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### **FORM 10-K**

### ANNUAL REPORT

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of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

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### NATURAL ALTERNATIVES INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** 84-1007839

(State of incorporation) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1185 Linda Vista Drive

(760) 744-7340

San Marcos, California 92078

(Address of principal executive offices) (Registrant's telephone number)

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

### Title of each class

### Name of exchange on which registered

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share Nasdag Global Market

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Indicate by check mark if Natural Alternatives International, Inc. (NAI) is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933. Yes No

Indicate by check mark if NAI is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether NAI (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 NAI was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether NAI 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 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that NAI 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 is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of NAI'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 NAI is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether NAI is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act): Yes No

The aggregate market value of NAI's common stock held by non-affiliates of NAI as of the last business day of NAI's most recently completed second fiscal quarter (December 31, 2014) was approximately \$29,300,099 (based on the closing sale price of \$5.35 reported by Nasdaq on December 31, 2014). For this purpose, all of NAI's officers and directors and their affiliates were assumed to be affiliates of NAI.

As of September 16, 2015, 6,713,831 shares of NAI's common stock were outstanding, net of 904,846 treasury shares.

# DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE Part III (Items 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14) of this Form 10-K incorporates by reference portions of NAI's definitive proxy statement for its Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held December 4, 2015, to be filed on or before October 28, 2015.

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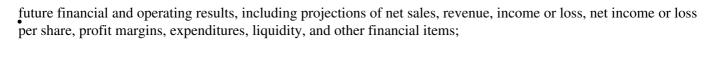
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### SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements in this report, including information incorporated by reference, are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements reflect current views about future events and financial performance based on certain assumptions. They include opinions, forecasts, intentions, plans, goals, projections, guidance, expectations, beliefs, or other statements that are not statements of historical fact. Words such as "may," "will," "should," "could," "would," "expects," "plans," "believes," "anticipates," "intends," "estimates," "predicts," "forecasts," or "projects," or the negative or other variation of such words, and similar expressions may identify a statement as a forward-looking statement. Any statements that refer to projections of our future financial performance, our anticipated growth and trends in our business, our goals, strategies, focus and plans, and other characterizations of future events or circumstances, including statements expressing general optimism about future operating results, are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements in this report may include statements about:



our ability to directly sell beta-alanine;

our ability to maintain or increase our patent and trademark licensing revenues;

our ability to develop relationships with new customers and maintain or improve existing customer relationships;

our ability to protect our intellectual property;

the outcome of currently pending litigation, regulatory and tax matters, the costs associated with such matters and the effect of such matters on our business and results of operations;

the costs associated with defending and resolving potential new claims, even if such claims are without merit;

currency exchange rates, their effect on our results of operations, including amounts that may be reclassified as earnings, the availability of foreign exchange facilities, our ability to effectively hedge against foreign exchange risks and the extent to which we may seek to hedge against such risks;

future levels of our revenue concentration risk;

sources and availability of raw materials, including the limited number of suppliers of beta-alanine;

inventories, including the adequacy of raw material and other inventory levels to meet future customer demand and the adequacy and intended use of our facilities;

development of new products and marketing strategies;

manufacturing and distribution channels, product sales and performance, and timing of product shipments;

current or future customer orders, product returns, and potential product recalls;

the impact on our business and results of operations and variations in quarterly net sales from seasonal and other factors;

our ability to improve operational efficiencies, manage costs and business risks and improve or maintain profitability;

growth, expansion, diversification, and consolidation strategies, the success of such strategies, and the benefits we believe can be derived from such strategies;

our ability to operate within the standards set by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP);

our ability to successfully expand our operations, including outside the United States (U.S.);

the adequacy of our reserves and allowances;

the sufficiency of our available cash, cash equivalents, and potential cash flows from operations to fund our current working capital needs and capital expenditures through the next 12 months;

overall industry and market performance;

competition and competitive advantages;

current and future economic and political conditions;

the impact of accounting pronouncements and our adoption of certain accounting guidance; and

other assumptions described in this report underlying or relating to any forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements in this report speak only as of the date of this report and caution should be taken not to place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are subject to certain events, risks, and uncertainties that may be outside of our control. When considering forward-looking statements, you should carefully review the risks, uncertainties and other cautionary statements in this report as they identify certain important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in or implied by the forward-looking statements. These factors include, among others, the risks described under Item 1A of Part I and elsewhere in this report, as well as in other reports and documents we file with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

PART I
ITEM 1. BUSINESS
General
Our vision is to enrich the world through the best of nutrition.
We are a leading formulator, manufacturer and marketer of nutritional supplements. Our comprehensive strategic partnerships with our customers offer a wide range of innovative nutritional products and services to our clients including the following: scientific research, clinical studies, proprietary ingredients, customer-specific nutritional product formulation, product testing and evaluation, marketing management and support, packaging and delivery system design, regulatory review, and international product registration assistance.
As our primary business activity, we provide private-label contract manufacturing services to companies that market and distribute vitamins, minerals, herbal and other nutritional supplements, as well as other health care products, to consumers both within and outside the U.S. We also seek to commercialize our patent and trademark estate related to the ingredient known as beta-alanine through direct raw material sales.
History
Originally founded in 1980, Natural Alternatives International, Inc. reorganized as a Delaware corporation in 1989. Our principal executive offices are located at 1185 Linda Vista Drive, San Marcos, California, 92078.
In January 1999, we formed Natural Alternatives International Europe S.A. (NAIE) as our wholly owned subsidiary, based in Manno, Switzerland. In September 1999, NAIE opened its manufacturing facility and now possesses manufacturing capability in encapsulation, powders, and tablets, finished goods packaging, quality control, laboratory testing, warehousing, distribution and administration.

Historically, as part of our business strategy, we have sought to commercialize our patent estate through contract manufacturing, royalty and license agreements. Since March 2009, we have had an agreement with Compound

Solutions, Inc. (CSI) to grant a license to manufacture, offer for sale and/or sell products incorporating, using or made in accordance with our patent rights to customers of CSI who purchase beta-alanine under the CarnoSyn® trade name from CSI. The most recent agreement additionally granted such a license to CSI. We received a fee from CSI that varied based on the quantity and source of beta-alanine sold by CSI. Our most recent agreement with CSI expired on March 31, 2015. We elected not to renew our agreement with CSI and, effective April 1, 2015 we began directly selling beta-alanine, and licensing the related patent and trademark rights, in order to take advantage of strategic opportunities, including opportunities to provide additional contract manufacturing services, and to increase our top-line revenue and profit profile.

Additionally, we have historically developed, manufactured and marketed our own branded products under the Pathway to Healing® product line, which was aimed at restoring, maintaining and improving the health of the users. However, due to the steady decline in sales of this product line over the prior several years, we decided to discontinue the product line. Pursuant to the license agreements between NAI and each of Dr. Reginald Cherry and the Cherry Ministries Inc. dated as of September 1, 2014 as amended (the License Agreements). Dr. Cherry and Cherry Ministries licensed to NAI the name, likeness, style, persona and other attributes of Dr. Cherry in connection with the sale of nutritional products that were marketed by NAI under its Pathway to Healing brand. Pursuant to the License Agreements, NAI was permitted to terminate the License Agreements by written notice at any time. We notified Dr. Cherry and Cherry Ministries of our decision to discontinue the product line and the termination of the related license agreement was effective as of September 15, 2014. All termination activities related to the Pathway to Healing® product line were substantially completed by December 31, 2014. We did not change the financial presentation in this report to reflect the branded products segment as "Discontinued Operations" as the wind down of this product line did not meet the criteria for discontinued operations presentation as prescribed by applicable accounting regulations (ASC 205-20).

Unless the context requires otherwise, all references in this report to the "Company," "NAI," "we," "our," and "us" refer to Natural Alternatives International, Inc. and, as applicable, and NAIE.

### **Overview of our Facilities and Operations**

Our U.S.-based operations are located in San Marcos and Vista, California and include manufacturing and distribution, sales and marketing, in-house formulation, laboratory and other research and development services. Our manufacturing facilities were recertified on December 20, 2012 by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) of Australia after its audit of our GMP. TGA evaluates new therapeutic products, prepares standards, develops testing methods and conducts testing programs to ensure that products are high in quality, safe and effective. TGA also conducts a range of assessment and monitoring activities including audits of the manufacturing practices of companies who export and sell products to Australia. TGA certification enables us to manufacture products for export into countries that have signed the Pharmaceutical Inspection Convention, which include most European countries as well as several Pacific Rim countries. TGA certifications are generally reviewed every eighteen to thirty six months.

Our California facilities also have been awarded GMP registration annually since October 2002 by NSF International (NSF) through the NSF Dietary Supplements Certification Program and received "GMP for Sport" NSF Certified registration on February 16, 2009. GMP requirements are regulatory standards and guidelines establishing necessary processes, procedures and documentation for manufacturers in an effort to assure the products produced by that manufacturer have the identity, strength, composition, quality and purity they are represented to possess. The NSF Certified for Sport program focuses on minimizing the risk that a dietary supplement or sports nutrition product contains banned substances and was developed due to growing demand from athletes and coaches concerned about banned substances in sports supplements. The program focuses primarily on manufacturing and sourcing processes, embedding preventative measures throughout. NAI's participation in the program allows us to produce products bearing the NSF Sport logo.

Our U.S. operations have also been certified by Health Canada as compliant with GMP requirements as outlined in Part 3 of the Canadian Natural Health Products Regulations. Health Canada is the federal department of the Canadian government with responsibility for national public health. Health Canada has initiated work to modernize its regulatory system for food and health products. Health Canada plays an active role in ensuring access to safe and effective drugs and health products while giving highest priority to public safety and striving to provide information needed to make healthy choices and informed decisions regarding one's health. NAI was issued its initial certification in December 2011 and received annual re-certifications from Health Canada's Natural Health Products Directorate in October 2013 and November 2014. Not only does this approval demonstrate yet another level of regulatory compliance for NAI, it may also ease the approval process for our customers who import products into Canada.

Additionally, in March 2015, our California facilities became certified as Organic Processor and Handler by Natural Food Certifiers (NFC). This certification demonstrates that we meet the USDA National Organic Program standards and allows us to expand our contract manufacturing and packaging services to include Organic labeled products. The certification requires annual renewal and we believe we will obtain renewals annually.

NAIE also operates a manufacturing, warehousing, packaging and distribution facility in Manno, Switzerland. In January 2004, NAIE obtained a pharmaceutical license to process pharmaceuticals for packaging, import, export and sale within Switzerland and other countries from the Swissmedic Authority of Bern, Switzerland. In March 2007, following the expansion of NAIE's manufacturing facilities to include powder filling capabilities, NAIE obtained an additional pharmaceutical license from the Swissmedic Authority certifying that NAIE's expanded facilities conform to GMP. In January 2013, following the additional upgrade of NAIE's manufacturing facilities to include the manufacture of pharmaceuticals, NAIE obtained an additional pharmaceutical approval from the Swissmedic Authority certifying that NAIE's upgraded facilities conform to GMP. We believe these licenses and NAIE's manufacturing capabilities help strengthen our relationships with existing customers and can improve our ability to develop relationships with new customers. Our Swissmedic licenses are valid until February 2019.

In addition to our operations in the U.S. and Switzerland, we have a representative in Japan who provides a range of services to our customers currently present in or seeking to expand into the Japanese market and other markets in the Pacific Rim. These services include regulatory and marketing assistance along with guidance and support in adapting products to these markets.

### **Business Strategy**

Our goals are to achieve long-term growth and profitability and to diversify our sales base. To accomplish these goals, we have sought and intend to continue to seek to do the following:

leverage our state-of-the-art, certified facilities to increase the value of the goods and services we provide to our highly valued private-label contract manufacturing customers and assist in developing relationships with additional quality oriented customers;

expand the commercialization of our beta-alanine patent estate through raw material sales, new contract manufacturing opportunities, license agreements and protecting our proprietary rights;

provide strategic partnering services to our private-label contract manufacturing customers, as described below under "Products, Principal Markets and Methods of Distribution"; and

improve operational efficiencies and manage costs and business risks to improve profitability.

Overall, we believe there is an opportunity to enhance consumer confidence in the quality of our nutritional supplements and their adherence to label claims through the education provided by direct sales and direct-to-consumer marketing programs. We believe our GMP and TGA certified manufacturing operations, science based product formulations, peer-reviewed clinical studies and regulatory expertise provide us with a sustainable competitive advantage by providing our customers with a high degree of confidence in the products we manufacture.

