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(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 or 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.

For the quarterly period ended: January 26, 2013

OR

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

Commission File No. 0-2633

VILLAGE SUPER MARKET, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEW JERSEY
(State of other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

22-1576170
(I. R. S. Employer Identification No.)

733 MOUNTAIN AVENUE, SPRINGFIELD, NEW JERSEY
(Address of principal executive offices)

07081
(Zip Code)

(973) 467-2200
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12-b2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller

Accelerated filer S
Smaller reporting company

reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes No

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of the issuer's classes of common stock as of the latest practicable date:

March 5, 2013

Class A Common Stock, No Par 8,712,866 Shares
Value

Class B Common Stock, No Par 5,079,790 Shares
Value

VILLAGE SUPER MARKET, INC.

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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

VILLAGE SUPER MARKET, INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS
(in Thousands) (Unaudited)

	January 26, 2013	July 28, 2012
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 106,575	\$ 103,103
Merchandise inventories	42,059	40,599
Patronage dividend receivable	4,824	10,774
Other current assets	22,341	17,102
Total current assets	175,799	171,578
Note receivable from Wakefern	21,663	20,918
Property, equipment and fixtures, net	172,771	172,420
Investment in Wakefern	24,355	23,406
Goodwill	12,057	12,057
Other assets	11,541	9,159
	\$418,186	\$409,538
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities		
Current portion of capital and financing lease obligations	\$-	\$-
Current portion of notes payable to Wakefern	538	473
Accounts payable to Wakefern	58,179	55,441
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	26,962	28,858
Income taxes payable	21,253	15,134
Total current liabilities	106,932	99,906
Capital and financing lease obligations	40,909	40,792
Notes payable to Wakefern	2,042	2,357
Other liabilities	37,954	36,172
Commitments and contingencies		
Shareholder's Equity		
Class A common stock - no par value, issued 9,140 shares at January 26, 2013 and 7,883 shares at July 28, 2012	41,918	39,570
Class B common stock - no par value, issued and outstanding 5,080 shares at January 26, 2013 and 6,335 shares at July 28, 2012	825	1,028
Retained earnings	206,332	209,373
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(14,847)	(15,474)
Less cost of Class A treasury shares 427 at January 26, 2013 and 461 at July 28, 2012)	(3,879)	(4,186)
Total shareholders' equity	230,349	230,311

	\$418,186	\$409,538
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See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements

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VILLAGE SUPER MARKET, INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(in Thousands except Per Share Amounts) (Unaudited)

	13 Weeks Ended January 26, 2013	13 Weeks Ended January 28, 2012	26 Weeks Ended January 26, 2013	26 Weeks Ended January 28, 2012
Sales	\$382,175	\$362,638	\$740,326	\$705,375
Cost of sales	279,255	263,134	541,768	512,995
Gross profit	102,920	99,504	198,558	192,380
Operating and administrative expense	83,440	78,375	163,696	154,276
Depreciation and amortization	5,033	4,859	9,942	9,632
Operating income	14,447	16,270	24,920	28,472
Income from partnerships	1,450	-	1,450	-
Interest expense	(868)	(1,075)	(1,942)	(2,260)
Interest income	683	626	1,364	1,252
Income before income taxes	15,712	15,821	25,792	27,464
Income taxes	6,608	6,674	10,833	11,581
Net income	\$9,104	\$9,147	\$14,959	\$15,883
Net income per share:				
Class A common stock:				
Basic	\$0.76	\$0.80	\$1.31	\$1.39
Diluted	\$0.65	\$0.66	\$1.07	\$1.15
Class B common stock:				
Basic	\$0.49	\$0.52	\$0.75	\$0.90
Diluted	\$0.49	\$0.52	\$0.75	\$0.90

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements.

