

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
**FORM 10-K**

(Mark One)

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

For the fiscal year ended **December 31, 2009**

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 **0-2757**

**THE MONARCH CEMENT COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Kansas**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**48-0340590**

(IRS employer identification no.)

**P.O. Box 1000, Humboldt, Kansas 66748-0900**

(Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(620) 473-2222**

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: **None**

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

Title of Class: **Capital Stock, par value \$2.50 per share**

**Class B Capital Stock, par value \$2.50 per share**

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.  
Yes \_\_\_ No X

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.  
Yes \_\_\_ No X

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 X No \_\_\_

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) 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.

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

Large accelerated filer \_\_\_ Accelerated filer X  
Non-accelerated filer \_\_\_ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company \_\_\_

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

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates computed by reference to the average bid and asked price of such common equity as of the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter was \$91,763,831.

As of February 10, 2010, the registrant had outstanding 2,532,463 shares of Capital Stock, par value \$2.50 per share, and 1,491,735 shares of Class B Capital Stock, par value \$2.50 per share.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the following documents are incorporated by reference into the indicated parts of this report: (1) the registrant's annual report to stockholders for the year ended December 31, 2009 - Parts I, II and IV of Form 10-K and (2) the registrant's definitive proxy statement prepared in connection with the annual meeting of stockholders to be held on April 14, 2010 - Parts II and III of Form 10-K.

## PART I

### ITEM 1. BUSINESS

Pursuant to General Instruction G(2) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item (other than that presented below) is incorporated herein by reference to the description of the Company's business, including information regarding lines of business, in The Monarch Cement Company's 2009 Annual Report to Stockholders (filed herewith as Exhibit 13) under the headings:

- Description of the Business;
- Lines of Business; and
- Note 10, Lines of Business, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

The Company did not introduce any new products nor begin to do business in a new industry segment during 2009.

The Company owns and operates quarries located near its Humboldt, Kansas plant. Such quarries contain all essential raw materials presently used by the Company. The Company's total reserves, including these quarries and other property located near the plant, are estimated to be sufficient to maintain operations at the Humboldt plant's present capacity for more than 50 years, although not all reserves are currently permitted. While these raw materials are accessible to the Company, we have determined that additional capital expenditures will be needed to improve the movement of raw materials to our plant. We refer you to the disclosure under the "Capital Resources" heading of the "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in our 2009 Annual Report to Stockholders, which is incorporated herein by reference.

The Company's products are marketed under registered trademarks using the name "MONARCH". The Company's operations are not materially dependent on any trademarks, franchises, patents or on any licenses relating to the use thereof.

Portland cement is the basic material used in the production of ready-mixed concrete that is used in highway, bridge and building construction. These construction activities are seasonal in nature. During winter months when the ground is frozen, groundwork preparation cannot be completed. Cold temperatures affect concrete set-time, strength and durability, limiting its use in winter months. Dry ground conditions are also required for construction activities to proceed. During the summer, winds and warmer temperatures tend to dry the ground quicker creating fewer delays in construction projects.

Variations in weather conditions from year-to-year significantly affect the demand for our products during any particular quarter; however, our Company's highest revenue and earnings historically occur in its second and third fiscal quarters, April through September.

It is necessary for the Company to invest a significant portion of its working capital in inventories. At December 31, 2009 the Company had inventories as follows:

Cement.....	\$ 5,345,468
Work in process .....	2,050,200
Building products.....	5,225,431
Fuel, gypsum and other materials.....	7,625,573
Operating and maintenance supplies.....	<u>11,538,788</u>
Total.....	<u>\$ 31,785,460</u>

The Company is heavily dependent upon the construction industry and is directly affected by the level of activity in that industry. However, no customer accounted for 10% or more of the Company’s consolidated net revenue during 2009, 2008 or 2007.

Backlog of customers’ orders is not a material factor in the Company’s business.

The Company has no contracts that are subject to renegotiation of profits or termination thereof at the election of the government.

The manufacture and sale of cement and ready-mixed concrete are extremely competitive enterprises. A number of producers, including several nationwide manufacturers, compete for business with the Company in its market area. The Company is not a significant factor in the nationwide portland cement or ready-mixed concrete business but does constitute a significant market factor for cement in its market area. Cement generally is produced to meet standard specifications and there is little differentiation between the products sold by the Company and its competitors. Accordingly, competition exists primarily in the areas of price and customer service.

The Company did not spend a material amount in the last three fiscal years on Company sponsored research and development. However, the Company is a member of the Portland Cement Association which conducts research for the cement industry.

The Company has, during the past several years, made substantial capital expenditures for pollution control equipment. The Company also incurs normal operating and maintenance expenditures in connection with its pollution control equipment.

At December 31, 2009, the Company and its subsidiaries employed approximately 610 employees including 465 hourly employees and 145 salaried employees, which included plant supervisory personnel, sales and executive staff. Of the 610 total employees, approximately 34% are union employees. Approximately 22% of those union employees (8% of our total employees) are covered by contracts that expire in 2010. The Company believes it has a good working relationship with its employees and has been successful in negotiating multi-year union contracts without work stoppages.

All of the Company’s operations and sales are in one geographic area consisting primarily of the State of Kansas, the State of Iowa, southeast Nebraska, western Missouri, northwest Arkansas and northern Oklahoma.

The Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, and any amendments to those reports filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission, are available free of charge through the “SEC Filings” link of the Company’s website, <http://www.monarchcement.com>, as soon as reasonably practicable after filing

with or furnished to the SEC. These reports are also available to read and copy at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room can be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. In addition, the SEC maintains an Internet site that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC at <http://www.sec.gov>.

## ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

We are identifying important risks and uncertainties that could affect the Company's results of operations, financial condition or business and that could cause them to differ materially from the Company's historical results of operations, financial condition or business, or those contemplated by forward-looking statements made herein or elsewhere, by, or on behalf of, the Company. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, those factors referred to below. The risk factors highlighted are not the only ones that the Company faces.

Pursuant to General Instruction G(2) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item (other than that presented below) is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item in The Monarch Cement Company's 2009 Annual Report to Stockholders in the "Capital Resources" section of the "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" under the headings:

- Market Risks;
- Inflation; and
- Environmental Regulations.

**We depend on construction activity levels, which tend to be cyclical.** Our operating results depend on residential, commercial and governmental construction activity and spending levels which tend to be cyclical. Construction activity and spending levels are influenced by interest rates, inflation, environmental laws and regulations, employment levels and the availability of funds for public construction projects. Economic downturns may lead to recessions in the construction industry, either in individual markets or nationally. These cyclical downturns in construction activity in our market area, which we cannot control, significantly affect our business.

**Construction is dependent upon the overall U.S. economy which remains weak and could weaken further.** Commercial and residential construction levels generally move with economic cycles; when the economy is strong, construction levels rise and when the economy is weak, construction levels fall. The overall U.S. economy has been hurt by changes in the financial services sector and the resulting constraints on credit availability. The overall weakness in the economy and the uncertainty in the credit markets could cause commercial and residential construction to remain at low levels or weaken further, and thereby continue to adversely affect our sales volumes and earnings. A recessionary economy can also increase the likelihood we will not be able to collect on our accounts receivable from our customers.

**A decline in public sector construction and reductions in governmental funding could adversely affect our operations and results.** If spending on publicly funded construction is

reduced significantly as a result of a loss of federal funding or a significant reduction in state or federal budgets, our earnings could be negatively affected.

**Competition in our industry could adversely affect our results of operations.**

Substantially all markets we operate in are highly competitive. We compete with several other domestic suppliers of cement, concrete and concrete products, as well as with importers of foreign cement. Many factors affect the competitive environments we face in our markets. Among others, they include the number of competitors in the market, the pricing policies of those competitors, the financial strength of those competitors, the total production capacity serving the market, the barriers that potential competitors face to enter the market, the proximity of natural resources to the market, as well as economic conditions and product demand within the market. Such factors come together in our market in varying ways, sometimes in ways that adversely impact demand for and pricing of our products.

**Increased energy and fuel costs may have a material adverse effect on our results.**

Our operations consume significant amounts of energy. The price and availability of energy are subject to political, economic and market factors that are generally outside our control. Energy and fuel costs have affected, and may continue to affect, our financial condition, results of operations and liquidity.

**Adverse weather lessens demand for our products, which is seasonal in our market.**

Construction activity, and thus demand for our products, decreases substantially during periods of cold weather, when it snows or when heavy or sustained rains fall. Consequently, demand for our products is significantly lower during the winter, when winter weather significantly curtails construction activity. Our operations are seasonal, with sales generally peaking during the second and third quarters because of normally better weather conditions. However, high levels of rainfall can adversely impact our operations during these periods as well. Such adverse weather conditions can materially and adversely affect our results of operations and profitability if they occur with unusual intensity, during abnormal periods, or last longer than usual, especially during peak construction periods.

**Changes in legal requirements and governmental policies concerning zoning, land use, environmental and other areas of the law impact our business.** Our operations are affected by numerous federal, state and local laws and regulations related to zoning, land use and environmental matters. Despite our compliance efforts, there is the inherent risk of liability in the operation of our business, especially from an environmental standpoint. These potential liabilities could have an adverse impact on our operations and profitability. Our operations require numerous governmental approvals and permits, which often require us to make significant capital and maintenance expenditures to comply with zoning and environmental laws and regulations. Stricter laws and regulations, or more stringent interpretations of existing laws or regulations, may impose new liabilities on us, reduce operating hours, require additional investment by us in pollution control equipment, or impede the expansion of our facilities.

**Climate change and climate change legislation or regulations may adversely impact our business.** A number of governmental bodies have introduced or are contemplating legislative and regulatory change in response to the potential impacts of climate change including pending U.S. legislation that, if enacted, would limit and reduce greenhouse gas emissions through a “cap

and trade” system of allowances and credits, among other provisions. In addition, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has for the first time required large emitters of greenhouse gases to collect and report data with respect to their greenhouse gas emissions and has proposed a permitting process for large emitters. Our cement plant could be subject to this permitting under the regulations as currently proposed. Any such “cap-and-trade” system or other limitations imposed on the emission of “greenhouse gases” could have a material adverse affect on our financial position, results of operation or cash flows.

**Litigation could affect our profitability.** The nature of our business exposes us to various litigation matters including product liability claims, employment, health and safety matters, environmental matters, regulatory and administrative proceedings, governmental investigations, tort claims and contract disputes. We contest these matters vigorously and make insurance claims where appropriate. However, litigation is inherently costly and unpredictable, making it difficult to accurately estimate the outcome of existing or future litigation.

#### **ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS**

None.

#### **ITEM 2. PROPERTIES**

The Company’s corporate office and cement plant, including equipment and raw materials are located at Humboldt, Kansas, approximately 110 miles southwest of Kansas City, Missouri. The Company owns approximately 5,000 acres of land on which the Humboldt plant, offices and all essential raw materials are located. Construction completed in 2006 increased our plant’s capacity allowing us to produce in excess of one million tons of cement per year. Producing at that level, raw material reserves are estimated to be sufficient to maintain operations at this plant for more than 50 years, although not all reserves are currently permitted. The Company believes that this plant and equipment are suitable and adequate for its current level of operations and provides for increases in market demand. The Company installed a fuel handling system which was completed in the third quarter of 2009 at a cost of approximately \$4.4 million. Projects in the planning and design phases include an overland conveyor system to improve efficiencies in moving raw materials. We refer to the “Capital Resources” section of the “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” in our 2009 Annual Report to Stockholders for a more detailed description of the Company’s capital resources and improvements under consideration. Such information is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

The Company also owns approximately 250 acres of land in Des Moines, Iowa on which it operates a cement terminal. The Company transfers cement produced in Humboldt, Kansas to this terminal for distribution to Iowa customers. The Company also owns a rock quarry located near Earlham, Iowa, approximately 30 miles west of Des Moines, Iowa. Approximately 300 acres of this 400 acre tract have been quarried and the Company has contracted with a third party to quarry and sell the remaining rock. This quarry operation will not have a material effect on the Company’s overall operations.

The Company owns various companies which sell ready-mixed concrete, concrete products and sundry building materials within the Humboldt cement plant’s primary market.

Various equipment and facility improvements in this line of business ensure these plants are suitable and adequate for their current level of operations and provide for increases in market demand. Individual locations do not have a material effect on the Company's overall operations.

### **ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

By letter dated April 27, 2009, the Company was notified by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) of allegations by KDHE that the Company has performed multiple modifications and alterations at the Company's facility for which the Company did not apply for or obtain the KDHE construction permits required by the Kansas Air Quality Act and related regulations. KDHE also alleged that the Company did not apply for or obtain from KDHE the necessary permits for modifications or alterations to a facility that are significant for Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD). Based on these allegations, KDHE proposes to assess a civil penalty of \$351,000, and to require the Company to submit a new, complete PSD permit application, including therein a proposal by the Company for installation of air emission controls to achieve Best Available Control Technology (BACT) as provided in applicable regulations. The Company does not agree with certain of KDHE's factual and legal allegations, and is attempting to resolve these issues through negotiation and mutual agreement between the Company and KDHE. The Company reserves all legal rights in the event such a resolution cannot be reached.

### **ITEM 4. [REMOVED AND RESERVED]**

## **PART II**

### **ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES**

Pursuant to General Instruction G(2) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item (other than that presented below) is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item in The Monarch Cement Company's 2009 Annual Report to Stockholders under the heading "Stock Market and Dividend Data". In addition we submit the following information:

The Company's Board of Directors is responsible for determining the amount and timing of dividend payments. All dividends are discretionary and are based on past financial performance and availability of funds. For several years the Company has paid a dividend in January, March, June and September. At the April 2008 Board of Directors meeting, the Board increased the dividend from \$0.22 per share to \$0.23 per share. At the April 2009 Board of Directors meeting, the Board maintained a \$0.23 per share dividend. The Company is not restricted regarding payment of dividends, but its ability to do so is subject to its satisfaction of a financial covenant provided in the terms and conditions of our loan agreement. This covenant requires the Company to maintain a tangible net worth of \$90 million and an adjusted tangible net worth, which is tangible net worth before other comprehensive income, of \$95 million. The Company was in compliance with these requirements at year end. The minimum net worth requirements could impact the Company's ability to pay dividends in the future.

The Company does not have any compensation plans or individual compensation arrangements under which equity securities of the registrant are authorized for issuance to employees or non-employees.

The Company did not sell any of its equity securities during 2009. In 1996, our Board of Directors authorized the purchase, through open market transactions, of up to 400,000 shares of our Company's common stock. Management was given discretion to determine the number and pricing of the shares to be purchased, as well as, the timing of any such purchases. During 2009, the Company did not purchase any of its equity securities. Our Company continues to have authority to purchase 124,332 shares of our common stock at management's discretion.

#### **ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA**

Pursuant to General Instruction G(2) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item on page 1 of the Company's 2009 Annual Report to Stockholders.

#### **ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

Pursuant to General Instruction G(2) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item (other than that presented below) is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item in The Monarch Cement Company's 2009 Annual Report to Stockholders under the heading "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations". In addition we submit the following information:

The Company does not have any off-balance sheet arrangements.

#### **ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK**

Pursuant to General Instruction G(2) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item (other than that presented below) is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item in The Monarch Cement Company's 2009 Annual Report to Stockholders in the "Capital Resources" section of the "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" under the heading "Market Risks". In addition we submit the following information:

In December 2009, Monarch entered into an amendment to the loan agreement with its current lender, Bank of Oklahoma, N.A., to, among other things, renew and modify the terms of Monarch's term loan and revolving line of credit. Monarch's current unsecured credit commitment consists of a \$17.8 million term loan maturing December 31, 2014 and a \$15.0 million line of credit maturing December 31, 2010. The Company had \$15.1 million of bank loans as of December 31, 2009. Under the amended loan agreement, interest on the line of credit varies with the lender's national prime rate less 0.50% with a 3.50% interest rate minimum or floor. Interest rates on the Company's term loan remain variable and are based on the lender's national prime rate less 0.75% with a 3.00% interest rate minimum or floor. Prior to the renewal, interest on the line of credit varied with the lender's national prime rate less 1.25% with a 2.5% interest rate minimum or floor

for 2009 and 1.25% with no interest rate minimum or floor for 2008. Interest on the Company's term loan was variable and was based on the lender's national prime rate less 0.75% with a 3.00% interest rate minimum or floor for 2009. It was based on the JP Morgan Chase prime rate less 0.75% with no interest rate minimum or floor for 2008.

#### **ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA**

Pursuant to General Instruction G(2) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item in the Company's 2009 Annual Report to Stockholders under the headings:

- Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm (BKD, LLP--related to financial statements);
- Consolidated Balance Sheets--December 31, 2009 and 2008;
- Consolidated Statements of Income--For the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007;
- Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income--For the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007;
- Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity and Noncontrolling Interests--For the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007;
- Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows--For the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007; and
- Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements--December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007.

#### **ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

None

#### **ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

The Company maintains disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the Company's reports under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its President and Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures. Any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives.

As of the end of the period covered by this report, an evaluation was carried out by the Company's management, including its President and Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of its disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based upon that evaluation, the Company's President and Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Financial Officer concluded that these disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the period covered by this report.

Pursuant to General Instruction G(2) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item with respect to internal control over financial reporting is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item with respect to such information in the Company's 2009 Annual Report to Stockholders under the following headings:

- Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting; and
- Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm (BKD, LLP--related to internal control over financial reporting).