While today's consumer may have access to a variety of information, we believe many consumers remain uneducated about nutrition and nutritional supplementation, uncertain about the relevance or reliability of the information available to them, or confused about conflicting claims or information. We believe this state of the market creates a significant opportunity for the direct sales marketing channel. The direct sales marketing channel has proved, and we believe will continue to prove, to be a highly effective method for marketing high-quality nutritional supplements as associates or other individuals educate consumers on the benefits of science based nutritional supplements. Our largest customers operate in the direct sales marketing channel. Thus, the majority of our business has relied primarily on the effectiveness of our customers in this marketing channel.

As part of our business strategy, we have sought to commercialize our patent estate through contract manufacturing, royalty and license agreements. Since March 2009, we have had an agreement with Compound Solutions, Inc. (CSI) to grant a license to manufacture, offer for sale and/or sell products incorporating, using or made in accordance with our patent rights to customers of CSI who purchase beta-alanine under the CarnoSyn® trade name from CSI. The most recent agreement additionally granted such a license to CSI. Our most recent agreement with CSI expired on March 31, 2015. We elected not to renew our agreement with CSI and, effective April 1, 2015 we began directly selling beta-alanine, and licensing our related patent and trademark rights, in order to take advantage of strategic opportunities, including opportunities to provide additional contract manufacturing services, and to increase our top-line revenue and profit profile.

Additionally, we have developed, manufactured and marketed our own branded products under the Pathway to Healing® product line, which was aimed at restoring, maintaining and improving the health of the users. However, due to the steady decline in sales of this product line over the prior several years, we decided to discontinue the product line. Pursuant to the License Agreements, Dr. Cherry and Cherry Ministries licensed to NAI the name, likeness, style, persona and other attributes of Dr. Cherry in connection with the sale of nutritional products that were marketed by NAI under its Pathway to Healing brand. Pursuant to the License Agreements, NAI was permitted to terminate the License Agreements by written notice at any time. We notified Dr. Cherry and Cherry Ministries of our decision to discontinue the product line and the termination of the related license agreement was effective as of September 15, 2014. All termination activities related to the Pathway to Healing® product line were substantially completed by December 31, 2014. We did not change the financial presentation in this report to reflect the branded products segment as "Discontinued Operations" as the wind down of this product line did not meet the criteria for discontinued operations presentation as prescribed by ASC 205-20.

We believe our comprehensive approach to customer service is unique within our industry. We believe this comprehensive approach, together with our commitment to high quality, product development and manufacturing

capabilities, will provide the means to implement our strategies and achieve our goals. There can be no assurance, however, that we will successfully implement any of our business strategies or that we will increase or diversify our sales, successfully commercialize our patent estate, or improve our overall financial results.

### **Products, Principal Markets and Methods of Distribution**

Our primary business activity is to provide private-label contract manufacturing services to companies that market and distribute vitamins, minerals, herbs, and other nutritional supplements, as well as other health care products, to consumers both within and outside the U.S. Our private-label contract manufacturing customers include companies that market nutritional supplements through direct sales marketing channels, direct response television and retail stores. We manufacture products in a variety of forms, including capsules, tablets, chewable wafers and powders to accommodate a variety of consumer preferences.

We provide strategic partnering services to our private-label contract manufacturing customers, including the following:
eustomized product formulation;
velinical studies;
manufacturing;
marketing support;
international regulatory and label law compliance;
international product registration; and
packaging in multiple formats and labeling design.
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We also seek to commercialize our patent and trademark estate related to the ingredient known as beta-alanine through direct distribution and sale of raw material, new contract manufacturing opportunities, and various license and similar arrangements. Historically, our primary source of income from our patent and trademark estate has been from royalties received through a license and distribution agreement with CSI. Our agreement with CSI expired March 31, 2015 and, effective April 1, 2015, we began directly selling beta-alanine, and licensing the related patent and trademark rights, in order to take advantage of strategic opportunities, including opportunities to provide additional contract manufacturing services, and to increase our top-line revenue and profit profile.

For the last two fiscal years ended June 30, our net sales were derived from the following (in thousands):

	2015		2014		
	\$	<b>%</b>	\$	<b>%</b>	
Private-label Contract Manufacturing	\$69,670	88	\$67,339	91	
Patent and Trademark Licensing	9,140	11	5,444	7	
Branded Products	698	1	1,159	2	
Total Net Sales	\$79,508	100	\$73,942	100	

### **Research and Development**

We are committed to quality research and development. We focus on the development of new science based products and the improvement of existing products. We periodically test and validate our products to help ensure their stability, potency, efficacy and safety. We maintain quality control procedures to verify that our products comply with applicable specifications and standards established by the FDA and other regulatory agencies. We also direct and participate in clinical research studies, often in collaboration with scientists and research institutions, to validate the benefits of a product and provide scientific support for product claims and marketing initiatives. We believe our commitment to research and development, as well as our facilities and strategic alliances with our suppliers and customers, allow us to effectively identify, develop and market high-quality and innovative products.

As part of the services we provide to our private-label contract manufacturing customers, we may perform, but are not required to perform, certain research and development activities related to the development or improvement of their products. While our customers often do not pay directly for this service, the cost of this service is included as a component of the price we charge to manufacture and deliver their products. Research and development costs, which include costs associated with international regulatory compliance services we provide to our customers, are expensed as incurred.

Our research and development expenses for the last two fiscal years ended June 30 were \$1.1 million for 2015 and \$1.0 million for 2014. The increase in research and development expenses was primarily related to increased

personnel costs as a result of changes made to the related departmental management structure.

### Sources and Availability of Raw Materials

We use raw materials in our operations including powders, excipients, empty capsules, and components for packaging and distributing our finished products. In addition, the commercialization of our beta-alanine patent estate depends on the availability of the raw material beta-alanine. We conduct identity testing for all raw materials we purchase and, on a predetermined testing protocol basis, we evaluate raw materials to ensure their quality, purity and potency before we use them in our products. We typically buy raw materials in bulk from qualified vendors located both within and outside the U.S. During fiscal 2015, we did not have any suppliers that represented more than 10% of our total raw material purchases.

Our contract manufacturing business did not experience any significant shortages or difficulties obtaining adequate supplies of raw materials during fiscal 2015. However, there continues to be significant pricing pressures associated with various vitamins, minerals and herbs in the raw material marketplace. In early March 2011, the factory that produces the major supply of beta-alanine sold under our CarnoSyn® trade name was damaged as a result of the massive earthquake off the coast of Sendai, Japan resulting in a significant beta-alanine supply interruption. While this Japanese factory resumed operations in June 2011 and was able to produce beta-alanine at historical levels during fiscal 2012, there is no assurance this or any other facility will not incur future production interruptions as a result of causes outside our control. Throughout fiscal 2016, we expect to continue to experience difficulties in sourcing various raw materials as a result of worldwide shortages, and other supply constraints. We also believe raw material and product cost pricing pressures will continue throughout fiscal 2016 as a result of limited supplies of various ingredients and the effects of higher labor and transportation costs.

### **Major Customers**

The Juice Plus+ Company (formerly NSA International, Inc.) has been our largest customer over the past several years. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, The Juice Plus+ Company accounted for approximately 43% of our private-label contract manufacturing net sales. We historically have had manufacturing agreements with The Juice Plus+ Company dating back to April 1, 2005. Under the terms of our agreements with The Juice Plus+ Company, we develop, manufacture, produce and package certain nutritional products for The Juice Plus+ Company based on monthly purchase orders submitted to us by The Juice Plus+ Company and provide certain consulting services, at such prices as are agreed upon from time to time. The agreements prohibit us from manufacturing or distributing any products that are substantially similar to the products we manufacture for The Juice Plus+ Company during the term of the agreements and for a period of three years thereafter. Our most recent agreements with The Juice Plus+ Company expired on April 1, 2014. We continue to develop, manufacture, produce and package certain nutritional products for The Juice Plus+ Company based on monthly purchase orders submitted to us by The Juice Plus+ Company.

Our second largest customer is Mannatech, which accounted for approximately 16% of our private-label contract manufacturing net sales during fiscal 2015. Under the terms of our manufacturing agreement with Mannatech, we manufacture, produce and bulk package certain nutritional products for Mannatech based on purchase orders submitted to us by Mannatech, at such prices as are agreed upon from time to time. The agreement automatically extends for successive one year periods unless terminated by either party in the event of a breach of the agreement by the other party or on at least 60 days written notice prior to the expiration of the then current term. We also have a Manufacturing Sales Agreement with Mannatech and its affiliates, under which we have the exclusive right to develop and manufacture certain products for Mannatech to be sold in Germany and Denmark. This agreement automatically extends for successive one year periods unless terminated by either party for cause or in the event of a breach of the agreement by the other party or upon written notice prior to the expiration of the then current term.

Our third largest customer is CIT Cosmeceutical Pte Ltd (CIT), which accounted for approximately 12% of our private-label contract manufacturing net sales during fiscal 2015. Under the terms of our manufacturing agreement with CIT, we manufacture, produce and bulk package certain nutritional products based on purchase orders submitted to us by CIT, at such prices as are agreed upon from time to time.

The Juice Plus+ Company, Mannatech, and CIT are private-label contract manufacturing customers, and the loss of any one of them could result in significant negative impact to our financial position and results of operations. No other customer accounted for 10% or more of net sales during fiscal 2015. We continue to focus on obtaining new private-label contract manufacturing customers to reduce the risks associated with deriving a significant portion of our sales from a limited number of customers.

### **Competition**

We compete with other manufacturers, distributors and marketers of vitamins, minerals, herbs, and other nutritional supplements both within and outside the U.S. The nutritional supplement industry is highly fragmented and competition for the sale of nutritional supplements comes from many sources. These products are sold primarily through retailers (drug store chains, supermarkets, and mass market discount retailers), health and natural food stores, and direct sales channels (network marketing, internet marketing and mail order companies).

We believe private-label contract manufacturing competition in our industry is based on, among other things, customized services offered, product quality and safety, innovation, price and customer service. We believe we compete favorably with other companies because of our ability to provide comprehensive solutions for customers, our certified manufacturing operations and our commitment to quality and safety through our research and development activities.

Our future competitive position for private-label contract manufacturing and patent and trademark licensing will likely depend on, but not be limited to, the following:

the continued acceptance of our products by our customers and consumers;
our ability to protect our proprietary rights in our patent estate and the continued validity of such patents;
our ability to successfully expand our product offerings related to our patent and trademark estate;
our ability to maintain adequate inventory levels to meet our customer's demands;
our ability to expand;
our ability to continue to manufacture high quality products at competitive prices;
our ability to attract and retain qualified personnel;
the effect of any future governmental regulations on our products and business;
the results of, and publicity from, product safety and performance studies performed by governments and other research institutions;
the continued growth of the global nutrition industry; and
our ability to respond to changes within the industry and consumer demand, financially and otherwise.
The nutritional supplement industry is highly competitive and we expect the level of competition to remain high over the near term. We do not believe it is possible to accurately estimate the total number or size of our competitors. The nutritional supplement industry has undergone consolidation in the recent past and we expect that trend to continue in the near term.
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### **Government Regulation**

Our business is subject to varying degrees of regulation by a number of government authorities in the U.S., including the FDA, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the Environmental Protection Agency. Various agencies of the states and localities in which we operate and in which our products are sold also regulate our business, such as the California Department of Health Services, Food and Drug Branch. The areas of our business that these and other authorities regulate include, among others:

others:
product claims and advertising;
product labels;
product ingredients; and
how we manufacture, package, distribute, import, export, sell and store our products.
The FDA, in particular, regulates the formulation, manufacturing, packaging, storage, labeling, promotion, distribution and sale of vitamins and other nutritional supplements in the U.S., while the FTC regulates marketing and advertising claims. In August 2007, a new rule issued by the FDA went into effect requiring companies that manufacture, package, label, distribute or hold nutritional supplements to meet certain GMP to ensure such products are of the quality specified and are properly packaged and labeled. We are committed to meeting or exceeding the standards set by the FDA and believe we are currently operating within the FDA mandated GMP.
The FDA also regulates the labeling and marketing of dietary supplements and nutritional products, including the following:
the identification of dietary supplements or nutritional products and their nutrition and ingredient labeling;
requirements related to the wording used for claims about nutrients, health claims, and statements of nutritional support;
labeling requirements for dietary supplements or nutritional products for which "high potency" and "antioxidant" claure made:

claims

notification procedures for statements on dietary supplements or nutritional products; and

premarket notification procedures for new dietary ingredients in nutritional supplements.

The Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 (DSHEA) revised the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act concerning the composition and labeling of dietary supplements and defined dietary supplements to include vitamins, minerals, herbs, amino acids and other dietary substances. DSHEA generally provides a regulatory framework to help ensure safe, quality dietary supplements and the dissemination of accurate information about such products. The FDA is generally prohibited from regulating active ingredients in dietary supplements as drugs unless product claims, such as claims that a product may heal, mitigate, cure or prevent an illness, disease or malady, trigger drug status.

In December 2006, the Dietary Supplement and Nonprescription Drug Consumer Protection Act was passed, which further revised the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. Under the act, manufacturers, packers or distributors whose name appears on the product label of a dietary supplement or nonprescription drug are required to include contact information on the product label for consumers to use in reporting adverse events associated with the product's use and for us to notify the FDA of any serious adverse event report within 15 business days of receiving such report. Events reported to the FDA would not be considered an admission from a company that its product caused or contributed to the reported event. We are committed to meeting or exceeding the requirements of this Act.

We are also subject to a variety of other regulations in the U.S., including those relating to bioterrorism, taxes, labor and employment, import and export, the environment and intellectual property. All of these regulations require significant financial and operational resources to ensure compliance, and we cannot assure you that we will always be in compliance despite our best efforts to do so.

Our operations outside the U.S. are similarly regulated by various agencies and entities in the countries in which we operate and in which our products are sold. The regulations of these countries may conflict with those in the U.S. and may vary from country to country. The sale of our products in certain European countries is subject to the rules and regulations of the European Union, which may be interpreted differently among the countries within the European Union. In other markets outside the U.S., we may be required to obtain approvals, licenses or certifications from a country's ministry of health or comparable agency before we begin operations or the marketing of products in that country. Approvals or licenses may be conditioned on reformulation of our products for a particular market or may be unavailable for certain products or product ingredients. These regulations may limit our ability to enter certain markets outside the U.S. As with the costs of regulatory compliance in the U.S., foreign regulations require significant financial and operational resources to ensure compliance, and we cannot assure you that we will always be in compliance despite our best efforts to do so. Our failure to maintain regulatory compliance within and outside the U.S. could impact our ability to sell our products and thus, materially impact our financial position and results of operations.

### **Intellectual Property**

Trademarks. We have developed and use registered trademarks in our business, particularly relating to corporate, brand and product names. We own 30 trademark registrations, including thirteen incontestable registrations, in the U.S. Federal registration of a trademark affords the owner nationwide exclusive trademark rights in the registered mark and the ability to prevent others from using the same or similar marks. However, to the extent a common law user has made prior use of the mark in connection with similar goods or services in a particular geographic area, the nationwide rights conferred by federal registration would be subject to that user's rights in that geographic area.

We have sixteen foreign trademark registrations. One trademark is registered with the Australian Patent and Trademark Office, two with the Canadian Patent and Trademark Office, two with the Chinese Patent and Trademark Office, two with the Trademarks and Designs Registration Office of the European Union, two with the Hong Kong Patent and Trademark Office, three with the Japanese Patent and Trademark Office, two with the South Korean Patent and Trademark Office, and two with the Swiss Patent and Trademark Office. We currently have no additional trademark applications pending in any other jurisdictions outside of the United States. We also claim common law ownership and protection of certain unregistered trademarks and service marks. Trademark rights are based on use of a mark. Common law use of a mark offers protection of a mark within the particular geographic area in which it is used. We believe our registered and unregistered trademarks constitute valuable assets, adding to the recognition of our products and services in the marketplace. These and other proprietary rights have been and will continue to be important in enabling us to compete; however, we cannot assure you that our future trademark applications will be granted or our current trademarks will be maintained.

*Trade Secrets.* We own certain intellectual property, including trade secrets, which we seek to protect, in part, through confidentiality agreements with employees and other parties. We regard our proprietary technology, trade secrets, trademarks and similar intellectual property as critical to our success, and we rely on a combination of trade secrets, contract, patent, copyright and trademark law to establish and protect the rights in our products and technology. The laws of certain foreign countries may not protect our intellectual property rights to the same extent as the laws of the U.S.

Patents and Patent Licenses. We currently own fourteen U.S. patents and twenty corresponding patents registered in countries throughout North America, Europe and Asia. We also have pending applications in several countries. All of these patents and patent rights relate to the ingredient known as beta-alanine. Certain of these patents were assigned to NAI and we make certain ongoing royalty payments to the prior owners of the patents. We also license rights to certain uses that are covered by the patents to the prior owners. The royalty payments and license continue until the expiration of the patents. From March 2009 through March 2015, we had an agreement with CSI that allowed CSI to grant a license of certain of our patent and trademark rights to customers of CSI who purchased beta-alanine from CSI. The license agreement allowed CSI's customers to manufacture, offer for sale and/or sell products incorporating, using or made in accordance with our patent rights and one or more of our trademarks. We received royalties from CSI that varied based on the quantity and source of beta-alanine sold by CSI. Our agreement with CSI expired March 31, 2015 and effective April 1, 2015, we began directly selling beta-alanine, and licensing our related patent and

trademark rights, in order to take advantage of strategic opportunities, including opportunities to provide additional contract manufacturing services, and to increase our top-line revenue and profit profile. Twenty-five of our patents expire in 2017 and nine patents expire in 2026.

Beginning in fiscal 2009, the licensing, raw material sales, and revenues we have received associated with the sale and license of beta-alanine under the CarnoSyn® trade name have grown steadily from \$515,000 in fiscal 2009 to \$9.1 million in fiscal 2015. During fiscal 2015, our revenues included \$4.7 million of royalties received related to our agreement with CSI and \$4.4 million related to the direct sale of beta-alanine raw materials. We anticipate our licensing and related revenue to expand further during fiscal 2016 as a result of taking over the direct distribution and sale of beta-alanine. We incurred intellectual property litigation and patent compliance expenses of approximately \$1.6 million during fiscal 2015 in connection with our efforts to protect our proprietary rights and patent estate. We expect to continue to incur additional litigation expenses during fiscal 2016, however, we expect these expenses to be flat or slightly lower than fiscal 2015.

Other Intellectual Property. We had license agreements with Dr. Reginald B. Cherry and his ministries pursuant to which we had the right to use the names, likenesses, styles, personas and certain other intellectual property and attributes of Dr. Cherry to market and distribute nutritional and dietary supplements and related products and materials, including the Pathway to Healing® product line. The license agreements required the payment of certain royalties based on net sales. Due to the steady decline in sales of this product line over the prior several years, we decided to discontinue the product line. The termination of the related license agreement was effective as of September 15, 2014. All termination activities related to the Pathway to Healing® product line were substantially completed by December 31, 2014.

### **Employees**

As of June 30, 2015, we employed 132 full-time employees in the U.S., two of whom held executive management positions. Of the remaining full-time employees, 27 were employed in research, laboratory and quality control, 13 in sales and marketing, and 90 in manufacturing and administration. From time to time we use temporary personnel to help us meet short-term operating requirements. These positions typically are in manufacturing and manufacturing support. As of June 30, 2015, we had one temporary person.

As of June 30, 2015, NAIE employed an additional 34 full-time employees. Most of these positions were in the areas of manufacturing and manufacturing support.

Our employees are not represented by a collective bargaining agreement and we have not experienced any work stoppages as a result of labor disputes. We believe our relationship with our employees is good.

### Seasonality

Although we believe there is no material impact on our business or results of operations from seasonal factors, we have experienced and expect to continue to experience variations in quarterly net sales due to the timing of private-label contract manufacturing orders.

### Financial Information about Our Business Segments and Geographic Areas

Our operations are comprised of three reportable segments:

Private-label contract manufacturing, in which we primarily provide manufacturing services to companies that market and distribute nutritional supplements and other health care products.

Royalty, licensing, and raw material sales associated with the sale and license of beta-alanine under our CarnoSyn® trade name.

Branded products, in which we marketed and distributed branded nutritional supplements through direct-to-consumer marketing programs, and under which we developed, manufactured and marketed our own products and worked with a nationally recognized physician to develop brand name products that reflected his individual approach to restoring, maintaining or improving health. These products were sold through print media and the internet. We discontinued the sole product line sold under this segment and terminated the related license agreement effective as of September 15, 2014. All termination activities related to the product line were substantially completed by December 31, 2014. We did not change the financial presentation in this report to reflect the branded products segment as "Discontinued Operations" as the wind down of this product line did not meet the criteria for discontinued operations presentation as prescribed by applicable accounting regulations (ASC 205-20).

Our private-label contract manufacturing products are sold both in the U.S. and in markets outside the U.S., including Europe, Canada, Mexico, Australia, South Africa and Asia. The primary market outside the U.S. is Europe. Our patent and trademark licensing activities are primarily based in the U.S.

For additional financial information, including financial information about our business segment and geographic areas, please see the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 of this report.

Our activities in markets outside the U.S. are subject to political, economic and other risks in the countries in which our products are sold and in which we operate. For more information about these and other risks, please see Item 1A in this report.

### ITEM 1A.RISK FACTORS

You should carefully review and consider the risks described below, as well as the other information in this report and in other reports and documents we file with the SEC when evaluating our business and future prospects. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones we face. Additional risks and uncertainties, not presently known to us, or that we currently see as immaterial, may also occur. If any of the following risks or any additional risks and uncertainties actually occur or become material, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be seriously harmed. In that event, the market price of our common stock could decline and you could lose all or a portion of the value of your investment in our common stock. You should not draw any inference as to the magnitude of any particular risk from its position in the following discussion.

Because we derive a significant portion of our revenues from a limited number of customers, our revenues would be adversely affected by the loss of a major customer or a significant change in its business, personnel or the timing or amount of its orders.

We have in the past and expect to continue to derive a significant portion of our revenues from a relatively limited number of customers. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, sales to one customer, The Juice Plus+ Company, were approximately 43% of our total private-label contract manufacturing net sales. Our prior written supply agreement with The Juice Plus+ Company expired on April 1, 2014. We continue to develop, manufacture, produce and package certain nutritional products for The Juice Plus+ Company based on monthly purchase orders submitted to us by The Juice Plus+ Company. Our second largest customer was Mannatech, Incorporated, which accounted for approximately 16% of our private-label contract manufacturing net sales during fiscal 2015. Our third largest customer was CIT, which accounted for approximately 12% of our private-label contract manufacturing net sales during fiscal 2015. The loss of one of these customers or other major customers, a significant decrease in sales to these customers, or a significant change in their business or personnel, would materially affect our financial condition and results of operations. Furthermore, the timing of our customers' orders is impacted by, among others, their marketing programs, customer demand, supply chain management, entry into new markets and new product introductions, all of which are outside of our control. All of these attributes have had and will have a significant impact on our business.

Our future growth and stability depends, in part, on our ability to diversify our sales. Our efforts to establish new sales from existing customers and new customers could require significant initial investments, which may or may not result in higher sales and improved financial results.

Our business strategy depends in large part on our ability to develop new product sales from current and new customer relationships. These activities often require a significant up-front investment including, among others, customized formulations, regulatory compliance, product registrations, package design, product testing, pilot production runs, and the build-up of initial inventory. We may experience significant delays from the time we increase our operating expenses and make investments in inventory until the time we generate net sales from new products or customers, and

it is possible that we may never generate any revenue from new products or customers after incurring such expenditures. If we incur significant expenses and investments in inventory that we are not able to recover, and we are not able to compensate for those expenses, our operating results could be adversely affected.

We may incur, and have incurred, significant costs defending our intellectual property. We may also be unable to protect our intellectual property rights or may inadvertently infringe on the intellectual property rights of others.