VILLAGE SUPER MARKET, INC.
 CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
 (in Thousands) (Unaudited)

	13 Weeks Ended January 26, 2013	13 Weeks Ended January 28, 2012	26 Weeks Ended January 26, 2013	26 Weeks Ended January 28, 2012
Net income	\$9,104	\$9,147	\$14,959	\$15,883
Other comprehensive income:				
Amortization of pension actuarial loss, net of tax (1)	314	199	627	398
Comprehensive income	\$9,418	\$9,346	\$15,586	\$16,281

(1) Amounts are net of tax of \$217 and \$133 for the 13 weeks ended January 26, 2013 and January 28, 2012, respectively. Amounts are net of tax of \$435 and \$266 for the 26 weeks ended January 26, 2013 and January 28, 2012, respectively.

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements.

VILLAGE SUPER MARKET, INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(in Thousands) (Unaudited)

	26 Wks. Ended January 26, 2013	26 Wks. Ended January 28, 2012
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net income	\$14,959	\$15,883
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	9,942	9,632
Deferred taxes	(3,310)	(700)
Provision to value inventories at LIFO	300	560
Non-cash share-based compensation	1,613	1,576
Income from partnerships	(1,450)	-
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Merchandise inventories	(1,760)	(3,862)
Patronage dividend receivable	5,950	4,787
Accounts payable to Wakefern	2,738	195
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(1,854)	(6,019)
Income taxes payable	6,119	764
Other assets and liabilities	(2,491)	(211)
Net cash provided by operating activities	30,756	22,605
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Capital expenditures	(10,077)	(10,059)
Investment in notes receivable from Wakefern	(745)	(694)
Proceeds from partnerships	1,980	-
Net cash used in investing activities	(8,842)	(10,753)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	598	305
Excess tax benefit related to share-based compensation	241	41
Principal payments of long-term debt	(1,281)	(782)
Dividends	(18,000)	(4,011)
Net cash used in financing activities	(18,442)	(4,447)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	3,472	7,405
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD	103,103	91,362
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	\$106,575	\$98,767
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH PAYMENTS MADE FOR:		
Interest	\$2,004	\$2,114

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Income taxes	\$7,785	\$11,477
NONCASH SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES:		
Investment in Wakefern	\$949	\$269

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements.

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VILLAGE SUPER MARKET, INC.
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(in Thousands) (Unaudited)

1. In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited consolidated condensed financial statements contain all adjustments (consisting of normal and recurring accruals) necessary to present fairly the consolidated financial position as of January 26, 2013 and the consolidated results of operations, comprehensive income and cash flows for the thirteen and twenty-six week periods ended January 26, 2013 and January 28, 2012 of Village Super Market, Inc. (“Village” or the “Company”).

The significant accounting policies followed by the Company are set forth in Note 1 to the Company's consolidated financial statements in the July 28, 2012 Village Super Market, Inc. Annual Report on Form 10-K, which should be read in conjunction with these financial statements. The results of operations for the periods ended January 26, 2013 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full fiscal year.

2. At both January 26, 2013 and July 28, 2012, approximately 65% of merchandise inventories are valued by the LIFO method while the balance is valued by FIFO. If the FIFO method had been used for the entire inventory, inventories would have been \$15,142 and \$14,842 higher than reported at January 26, 2013 and July 28, 2012, respectively.

3. The Company computes net income per share using the two-class method, an earnings allocation formula that calculates basic and diluted net income per share for each class of common stock separately based on dividends declared and participation rights in undistributed earnings. Under the two-class method, our Class A common stock is assumed to receive a 54% greater participation in undistributed earnings than our Class B common stock, in accordance with the classes respective dividend rights.

Diluted net income per share for Class A common stock is calculated utilizing the if-converted method, which assumes the conversion of all shares of Class B common stock to shares of Class A common stock on a share-for-share basis, as this method is more dilutive than the two-class method. Diluted net income per share for Class B common stock does not assume conversion of Class B common stock to shares of Class A common stock.

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The tables below reconcile the numerators and denominators of basic and diluted net income per share for all periods presented.