In addition, we submit the following information:

There has been no change in our Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2009 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### **ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION**

There was no information required to be disclosed, but not reported, in a report on Form 8-K during the fourth quarter of 2009.

### **PART III**

#### **ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

Pursuant to General Instruction G(3) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item (other than that presented below) is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item in the Company's definitive proxy statement prepared in connection with its 2010 annual meeting of stockholders pursuant to Regulation 14A and previously filed with the Commission, which material is provided under the following headings of said proxy statement:

- Election of Directors and Related Information;
- Information Concerning Nominees for Election to Board of Directors and Directors Continuing in Office;
- Specific Experience, Qualifications, Attributes and Skills of Our Directors and Nominees;
- Information Concerning Executive Officers;
- Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance;
- Nomination of Directors;
- Executive Compensation; and
- Audit Committee Report.

In addition we submit the following information:

The Company has adopted an Ethics Policy for directors, corporate officers and corporate staff employees including, our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal

accounting officer and persons performing similar functions. This Ethics Code is posted on our internet website (<http://www.monarchcement.com>) under “About Us, Ethics Policy” and is available for your examination. Any substantive amendment to, or waiver from, a provision of this Code that applies to our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or persons performing similar functions will be disclosed in a report on Form 8-K.

#### **ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

Pursuant to General Instruction G(3) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item in the Company’s definitive proxy statement prepared in connection with its 2010 annual meeting of stockholders pursuant to Regulation 14A and previously filed with the Commission, which material is provided under the following headings of said proxy statement:

- Executive Compensation;
- Defined Benefit Retirement Plan;
- Severance Pay Plan;
- Compensation Discussion and Analysis;
- Compensation Committee Report;
- Compensation Committee Interlocks And Insider Participation; and
- Board Leadership Structure and Role in Risk Oversight.

#### **ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS**

Pursuant to General Instruction G(3) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item (other than that presented below) is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item in the Company’s definitive proxy statement prepared in connection with its 2010 annual meeting of stockholders pursuant to Regulation 14A and previously filed with the Commission, which material is provided under the following heading of said proxy statement:

- Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management.

In addition we submit the following information:

The Company does not have any compensation plans or individual compensation arrangements under which equity securities of the registrant are authorized for issuance to employees or non-employees.

#### **ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE**

Pursuant to General Instruction G(3) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item in the Company’s definitive proxy statement prepared in connection with its 2010 annual meeting of stockholders pursuant to Regulation 14A and previously filed with the Commission, which material is provided under the following headings of said proxy statement:

- Related Party Transactions;
- Nomination of Directors; and
- Audit Committee Report.

#### **ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES**

Pursuant to General Instruction G(3) to Form 10-K, the information required by this Item is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item in the Company's definitive proxy statement prepared in connection with its 2010 annual meeting of stockholders pursuant to Regulation 14A and previously filed with the Commission, which material is provided under the following heading of said proxy statement:

- Independent Auditors.

### **PART IV**

#### **ITEM 15. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES**

##### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Pursuant to General Instruction G(2) to Form 10-K, the following is a list of the information required by this Item which is incorporated herein by reference to the material responsive to this Item in The Monarch Cement Company's 2009 Annual Report to Stockholders under the headings:

- Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm (BKD, LLP--related to financial statements);
- Consolidated Balance Sheets--December 31, 2009 and 2008;
- Consolidated Statements of Income--For the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007;
- Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income--For the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007;
- Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity and Noncontrolling Interests--For the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007;
- Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows--For the Years Ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007; and
- Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements--December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

### Schedule II -- Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

#### EXHIBITS

- 3(i) Articles of Incorporation. (Filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1994 (File No. 0-2757) as Exhibit 3(i) and incorporated herein by reference.)
- 3(ii) By-laws. (Filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated April 12, 2006 (File No. 0-2757) as Exhibit 3(ii) and incorporated herein by reference.)
- 10.1 Loan agreement dated January 1, 2001, between the Bank of Oklahoma N.A. and The Monarch Cement Company. (Filed with the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2001 (File No. 0-2757) as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.)
  - 10.1(a) First amendment to agreement dated January 1, 2001, between the Bank of Oklahoma N.A. and The Monarch Cement Company. (Filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002 (File No. 0-2757) as Exhibit 10.1(a) and incorporated herein by reference.)
  - 10.1(b) Second amendment to agreement dated January 1, 2001, between the Bank of Oklahoma N.A. and The Monarch Cement Company as amended by first amendment dated December 31, 2002. (Filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003 (File No. 0-2757) as Exhibit 10.1(b) and incorporated herein by reference.)
  - 10.1(c) Third amendment to agreement dated January 1, 2001, between the Bank of Oklahoma N.A. and The Monarch Cement Company as amended by first amendment dated December 31, 2002 and second amendment dated December 31, 2003. (Filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004 (File No. 0-2757) as Exhibit 10.1(c) and incorporated herein by reference.)
  - 10.1(d) Fourth amendment to agreement dated January 1, 2001, between the Bank of Oklahoma N.A. and The Monarch Cement Company as amended by first amendment dated December 31, 2002, second amendment dated December 31, 2003 and third amendment dated December 31, 2004. (Filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005 (File No. 0-2757) as Exhibit 10.1(d) and incorporated herein by reference.)
  - 10.1(e) Fifth amendment to agreement dated January 1, 2001, between the Bank of Oklahoma N.A. and The Monarch Cement Company as

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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.

THE MONARCH CEMENT COMPANY  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Walter H. Wulf, Jr.  
Walter H. Wulf, Jr.  
President

Date: March 16, 2010

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.

By: /s/ Jack R. Callahan  
Jack R. Callahan  
Director

Date: March 16, 2010

By: /s/ Gayle C. McMillen  
Gayle C. McMillen  
Director

Date: March 16, 2010

By: /s/ Ronald E. Callaway  
Ronald E. Callaway  
Director

Date: March 16, 2010

By: /s/ Byron K. Radcliff  
Byron K. Radcliff  
Director

Date: March 16, 2010

By: /s/ David L. Deffner  
David L. Deffner  
Director

Date: March 16, 2010

By: /s/ Walter H. Wulf, Jr.  
Walter H. Wulf, Jr.  
President, Principal Executive  
Officer and Director

Date: March 16, 2010

By: /s/ Robert M. Kissick  
Robert M. Kissick  
Director

Date: March 16, 2010

By: /s/ Debra P. Roe  
Debra P. Roe, CPA  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 16, 2010

## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm on Financial Statement Schedules

Audit Committee, Board of Directors and Stockholders  
The Monarch Cement Company  
Humboldt, Kansas

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements of The Monarch Cement Company for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2009, we have also audited the following financial statement schedules. These financial statement schedules are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statement schedules based on our audits of the basic consolidated financial statements. The schedules are presented for purposes of complying with the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and regulations and are not a required part of the consolidated financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statement schedules referred to above, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, present fairly, in all material respects, the information required to be included therein.

**BKD, LLP**

Kansas City, Missouri  
March 16, 2010

THE MONARCH CEMENT COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES

SCHEDULE II -- VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS

FOR THE THREE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance at Beginning of Period</u>	<u>Additions Charged to Costs and Expenses</u>	<u>Deduction from Reserves (1)</u>	<u>Balance at End of Period</u>
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009:				
Reserve for doubtful accounts	<u>\$ 788,000</u>	<u>\$ 214,000</u>	<u>\$ 91,000</u>	<u>\$ 911,000</u>
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008:				
Reserve for doubtful accounts	<u>\$ 640,000</u>	<u>\$ 428,000</u>	<u>\$ 280,000</u>	<u>\$ 788,000</u>
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007:				
Reserve for doubtful accounts	<u>\$ 641,000</u>	<u>\$290,000</u>	<u>\$ 291,000</u>	<u>\$ 640,000</u>

(1) Writeoff of uncollectible accounts, net of collections on accounts previously written off.

## EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
3(i)	Articles of Incorporation. (Filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1994 (File No. 0-2757) as Exhibit 3(i) and incorporated herein by reference.)
3(ii)	By-laws. (Filed with the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated April 12, 2006 (File No. 0-2757) as Exhibit 3(ii) and incorporated herein by reference.)
10.1	Loan agreement dated January 1, 2001, between the Bank of Oklahoma N.A. and The Monarch Cement Company. (Filed with the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2001 (File No. 0-2757) as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.)
10.1(a)	First amendment to agreement dated January 1, 2001, between the Bank of Oklahoma N.A. and The Monarch Cement Company. (Filed with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002 (File No. 0-2757) as Exhibit 10.1(a) and incorporated herein by reference.)
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March 16, 2010

## ANNUAL REPORT TO STOCKHOLDERS

We entered 2009 knowing that we had not yet experienced the full wrath of the recession that was strongly entrenched in other areas of the country. As the year progressed, the recession became more pronounced in our market area as unemployment increased, residential construction ground to a halt, state budgets plummeted and businesses and individuals throughout our market area curtailed discretionary spending. To make matters worse, excessive rainfall spread throughout our market area during our prime shipping season delaying projects and further hampering our sales efforts. Because our cement business is extremely capital intensive, we are limited in our options to reduce costs as sales decline. As a result, while net sales for 2009 decreased from \$153.9 million in 2008 to \$132.2 million in 2009, cost of sales decreased from \$120.9 million to \$110.6 million during the same two periods reducing our gross profit by \$11.4 million. Our loss on impairment of equity investments declined from \$4.2 million in 2008 to \$.5 million in 2009 and was partially offset in 2009 by a \$.1 million gain on sale of equity investments. Net income for 2009 totaled \$4.7 million compared to \$10.2 million for 2008.

Although we don't anticipate any improvement in our market until possibly the latter part of 2010, we are encouraged by future opportunities for our industry. With increased focus on energy efficiency and sustainability, builders are turning to concrete for their construction projects. Due to the higher prices of oil and its limited availability for use in asphalt, concrete is becoming more competitive with asphalt for highway construction on an initial construction cost basis, not just over the life of the highway. Concrete is also fire, wind and earthquake resistant making it the ideal product for construction projects. Although the Portland Cement Association (PCA) is predicting decreases in cement usage during the first half of 2010 as compared to the first half of 2009, they anticipate slight improvements in the latter half of the year. Longer range PCA forecasts point to increasing cement consumption due to population growth and long-term economic growth rates. Through sustained economic growth, cement consumption is projected to reach levels near its cyclical peak by 2015.

Current economic conditions provide opportunities to replace and add to equipment at more favorable prices. While we plan to continue to take advantage of the current economic conditions to improve our facilities at favorable prices, we anticipate capital expenditures for 2010 will be lower than 2009 levels. We believe we can finance our planned capital expenditures with a mixture of cash from operations and our existing line of credit.

As we look forward to this year's challenges and opportunities, we cannot stress enough the importance of our many loyal customers, our devoted employees and our steadfast stockholders. Thank you for your continued support and confidence in our Company. Most importantly, we thank our Heavenly Father for His blessings and ask His continued support in meeting the challenges and uncertainties we face in the current global financial crisis.

We wish to invite you, our stockholders, to attend Monarch's annual meeting to be held at 2:00 p.m. on April 14, 2010 in our corporate office at 449 1200 Street, Humboldt, Kansas. Thank you for your support throughout the years and God Bless.

WALTER H. WULF, JR.  
President and Chairman of the Board

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**THE MONARCH CEMENT COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES**

**SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA**

**FOR THE FIVE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009**

(Dollar amounts in thousands except per share data)

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Net sales .....	\$ 132,195	\$ 153,886	\$ 146,770	\$ 154,213	\$ 141,320
Net income .....	\$ 4,685	\$ 10,233	\$ 15,110	\$ 13,211	\$ 9,722
Net income per share.....	\$1.18	\$2.54	\$3.78	\$3.28	\$2.40
Total assets .....	\$ 176,998	\$ 174,765	\$ 167,488	\$ 162,504	\$ 144,055
Long-term debt obligations .....	\$ 14,829	\$ 17,752	\$ 20,206	\$ 22,083	\$ 24,087
Cash dividends declared per share .....	\$0.92	\$0.92	\$0.88	\$0.84	\$0.80
Stockholders' equity per share .....	\$25.65	\$24.98	\$24.92	\$22.84	\$22.27

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**DESCRIPTION OF THE BUSINESS**

The Monarch Cement Company (Monarch) was organized as a corporation under the laws of the State of Kansas in 1913. Since its inception, Monarch has been engaged in the manufacture and sale of portland cement.

The manufacture of portland cement by Monarch involves the quarrying of clay and limestone and the crushing, drying and blending of these raw materials into the proper chemical ratio. The raw materials are then heated in kilns to 2800° Fahrenheit at which time chemical reactions occur forming a new compound called clinker. After the addition of a small amount of gypsum, the clinker is ground into a very fine powder that is known as portland cement. The term “portland cement” is not a brand name but is a term that distinguishes cement manufactured by this chemical process from natural cement, which is no longer widely used. Portland cement is the basic material used in the production of ready-mixed concrete that is used in highway, bridge and building construction where strength and durability are primary requirements.

Subsidiaries of Monarch (which together with Monarch are referred to herein as the “Company”) are engaged in the ready-mixed concrete, concrete products and sundry building materials business. Ready-mixed concrete is manufactured by combining aggregates with portland cement, water and chemical admixtures in batch plants. It is then loaded into mixer trucks and mixed in transit to the construction site where it is delivered to the contractor. Concrete products primarily include pre-formed components produced by the Company that are ready for use in the construction of commercial buildings, institutional facilities and parking garages.

As used herein, “Cement Business” refers to our manufacture and sale of cement and “Ready-Mixed Concrete Business” refers to our ready-mixed concrete, concrete products and sundry building materials business.

## LINES OF BUSINESS

The Company is engaged in two lines of business – Cement Business and Ready-Mixed Concrete Business.

The marketing area for Monarch’s products, which is limited by the relatively high cost of transporting cement, consists primarily of the State of Kansas, the State of Iowa, southeast Nebraska, western Missouri, northwest Arkansas and northern Oklahoma. Included within this area are the metropolitan markets of Des Moines, Iowa; Kansas City, Missouri; Springfield, Missouri; Wichita, Kansas; Omaha, Nebraska; Lincoln, Nebraska; Fayetteville, Arkansas and Tulsa, Oklahoma. Sales of cement are made primarily to contractors, ready-mixed concrete plants, concrete products plants, building materials dealers and governmental agencies. Monarch cement is delivered either in bulk or in paper bags and is sold under the “MONARCH” brand name. The cement is distributed both by truck and rail, either common or private carrier.

Subsidiaries of Monarch sell ready-mixed concrete, concrete products and sundry building materials in Monarch’s primary market.

The following table sets forth for the Company’s last three fiscal years the percentage of total sales by the (1) Cement Business and (2) Ready-Mixed Concrete Business:

	<u>Total Sales</u>		
	<u>December 31,</u>		
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Cement Business	42.1%	45.3%	46.1%
Ready-Mixed Concrete Business	<u>57.9%</u>	<u>54.7%</u>	<u>53.9%</u>
	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

## MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements under the caption “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” and elsewhere in this Annual Report, our Form 10-K report and our other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission constitute “forward-looking information”. Except for historical information, the statements made in this report are forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. You can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as “should”, “expect”, “anticipate”, “believe”, “intend”, “may”, “hope”, “forecast” or similar words. In particular, statements with respect to variations in future demand for our products in our market area or the future activity of federal and state highway programs and other major construction projects, the timing, scope, cost and benefits of our proposed and recently completed capital improvements and expansion plans, including the resulting increase in production capacity, our forecasted cement sales, the timing and source of funds for the repayment of our line of credit, our ability to pay dividends at the current level, our anticipated expenditures for benefit plans, and our anticipated increase in solid fuels and electricity required to operate our facilities and equipment are all forward-looking statements. You should be aware that forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may affect the actual results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, among others:

- general economic and business conditions;
- competition;
- raw material and other operating costs;
- costs of capital equipment;
- changes in business strategy or expansion plans;
- demand for our Company's products;
- cyclical and seasonal nature of our business;
- the effect of weather on our business;
- the effect of environmental and other government regulations;
- the availability of credit at reasonable prices; and
- the effect of federal and state funding on demand for our products.

We have described under the caption "Risk Factors" in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, and in other reports that we file with the SEC from time to time, additional factors that could cause actual results to be materially different from those described in the forward-looking statements. Other factors that we have not identified in this report could also have this effect. You are cautioned not to put undue reliance on any forward-looking statement, which speak only as of the date they were made.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

	<u>Cement Business</u>	<u>Ready-Mixed Concrete Business</u>	<u>Consolidated</u>
<b>For the Year Ended December 31, 2009</b>			
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$ 55,687,700	\$ 76,506,842	\$ 132,194,542
Income (loss) from operations	7,019,307	(2,070,723)	4,948,584
<b>For the Year Ended December 31, 2008</b>			
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$ 69,683,762	\$ 84,202,711	\$ 153,886,473
Income (loss) from operations	18,362,170	(1,607,168)	16,755,002
<b>For the Year Ended December 31, 2007</b>			
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$ 67,693,603	\$ 79,075,956	\$ 146,769,559
Income (loss) from operations	19,226,467	(207,527)	19,018,940

See Note 10 in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion of each of the Company's reportable operating lines of business.