We possess and may possess in the future certain proprietary technology, trade secrets, trademarks, trade names, licenses, patents and similar intellectual property. We may continue to incur significant patent and trademark litigation costs associated with defending this intellectual property. During fiscal 2015, we incurred approximately \$1.6 million in patent litigation and prosecution expense and expect litigation expenses during fiscal 2016 to be flat or slightly lower than fiscal 2015, in connection with our efforts to protect our proprietary rights and patent estate. These efforts are described in more detail under Item 3 of this report. There is no assurance we will be able to protect our intellectual property adequately or that our intellectual property rights will be upheld. If pending legal proceedings to invalidate our patent rights are successful, they could have a material adverse impact upon our financial condition and results of operations. Furthermore, the laws of certain foreign countries may not protect our intellectual property rights to the same extent as the laws of the U.S. Additional litigation in the U.S. or abroad may be necessary to enforce our intellectual property rights, to determine the validity and scope of the proprietary rights of others or to defend against claims of infringement. This litigation, even if successful, could result in substantial additional costs and diversion of resources and could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. If such infringement claims are asserted against us, we may seek to obtain a license under the third party's intellectual property rights. There can be no assurance, however, that a license would be available on terms acceptable or favorable to us, if at all.

Our operating results will vary. We have experienced a decline in net sales and incurred losses in past years and there is no guarantee that our sales will improve or that we will earn a profit in future years. Fluctuations in our operating results may adversely affect the share price of our common stock.

Our net sales increased during fiscal 2015 as compared to fiscal 2014 but there can be no assurance that our net sales will continue to improve in the near term, or that we will earn a profit in any given year. We have experienced net losses in the past and may incur losses in the future. Our operating results will fluctuate from year to year and/or from quarter to quarter due to various factors including differences related to the timing of revenues and expenses for financial reporting purposes and other factors described in this report. At times, these fluctuations may be significant. We anticipate generating positive net income in fiscal 2016, although there is no assurance we will be able to do so. Fluctuations in our operating results may adversely affect the share price of our common stock.

Our products and manufacturing activities are subject to extensive government regulation, which could limit or prevent the sale of our products in some markets and could increase our costs.

The manufacturing, packaging, labeling, advertising, promotion, distribution, and sale of our products are subject to regulation by numerous national and local governmental agencies in the U.S. and in other countries. For example, we are required to comply with certain GMP and incur costs associated with the audit and certification of our facilities. Failure to comply with governmental regulations may result in, among other things, injunctions, product withdrawals, recalls, product seizures, fines, and criminal prosecutions. Any action of this type by a governmental agency could materially adversely affect our ability to successfully market our products. In addition, if the governmental agency has reason to believe the law is being violated (for example, if it believes we do not possess adequate substantiation for product claims), it can initiate an enforcement action. Governmental agency enforcement could result in orders requiring, among other things, limits on advertising, consumer redress, divestiture of assets, rescission of contracts, and such other relief as may be deemed necessary. Violation of these orders could result in substantial financial or other penalties. Any action by the governmental agency could materially adversely affect our ability and our customers' ability to successfully market those products.

In markets outside the U.S., before commencing operations or marketing our products, we may be required to obtain approvals, licenses, or certifications from a country's ministry of health or comparable agency. Approvals or licensing may be conditioned on reformulation of products or may be unavailable with respect to certain products or product ingredients. We must also comply with product labeling and packaging regulations that vary from country to country. Furthermore, the regulations of these countries may conflict with those in the U.S. and with each other. The sale of our products in certain European countries is subject to the rules and regulations of the European Union, which may be interpreted differently among the countries within the European Union. The cost of complying with these various and potentially conflicting regulations can be substantial and can adversely affect our results of operations.

We cannot predict the nature of any future laws, regulations, interpretations, or applications, nor can we determine what effect additional governmental regulations, when and if adopted, would have on our business. They could include requirements for the reformulation of certain products to meet new standards, the recall or discontinuance of certain products, additional compliance costs or record keeping requirements, expanded or different labeling, and additional scientific substantiation. Any or all of these requirements could have a material adverse effect on our operations.

A significant or prolonged economic downturn, such as the one the global economy has recently experienced, could have, and recently has had, a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

Our results of operations are affected by the level of business activity of our customers and licensees, which in turn is affected by the level of consumer demand for their products. A significant or prolonged economic downturn may adversely affect the disposable income of many consumers and may lower demand for the products we produce for

our private-label contract manufacturing customers and products sold or manufactured by others using our licensed patent rights. During fiscal 2011, the decline in economic conditions in the U.S. and the various foreign markets in which our customers operate negatively impacted our customers' businesses and our operations. A renewed or further decline in consumer demand and the level of business activity of our customers due to economic conditions could have a material adverse effect on our revenues and profit margins.

The failure of our suppliers to supply quality materials in sufficient quantities, at a favorable price, and in a timely fashion could adversely affect the results of our operations.

We buy our raw materials from a limited number of suppliers. During fiscal 2015 and fiscal 2014, we did not have any suppliers that represented more than 10% of our raw material purchases. However, during fiscal 2011, approximately 20% of our total raw material purchases were from two suppliers. The loss of any of our major suppliers or of a supplier that provides any hard to obtain materials could adversely affect our business operations. Although we believe that we could establish alternate sources for most of our raw materials, any delay in locating and establishing relationships with other sources could result in product shortages, with a resulting loss of sales and customers. In certain situations we may be required to alter our products or to substitute different materials from alternative sources.

We rely solely on two suppliers to process certain raw materials that we use in the product line of our largest customer. The loss of or unexpected interruption in this service would materially adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.

A shortage of raw materials or an unexpected interruption of supply could also result in higher prices for those materials. Since fiscal 2009, we have experienced increases in various raw material costs, transportation costs and the cost of petroleum based raw materials and packaging supplies used in our business. Increasing raw material and product cost pricing pressures have continued throughout fiscal 2015 as a result of limited supplies of various ingredients and the effects of higher labor and transportation costs. We expect these pressures to continue through fiscal 2016. Although we may be able to raise our prices in response to significant increases in the cost of raw materials, we may not be able to raise prices sufficiently or quickly enough to offset the negative effects of the cost increases on our results of operations or financial condition.

There can be no assurance that suppliers will provide the quality raw materials needed by us in the quantities requested or at a price we are willing to pay. Because we do not control the actual production of these raw materials, we are also subject to delays caused by interruption in production of materials based on conditions outside of our control, including weather, transportation interruptions, strikes, natural disasters, or other catastrophic events.

In addition, our efforts to commercialize our patent estate and the revenues we receive from related supply agreements, are substantially dependent on the availability of the raw material beta-alanine and sales of such raw material or products incorporating such raw material. The availability of beta-alanine, and thus sales of such raw material and products using such material, would be negatively impacted by any shortages, interruptions and similar risks described above, which could in turn adversely affect the amount of revenue and product margin we earn from the sale of beta-alanine. In early March 2011, the factory that produces the major supply of beta-alanine sold under our CarnoSyn® trade name was damaged as a result of the massive earthquake off the coast of Sendai, Japan resulting in a significant beta-alanine supply interruption. As a result, our fiscal 2011 fourth quarter beta-alanine licensing revenue declined 85% from the preceding quarter ended March 31, 2011. While this Japanese factory resumed operations in June 2011 and is producing beta-alanine at historical levels, there is no assurance this or any other facility will not incur future production interruptions as a result of additional environmental or other causes outside our control.

Our industry is highly competitive and we may be unable to compete effectively. Increased competition could adversely affect our financial condition.

The market for our products, and those of our customers, is highly competitive. Many of our competitors are substantially larger and have greater financial resources and broader name recognition than we do. Our larger competitors may be able to devote greater resources to research and development, marketing and other activities that could provide them with a competitive advantage. Our market has relatively low entry barriers and is highly sensitive to the introduction of new products that may rapidly capture a significant market share. Increased competition could result in price reductions, reduced gross profit margins or loss of market share, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations. There can be no assurance that we will be able to compete in this intensely competitive environment.

We could be exposed to product liability claims or other litigation, which may be costly and could materially adversely affect our operations.

We could face financial liability due to product liability claims if the use of our products results in significant loss or injury. Additionally, the manufacture and sale of our products involves the risk of injury to consumers from tampering by unauthorized third parties or product contamination. We could be exposed to future product liability claims that, among others: our products contain contaminants; we provide consumers with inadequate instructions about product use; or we provide inadequate warning about side effects or interactions of our products with other substances. Even if

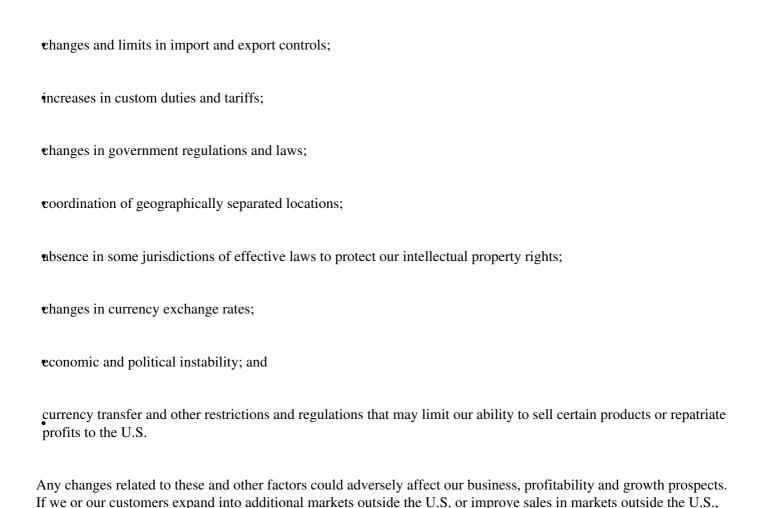
we were to prevail in any such claims, the cost of litigation and settlement could be significant.

We maintain product liability insurance coverage, including primary product liability and excess liability coverage. The cost of this coverage has increased dramatically in recent years, while the availability of adequate insurance coverage has decreased. While we expect to be able to continue our product liability insurance, there can be no assurance we will in fact be able to continue such insurance coverage, our insurance will be adequate to cover any liability we may incur, or our insurance will continue to be available at an economically reasonable cost.

Additionally, it is possible that one or more of our insurers could exclude from our coverage certain ingredients used in our products. In such event, we may have to stop using those ingredients or rely on indemnification or similar arrangements with our customers who wish to continue to include those ingredients in their products. A substantial increase in our product liability risk or the loss of customers or product lines could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

If we or our private-label contract manufacturing customers expand into additional markets outside the U.S. or our or their sales in markets outside the U.S. increase, our business would become increasingly subject to political, economic, regulatory and other risks in those markets, which could adversely affect our business.

Our future growth may depend, in part, on our ability and the ability of our private-label contract manufacturing customers to expand into additional markets outside the U.S. or to improve sales in markets outside the U.S. There can be no assurance that we or our customers will be able to expand in existing markets outside the U.S. or enter new markets on a timely basis, or that new markets outside the U.S. will be profitable. There are significant regulatory and legal barriers in markets outside the U.S. that must be overcome to operate in such markets. We will be subject to the burden of complying with a wide variety of national and local laws, including multiple and possibly overlapping and conflicting laws. We also may experience difficulties adapting to new cultures, business customs and legal systems. Our sales and operations outside the U.S. are subject to political, economic and social uncertainties including, among others:



these and other risks associated with operations outside the U.S. are likely to increase.

Our business is subject to the effects of adverse publicity, which could negatively affect our sales and revenues.

Our business can be affected by adverse publicity or negative public perception about our industry, our competitors, our customers, or our business generally. This adverse publicity may include publicity about the nutritional supplements industry generally, the efficacy, safety and quality of nutritional supplements and other health care products or ingredients in general or our products or ingredients specifically, and regulatory investigations, regardless of whether these investigations involve us or the business practices or products of our competitors, or our customers. Any adverse publicity or negative public perception will likely have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Our business, financial condition and results of operations also could be adversely affected if any of our products or any similar products distributed by other companies are alleged to be or are proved to be harmful to consumers or to have unanticipated health consequences.

### We may not be able to raise additional capital or obtain additional financing if needed.

Our cash from operations may not be sufficient to meet our working capital needs and/or to implement our business strategies. Additionally, there can be no assurance that our existing line of credit will be sufficient to meet our working capital needs. Furthermore, if we fail to maintain certain loan covenants we may no longer have access to the credit line. Our credit line terminates in November 2016 and there is no guarantee that we will be able to extend or renew this credit line on favorable terms or at all.