	13 Weeks Ended		26 Weeks Ended	
	Class A	Class B	Class A	Class B
January 26, 2013				
Numerator:				
Net income allocated, basic	\$ 6,373	\$ 2,503	\$ 10,463	\$ 4,123
Conversion of Class B to Class A shares	2,503	-	4,123	-
Effect of share-based compensation on allocated net income	-	-	-	-
Net income allocated, diluted	\$ 8,876	\$ 2,503	\$ 14,586	\$ 4,123
Denominator:				
Weighted average shares outstanding, basic	8,396	5,086	7,972	5,500
Conversion of Class B to Class A shares	5,086	-	5,500	-
Dilutive effect of share-based compensation	108	-	118	-
Weighted average shares outstanding, diluted	13,590	5,086	13,590	5,500
January 28, 2012				
	Class A	Class B	Class A	Class B
Numerator:				
Net income allocated, basic	\$ 5,613	\$ 3,299	\$ 9,741	\$ 5,734
Conversion of Class B to Class A shares	3,299	-	5,734	-
Effect of share-based compensation on allocated net income	27	(18)	51	(28)
Net income allocated, diluted	\$ 8,939	\$ 3,281	\$ 15,526	\$ 5,706
Denominator:				
Weighted average shares outstanding, basic	7,030	6,362	7,023	6,367
Conversion of Class B to Class A shares	6,362	-	6,367	-
Dilutive effect of share-based compensation	90	-	75	-
	13,482	6,362	13,465	6,367

Weighted average shares
outstanding, diluted

Outstanding stock options to purchase Class A shares of 7 and 240 were excluded from the calculation of diluted net income per share at January 26, 2013 and January 28, 2012, respectively, as a result of their anti-dilutive effect. In addition, 299 and 296 non-vested restricted Class A shares, which are considered participating securities, and their allocated net income were excluded from the diluted net income per share calculation at January 26, 2013 and January 28, 2012, respectively, due to their anti-dilutive effect.

4. The Company sponsors four defined benefit pension plans. Net periodic pension cost for the four plans includes the following components:

	13 Weeks Ended January 26, 2013	13 Weeks Ended January 28, 2012	26 Weeks Ended January 26, 2013	26 Weeks Ended January 28, 2012
Service cost	\$ 818	\$ 664	\$ 1,636	\$ 1,328
Interest cost on projected benefit obligations	618	678	1,236	1,356
Expected return on plan assets	(694)	(631)	(1,388)	(1,262)
Amortization of gains and losses	529	330	1,058	660
Amortization of prior service costs	2	2	4	4
Net periodic pension cost	\$ 1,273	\$ 1,043	\$ 2,546	\$ 2,086

As of January 26, 2013, the Company has contributed \$131 to its pension plans in fiscal 2013. The Company expects to contribute an additional \$2,869 during the remainder of fiscal 2013 to fund its pension plans.

5. Hurricane Sandy devastated our area on October 29, 2012, two days after the end of our first fiscal quarter. Almost all our stores were closed for periods of time ranging from a few hours to eight days beginning in the first week of our second fiscal quarter. In addition, Village disposed of substantial amounts of perishable product due to the loss of power, and also incurred repair, labor and other costs in connection with the storm. The Company has property, casualty and business interruption insurance, subject to deductibles. Village has begun the process of working with our insurers to recover the estimated damages, a process that will likely take several months. The Company does not expect the overall impact of the storm, including uninsured losses, to be material to fiscal 2013 results of operations.

6. On November 29, 2012, the Board of Directors declared a special dividend of \$1.00 per Class A common share and \$.65 per Class B common share. In addition, the Board declared regular quarterly dividends of \$.25 per Class A common share and \$.1625 per Class B common share. These dividends were paid on December 27, 2012 to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 12, 2012. The Board declared these \$15 million of dividends in order to provide a return to our shareholders in 2012 while tax rates on dividends remained low. The Board's current intention is to continue to pay quarterly dividends in 2013 at the most recent rate of \$.25 per Class A and \$.1625 per Class B share.