**General**--Our products are used in residential, commercial and governmental construction. In recent years, the Company has spent substantial sums on major plant modifications designed to increase our cement production capacity to meet our customers' needs and to improve our production processes. Improvements are planned over the next few years to further enhance our production processes, particularly in the handling and processing of raw materials.

The residential construction slowdown, which began during 2008, continued in 2009 to suppress the demand for cement and ready-mixed concrete. A reduction in cement sales, and accordingly ready-mixed concrete sales, was projected by the Portland Cement Association (PCA). Prior to the second quarter of 2009, we perceived that most of our market had not experienced the reduction as severely as other areas of the country. However, demand has since become increasingly suppressed in some areas of our market as well. In addition, sales of cement and ready-mixed concrete have also been adversely impacted by an excessive amount of rain and

a longer period of cold weather for 2009 as compared to 2008. By September 1, 2009, the yearly rainfall totals for much of our market had already equaled their average annual rainfall totals and rains continued through the fourth quarter. These conditions have delayed construction projects resulting in reduced sales of cement and concrete.

Based on sales forecasts and inventory levels at the beginning of 2008, the Company elected to reduce cement production in the first quarter of 2008 and use that opportunity to undertake major plant repairs and maintenance, largely using our own production personnel. Based on sales forecasts and inventory levels at the beginning of 2009, the Company elected again to reduce cement production in the first quarter and early in the second quarter of 2009 and to undertake additional major plant repairs and maintenance, largely using our own production personnel. The Company normally performs repairs and maintenance every winter, but the decision to use employees or outside contractors is determined by anticipated sales demand, by whether we have the internal expertise and by our inventory target levels. These shutdowns adversely impacted our gross profit margins in 2008 and 2009.

**2009 Compared to 2008**--Consolidated net sales for the year ended December 31, 2009 were approximately \$132.2 million, a decrease of \$21.7 million as compared to the year ended December 31, 2008. Sales in our Cement Business were lower by \$14.0 million while sales in our Ready-Mixed Concrete Business decreased \$7.7 million. Cement Business sales decreased \$13.2 million due to decreased volume sold and \$0.8 million due to price decreases. Increases in construction contract sales of \$3.7 million helped offset the declines in other areas of the Ready-Mixed Concrete Business. Ready-mixed concrete sales declined \$10.4 million due to a \$10.9 million (19.9%) decrease in cubic yards sold net of a \$0.5 million increase due to price increases. Block, brick and other sundry items accounted for the remaining decline in sales.

Consolidated cost of sales for 2009 were \$10.2 million less than cost of sales for 2008. Cost of sales in our Cement Business was lower by \$3.1 million, while cost of sales in our Ready-Mixed Concrete Business was lower by \$7.1 million. Cement Business cost of sales decreased \$8.3 million due to the 18.9% decrease in volume sold which was largely offset by higher production costs primarily resulting from inefficiencies of lower production levels. Ready-Mixed Concrete Business cost of sales decreased \$9.4 million due to the 19.9% decrease in cubic yards of ready-mixed concrete sold and \$0.8 million due to reductions in direct material costs. Ready-Mixed Concrete Business cost of sales decreases were partially offset by a \$2.4 million increase in cost of sales for construction contracts which resulted from the \$3.7 million increase in construction contract sales.

As a result of the above sales and cost of sales factors, our overall gross profit rate for the year ended December 31, 2009 was 16.3% compared to 21.4% for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased by 2.2% for 2009 as compared to 2008. These costs are normally considered fixed costs that do not vary significantly with changes in sales volume.

During 2009, there was a \$0.5 million impairment loss recorded on equity investments due to impairments that were other-than-temporary while the Company realized a \$4.2 million impairment loss for 2008. See Note 2, Investments, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion.

The effective tax rates for 2009 and 2008 were 13.0% and 21.0%, respectively. The Company's effective tax rate differs from the federal and state statutory income tax rate primarily due to the effects of percentage depletion, domestic production activities deduction, and valuation allowance. During 2009 and 2008, percentage depletion decreased the effective tax rate by 12.6% and 10.2%, respectively.

**2008 Compared to 2007**--Consolidated net sales for the year ended December 31, 2008 were approximately \$153.9 million, an increase of \$7.1 million as compared to the year ended December 31, 2007. Sales in our Cement Business were higher by \$2.0 million, while sales in our Ready-Mixed Concrete business increased \$5.1 million. Cement Business sales increased \$1.6 million due to increased volume sold and increased \$0.4 million due to price increases. Sales in our Ready-Mixed Concrete Business improved \$1.0 million due to increased sales in concrete and \$4.5 million in other items such as block, retaining wall, brick, pavers, sack products and other sundry items. Construction contract sales declined during 2008 by \$0.4 million.

Consolidated cost of sales for 2008 were \$8.3 million more than cost of sales for 2007. Cost of sales in our Cement Business were higher by \$2.8 million, while cost of sales in our Ready-Mixed Concrete Business were higher by \$5.5 million. Cement Business cost of sales increased \$1.0 million due to the 2.4% increase in volume sold and about \$1.8 million due to the reduction in volume produced during the first quarter as discussed in "General" above. Tons of cement produced in 2008 declined by 4.1%, as compared to 2007. The increase in cost of sales in our Ready-Mixed Concrete Business was primarily due to a combination of cost increases in raw materials, production and delivery. Raw materials, including cement, rock, sand and sundry building materials purchased for resale, increased \$2.7 million primarily due to higher transportation costs resulting from high fuel costs. The remaining \$2.8 million increase related to production and delivery costs includes increased fuel, payroll, depreciation, maintenance and fringe benefit related expenses.

As a result of the above sales and cost of sales factors, our overall gross profit rate for the year ended December 31, 2008 was 21.4% compared to 23.3% for the year ended December 31, 2007.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased by 7.5% for 2008 as compared to 2007. These costs are normally considered fixed costs that do not vary significantly with changes in sales volume. This increase is partially due to a \$0.1 million increase in bad debt expenses related to the current economic conditions. Additional sales staff in our Ready-Mixed Concrete Business and the costs related to their activities also contributed to the increase in selling expenses while favorably impacting sales volumes.

Interest expense decreased about \$0.9 million for 2008 as compared to 2007 due to a decrease in interest rates and a decrease in borrowings. See Note 4, Line of Credit and Long-Term Debt, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion. The Company utilized these loans for capital improvements and temporary operating funds. During 2008, there was a \$4.2 million impairment loss recorded on equity investments due to impairments that were other-than-temporary while the Company realized a gain of approximately \$2.5 million for 2007 from the sale of equity investments. See Note 2, Investments, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion.

The effective tax rates for 2008 and 2007 were 21.0% and 28.1%, respectively. The Company's effective tax rate differs from the federal and state statutory income tax rate primarily due to the effects of percentage depletion, domestic production activities deduction, minority interest in consolidated income and valuation allowance. During 2008, percentage depletion decreased the effective tax rate by 10.2%. During 2007, percentage depletion reduced the effective tax rate by 6.0%.

## **LIQUIDITY**

The Company considers all liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. At December 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, cash equivalents consisted primarily of money market investments and repurchase agreements with various banks which are not guaranteed by the FDIC. The

FDIC's temporary increase to \$250,000 in the standard maximum deposit insurance amount (SMDIA) has been extended through December 31, 2013 to fully guarantee all deposit accounts. Financial institutions participating in the FDIC's Transaction Account Guarantee Program fully guarantee noninterest-bearing transaction accounts for the entire amount in the account through June 30, 2010. See Note 1(e), Cash Equivalents, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion.

We are able to meet our cash needs primarily from a combination of cash from operations and bank loans.

Net cash provided by operating activities totaled \$18.7 million for 2009, a \$5.3 million decrease from 2008. Net income decreased by \$5.5 million from 2008 to 2009. A \$4.2 million non-cash adjustment for the other-than-temporary loss on impairment of other investments was realized in 2008 while \$0.5 million was realized in 2009. See Note 2, Investments, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion. Cash was provided by operating activities when receivables decreased by \$2.9 million during 2009. Cash used for operating activities includes \$3.0 million for increased inventories. Finished cement inventory increased due to greater volumes held in inventory and to the higher cost of those inventories compared to 2008; fuel, gypsum, paper sacks and other inventory increased primarily due to coal and petroleum coke purchases exceeding amounts consumed in the production process; and operating and maintenance supplies increased due to the purchase of specialized repair parts that support the recently completed production facility improvements. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities remained approximately at 2008 levels which had increased from 2007 due to prepayments held on account in accrued liabilities.

Net cash provided by operating activities totaled \$24.0 million for 2008, a \$1.7 million increase over 2007. Net income decreased by \$5.0 million from 2007 to 2008. There were no realized gains on sale of other investments for 2008; however a \$4.2 million non-cash adjustment for the other-than-temporary loss on impairment of other investments was realized while none was realized in 2007. Cash was also provided by the increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities which increased by \$2.0 million in 2008 primarily due to prepayments held on account in accrued liabilities. Cash used for operating activities includes receivable increases of \$2.0 million in 2008.

Net cash provided by operating activities totaled \$22.4 million for 2007. Net income increased primarily due to the \$2.5 million realized gain on the sale of equity investments. The non-cash adjustment for depreciation, depletion and amortization increased by \$0.5 million from 2006 to 2007. This increase reflects the impact of certain assets, mainly related to our cement production and the expansion of the Company's corporate office, placed in service during 2005 and 2006. The realized gain on sale of other investments for 2007 is due to the sale of available-for-sale equity securities. Cash was provided by operating activities when receivables decreased by \$1.3 million during 2007. Cash was also provided when accounts payable and accrued liabilities increased by \$0.7 million primarily due to the timing of accounts payable. Cash used for operating activities includes \$5.0 million for increased inventories. Finished cement inventory increased due to greater volumes held in inventory and to the higher cost of those inventories compared to 2006; fuel, gypsum, paper sacks and other inventory increased primarily due to coal and petroleum coke purchases exceeding amounts consumed in the production process; and operating and maintenance supplies increased due to the purchase of specialized repair parts that support the recently completed production facility improvements.

Net cash used for investing activities totaled \$12.9 million, \$19.2 million, and \$8.0 million in 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The \$6.3 million decrease in net cash used for investing activities from 2008 to 2009 is principally due to the \$2.1 million used for short-term investments in 2008 while \$2.1 million was provided by the redemption of the same short-term investments in 2009. In addition, \$1.6 million was provided by the

disposal of equity investments in 2009 while no disposals were made in 2008. The \$11.2 million increase in net cash used for investing activities from 2007 to 2008 is primarily due to purchases of equity investments, the acquisition of a business, and an increase in short-term investments for a total increase of \$7.5 million and the \$4.7 million decline in proceeds from disposals of equity investments.

Net cash used for financing activities totaled \$6.8 million, \$6.1 million, and \$12.3 million for 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The differences were primarily due to changes in the line of credit balance and purchases of noncontrolling interests in 2007 and 2009. The line of credit was used to cover operating expenses and for capital expenditures. For 2009, 2008, and 2007, \$0.7 million, \$0 and \$0.2 million were used for purchases of noncontrolling interests, respectively.

In December 2009, Monarch renewed and modified the loan agreement with its current lender, Bank of Oklahoma, N.A., under similar terms as the prior agreement. Monarch's current unsecured credit commitment consists of a \$17.8 million term loan and a \$15.0 million line of credit. See Note 4, Line of Credit and Long-Term Debt, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion of the terms of this credit commitment. The term loan was used to help finance the expansion project at our cement manufacturing facility. The line of credit was used to cover operating expenses primarily during the first half of the year when we build inventory due to the seasonality of our business and for capital expenditures. Our Board of Directors has given management the authority to borrow a maximum of \$50 million. We have not discussed additional financing with any banks or other financial institutions; therefore, no assurances can be given that we will be able to obtain this additional borrowing on favorable terms, if at all.

Contractual obligations at December 31, 2009, consisting of maturities on long-term debt, estimated interest payments on debt, pension, postretirement benefit obligations and open purchase orders are as follows:

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>Thereafter</u>
Long-term debt	\$ 2,732,490	\$ 2,945,138	\$ 3,017,599	\$ 3,015,188	\$ 3,108,059	\$ 10,851
Interest payments	472,029	367,865	265,243	164,517	63,928	-
Pension	2,335,000	-	-	-	-	-
Postretirement benefit obligations	1,746,846	1,889,022	1,997,872	2,089,862	2,162,941	11,903,743
Open purchase orders	4,623,930	3,521,757	2,596,378	-	-	-

The long-term debt obligation is based on current interest rates and assumes that the term loan is paid off at maturity.

The Company has been required to make a pension contribution each of the past three years. In 2009, 2008 and 2007, the Company contributed approximately \$2.1 million, \$1.4 million and \$0.7 million, respectively, to the pension fund. No estimates of required pension payments have been asked for or made beyond 2010. The decline in the bond and stock markets in 2008 significantly reduced the value of our pension funds at December 31, 2008. By December 31, 2009, actual returns on plan assets have increased the value of our pension funds enough to recover approximately half of the prior year reductions. Based on the pension laws currently in effect, any resulting increases in minimum funding requirements could cause a negative impact to our liquidity. See Note 7, Pension Plans, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for disclosures about 2009 pension contributions.

Each segment of the cement manufacturing process requires significant investment in major pieces of equipment. Once installed, this equipment, if properly maintained, can function for many years. Generally we spend several million dollars each year on preventive maintenance and equipment repairs; however, capital

expenditures vary from year to year. A piece of equipment that costs \$25 – \$30 million may remain in service for fifty years. After a period of time, this equipment may be modified to incorporate the latest technology, increasing its efficiency and production capacity and extending its useful life. In the years Monarch invests in major equipment replacements or enhancements, current operations do not generate enough cash to pay for the improvements, requiring us to use our cash on hand or bank financing. As projects are completed, we seek to reduce the amount needed for major capital expenditures, allowing us to pay off any outstanding bank loans and accumulate cash for the next major plant improvement.

The Company has projects in the planning and design phases in addition to projects already in progress. For discussion of these projects, see second paragraph under “Capital Resources” below. We anticipate capital expenditures for 2010 to be lower than 2009 levels and we do not anticipate the need for additional bank financing other than that available under the existing line of credit.

For several years the Company has paid a dividend in January, March, June and September. At the April 2009 Board of Directors meeting, the Board declared a \$0.23 per share dividend. Under the terms and conditions of our loan agreement, the Company’s ability to pay dividends is subject to its satisfaction of a requirement to maintain a tangible net worth of \$90 million and an adjusted tangible net worth, which is tangible net worth before other comprehensive income, of \$95 million. The Company was in compliance with these requirements at year end. The minimum net worth requirements could impact the Company’s ability to pay dividends in the future. Although dividends are declared at the Board’s discretion and could be impacted by the minimum net worth requirements of the Company’s loan agreement, we project future earnings will support the continued payment of dividends at the current level.

## **FINANCIAL CONDITION**

Total assets as of December 31, 2009 were \$177.0 million, an increase of \$2.2 million since December 31, 2008 due primarily to increases in inventories and investments. Inventories increased by \$3.3 million. Finished cement and work-in-process increased by \$0.8 million and \$0.4 million, respectively. Fuel, gypsum, paper sacks and other inventory increased \$1.3 million primarily due to purchases of coal and petroleum coke exceeding amounts consumed in the production process. Operating and maintenance supplies inventory increased \$0.6 million primarily due to purchases of specialized repair supplies related to the recently completed construction in the production facilities. Management continually evaluates the lead time to obtain repair parts which are critical to its cement operations in determining which parts to keep in inventory. Investments increased \$5.7 million primarily as a result of an increase in the fair market value of equity investments and an increase in purchases net of disposals. Decreases in assets primarily occurred in short-term investments and receivables. Short-term investments decreased by \$2.1 million as cash from maturing investments was used to finance current operations. The \$2.9 million decrease in receivables is the result of lower sales in December 2009 in comparison to sales in December 2008.

Other accrued liabilities increased by \$2.3 million in 2009 primarily due to prepayments held on account. Indebtedness decreased about \$2.4 million during 2009 primarily as a result of payments on the bank loan with cash provided by the Company’s cement manufacturing operations.

During 2009, we adjusted the pension liability, resulting in a decrease in long-term accrued pension expense of \$2.5 million and an increase in stockholders’ equity of \$1.6 million. The change in liability was primarily due to a gain on plan assets during 2009 caused by improvements in stock market conditions over 2008. We also adjusted the postretirement liability, resulting in an increase in accrued postretirement expense of \$4.0

million and a decrease in stockholders' equity of \$1.4 million. The decrease in stockholders' equity was due to a current year actuarial loss. Actuarial gains (losses) are a measure of the difference between actual experience and that expected based upon the actuarial assumptions between two measurement dates. The gains (losses) are directly calculated and are amortized over average expected future service, to the extent that such gains (losses) are greater than 10% of the greater of the Accrued Postretirement Benefit Obligation and the Plan's assets.

Stockholders' equity increased 2.7% during 2009 as a result of net income, unrealized holding gain changes and the pension changes in comprehensive income, which was reduced by dividends and the postretirement changes in comprehensive income. Basic earnings were \$1.18 per share and dividends declared were \$0.92 per share for 2009.