We may consider issuing additional debt or equity securities in the future to fund potential acquisitions or investments, to refinance existing debt, or for general corporate purposes. If we issue equity or convertible debt securities to raise additional funds, our existing stockholders may experience dilution, and the new equity or debt securities may have rights, preferences and privileges senior to those of our existing stockholders. If we incur additional debt, it may increase our leverage relative to our earnings or to our equity capitalization, requiring us to pay additional interest expenses and potentially lower our credit ratings. We may not be able to market such issuances on favorable terms, or at all, in which case, we may not be able to develop or enhance our products, execute our business plan, take advantage of future opportunities, or respond to competitive pressures or unanticipated customer requirements.

At any given time it may be difficult for us to raise capital due to a variety of factors, some of which may be outside a our control, including a tightening of credit markets, overall poor performance of stock markets, and/or an economic slowdown in the U.S. or other countries. Thus, there is no assurance we would be able to raise additional capital if needed. To the extent we do raise additional capital the ownership position of existing stockholders would be diluted. Similarly, there can be no assurance that additional financing will be available if needed or that it will be available on favorable terms. Under the terms of our credit facility, there are limits on our ability to create, incur or assume additional indebtedness without the approval of our lender.

Our inability to raise additional capital or to obtain additional financing if needed could negatively affect our ability to implement our business strategies and meet our goals. This, in turn, could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

If we are unable to attract and retain qualified management personnel, our business will suffer.

Our executive officers and other management personnel are primarily responsible for our day-to-day operations. We believe our success depends largely on our ability to attract, maintain and motivate highly qualified management personnel. Competition for qualified individuals can be intense, and we may not be able to hire additional qualified personnel in a timely manner or on terms that would not substantially increase our costs. Our inability to retain a skilled professional management team could adversely affect our ability to successfully execute our business strategies and achieve our goals.

### Our manufacturing and third party fulfillment activities are subject to certain risks.

We manufacture the vast majority of our products at our manufacturing facility in California. As a result, we are dependent on the uninterrupted and efficient operation of this facility. Our manufacturing operations are subject to power failures, blackouts, the breakdown, failure or substandard performance of our leased facilities, our equipment, the improper installation or operation of equipment, natural or other disasters, and the need to comply with the requirements or directives of governmental agencies, including the FDA. In addition, we may in the future determine to expand or relocate our facilities, which may result in slowdowns or delays in our operations. While we have implemented and are evaluating various emergency, contingency and disaster recovery plans and maintain business interruption insurance, there can be no assurance that the occurrence of these or any other operational problems at our facilities in California or at NAIE's facility in Switzerland would not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Furthermore, there can be no assurance our contingency plans will prove to be adequate or successful if needed or our insurance will continue to be available at a reasonable cost or, if available, will be adequate to cover any losses that we may incur from an interruption in our manufacturing and distribution operations.

We outsource our beta-alanine fulfillment and distribution activities. The operation of the third party service provider's facilities is subject to the interruption and similar risks described above for our facilities and there can be no assurance that these interruptions or any other operational problem at such third party's facilities would not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We may, in the future, pursue acquisitions of other companies that, if not successful, could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In the future, we may pursue acquisitions of companies that we believe could complement or expand our business, augment our market coverage, provide us with important relationships or otherwise offer us growth opportunities. Acquisitions involve numerous risks, including the following:

potential difficulties related to integrating the products, personnel and operations of the acquired company;

failure to operate as a combined organization utilizing common information and communication systems, operating procedures, financial controls and human resources practices;

• diverting management's attention from the normal daily operations of the business;

entering markets in which we have no	or limited prior direct experience and	I where competitors in such markets have
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potential loss of key employees of the acquired company;

potential inability to achieve cost savings and other potential benefits expected from the acquisition;

an uncertain sales and earnings stream from the acquired company; and

potential impairment charges, which may be significant, against goodwill and purchased intangible assets acquired in the acquisition due to changes in conditions and circumstances that occur after the acquisition, many of which may be outside of our control.

There can be no assurance that acquisitions that we may pursue will be successful. If we pursue an acquisition but are not successful in completing it, or if we complete an acquisition but are not successful in integrating the acquired company's employees, products or operations successfully, our business, financial position or results of operations could be adversely affected.

Collectively, our officers and directors own a significant amount of our common stock, giving them influence over corporate transactions and other matters and potentially limiting the influence of other stockholders on important policy and management issues.

Our officers and directors, together with their families and affiliates, beneficially owned approximately 21% of our outstanding shares of common stock as of June 30, 2015, including approximately 17% of our outstanding shares of common stock beneficially owned by Mark LeDoux, our Chief Executive Officer and the Chairman of the Board, and his family and affiliates. As a result, our officers and directors, and in particular Mr. LeDoux, could influence such business matters as the election of directors and approval of significant corporate transactions.

Various transactions could be delayed, deferred or prevented without the approval of stockholders, including the following:
transactions resulting in a change in control;
mergers and acquisitions;
tender offers;
election of directors; and
proxy contests.
There can be no assurance that conflicts of interest will not arise with respect to the officers and directors who own shares of our common stock or that conflicts will be resolved in a manner favorable to us or our other stockholders.
Business interruptions could limit our ability to operate our business.
Our operations, including those of our suppliers, are vulnerable to damage or interruption from computer viruses, human error, natural disasters, telecommunications failures, intentional acts of vandalism, and similar events. While we have established a formal disaster recovery plan, our back-up operations and our business interruption insurance may not be adequate to compensate us for losses that occur. A significant business interruption could result in losses or damages incurred by us and require us to cease or curtail our operations.
If certain provisions of our Certificate of Incorporation, Bylaws and Delaware law are triggered, the future price investors might be willing to pay for our common stock could be limited.

Certain provisions in our Certificate of Incorporation, Bylaws and Delaware corporate law may discourage unsolicited proposals to acquire our business, even if the proposal would benefit our stockholders. Those provisions include one that authorizes our Board of Directors, without stockholder approval, to issue up to 500,000 shares of preferred stock having such rights, preferences, and privileges, including voting rights, as the Board of Directors designates. The rights of our common stockholders will be subject to, and may be adversely affected by, the rights of holders of any preferred stock that may be issued in the future. Any or all of these provisions could delay, deter or prevent a takeover

of our company and could limit the price investors are willing to pay for our common stock.

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Stock prices in general have been historically volatile and ours is no different. The trading price of our stock may fluctuate in response to the following, as well as other, factors:

broad market fluctuations and general economic and/or political conditions;

fluctuations in our financial results;

relatively low trading volumes;

future offerings of our common stock or other securities;

the general condition of the nutritional supplement product industry;

increased competition;

regulatory action;

adverse publicity;

manipulative or illegal trading practices by third parties; and

product and other public announcements.

The stock market has historically experienced significant price and volume fluctuations. There can be no assurance that an active market in our stock will continue to exist or that the price of our common stock will not decline. Our future operating results may be below the expectations of securities analysts and investors. If this were to occur, the price of our common stock would likely decline, perhaps substantially.

From time to time our shares may be listed for trading on one or more foreign exchanges, with or without our prior knowledge or consent. Certain foreign exchanges may have less stringent listing requirements, rules and enforcement procedures than the Nasdaq Global Market or other markets in the U.S., which may increase the potential for manipulative trading practices to occur. These practices, or the perception by investors that such practices could occur, may increase the volatility of our stock price or result in a decline in our stock price, which in some cases could be significant.

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

This table summarizes our facilities as of June 30, 2015. We believe our facilities are adequate to meet our operating requirements for the foreseeable future.

Location	Nature of Use	Square Feet	How Held	Lease Expiration Date
San Marcos, CA USA	NAI corporate headquarters	29,500	Owned	N/A
Vista, CA USA <sup>(1),(3)</sup>	Manufacturing, warehousing, packaging and distribution	162,000	Leased	March 2024
Manno, Switzerland <sup>(2)</sup>	Manufacturing, warehousing, packaging and distribution	87,763	Leased	June 2019

- (1) This facility is used by NAI primarily for its private-label contract manufacturing segment.
- (2) This facility is used by NAIE, our wholly owned Swiss subsidiary, in connection with our private-label contract manufacturing segment.
- (3) We use approximately 93,000 square feet for production, 60,000 square feet for warehousing and 9,000 square feet for administrative functions.

#### ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

From time to time, we become involved in various investigations, claims and legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of our business. These matters may relate to intellectual property, product liability, employment, tax, regulation, contract or other matters. The resolution of these matters as they arise will be subject to various uncertainties and, even if such claims are without merit, could result in the expenditure of significant financial and managerial resources. While unfavorable outcomes are possible, based on available information, we generally do not believe the resolution of these matters will result in a material adverse effect on our business, consolidated financial condition, or results of operations. However, a settlement payment or unfavorable outcome could adversely impact our results of operations. Our evaluation of the likely impact of these actions could change in the future and we could have unfavorable outcomes we do not expect.

As of September 18, 2015, except as described below, neither NAI nor its subsidiary were a party to any material pending legal proceeding nor was any of our property the subject of any material pending legal proceeding.

On December 21, 2011, NAI filed a lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division, alleging infringement by Woodbolt Distribution, LLC, also known as Cellucor (Woodbolt), Vitaquest International, Inc., d/b/a Garden State Nutritionals (Garden State) and F.H.G. Corporation, d/b/a Integrity Nutraceuticals (Integrity), of NAI's '381 patent. The complaint alleges that Woodbolt sells nutritional supplements, including supplements containing beta-alanine such as C4 Extreme<sup>TM</sup>, M5 Extreme<sup>TM</sup>, and N-Zero Extreme<sup>TM</sup>, that infringe '381 patent. Woodbolt, in turn, filed a complaint seeking a declaratory judgment of non-infringement and invalidity of the '381 patent in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware. On February 17, 2012, Woodbolt filed a First Amended Complaint, realleging its original claims against the Company and asserting new claims of violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act (15 U.S.C. § 2) and Unfair Competition. The Company reasserted the arguments in its prior motion to dismiss and moved to dismiss the new claims asserted by Woodbolt. On January 23, 2013, the Delaware Court granted the Company's motion to dismiss Woodbolt's case. On June 5, 2012, the Court in the above-referenced Texas case consolidated the pending suit with a second patent infringement case filed against Woodbolt by the Company on May 3, 2012, asserting infringement of its '422 patent. On November 9, 2012, NAI filed a supplemental complaint adding allegations of infringement of Woodbolt's Cellucor Cor −Performance ®-BCAA™ and Cellucor Cor -Performance<sup>TM</sup> Creatine products. On June 14, 2013, NAI filed a third patent infringement lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division, against Woodbolt, BodyBuilding.com and GNC Corporation alleging infringement of the '381 and '422 patents by Woodbolt's Neon Sport Volt<sup>TM</sup> product. Woodbolt asserted the same defenses and counterclaims as set forth in the earlier lawsuits. On June 24, 2013, the Court consolidated the case with the earlier-filed lawsuits identified above. On June 25, 2013, Woodbolt filed a lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division, against a newly-issued NAI U.S. patent no. 8,470,865, asserting declaratory judgment claims of non-infringement, invalidity and unenforceability. On July 1, 2013, Woodbolt's lawsuit was consolidated with the three pending lawsuits filed by NAI. On July 24, 2013, NAI filed its Answer and Amended Counterclaims against Woodbolt alleging infringement of the '865 patent by the products accused in the pending cases previously filed by NAI. On August 14, 2013, Woodbolt filed a counterclaim to NAI's counterclaim asserting violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act (15 U.S.C. § 2) and Unfair Competition. On September 4, 2013, NAI moved to have Woodbolt's counterclaims dismissed from the case. All of the consolidated cases remain pending. Separately, Woodbolt also requested interpartes re-examination of the '381 and '422 patents by the USPTO. On July 26, 2012, the USPTO accepted the request to re-exam the '381 patent. On August 17, 2012, the USPTO accepted the request to re-exam the '422 patent. On December 6, 2013, the USPTO rejected the claims of the '381 patent and issued a right of appeal notice. On January 6, 2014, NAI filed its notice of appeal. On January 13, 2015, the USPTO issued a notification of appeal hearing in the '381 reexamination, which took place on April 15, 2015, before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) at the USPTO. On July 17, 2015, the PTAB issued its decision affirming the USPTO's prior rejection of the '381 patent claims. On August 13, 2015, the Company filed a Request for Rehearing regarding the PTAB's decision. The request is currently pending. On August 8, 2014, the USPTO rejected the claims of the '422 patent and issued a right of appeal notice. On September 8, 2014, NAI filed its notice of appeal. The parties have filed briefs with the USPTO and the '422 reexamination is pending.