7. In November 2012, the Company received \$1,980 in cash distributions from two partnerships. Income from partnerships in the second quarter and six-month periods of fiscal 2013 of \$1,450 represents proceeds received in excess of invested amounts. The Company's partnership interests resulted from its leasing of supermarkets in two shopping centers. The Company remains a tenant in one of these shopping centers.

ITEM 2.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

(Dollars in Thousands)

OVERVIEW

The Company operates a chain of 29 ShopRite supermarkets in New Jersey, Maryland and northeastern Pennsylvania. Village is the second largest member of Wakefern Food Corporation ("Wakefern"), the nation's largest retailer-owned food cooperative and owner of the ShopRite name. As further described in the Company's Form 10-K, this ownership interest in Wakefern provides the Company many of the economies of scale in purchasing, distribution, advanced retail technology, marketing and advertising associated with larger chains. On January 29, 2012, Village acquired the store fixtures, lease and other assets of the ShopRite in Old Bridge, New Jersey (40,000 sq. ft) for \$3,250 plus inventory and other working capital for \$1,116. On July 7, 2011, Village acquired the store fixtures, leases and pharmacy lists of locations in Silver Spring, Maryland (64,000 sq.ft.) and Timonium, Maryland (57,000 sq.ft.) for \$6,595 from Super Fresh.

The Company's stores, five of which are owned, average 57,000 total square feet. Larger store sizes enable the Company to offer the specialty departments that customers desire for one-stop shopping, including pharmacies, natural and organic departments, ethnic and international foods, and home meal replacement.

Hurricane Sandy devastated our area on October 29, 2012, two days after the end of our first fiscal quarter. The storm increased sales in the last week of our first quarter of fiscal 2013 as customers prepared for the storm. Sales in the first week of the second quarter of fiscal 2013 were negatively impacted by the closure of almost all of our stores for periods of time ranging from a few hours to eight days. However, this impact was partially offset by improved sales in stores that reopened quickly and by higher sales in most stores in subsequent weeks as customers restocked after their power was restored. In addition, Village disposed of substantial amounts of perishable product due to the loss of power, and also incurred repair, labor and other costs in connection with the storm. The Company has property, casualty and business interruption insurance, subject to deductibles. Village has begun the process of working with our insurers to recover the damages, a process that will likely take several months. The Company does not expect the overall impact of the storm, including uninsured losses, to be material to fiscal 2013 results of operations.

The supermarket industry is highly competitive. The Company competes directly with multiple retail formats, including national, regional and local supermarket chains as well as warehouse clubs, supercenters, drug stores, discount general merchandise stores, fast food chains, restaurants, dollar stores and convenience stores. Village competes by using low pricing, superior customer service, and a broad range of consistently available quality products, including ShopRite private labeled products. The ShopRite Price Plus card also strengthens customer loyalty.

We consider a variety of indicators to evaluate our performance, such as same store sales; percentage of total sales by department (mix); shrink; departmental gross profit percentage; sales per labor hour; and hourly labor rates.

During the last few years, the supermarket industry has been impacted by changing consumer behavior due to the weak economy and high unemployment. Consumers continue to spend cautiously by trading down to lower priced items, including private label, and concentrating their buying on sale items. Also, the Company estimates that product prices overall experienced substantial inflation in the first half of fiscal 2012, with only modest inflation in the second half of fiscal 2012 and the first half of fiscal 2013.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following table sets forth the major components of the Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations of the Company as a percentage of sales:

	13 Weeks Ended		26 Weeks Ended	
	January 26, 2013	January 28, 2012	January 26, 2013	January 28, 2012
Sales	100.00 %	100.00 %	100.00 %	100.00 %
Cost of sales	73.07	72.56	73.18	72.73
Gross profit	26.93	27.44	26.82	27.27
Operating and administrative expense	21.83	21.61	22.12	21.87
Depreciation and amortization	1.32	1.34	1.34	1.37
Operating income	3.78	4.49	3.36	4.03
Income from Partnerships	0.38	-	0.20	-
Interest expense	(0.23)	(0.30)	(0.26)	(0.32)
Interest income	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.18
Income before taxes	4.11	4.36	3.48	3.89
Income taxes	1.73	1.84	1.46	1.64
Net income	2.38 %	2.52 %	2.02 %	2.25 %