## **CAPITAL RESOURCES**

The Company historically invests \$10 million to \$12 million per year on capital expenditures to keep its equipment and facilities in good operating condition. Capital expenditures during 2009 included expenditures on a new fuel handling system in the Cement Business. We also invested in routine equipment purchases in both the Cement Business and Ready-Mixed Concrete Business during 2009. Cash expenditures for property, plant and equipment for 2009 totaled approximately \$9.8 million, excluding the amounts that are included in accounts payable.

The Company completed the installation of a fuel handling system in the third quarter of 2009 at a cost of approximately \$4.4 million. The Company plans to invest in other miscellaneous equipment and facility improvements in both the Cement Business and Ready-Mixed Concrete Business in 2010. These expenditures are expected to reach approximately \$6.0 million during 2010 and will be funded with a mixture of cash from operations and temporary bank loans. We do not anticipate the need for additional bank financing beyond the amount available through our existing revolving line of credit. Projects in the planning and design phases include an overland conveyor system to improve efficiencies in moving raw materials. This conveyor system and projects related thereto are expected to cost approximately \$15.0 million to \$25.0 million depending on the exact components of the project undertaken and the volatility of certain material costs, particularly steel. Management has the discretion to postpone components of the project and the discretion to undertake part or the entire project. The overland conveyor system and projects related to it are estimated to take twenty-four to thirty-six months to complete after the first purchase order is issued. A date has not been set for issuance of the purchase order.

**Accounting Policies**--The critical accounting policies with respect to the Company are those related to pension and postretirement benefits.

Monarch has defined benefit pension plans covering substantially all permanent employees in the Cement Business. Plans covering staff (salaried) employees provide pension benefits that are based on years of service and the employee's last sixty calendar months of earnings or the highest five consecutive calendar years of earnings out of the last ten calendar years of service, whichever is greater. Plans covering production (hourly) employees provide benefits of stated amounts for each year of service. Generally, Monarch's funding policy is to contribute annually an amount within the minimum/maximum range of tax deductible contributions. Contributions are intended to provide for benefits attributed to service to date and for those expected to be earned in the future. Monarch expects 2010 cash expenditures for these plans to be approximately \$2.3 million.

Monarch also provides other postretirement employee benefits including health care and life insurance benefits to all retired employees who, as of their retirement date, have completed ten or more years of credited

service under the pension plans. These benefits are self-insured by Monarch and are paid out of Monarch's general assets. Monarch expects 2010 cash expenditures for postretirement benefits to be approximately \$1.7 million.

We account for our pension plans in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 715-30, "Defined Benefit Plans - Pension" and our postretirement benefits in accordance with FASB ASC 715-60, "Defined Benefit Plans - Other Postretirement". ASC 715-30 and 715-60 require us to make various estimates and assumptions, including discount rates used to value liabilities, expected rates of return on plan assets, salary increases, employee turnover rates, anticipated employee mortality rates and expected future healthcare costs. The estimates we used are based on our historical experience as well as current facts and circumstances and are updated at least annually. These sections of the ASC also require us to recognize the entire overfunded or underfunded status of our defined benefit and postretirement plans as assets or liabilities in the statement of financial position and to recognize changes, net of taxes, in that funded status in the year in which the changes occur through comprehensive income.

In December 2008, the FASB issued an amendment to ASC 715-20, "Compensation - Retirement Benefits - Defined Benefit Plans - General", which requires enhanced disclosures regarding Company benefit plans. Disclosures regarding plan assets should include discussion about how investment allocation decisions are made, the major categories of plan assets, the inputs and valuation techniques used to measure plan assets and significant concentrations of risk within the plan assets. These amendments to ASC 715-20 are effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2009. Prior year periods presented for comparative purposes are not required to comply. The Company's adoption of these amendments to ASC 715-20, effective December 31, 2009, did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements. See Note 7, Pension Plans, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for disclosures required by this standard.

The following are some additional accounting standards recently adopted by the Company:

In June 2009, the FASB issued FASB ASC Topic 105 "Generally Accepted Accounting Principles" which identifies the FASB ASC as the authoritative source of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) in the United States. Rules and interpretive releases of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) under federal securities laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC registrants. This standard is effective for financial statements issued for interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements. References to authoritative accounting literature contained in our financial statements are made in accordance with the ASC commencing with our quarterly report for the period ending September 30, 2009.

Effective January 1, 2009, the Company adopted FASB ASC 810-10-65, "Consolidation: Overall: Transition and Effective Date Information". Upon adoption, minority interest previously presented in the mezzanine section of the balance sheet has been retrospectively reclassified as noncontrolling interest within equity. In addition, the consolidated net income and comprehensive income presented in the statements of income have been retrospectively revised to include the net loss attributable to the noncontrolling interest. Beginning January 1, 2009, losses attributable to the noncontrolling interest have been allocated to the noncontrolling interest even if the carrying amount of the noncontrolling interest is reduced below zero. Any changes in ownership after January 1, 2009, that did not result in a loss of control have been prospectively accounted for as equity transactions in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 810.

Effective June 30, 2009, the Company adopted the requirements of FASB ASC Topic 855, “Subsequent Events”, which establishes general standards of accounting for and disclosure of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued or are available to be issued. Adoption of the standard did not have a material impact on the Company’s consolidated financial statements. See Note 11, Subsequent Events, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for disclosures required by this standard.

In February, 2010, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2010-09, “Subsequent Events (Topic 855) – Amendments to Certain Recognition and Disclosure Requirements”. This ASU provides amendments to Subtopic 855-10 to clarify that SEC filers are required to evaluate subsequent events through the date that the financial statements are issued, but are not required to disclose the date through which subsequent events have been evaluated. ASU 2010-09 was effective upon issuance for the Company and its adoption did not have a material impact on the Company’s consolidated financial statements.

In March 2008, the FASB updated FASB ASC Topic 815, “Derivatives and Hedging”, which establishes, among other things, the disclosure requirements for derivative instruments and for hedging activities. Since the Company does not participate in hedging activities and does not use derivative instruments, the Company’s adoption of the standard, effective January 1, 2009, did not have any impact on our disclosures or our consolidated financial statements.

In April 2009, the FASB amended ASC Topic 825 “Financial Instruments” to expand the disclosure about the fair value of financial instruments that were previously required only annually and will now also be required for interim period reporting. In addition, it requires certain additional disclosures regarding the methods and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value of financial instruments. The April 1, 2009 adoption of this amendment on a prospective basis by the Company did not have a financial impact on the Company’s Consolidated Financial Statements. See Note 2, Investments, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for disclosures required by this standard.

In April 2009, the FASB amended ASC Topic 320, “Investments- Debt and Equity Securities” to provide guidance for evaluating and recognizing other-than-temporary impairment (“OTTI”) of debt securities. The amendment also expands the disclosure requirements in interim and annual financial statements for both debt and equity securities to enable users to understand the types of securities held, including information about investments in an unrealized loss position, the reasons that a portion of an OTTI of a debt security was not recognized in earnings and the methodology and significant inputs used to calculate the portion of the total OTTI that was recognized in earnings. This amendment is effective for interim or annual periods ending after June 15, 2009 and its adoption did not impact the Company’s financial position, results of operations or cash flows. See Note 2, Investments, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for disclosures required by this standard.

Effective January 1, 2009, the Company adopted FASB ASC Topic 805 “Business Combinations”, which revised certain principles, including the definition of a business combination, the recognition and measurement of assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination, the accounting for goodwill, and financial statement disclosure. The adoption of FASB ASC Topic 805 did not materially impact the Company’s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In August 2009, the FASB issued ASU No. 2009-05, “Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures: Measuring Liabilities at Fair Value”. This ASU provides amendments for fair value measurements of liabilities. It provides clarification that in circumstances in which a quoted price in an active market for the identical liability is not available, a reporting entity is required to measure fair value using one or more techniques. ASU 2009-05

also clarifies that when estimating a fair value of a liability, a reporting entity is not required to include a separate input or adjustment to other inputs relating to the existence of a restriction that prevents the transfer of the liability. ASU 2009-05 is effective for the first reporting period (including interim periods) beginning after issuance. There was no impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows as a result of adoption of ASU 2009-05.

See Note 14, Future Change in Accounting Principles, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for information concerning the accounting pronouncements issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

**Market Risks**--Market risks relating to the Company's operations result primarily from changes in demand for our products. Construction activity, particularly in the residential market, has been adversely impacted by the global financial crisis even though interest rates are at historically low levels. A continuation of the financial crisis, including a scarcity of credit, or a significant increase in interest rates could lead to a further reduction in construction activities in both the residential and commercial market. Budget shortfalls during economic slowdowns could cause money to be diverted away from highway projects, schools, detention facilities and other governmental construction projects. Reduction in construction activity lowers the demand for cement, ready-mixed concrete, concrete products and sundry building materials. As demand decreases, competition to retain sales volume could create downward pressure on sales prices. The manufacture of cement requires a significant investment in property, plant and equipment and a trained workforce to operate and maintain this equipment. These costs do not materially vary with the level of production. As a result, by operating at or near capacity, regardless of demand, companies can reduce per unit production costs. The continual need to control production costs encourages overproduction during periods of reduced demand. See Note 8, Significant Estimates and Certain Concentrations, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion.

The Company invests in equity investments which are subject to market fluctuations. The Company had \$18.4 million of equity securities, primarily of publicly traded entities, as of December 31, 2009. The aggregate amount of securities carried at cost, for which the Company has not elected the fair value option, was \$2.0 million as of December 31, 2009. The remaining \$16.4 million in equity investments, which are stated at fair market value, are not hedged and are exposed to the risk of changing market prices. The Company classifies all securities as "available-for-sale" for accounting purposes and marks them to market on the balance sheet at the end of each period unless they are securities for which the Company has not elected the fair value option. Securities carried at cost are adjusted for impairment, if conditions warrant. Management estimates that its publicly traded investments will generally be consistent with trends and movements of the overall stock market excluding any unusual situations. An immediate 10% change in the market price of our equity securities carried at fair market value would have a \$1.0 million effect on comprehensive income. At December 31, 2009, the Company evaluated all of its equity investments for impairment. The results of those evaluations are discussed in Note 2, Investments, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Interest rates on the Company's term loan and line of credit for 2010 are variable, subject to interest rate minimums or floors, and are based on the lender's national prime rate less 0.75% and lender's national prime rate less 0.50%, respectively. See Note 4, Line of Credit and Long-Term Debt, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

**Inflation**-- Inflation directly affects the Company's operating costs. The manufacture of cement requires the use of a significant amount of energy. The Company burns primarily solid fuels, such as coal and petroleum coke, and to a lesser extent natural gas, in its kilns. Increases above the rate of inflation in the cost of these solid fuels, natural gas, or in the electricity required to operate our cement manufacturing equipment could adversely

affect our operating profits. Prices of the specialized replacement parts and equipment the Company must continually purchase tend to increase directly with the rate of inflation with the exception of equipment and replacement parts containing large amounts of steel. In recent years, steel prices have tended not to follow inflationary trends, but rather have been influenced by worldwide demand. Prices for diesel fuel used in the transportation of our raw materials and finished products also vary based on supply and demand and in some years exceed the rate of inflation adversely affecting our operating profits.

**Environmental Regulations**--The Company's cement plant emissions are regulated by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). KDHE is responsible for the administration and enforcement of Kansas environmental regulations, which typically mirror national regulations.

The most recent rulings promulgated by the EPA require us to install carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) Continuous Emission Monitors (CEMs) to track various aspects of the production process to effectively establish a Greenhouse Gas (GHG) inventory for our cement manufacturing facility. The installation of these monitors is not expected to have a material economic impact on the Company.

The EPA Administrator has also signed two important findings clearing the way for EPA to regulate greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act. The "Endangerment Finding" clarifies EPA's belief that current and projected concentrations of six key greenhouse gases in the atmosphere pose a threat to human health and welfare. Further, the "Cause or Contribute Finding," associates the emissions of the six named GHGs with the threat to public health and welfare. At this time it is difficult to determine if the EPA will act on the "Endangerment Finding", what that action may involve and when it might be put into place.

The American Clean Energy & Security Act (ACES) passed the U.S. House of Representatives, but the Senate has yet to act on climate legislation. In general this legislation encourages the limitation and/or reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> using a method of cap and trade. The economic impact of the pending legislation is impossible to estimate with much degree of confidence due to the uncertainty of how the final legislation would be imposed. At this time there are many variables making it difficult to predict the overall cost of carbon legislation. It is equally difficult to determine when those costs will be realized, or even the feasibility of the legislation being passed. There is consensus in the industry that the costs of CO<sub>2</sub> limits required through regulation or legislation could be substantial enough to fundamentally change the cement manufacturing business.

Additional emission restrictions are also possible from the EPA's proposed modifications to the National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) regulation. These modifications are expected to be finalized in June 2010. The proposed regulations call for more stringent emission limitations on Mercury, Total Hydrocarbons (THC), Hydrochloric Acid (HCL), and Particulate Matter less than 10 microns in diameter (PM10). It is our current belief that our emission levels are below the proposed limitations for Mercury and PM10 so additional control equipment would not be required for these pollutants; however, we would expect to incur increased costs for control equipment for THC & HCL. There would also be additional costs for monitoring, testing, and increased maintenance labor. Initial costs to comply are estimated to be about \$350,000 but there can be no assurance that compliance costs would not exceed this amount.

Climate change regulation could result in (1) increased energy costs, (2) a shift toward carbon neutral fuels or carbon neutral offset strategies, and (3) increased labor costs to acquire the specialized technical expertise needed to comply with the environmental regulations. Demand for our products could decrease due to

increased pollution control costs. Conversely, demand could increase as others try to meet their government environmental mandates by using concrete products known for their sustainability benefits and energy efficiency.

In management’s opinion, the physical impact of a warmer climate in our market area will increase the number of days with weather conducive for work to proceed on construction projects which in turn will create the potential for greater profitability. Conversely, legislation and regulatory attempts to interfere with natural warming and cooling cycles will, if successful, have an adverse affect on profitability. In addition, differences in environmental regulations in the United States from those of other cement producing countries could affect our ability to continue to compete with the cost of cement imported from other countries.

### STOCK MARKET AND DIVIDEND DATA

On March 1, 2010, Monarch’s capital stock and Class B capital stock was held by approximately 570 and 410 record holders, respectively. Monarch is the transfer agent for Monarch’s stock which is traded on the over-the-counter market under the trading symbol “MCEM.OB”. Over-the-counter market quotations reflect interdealer prices, without retail mark-up, mark-down or commission and may not necessarily represent actual transactions. Following is a schedule of the range of the low and high bid quotations for Monarch’s stock as reported by Yahoo! at <http://finance.yahoo.com/>, and of the dividends declared on Monarch’s stock, for each quarter of our two latest fiscal years:

Quarter	2009			2008		
	Price		Dividends Declared	Price		Dividends Declared
	Low	High		Low	High	
First	\$20.25	\$27.23	\$ -	\$28.50	\$30.50	\$ -
Second	\$23.00	\$30.75	\$0.23	\$27.11	\$29.75	\$0.23
Third	\$30.51	\$31.50	\$0.23	\$26.25	\$29.50	\$0.23
Fourth	\$30.24	\$33.00	\$0.46*	\$20.35	\$30.26	\$0.46*

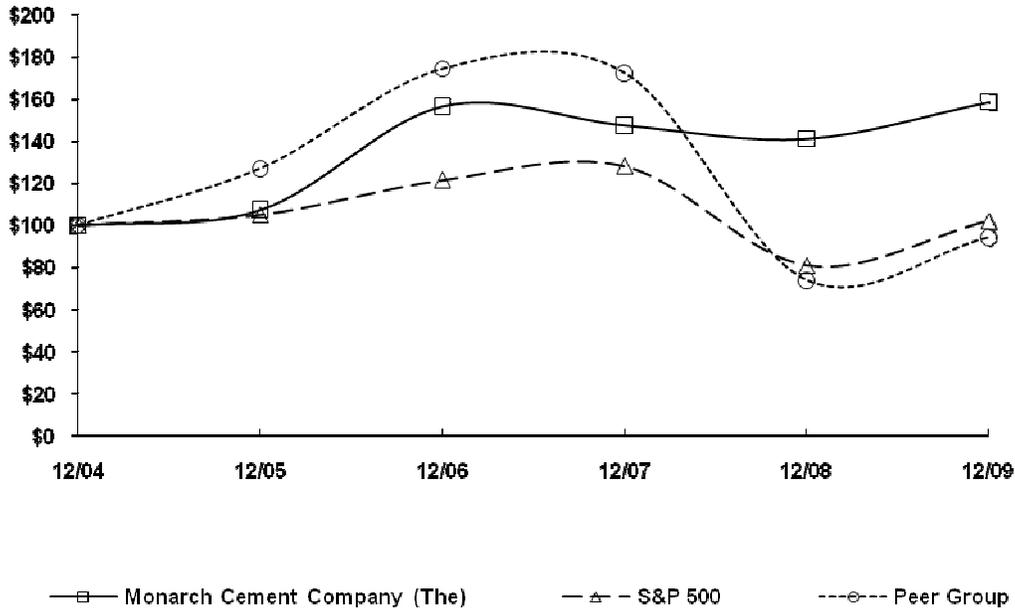
\*Reflects declaration of two \$0.23 dividends payable in the first quarter of 2010 and 2009.

