	6,915	7,696
Weighted average shares outstanding for diluted earnings per share	1,304,971	1,304,677
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.31
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.31

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