Sales. Sales were \$382,175 in the second quarter of fiscal 2013, an increase of 5.4% compared to the second quarter of the prior year. Sales increased due to the acquisition of a store in Old Bridge, NJ, on January 29, 2012 and a same store sales increase of 3.4%. Same store sales increased due to strong sales in several stores that reopened quickly after hurricane Sandy hit our area on October 29, 2013 and higher sales in the two stores in Maryland, which opened on July 28, 2011 and are now included in same store sales. These improvements were partially offset by lower sales in stores that were closed for periods of up to eight days due to the hurricane. Sales continue to be impacted by economic weakness, high gas prices and high unemployment, which has resulted in increased sale item penetration and trading down. The Company expects same store sales in fiscal 2013 to increase from 2.0% to 3.5%. New stores and replacement stores are included in same store sales in the quarter after the store has been in operation for four full quarters. Store renovations are included in same store sales immediately.

Sales were \$740,326 in the six-month period of fiscal 2013, an increase of 5.0% from the prior year. Sales increased due to the acquisition of the Old Bridge store and a same store sales increase of 3.0%. Same store sales increased due to higher sales as customers prepared for hurricane Sandy, improved sales in stores that reopened quickly after the storm and higher sales in the two stores in Maryland.

Gross Profit. Gross profit as a percentage of sales decreased .51% in the second quarter of fiscal 2013 compared to the second quarter of the prior year primarily due to decreased departmental gross margin percentages (.40%) and lower patronage dividends (.09%). Gross profit was favorably impacted by receipt of patronage dividends from Wakefern greater than estimated amounts accrued in both the second quarter of fiscal 2013 (.23%) and fiscal 2012 (.40%).

Gross profit as a percentage of sales decreased .45% in the six-month period of fiscal 2013 compared to the corresponding period of the prior year primarily due to decreased departmental gross margin percentages (.42%).

Operating and Administrative Expense. Operating and administrative expense as a percentage of sales increased .22% in the second quarter of fiscal 2013 compared to the second quarter of the prior year due primarily to higher fringe benefit costs (.25%) and the prior year including a favorable settlement of a pension withdraw liability (.18%). These increases were partially offset by insurance recoveries (.08%).

Operating and administrative expense as a percentage of sales increased .25% in the six-month period of fiscal 2013 compared to the six-month period of the prior year primarily due to higher fringe benefit costs (.28%) and a charge from the settlement of a dispute with a landlord (.09%) in the current fiscal year, and the prior fiscal year including a favorable settlement of a pension withdraw liability (.09%). These increases were partially offset by income from settlement of the national credit card lawsuit (.16%).

Depreciation and Amortization. Depreciation and amortization expense increased in the second quarter and six-month period of fiscal 2013 compared to the corresponding periods of the prior year due to depreciation related to fixed asset additions.

Income from Partnerships. Income from partnerships in the second quarter and six-month periods of fiscal 2013 of \$1,450 are distributions received from two partnerships that exceeded the invested amounts. The Company's partnership interests resulted from its leasing of supermarkets in two shopping centers. The Company remains a tenant in one of these shopping centers.

Interest Expense. Interest expense decreased in the second quarter and six-month periods of fiscal 2013 compared to the corresponding periods of the prior year due to interest costs capitalized in the current fiscal year and the prior year including interest incurred on a pension withdraw liability that was paid in fiscal 2012.

Interest Income. Interest income increased slightly in the second quarter and six-month periods of fiscal 2013 compared to the corresponding periods of the prior year due to higher amounts invested.

Income Taxes. The effective income tax rate was 42.1% and 42.0% in the second quarter and six-month periods of fiscal 2013, respectively, compared to 42.2% in both of the corresponding periods of the prior year.