For additional information concerning the Company’s payment of dividends, see “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Liquidity”. The Company’s loan agreement contains a financial covenant that requires it to maintain a minimum net worth which the Company was in compliance with at year end. The financial covenant of the loan agreement could impact the payment of future dividends. See Note 4, Line of Credit and Long-Term Debt, of Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

The following performance graph and table show a five-year comparison of cumulative total returns for the Company, the S&P 500 composite index and an index of a peer group of companies selected by the Company.

The cumulative total return on investment for each of the periods for the Company, the S&P 500 and the peer group is based on the stock price or composite index at December 31, 2004. The performance graph assumes that the value of an investment in the Company’s capital stock and each index was \$100 at December 31, 2004 and that all dividends were reinvested. The information presented in the performance graph is historical in nature and is not intended to represent or guarantee future returns.

**COMPARISON OF 5 YEAR CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN\***  
 Among Monarch Cement Company (The), The S&P 500 Index  
 And A Peer Group



\*\$100 invested on 12/31/04 in stock or index, including reinvestment of dividends.  
 Fiscal year ending December 31.

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	12/04	12/05	12/06	12/07	12/08	12/09
Monarch Cement Company (The)	100.00	107.45	156.45	147.42	141.02	158.42
S&P 500	100.00	104.91	121.48	128.16	80.74	102.11
Peer Group	100.00	126.98	174.27	172.26	73.79	94.19

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The performance graph compares the performance of the Company with that of the S&P 500 composite index and an index of a peer group of companies in the Company's industry in which the returns are weighted according to each company's market capitalization. The peer group consists of Cemex Sab De CV, Eagle Materials, Inc., Texas Industries, Inc., Vulcan Materials Company, Lafarge S.A. and Ready Mix, Inc.

## MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The Company's internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). 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 our assets; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and that our receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of our management and directors; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of our 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. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. No evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, have been detected. 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.

As required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009. In making this assessment, management used the framework and criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework*.

Based on our assessment and those criteria, management believes that the Company maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009.

The effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009 has been audited by BKD, LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which is included herein.

THE MONARCH CEMENT COMPANY

## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Audit Committee, Board of Directors and Stockholders  
The Monarch Cement Company  
Humboldt, Kansas

We have audited The Monarch Cement Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009, 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 maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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 Monarch Cement Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO)*.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial statements of The Monarch Cement Company and our report dated March 16, 2010 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

**BKD, LLP**

Kansas City, Missouri  
March 16, 2010

## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Audit Committee, Board of Directors and Stockholders  
The Monarch Cement Company  
Humboldt, Kansas

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of The Monarch Cement Company as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity and noncontrolling interests, comprehensive income and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2009. The Company's management is responsible for these financial statements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements 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. Our audits included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Monarch Cement Company as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2009, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), The Monarch Cement Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009, based on criteria established in *Internal Control – Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) and our report dated March 16, 2010 expressed an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

**BKD, LLP**

Kansas City, Missouri  
March 16, 2010

THE MONARCH CEMENT COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

<b>ASSETS</b>	<u>2 0 0 9</u>	<u>2 0 0 8</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,149,397	\$ 3,111,509
Short-term investments, at cost which approximates fair value	-	2,100,000
Receivables, less allowances of \$911,000 in 2009 and \$788,000 in 2008 for doubtful accounts	12,558,856	15,499,638
Inventories, priced at cost which is not in excess of market-		
Finished cement	\$ 5,345,468	\$ 4,507,180
Work in process	2,050,200	1,681,765
Building products	5,225,431	5,069,230
Fuel, gypsum, paper sacks and other	7,625,573	6,312,135
Operating and maintenance supplies	<u>11,538,788</u>	<u>10,943,746</u>
Total inventories	\$ 31,785,460	\$ 28,514,056
Refundable federal and state income taxes	310,795	27,102
Deferred income taxes	775,000	710,000
Prepaid expenses	<u>324,844</u>	<u>508,324</u>
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>\$ 47,904,352</b>	<b>\$ 50,470,629</b>
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, at cost, less accumulated depreciation and depletion of \$162,880,507 in 2009 and \$151,055,752 in 2008	90,817,394	90,803,872
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES	19,093,778	19,473,540
INVESTMENTS	18,419,208	12,740,244
OTHER ASSETS	<u>762,945</u>	<u>1,276,364</u>
	<b><u>\$176,997,677</u></b>	<b><u>\$174,764,649</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 5,083,300	\$ 6,308,873
Line of credit payable	511,944	-
Current portion of term loan	2,732,490	2,643,913
Accrued liabilities-		
Dividends	1,851,131	1,851,131
Compensation and benefits	3,064,633	2,895,841
Miscellaneous taxes	777,349	845,830
Other	<u>5,207,483</u>	<u>2,960,892</u>
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 19,228,330</b>	<b>\$ 17,506,480</b>
LONG-TERM DEBT	12,096,835	15,108,016
ACCRUED POSTRETIREMENT BENEFITS	30,206,610	26,210,409
ACCRUED PENSION EXPENSE	12,250,038	14,720,952
<b>EQUITY:</b>		
<b>COMPANY STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:</b>		
Capital Stock, par value \$2.50 per share, one vote per share - Authorized 10,000,000 shares, Issued 2,532,463 shares at December 31, 2009 and 2,518,658 shares at December 31, 2008	\$ 6,331,158	\$ 6,296,645
Class B Capital Stock, par value \$2.50 per share, ten votes per share - Authorized 10,000,000 shares, Issued 1,491,735 shares at December 31, 2009 and 1,505,540 shares at December 31, 2008	3,729,337	3,763,850
Retained earnings	105,989,712	104,958,556
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	<u>(12,834,343)</u>	<u>(14,509,123)</u>
<b>TOTAL COMPANY STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>\$103,215,864</b>	<b>\$100,509,928</b>
NONCONTROLLING INTEREST	<u>-</u>	<u>708,864</u>
<b>Total equity</b>	<b><u>\$103,215,864</u></b>	<b><u>\$101,218,792</u></b>
	<b><u>\$176,997,677</u></b>	<b><u>\$174,764,649</u></b>

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THE MONARCH CEMENT COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009, 2008 AND 2007

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
NET SALES	\$ 132,194,542	\$ 153,886,473	\$ 146,769,559
COST OF SALES	<u>110,646,807</u>	<u>120,887,764</u>	<u>112,637,185</u>
<b>Gross profit from operations</b>	<b>\$ 21,547,735</b>	<b>\$ 32,998,709</b>	<b>\$ 34,132,374</b>
SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	<u>16,599,151</u>	<u>16,243,707</u>	<u>15,113,434</u>
<b>Income from operations</b>	<b>\$ 4,948,584</b>	<b>\$ 16,755,002</b>	<b>\$ 19,018,940</b>
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)			
Interest income	\$ 74,624	\$ 175,895	\$ 184,541
Interest expense	(631,600)	(917,218)	(1,808,881)
Loss on impairment of equity investments	(524,188)	(4,157,612)	-
Gain on sale of equity investments	136,853	-	2,486,100
Dividend income	186,752	267,435	231,940
Other, net	<u>1,193,594</u>	<u>834,205</u>	<u>947,429</u>
	<u>\$ 436,035</u>	<u>\$ (3,797,295)</u>	<u>\$ 2,041,129</u>
<b>INCOME BEFORE PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES</b>	<b>\$ 5,384,619</b>	<b>\$ 12,957,707</b>	<b>\$ 21,060,069</b>
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	<u>700,000</u>	<u>2,725,000</u>	<u>5,950,000</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 4,684,619</b>	<b>\$ 10,232,707</b>	<b>\$ 15,110,069</b>
Less: Net Loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	<u>(48,799)</u>	<u>(174)</u>	<u>(124,338)</u>
<b>NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO COMPANY</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,733,418</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 10,232,881</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 15,234,407</u></b>
<b>Basic earnings per share</b>	<b><u>\$1.18</u></b>	<b><u>\$2.54</u></b>	<b><u>\$3.78</u></b>

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009, 2008 AND 2007

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 4,684,619</b>	<b>\$ 10,232,707</b>	<b>\$ 15,110,069</b>
UNREALIZED APPRECIATION (DEPRECIATION) ON AVAILABLE FOR SALE SECURITIES (Net of deferred tax (benefit) expense of \$816,000, \$(3,040,000) and \$(384,000) for 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively)	1,226,665	(4,557,612)	(579,900)
RECLASSIFICATION ADJUSTMENT FOR REALIZED (GAINS) LOSSES INCLUDED IN NET INCOME (Net of deferred tax (benefit) expense of \$(156,000), \$(1,664,000), and \$996,000 for 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively)	231,335	2,493,612	(1,490,100)
MINIMUM PENSION LIABILITY (Net of deferred tax (benefit) expense of \$1,070,000, \$(3,800,000) and \$(805,000) for 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively)	1,616,189	(5,705,931)	(1,199,292)
POSTRETIREMENT LIABILITY (Net of deferred tax (benefit) expense of \$(945,000), \$975,000 and \$(20,000) for 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively)	<u>(1,399,409)</u>	<u>1,462,306</u>	<u>(23,244)</u>
<b>COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b>	<b><u>\$ 6,359,399</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 3,925,082</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 11,817,533</u></b>

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THE MONARCH CEMENT COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND NONCONTROLLING INTERESTS  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009, 2008 AND 2007

	Company Stockholders						Total
	Capital Stock	Class B Capital Stock	Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Non-Controlling Interest	
<b>BALANCE</b>							
<b>JANUARY 1, 2007</b>	<b>\$ 6,220,713</b>	<b>\$ 3,846,682</b>	<b>\$ 86,797,943</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (4,908,962)</b>	<b>\$ 1,023,116</b>	<b>\$ 92,979,492</b>
Net income	-	-	15,234,407	-	-	(124,338)	15,110,069
Dividends declared (\$0.88 per share)	-	-	(3,543,723)	-	-	-	(3,543,723)
Transfer of shares	56,057	(56,057)	-	-	-	-	-
Change in unrealized appreciation on available- for-sale securities	-	-	-	-	(2,070,000)	-	(2,070,000)
Adjustment to recognize minimum pension liability	-	-	-	-	(1,199,292)	-	(1,199,292)
Adjustment to recognize postretirement liability	-	-	-	-	(23,244)	-	(23,244)
Increase (decrease) in noncontrolling interest	-	-	-	-	-	(189,740)	(189,740)
<b>BALANCE</b>							
<b>DECEMBER 31, 2007</b>	<b>\$ 6,276,770</b>	<b>\$ 3,790,625</b>	<b>\$ 98,488,627</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (8,201,498)</b>	<b>\$ 709,038</b>	<b>\$ 101,063,562</b>
Net income	-	-	10,232,881	-	-	(174)	10,232,707
Dividends declared (\$0.92 per share)	-	-	(3,703,531)	-	-	-	(3,703,531)
Transfer of shares	26,775	(26,775)	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of treasury stock	-	-	-	(66,321)	-	-	(66,321)
Retirement of treasury stock	(6,900)	-	(59,421)	66,321	-	-	-
Change in unrealized appreciation on available- for-sale securities	-	-	-	-	(2,064,000)	-	(2,064,000)
Adjustment to recognize minimum pension liability	-	-	-	-	(5,705,931)	-	(5,705,931)
Adjustment to recognize postretirement liability	-	-	-	-	1,462,306	-	1,462,306
<b>BALANCE</b>							
<b>DECEMBER 31, 2008</b>	<b>\$ 6,296,645</b>	<b>\$ 3,763,850</b>	<b>\$ 104,958,556</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (14,509,123)</b>	<b>\$ 708,864</b>	<b>\$ 101,218,792</b>
Net income	-	-	4,733,418	-	-	(48,799)	4,684,619
Dividends declared (\$0.92 per share)	-	-	(3,702,262)	-	-	-	(3,702,262)
Transfer of shares	34,513	(34,513)	-	-	-	-	-
Change in unrealized appreciation on available- for-sale securities	-	-	-	-	1,458,000	-	1,458,000
Adjustment to recognize minimum pension liability	-	-	-	-	1,616,189	-	1,616,189
Adjustment to recognize postretirement liability	-	-	-	-	(1,399,409)	-	(1,399,409)
Increase (decrease) in noncontrolling interest	-	-	-	-	-	(660,065)	(660,065)
<b>BALANCE</b>							
<b>DECEMBER 31, 2009</b>	<b>\$ 6,331,158</b>	<b>\$ 3,729,337</b>	<b>\$ 105,989,712</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (12,834,343)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 103,215,864</b>

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THE MONARCH CEMENT COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009, 2008 AND 2007

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Net income	\$ 4,684,619	\$ 10,232,707	\$ 15,110,069
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	12,588,799	12,270,723	11,848,894
Deferred income taxes	(782,238)	(2,192,006)	(1,223,534)
Gain on disposal of assets	(69,668)	(234,940)	(574,879)
Realized gain on sale of other investments	(136,853)	-	(2,486,100)
Realized loss on impairment of other investments	524,188	4,157,612	-
Change in assets and liabilities:			
Receivables, net	2,940,782	(1,968,417)	1,264,260
Inventories	(2,987,972)	(721,888)	(4,987,312)
Refundable income taxes	(283,693)	(27,102)	739,574
Prepaid expenses	183,480	(259,944)	36,219
Other assets	20,447	32,821	58,750
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	4,764	2,033,813	679,334
Accrued postretirement benefits	1,841,792	1,351,200	2,090,606
Accrued pension expense	<u>215,275</u>	<u>(633,489)</u>	<u>(195,995)</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$ 18,743,722</u>	<u>\$ 24,041,090</u>	<u>\$ 22,359,886</u>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	\$ (9,830,150)	\$ (8,150,297)	\$ (9,624,187)
Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment	130,442	250,727	758,634
Payment for acquisition of business	(1,696,840)	(2,319,934)	-
Payment for purchases of equity investments	(5,225,374)	(6,869,537)	(3,819,431)
Proceeds from disposals of equity investments	1,589,076	-	4,662,883
(Increase) decrease in short-term investments, net	<u>2,100,000</u>	<u>(2,100,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash used for investing activities	<u>\$ (12,932,846)</u>	<u>\$ (19,189,041)</u>	<u>\$ (8,022,101)</u>
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Increase (decrease) in line of credit, net	\$ 511,944	\$ -	\$ (6,397,667)
Payment on bank loans	(2,644,316)	(2,116,417)	(2,067,630)
Payments on other long-term debt	(278,289)	(337,656)	(226,071)
Cash dividends paid	(3,702,262)	(3,624,262)	(3,463,183)
Purchases of noncontrolling interests	(660,065)	-	(189,741)
Purchase of treasury stock	<u>-</u>	<u>(66,321)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net cash used for financing activities	<u>\$ (6,772,988)</u>	<u>\$ (6,144,656)</u>	<u>\$ (12,344,292)</u>
<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>\$ (962,112)</b>	<b>\$ (1,292,607)</b>	<b>\$ 1,993,493</b>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents, beginning of year</b>	<b><u>3,111,509</u></b>	<b><u>4,404,116</u></b>	<b><u>2,410,623</u></b>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents, end of year</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,149,397</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 3,111,509</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,404,116</u></b>
<b>Additional Cash Flow Information:</b>			
Interest paid, net of amount capitalized	\$ 635,939	\$ 939,179	\$ 1,812,743
Income taxes paid, net of refunds	\$ 1,764,563	\$ 5,500,016	\$ 5,868,647
Capital equipment additions included in accounts payable	\$ 748,479	\$ 221,914	\$ 546,085
Acquisition of business included in accrued liabilities	\$ 400,000	\$ -	\$ -

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(1) **NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 105 “Generally Accepted Accounting Principles” which identifies the FASB Accounting Standards Codification (“Codification”) as the authoritative source of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) in the United States. Rules and interpretive releases of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) under federal securities laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC registrants. This standard is effective for financial statements issued for interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009. The adoption of the Codification did not change previous GAAP, but rather simplified user access to all authoritative literature related to a particular accounting topic in one place. Accordingly, the adoption had no impact on the Company’s consolidated financial statements. All prior references to previous GAAP in the Company’s consolidated financial statements were updated for the new references under the Codification.

(a) **Nature of Operations**--The Monarch Cement Company (Monarch) is principally engaged in the manufacture and sale of portland cement. The marketing area for Monarch’s products consists primarily of the State of Kansas, the State of Iowa, southeast Nebraska, western Missouri, northwest Arkansas and northern Oklahoma. Sales are made primarily to contractors, ready-mixed concrete plants, concrete products plants, building materials dealers and governmental agencies. Companies controlled by Monarch sell ready-mixed concrete, concrete products and sundry building materials within Monarch’s marketing area.

(b) **Principles of Consolidation**--Monarch has direct control of certain operating companies that have been deemed to be subsidiaries within the meaning of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Accordingly, the financial statements of such companies have been consolidated with Monarch’s financial statements. All significant intercompany transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Effective January 1, 2009, the Company adopted FASB ASC Section 810-10-65, “Consolidation: Overall: Transition and Effective Date Information”. Upon adoption, minority interest previously presented in the mezzanine section of the balance sheet has been retrospectively reclassified as noncontrolling interest within equity. In addition, the consolidated net income and comprehensive income (loss) presented in the statements of income have been retrospectively revised to include the net loss attributable to the noncontrolling interest. Beginning January 1, 2009, losses attributable to the noncontrolling interest have been allocated to the noncontrolling interest even if the carrying amount of the noncontrolling interest is reduced below zero. Any changes in ownership after January 1, 2009 that did not result in a loss of control have been prospectively accounted for as equity transactions in accordance with FASB ASC 810.