Although we believe the above litigation matters are supported by valid claims, there is no assurance NAI will prevail in these litigation matters or in similar proceedings it may initiate or that litigation expenses will be as anticipated

#### ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

#### **PART II**

## ITEM MARKET FOR OUR COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

#### **Market Information**

Our common stock trades on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol "NAII." Below are the high and low sales prices of our common stock as reported on the Nasdaq Global Market for each quarter of the fiscal years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014:

	Fiscal 2015		Fiscal 2014		
	High	Low	High	Low	
First Quarter	\$6.70	\$4.95	\$5.90	\$4.37	
Second Quarter	\$6.63	\$5.00	\$6.35	\$4.42	
Third Quarter	\$5.72	\$5.02	\$5.93	\$4.90	
Fourth Quarter	\$5.88	\$5.31	\$5.98	\$5.01	

#### Holders

As of September 16, 2015, there were approximately 236 stockholders of record of our common stock. On that same date, the last sales price of our common stock as reported on Nasdaq was \$5.91 per share.

#### **Dividends**

We have never paid a dividend on our common stock and we do not intend to pay a dividend in the foreseeable future. Our current policy is to retain all earnings to provide funds for operations and future growth. Additionally, under the terms of our credit facility, we are precluded from paying a dividend while such facility is in place.

## **Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities**

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, we did not sell or otherwise issue any unregistered securities.

#### Repurchases

During the quarter ended June 30, 2015, we repurchased 184,582 shares of our common stock at a total cost of \$1.0 million (including commissions and transaction fees) as set forth below:

				(d)
Period	(a) Total Number of Shares Purchased	(b) Average Price Paid per Share	(c) Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs <sup>1</sup>	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares that May  Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (as of June
April 1, 2015 to April 30, 2015 May 1, 2015 to May 31, 2015 June 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015 Total	55,592 72,123 56,867 184,582	\$ 5.55 \$ 5.72 \$ 5.72	55,592 72,123 56,867 184,582	\$1,518,000 \$1,518,000

<sup>1.</sup> On June 3, 2011, we announced a plan to repurchase up to \$2 million in shares of our common stock.

#### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

<sup>2.</sup> On February 6, 2015, the Board of Directors authorized a \$1 million increase to our stock repurchase plan bringing the total authorized repurchase amount to \$3 million.

<sup>3.</sup> On May 11, 2015, the Board of Directors authorized a \$2 million increase to our stock repurchase plan bringing the total authorized repurchase amount to \$5 million.

The following table sets forth information regarding outstanding options and shares reserved for future issuance under our existing equity compensation plans as of June 30, 2015:

Plan Category	Number of Shares to be Issued Upon Exercise of Outstanding Options, Warrants, and Rights		Number of Shares of gOutstanding Restricted Stock	Weighted-Aver Exercise Price of Outstanding Restricted Stock	Number of Shares Remaining Available for Future age Essuance Under Equity Compensation Plans (Excluding Shares Reflected in Column (a) and (c)) (e)
Equity compensation plans approved by stockholders	185,000	\$ 6.74	204,134	N/A	541,241
Equity compensation plans not approved by stockholders	IN/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total	185,000	\$ 6.74	204,134	N/A	541,241

## ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

As a smaller reporting company, we are not required to provide Item 6 disclosure in this Annual Report.

# $_{\mbox{\scriptsize ITEM}}$ 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATION

The following discussion and analysis is intended to help you understand our financial condition and results of operations as of June 30, 2015 and 2014 and for each of the last two fiscal years then ended. You should read the following discussion and analysis together with our audited consolidated financial statements and the notes to the consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 in this report. Our future financial condition and results of operations will vary from our historical financial condition and results of operations described below based on a variety of factors. You should carefully review the risks described under Item 1A and elsewhere in this report, which identify certain important factors that could cause our future financial condition and results of operations to vary.

#### **Executive Overview**

The following overview does not address all of the matters covered in the other sections of this Item 7 or other items in this report or contain all of the information that may be important to our stockholders or the investing public. You should read this overview in conjunction with the other sections of this Item 7, the financial statements and accompanying notes, and this report.

Our primary business activity is providing private label contract manufacturing services to companies that market and distribute vitamins, minerals, herbs and other nutritional supplements, as well as other health care products, to consumers both within and outside the U.S. Historically, our revenue has been largely dependent on sales to one or two private label contract manufacturing customers and subject to variations in the timing of such customers' orders, which in turn is impacted by such customers' internal marketing programs, supply chain management, entry into new markets, new product introductions, the demand for such customers' products, and general industry and economic conditions. Our revenue also includes royalty, licensing revenue, and raw material sales generated from our patent estate pursuant to license and supply agreements with third parties for the distribution and use of the ingredient known as beta-alanine sold under our CarnoSyn® trade name.

A cornerstone of our business strategy is to achieve long-term growth and profitability and to diversify our sales base. We have sought and expect to continue to seek to diversify our sales by developing relationships with additional, quality-oriented, private label contract manufacturing customers, and commercializing our patent estate through sales of beta-alanine under our Carnosyn® trade name, contract manufacturing and license agreements. As part of this strategy, and in an effort to enhance shareholder value, we elected not to renew our Carnosyn® license and distribution agreement with CSI which expired March 31, 2015. Effective April 1, 2015, we began directly selling beta-alanine, and licensing the related patent and trademark rights, in order to take advantage of strategic opportunities, including possible additional contract manufacturing services, and to increase our top-line revenue and profit profile.

We have historically developed, manufactured and marketed our own branded products under the Pathway to Healing® product line, which was aimed at restoring, maintaining and improving the health of the users. However, due to the steady decline in sales of this product line over the prior several years, we decided to discontinue the product line. All termination activities related to the Pathway to Healing® product line were substantially complete by December 31, 2014. We did not change the financial presentation in this report to reflect the branded products segment as "Discontinued Operations" as the wind down of this product line did not meet the criteria for discontinued operations presentation as prescribed by applicable accounting regulations (ASC 205-20).

During fiscal 2015, our net sales were 7.5% higher than in fiscal 2014. Private-label contract manufacturing sales increased 3.5% due primarily to the sale of higher volumes of existing products to existing customers and new product sales to new customers. Revenue concentration to our two largest private-label contract manufacturing customers as a percentage of our total private-label contract manufacturing sales increased to 59% in fiscal 2015 from 55% for fiscal 2014. We expect our contract manufacturing revenue concentration percentage for our two largest customers to decrease during fiscal 2016 with the anticipated addition of new customer sales and increased sales to other existing customers.

During fiscal 2015, CarnoSyn® beta-alanine royalty and licensing revenue increased 67.9% to \$9.1 million as compared to \$5.4 million for fiscal 2014. The increase in beta-alanine revenue was primarily due to the increase in raw material sales as a result of taking over the direct sale and distribution of beta-alanine raw materials effective April 1, 2015. We had raw material sales of beta-alanine totaling \$4.4 million for fiscal 2015 and zero raw material sales during fiscal 2014.

During fiscal 2015, two new U.S. beta-alanine patents were issued to NAI. This new intellectual property related to a broad range of beta-alanine method and composition claims which covered sustained release formulations for beta-alanine. As of June 30, 2015, NAI possessed twenty-six beta-alanine patents and eight sustained release beta-alanine patents.

To protect our CarnoSyn® business and its underlying patent estate, we incurred litigation and patent compliance expenses of approximately \$1.6 million during fiscal 2015 and \$2.2 million during fiscal 2014. We describe our efforts to protect our patent estate in more detail under Item 1 of Part II of this report. Our ability to maintain or further increase our beta-alanine royalty and licensing revenue will depend in large part on our ability to maintain our patent rights, the availability of the raw material beta-alanine when and in the amounts needed, the ability to expand distribution of beta-alanine to new and existing customers, and the continued compliance by third parties with our patent and trademark rights.

Net sales from our branded products declined 39.8% in fiscal 2015 as compared to fiscal 2014 due to our product line discontinuation efforts described above.

During fiscal 2016, we plan to continue our focus on:

Leveraging our state-of-the-art, certified facilities to increase the value of the goods and services we provide to our highly valued private-label contract manufacturing customers, and assist us in developing relationships with additional quality oriented customers;

Expanding the commercialization of our beta-alanine patent estate through raw material sales, new contract manufacturing opportunities, license agreements and protecting our proprietary rights;

Improving operational efficiencies and managing costs and business risks to improve profitability.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Our consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 in this report have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Our significant accounting policies are described in the notes to our consolidated financial statements. The preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP requires that we make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in our financial statements and their accompanying notes. We have identified certain policies that we believe are important to the portrayal of our financial condition and results of operations. These policies require the application of significant judgment by our management. We base our estimates on our historical experience, industry standards, and various other assumptions that we believe are reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could differ from these estimates. An adverse effect on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, and results of operations could occur if circumstances change that alter the various assumptions or conditions used in such estimates or assumptions. Our critical accounting policies include those listed below.

#### Revenue Recognition

To recognize revenue, four basic criteria must be met: 1) there is evidence that an arrangement exists; 2) delivery has occurred; 3) the fee is fixed or determinable; and 4) collectability is reasonably assured. Revenue from sales transactions where the buyer has the right to return the product is recognized at the time of sale only if (a) the seller's price to the buyer is substantially fixed or determinable at the date of sale; (b) the buyer has paid the seller, or the buyer is obligated to pay the seller and the obligation is not contingent on resale of the product; (c) the buyer's

obligation to the seller would not be changed in the event of theft or physical destruction or damage of the product; (d) the buyer acquiring the product for resale has economic substance apart from that provided by the seller; (e) the seller does not have significant obligations for future performance to directly bring about resale of the product by the buyer; and (f) the amount of future returns can be reasonably estimated. We recognize revenue upon determination that all criteria for revenue recognition have been met. The criteria are usually met at the time title passes to the customer, which usually occurs upon shipment. Revenue from shipments where title passes upon delivery is deferred until the shipment has been delivered.

We record reductions to gross revenue for estimated returns of private label contract manufacturing products and branded products. The estimated returns are based on the trailing six months of private label contract manufacturing gross sales and our historical experience for both private label contract manufacturing and branded product returns. However, the estimate for product returns does not reflect the impact of a potential large product recall resulting from product nonconformance or other factors as such events are not predictable nor is the related economic impact estimable.

We followed the provisions of ASU No. 2009-13 for all multiple element agreements. Under this guidance, the delivered item(s) has value to the customer on a standalone basis and, if the arrangement includes a general right of return relative to the delivered item, delivery or performance of the undelivered item(s) is considered probable and substantially in our control.

A delivered item is considered a separate unit of accounting when the delivered item has value to the partner on a standalone basis based on the consideration of the relevant facts and circumstances for each arrangement. Arrangement consideration is allocated at the inception of the agreement to all identified units of accounting based on their relative selling price. The relative selling price for each deliverable is determined using vendor specific objective evidence, or VSOE, of selling price or third-party evidence of selling price if VSOE does not exist. If neither VSOE nor third-party evidence of selling price exists, we use our best estimate of the selling price for the deliverable. The amount of allocable arrangement consideration is limited to amounts that are fixed or determinable. The consideration received is allocated among the separate units of accounting, and the applicable revenue recognition criteria are applied to each of the separate units. Changes in the allocation of the sales price between delivered and undelivered elements can impact revenue recognition but do not change the total revenue recognized under any agreement. If facts and circumstances dictate that a deliverable has standalone value from the undelivered items, the deliverable is identified as a separate unit of accounting and the amounts allocated to the deliverable are recognized upon the delivery of the deliverable, assuming the other revenue recognition criteria have been met. However, if the amounts allocated to the deliverable through the relative selling price allocation exceed the upfront fee, the amount recognized upon the delivery of the deliverable is limited to the upfront fee received. If facts and circumstances dictate that the deliverable does not have standalone value, the transaction price, including any upfront fee payments received, are allocated to the identified separate units of accounting and recognized as those items are delivered and accepted.