Net income. Net income was \$9,104 in the second quarter of fiscal 2013 compared to \$9,147 in the second quarter of the prior year. The second quarter of fiscal 2013 includes income from a partnership distribution of \$840 (net of tax) and the second quarter of the prior year includes a favorable settlement of a pension withdraw liability of \$374 (net of tax). Excluding these two items, net income decreased 6% in the second quarter of fiscal 2013 compared to the prior year primarily due to lower gross profit percentages.

Net income was \$14,959 in the six-month period of fiscal 2013, a decrease of 6% from the prior year. Fiscal 2013 includes income from partnership distributions of \$840 (net of tax), income from settlement of the national credit card lawsuit of \$693 (net of tax) and a charge for the settlement of a landlord dispute of \$376 (net of tax), while fiscal 2012 includes a favorable settlement of a pension withdraw liability of \$374 (net of tax). Excluding these items from both fiscal years, net income in the six-month period of 2013 declined 11% compared to the prior year primarily due to lower gross profit percentages, partially offset by reduced losses in the two Maryland stores compared to the six-month period of the prior year, which was their initial six months of operations. The Maryland stores sales and operating performance remain lower than expected as we continue to build market share and brand awareness.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Critical accounting policies are those accounting policies that management believes are important to the portrayal of the Company's financial condition and results of operations. These policies require management's most difficult, subjective or complex judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. The Company's critical accounting policies relating to the impairment of long-lived assets and goodwill, accounting for patronage dividends earned as a stockholder of Wakefern, accounting for pension plans, accounting for share-based compensation, and accounting for uncertain tax positions, are described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended July 28, 2012. As of January 26, 2013, there have been no changes to any of the critical accounting policies contained therein.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures 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.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$30,756 in the six-month period of fiscal 2013 compared to \$22,605 in the corresponding period of the prior year. This increase is primarily attributable to the prior year including a settlement of a \$7,028 pension liability. During the first six-months of fiscal 2013, Village used cash to fund capital expenditures of \$10,077 and dividends of \$18,000. Capital expenditures include substantial remodels of three stores. Dividends paid include \$12,000 of special dividends.

Village has budgeted approximately \$20 million for capital expenditures in fiscal 2013. Planned expenditures include the beginning of construction of a replacement store and three major remodels. The Company's primary sources of liquidity in fiscal 2013 are expected to be cash and cash equivalents on hand at January 26, 2013 and operating cash flow generated in fiscal 2013.

Working capital was \$68,867 at January 26, 2013 compared to \$71,672 at July 28, 2012. The working capital ratio was 1.6 to 1 at January 26, 2013 compared to 1.7 to 1 at July 28, 2012. The Company's working capital needs are reduced, since inventories are generally sold by the time payments to Wakefern and other suppliers are due.

On November 29, 2012, the Board of Directors declared a special dividend of \$1.00 per Class A common share and \$.65 per Class B common share. In addition, the Board declared regular quarterly dividends of \$.25 per Class A common share and \$.1625 per Class B common share. These dividends were paid on December 27, 2012. The Board declared these \$15 million of dividends in order to provide a return to shareholders in 2012 while tax rates on dividends remained low. The Board's current intention is to continue to pay quarterly dividends in 2013 at the most recent rate of \$.25 per Class A and \$.1625 per Class B share.

There have been no substantial changes as of January 26, 2013 to the contractual obligations and commitments discussed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended July 28, 2012, except for an additional \$949 required investment in Wakefern stock.

OUTLOOK

This Form 10-Q contains certain forward-looking statements about Village's future performance. These statements are based on management's assumptions and beliefs in light of information currently available. Such statements relate to, for example: economic conditions; uninsured losses; expected pension plan contributions; projected capital

expenditures; cash flow requirements; inflation expectations; and legal matters; and are indicated by words such as “will,” “expect,” “should,” “intend,” “anticipates,” “believes” and similar words or phrases. The Company cautions the reader that there is no assurance that actual results or business conditions will not differ materially from the results expressed, suggested or implied by such forward-looking statements. The Company undertakes no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect developments or information obtained after the date hereof.