Effective January 1, 2009, the Company adopted FASB ASC Topic 805, “Business Combinations”, which revised certain principles including the definition of a business combination, the recognition and measurement of assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination, the accounting for goodwill, and financial statement disclosures. FASB ASC 805 was applicable for the Company’s business combinations that occurred during the year.

(c) **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 and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of

the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(d) **Reclassifications**--Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2007 and 2008 financial statements to conform to the current year presentation. These reclassifications had no material effect on net earnings.

(e) **Cash Equivalents**--The Company considers all liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. At December 31, 2009 and 2008, cash equivalents consisted primarily of money market investments and repurchase agreements with various banks which are not guaranteed by the FDIC.

The Helping Families Save Their Homes Act of 2009 amended the FDIC's general deposit insurance rules to extend the temporary increase in the standard maximum deposit insurance amount (SMDIA) through December 31, 2013. Under the extension, all deposit accounts will continue to be fully guaranteed by the FDIC up to \$250,000. At December 31, 2009, the Company's accounts exceeded federally insured limits by approximately \$0.5 million. The Company also had \$0.9 million in sweep arrangement accounts that were not covered by FDIC's general deposit insurance.

One of the financial institutions holding the Company's cash accounts is participating in the FDIC's Transaction Account Guarantee Program. Under the program, through June 30, 2010, the noninterest-bearing transaction account at that institution is fully guaranteed by the FDIC for the entire amount in the account.

(f) **Short-term Investments**--The Company had \$0 and \$2.1 million in 2009 and 2008, respectively, of short-term investments in Bank of Oklahoma, N.A. certificates of deposit which matured in less than one year.

(g) **Investments**--Equity securities for which the Company has no immediate plan to sell but that may be sold in the future are classified as available for sale. If the fair value of the equity security is readily determinable, it is carried at fair value and unrealized gains and losses are recorded, net of related income tax effects, in stockholders' equity. Realized gains and losses, based on the specifically identified cost of the security, are included in net income. Equity securities whose fair value is not readily determinable are carried at cost unless the Company is aware of significant adverse effects which have impaired the investments.

In March 2008, the FASB updated FASB ASC Topic 815, "Derivatives and Hedging", which establishes, among other things, the disclosure requirements for derivative instruments and for hedging activities. Since the Company does not participate in hedging activities and does not use derivative instruments, the Company's adoption of the standard, effective January 1, 2009, did not have any impact on our disclosures or our consolidated financial statements.

(h) **Receivables**--Accounts receivables are stated at the amount billed to customers. The Company provides an allowance for doubtful accounts, which is based upon a review of outstanding receivables, historical collection information and existing economic conditions. Accounts receivables are ordinarily due 30 days after the issuance of the invoice. Accounts past due are considered delinquent. Delinquent receivables are written off based on individual credit evaluation and specific circumstances of the customer.

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(i) **Inventories**--Inventories of finished cement and work in process are recorded at the lower of cost or market on a last-in, first-out (LIFO) basis. Total inventories reported under LIFO amounted to \$7,395,668 and \$6,188,945 as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Under the average cost method of accounting (which approximates current cost), these inventories would have been \$4,082,000, \$2,764,000 and \$1,896,000 higher than those reported at December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The cost of manufactured items includes all material, labor, factory overhead and production-related administrative overhead required in their production.

We incurred a permanent reduction in the LIFO layers of work in process and cement inventories in the amount of \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The liquidation gains were recognized as reductions of cost of sales. We did not incur any permanent reductions in the LIFO layers for the year ended December 31, 2007.

Other inventories are purchased from outside suppliers. Fuel and other materials are priced by the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method while operating and maintenance supplies are recorded using the average cost method.

Inventories of fuel, gypsum, paper sacks and other are used in the manufacture of cement. The operating and maintenance supplies consist primarily of spare parts for our cement manufacturing equipment.

(j) **Property, Plant and Equipment**--Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost of acquisition or construction. The Company capitalizes the cost of interest on borrowed funds used to finance the construction of property, plant and equipment. During 2009, 2008 and 2007, the Company capitalized approximately \$111,000, \$110,100 and \$161,000, respectively, of interest expense related to current construction projects.

As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, the amount of accounts payable related to property, plant and equipment was \$748,479 and \$221,914, respectively.

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment is provided by charges to operations over the estimated useful lives of the assets using accelerated methods. The Company's buildings, machinery and equipment are depreciated using double declining balance depreciation. The Company switches to straight line depreciation once it exceeds the amount computed under the double declining balance method until the asset is fully depreciated. The Company does not depreciate construction in process. Depletion rates for quarry lands are designed to amortize the cost over the estimated recoverable reserves. Expenditures for improvements that significantly increase the assets' useful lives are capitalized while maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred.

(k) **Income Taxes**--Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the tax effects of differences between the financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities. A valuation allowance is established to reduce deferred tax assets if it is more likely than not that a deferred tax asset will not be realized.

(l) **Revenue Recognition**--The Company records revenue from the sale of cement, ready-mixed concrete, concrete products and sundry building materials following delivery of the products to customers. Concrete products are also sold through long-term construction contracts. Revenues for these contracts are recognized on the percentage-of-completion method based on the costs incurred relative to total estimated costs. Full provision is made for any anticipated losses. Billings for long-term construction contracts are rendered monthly, including the amount of retainage withheld by the customer until contract completion. Retainages are

included in receivables and are generally due within one year. In the event the Company receives advance payment on orders, we defer revenue recognition until the product is delivered.

(m) **Cost of Sales**--The Company considers all production and shipping costs, (gain) loss on disposal of assets, inbound freight charges, purchasing and receiving costs, inspection costs, warehousing costs and internal transfer costs as cost of sales.

(n) **Selling, General and Administrative Expenses**--Selling, general and administrative expenses consist of sales personnel salaries and expenses, promotional costs, accounting personnel salaries and expenses, director and administrative officer salaries and expenses, legal and professional expenses, and other expenses related to overall corporate costs.

(o) **Other, net**--Other, net contains miscellaneous nonoperating income (expense) items other than interest income, interest expense, gains (losses) on equity investments and dividend income. Material items in other, net include income from oil properties of \$179,766, \$465,920 and \$502,762 for 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. Material items in other, net for 2009 also include proceeds from an insurance policy of approximately \$429,000 and proceeds related to the settlement of a lawsuit of approximately \$424,000.

(p) **Earnings per Share**--Basic earnings per share is based on the weighted average common shares outstanding during each year. Diluted earnings per share is based on the weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding each year. Monarch has no common stock equivalents and therefore does not report diluted earnings per share. The weighted average number of shares outstanding was 4,024,198 in 2009, 4,026,694 in 2008 and 4,026,958 in 2007.

(q) **Taxes Collected from Customers and Remitted to Governmental Authorities**--Taxes collected from customers and remitted to governmental authorities are presented in the accompanying consolidated statements of income on a net basis.

(r) **Self Insurance**--The Company has elected to self-insure certain costs related to employee and retiree health and accident benefits programs. Costs resulting from self-insured losses are charged to income when incurred. Health and accident benefits provided to employees and retirees in the Cement Business are totally self-insured. Health benefits provided to employees in the Ready-Mixed Concrete Business are also self-insured but are subject to a \$50,000 individual stop loss and an aggregate stop loss of 115% of expected claims.

(s) **Issuance and Repurchase of Stock**--Any Company purchase of subsidiaries' stock from noncontrolling interests after January 1, 2009 that did not result in a loss of control is accounted for as equity transactions in accordance with FASB ASC 810.

(t) **Disclosure about Fair Value of Financial Instruments**--Fair value is the estimated amount at which financial assets or liabilities could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale. Cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, receivables, accounts payable and short and long-term debt have carrying values that approximate fair values. Investment fair values equal quoted market prices, if available. If quoted market prices are not available, fair value is estimated based on quoted market prices of similar securities. If it is not practicable to estimate the fair value of an investment, the investment is recorded at cost and evaluated quarterly for events that may adversely impact its fair value.

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The Company adopted the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) ASC Topic 820, “Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures” effective January 1, 2008 which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value under generally accepted accounting principles and enhances disclosures about fair value measurements. The Company deferred until January 1, 2009 the application of FASB ASC Topic 820 “Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures” to nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities not recognized or disclosed at least annually at fair value.

In August 2009, the FASB issued ASU No. 2009-05, “Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820) - Measuring Liabilities at Fair Value”. This ASU provides amendments for fair value measurements of liabilities. It provides clarification that in circumstances in which a quoted price in an active market for the identical liability is not available, a reporting entity is required to measure fair value using one or more techniques. ASU 2009-05 also clarifies that when estimating a fair value of a liability, a reporting entity is not required to include a separate input or adjustment to other inputs relating to the existence of a restriction that prevents the transfer of the liability. ASU 2009-05 was effective September 30, 2009 for the Company and its adoption resulted in no impact on the Company’s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

(u) **Disclosure about Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans**--In December 2008, the FASB issued an amendment to ASC 715-20, “Compensation – Retirement Benefits – Defined Benefit Plans – General”, which requires enhanced disclosures regarding Company benefit plans. Disclosures regarding plan assets should include discussion about how investment allocation decisions are made, the major categories of plan assets, the inputs and valuation techniques used to measure plan assets and significant concentrations of risk within the plan assets. These amendments to ASC 715-20 are effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2009. Prior year periods presented for comparative purposes are not required to comply. The Company’s adoption of these amendments to ASC 715-20, effective December 31, 2009, did not have a material impact on the Company’s consolidated financial statements. See Note 7 for disclosures required by this standard.

(v) **Subsequent Events**--Effective June 30, 2009, the Company adopted the requirements of FASB ASC Topic 855, “Subsequent Events”, which establishes general standards of accounting for and disclosure of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued or are available to be issued. Adoption of the standard did not have a material impact on the Company’s consolidated financial statements. See Note 11 for disclosures required by this standard.

In February, 2010, the FASB issued ASU No. 2010-09, “Subsequent Events (Topic 855) – Amendments to Certain Recognition and Disclosure Requirements”. This ASU provides amendments to Subtopic 855-10 to clarify that SEC filers are required to evaluate subsequent events through the date that the financial statements are issued, but are not required to disclose the date through which subsequent events have been evaluated. ASU 2010-09 was effective upon issuance for the Company and its adoption did not have a material impact on the Company’s consolidated financial statements.

## (2) INVESTMENTS

In April 2009, the FASB amended ASC Topic 825, “Financial Instruments”, to expand the disclosure about the fair value of financial instruments that were previously required only annually and will now also be required for interim period reporting. In addition, it requires certain additional disclosures regarding the methods and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value of financial instruments. The April 1, 2009 adoption of

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this amendment on a prospective basis by the Company did not have a financial impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In April 2009, the FASB amended ASC Topic 320, "Investments – Debt and Equity Securities", to provide guidance for evaluating and recognizing other-than-temporary impairment (OTTI) of debt securities. The amendment also expands the disclosure requirements in interim and annual financial statements for both debt and equity securities to enable users to understand the types of securities held, including information about investments in an unrealized loss position, the reasons that a portion of an OTTI of a debt security was not recognized in earnings and the methodology and significant inputs used to calculate the portion of the total OTTI that was recognized in earnings. This amendment is effective for interim or annual periods ending after June 15, 2009 and its adoption did not impact the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Realized gains (losses) are computed using the specific identification method. The Company adopted the provisions of FASB ASC Topic 820, "Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures" which defines fair value as the exchange price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. FASB ASC 820 also establishes a fair value hierarchy which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. The standard describes a fair value hierarchy based on three levels of inputs which may be used to measure fair value. Level 1 uses quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Level 2 uses observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in active markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities. Level 3 uses unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

The following table summarizes the bases used to measure certain assets at fair value on a recurring basis in the balance sheet at December 31, 2009 and 2008:

		Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using:		
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
<u>2009</u>	<u>Balance</u>			
Assets:				
Marketable equity securities	\$ 16,432,808	\$ 16,432,808	\$ -	\$ -
Total	<u>\$ 16,432,808</u>	<u>\$ 16,432,808</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<u>2008</u>				
Assets:				
Marketable equity securities	\$ 10,939,044	\$ 10,939,044	\$ -	\$ -
Total	<u>\$ 10,939,044</u>	<u>\$ 10,939,044</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The Company has no liabilities in either year requiring remeasurement to fair value on a recurring basis in the balance sheet. The Company has no additional assets or liabilities in either year requiring remeasurement to fair value on a non-recurring basis in the balance sheet.

The following table shows the gross unrealized losses and fair value of the Company's investments with unrealized losses that are not deemed to be other-than-temporarily impaired, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position at December 31, 2009 and 2008:

	<u>Less than 12 Months</u>		<u>12 Months or Greater</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Losses</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Losses</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Losses</u>
<u>2009</u>						
Marketable equity securities	<u>\$1,348,348</u>	<u>\$ 150,242</u>	<u>\$ 105,300</u>	<u>\$ 12,724</u>	<u>\$1,453,648</u>	<u>\$ 162,966</u>
Total	<u>\$1,348,348</u>	<u>\$ 150,242</u>	<u>\$ 105,300</u>	<u>\$ 12,724</u>	<u>\$1,453,648</u>	<u>\$ 162,966</u>
<u>2008</u>						
Marketable equity securities	<u>\$ 816,872</u>	<u>\$ 157,786</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 816,872</u>	<u>\$ 157,786</u>
Total	<u>\$ 816,872</u>	<u>\$ 157,786</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 816,872</u>	<u>\$ 157,786</u>

**2009 Impairment Analysis**--Due to continued adverse market conditions, the Company's investments in marketable equity securities carried at fair value were evaluated for impairment by comparing the specifically identified cost of each purchase to market price. As a result of these evaluations, the Company identified \$0.5 million in other-than-temporary impairments in an investment in the common stock of a company that produces construction aggregates, construction materials and cement resulting in a recognized loss in earnings of equity investments. The fair value of this impaired investment then became the new cost basis.

The Company also identified some specific purchases of marketable equity securities that were not other-than-temporarily impaired resulting in the recognition of unrealized losses (see table above). These unrealized losses relate to investments in the common stock of two companies, one in the oil and gas refinery and marketing industry and another whose core business is in the housing industry. When the Company evaluated the impairments by comparing the specifically identified cost of each purchase to market price as of February 20, 2010, these securities had recovered substantially all of their December 31, 2009 temporary impairments. The Company evaluated the near-term prospects of all of the issuers in relation to the severity of the impairments (fair value was approximately 8 percent less than cost in the housing industry investment and approximately 11 percent less than cost in the oil and gas refinery and marketing industry as of December 31, 2009) and the duration of the impairments (less than three months in both investments). Based on that evaluation and the Company's ability and intent to hold these investments for a reasonable period of time sufficient for a forecasted recovery of the entire cost basis of the securities, the Company does not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at December 31, 2009.

The Company owns stock in two privately-owned companies accounted for by the cost method; one in the brick industry and the other in the ethanol production industry. Due to continued adverse market conditions, these investments were evaluated for impairment based on average cost and specific identification, respectively. Since there is not an active market for the brick industry investment, the Company relied on a discounted future net cash flow valuation of the investee which did not identify any impairment. As a result of those evaluations, the Company does not consider these investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at December 31, 2009. The aggregate cost of the Company's cost-method investments totaled \$2.0 million and \$1.8 million at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

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**2008 Impairment Analysis**--Due to an adverse change in market conditions, the Company's investments in marketable equity securities carried at fair value were evaluated for impairment by comparing the specifically identified cost of each purchase to market price. As a result of these evaluations, the Company identified \$4.1 million in other-than-temporary impairments in investments, primarily in housing, oil and gas refinery and marketing, cement and related industries; resulting in a recognized loss in earnings of equity investments. The fair value of those impaired investments then became the new cost basis. The Company also identified some specific purchases of marketable equity securities that were not other-than-temporarily impaired resulting in the recognition of unrealized losses (see table above). These unrealized losses relate to an investment in the common stock of a company in the oil and gas refinery and marketing industry. The severity of the impairment (fair value is approximately 6 percent less than cost) and the duration of the impairment (less than 3 months) correlate with the weakening of the industry. The Company evaluated the near-term prospects of the issuer in relation to the severity and duration of the impairment. Based on that evaluation and the Company's ability and intent to hold the investments for a reasonable period of time sufficient for a forecasted recovery of fair value, the Company did not other-than-temporarily impair those investments at December 31, 2008.