In addition, we enter into arrangements that provide for milestone payments upon contractually stated events. Under the milestone method, we recognize consideration that is contingent upon the achievement of a milestone in its entirety as revenue in the period in which the milestone is achieved only if the milestone is substantive in its entirety. A milestone is considered substantive when it meets all of the following three criteria: 1) The consideration is commensurate with either the entity's performance to achieve the milestone or the enhancement of the value of the delivered item(s) as a result of a specific outcome resulting from the entity's performance to achieve the milestone, 2) The consideration relates solely to past performance, and 3) The consideration is reasonable relative to all of the deliverables and payment terms within the arrangement. A milestone is defined as an event (i) that can only be achieved based in whole or in part on either our performance or on the occurrence of a specific outcome resulting from our performance, (ii) for which there is substantive uncertainty at the date the arrangement is entered into that the event will be achieved and (iii) that would result in additional payments being due to us.

We currently own certain U.S. patents, and each patent's corresponding foreign patent applications. All of these patents and patent rights relate to the ingredient known as beta-alanine marketed and sold under the CarnoSyn® trade name. Since March 2009, we have had an agreement with Compound Solutions, Inc. (CSI) to grant a license to manufacture, offer for sale and/or sell products incorporating, using or made in accordance with our patent rights to customers of CSI who purchase beta-alanine under the CarnoSyn® trade name from CSI. The most recent agreement additionally granted such a license to CSI. We received a fee from CSI that varied based on the quantity and source of beta-alanine sold by CSI. Our most recent agreement with CSI expired on March 31, 2015. We elected not to renew our agreement with CSI and, effective April 1, 2015, we began directly selling beta-alanine, and licensing the related patent and trademark rights, in order to take advantage of strategic opportunities, including opportunities to provide additional contract manufacturing services, and to increase our top-line revenue and profit profile.

We recorded beta-alanine raw material sales and royalty and licensing income as a component of revenue in the amount of \$9.1 million during fiscal 2015 and \$5.4 million during fiscal 2014. These royalty income and raw material sale amounts resulted in royalty expense paid to the original patent holders from whom NAI acquired its patents and patent rights. We recognized royalty expense as a component of cost of goods sold in the amount of \$806,000 during fiscal 2015 and \$722,000 during fiscal 2014.

#### Inventory Reserve

We operate primarily as a private-label contract manufacturer and build products based upon anticipated demand or following receipt of customer specific purchase orders. From time to time, we build inventory for private-label contract manufacturing customers under a specific purchase order with delivery dates that may subsequently be rescheduled or canceled at the customer's request. We value inventory at the lower of cost or market on an item-by-item basis and establish reserves equal to all or a portion of the related inventory to reflect situations in which the cost of the inventory is not expected to be recovered. This requires us to make estimates regarding the market value of our inventory, including an assessment for excess and obsolete inventory. Once we establish an inventory reserve amount in a fiscal period, the reduced inventory value is maintained until the inventory is sold or otherwise disposed. In evaluating whether inventory is stated at the lower of cost or market, management considers such factors

as the amount of inventory on hand, the estimated time required to sell such inventory, the remaining shelf life and efficacy, the foreseeable demand within a specified time horizon and current and expected market conditions. Based on this evaluation, we record adjustments to cost of goods sold to adjust inventory to its net realizable value. These adjustments are estimates, which could vary significantly, either favorably or unfavorably, from actual requirements if future economic conditions, customer demand or other factors differ from expectations.

Accounting for Income Taxes

We account for uncertain tax positions using the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold. Our practice is to recognize interest and/or penalties related to income tax matters in income tax expense. As of June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, we had not recorded any tax liabilities for uncertain tax positions.

We estimate income taxes in each of the jurisdictions in which we operate. This process involves estimating our actual current tax exposure, together with assessing temporary differences resulting from differing treatment of items, such as property and equipment depreciation, for tax and financial reporting purposes. Actual income taxes could vary from these estimates due to future changes in income tax law or results from final tax examination reviews.

We record valuation allowances to reduce our deferred tax assets to an amount that we believe is more likely than not to be realized. We consider estimated future taxable income and ongoing prudent and feasible tax planning strategies in assessing the need for a valuation allowance. If we determine that it is more likely than not that we will not realize all or part of our deferred tax assets in the future, we will record an adjustment to the carrying value of the deferred tax asset, which would be reflected as income tax expense. Conversely, if we determine we will realize a deferred tax asset, which currently has a valuation allowance, we will reverse the valuation allowance, which would be reflected as an income tax benefit.

In assessing the realizability of deferred tax assets, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which those temporary differences become deductible. We will continue to assess the need for a valuation allowance on the deferred tax assets by evaluating both positive and negative evidence that may exist. Any adjustment to the net deferred tax asset valuation allowance would be recorded in the income statement for the period that the adjustment is determined to be required. During fiscal 2014, as a result of changes in California apportionment rules and the state nexus study which was completed during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of fiscal 2014, we determined that \$193,000 of the deferred tax asset for California net operating losses was not more likely than not to be realized. As a result, we have established a valuation allowance on our net deferred tax assets for this amount. We did not record any adjustment to the deferred tax asset valuation allowance during fiscal 2015.

We have not recorded U.S. income tax expense for NAIE's retained earnings that we have declared as indefinitely reinvested offshore, thus reducing our overall income tax expense. The earnings designated as indefinitely reinvested in NAIE are based on the actual deployment of such earnings in NAIE's assets and our expectations of the future cash needs of NAIE and NAI. Income tax laws also are a factor in determining the amount of foreign earnings to be indefinitely reinvested offshore.

We carefully review several factors that influence the ultimate disposition of NAIE's retained earnings declared as reinvested offshore, and apply stringent standards to overcome the presumption of repatriation. Despite this approach, because the determination involves our future plans and expectations of future events, the possibility exists that amounts declared as indefinitely reinvested offshore may ultimately be repatriated. For instance, NAI's actual cash needs may exceed our current expectations or NAIE's actual cash needs may be less than our current expectations. Additionally, changes may occur in tax laws and/or accounting standards that could change our determination of the status of NAIE's retained earnings. This would result in additional income tax expense in the fiscal year in which we determine that amounts are no longer indefinitely reinvested offshore.

On an interim basis, we estimate what our effective tax rate will be for the full fiscal year and record a quarterly income tax provision in accordance with the anticipated annual rate. As the fiscal year progresses, we refine our estimate based upon actual events and earnings by jurisdiction during the year. This continual estimation process periodically results in a change to our expected effective tax rate for the fiscal year. When this occurs, we adjust the income tax provision during the quarter in which the change in estimate occurs so that the year-to-date provision equals the expected annual rate.

Derivative Financial Instruments

We may use derivative financial instruments in the management of our foreign currency exchange risk inherent in our forecasted transactions denominated in Euros. We may hedge our foreign currency exposures by entering into

offsetting forward exchange contracts and currency options. To the extent we use derivative financial instruments, we account for them using the deferral method, when such instruments are intended to hedge identifiable, firm foreign currency commitments or anticipated transactions and are designated as, and effective as, hedges. Foreign exchange exposures arising from certain transactions that do not meet the criteria for the deferral method are marked-to-market.

We recognize any unrealized gains and losses associated with derivative instruments in income in the period in which the underlying hedged transaction is realized. In the event the derivative instrument is deemed ineffective we would recognize the resulting gain or loss in income at that time. As of June 30, 2015, we held derivative contracts designated as cash flow hedges primarily to protect against the foreign exchange risks inherent in our forecasted sales of products at prices denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar. As of June 30, 2015, the notional amounts of our foreign exchange contracts were \$27.1 million (EUR 23.8 million). These contracts will mature over the next 14 months.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

We maintain an allowance for doubtful accounts to reflect our estimate of current and past due receivable balances that may not be collected. The allowance for doubtful accounts is based upon our assessment of the collectability of specific customer accounts, the aging of accounts receivable and our history of bad debts. We believe that the allowance for doubtful accounts is adequate to cover anticipated losses in the receivable balance under current conditions. However, significant deterioration in the financial condition of our customers, resulting in an impairment of their ability to make payments, could materially change these expectations and an additional allowance may be required.

#### Defined Benefit Pension Plan

We sponsor a defined benefit pension plan. Effective June 21, 1999, we adopted an amendment to freeze benefit accruals to the participants. The plan obligation and related assets of the plan are presented in the notes to the consolidated financial statements. Plan assets, which consist primarily of marketable equity and debt instruments, are valued based upon third party market quotations. Independent actuaries, through the use of a number of assumptions, determine plan obligation and annual pension expense. Key assumptions in measuring the plan obligation include the discount rate and estimated future return on plan assets. In determining the discount rate, we use an average long-term bond yield. Asset returns are based on the historical returns of multiple asset classes to develop a risk free rate of return and risk premiums for each asset class. The overall rate for each asset class was developed by combining a long-term inflation component, the risk free rate of return and the associated risk premium. A weighted average rate is developed based on the overall rates and the plan's asset allocation.

#### Impairment of Assets

Our policy is to evaluate whether there has been a permanent impairment in the value of long-lived assets when certain events have taken place that indicate the remaining unamortized balance may not be recoverable. When factors indicate that the long-lived assets should be evaluated for possible impairment, we use an estimate of related undiscounted cash flows. Factors considered in the valuation include current operating results, trends and anticipated undiscounted future cash flows. During fiscal 2015, we recorded an impairment loss of \$417,000 related to manufacturing equipment and related tooling that was determined to be obsolete.

#### **Results of Operations**

The following table sets forth selected consolidated operating results for each of the last two fiscal years, presented as a percentage of net sales (dollars in thousands).

Fiscal Year Ended							
	June 30, 2	2015	June 30, 2	2014	Increase (Decreas		
Private-label contract manufacturing	\$69,670	88 %	\$67,339	91 %	\$2,331	3	%
Patent and trademark licensing	9,140	11 %	5,444	7 %	3,696	68	%
Branded products	698	1 %	1,159	2 %	(461)	(40	)%
Total net sales	79,508	100%	73,942	100%	5,566	8	%
Cost of goods sold	65,169	82 %	61,204	83 %	3,965	6	%
Gross profit	14,339	18 %	12,738	17 %	1,601	13	%
Selling, general & administrative expenses	10,180	13 %	9,961	13 %	219	2	%
Income from operations	4,159	5 %	2,777	4 %	1,382	50	%
Other expense, net	(148)	0 %	109	0 %	(257)	(236	5)%
Income before income taxes	4,307	5 %	2,668	4 %	1,639	61	%
Provision for income taxes	961	1 %	674	1 %	287	42	%
Net income	\$3,346	4 %	\$1,994	3 %	\$1,352	68	%

#### Fiscal 2015 Compared to Fiscal 2014

The percentage increase in private-label contract manufacturing net sales was primarily attributed to the following:

	Percentage		
	Change in	n	
	Net Sales		
The Juice Plus+ Company	6.6%	(1)	
Mannatech, Incorporated	(0.4%	$)^{(2)}$	
Other customers, net	(2.7%	$)^{(3)}$	
Total	3.5	%	

1 The increase in net sales to The Juice Plus+ Company for fiscal 2015 included an increase in international sales of 34.5% and an increase in domestic sales of 4.3%. The increase in international sales during fiscal 2015 is primarily due to increased consumer demand and higher average EUR exchange rates including the benefit of our hedging program. Additionally, the first nine months of fiscal 2014 included a customer driven inventory reduction program, which was not repeated in fiscal 2015. The domestic increase is primarily due to increased units shipped in fiscal

2015 as compared to fiscal 2014.

2 Net sales to Mannatech, Incorporated were flat compared with sales during the same period in fiscal 2014.

<sup>3</sup>The decrease in net sales to other customers as compared to fiscal 2014 was primarily due to lower sales of existing products for other existing customers partially offset by sales to new customers.

Net sales from our patent and trademark licensing segment increased 68% during fiscal 2015. During fiscal 2015, patent and trademark licensing sales included \$4.7 million of royalty income, \$4.4 million in direct beta-alanine raw material sales, and zero license fees. During fiscal 2014, patent and trademark licensing sales included \$5.1 million of royalty income, zero direct beta-alanine raw material sales, and \$300,000 of license fees. The increase in beta-alanine raw material sales was a result of our decision to take over the direct sale and distribution of beta-alanine effective April 1, 2015. As part of this decision, we allowed our agreement with CSI to expire as of March 31, 2015, which also discontinued our royalty income stream. We began directly selling beta-alanine, and licensing the related patent and trademark rights, in order to take advantage of strategic opportunities, including opportunities to provide additional contract manufacturing services, and to increase our top-line revenue and profit profile.

Net sales from our branded products declined 40% in fiscal 2015 as compared to fiscal 2014 due to the discontinuation of our Pathway to Healing® product line. All termination activities related to the Pathway to Healing® product line were substantially complete by December 31, 2014.

Consolidated gross profit margin increased 0.8 percentage points during fiscal 2015 primarily due to the following:

	Percentage Change	ge
Contract manufacturing:		
Shift in sales mix and material cost	(1.3	$)^{(1)}$
Overhead expenses	0.1	(1)
Incremental direct and indirect labor	0.6	(1)
Patent and trademark licensing	1.1	(2)
Branded products	0.3	(3)
Total	0.8	

Private label contract manufacturing gross profit margin contribution decreased 0.6 percentage points in fiscal 2015 1 as compared to fiscal 2014. The decrease in gross profit as a percentage of sales in fiscal 2015 was primarily due to higher material costs as a percentage of sales.

During fiscal 2015, patent and trademark licensing gross profit margin contribution increased 1.1 percentage points due to patent and trademark revenue representing a higher percentage of net sales year over year. In addition, we took over the raw material sale and distribution activities for beta-alanine in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015, which resulted in additional profit contribution per sales dollar.

Branded products gross profit margin contribution as a percentage of consolidated net sales increased 0.3 percentage points during fiscal 2015 due primarily to the reversal of \$190,000 of inventory reserves due to favorable results of our product line discontinuation program, which resulted in a better than expected sell through of our remaining inventory.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$219,000, or 2.2% during fiscal 2015 as compared to fiscal 2014. This increase was primarily due to increased employee compensation costs partially offset by reduced litigation expense, the resolution of multiple law suits in late fiscal 2014, reduced activity on the remaining pending litigation, and reduced costs associated with our branded products segment as a result of the discontinuation of all related activities as of December 31, 2014.

Other income, net increased \$257,000 during fiscal 2015 as compared to fiscal 2014. The increase for fiscal 2015 is due primarily to favorable foreign currency exchange activity partially offset by other tax expenses.

Our income tax expense increased \$287,000 during fiscal 2015 as compared to fiscal 2014. The increase is primarily due to increased pre-tax income partially offset by a lower effective tax rate. The effective tax rate was lower primarily due to increased foreign earnings, which are taxed at a lower rate and lower domestic taxes as a result of the

state tax strategies implemented during the third quarter of fiscal 2014.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our primary sources of liquidity and capital resources are cash flows provided by operating activities and the availability of borrowings under our credit facilities. Net cash provided by operating activities was \$2.7 million in fiscal 2015 compared to net cash provided by operating activities of \$5.3 million in fiscal 2014.

Net income increased by \$1.4 million to \$3.3 million during fiscal 2015 as compared to net income of \$2.0 million in the prior fiscal year. At June 30, 2015, changes in accounts receivable, consisting primarily of amounts due from our private-label contract manufacturing customers and our patent and trademark raw material sales activities, used \$3.1 million in cash compared to using \$268,000 in fiscal 2014. The increase in cash used by accounts receivable during fiscal 2015 was primarily due to increased amounts due associated with our patent and trade mark business as a result of taking over the direct distribution and sale of beta-alanine raw material along with timing of sales year over year. The average number of days our accounts receivable were outstanding was 38 days during fiscal 2015, as compared to 33 days for fiscal 2014.

Decreases in inventory provided \$276,000 in cash during fiscal 2015 compared to using \$2.8 million in fiscal 2014. The change in cash activity from inventory during fiscal 2015 was primarily related to the timing of inventory shipments and receipts, and normalized inventory purchase activity related to our private label contract manufacturing business during the fiscal 2015 as compared to a build-up of inventory for new customer product launches during fiscal 2014. These decreases were partially offset by inventory purchases during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015 related to taking over the direct sales and distribution activities associated with our patent and trademark business.

Approximately \$818,000 of our operating cash flow was generated by NAIE in fiscal 2015. As of June 30, 2015, NAIE's undistributed retained earnings of \$15.1 million were considered indefinitely reinvested.

Cash used in investing activities in fiscal 2015 was \$1.6 million compared to \$2.5 million in fiscal 2014. Capital expenditures were \$1.7 million during fiscal 2015 compared to \$2.7 million in fiscal 2014. Capital expenditures during fiscal 2015 and fiscal 2014 were primarily for manufacturing equipment in our Vista, California and Manno, Switzerland facilities.

At June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014, on a consolidated basis, we had no outstanding debt balances.

On December 22, 2014, we executed a new Credit Agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. The Credit Agreement replaces the previous credit facility between NAI and the lender. The Credit Agreement is on substantially similar terms as the previous credit facility. The Credit Agreement provides NAI with a line of credit of up to \$5,000,000. The line of credit may be used to finance working capital requirements. In consideration for granting the line of credit, NAI paid the lender a commitment fee of \$10,000. There are no amounts currently drawn under the line of credit.

Under the terms of the Credit Agreement, borrowings are subject to eligibility requirements including maintaining (i) net income after taxes of not less than \$750,000 on a trailing four quarter basis as of the end of each calendar quarter beginning with the four quarter period ending December 31, 2014; and (ii) a ratio of total liabilities to tangible net worth of not greater than 1.25 to 1.0 at any time. Any amounts outstanding under the line of credit will bear interest at a fixed or fluctuating interest rate as elected by NAI from time to time; provided, however, that if the outstanding principal amount is less than \$100,000 such amount shall bear interest at the then applicable fluctuating rate of interest. If elected, the fluctuating rate per annum would be equal to 1.75% above the daily one month LIBOR rate as in effect from time to time. If a fixed rate is elected, it would equal a per annum rate of 1.75% above the LIBOR rate in effect on the first day of the applicable fixed rate term. Any amounts outstanding under the line of credit must be paid in full on or before November 1, 2016; provided, however, that NAI must maintain a zero balance on advances under the line of credit for a period of at least 30 consecutive days during each fiscal year. Amounts outstanding that are subject to a fluctuating interest rate may be prepaid at any time without penalty. Amounts outstanding that are subject to a fixed interest rate may be prepaid at any time in minimum amounts of \$100,000, subject to a prepayment fee equal to the sum of the discounted monthly differences for each month from the month of prepayment through the month in which the then applicable fixed rate term matures.

Our obligations under the Credit Agreement are secured by our accounts receivable and other rights to payment, general intangibles, inventory, equipment and fixtures. We also have a foreign exchange facility with Wells Fargo in effect until November 1, 2016, and with Bank of America, N.A. in effect until August 15, 2016.

On June 30, 2015, we were in compliance with all of the financial and other covenants required under the Credit Agreement.

On September 22, 2006, NAIE, our wholly owned subsidiary, entered into a credit facility with Credit Suisse to provide NAIE with a credit line of up to CHF 1.3 million, or approximately \$1.4 million, which was the initial maximum aggregate amount that could be outstanding at any one time under the credit facility. This maximum amount is reduced annually by CHF 160,000, or approximately \$171,000. On February 19, 2007, NAIE amended its credit facility to provide that the maximum aggregate amount that may be outstanding under the facility cannot be reduced below CHF 500,000, or approximately \$535,000. As of June 30, 2015, there was no outstanding balance under this credit facility.

Under its credit facility, NAIE may draw amounts either as current account loan credits to its current or future bank accounts or as fixed loans with a maximum term of 24 months. Current account loans will bear interest at the rate of 5% per annum. Fixed loans will bear interest at a rate determined by the parties based on current market conditions and must be repaid pursuant to a repayment schedule established by the parties at the time of the loan. If a fixed loan is repaid early at NAIE's election or in connection with the termination of the credit facility, NAIE will be charged a pre-payment penalty equal to 0.1% of the principal amount of the fixed loan or CHF 1,000 (approximately \$1,070), whichever is greater. The bank reserves the right to refuse individual requests for an advance under the credit facility, although its exercise of such right will not have the effect of terminating the credit facility as a whole.

As of June 30, 2015, we had \$18.6 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$5.5 million available under our credit facilities. Of these amounts, \$8.2 million of cash and cash equivalents and \$535,000 of the amount available under our credit facilities were held by NAIE. Our intent is to permanently reinvest all of our earnings from foreign operations, and we do not currently anticipate that we will need funds generated from foreign operations to fund our domestic operations. In the event funds from foreign operations are needed to fund our U.S. operations, we may be required to accrue and pay additional U.S. taxes to repatriate any such funds. Overall, we believe our available cash, cash equivalents and potential cash flows from operations will be sufficient to fund our current working capital needs and capital expenditures through at least the next 12 months.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

As of June 30, 2015, we did not have any significant off-balance sheet debt nor did we have any transactions, arrangements, obligations (including contingent obligations) or other relationships with any unconsolidated entities or other persons that have or are reasonably likely to have a material current or future effect on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures, capital resources, or significant components of revenue or expenses material to investors.

## Inflation

During fiscal 2014 and 2015, we did not experience any significant increases in product raw material or operational costs due to inflationary factors. We currently believe increasing raw material and product cost pricing pressures will exist throughout fiscal 2016 as a result of limited supplies of various ingredients, including beta-alanine, and the effects of higher labor and transportation costs. We do not believe current inflation rates will have a material impact on our future operations or profitability.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

A discussion of recent accounting pronouncements is included under Note A in the notes to our consolidated financial statements included under Item 8 of this report.

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

As a smaller reporting company, we are not required to provide Item 7A disclosure in this Annual Report.

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

#### **Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

To the Board of Directors and

Stockholders of Natural Alternatives International, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Natural Alternatives International, Inc. (the "Company") as of June 30, 2015, and the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended. The Company's management is responsible for these consolidated financial statements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

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 the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides 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 Natural Alternatives International, Inc. as of June 30, 2015, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ HASKELL & WHITE LLP

San Diego, California

September 18, 2015

#### **Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

The Board of Directors and Stockholders

Natural Alternatives International, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Natural Alternatives International, Inc. as of June 30, 2014, and the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements 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 the financial statements are free of material misstatement. We were not engaged to perform an audit of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes 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 audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Natural Alternatives International, Inc. at June 30, 2014, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

San Diego, California

September 25, 2014

## Natural Alternatives International, Inc.

## **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

## As of June 30

## (Dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)

	2015	2014
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$18,551	\$19,512
Accounts receivable – less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$20 at June 30, 2015 and \$94 at	9,895	6 025
June 30, 2014	9,093	6,835
Inventories, net	12,564	12,840
Deferred income taxes	367	344
Income tax receivable	316	228
Prepaids and other current assets	1,907	1,144
Total current assets	43,600	40,903
Property and equipment, net	7,633	8,811
Deferred income taxes	1,663	1,593
Other noncurrent assets, net	920	951
Total assets	\$53,816	\$52,258
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$4,647	\$6,418
Accrued liabilities	2,495	1,565
Accrued compensation and employee benefits	1,462	1,238
Income taxes payable	489	379
Total current liabilities	9,093	9,600
Long-term pension liability	439	183
Deferred rent	403	37
Other noncurrent liabilities, net	21	
Total liabilities	9,956	9,820
Commitments and contingencies Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock; \$.01 par value; 500,000 shares authorized; none issued or outstanding		
Common stock; \$.01 par value; 20,000,000 shares authorized at June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014 issued and outstanding (net of treasury shares) 6,743,093 at June 30, 2015 and 6,997,754 at June	, 75	74
30, 2014	, -	
Additional paid-in capital	20,258	19,865
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(766)	-
Retained earnings	29,007	25,661
Treasury stock, at cost, 875,584 shares at June 30, 2015 and 515,923 at June 30, 2014	(4,714)	
Total stockholders' equity	43,860	42,438

Total liabilities and stockholders' equity

\$53,816 \$52,258

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## Natural Alternatives International, Inc.

## **Consolidated Statements Of Operations And Comprehensive Income**

## For the Years Ended June 30

(Dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)

	2015	2014
Net sales	\$79,508	\$73,942
Cost of goods sold	65,169	61,204
Gross profit	14,339	12,738
Selling, general and administrative expenses	10,180	9,961
Income from operations	4,159	2,777
Other income (expense):		
Interest income	36	34
Interest expense	(12)	(11)
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	127	(29)
Other, net	(3)	(103)
	148	(109)
Income before income taxes	4,307	2,668
Provision for income taxes	961	674
Net income	\$	