- We expect same store sales to increase from 2.0% to 3.5% in fiscal 2013, including the positive impact from the inclusion of the Maryland stores in same stores sales.
- During the last few years, the supermarket industry has been impacted by changing consumer behavior due to the weak economy and high unemployment. Consumers continue to spend cautiously by trading down to lower priced items, including private label, and concentrating their buying on sale items. Management expects these trends to continue in fiscal 2013.
- We expect modest retail price inflation in fiscal 2013.
- We have budgeted \$20,000 for capital expenditures in fiscal 2013. This amount includes the beginning of construction of a replacement store and three major remodels.
- On November 29, 2012, the Board of Directors declared a special dividend of \$1.00 per Class A common share and \$.65 per Class B common share. In addition the Board declared regular quarterly dividends of \$.25 per Class A common share and \$.1625 per Class B common share. These dividends were paid on December 27, 2012. The Board declared these \$15 million of dividends in order to provide a return to our shareholders in 2012 while tax rates on dividends remained low. The Board's current intention is to continue to pay quarterly dividends in 2013 at the most recent rate of \$.25 per Class A and \$.1625 per Class B share.
- We believe cash flow from operations and other sources of liquidity will be adequate to meet anticipated requirements for working capital, capital expenditures and debt payments for the foreseeable future.
- We expect our effective income tax rate in fiscal 2013 to be 41.5% - 42.5%.
- We expect operating expenses will be affected by increased costs in certain areas, such as medical and pension costs.

Various uncertainties and other factors could cause actual results to differ from the forward-looking statements contained in this report. These include:

- The supermarket business is highly competitive and characterized by narrow profit margins. Results of operations may be materially adversely impacted by competitive pricing and promotional programs, industry consolidation and competitor store openings. Village competes with national and regional supermarkets, local supermarkets, warehouse club stores, supercenters, drug stores, convenience stores, dollar stores, discount merchandisers, restaurants and other local retailers. Some of these competitors have greater financial resources, lower merchandise acquisition costs and lower operating expenses than we do.
- The Company's stores are concentrated in New Jersey, with one store in northeastern Pennsylvania and two in Maryland. We are vulnerable to economic downturns in New Jersey in addition to those that may affect the country as a whole. Economic conditions such as inflation, deflation, interest rates, energy costs and unemployment rates may adversely affect our sales and profits.
- Village acquired two stores in July 2011 in Maryland, a new market for Village where the ShopRite name is less known than in New Jersey. As the Company begins operating in this new market, marketing and other costs are higher than in established markets as Village attempts to build market share and brand awareness. In addition, sales for these two stores are initially expected to be lower than the typical Company store. Potentially higher costs and sales results lower than the Company's expectations could have a material adverse effect on Village's results of operations.
- Village purchases substantially all of its merchandise from Wakefern. In addition, Wakefern provides the Company with support services in numerous areas including supplies, advertising, liability and property insurance, technology support and other store services. Further, Village receives patronage dividends and other product incentives from Wakefern. Any material change in Wakefern's method of operation or a termination or material modification of Village's relationship with Wakefern could have an adverse impact on the conduct of the Company's business and could involve additional expense for Village. The failure of any Wakefern member to fulfill its obligations to Wakefern or a member's insolvency or withdrawal from Wakefern could result in increased costs to the Company. Additionally, an adverse change in Wakefern's results of operations could have an adverse effect on Village's results of operations.
- Approximately 93% of our employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements. Any work stoppages could have an adverse impact on our financial results. If we are unable to control health care and pension costs provided for in the collective bargaining agreements, we may experience increased operating costs.
- Village could be adversely affected if consumers lose confidence in the safety and quality of the food supply chain. The real or perceived sale of contaminated food products by us could result in a loss of consumer confidence and product liability claims, which could have a material adverse effect on our sales and operations.
- On April 15, 2011, Village, along with all of the other individual employers trading as ShopRite, permanently withdrew from participating in the United Food and Commercial