The Company owns stock in two privately-owned companies accounted for by the cost method; one in the brick industry and the other in the ethanol production industry. Due to an adverse change in market conditions, these investments were evaluated for impairment based on average cost and specific identification, respectively. As a result of those evaluations, the Company identified a \$0.1 million other-than-temporary impairment in the ethanol industry investment resulting in a realized loss. The fair value of this investment, which was determined based on publicly available offers to buy or sell approximate to the Company's fiscal year end, then became the new cost basis. Based on the evaluation through a discounted cash flow valuation of the brick industry investment, the Company did not other-than-temporarily impair this investment at December 31, 2008. The aggregate cost after impairments of the Company's cost-method investments totaled \$1.8 million and \$2.1 million at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

**Investment Results**--The investment results for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Fair value of investments	\$ 18,419,208	\$ 12,740,244	\$ 13,468,319
Cost of investments	<u>14,009,208</u>	<u>10,760,244</u>	<u>8,048,319</u>
Net unrealized gains	<u>\$ 4,410,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,980,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,420,000</u>
Unrealized gain (loss) recorded in equity			
Investments carried at fair value	\$ 2,646,000	\$ 1,188,000	\$ 3,252,000
Deferred income taxes	<u>1,764,000</u>	<u>792,000</u>	<u>2,168,000</u>
	<u>\$ 4,410,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,980,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,420,000</u>
Proceeds from sale of securities	\$ 1,589,076	\$ -	\$ 4,662,883
Realized gains	\$ 136,853	\$ -	\$ 2,486,100
Realized losses due to other-than-temporary impairment of assets	\$ (524,188)	\$ (4,157,612)	\$ -

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### (3) PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment and their estimated useful lives at December 31, 2009 and 2008 consisted of:

	<u>Lives (Years)</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Quarry land		\$ 2,004,549	\$ 2,004,549
Other land		7,755,444	7,590,672
Buildings and improvements	15 – 39	30,451,877	29,623,898
Cement manufacturing equipment	15 – 25	122,293,513	117,160,400
Ancillary equipment	5 – 10	12,791,566	12,415,809
Ready-mix and concrete production machinery and equipment	5 – 15	31,849,800	28,294,117
Transportation and mobile equipment	3 – 7	40,330,336	38,895,515
Office machinery, equipment, furniture and fixtures	3 – 10	2,199,862	2,139,774
Construction in process		<u>4,020,954</u>	<u>3,734,890</u>
		\$ 253,697,901	\$ 241,859,624
Less--Accumulated depreciation and depletion		<u>162,880,507</u>	<u>151,055,752</u>
		<u>\$ 90,817,394</u>	<u>\$ 90,803,872</u>

### (4) LINE OF CREDIT AND LONG-TERM DEBT

In December 2009, Monarch entered into an amendment to the loan agreement with its current lender, Bank of Oklahoma, N.A., to, among other things, renew and modify the terms of Monarch's term loan and revolving line of credit. Monarch's current unsecured credit commitment consists of a \$17.8 million term loan maturing December 31, 2014 and a \$15.0 million line of credit maturing December 31, 2010. Under the amended loan agreement, interest on the line of credit varies with the lender's national prime rate less 0.50% with a 3.50% interest rate minimum or floor. Interest rates on the Company's term loan remain variable and based on the lender's national prime rate less 0.75% with a 3.00% interest rate minimum or floor.

The loan agreement contains a financial covenant related to net worth which the Company was in compliance with at year end. The Company had \$15.1 million of bank loans as of December 31, 2009.

The average outstanding balance of the line of credit during 2009 and 2008 was \$5.5 million and \$3.3 million, respectively. At December 31, 2009 and 2008, there was \$0.5 million and \$0, respectively, borrowed against the line of credit. The balance available on the line of credit at December 31, 2009 was \$14.5 million. Interest on the line of credit varied with the lender's national prime rate less 1.25% with a 2.5% interest rate minimum or floor for 2009 and 1.25% with no interest rate minimum or floor for 2008. The annual weighted average interest rate we paid on the line of credit during 2009 and 2008 was 2.75% and 3.92%, respectively. The applicable interest rate was 2.75% at December 31, 2009 and 2008, and was payable quarterly.

As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, there was \$14.6 million and \$17.2 million, respectively, borrowed on the term loan. Interest on the Company's term loan was variable and was based on the lender's national prime rate less 0.75% with a 3.00% interest rate minimum or floor for 2009. It was based on the JP Morgan Chase prime rate less 0.75% with no interest rate minimum or floor for 2008. The annual weighted average interest rate we paid on the term loan during 2009 and 2008 was 3.25% and 4.42%, respectively. The applicable interest rate was 3.25% at December 31, 2009 and 2008.

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	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Note payable, bank <sup>(a)</sup>	\$14,597,231	\$17,241,547
Other	<u>232,094</u>	<u>510,382</u>
	\$14,829,325	\$17,751,929
Less current maturities	<u>2,732,490</u>	<u>2,643,913</u>
	<u>\$12,096,835</u>	<u>\$15,108,016</u>

(a) Due December 31, 2014; payable \$794,926 quarterly including interest; interest computed based on lender's national prime rate less 0.75% with a 3.00% interest rate minimum or floor subject to a financial covenant related to net worth which the Company was in compliance with at year end.

Aggregate annual maturities of long-term debt as of December 31, 2009 are:

2010	\$ 2,732,490
2011	2,945,138
2012	3,017,599
2013	3,015,188
2014	3,108,059
Thereafter	<u>10,851</u>
	<u>\$14,829,325</u>

(5) INCOME TAXES

The components of the provision for federal and state income taxes in the accompanying consolidated statements of income are as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Taxes currently payable	\$ 1,482,000	\$ 4,917,000	\$ 7,174,000
Deferred income taxes	<u>(782,000)</u>	<u>(2,192,000)</u>	<u>(1,224,000)</u>
Income tax expense	<u>\$ 700,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,725,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,950,000</u>

A reconciliation of income tax expense at the statutory rate to the Company's actual income tax expense is as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Computed at statutory rate (34%; over \$10 million-35%)	\$ 1,831,000	\$ 4,435,000	\$ 7,315,000
Increase (decrease) resulting from:			
State income taxes, net of federal tax benefit (expense)	(40,000)	-	360,000
Percentage depletion	(675,000)	(1,328,000)	(1,280,000)
Valuation allowance	(110,000)	(40,000)	-
Domestic production activities deduction	(91,000)	(284,000)	(375,000)
Minority interest in consolidated loss	-	-	(42,000)
Life insurance proceeds	(146,000)	-	-
Other	<u>(69,000)</u>	<u>(58,000)</u>	<u>(28,000)</u>
Provision for income taxes	<u>\$ 700,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,725,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,950,000</u>

The tax effects of significant temporary differences relating to deferred taxes shown on the balance sheets were:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Current:		
Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 365,000	\$ 315,000
Accrued vacation	<u>410,000</u>	<u>395,000</u>
Net current deferred tax assets	<u>\$ 775,000</u>	<u>\$ 710,000</u>
Noncurrent:		
Depreciation	\$ (65,000)	\$ (76,000)
Postretirement benefits	12,322,000	11,109,000
Pension liability	4,933,000	5,891,000
Unrealized holding gains	(1,764,000)	(792,000)
Net operating loss carryforwards	1,433,000	1,147,000
Alternative minimum tax credit	200,000	-
Impairment on investments	1,399,775	1,663,045
Other, net	<u>635,003</u>	<u>531,495</u>
Net long-term deferred tax assets	<u>\$19,093,778</u>	<u>\$19,473,540</u>

Some of the Company's subsidiaries file separate federal and/or state income tax returns which have resulted in net operating loss carryforwards. Deferred taxes resulting from net operating loss carryforwards are included in the above table net of valuation allowances. The valuation allowance has been used to reduce the tax benefit associated with the net operating loss carryforwards. The provision for income taxes and income tax liabilities recorded in the financial statements include those separate calculations. The following table presents the expiration dates of the Company's operating loss carryforwards for tax purposes as of December 31, 2009:

<u>Expiration Date</u>	<u>Operating Loss</u>
2024	\$ 99,000
2025	685,000
2026	380,000
2027	19,000
2028	136,000
2029	114,000

In 2007, the Company adopted the provisions of FASB ASC Topic 740-10-25, "Income Taxes – Overall - Recognition", which defines a recognition threshold of "more likely than not" that a tax position would be sustained upon examination before any part of the benefit of that position be recognized in an enterprise's financial statements. It also provides guidance on the measurement of the tax position. The adoption of ASC 740-10-25 had no material effect on the Company's financial position, operations or cash flows.

The Company or one of its subsidiaries files income tax returns in the U.S. Federal jurisdiction and various state jurisdictions. With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to U.S. Federal or state income tax examinations for years before 2006.

#### (6) POSTRETIREMENT BENEFITS

Monarch provides certain postretirement health care and life insurance benefits to all retired employees in the Cement Business who, as of their retirement date, meet the eligibility requirements. These benefits are self-

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insured by Monarch and are paid out of Monarch's general assets. Monarch expects 2010 cash expenditures for this plan to be approximately \$1,750,000 which is equal to expected benefits and expenses.

Monarch uses a December 31 measurement date for the plans. At December 31, 2009 and 2008, the current portion of the accrued benefit cost of approximately \$1,750,000 and \$1,560,000, respectively, is recorded in compensation and benefits. Information about the plans' funded status and postretirement cost follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Change in benefit obligation		
Beginning of year	\$ 27,770,409	\$ 28,856,515
Service cost	523,914	473,443
Interest cost	1,822,318	1,611,513
Actuarial (gain)/loss	3,461,520	(1,734,298)
Benefits and expenses paid*	(1,352,568)	(1,436,764)
Plan amendments	(268,983)	-
Benefit obligation at end of year	<u>\$ 31,956,610</u>	<u>\$ 27,770,409</u>
Change in fair value of plan assets		
Beginning of year	\$ -	\$ -
Employer contributions*	1,352,568	1,436,764
Benefits paid and expenses*	(1,352,568)	(1,436,764)
Fair value of plan asset at end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
*Amounts are net of \$76,128 and \$72,165 retiree prescription drug subsidy received during 2009 and 2008 fiscal years, respectively.		
Funded status = year-end benefit liability	\$(31,956,610)	\$(27,770,409)

Amounts recognized in the balance sheets consist of:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Current liability	\$ (1,750,000)	\$ (1,560,000)
Noncurrent liability	(30,206,610)	(26,210,409)
Net amount recognized	<u>\$(31,956,610)</u>	<u>\$(27,770,409)</u>

Other amounts recognized in the balance sheets:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Accumulated other comprehensive income	\$ (7,404,667)	\$ (6,005,258)

Other changes in plan assets and benefit obligations recognized in other comprehensive income :

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Current year actuarial (gain)/loss	\$ 3,461,520	\$ (1,734,298)
Amortization of actuarial loss	(848,128)	(703,008)
Current year prior service (credit)/loss	(268,983)	-
Total recognized in other comprehensive income	<u>\$ 2,344,409</u>	<u>\$ (2,437,306)</u>

Estimated amounts that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive income into net periodic postretirement benefit cost in 2010 include an actuarial loss of \$807,000.

(Accrued) Prepaid Expense represents the accumulated difference between actual contributions and actual expenses from past years. It is updated from the prior year as follows:

A. (Accrued) prepaid postretirement benefit cost as of December 31, 2008	\$(17,760,151)
B. 2009 net periodic postretirement benefit cost	3,194,360
C. 2009 contributions	1,428,696
D. Retiree Drug Subsidy	<u>76,128</u>
E. (Accrued) prepaid postretirement benefit cost as of December 31, 2009	<u>\$(19,601,943)</u>
(A) – (B) + (C) – (D)	

The assumed annual rate of increase in the per capita cost of covered health care benefits was 10% for 2009, 2008 and 2007. This trend rate is assumed to decrease in future years, 1% per year to an ultimate annual rate of 5%. Following are the components of net periodic benefit cost:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Components of net periodic benefit cost			
Service cost	\$ 523,914	\$ 473,443	\$ 536,236
Interest cost	1,822,318	1,611,513	1,656,793
Recognized net (gain)/loss	<u>848,128</u>	<u>703,008</u>	<u>1,057,219</u>
Net periodic benefit cost	<u>\$ 3,194,360</u>	<u>\$ 2,787,964</u>	<u>\$ 3,250,248</u>

Weighted-average assumptions as of December 31			
Discount rate- benefit obligation	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%
Discount rate- postretirement cost	6.00%	6.00%	5.75%

Assumed health care cost trend rates have a significant effect on the amounts reported for the health care plans. A one-percentage-point change in assumed health care cost trend rates would have the following effects:

	<u>1% Increase</u>	<u>1% Decrease</u>
Effect on interest and service cost	\$ 374,271	\$ (302,555)
Effect on postretirement benefit obligation	4,253,269	(3,554,672)

On December 8, 2003, the Medicare Prescription Drug Improvement Modernization Act of 2003 (the Act) was signed into law. The Act introduces a prescription drug benefit under Medicare Part D, as well as a federal subsidy of sponsors of retiree health care benefit plans that provide benefits at least actuarially equivalent to Medicare Part D. The Company has concluded that the benefits provided to most of our retirees are actuarially equivalent to Medicare Part D under the Act.

As of December 31, 2009, the following benefit payments and expenses (net of employee contributions) are expected to be paid:

2010	\$ 1,746,846
2011	1,889,022
2012	1,997,872
2013	2,089,862
2014	2,162,941
2015 – 2019	11,903,743

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(7) PENSION PLANS

Monarch has noncontributory defined benefit pension plans covering substantially all employees in the Cement Business who meet the eligibility requirements. Monarch's funding policy is to contribute annually an amount within the minimum/maximum range of tax deductible contributions. Monarch expects to contribute approximately \$2,335,000 to the plans in 2010.

Monarch uses a December 31 measurement date for the plans. Information about the plans' funded status and pension cost follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Change in benefit obligation		
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 32,344,767	\$ 31,718,049
Service cost	606,644	580,046
Interest cost	1,905,750	1,878,251
Actuarial (gain)/loss	1,145,444	35,237
Plan amendment	55,026	-
Benefits paid and expenses	<u>(1,857,043)</u>	<u>(1,866,816)</u>
Benefit obligation at end of year	<u>\$ 34,200,588</u>	<u>\$ 32,344,767</u>
Change in plan assets		
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	\$ 17,623,815	\$ 25,869,539
Actual return on plan assets	4,087,805	(7,806,635)
Employer contribution	2,095,973	1,427,727
Benefits paid and expenses	<u>(1,857,043)</u>	<u>(1,866,816)</u>
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	<u>\$ 21,950,550</u>	<u>\$ 17,623,815</u>
Funded status, end of year		
Fair value of plan assets	\$ 21,950,550	\$ 17,623,815
Benefits obligation	<u>34,200,588</u>	<u>32,344,767</u>
Funded status	<u>\$ (12,250,038)</u>	<u>\$ (14,720,952)</u>

Amounts recognized in the balance sheets consist of:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Current liability	\$ -	\$ -
Noncurrent liability	<u>(12,250,038)</u>	<u>(14,720,952)</u>
Net amount recognized	<u>\$ (12,250,038)</u>	<u>\$ (14,720,952)</u>

Amounts recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income not yet recognized as components of net periodic benefit cost consist of:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Net actuarial loss	\$ 12,407,018	\$ 15,014,314
Prior service cost	<u>1,058,658</u>	<u>1,137,551</u>
	<u>\$ 13,465,676</u>	<u>\$ 16,151,865</u>

Other changes in plan assets and benefit obligations recognized in other comprehensive income:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Current year actuarial (gain)/loss	\$ (1,586,733)	\$ 9,838,021
Amortization of actuarial gain/(loss)	(1,020,563)	(196,253)
Current year prior service (credit)/loss	55,026	-
Amortization of prior service credit/(cost)	<u>(133,919)</u>	<u>(135,837)</u>
Total recognized in other comprehensive income	<u>\$ (2,686,189)</u>	<u>\$ 9,505,931</u>

Estimated amounts that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive income into net periodic pension cost in 2010:

Actuarial loss	\$ 788,000
Prior service cost	<u>111,000</u>
Total to be amortized in 2010	<u>\$ 899,000</u>

Cumulative employer contributions in excess of (less than) net periodic pension cost are as follows:

A. Cumulative balance as of January 1, 2009	\$ 1,430,913
B. Net periodic pension cost	2,311,248
C. Contributions	<u>2,095,973</u>
D. Cumulative balance as of December 31, 2009	<u>\$ 1,215,638</u>
(A) – (B) + (C)	

The weighted average assumptions used to determine net pension cost and benefit obligations as of December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Discount rate- benefit obligation	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%
Discount rate- pension cost	6.00%	6.00%	5.75%
Expected return on plan assets	8.00%	8.00%	8.00%
Rate of compensation increase (Staff plan only)	4.50%	4.50%	4.50%

The following table presents the components of net periodic pension cost as of December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Service cost	\$ 606,644	\$ 580,046	\$ 569,753
Interest cost	1,905,750	1,878,251	1,768,711
Expected return on plan assets	(1,355,628)	(1,996,149)	(2,069,794)
Amortization of prior service cost	133,919	135,837	75,123
Recognized net actuarial (gain)/loss	<u>1,020,563</u>	<u>196,253</u>	<u>126,455</u>
Net periodic pension expense	<u>\$ 2,311,248</u>	<u>\$ 794,238</u>	<u>\$ 470,248</u>

The Company has estimated the long-term rate of return on plan assets based primarily on historical returns on plan assets as well as current facts and circumstances.