Workers Local 152 Retail Meat Pension Fund (“the Fund”), effective the end of April 2011. The Fund is a multi-employer defined benefit plan that includes other supermarket operators. Village, along with the other affiliated ShopRite operators, determined to withdraw from the Fund due to exposures to market risks associated with all defined benefit plans and the inability to partition ShopRite’s liabilities from those of the other participating supermarket operators. Village now provides affected associates with a defined contribution plan for future service, which eliminates market risks and the exposure to shared liabilities of other operators, and is estimated to be less costly than the defined benefit plan in the future, while ensuring that our associates are provided a secure benefit. The Company recorded a pre-tax charge of \$7,028 in fiscal 2011 for this withdrawal liability, which represented our estimate of the liability based on calculations provided by the Fund actuary. The Company settled this obligation in January 2012, resulting in a pre-tax benefit of \$646 in fiscal 2012. Village remains liable for potential additional withdrawal liabilities to the Fund in the event a mass withdrawal, as defined by statute, occurs within two plan years after the plan year of Village’s withdrawal. Such liabilities could be material to the Company’s consolidated financial statements.

- Certain of the multi-employer plans to which we contribute are underfunded. As a result, we expect that contributions to these plans may increase. Additionally, the benefit levels and related items will be issues in the negotiation of our collective bargaining agreements. Under current law, an employer that withdraws or partially withdraws from a multi-employer pension plan may incur a withdrawal liability to the plan, which represents the portion of the plan’s underfunding that is allocable to the withdrawing employer under very complex actuarial and allocation rules. The failure of a withdrawing employer to fund these obligations can impact remaining employers. The amount of any increase or decrease in our required contributions to these multi-employer pension plans will depend upon the outcome of collective bargaining, actions taken by trustees who manage the plans, government regulations and the actual return on assets held in the plans, among other factors.
- Our effective tax rate may be impacted by the results of tax examinations and changes in tax laws, including the disputes with the state of New Jersey described in note 5 of the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended July 28, 2012.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

A description of the Company's transactions with Wakefern, its principal supplier, and with other related parties is included in of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended July 28, 2012. There have been no significant changes in the Company's relationship or nature of transactions with related parties during the six months of fiscal 2013, except for additional required investments in Wakefern common stock of \$949.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

At January 26, 2013, the Company had demand deposits of \$84,210 at Wakefern earning interest at overnight money market rates, which are exposed to the impact of interest rate changes.

At January 26, 2013, the Company had an \$21,663 15-month note receivable due from Wakefern earning a fixed interest rate of 7%. This note is automatically extended for additional, recurring 90-day periods, unless, not later than one year prior to the due date, the Company notifies Wakefern requesting payment on the due date. This note currently is scheduled to mature on February 19, 2014. Wakefern has the right to prepay this note at any time.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

As required by Rule 13a-15 under the Exchange Act, the Company carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures at the end of the period. This evaluation was carried out under the supervision, and with the participation, of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer along with the Company's Chief Financial Officer. Based upon that evaluation, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, along with the Company's Chief Financial Officer, concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

Disclosure controls and procedures are controls and other procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in Company reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in Company reports filed under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

There have been no significant changes in internal controls over financial reporting during the second quarter of fiscal 2013.

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibit 31.1	Certification
Exhibit 31.2	Certification
Exhibit 32.1	Certification (furnished, not filed)
Exhibit 32.2	Certification (furnished, not filed)
Exhibit 99.1	Press Release dated March 6, 2013.
101 INS	XBRL Instance Document*
101 SCH	XBRL Schema Document*
101 CAL	XBRL Calculation Linkbase Document*
101 DEF	XBRL Definition Linkbase Document*
101 LAB	XBRL Labels Linkbase Document*
101 PRE	XBRL Presentation Linkbase Document*

* The XBRL related information in Exhibit 101 shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to liability of that section and shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing or document.

SIGNATURES

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

Village Super Market, Inc.
Registrant

Date: March 6, /s/ James Sumas
2013

James Sumas
(Chief Executive Officer)

Date: March 6, /s/ Kevin R. Begley
2013

Kevin R. Begley
(Chief Financial Officer)