Plan assets are held by a trustee bank. A fund manager has been retained to make investment decisions within guidelines specified by Monarch. The guidelines permit investment in both equities and fixed income securities including common stocks, corporate bonds and debentures and U.S. Government securities. Asset allocation is primarily based on a strategy to provide stable earnings through investing in interest-generating or fixed income investments while still permitting the plan to recognize potentially higher returns through investment in equity securities. Focusing on balancing the risks and rewards of each broad asset class, the percentage of allocation between fixed income and equity investments for 2009 and 2008 are as follows:

Equities	60%
Fixed Income	40%

The pension investment guidelines strive for diversification of equity securities among the various market sectors and do not permit participation in higher risk investment strategies involving hedging activities and the use of derivative instruments.

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The Plan allows a 5% fluctuation before assets are re-balanced. During periods of extreme market volatility, the fluctuation may exceed 5% before re-balancing is complete. At December 31, 2009 and 2008, plan assets by category were as follows:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Equities	60%	54%
Debt securities	34%	41%
Other	6%	5%

The fair value of Monarch's pension plan assets at December 31, 2009, by asset category are as follows:

<u>Asset Category</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2009:</u>		
		<u>Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)</u>	<u>Significant Observable Inputs (Level 2)</u>	<u>Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,313,332	\$ 1,313,332	\$ -	\$ -
Equity securities:				
Materials	471,040	471,040	-	-
Industrials	1,065,459	1,065,459	-	-
Telecommunication	1,351,285	1,351,285	-	-
Consumer discretion	2,035,289	2,035,289	-	-
Consumer staples	759,525	759,525	-	-
Energy	1,960,261	1,960,261	-	-
Financials	2,635,158	2,635,158	-	-
Healthcare	1,235,468	1,235,468	-	-
Information technology	1,412,894	1,412,894	-	-
Utilities	243,181	243,181	-	-
Fixed income securities:				
Corporate bonds	3,480,146	-	3,480,146	-
Foreign obligations	586,157	-	586,157	-
U.S. Government obligations	<u>3,401,355</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,401,355</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 21,950,550</u>	<u>\$ 14,482,892</u>	<u>\$ 7,467,658</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

All Level 1 equity securities were priced at the market close. Level 2 corporate bonds and U.S. Government obligations were priced utilizing a model with comparable asset trade data. Level 2 foreign obligations were priced utilizing a model with comparable asset trade data unless they were foreign securities which were priced at the foreign security market close and adjusted to U.S. dollars.

The following benefit payments are expected to be paid as of December 31, 2009:

2010	\$ 2,020,332
2011	2,036,171
2012	2,124,059
2013	2,237,518
2014	2,225,301
2015 – 2019	12,526,185

The Company has defined contribution plans covering substantially all permanent employees of the Ready-Mixed Concrete Business. These plans allow the Company, at its discretion, to match the employee's

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contributions. For the 2009, 2008 and 2007 plan years, the Company matched 25% of the first 6% of the employee's compensation up to a maximum match of \$2,500. The Company contributed \$58,859, \$64,028 and \$65,752 to these plans for the years 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The Company expects to contribute \$60,000 to these plans in 2010.

**(8) SIGNIFICANT ESTIMATES AND CERTAIN CONCENTRATIONS**

Thirty-four (34%) of the Company's employees are covered by various collective bargaining agreements. Approximately 22% of those union employees (8% of our total employees) are covered by contracts that expire in 2010. The Company believes it has a good working relationship with its employees and has been successful in negotiating multi-year union contracts without work stoppages.

The Company has a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan and a postretirement health care plan that provide certain postretirement benefits to eligible employees. The benefit obligation is the actuarial present value of all benefits attributed to services rendered prior to the valuation date based on the Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method and the Projected Unit Credit Actuarial Cost Method, respectively. It is reasonably possible that events could occur that would change the estimated amount of these liabilities materially in the near term.

The current protracted economic decline continues to present companies with unprecedented circumstances and challenges, which in some cases have resulted in large declines in the fair value of investments and other assets, declines in the volume of business, constraints on liquidity and difficulty obtaining financing. The financial statements have been prepared using values and information currently available to the Company.

Current economic and financial market conditions could adversely affect our results of operations in future periods. The current instability in the financial markets may make it difficult for certain of our customers to obtain financing, which may significantly impact the volume of future sales which could have an adverse impact on the Company's future operating results.

In addition, given the volatility of current economic conditions, the values of assets and liabilities recorded in the financial statements could change rapidly, resulting in material future adjustments in investment values (including defined benefit pension plan investments), allowances for accounts, net realizable value of inventory, and realization of deferred tax assets that could negatively impact the Company's ability to meet debt covenants or maintain sufficient liquidity.

By letter dated April 27, 2009, the Company was notified by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) of allegations by KDHE that the Company has performed multiple modifications and alterations at the Company's facility for which the Company did not apply for or obtain the KDHE construction permits required by the Kansas Air Quality Act and related regulations. KDHE also alleged that the Company did not apply for or obtain from KDHE the necessary permits for modifications or alterations to a facility that are significant for Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD). Based on these allegations, KDHE proposes to assess a civil penalty of \$351,000, and to require the Company to submit a new, complete PSD permit application, including therein a proposal by the Company for installation of air emission controls to achieve Best Available Control Technology (BACT) as provided in applicable regulations. The Company does not agree with certain of KDHE's factual and legal allegations, and is attempting to resolve these issues through negotiation and mutual agreement between the Company and KDHE. The Company reserves all legal rights in the event such a resolution cannot be reached.

(9) STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Capital Stock and Class B Capital Stock have the same rights except as follows: Class B Capital Stock has voting rights of ten votes per share and restricted transferability; Class B Capital Stock is convertible at all times into Capital Stock on a share-for-share basis; and Capital Stock has one vote per share and is freely transferable.

(10) LINES OF BUSINESS

The Company groups its operations into two lines of business - Cement Business and Ready-Mixed Concrete Business. The Company's business lines are separate business units that offer different products. The accounting policies for each line are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies. Corporate assets include for 2009: cash and cash equivalents, refundable federal and state income taxes, deferred income taxes, investments and other assets; for 2008: cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, refundable federal and state income taxes, deferred income taxes, investments and other assets; and for 2007: cash and cash equivalents, deferred income taxes, investments and other assets.

Following is information for each line for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007:

	<u>Cement Business</u>	<u>Ready-Mixed Concrete Business</u>	<u>Adjustments and Eliminations</u>	<u>Consolidated</u>
<b>For the Year Ended December 31, 2009</b>				
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$ 55,687,700	\$ 76,506,842	\$ -	\$ 132,194,542
Intersegment sales	<u>12,478,688</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(12,478,688)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total net sales	<u>\$ 68,166,388</u>	<u>\$ 76,506,842</u>	<u>\$ (12,478,688)</u>	<u>\$ 132,194,542</u>
Income (loss) from operations	<u>\$ 7,019,307</u>	<u>\$ (2,070,723)</u>		\$ 4,948,584
Other income, net				<u>436,035</u>
Income before income taxes				<u>\$ 5,384,619</u>
Identifiable assets at December 31, 2009	<u>\$ 95,490,586</u>	<u>\$ 39,995,968</u>		\$ 135,486,554
Corporate assets				<u>41,511,123</u>
Total assets at December 31, 2009				<u>\$ 176,997,677</u>
<b>For the Year Ended December 31, 2008</b>				
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$ 69,683,762	\$ 84,202,711	\$ -	\$ 153,886,473
Intersegment sales	<u>15,873,001</u>	<u>1,079</u>	<u>(15,874,080)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total net sales	<u>\$ 85,556,763</u>	<u>\$ 84,203,790</u>	<u>\$ (15,874,080)</u>	<u>\$ 153,886,473</u>
Income (loss) from operations	<u>\$ 18,362,170</u>	<u>\$ (1,607,168)</u>		\$ 16,755,002
Other loss, net				<u>(3,797,295)</u>
Income before income taxes				<u>\$ 12,957,707</u>
Identifiable assets at December 31, 2008	<u>\$ 94,620,462</u>	<u>\$ 40,705,428</u>		\$ 135,325,890
Corporate assets				<u>39,438,759</u>
Total assets at December 31, 2008				<u>\$ 174,764,649</u>

	Cement Business	Ready-Mixed Concrete Business	Adjustments and Eliminations	Consolidated
<b>For the Year Ended December 31, 2007</b>				
Sales to unaffiliated customers	\$ 67,693,603	\$ 79,075,956	\$ -	\$ 146,769,559
Intersegment sales	<u>14,688,880</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(14,688,880)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total net sales	<u>\$ 82,382,483</u>	<u>\$ 79,075,956</u>	<u>\$ (14,688,880)</u>	<u>\$ 146,769,559</u>
Income (loss) from operations	<u>\$ 19,226,467</u>	<u>\$ (207,527)</u>		\$ 19,018,940
Other income, net				<u>2,041,129</u>
Income before income taxes				<u>\$ 21,060,069</u>
Identifiable assets at December 31, 2007	<u>\$ 98,071,562</u>	<u>\$ 36,574,598</u>		\$ 134,646,160
Corporate assets				<u>32,842,085</u>
Total assets at December 31, 2007				<u>\$ 167,488,245</u>

Total sales by line of business before adjustments and eliminations include both sales to unaffiliated customers (as reported in the Company's consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income and stockholders' equity and noncontrolling interests) and intersegment sales. Intersegment sales are accounted for by the same method as sales to unaffiliated customers.

Income from operations is total net sales less operating expenses. In computing income from operations, none of the following items have been added or deducted: general corporate income and expenses; interest expense; and income taxes. Depreciation and depletion for the Cement Business and Ready-Mixed Concrete Business, respectively, was: \$7,558,612 and \$4,545,110 in 2009, \$7,622,714 and \$4,235,088 in 2008 and \$7,652,896 and \$3,992,003 in 2007. Capital expenditures for the Cement Business and Ready-Mixed Concrete Business, respectively, were: \$6,911,591 and \$3,445,124 in 2009, \$2,932,393 and \$4,893,733 in 2008 and \$6,768,627 and \$3,236,798 in 2007. Identifiable assets by line of business are those assets that are used in the Company's operations in each industry.

During 2009, 2008 and 2007, there were no sales to any one customer in excess of 10% of consolidated net sales.

#### (11) SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through the date the financial statements were issued. During this period, no material recognizable subsequent events were identified.

#### (12) QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Unaudited)

	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
<b>2009</b>				
Net sales	\$ 25,330,736	\$ 36,164,068	\$ 42,410,390	\$ 28,289,348
Gross profit from operations	471,912	8,230,625	10,648,719	2,196,479
Income (loss) from operations	(3,649,721)	4,197,728	6,633,114	(2,232,537)
Net income (loss)	(2,664,491)	2,980,062	4,947,133	(578,085)
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$(0.66)	\$0.75	\$1.23	\$(0.14)

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	<u>First Quarter</u>	<u>Second Quarter</u>	<u>Third Quarter</u>	<u>Fourth Quarter</u>
<b>2008</b>				
Net sales	\$ 25,089,226	\$ 42,996,482	\$ 48,876,781	\$ 36,923,984
Gross profit from operations	1,280,323	9,003,783	12,801,803	9,912,800
Income (loss) from operations	(2,613,876)	5,003,985	8,828,281	5,536,612
Net income (loss)	(1,802,226)	3,604,348	6,404,938	2,025,647
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$(0.45)	\$0.90	\$1.59	\$0.50

As a result of new information available, and the length of time and amount of unrealized loss on our equity investments, we recorded a \$0.5 million other-than-temporary impairment adjustment in the fourth quarter of 2009. We recorded a \$4.2 million impairment in the fourth quarter of 2008.

**(13) OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**

Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) included in the balance sheet at December 31 is as follows:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>2009</u>
Unrealized appreciation on available-for-sale securities	\$ 1,188,000	\$ 1,458,000	\$ 2,646,000
Pension liability adjustment	(9,691,865)	1,616,189	(8,075,676)
Postretirement liability adjustment	<u>(6,005,258)</u>	<u>(1,399,409)</u>	<u>(7,404,667)</u>
	<u>\$ (14,509,123)</u>	<u>\$ 1,674,780</u>	<u>\$ (12,834,343)</u>
	<u>2007</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>2008</u>
Unrealized appreciation on available-for-sale securities	\$ 3,252,000	\$ (2,064,000)	\$ 1,188,000
Pension liability adjustment	(3,985,934)	(5,705,931)	(9,691,865)
Postretirement liability adjustment	<u>(7,467,564)</u>	<u>1,462,306</u>	<u>(6,005,258)</u>
	<u>\$ (8,201,498)</u>	<u>\$ (6,307,625)</u>	<u>\$ (14,509,123)</u>

**(14) FUTURE CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES**

In January 2010, the FASB issued ASU 2010-06, "Improving Disclosures About Fair Value Measurements", which amends Subtopic 820-10 with new disclosure requirements and clarification of existing disclosure requirements. Reporting entities must make new disclosures about recurring or nonrecurring fair-value measurements including significant transfers into and out of Level 1 and Level 2 fair-value measurements and information on purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements on a gross basis in the reconciliation of Level 3 fair-value measurements. The ASU also provides additional guidance related to the level of disaggregation in determining classes of assets and liabilities and disclosures about inputs and valuation techniques. ASU 2010-06 is effective for annual or interim reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for Level 3 reconciliation disclosures which are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2010 and for interim periods within those fiscal years. We do not expect the adoption of ASU 2010-06 to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In January 2010, the FASB issued ASU 2010-02, "Accounting and Reporting for Decreases in Ownership of a Subsidiary--a Scope Clarification", which clarifies who the scope of the decrease in ownership provisions of the Subtopic and related guidance apply to and expands the disclosures about the deconsolidation of a subsidiary

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or derecognition of a group of assets within the scope of Subtopic 810-10. The amendments in this Update are effective for the Company beginning January 1, 2010 and will be applied retrospectively to the first period that the Company adopted Statement 160 which occurred January 1, 2009. We do not expect the adoption of ASU 2010-02 to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

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### ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Monarch Cement Company is held the second Wednesday in April of each year at the Company's corporate offices.

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### STOCK TRADING INFORMATION

Trading Symbol: MCEM  
Over-the-Counter Market

### INVESTOR RELATIONS

Inquiries may be directed to Debra P. Roe, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, at the corporate address shown above.

### FORM 10-K

**The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, is available upon request by writing to Debra P. Roe at the corporate address shown above. The Form 10-K, without exhibits, will be provided at no charge, and also is available on the Company's website, <http://www.monarchcement.com>.**

The Company's financial information is also available from the SEC at their EDGAR internet address, <http://www.sec.gov>.

### ETHICS POLICY

The Company's ethics policy is available on the About Us link of the Company's website, <http://www.monarchcement.com>.

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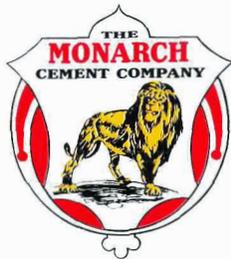
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## SUBSIDIARIES OF THE REGISTRANT

<u>Name of Subsidiaries</u>	<u>State of Incorporation</u>	<u>Names Under Which They do Business</u>
Beaver Lake Concrete, Inc.	Arkansas	Beaver Lake Concrete, Inc.
Capitol Concrete Products Co., Inc.	Kansas	Capitol Concrete Products Co., Inc.
City Wide Construction Products Co.	Missouri	City Wide Construction Products Co.
Concrete Enterprises, Inc.	Kansas	Concrete Enterprises, Inc. Concrete Enterprises South
Concrete Materials, Inc.	Kansas	Concrete Materials, Inc.
Dodge City Concrete, Inc.	Kansas	Dodge City Concrete, Inc. Concrete Industries
Joplin Concrete Company, Inc.	Missouri	Joplin Concrete Company, Inc.
Kansas Sand and Concrete, Inc.	Kansas	Kansas Sand and Concrete, Inc.
Monarch Cement of Iowa, Inc.	Iowa	Monarch Cement of Iowa, Inc.
Salina Concrete Products, Inc.	Kansas	Kansas Building Products Salina Concrete Products, Inc.
Springfield Ready Mix Co.	Missouri	Springfield Ready Mix Co.
Tulsa Dynaspan, Inc.	Oklahoma	Arrow Concrete Company Tulsa Dynaspan, Inc.

**THE MONARCH CEMENT COMPANY**  
**SECTION 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) CERTIFICATIONS**

I, Walter H. Wulf, Jr., certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of The Monarch Cement Company;
2. Based on my knowledge, this 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 report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this 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 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)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and 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 reporting and the preparation 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 most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) 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 (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - 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 16, 2010

/s/ Walter H. Wulf, Jr.

Walter H. Wulf, Jr.

President and Chairman of the Board

**THE MONARCH CEMENT COMPANY**  
**SECTION 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) CERTIFICATIONS**

I, Debra P. Roe., certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of The Monarch Cement Company;
2. Based on my knowledge, this 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 report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this 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 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)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and 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 reporting and the preparation 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 most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) 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 (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - 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 16, 2010

/s/ Debra P. Roe  
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Debra P. Roe, CPA  
Chief Financial Officer and  
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

**THE MONARCH CEMENT COMPANY  
CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906  
OF THE  
SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report of The Monarch Cement Company (the “Company”) on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the “Report”), the undersigned, in the capacity and on the date indicated below, hereby certifies pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

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

Dated: March 16, 2010

/s/ Walter H. Wulf, Jr.  
Walter H. Wulf, Jr.  
President and  
Chairman of the Board

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- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

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

Dated: March 16, 2010

/s/ Debra P. Roe  
Debra P. Roe, CPA  
Chief Financial Officer and  
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer