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(State or other jurisdicti incorporation or organiz		(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
2435 Commerce Av Building 2200 Duluth, Georgia (Address of principal executi		30096 (Zip Code)
	(770) 822-3600 (Registrant's telephone number, includi	ng area code)
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SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (this "Form 10-Q") contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), which are subject to the "safe harbor" created by those sections. All statements, other than statements of historical facts included in this Form 10-Q, including statements concerning our plans, objectives, goals, beliefs, business strategies, future events, business conditions, results of operations, financial position, business outlook, business trends and other information, may be forward-looking statements.

Words such as "believes," "expects," "may," "will," "should," "seeks," "intends," "plans," "estimates," or "anticipates," and variations of such words or similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements are not historical facts or guarantees of future performance and are based upon our current expectations, beliefs, estimates and projections, and various assumptions, many of which, by their nature, are inherently uncertain and beyond our control. Our expectations, beliefs, and projections are expressed in good faith and we believe there is a reasonable basis for them. However, there can be no assurance that management's expectations, beliefs and projections will result or be achieved and actual results may vary materially from what is expressed in or indicated by the forward-looking statements.

There are a number of risks, uncertainties and other important factors, many of which are beyond our control, that could cause our actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements contained in this Form 10-Q. Such risks, uncertainties and other important factors that could cause actual results to differ include, among others, the risks, uncertainties and factors set forth in Part I, Item 1A - "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 30, 2023 (the "2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K"), as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), as such risk factors may be updated from time to time in our periodic filings with the SEC, which are accessible on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov, and also include, but are not limited to, the termination of our partnership with Walmart, including the transition period and other wind down activities, will have an impact on our business, revenues, profitability and cash flows, which impact could be material; market volatility, an overall decline in the health of the economy and other factors impacting consumer spending, including inflation, uncertainty in financial markets, recessionary conditions, escalated interest rates, the timing and issuance of tax refunds, governmental instability, war and natural disasters, may affect consumer purchases, which could reduce demand for our products and materially harm our sales, profitability and financial condition; failure to recruit and retain vision care professionals for in-store roles or to provide remote care offerings could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations; the optical retail industry is highly competitive, and if we do not compete successfully, our business may be adversely impacted; if we fail to open and operate new stores (including as a result of store conversions) in a timely and cost-effective manner or fail to successfully enter new markets, our financial performance could be materially and adversely affected; if the performance of our Host brands declines or we are unable to maintain or extend our operating relationships with our Host partners, our business, profitability and cash flows may be adversely affected and we may be required to incur impairment charges; we are a low-cost provider and our business model relies on the low-cost of inputs and factors such as wage rate increases, inflation, cost increases, increases in the price of raw materials and energy prices could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations; we require significant capital to fund our expanding business, including updating our Enterprise Resource Planning ("ERP") and Customer Relationship Management ("CRM"), and other technological, systems and capabilities; our ability to successfully implement transformation initiatives (including store fleet optimization); our growth strategy could strain our existing resources and cause the performance of our existing stores to suffer; our success depends upon our marketing, advertising and promotional efforts and if we are unable to implement them successfully or efficiently, or if our competitors are more effective than we are, we may experience a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations; we are subject to risks associated with leasing substantial amounts of space, including future increases in occupancy costs; certain technological advances, greater availability of, or increased consumer preferences for, vision correction alternatives to prescription eyeglasses or contact lenses, or future drug development for the correction of vision-related problems may reduce the demand for our products and adversely impact our business and profitability; if we fail to retain our existing senior management team or attract qualified new personnel such failure could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations; our profitability and cash flows may be negatively affected if we are not successful in managing our inventory balances and inventory shrinkage; our operating results and inventory levels fluctuate on a seasonal basis; our e-commerce and omni-channel business faces distinct risks, and our failure to successfully manage those risks could have a negative impact on our profitability; we depend on our distribution centers and/or optical laboratories; we may incur losses arising from our investments in technological innovators in the optical retail industry, including artificial intelligence, which would negatively affect our financial results; environmental, social and governance ("ESG") issues, including those related to climate change, could have a material adverse

effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations; changing climate and weather patterns leading to severe weather and disasters may cause significant business interruptions and expenditures; future operational success depends on our ability to develop, maintain and extend relationships with managed vision care companies, vision insurance providers and other third-party payors; we face risks associated with vendors from whom our products are sourced and are dependent on a limited number of suppliers; we rely heavily on our information technology systems, as well as those of our vendors, for our business to effectively operate and to safeguard confidential information; any significant failure, inadequacy, interruption or security breach could adversely affect our business, financial condition and operations; we rely on third-party coverage and reimbursement, including government programs, for an increasing portion of our revenues, the future reduction of which could adversely affect our results of operations; we are subject to extensive state, local and federal vision care and healthcare laws and regulations and failure to adhere to such laws and regulations would adversely affect our business; we are subject to managed vision care laws and regulations; we are subject to rapidly changing and increasingly stringent laws, regulations, contractual obligations, and industry standards relating to privacy, data security and data protection which could subject us to liabilities that adversely affect our business, operations and financial performance; we could be adversely affected by product liability, product recall or personal injury issues; failure to comply with laws, regulations and enforcement activities or changes in statutory, regulatory, accounting and other legal requirements could potentially impact our operating and financial results; adverse judgments or settlements resulting from legal proceedings relating to our business operations could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations; we may not be able to adequately protect our intellectual property, which could harm the value of our brand and adversely affect our business; we have a significant amount of indebtedness which could adversely affect our business and financial position, including limiting our business flexibility and preventing us from meeting our debt obligations; a change in interest rates may adversely affect our business; our credit agreement contains restrictions that limit our flexibility in operating our business; conversion of the 2025 Notes could dilute the ownership interest of existing stockholders or may otherwise depress the price of our common stock; and risks related to owning our common stock, including our ability to comply with requirements to design and implement and maintain effective internal controls.

We caution you that the risks, uncertainties and other factors referenced above may not contain all of the risks, uncertainties and other factors that are important to you. In addition, we cannot assure you that we will realize the results, benefits or developments that we expect or anticipate or, even if substantially realized, that they will result in the consequences or affect us or our business in the way expected. There can be no assurance that (i) we have correctly measured or identified all of the factors affecting our business or the extent of these factors' likely impact, (ii) the available information with respect to these factors on which such analysis is based is complete or accurate, (iii) such analysis is correct or (iv) our strategy, which is based in part on this analysis, will be successful. All forward-looking statements in this Form 10-Q apply only as of the date of this Form 10-Q or as of the date they were made and, except as required by applicable law, we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

All references to "we," "us," "our," or the "Company" in this Form 10-Q mean National Vision Holdings, Inc. and its subsidiaries, unless the context otherwise requires. References to "eye care practitioners" in this Form 10-Q mean optometrists and ophthalmologists and references to "vision care professionals" mean optometrists (including optometrists employed by us or by professional corporations owned by eye care practitioners with which we have arrangements) and opticians.

Website Disclosure

We use our website www.nationalvision.com as a channel of distribution of Company information. Financial and other important information regarding the Company is routinely accessible through and posted on our website. Accordingly, investors should monitor our website, in addition to following our press releases, SEC filings and public conference calls and webcasts. In addition, you may automatically receive e-mail alerts and other information about National Vision Holdings, Inc. when you enroll your e-mail address by visiting the "Email Alerts" page of the Investor Resources section of our website at www.nationalvision.com/investors. The contents of our website are not, however, a part of this Form 10-Q.

PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements (Unaudited).

National Vision Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

In thousands, except par value	Se	As of ptember 28, 2024	Dece	As of mber 30, 2023
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	81,154	\$	149,896
Accounts receivable, net		46,795		86,854
Inventories, net		87,593		119,908
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		28,173		40,012
Total current assets		243,715		396,670
Noncurrent assets:				
Property and equipment, net		354,453		360,187
Goodwill		717,544		717,544
Trademarks and trade names		240,547		240,547
Other intangible assets, net		8,450		20,173
Right of use assets		419,709		406,275
Other assets		35,711		28,336
Noncurrent assets of discontinued operations				2,779
Total noncurrent assets		1,776,414		1,775,841
Total assets	\$	2,020,129	\$	2,172,511
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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities:				
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Accounts payable	\$	39,559	\$	67,556
Other payables and accrued expenses		94,124		123,288
Unearned revenue		38,647		48,117
Deferred revenue		63,867		62,867
Current maturities of long-term debt and finance lease obligations		100,993		10,480
Current operating lease obligations		88,933		85,090
Current liabilities of discontinued operations				302
Total current liabilities		426,123		397,700
Noncurrent liabilities:				
Long-term debt and finance lease obligations, less current portion and debt discount		252,848		450,771
Noncurrent operating lease obligations		388,668		376,814
Deferred revenue		22,704		21,459
Other liabilities		8,826		8,465
Deferred income taxes, net		80,963		87,884
Total noncurrent liabilities		754,009		945,393
Commitments and contingencies (See Note 11)				
Stockholders' equity:				
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 200,000 shares authorized; 85,334 and 84,831 shares issue as of September 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares to the linear formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78,311 shares are formula 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively; 78,691 and 78, 2024 and 78, 2		054		040
outstanding as of September 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively		854		848
Additional paid-in capital		801,848		788,967
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		254 500		(419)
Retained earnings	,	254,708		254,616
Treasury stock, at cost; 6,643 and 6,520 shares as of September 28, 2024 and December 30 2023, respectively	J,	(217,413)		(214,594)
Total stockholders' equity		839,997		829,418
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	2,020,129	\$	2,172,511
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

National Vision Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		s Ended	Nine Mon			September 30, 2023	
In thousands, except earnings (loss) per share		September 28, 2024		September 30, 2023		September 28, 2024		
Revenue:								2025
Net product sales	\$	363,156	\$	354,566	\$	1,113,206	\$	1,086,899
Net sales of services and plans		88,359		84,254		272,836		248,519
Total net revenue		451,515		438,820		1,386,042		1,335,418
Costs applicable to revenue (exclusive of depreciation and amortization):		, , ,				y y -		, ,
Products		106,392		105,850		330,809		323,286
Services and plans		83,537		77,979		248,246		226,992
Total costs applicable to revenue		189,929		183,829		579,055		550,278
Operating expenses:								
Selling, general and administrative expenses		233,991		227,515		705,472		679,115
Depreciation and amortization		22,690		22,476		68,603		66,521
Asset impairment		13,726		1,452		17,701		2,699
Other expense (income), net		_		1		(1)		(103)
Total operating expenses		270,407		251,444		791,775		748,232
Income (loss) from operations		(8,821)		3,547		15,212		36,908
Interest expense, net		4,108		3,722		11,560		10,425
Gain on extinguishment of debt		(859)		´—		(859)		
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes		(12,070)	_	(175)	_	4,511		26,483
Income tax provision (benefit)		(3,630)		191		2,239		8,198
Income (loss) from continuing operations, net of tax		(8,440)	_	(366)		2,272	_	18,285
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax (See Note 2)		(28)		(73,432)		(2,180)		(68,199)
Net income (loss)	\$	(8,468)	\$	(73,798)	\$	92	\$	(49,914)
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Basic earnings (loss) per share:								
Continuing operations	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.00)	\$	0.03	\$	0.23
Discontinued operations	\$	(0.00)	\$	(0.94)	\$	(0.03)	\$	(0.87)
Total	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.94)	\$	0.00	\$	(0.64)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share:								
Continuing operations	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.00)	\$	0.03	\$	0.23
Discontinued operations	\$	(0.00)		(0.94)		(0.03)	\$	(0.87)
Total	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.94)	\$	0.00	\$	(0.63)
Weighted average shares outstanding:								
Basic		78,655		78,163		78,538		78,328
Diluted		78,655		78,163		78,747		78,646
Direct		70,022		70,103		70,717		70,010
Comprehensive income (loss):								
Net income (loss)	\$	(8,468)	\$	(73,798)	\$	92	\$	(49,914)
Unrealized gain on hedge instruments		64		255		548		763
Tax provision of unrealized gain on hedge instruments				65		128		195
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	(8,404)	\$	(73,608)	\$	512	\$	(49,346)

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National Vision Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity (Unaudited)

Three and Nine Months Ended September 28, 2024

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<u>-</u>	Common		Additional Paid-In	Accumulated Other Comprehensive	Retained	Treasury	Total Stockholders'
In thousands	Shares	Amount	Capital	Loss	Earnings	Stock	Equity
Balances at December 30, 2023	78,311 \$	848 \$	788,967 \$	(419) \$	254,616 \$	(214,594) \$	829,418
Issuance of common stock	363	4	312	_	_	_	316
Stock-based compensation	_	_	2,431	_	_	_	2,431
Purchase of treasury stock	(116)	_	_	_		(2,721)	(2,721)
Unrealized gain on hedge instruments, net of tax	_	_	_	190	_	_	190
Net income	_	_	_	_	11,685	_	11,685
Balances at March 30, 2024	78,558 \$	852 \$	791,710 \$	(229) \$	266,301 \$	(217,315) \$	841,319
Issuance of common stock	73	1	353	_	_	_	354
Stock-based compensation	_	_	4,749	_	_	_	4,749
Purchase of treasury stock	(3)	_	_	_	_	(54)	(54)
Unrealized gain on hedge instruments, net of tax	_	_	_	165	_	_	165
Net income (loss)	_	_	_	_	(3,125)	_	(3,125)
Balances at June 29, 2024	78,628 \$	853 \$	796,812 \$	64) \$	263,176 \$	(217,369) \$	843,408
Issuance of common stock	67	1	530	_	_	_	531
Stock-based compensation	_	_	4,506	_	_	_	4,506
Purchase of treasury stock	(4)	_	_	_	_	(44)	(44)
Unrealized gain on hedge instruments, net of tax	_	_	_	64	_	_	64
Net income (loss)	_	_	_	_	(8,468)	_	(8,468)
Balances at September 28, 2024	78,691 \$	854 \$	801,848 \$	<u> </u>	254,708 \$	(217,413) \$	839,997

Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023

In thousands	Common	Stock Amount	Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock	Total Stockholders' Equity
Balances at December 31, 2022	78,992 \$				320,517 \$	(186,179) \$	901,113
Issuance of common stock	282	3	490	_			493
Stock-based compensation	_	_	4,271	_	_	_	4,271
Purchase of treasury stock	(1,189)	_	_	_	_	(27,609)	(27,609)
Unrealized gain on hedge instruments, net of tax	_	_	_	188	_	_	188
Net income	_	_	_	_	18,270	_	18,270
Balances at April 1, 2023	78,085 \$	845 \$	771,873 \$	(991) \$	338,787 \$	(213,788) \$	896,726
Issuance of common stock	70	1	451	_	_	_	452
Stock-based compensation	_	_	5,438	_	_	_	5,438
Purchase of treasury stock	(1)	_	_	_		(8)	(8)
Unrealized gain on hedge instruments, net of tax	_	_	_	190	_	_	190
Net income	_	_	_	_	5,614	_	5,614
Balances at July 1, 2023	78,154 \$	846 \$	5 777,762 \$	S (801) \$	344,401 \$	(213,796) \$	908,412
Issuance of common stock	27	_	381	_	_	_	381
Stock based compensation	_	_	5,212	_	_	_	5,212
Purchase of treasury stock	(2)	_	_	_	_	(45)	(45)
Unrealized gain on hedge instruments, net of tax	_	_	_	190	_	_	190
Net income (loss)	_	_	<u> </u>	_	(73,798)	_	(73,798)
Balances at September 30, 2023	78,179 \$	846 \$	783,355 \$	(611) \$	270,603 \$	(213,841) \$	840,352

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

National Vision Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended					
In thousands	Septem	ber 28, 2024	Septer	nber 30, 2023		
Cash flows from operating activities:						
Net income (loss)	\$	92	\$	(49,914)		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:						
Depreciation and amortization		69,934		74,149		
Amortization of debt discount and deferred financing costs		1,740		2,604		
Amortization of cloud computing implementation costs		3,842		2,028		
Asset impairment		17,915		82,114		
Deferred income tax expense (benefit)		(6,921)		(413)		
Stock-based compensation expense		11,778		15,040		
Losses (gains) on change in fair value of derivatives		(34)		(1,942)		
Inventory adjustments		3,618		2,886		
Other		(283)		2,283		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:						
Accounts receivable		39,705		2,743		
Inventories		28,697		(311)		
Operating lease right of use assets and lease liabilities		(1,692)		59		
Other assets		2,082		2,769		
Accounts payable		(27,997)		(2,394)		
Deferred and unearned revenue		(7,225)		1,218		
Other liabilities		(31,884)		20,353		
Net cash provided by operating activities		103,367		153,272		
Cash flows from investing activities:						
Purchase of property and equipment		(63,485)		(81,965)		
Other		1,117		(614)		
Net cash used for investing activities		(62,368)		(82,579)		
Cash flows from financing activities:						
Repayments on long-term debt		(218,751)		(1,875)		
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt		115,000		_		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock		1,201		1,326		
Purchase of treasury stock		(2,819)		(27,662)		
Payments of debt issuance costs		(1,703)		(2,869)		
Payments on finance lease obligations		(2,279)		(3,085)		
Net cash used for financing activities		(109,351)		(34,165)		
Net change in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		(68,352)		36,528		
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of year		151,027		230,624		
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period	\$	82,675	\$	267,152		
Supplemental cash flow disclosure information:						
Cash paid for interest	\$	7,600	\$	6,378		
Cash paid for taxes	\$	5,996	\$	6,338		
Capital expenditures accrued at the end of the period	\$	9,063	\$	8,969		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

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National Vision Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

1. Description of Business and Basis of Presentation

Nature of Operations

National Vision Holdings, Inc. ("NVHI," the "Company," "we," "our," or "us") is a holding company whose operating subsidiaries include its indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, National Vision, Inc. ("NVI") and NVI's wholly-owned subsidiaries. We are a leading value retailer of eyeglasses and contact lenses in the United States (the "U.S."). We operated 1,231 and 1,188 retail optical locations in the U.S. and its territories as of September 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively, through our four store brands, including America's Best Contacts and Eyeglasses ("America's Best"), Eyeglass World, Vista Optical locations on select U.S. Army/Air Force military bases ("Military") and within select Fred Meyer stores. We operated 225 stores for Walmart Inc. ("Walmart") as of December 30, 2023; these stores are not reflected in the store counts above and the operating results of these stores are presented as discontinued operations. Also presented in discontinued operations are the majority of the operations formerly conducted by the Company's Arlington Contact Lens ("AC Lens") subsidiary. Refer to Note 2. "Discontinued Operations" for more information.

Basis of Presentation and Principles of Consolidation

We prepare our unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") for interim financial information and, therefore, do not include all information and disclosures required by U.S. GAAP for complete consolidated financial statements. The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 30, 2023 has been derived from the audited consolidated balance sheet for the fiscal year then ended. These condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all normal and recurring adjustments which are, in the opinion of management, necessary to present fairly the Company's consolidated results of the interim period.

Certain information and disclosures normally included in our annual consolidated financial statements have been condensed or omitted; however, we believe that the disclosures included herein are sufficient for a fair presentation of the information presented. These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with our audited consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto for the fiscal year ended December 30, 2023 included in the 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K. The Company's significant accounting policies are set forth in Note 1. within those consolidated financial statements. We use the same accounting policies in preparing interim condensed consolidated financial information and annual consolidated financial statements. There were no changes to our significant accounting policies during the nine months ended September 28, 2024.

The condensed consolidated financial statements include our accounts and those of our wholly-owned subsidiaries. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. Certain amounts within the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and footnotes to the financial statements for fiscal year 2023 have been reclassified to conform to the fiscal year 2024 presentation. Retrospective reclassifications have been made to prior period financial statements and disclosures to present the discontinued operations. Refer to Note 2. "Discontinued Operations" for more information on discontinued operations.

The Company has consolidated certain entities meeting the definition of a variable interest entity ("VIE") as the Company concluded that it is the primary beneficiary of the entities under the provisions of Accounting Standards Codification 810, Consolidation. As of September 28, 2024, the variable interest entities include 29 professional corporations. The total assets of the consolidated VIEs included in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, were \$3.5 million and \$8.3 million, respectively, and the total liabilities of the consolidated VIEs were \$5.5 million and \$9.8 million, respectively.

Fiscal Year

Our fiscal year consists of 52 or 53 weeks ending on the Saturday closest to December 31. Fiscal year 2024 contains 52 weeks and will end on December 28, 2024. All three and nine month periods presented herein contain 13 and 39 weeks, respectively. All references to years and quarters relate to fiscal periods rather than calendar periods.

Seasonality

The consolidated results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full fiscal year due to seasonality and uncertainty of general economic conditions that may impact our key markets. Historically, our business has realized a higher portion of net revenue, income from operations, and cash flows from operations in the first half of the year, and a lower portion of net revenue, income from operations, and cash flows from operations in the fourth fiscal quarter. The first half seasonality is attributable primarily to the timing of our customers' personal income tax refunds and annual health insurance program start/reset periods. Seasonality related to fourth quarter holiday

spending by retail customers generally does not impact our business. Our quarterly consolidated results generally may also be affected by the timing of new store openings, store closings, and certain holidays.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Asset Impairment

Non-cash impairment charges of \$13.7 million and \$17.7 million were recorded for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024 related to our Fred Meyer contracts and relationships intangible asset and tangible long-lived store assets and Right of Use ("ROU") assets, compared to \$1.5 million and \$2.7 million related to tangible long-lived store assets and ROU assets for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023. The impairments were recognized in Corporate/Other, and are reflected in Asset impairment in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income. Refer to Note 5. "Fair Value Measurement" for additional information on impairment charges.

We tested the Fred Meyer contracts and relationships intangible asset for recoverability as of September 28, 2024 due to the decision to close certain Fred Meyer stores as part of our store fleet review in the current period. We determined that the carrying value of the asset was not recoverable and recognized an impairment of \$10.5 million related to this asset during the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024.

Aggregate intangible asset amortization expense is included in Depreciation and amortization in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income. Aggregate future estimated intangible asset amortization expense is shown in the following table:

Fiscal Year	In thousands
2024 - remainder of fiscal year	182
2025	714
2026	677
2027	677
2028	677
Thereafter	5,523
	\$ 8,450

Impairments of tangible long-lived store assets and ROU assets were primarily driven by lower than projected customer sales volume in certain stores and other entity-specific assumptions, and also reflect the effects of certain store closure decisions made as part of the Company's store optimization review in the current period. We considered multiple factors including, but not limited to: forecasted scenarios related to store performance and the likelihood that these scenarios would be ultimately realized; and the remaining useful lives of the assets.

Store fleet review

During the three months ended September 28, 2024, we completed a comprehensive store fleet review and decided on actions to address identified stores. As a result of this review, we plan to close 39 stores and convert four Eyeglass World stores to America's Best stores. During the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024, we recognized costs of \$1.1 million consisting primarily of lease termination costs and termination benefits for certain associates. Substantially all of the costs were recognized in Selling, general and administrative expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income.

Additional costs incurred related to the store fleet review during the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024 include \$10.5 million of non-cash intangible asset impairment and \$2.7 million of non-cash tangible long-lived and ROU asset impairment, both recognized in Asset impairment in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income. Refer to Note 5. "Fair Value Measurement" for additional information on the impairment charges.

All costs incurred related to the store fleet review were recognized in the Corporate/Other category. Liabilities related to this plan are recorded in Other payables and accrued expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Income Taxes

Prior to the second quarter of 2024, the Company's quarterly provision (benefit) for income taxes was calculated using the annualized effective tax rate ("AETR") method, which applies an estimated annual effective tax rate to pre-tax income or loss. For the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024, the Company calculated the provision (benefit) for income taxes using a discrete effective tax rate ("ETR") method. The Company determined that due to the fact that small changes in the Company's estimated pretax income or loss would result in significant changes in the estimated AETR, the historical method would not provide a reliable estimate for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024.

Our effective tax rate for the three months ended September 28, 2024 was 30.1%, reflecting our statutory federal and state rate of 25.2%, tax impacts of consolidated VIEs and effects of other permanent items. Our effective tax rate for the three months ended September 30, 2023 was (109.1)%, reflecting our statutory federal and state rate of 25.4%, reduced deductibility of meals and entertainment and effects of other permanent items.

Our effective tax rate for the nine months ended September 28, 2024 was 49.6%, reflecting our statutory federal and state rate of 25.2%, tax impacts of consolidated VIEs, non-deductible compensation expense and other permanent items. Our effective tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 was 31.0%, reflecting our statutory federal and state rate of 25.4%, tax impacts from reduced deductibility of meals and entertainment and non-deductible compensation expenses, and effects of other permanent items.

Share Repurchases

Effective February 23, 2024, the Board of Directors authorized the Company to repurchase up to \$50 million aggregate amount of shares of the Company's common stock until January 3, 2026. As of September 28, 2024, \$50 million remains available under the share repurchase authorization. During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company repurchased 1.1 million shares of its common stock for \$25.0 million.

Investments

In the second quarter of fiscal year 2023, we completed an investment in an entity specializing in applying artificial intelligence-powered screening and diagnostic tools to retinal imaging. We invested \$1.0 million during the nine months ended September 28, 2024. As of September 28, 2024, we have invested a total of \$2.8 million in the entity. We have agreed to invest up to an additional \$0.5 million in the entity upon the completion of certain milestones. The investment is recognized in Other assets in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets and in Other in the investing section of the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the nine months ended September 28, 2024. The investment is valued at cost.

Discontinued Operations

In accordance with ASC 205-20 "Presentation of Financial Statements: Discontinued Operations," a disposal of a component of an entity or a group of components of an entity is required to be reported as discontinued operations if the disposal represents a strategic shift that has (or will have) a major effect on an entity's operations and financial results. In the period in which the component meets held-for-sale or discontinued operations criteria, the major current assets, non-current assets, current liabilities, and non-current liabilities shall be reported as components of total assets and liabilities separate from those balances of the continuing operations.

Our operations related to Walmart, including our former Legacy reportable segment, as well as the majority of our AC Lens operations, met the requirements to be classified as discontinued operations. Accordingly, we classified the results of these operations as discontinued operations in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for all periods presented. The results of all discontinued operations, less applicable income taxes, are reported as components of net income separate from the net income of continuing operations, and certain assets and liabilities associated with these operations were classified as assets and liabilities of discontinued operations in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets for the periods presented. Additionally, the cash flows and comprehensive income of discontinued operations have not been segregated and are included in the interim Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income, respectively, for all periods presented. All amounts included in the notes to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements relate to continuing operations unless otherwise noted. For additional information, see Note 2. "Discontinued Operations."

Future Adoption of Accounting Pronouncements

Segment reporting. In November 2023, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures. This update provides, among other things, enhanced segment disclosure requirements including disclosures about significant segment expenses. This ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and interim periods within fiscal years

beginning after December 15, 2024, and requires retrospective application to all prior periods presented in the financial statements. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of the guidance on the consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

Income taxes. In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-09, Income Taxes (Topic 740): Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures ("ASU 2023-09"). ASU 2023-09 is intended to enhance the transparency and decision usefulness of income tax disclosures. The amendments in ASU 2023-09 address investor requests for enhanced income tax information primarily through changes to the rate reconciliation and income taxes paid information. ASU 2023-09 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2024, and for interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2025. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of the guidance on the consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

Expense Disaggregation Disclosures. In November 2024, the FASB issued ASU 2024-03, Income Statement – Reporting Comprehensive Income (Topic 220-40): Expense Disaggregation Disclosures ("ASU 2024-03"). This update requires, among other things, more detailed disclosure about types of expenses in commonly presented expense captions such as cost of sales and SG&A, and is intended to improve the disclosures about an entity's expenses including purchases of inventory, employee compensation, depreciation and amortization. ASU 2024-03 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2026, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2027. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of the guidance on the consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

The Enhancement and Standardization of Climate-Related Disclosures for Investors. In March 2024, the SEC issued its final rules on the enhancement and standardization of climate-related disclosures for investors. Subsequent to issuance, the rules became the subject of litigation. The SEC has issued a stay to allow the legal process to proceed and has indicated that it will publish a new effective date for the rules, if ultimately implemented, at the conclusion of the stay. Unless legal challenges to the rule prevail, this rule will require registrants to disclose certain climate-related information in registration statements and annual reports, and includes revisions to Regulation S-X (including disclosure related to severe weather events and other natural conditions), which would apply to the Company's financial statements. The Company is currently evaluating the rule to determine the impact on its consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

The FASB issued other accounting guidance during the period that is not currently applicable or expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial statements, and therefore, is not described above.

2. Discontinued Operations

On July 20, 2023, the Company received a notice of non-renewal from Walmart of the Management & Services Agreement by and between NVI and Walmart, dated as of May 1, 2012 (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Walmart MSA"). In accordance with the terms of the Walmart MSA and the notice, the agreement terminated as of February 23, 2024 (the "Termination Date"). In connection with the termination of the Walmart MSA, the Amended and Restated Supplier Agreement between NVI and Walmart, dated as of January 17, 2017; the agreement between FirstSight Vision Services, Inc. ("FirstSight"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, and Walmart, which arranged for the provision by FirstSight of optometric services at optometric offices next to certain Walmart stores throughout California; and certain other related agreements also terminated as of the Termination Date. The Walmart MSA includes provisions governing the transition period and post-termination obligations of the parties.

AC Lens delivered notices of non-renewal of the agreements it has with Walmart and its affiliate Sam's Club regarding wholesale contact lenses distribution and related services, such that these agreements terminated during the three months ended June 29, 2024, and the Company wound down the majority of AC Lens operations, including the closure of its Ohio distribution center, which largely supported the wholesale distribution and e-commerce contact lens services that the Company provided to Walmart and Sam's Club.

We recorded a net (benefit) expense of \$(0.6) million and \$5.1 million, respectively, during the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024, and \$2.0 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 associated with the termination of the Walmart MSA and wind down of AC Lens, which consisted of employee compensation benefits, early termination fees, and other exit related costs. These charges were recorded in both Selling, general, and administrative expenses and Costs applicable to revenue for discontinued operations. The plan has been substantially completed and we do not anticipate additional material costs related to this plan.

As a result of the termination of the Walmart MSA and wind down of AC Lens operations, our former Legacy reportable segment and certain other results previously included in our Corporate/Other and Reconciliations categories, met the criteria to be presented as discontinued operations. Accordingly, the assets and liabilities and results of operations of the discontinued operations have been presented in the tables below.

Refer to Note 3. "Details of Cost Savings Plan" for more information on the cost savings plan related to our continuing operations.

Major classes of assets and liabilities related to discontinued operations are presented in the table below. We have retained working capital and deferred tax balances related to discontinued operations; consequently, these items are not part of the disposal group.

In thousands		As of ber 28, 2024	As of December 30, 2023
Noncurrent assets:	·		
Property and equipment, net	\$	— \$	2,376
Right of use assets		_	304
Other intangible assets, net		_	99
Total noncurrent assets of discontinued operations	\$	<u> </u>	2,779
Current liabilities:			
Current operating lease obligations	\$	— \$	302
Total current liabilities of discontinued operations	\$	<u> </u>	302

The following table presents income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax:

	Three Mo	nths Ended	Nine Months Ended		
In thousands	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023	
Revenue:					
Net product sales	\$ (109)	\$ 80,990	\$ 126,961	\$ 246,343	
Net sales of services and plans		12,546	4,513	38,304	
Total net revenue	(109)	93,536	131,474	284,647	
Costs applicable to revenue (exclusive of depreciation and amortization):					
Products	110	61,557	109,638	184,737	
Services and plans	(119)	6,640	2,643	18,902	
Total costs applicable to revenue	(9)	68,197	112,281	203,639	
Operating expenses:					
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(210)	22,190	22,954	64,483	
Depreciation and amortization	_	1,931	1,331	7,628	
Asset impairment	214	79,382	214	79,415	
Other expense (income), net	(67)	(20)	(87)	(50)	
Total operating expenses	(63)	103,483	24,412	151,476	
Loss from discontinued operations before income taxes	(37)	(78,144)	(5,219)	(70,468)	
Income tax benefit from discontinued operations	(9)	(4,712)	(3,039)	(2,269)	
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$ (28)	\$ (73,432)	\$ (2,180)	\$ (68,199)	

The following table presents significant non-cash items and cash flows from investing activities related to discontinued operations:

		Nine Months Ended			
	Sep	tember 28, 2024	September 30, 2023		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization	\$	1,331	7,628		
Asset impairment		214	79,415		
Stock-based compensation expense		(1)	720		
Inventory adjustments		442	(84)		
Other		(1,647)	<u> </u>		
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Purchase of property and equipment		_	(1,762)		
Other		1,738	_		

3. Details of Cost Savings Plan

In connection with the discontinued operations, the Company implemented a cost savings plan that included optimizing non-customer facing labor costs, as well as reducing travel expenses and third-party spend. We have incurred \$1.9 million of employee compensation benefits since the inception of the cost savings plan, which is included within our continuing operations results. The plan has been substantially completed and we do not anticipate additional material costs related to this plan. The liability related to this plan is recorded in Other payables and accrued expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Some remaining payments are not anticipated to occur until fiscal year 2025. This disclosure excludes the impact of the Walmart partnership termination and wind down of AC Lens operations, which are currently presented under discontinued operations.

In thousands	Employee Comp	ensation Benefits
Balance at December 30, 2023	\$	1,800
Expenses recognized during the period		69
Payments during the period		(1,643)
Balance at September 28, 2024	\$	226

Employee compensation benefits

During the nine months ended September 28, 2024 and the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, we recognized \$0.1 million in Selling, general and administrative expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income, in the Corporate/Other category, related to termination benefits for certain associates; these charges were recognized in accordance with FASB guidance on employers' accounting for postemployment benefits and guidance on accounting for costs associated with exit or disposal activities, as appropriate.

4. Details of Certain Balance Sheet Accounts

The following table provides a reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents reported within the Condensed Consolidated Balance sheets to the total of Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash shown in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows:

	Nine Months Ended					
In thousands		September 28, 2024		September 30, 2023		
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	81,154	\$	265,815		
Restricted cash included in other assets		1,521		1,337		
	\$	82,675	\$	267,152		

The following tables provide additional details of certain balance sheet accounts as of the dates shown below:

In thousands	Ser	As of otember 28, 2024	As of December 30, 2023
Accounts receivable, net:			
Trade receivables	\$	18,522	\$ 43,518
Credit card receivables		15,414	27,905
Other receivables (1)		13,059	15,747
Allowance for credit losses		(200)	(316)
	\$	46,795	\$ 86,854

(1) Includes Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act receivable in the amount of \$9.00 million as of September 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023.

In thousands	As of September 28, 2024	Dec	As of ember 30, 2023
Inventories, net:			
Raw materials and work in process (1)	\$ 58,502	\$	57,367
Finished goods	29,091		62,541
	\$ 87,593	\$	119,908

(1) Due to the immaterial amount of estimated work in process and the short lead times for the conversion of raw materials to finished goods, the Company does not separately present raw materials and work in process.

In thousands	Se	As of eptember 28, 2024	De	As of ecember 30, 2023
Other payables and accrued expenses:				
Associate compensation and benefits	\$	30,113	\$	62,614
Self-insurance liabilities		9,883		9,139
Capital expenditures		9,063		5,412
Advertising		6,150		6,446
Reserves for customer returns and remakes		4,841		9,093
Payable to Walmart		_		6,068
Income taxes payable		1,621		1,863
Supplies and other store support expenses		4,140		5,434
Litigation settlements (See Note 11)		4,950		500
Other		23,363		16,719
	\$	94,124	\$	123,288

In thousands	Septe	As of ember 28, 2024	As of December 30, 2023
Other noncurrent liabilities:			
Self-insurance liabilities	\$	6,051	\$ 5,657
Other		2,775	2,808
	\$	8,826	\$ 8,465

5. Fair Value Measurement

Recurring fair value measurements

Interest Rate Derivatives

We recognize as assets or liabilities at fair value the estimated amounts we would receive or pay upon a termination of interest rate derivatives prior to their scheduled expiration dates. The fair value is based on information that is model-driven and whose inputs were observable (Level 2 inputs) such as Term SOFR forward rates. See Note 7. "Interest Rate Derivatives" for further details.

Non-recurring fair value measurements

We recognized impairments of \$13.7 million and \$17.7 million during the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024, respectively, primarily related to our Fred Meyer contracts and relationships intangible asset and our long-lived tangible store assets and ROU assets, and \$1.5 million and \$2.7 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, primarily related to our long-lived tangible store assets and ROU assets. A decrease in the estimated cash flows would lead to a lower fair value measurement, as would an increase in the discount rate. These non-recurring fair value measurements are classified as Level 3 measurements in the fair value hierarchy.

Long-lived Store and ROU Store Assets

The cash flows used in estimating fair value were discounted using market rates of 11.0% to 11.5%. The estimated remaining fair value of the store assets impaired during the nine months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023 was \$3.8 million and \$2.8 million, respectively; the estimated remaining fair values include amounts estimated at various dates during the related fiscal years. Substantially all of the remaining fair value of the impaired store assets represents the fair value of ROU assets.

Finite-Lived Intangible Assets

Related to the impairment recognized for the Fred Meyer contracts and relationships intangible asset, we estimated fair value using the discounted cash flow method of the income approach. The cash flows included assumptions about future extensions of our relationship with Fred Meyer, as well as assumptions about future revenue growth and profitability, and were discounted using a rate of 9%. The estimated remaining fair value of the asset was \$8.4 million as of September 28, 2024. Refer to Note 1. "Description of Business and Basis of Presentation" for more details on the Fred Meyer contracts and relationships intangible asset.

Additional fair value information

Term Loan A and Revolving Loans

Since the borrowings under the \$257.5 million outstanding principal first lien term loan ("Term Loan A") and revolving credit loans in an aggregate principal amount of \$300.0 million (the "Revolving Loans") utilize variable interest rate setting mechanisms such as Term SOFR, the fair values of these borrowings are deemed to approximate the carrying values. We also considered the effect of our own credit risk on the fair values of Term Loan A and Revolving Loans. Refer to Note 6. "Debt" for more information on these borrowings.

2025 Notes

The Company has \$84.8 million in aggregate principal amount of 2.50% convertible senior notes due on May 15, 2025 (the "2025 Notes") issued and outstanding as of September 28, 2024. Refer to Note 6. "Debt" for more information on the 2025 Notes. The estimated fair value of the 2025 Notes was approximately \$83.0 million and \$303.3 million as of September 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023, respectively. The estimated fair value of the 2025 Notes is based on the prices the 2025 Notes have traded in the market as well as overall market conditions on the date of valuation, stated coupon rates, the number of coupon payments each year and the maturity dates, and represents a Level 2 measurement in the fair value hierarchy. Refer to Note 6. "Debt" for more information on the 2025 Notes.

6. Debt

Our debt consists of the following:

In thousands	As of September 28, 2024	As of December 30, 2023		
2025 Notes, due May 15, 2025	\$ 84,774	\$	302,497	
Term Loan A, due June 13, 2028	257,500		146,250	
Revolving Loans, due June 13, 2028	_		_	
Debt before unamortized discount and issuance costs	342,274		448,747	
Unamortized discount and issuance costs - 2025 Notes	(330)		(2,497)	
Unamortized discount and issuance costs - Term Loan A	(1,716)		(1,066)	
Debt less debt discount and issuance costs	340,228		445,184	
Less current maturities	(98,024)		(7,500)	
Long-term debt - noncurrent portion	242,204		437,684	
Finance lease obligations	13,613		16,067	
Less current maturities	(2,969)		(2,980)	
Long-term debt and finance lease obligations, less current portion, discount, and issuance costs	\$ 252,848	\$	450,771	

Scheduled annual maturities of debt are as follows:

Fiscal Period	In thousands
2024 - remainder of fiscal year	\$ 3,313
2025	101,337
2026	13,250
2027	13,250
2028	211,124
Thereafter	_
	\$ 342,274

Credit Agreement

On August 9, 2024, Nautilus Acquisition Holdings, Inc. ("Holdings"), a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of National Vision Holdings, Inc., National Vision, Inc. ("Borrower"), a Georgia corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, and certain other subsidiaries of the Company entered into a Joinder Agreement (the "Joinder Agreement") to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of June 13, 2023 (as amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"), among Holdings, Borrower, the other credit parties party thereto, the lenders party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent and collateral agent.

The Joinder Agreement provides for, among other things, the establishment of incremental term loans in an aggregate principal amount of \$115.0 million, provided to the borrower on August 9, 2024. These incremental term loans under the Joinder Agreement have the same terms as the existing term loans under the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of June 13, 2023.

The additional borrowings resulted in \$0.9 million of fees deferred on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets during the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024. After giving effect to additional borrowings, \$257.5 million principal remains outstanding under Term Loan A.

2025 Notes

On August 12, 2024, the Company used the proceeds of the incremental term loan, together with cash from the balance sheet, to repurchase \$217.7 million aggregate principal amount of the 2025 Notes for an aggregate cash repurchase price of \$215.0 million plus accrued and unpaid interest on such notes. The repurchase was accounted for as an extinguishment of debt and resulted in an extinguishment gain of \$0.9 million on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations during the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024, which includes a write-off of related deferred issuance costs of \$1.0 million and immediate recognition of third party-fees of \$0.8 million. After giving effect to the repurchase, \$84.8 million principal amount remains outstanding. Our effective interest rate remained at 3.2% as of September 28, 2024.

Based on the initial conversion rate, the 2025 Notes were convertible into 12.9 million shares of our common stock and we reserved for the possible issuance of 16.5 million shares, which is the maximum amount that could be issued upon conversion. As of September 28, 2024, the 2025 Notes are convertible into 2.7 million shares of our common stock and a maximum of 3.5 million shares of our common stock. See Note 13. "Earnings Per Share" for the treatment of earnings per share in relation to the 2025 Notes.

The 2025 Notes mature on May 15, 2025, and due to the upcoming maturity the outstanding principal balance of \$84.8 million is reflected as a current liability in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 28, 2024. As of September 28, 2024, the Company has \$293.6 million of availability under its revolving credit facility, in addition to \$81.2 million of cash on hand, which provides the Company with sufficient liquidity to repay the remaining balance of the 2025 Notes as they become due.

We recognized the following in Interest expense (income), net related to the 2025 Notes:

	Three Mo	nths Ended	Nine Mor	iths Ended
In thousands	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023
Contractual interest expense	\$ 1,132	\$ 2,516	\$ 4,913	\$ 7,547
Amortization of issuance costs	\$ 254	\$ 617	\$ 1,142	\$ 1,733

As of September 28, 2024, the stock price conditions under which the 2025 Notes can be converted at the holders' option were not met.

We were in compliance with all covenants related to our debt as of September 28, 2024.

7. Interest Rate Derivatives

We were party to an interest rate collar to offset the variability of cash flows in Term SOFR-indexed debt interest payments. The interest rate collar matured on July 18, 2024.

We recognized immaterial (gains) losses on the change in fair value of the interest rate collar during the three months ended September 28, 2024, and recognized \$(0.5) million during the nine months ended September 28, 2024. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 we recognized (gains) losses of \$(0.4) million and \$(2.7) million, respectively.

Cash flows related to derivatives qualifying as hedges are included in the same section of the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows as the underlying assets and liabilities being hedged. Cash flows during the nine months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023 related to derivatives not qualifying as hedges were included in the operating section of the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and were immaterial.

8. Stock Incentive Plans

On June 12, 2024, the Company's stockholders approved the amendment and restatement of the National Vision Holdings, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan (as amended and restated, the "2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan"), increasing the number of shares of common stock of the Company authorized for issuance under the 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan by an additional 5.6 million shares.

During the nine months ended September 28, 2024, the Company granted 332,216 performance-based restricted stock units ("PSUs") and 852,025 time-based restricted stock units ("RSUs") to eligible employees and non-employee directors under the 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan and the 2014 Stock Incentive Plan for Key Employees of National Vision Holdings, Inc. (formerly known as Nautilus Parent, Inc.) and its Subsidiaries (the "2014 Stock Incentive Plan"). The PSUs granted in fiscal 2024 will be settled after the end of the performance period (i.e., cliff vesting), which begins on the first day of our 2024 fiscal year and ends on the last day of our 2026 fiscal year, and

are based on the Company's achievement of certain performance targets. The RSUs granted in fiscal 2024 vest primarily in three equal annual installments.

9. Revenue from Contracts with Customers

The majority of our revenues are recognized either at the point of sale or upon delivery and customer acceptance, paid for at the time of sale in cash, credit card, or on account with managed care payors having terms generally between 14 and 120 days, with most paying within 90 days. For sales of in-store non-prescription eyewear and related accessories, and paid eye exams, we recognize revenue at the point of sale. Our point in time revenues include 1) retail sales of prescription and non-prescription eyewear, contact lenses and related accessories to retail customers (including those covered by managed care) and 2) eye exams. Revenues recognized over time primarily include product protection plans (i.e. warranties) and eye care club memberships.

The following disaggregation of revenues depicts our revenue based on the timing of revenue recognition:

		Three Mon	ed	Nine Months Ended				
In thousands	September 28, 2024		Septer	September 30, 2023		ember 28, 2024	Sept	tember 30, 2023
Revenues recognized at a point in time	\$	419,643	\$	407,181	\$	1,290,205	\$	1,240,768
Revenues recognized over time		31,872		31,639		95,837		94,650
Total net revenue	\$	451,515	\$	438,820	\$	1,386,042	\$	1,335,418

Refer to Note 12. "Segment Reporting" for the Company's disaggregation of net revenue among the Owned & Host reportable segment, as well as the Corporate/Other and Reconciliation categories. As our reportable segment is aligned by similar economic factors, trends and customers, the reportable segment disaggregation view best depicts how the nature, amount and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows are affected by economic factors.

We record reductions in revenue for estimated price concessions granted to managed care providers. The Company considers its revenue from managed care customers to include variable consideration and estimates such amounts associated with managed care customer revenues using the history of concessions provided and cash receipts from managed care providers. We reduced our net revenue for variable consideration of \$5.5 million and \$3.7 million during the three months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, respectively, and \$12.5 million and \$10.8 million during the nine months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, respectively.

Accounts Receivable

Credit loss expense recognized on our receivables, which is presented in SG&A expenses in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, was immaterial for the three months ended September 28, 2024, and \$0.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2023, and \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million for the nine months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, respectively.

Unsatisfied Performance Obligations (Contract Liabilities)

During the three months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, we recognized \$23.1 million and \$23.1 million, respectively, of deferred revenues outstanding at the beginning of each respective period. During the nine months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, we recognized \$54.4 million and \$53.7 million, respectively, of deferred revenues outstanding at the beginning of each respective period.

Our deferred revenue balance as of September 28, 2024 and December 30, 2023 was \$86.6 million and \$84.3 million, respectively. We expect future revenue recognition of the September 28, 2024 balance of \$43.4 million, \$26.2 million, \$13.8 million and \$3.2 million in fiscal years 2024, 2025, 2026 and 2027, respectively.

10. Leases

Our lease costs for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023 were as follows:

	Three Months Ended					Nine Mon	nths Ended	
In thousands	Septe	mber 28, 2024	ber 28, 2024 September 30, 2023 Septem		September 28, 2024		S	eptember 30, 2023
Operating lease cost								
Fixed lease cost (a)	\$	25,628	\$	24,258	\$	76,701	\$	71,317
Variable lease cost (b)		9,428		9,255		28,232		27,198
Sublease income (c)		(379)		(330)		(1,044)		(955)
Finance lease cost								
Amortization of finance lease assets		564		775		1,805		2,525
Interest on finance lease liabilities		300		401		948		1,290
Net lease cost	\$	35,541	\$	34,359	\$	106,642	\$	101,375

⁽a) Includes short-term leases, which are immaterial.

⁽c) Income primarily from sub-leasing of stores includes rental income from leasing space to independent optometrists.

n thousands Ni				Nine Months Ended			
Other Information	September 28, 20			ember 30, 2023			
Operating cash outflows - operating leases	\$	84,062	\$	76,747			
Right of use assets acquired under operating leases	\$	84,559	\$	85,989			

11. Commitments and Contingencies

Legal Proceedings

From time to time, the Company is involved in various legal proceedings incidental to its business. Because of the nature and inherent uncertainties of litigation, we cannot predict with certainty the ultimate resolution of these actions and, should the outcome of these actions be unfavorable, the Company's business, financial position, results of operations or cash flows could be materially and adversely affected.

The Company reviews the status of its legal proceedings and records a provision for a liability when it is considered probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. This review is updated periodically as additional information becomes available. If either or both of the criteria are not met, we reassess whether there is at least a reasonable possibility that a loss, or additional losses, may be incurred. If there is a reasonable possibility that a loss may be incurred, we disclose the estimate of the amount of the loss or range of losses, or that an estimate of loss cannot be made. The Company expenses its legal fees as incurred.

We are currently and may in the future become subject to various claims and pending or threatened lawsuits in the ordinary course of our business.

On September 23, 2022, we were served with notice of a lawsuit filed by a former employee in California state court alleging, on behalf of a proposed class of employees, several violations of California wage and hour laws. On December 9, 2022, the case was removed to the federal District Court for the Northern District of California. On January 18, 2023, we were served with a related representative action filed in California state court pursuant to California's Private Attorneys General Act. We filed an answer to this action on February 17, 2023. On September 29, 2023, the state court set the PAGA action for trial on October 7, 2024. The parties attended mediation on March 11, 2024, but a resolution of the matter was not reached at that time. Following mediation, the parties agreed to a settlement of all claims alleged by the named plaintiff on behalf of himself and all putative class members and other aggrieved employees. The Company will pay \$4.5 million for the gross settlement fund in connection with the

⁽b) Includes costs for insurance, real estate taxes and common area maintenance expenses, which are variable as well as lease costs above minimum thresholds for Fred Meyer stores and lease costs for Military stores.

settlement. The settlement is subject to approval by the court following a fairness hearing. The parties agreed to move the federal and state court actions to state court for review of the settlement terms agreed to by the parties.

On June 6, 2023, the Company was served with notice of a former employee's intention to file a representative action against the Company pursuant to California's Private Attorneys General Act based on alleged violations of California's wage and hour laws. On June 22, 2023, the Company was served with a related lawsuit filed by the former employee in California state court alleging, on behalf of a proposed class of employees, violations of California wage and hour laws. On July 24, 2023, the Company filed its answer and a notice of removal of the case to the federal District Court for the Southern District of California. On July 28, 2023, the Company filed a Notice of Related Cases, seeking for both the case currently pending in the Northern District of California and described in the paragraph above and this case to be assigned to the same Judge/Magistrate Judge in an effort to save judicial effort and avoid duplication of labor. On August 15, 2023, the parties filed a stipulation to stay the case in the Southern District of California pending the resolution of the lawsuit pending in the Northern District of California. On August 21, 2023, the court entered an Order to Show Cause why the action should not be either dismissed or transferred to the federal court for the Northern District of California. Following the parties' submission of their respective responses, the court dismissed the action without prejudice on September 11, 2023. The plaintiff retains his ability to pursue a PAGA action in state court pursuant to the June 6, 2023 notice. On January 22, 2024, the plaintiff filed a demand for arbitration of the claims set forth in the Complaint previously filed in state court in June 2023. The Company filed its response to the arbitration demand and the parties have engaged in limited discovery. We dispute the plaintiff's allegations and intend to vigorously defend the litigation.

On January 27, 2023, a purported class action complaint was filed in federal court in the Northern District of Georgia against the Company and two of the Company's officers (the "Securities Class Action"). The complaint alleges violations of Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and Rule 10b-5 for materially false and misleading statements made between May 2021 and May 2022. The complaint seeks unspecified damages as well as equitable relief. On March 28, 2023, the original plaintiff, City of Southfield General Employees Retirement System, and a new plaintiff, International Union of Operating Engineers, Local No. 793, Members Pension Benefit Trust of Ontario, filed a lead plaintiff motion, seeking to be appointed co-lead plaintiffs. On April 3, 2023, the Company along with its named officers filed a motion to dismiss the complaint. On May 19, 2023, the court granted the lead plaintiff motion. On June 30, 2023, the plaintiffs filed an amended complaint, which added a claim under Section 20A of the Exchange Act and extended the alleged class period to February 28, 2023. On August 21, 2023, the Company filed a motion to dismiss the amended complaint. The plaintiffs filed their response in opposition to this motion on October 5, 2023. On March 30, 2024, the court granted the Company's motion and dismissed the amended complaint with prejudice. On April 29, 2024, the plaintiffs' motion for reconsideration of the order granting the motion to dismiss. The Company and named officers filed a response in opposition to the plaintiffs' motion for reconsideration on May 13, 2024, and the plaintiffs then filed a reply in support of their motion on May 28, 2024. The Company disputes the allegations asserted by plaintiffs and will continue to defend the litigation vigorously.

On May 23, 2024, a stockholder derivative complaint was filed by a stockholder in the Delaware Court of Chancery, purportedly on behalf of the Company (the "Derivative Action"). The Derivative Action is based on the same alleged facts and circumstances as the Securities Class Action and names certain of the Company's officers, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer, and the Company's directors who were members of the Company's Board of Directors during the relevant time period as defendants. The Derivative Action alleges claims for breach of fiduciary duty, unjust enrichment, and violations of the Exchange Act and seeks to recover damages on behalf of the Company. On July 24, 2024, the Company along with the named defendants, filed a motion to dismiss the complaint. On September 9, 2024, the plaintiff filed an amended complaint. Defendants filed a motion to dismiss the amended complaint on October 31, 2024. The defendants dispute the allegations made by the plaintiff and intend to vigorously defend the litigation.

12. Segment Reporting

The Company provides its principal products and services through one reportable segment: Owned & Host. The "Corporate/Other" category includes the results of operations of our other operating segments, as well as corporate overhead support. Revenues from the Corporate/Other category are attributable to our dedicated e-commerce website and FirstSight operations. Our dedicated e-commerce website was previously managed by AC Lens and was transitioned to NVI. FirstSight sells single-service health plans in connection with the operations of America's Best operations in California. The "Reconciliations" category represents other adjustments to reportable segment results necessary for the presentation of consolidated financial results in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Our former Legacy reportable segment and certain other results previously included in the Corporate/Other and Reconciliations categories met the requirements to be classified as discontinued operations. Refer to Note 2. "Discontinued Operations" for information related to our discontinued operations.

Our reportable segment profit measure is earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA") or net revenue, less costs applicable to revenue, less SG&A expenses. Depreciation and amortization, asset impairment, and other corporate costs that are not allocated to the reportable segment, including interest expense (income), net are excluded from segment EBITDA. There are no differences between the measurement of our reportable segment's assets and consolidated assets. There have been no changes from prior periods in the measurement methods used to determine reportable segment profit or loss, and there have been no asymmetrical allocations to segments.

The following is a summary of certain financial data for our Owned & Host reportable segment and Corporate/Other and Reconciliations categories. Reportable segment information is presented on the same basis as our consolidated financial statements, except for net revenue and associated costs applicable to revenue, which are presented on a cash basis, including point of sales for managed care payors and excluding the effects of unearned and deferred revenue, consistent with what the Chief Operating Decision Maker ("CODM") regularly reviews.

Asset information is not included in the following summary since the CODM does not regularly review such information for our reportable segment.

In thousands	Ow	vned & Host	Corporate/	Other	Reconciliations		Total
Net product sales	\$	356,404	\$	5,338	\$	1,414	\$ 363,156
Net sales of services and plans		88,678		_		(319)	88,359
Total net revenue		445,082		5,338		1,095	451,515
Costs of products		101,535		4,366		491	106,392
Costs of services and plans		83,504		33			83,537
Total costs applicable to revenue		185,039		4,399		491	189,929
SG&A		179,229	5	4,762		_	233,991
Asset impairment			1	3,726		_	13,726
Other expense (income), net		_		_		_	_
Gain on extinguishment of debt				(859)			(859)
EBITDA	\$	80,814	\$ (6	6,690)	\$	604	
Depreciation and amortization				,			22,690
Interest expense, net							4,108
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes							\$ (12,070)

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2023										
In thousands	Owi	ned & Host	Corporate/Other	Reconciliations			Total				
Net product sales	\$	346,538	\$ 8,273	\$	(245)	\$	354,566				
Net sales of services and plans		84,388	(1)		(133)		84,254				
Total net revenue		430,926	8,272		(378)		438,820				
Costs of products		99,793	6,063		(6)		105,850				
Costs of services and plans		77,979	_		_		77,979				
Total costs applicable to revenue	<u> </u>	177,772	6,063		(6)		183,829				
SG&A		169,020	58,495		_		227,515				
Asset impairment		_	1,452		_		1,452				
Other expense (income), net		_	1		_		1				
EBITDA	\$	84,134	\$ (57,739)	\$	(372)						
Depreciation and amortization	<u> </u>						22,476				
Interest expense, net							3,722				
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes						\$	(175)				

	Nine Months Ended September 28, 2024									
In thousands	Ov	Owned & Host		Corporate/Other		Reconciliations		Total		
Net product sales	\$	1,086,311	\$	21,682	\$	5,213	\$	1,113,206		
Net sales of services and plans		275,107		_		(2,271)		272,836		
Total net revenue		1,361,418		21,682		2,942		1,386,042		
Costs of products		312,566		17,112		1,131		330,809		
Costs of services and plans		248,168		78				248,246		
Total costs applicable to revenue	· <u></u>	560,734		17,190		1,131		579,055		
SG&A		532,930		172,542		_		705,472		
Asset impairment		_		17,701		_		17,701		
Other expense (income), net		_		(1)		_		(1)		
Gain on extinguishment of debt				(859)				(859)		
EBITDA	\$	267,754	\$	(184,891)	\$	1,811				
Depreciation and amortization								68,603		
Interest expense, net								11,560		
Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes							\$	4,511		

		Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023									
In thousands	Ow	ned & Host	Corporate/Other		Reconciliations		Total				
Net product sales	\$	1,060,684	\$ 25,500	\$	715	\$	1,086,899				
Net sales of services and plans		250,901	_		(2,382)		248,519				
Total net revenue		1,311,585	25,500		(1,667)		1,335,418				
Costs of products		304,671	18,560		55		323,286				
Costs of services and plans		226,990	2		_		226,992				
Total costs applicable to revenue		531,661	18,562		55		550,278				
SG&A		502,638	176,477		_		679,115				
Asset impairment		_	2,699		_		2,699				
Other expense (income), net		<u> </u>	(103)		<u> </u>		(103)				
EBITDA	\$	277,286	\$ (172,135)	\$	(1,722)						
Depreciation and amortization							66,521				
Interest expense, net							10,425				
Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes						\$	26,483				

13. Earnings (Loss) Per Share

Diluted earnings / (loss) per share ("EPS") related to the 2025 Notes is calculated using the if-converted method; the number of dilutive shares is based on the initial conversion rate associated with the 2025 Notes. The 2025 Notes were anti-dilutive for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023. A reconciliation of the numerators and denominators of the basic and diluted EPS calculations is as follows:

		Three Mor	nths	s Ended	Nine Months Ended				
In Thousands, Except Earnings / (Loss) Per Share	Septe	mber 28, 2024	Se	September 30, 2023		September 28, 2024		eptember 30, 2023	
Numerator:			'					_	
Income (loss) from continuing operations, net of tax	\$	(8,440)	\$	(366)	\$	2,272	\$	18,285	
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	\$	(28)	\$	(73,432)	\$	(2,180)	\$	(68,199)	
Net income (loss)	\$	(8,468)	\$	(73,798)	\$	92	\$	(49,914)	
Denominator:									
Weighted average shares outstanding, Basic		78,655		78,163		78,538		78,328	
Effect of dilutive securities:									
Stock options		_		_		29		96	
Restricted stock units		_		_		180		222	
Weighted average shares outstanding, Diluted		78,655	_	78,163		78,747	_	78,646	
Basic earnings (loss) per share:									
Continuing operations	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.00)	\$	0.03	\$	0.23	
Discontinued operations	\$	(0.00)	\$	(0.94)	\$	(0.03)	\$	(0.87)	
Total	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.94)	\$	0.00	\$	(0.64)	
Diluted earnings (loss) per share:									
Continuing operations	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.00)	\$	0.03	\$	0.23	
Discontinued operations	\$	(0.00)	\$	(0.94)	\$	(0.03)	\$	(0.87)	
Total	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.94)	\$	0.00	\$	(0.63)	
Anti-dilutive securities excluded from diluted weighted average common shares		7,879		14,166		9,995		13,729	
Some of the totals in the table above may not foot due to ro	unding di	fferences							

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

The following contains management's discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations and should be read together with the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and the related notes thereto included elsewhere in this Form 10-Q (this "Form 10-Q") and the audited consolidated financial statements and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on February 27, 2024 (the "2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K.") This discussion contains forward-looking statements that reflect our plans, estimates and beliefs as of the date hereof and we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law. These forward-looking statements involve numerous risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, those described in the "Risk Factors" sections of this Form 10-Q and the 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K, as such risk factors may be updated from time to time in our periodic filings with the SEC. Actual results may differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. You should carefully read "Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" in this Form 10-Q.

Overview

We are one of the largest optical retailers in the U.S. and a leader in the attractive value segment of the U.S. optical retail industry. We believe that vision is central to quality of life and that people deserve to see their best to live their best, regardless of their budget. We achieve this by providing eye exams, eyeglasses and contact lenses to value seeking and lower income consumers with an opening price point that strives to be among the lowest in the industry, enabled by our low-cost operating platform. We reach our customers through a diverse portfolio of 1,231 retail stores across four brands as well as multiple consumer websites as of September 28, 2024.

Brand and Segment Information

As of September 28, 2024, our operations consisted of one reportable segment. During the nine months ended September 28, 2024, our Walmart store operations, including our former Legacy reportable segment and components of our Corporate/Other category met the requirements to be classified as discontinued operations; refer to Part I. Item 1. Note 2. "Discontinued Operations" for more information on discontinued operations.

• Owned & Host - As of September 28, 2024, our owned brands consisted of 1,019 America's Best Contacts and Eyeglasses retail stores and 130 Eyeglass World retail stores. Our Host brands consisted of 53 Vista Optical locations on select military bases and 29 Vista Optical locations within select Fred Meyer stores as of September 28, 2024. All brands utilize our centralized laboratories. This segment also includes sales from our America's Best, Eyeglass World, and Military omni-channel websites.

Our consolidated results also include the following activity recorded in our Corporate/Other category:

- Our e-commerce website that was formerly part of AC Lens and was transitioned to NVI as part of the wind down of AC Lens' operations.
- The business conducted by FirstSight, our wholly-owned subsidiary that is licensed as a single-service health plan under California law. In connection with the termination of the Walmart MSA, the agreement between FirstSight and Walmart, which arranged for the provision by FirstSight of optometric services at optometric offices next to certain Walmart stores throughout California, terminated on February 23, 2024.
- · Unallocated corporate overhead expenses.

Reportable segment information is presented on the same basis as our condensed consolidated financial statements, except reportable segment sales which are presented on a cash basis, including point of sales for managed care payors and excluding the effects of unearned and deferred revenue, consistent with what our CODM regularly reviews. Reconciliations of segment results to consolidated results include financial information necessary to adjust reportable segment revenues to a consolidated basis in accordance with U.S. GAAP, specifically the change in unearned and deferred revenues during the period. There are no other items in the reconciliations other than the effects of unearned and deferred revenue. See Note 12. "Segment Reporting" in our condensed consolidated financial statements included in Part I. Item 1, of this Form 10-Q.

Deferred revenue represents the timing difference of when we collect the cash from the customer and when services related to product protection plans and eye care club memberships are performed. Increases or decreases in deferred revenue during the reporting period represent cash collections in excess of, or below the recognition of, previous deferrals. Unearned revenue represents the timing difference of when we collect cash from the customer and

delivery/customer acceptance, and includes sales of prescription eyewear during approximately the last seven to 10 days of the reporting period.

Trends and Other Factors Affecting Our Business

As previously announced, we are taking new actions to accelerate our transformation, which include new additions to our executive leadership team, continued expansion of exam capacity, new traffic-driving initiatives, and initiatives to strengthen the foundation of the business for profitable growth. As part of this endeavor, we have completed a comprehensive review of our portfolio of stores to optimize our fleet for profitability and overall performance. Following the comprehensive review, we currently plan to close 39 stores and convert four Eyeglass World stores to America's Best stores by the end of 2026. In connection with this review, we have recorded certain impairment of intangible assets, property and equipment and ROU assets, as well as one-time non-recurring exit charges associated with the fiscal 2024 and fiscal 2025 closures. Refer to Part I. Item 1. Note 1. "Description of Business and Basis of Presentation" and Note 5. "Fair Value Measurement" for information on the impairment charges and costs incurred related to the store fleet review.

Current macroeconomic conditions, including elevated inflation and interest rates and overall consumer sentiment, have negatively impacted and may continue to have adverse effects on our business, results of operations and financial condition, which could be material. Inflation has resulted in increased costs and greater profitability pressure. We have experienced wage rate pressure and increases in raw materials prices, which we expect to continue. Inflationary pressures, including elevated wages, consumer confidence and preferences and increased raw material costs could impact our profitability and lead us to attempt to offset such increases through various pricing actions. We have historically employed a simple low price/high value strategy and seek to balance our pricing and growth in a way that consistently delivers savings to our customers. From time to time, and increasingly in connection with our new transformation initiatives, we may take pricing actions and introduce limited-time promotions or new offers designed to increase traffic, awareness and sales. Several factors may impact the level of success of such actions and promotions, including consumer sentiment, macroeconomic conditions and marketing effectiveness, and as a result, if they do not meet our expectations, they could negatively impact our margins and profitability.

Additionally, our ability to continue to attract and retain qualified vision care professionals impacts exam capacity. We believe factors such as an increasingly challenging recruiting market (in particular for new graduates), preferences for adjusted work schedules, and the demand for optometrists exceeding supply in certain areas have caused constraints in vision care professional availability, and therefore exam capacity, which are continuing. As a result, recruiting and retaining optometrists has become more challenging and the costs to employ or retain optometrists have increased and may increase further, potentially materially.

We believe that customers in our target market are value-seeking consumers, many of whom are lower income consumers and may rely on tax refunds to pay for eyewear and eye care. Historically, our business has experienced seasonality in the first half of the year that we believe is primarily attributable to the timing of customers' income tax refunds and health insurance start/reset periods. A delay in the issuance of tax refunds or changes in the amount of tax refunds can, accordingly, have a negative impact on our quarterly financial results in the first half of the year. Consumer behavior with respect to the utilization of tax refund proceeds is also subject to change.

In the first nine months of 2024, we incurred costs related to the termination of the Walmart MSA and the wind-down of AC Lens operations, as well as an immaterial amount of costs related to the actions taken in fiscal year 2023 to streamline corporate overhead. While we seek to reduce costs and replace lost business with new America's Best or Eyeglass World stores and by other means, including anticipated pricing actions, we may not be successful in our efforts, which could impact our revenues and profitability.

Refer to Part I, Item 1A. "Risk Factors" in the Company's 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K for a more complete discussion of the risk factors we face.

How We Assess the Performance of Our Business

We consider a variety of financial and operating measures in assessing the performance of our business. The key measures we use to determine how our consolidated business and operating segments are performing are net revenue, costs applicable to revenue, and selling, general, and administrative expenses. In addition, we also review store growth, Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth, Adjusted Operating Income, Adjusted Operating Margin, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA Margin and Adjusted Diluted EPS.

Net Revenue

We report as net revenue amounts generated in transactions with retail customers who are the end users of our products, services and plans. Comparable store sales growth and new store openings are key drivers of net revenue and are discussed below. Also, the timing of unearned revenue can affect revenue recognized in a particular period.

Costs Applicable to Revenue

Customer tastes and preferences, product mix, changes in technology, significant increases or slowdowns in production, and other factors impact costs applicable to revenue. The components of our costs applicable to revenue may not be comparable to other retailers.

Selling, General and Administrative

SG&A expenses generally fluctuate consistently with revenue due to the variable store, field office and corporate support costs; however, some fixed costs may decrease as a percentage of net revenue as our net revenues grow over time.

New Store Openings

The total number of new stores per year and the timing of store openings has had an impact, and we expect will continue to have an impact, on our results. We expect to open 65 to 70 stores in the current year. We plan to open 30-35 new stores in fiscal year 2025 to allow us to invest capital in existing operations to enhance the overall store experience. We are continuing to monitor and determine our plans for future new store openings at a level appropriate for incremental free cash flow generation and healthy growth, and based on health, safety and economic conditions.

Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth

We measure Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth as the increase or decrease in sales recorded by the comparable store base in any reporting period, compared to sales recorded by the comparable store base in the prior reporting period, which we calculate as follows: (i) sales are recorded on a cash basis (i.e., when the order is placed and paid for or submitted to a managed care payor, compared to when the order is delivered), utilizing cash basis point of sale information from stores; (ii) stores are added to the calculation during the 13th full fiscal month following the store's opening; (iii) closed stores are removed from the calculation for time periods that are not comparable; (iv) sales from partial months of operation are excluded when stores do not open or close on the first day of the month; and (v) when applicable, we adjust for the effect of the 53rd week. Quarterly, year-to-date and annual adjusted comparable store sales are aggregated using only sales from all whole months of operation included in both the current reporting period and the prior reporting period. When a partial month is excluded from the calculation, the corresponding month in the subsequent period is also excluded from the calculation. There may be variations in the way in which some of our competitors and other retailers calculate comparable store sales. As a result, our adjusted comparable store sales may not be comparable to similar data made available by other retailers.

Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth is a non-GAAP financial measure, which we believe is useful because it provides timely and accurate information relating to the two core metrics of retail sales: number of transactions and value of transactions. We use Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth as the basis for key operating decisions, such as allocation of advertising to particular markets and implementation of special marketing programs. Accordingly, we believe that Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth provides timely and accurate information relating to the operational health and overall performance of each brand. We also believe that, for the same reasons, investors find our calculation of Adjusted Comparable Stores Sales Growth to be meaningful.

Adjusted Operating Income, Adjusted Operating Margin, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA Margin and Adjusted Diluted EPS (collectively, the "Company Non-GAAP Measures")

The Company Non-GAAP Measures are key measures used by management to assess our financial performance. The Company Non-GAAP Measures are also frequently used by analysts, investors and other interested parties. We use the Company Non-GAAP Measures to supplement U.S. GAAP measures of performance to evaluate the effectiveness of our business strategies, to make budgeting decisions, to establish discretionary annual incentive compensation and to compare our performance against that of other peer companies using similar measures. See "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for definitions of the Company Non-GAAP Measures and for additional information.

Results of Operations

The following table summarizes key components of our results of operations for the periods indicated, both in dollars and as a percentage of our net revenue.

		Three Mor	nths E	Ended	Nine Months Ended					
In thousands, except earnings (loss) per share, percentage and store data	Septe	mber 28, 2024	5	September 30, 2023	Sep	tember 28, 2024	Sept	ember 30, 2023		
Revenue:		_								
Net product sales	\$	363,156	\$	354,566	\$	1,113,206	\$	1,086,899		
Net sales of services and plans		88,359		84,254		272,836		248,519		
Total net revenue		451,515		438,820		1,386,042		1,335,418		
Costs applicable to revenue (exclusive of depreciation and amortization):										
Products		106,392		105,850		330,809		323,286		
Services and plans		83,537		77,979		248,246		226,992		
Total costs applicable to revenue		189,929		183,829		579,055		550,278		
Operating expenses:										
Selling, general and administrative expenses		233,991		227,515		705,472		679,115		
Depreciation and amortization		22,690		22,476		68,603		66,521		
Asset impairment		13,726		1,452		17,701		2,699		
Other expense (income), net		<u> </u>		1_		(1)		(103)		
Total operating expenses		270,407		251,444		791,775		748,232		
Income (loss) from operations		(8,821)		3,547		15,212		36,908		
Interest expense, net		4,108		3,722		11,560		10,425		
Gain on extinguishment of debt		(859)		_		(859)		_		
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes		(12,070)		(175)		4,511		26,483		
Income tax provision (benefit)		(3,630)		191		2,239		8,198		
Income (loss) from continuing operations, net of tax		(8,440)		(366)		2,272		18,285		
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax (See Note 2)		(28)		(73,432)		(2,180)		(68,199)		
Net income (loss)	\$	(8,468)	\$	(73,798)	\$ 92		\$	(49,914)		
Supplemental operating data:										
Number of stores open at end of period		1,231		1,173		1,231		1,173		
New stores opened during the period		18		21		49		53		
Adjusted Operating Income from continuing operations	\$	14,294	\$	11,700	\$	62,261	\$	56,634		
Diluted earnings (loss) per share from continuing operations	\$	(0.11)	\$	(0.00)	\$	0.03	\$	0.23		
Adjusted Diluted EPS from continuing operations	\$	0.12	\$	0.11	\$	0.56	\$	0.51		
Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations	\$	36,603	\$	33,795	\$	129,720	\$	122,011		
Percentage of net revenue:										
Total costs applicable to revenue		42.1 %		41.9 %		41.8 %		41.2 %		
Selling, general and administrative expenses		51.8 %		51.8 %		50.9 %		50.9 %		
Total operating expenses		59.9 %		57.3 %		57.1 %		56.0 %		
Income (loss) from continuing operations, net of tax		(1.9)%		(0.1)%		0.2 %		1.4 %		
Adjusted Operating Income from continuing operations		3.2 %		2.7 %		4.5 %		4.2 %		
Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations		8.1 %		7.7 %		9.4 %		9.1 %		

Three Months Ended September 28, 2024 compared to Three Months Ended September 30, 2023

Certain components of our operations met the requirements to be classified as discontinued operations. Refer to Part I. Item 1. Note 2. "Discontinued Operations" for information related to our discontinued operations. Unless otherwise noted, the discussion of U.S. GAAP results below is based on results from continuing operations.

Net revenue

The following presents, by segment and by brand, comparable store sales growth, stores open at the end of the period and net revenue from continuing operations for the three months ended September 28, 2024 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2023.

	Comparable store continuing of									
In thousands, except percentage and store data	Three Months Ended September 28, 2024	Three Months Ended September 30, 2023	September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023		Three Months Ended September 28, 2024			Three Month September 3	
Owned & Host segment										
America's Best	1.2 %	5.7 %	1,019	943	\$	388,846	86.1 %	\$	367,528	83.8 %
Eyeglass World	(0.9)%	(1.2)%	130	147		48,101	10.7 %		55,019	12.5 %
Military	(0.6)%	3.8 %	53	54		5,655	1.3 %		5,703	1.3 %
Fred Meyer	(7.3)%	(3.7)%	29	29		2,480	0.5 %		2,676	0.6 %
Owned & Host segment total			1,231	1,173	\$	445,082	98.6 %	\$	430,926	98.2 %
Corporate/Other	— %	— %	_	_		5,338	1.2 %		8,272	1.9 %
Reconciliations	— %	— %	_	_		1,095	0.2 %		(378)	(0.1)%
Total	1.4 %	4.1 %	1,231	1,173	\$	451,515	100.0 %	\$	438,820	100.0 %
Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth from continuing operations ⁽³⁾	0.9 %	4.7 %								

- (1) We calculate total comparable store sales from continuing operations based on consolidated net revenue from continuing operations excluding the impact of (i) Corporate/Other segment net revenue, (ii) sales from stores opened less than 13 months, (iii) stores closed in the periods presented, (iv) sales from partial months of operation when stores do not open or close on the first day of the month and (v) if applicable, the impact of a 53rd week in a fiscal year. Brand-level comparable store sales growth is calculated based on cash basis revenues consistent with what the CODM reviews, and consistent with reportable segment revenues presented in Note 12. "Segment Reporting" in our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included in Part I. Item 1. of this Form 10-Q.
- (2) Percentages reflect line item as a percentage of net revenue, adjusted for rounding.
- (3) Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth from continuing operations includes the effect of deferred and unearned revenue as if such revenues were earned at the point of sale, resulting in a decrease of 0.5% and an increase of 0.6% from total comparable store sales growth from continuing operations based on consolidated net revenue from continuing operations for the three months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, respectively.

Total net revenue of \$451.5 million for the three months ended September 28, 2024 increased \$12.7 million, or 2.9%, from \$438.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2023. Approximately 110% of the increase was driven by growth from new store sales, approximately 30% of the increase was driven by Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth from continuing operations and 10% from the timing of unearned revenue, partially offset by approximately 20% from effects of converted and closed stores and 20% from lower e-commerce revenue.

Comparable store sales growth from continuing operations and Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth from continuing operations for the three months ended September 28, 2024 were 1.4% and 0.9%, respectively, both reflecting a higher average ticket and an increase in customer transactions.

In the three months ended September 28, 2024, we opened 18 America's Best stores and closed two America's Best and one Military store as a result of the host partner's decision to cease its overall operations at the location. Overall, store count grew 4.9% from September 30, 2023 to September 28, 2024 (56 and three net new America's Best and Eyeglass World stores were added, respectively, and one Military store closed). We also converted 20 Eyeglass World stores to America's Best stores from September 30, 2023 to September 28, 2024.

Net product sales comprised 80.4% and 80.8% of total net revenue for the three months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, respectively. Net product sales increased \$8.6 million, or 2.4%, in the three months ended September 28, 2024 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2023, driven primarily by a \$8.4 million, or 3.0% increase in eyeglass sales.

Net sales of services and plans for the three months ended September 28, 2024 increased \$4.1 million, or 4.9%, compared to the three months ended September 30, 2023, driven primarily by higher eye exam revenues of \$3.9 million, or 7.3%.

Owned & Host segment net revenue. Net revenue increased \$14.2 million, or 3.3%, driven primarily by new store openings and comparable store sales growth, partially offset by converted and closed stores.

Net revenue reconciliations. The impact of reconciliations positively impacted net revenue by \$1.5 million in the three months ended September 28, 2024. Net revenue was positively impacted by \$1.7 million due to the timing of unearned revenue. Net revenue was negatively impacted by \$0.2 million as a result of higher sales of club memberships, partially offset by higher recognition of product protection plan revenue in the three months ended September 28, 2024 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2023.

Costs applicable to revenue

Costs applicable to revenue of \$189.9 million for the three months ended September 28, 2024 increased \$6.1 million, or 3.3%, from \$183.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2023. As a percentage of net revenue, costs applicable to revenue increased from 41.9% for the three months ended September 30, 2023 to 42.1% for the three months ended September 28, 2024. This increase as a percentage of net revenue was primarily driven by growth in optometrist-related costs of 60 basis points and 10 basis points from other mix and margin effects. These costs were partially offset by a 50 basis point effect from higher exam revenue.

Costs of products as a percentage of net product sales was 29.3% for the three months ended September 28, 2024 and 29.9% for the three months ended September 30, 2023, primarily driven by increased eyeglass mix and higher contact lens margin.

Owned & Host segment costs of products. Costs of products as a percentage of net product sales decreased from 28.8% for the three months ended September 30, 2023 to 28.5% for the three months ended September 28, 2024, primarily driven by higher contact lens margin, partially offset by lower eyeglass mix.

Costs of services and plans as a percentage of net sales of services and plans increased from 92.6% for the three months ended September 30, 2023 to 94.5% for the three months ended September 28, 2024. The increase was primarily driven by growth in optometrist-related costs, partially offset by higher eye exam revenue.

Owned & Host segment costs of services and plans. Costs of services and plans as a percentage of net sales of services and plans increased from 92.4% for the three months ended September 30, 2023 to 94.2% for the three months ended September 28, 2024. The increase was primarily driven by growth in optometrist-related costs, partially offset by higher eye exam revenue.

Selling, general and administrative

SG&A of \$234.0 million for the three months ended September 28, 2024 increased \$6.5 million, or 2.8%, from the three months ended September 30, 2023. As a percentage of net revenue, SG&A was 51.8% for the three months ended September 30, 2023 compared with 51.8% for the three months ended September 28, 2024. SG&A as a percentage of net revenue was impacted by lower performance-based incentive compensation expense of 80 basis points, offset by higher payroll expense of 40 basis points and other operating expenses, including higher IT investments and occupancy expense.

Owned & Host SG&A. SG&A as a percentage of net revenue increased from 39.2% for the three months ended September 30, 2023 to 40.3% for the three months ended September 28, 2024, primarily driven by an increase in payroll and other operating expenses.

Depreciation and amortization

Depreciation and amortization expense of \$22.7 million for the three months ended September 28, 2024 increased \$0.2 million, or 1.0%, from \$22.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2023 primarily driven by investments in remote medicine technology and new store openings, partially offset by lower depreciation of labs and distribution center.

Asset Impairment

We recognized \$13.7 million primarily for impairment related to the Fred Meyer contracts and relationships intangible asset and tangible long-lived assets and ROU assets associated with our retail stores during the three months ended September 28, 2024, compared to \$1.5 million impairment recognized during the three months ended September 30, 2023 for tangible long-lived assets and ROU assets associated with our retail stores. Refer to Part I. Item 1. Note 1. "Description of Business and Basis of Presentation" for more details on the Fred Meyer contracts and relationships intangible asset. The store asset impairment charge is related to our Owned & Host segment driven by lower than projected customer sales volume, and other entity-specific assumptions, and also reflects the effects of

certain store closure decisions made as part of the Company's store optimization review in the current period. We considered multiple factors including, but not limited to: forecasted scenarios related to store performance and the likelihood that these scenarios would be ultimately realized; and the remaining useful lives of the assets. Asset impairment expenses were recognized in Corporate/Other.

Interest expense, net

Interest expense, net, was \$4.1 million for the three months ended September 28, 2024, compared to \$3.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2023. The change was primarily a result of lower interest income on cash balances of \$1.0 million, partially offset by lower interest expense on our debt of \$0.8 million.

Income tax provision (benefit)

Our effective tax rates for the three months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023 were 30.1% and (109.1)%, respectively. The change in effective tax rates reflects our statutory federal and state rates of 25.2% and 25.4%, respectively, tax impacts of consolidated VIEs, as well as effects of other permanent items.

Discontinued Operations

Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax of \$(0.0) million for the three months ended September 28, 2024, increased \$73.4 million from \$(73.4) million for the three months ended September 30, 2023. Net revenue, costs applicable to revenue, SG&A, and asset impairment from discontinued operations decreased by \$93.6 million, \$68.2 million, \$22.4 million and \$79.2 million, respectively, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2023, primarily due to the prior year including the discontinued operations results and impairments of intangible assets and property and equipment related to our former Legacy and AC Lens segments prior to the Walmart MSA termination date and the wind-down of AC Lens operations. Income tax expense (benefit) decreased by \$4.7 million, due to lower income (loss) before income taxes in the current period as compared to the prior year and the disallowance of the Legacy segment goodwill impairment loss for income tax purposes in the prior year period as well as other permanent items related to discontinued operations.

Nine Months Ended September 28, 2024 compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023

Certain components of our operations met the requirements to be classified as discontinued operations. Refer to Part I. Item 1. Note 2. "Discontinued Operations" for information related to our discontinued operations. Unless otherwise noted, the discussion of U.S. GAAP results below is based on results from continuing operations.

Net revenue

The following presents, by segment and by brand, comparable store sales growth, stores open at the end of the period and net revenue from continuing operations for the nine months ended September 28, 2024 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2023.

	Comparable store s continuing o		Stores open at end of period Net revo					venu	e ⁽²⁾				
In thousands, except percentage and store data	Nine Months Ended September 28, 2024	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023	September 28, 2024			Nine Months Ended September 28, 2024						Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023	
Owned & Host segment													
America's Best	1.7 %	3.0 %	1,019	943	\$	1,181,637	85.3 %	\$	1,113,918	83.4 %			
Eyeglass World	(2.3)%	(1.7)%	130	147		154,550	11.2 %		171,864	12.9 %			
Military	(0.7)%	2.3 %	53	54		17,369	1.3 %		17,506	1.3 %			
Fred Meyer	(5.3)%	(5.9)%	29	29		7,862	0.6 %		8,297	0.6 %			
Owned & Host segment total			1,231	1,173	\$	1,361,418	98.2 %	\$	1,311,585	98.2 %			
Corporate/Other	_	_	_	_		21,682	1.6 %		25,500	1.9 %			
Reconciliations	_	_	_	_		2,942	0.2 %		(1,667)	(0.1)%			
Total	1.7 %	2.4 %	1,231	1,173	\$	1,386,042	100.0 %	\$	1,335,418	100.0 %			
Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth from continuing operations ⁽³⁾	1.2 %	2.3 %											

- (1) We calculate total comparable store sales from continuing operations based on consolidated net revenue from continuing operations excluding the impact of (i) Corporate/Other segment net revenue, (ii) sales from stores opened less than 13 months, (iii) stores closed in the periods presented, (iv) sales from partial months of operation when stores do not open or close on the first day of the month and (v) if applicable, the impact of a 53rd week in a fiscal year. Brand-level comparable store sales growth is calculated based on cash basis revenues consistent with what the CODM reviews, and consistent with reportable segment revenues presented in Note 12. "Segment Reporting" in our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included in Part I. Item 1. of this Form 10-O.
- (2) Percentages reflect line item as a percentage of net revenue, adjusted for rounding.
- (3) Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth from continuing operations includes the effect of deferred and unearned revenue as if such revenues were earned at the point of sale, resulting in a decrease of 0.5% and a decrease of 0.1% from total comparable store sales growth from continuing operations based on consolidated net revenue from continuing operations for the nine months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, respectively.

Total net revenue of \$1,386.0 million for the nine months ended September 28, 2024 increased \$50.6 million, or 3.8%, from \$1,335.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2023. Approximately 90% of the increase was driven by growth from new store sales, approximately 30% was driven by Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth from continuing operations, and approximately 10% from the timing of unearned revenue, partially offset by approximately 20% by effects of converted and closed stores and 10% from lower e-commerce revenue.

Comparable store sales growth from continuing operations and Adjusted Comparable Store Sales Growth from continuing operations for the nine months ended September 28, 2024 were 1.7% and 1.2%, respectively, both reflecting a higher average ticket and an increase in customer transactions.

In the nine months ended September 28, 2024, we opened 46 new America's Best stores and three Eyeglass World stores, closed four America's Best stores, one Eyeglass World store, and one Military store as a result of the host partner's decision to cease its overall operations at the location and converted 20 Eyeglass World stores to America's Best stores. Overall, store count grew 4.9% from September 30, 2023 to September 28, 2024 (56 and three net new America's Best and Eyeglass World stores, respectively, and one Military store closed). We also converted 20 Eyeglass World stores to America's Best stores from September 30, 2023 to September 28, 2024.

Net product sales comprised 80.3% and 81.4% of total net revenue for the nine months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023, respectively. Net product sales increased \$26.3 million, or 2.4%, in the nine months ended September 28, 2024 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2023, primarily due to a \$18.6 million, or 2.2%, increase in eyeglass sales and a \$5.5 million, or 2.4%, increase in contact lens sales.

Net sales of services and plans for the nine months ended September 28, 2024 increased \$24.3 million, or 9.8%, compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2023, driven primarily by higher exam revenues of \$23.1 million, or 15.0%.

Owned & Host segment net revenue. Net revenue increased \$49.8 million, or 3.8%, driven primarily by new store openings and comparable store sales growth, partially offset by converted and closed stores.

Net revenue reconciliations. The impact of reconciliations positively impacted net revenue by \$4.6 million in the nine months ended September 28, 2024 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2023. Net revenue was positively impacted by \$4.5 million due to the timing of unearned revenue. Net revenue was positively impacted by \$0.1 million primarily due to higher recognition of product protection plan revenue, partially offset by higher sales of club memberships in the nine months ended September 28, 2024 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2023.

Costs applicable to revenue

Costs applicable to revenue of \$579.1 million for the nine months ended September 28, 2024 increased \$28.8 million, or 5.2%, from \$550.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2023. As a percentage of net revenue, costs applicable to revenue increased from 41.2% for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 to 41.8% for the nine months ended September 28, 2024. This increase as a percentage of net revenue was primarily driven by growth in optometrist-related costs of 80 basis points, lower eyeglass mix of 80 basis points, and other mix and margin effects of 20 basis points. These costs were partially offset by a 120 basis point effect from higher exam revenue.

Costs of products as a percentage of net product sales was 29.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and September 28, 2024 primarily driven by lower eyeglass mix, offset by other mix and margin effects.

Owned & Host segment costs of products. Costs of products as a percentage of net product sales increased from 28.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 to 28.8% for the nine months ended September 28, 2024, primarily driven by lower eyeglass mix, partially offset by other mix and margin effects.

Costs of services and plans as a percentage of net sales of services and plans decreased from 91.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 to 91.0% for the nine months ended September 28, 2024. The decrease was primarily driven by higher exam revenue, partially offset by growth in optometrist-related costs.

Owned & Host segment costs of services and plans. Costs of services and plans as a percentage of net sales of services and plans decreased from 90.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 to 90.2% for the nine months ended September 28, 2024. The decrease was primarily driven by higher exam revenue, partially offset by growth in optometrist-related costs.

Selling, general and administrative

SG&A of \$705.5 million for the nine months ended September 28, 2024 increased \$26.4 million, or 3.9%, from the nine months ended September 30, 2023. As a percentage of net revenue, SG&A was 50.9% for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and September 28, 2024. SG&A as a percentage of net revenue was impacted by increases in litigation settlement of 30 basis points, occupancy of 30 basis points and legal and professional expenses of 30 basis points, and were offset by decreases in performance-based incentive compensation of 90 basis points.

Owned & Host SG&A. SG&A as a percentage of net revenue increased from 38.3% for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 to 39.1% for the nine months ended September 28, 2024, driven primarily by higher payroll and occupancy expense.

Depreciation and amortization

Depreciation and amortization expense of \$68.6 million for the nine months ended September 28, 2024 increased \$2.1 million, or 3.1%, from \$66.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 primarily driven by new store openings and investments in remote medicine technology, partially offset by lower depreciation of labs and distribution center.

Asset impairment

We recognized \$17.7 million primarily for impairment related to the Fred Meyer contracts and relationships intangible asset and tangible long-lived assets and ROU assets associated with our retail stores during the nine months ended September 28, 2024, compared to \$2.7 million impairment recognized during the nine months ended September 30, 2023 for tangible long-lived assets and ROU assets associated with our retail stores. Refer to Part I. Item 1. Note 1. "Description of Business and Basis of Presentation" for more details on the Fred Meyer contracts and relationships intangible asset. The store asset impairment charge is related to our Owned & Host segment and is driven by lower than projected customer sales volume in certain stores, and other entity-specific assumptions and also reflects the effects of certain store closure decisions made as part of the Company's store optimization review in the current period. We considered multiple factors including, but not limited to: forecasted scenarios related to store performance and the likelihood that these scenarios would be ultimately realized; and the remaining useful lives of the assets. Asset impairment expenses were recognized in Corporate/Other.

Interest expense, net

Interest expense, net was \$11.6 million for the nine months ended September 28, 2024, compared to \$10.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2023. The change was primarily a result of lower derivative income of \$2.0 million and lower income on cash balances of \$1.7 million, partially offset by lower interest expense on our debt of \$2.1 million.

Income tax provision (benefit)

Our effective tax rates for the nine months ended September 28, 2024 and September 30, 2023 were 49.6% and 31.0%, respectively. The change in effective tax rates reflects our statutory federal and state rates of 25.2% and 25.4%, respectively, tax impacts of consolidated VIEs and non-deductible compensation expense as well as effects of other permanent items.

Discontinued Operations

Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax, of \$(2.2) million for the nine months ended September 28, 2024, increased \$66.0 million from \$(68.2) million for the nine months ended September 30, 2023. Net revenue, costs applicable to revenue, SG&A, and asset impairment from discontinued operations decreased by \$153.2 million, \$91.4 million and \$41.5 million, and \$79.2 million, respectively, as compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2023, primarily due to the current year including the discontinued operations results only for a partial period prior to the Walmart MSA termination date and the wind-down of AC Lens operations and impairments of intangible assets and property and equipment related to our former Legacy and AC Lens segments recorded in the third quarter of 2023. Income tax expense (benefit) decreased by \$0.8 million, due to lower income (loss) before income taxes in the current period as compared to the prior year and the disallowance of the Legacy segment goodwill impairment loss for income tax purposes in the prior year period as well as other permanent items related to discontinued operation.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Adjusted Operating Income, Adjusted Operating Margin, EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA Margin and Adjusted Diluted EPS.

We define Adjusted Operating Income as net income (loss), plus interest expense (income), net and income tax provision (benefit), further adjusted to exclude stock-based compensation expense, (gain) loss on extinguishment of debt, asset impairment, litigation settlement, secondary offering expenses, management realignment expenses, long-term incentive plan expenses, ERP and CRM implementation expenses and certain other expenses. We define Adjusted Operating Margin as Adjusted Operating Income as a percentage of net revenue. We define EBITDA as net income (loss), plus interest expense (income), net, income tax provision (benefit) and depreciation and amortization. We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income (loss), plus interest expense (income), net, income tax provision (benefit) and depreciation and amortization, further adjusted to exclude stock-based compensation expense, (gain) loss on extinguishment of debt, asset impairment, litigation settlement, secondary offering expenses, management realignment expenses, long-term incentive plan expenses, ERP and CRM implementation expenses and certain other expenses. We define Adjusted EBITDA Margin as Adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of net revenue. We define Adjusted Diluted EPS as diluted earnings (loss) per share, adjusted for the per share impact of stock-based compensation expense, (gain) loss on extinguishment of debt, asset impairment, litigation settlement, secondary offering expenses, management realignment expenses, long-term incentive plan expenses, amortization of debt discounts and deferred financing costs of our term loan borrowings, amortization of the conversion feature and deferred financing costs related to our 2025 Notes when not required under U.S. GAAP to be added back for diluted earnings (loss) per share, derivative fair value adjustments, ERP and CRM implementation expenses, certain other expenses, less the tax effect of these adjustments, including tax expense (benefit) from stock-based compensation.

When presenting Adjusted Operating Income from continuing operations, EBITDA from continuing operations and Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations we use the same definitions for Adjusted Operating Income, EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA, respectively, and also exclude income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax. When presenting Adjusted Diluted EPS from continuing operations, we use the same definition for Adjusted Diluted EPS, and also exclude diluted earnings (loss) per share from discontinued operations. When presenting Adjusted Operating Margin from continuing operations, we use Adjusted Operating Income from continuing operations as a percentage of total net revenue. When presenting Adjusted EBITDA Margin from continuing operations, we use Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations as a percentage of total net revenue.

EBITDA and the Company Non-GAAP Measures can vary substantially in size from one period to the next, and certain types of expenses are non-recurring in nature and consequently may not have been incurred in any of the periods presented below.

EBITDA and the Company Non-GAAP Measures have been presented as supplemental measures of financial performance that are not required by, or presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP, because we believe they assist investors and analysts in comparing our operating performance across reporting periods on a consistent basis by excluding items that we do not believe are indicative of our core operating performance. Management believes EBITDA, and the Company Non-GAAP Measures are useful to investors in highlighting trends in our operating performance, while other measures can differ significantly depending on long-term strategic decisions regarding capital structure, the tax jurisdictions in which we operate and capital investments. We also use EBITDA and the Company Non-GAAP Measures to supplement U.S. GAAP measures of performance in the evaluation of the effectiveness of our business strategies, to make budgeting decisions, to establish discretionary annual incentive compensation and to compare our performance against that of other peer companies using similar measures. Management supplements U.S. GAAP results with Non-GAAP financial measures to provide a more complete understanding of the factors and trends affecting the business than U.S. GAAP results alone. We continue to

evaluate our use of the Company Non-GAAP measures in the context of the development of our business, and may introduce or discontinue certain measures in the future as we deem appropriate.

EBITDA and the Company Non-GAAP Measures are not recognized terms under U.S. GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to net income or income from operations as a measure of financial performance or cash flows provided by operating activities as a measure of liquidity, or any other performance measure derived in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Additionally, these measures are not intended to be a measure of free cash flow available for management's discretionary use as they do not consider certain cash requirements such as interest payments, tax payments and debt service requirements. In evaluating EBITDA and the Company Non-GAAP Measures, we may incur expenses in the future that are the same as or similar to some of the adjustments in this presentation. Our presentation of EBITDA and the Company Non-GAAP Measures should not be construed to imply that our future results will be unaffected by any such adjustments. Management compensates for these limitations by primarily relying on our U.S. GAAP results in addition to using EBITDA and the Company Non-GAAP Measures.

The presentations of these measures have limitations as analytical tools and should not be considered in isolation, or as a substitute for analysis of our results as reported under U.S. GAAP. Some of these limitations are:

- they do not reflect costs or cash outlays for capital expenditures or contractual commitments;
- they do not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, our working capital needs;
- EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Operating Income do not reflect the interest expense (income), net, or the cash requirements necessary to service interest or principal payments, on our debt;
- EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Operating Income do not reflect period to period changes in taxes, income tax provision or the cash necessary to pay income taxes;
- they do not reflect the impact of earnings or charges resulting from matters we consider not to be indicative of our ongoing operations;
- although depreciation and amortization are non-cash charges, the assets being depreciated and amortized will often have to be replaced in the future, and EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA do not reflect cash requirements for such replacements; and
- other companies in our industry may calculate these measures differently than we do, limiting their usefulness as comparative measures.

Because of these limitations, EBITDA and the Company Non-GAAP Measures should not be considered as measures of discretionary cash available to invest in business growth or to reduce indebtedness.

The following table reconciles our Adjusted Operating Income from continuing operations, Adjusted Operating Margin from continuing operations, EBITDA from continuing operations, and Adjusted EBITDA Margin from continuing operations to net income (loss) from continuing operations; and Adjusted Diluted EPS from continuing operations to diluted EPS from continuing operations for the periods presented:

	Three Months Ended					Nine Months Ended						
In thousands	September 2	September 28, 2024		September 30, 2023			September 28, 2024			September 30, 2023		
Net income (loss)	\$ (8,468)	(1.9)%	\$	(73,798)	(16.8)%	\$	92	0.0 %	\$	(49,914)	(3.7)%	
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	(28)	25.5 %		(73,432)	(78.5)%		(2,180)	(1.7)%		(68,199)	(24.0)%	
Income (loss) from continuing operations, net of tax	(8,440)	(1.9)%		(366)	(0.1)%		2,272	0.2 %		18,285	1.4 %	
Interest expense, net	4,108	0.9 %		3,722	0.8 %		11,560	0.8 %		10,425	0.8 %	
Income tax provision (benefit)	(3,630)	(0.8)%		191	0.0 %		2,239	0.2 %		8,198	0.6 %	
Stock-based compensation expense (a)	4,615	1.0 %		5,099	1.2 %		11,779	0.8 %		14,320	1.1 %	
(Gain) loss on extinguishment of debt (b)	(859)	(0.2)%		_	— %		(859)	(0.1)%		_	— %	
Asset impairment (c)	13,726	3.0 %		1,452	0.3 %		17,701	1.3 %		2,699	0.2 %	
Litigation settlement (d)	_	— %		_	— %		4,450	0.3 %		_	— %	
ERP and CRM implementation expenses (g)	1,804	0.4 %		173	0.0 %		4,461	0.3 %		173	0.0 %	
Other (h)	2,970	0.7 %		1,429	0.3 %		8,658	0.6 %		2,534	0.2 %	
Adjusted Operating Income from continuing operations / Adjusted Operating Margin from continuing operations	\$ 14,294	3.2 %	\$	11,700	2.7 %	\$	62,261	4.5 %	\$	56,634	4.2 %	

Note: Percentages reflect line item as a percentage of net revenue, adjusted for rounding. Some of the percentage totals in the table above do not foot due to rounding differences.

		Three Months Ended					Nine Months Ended							
In thousands	September 28, 2024				September 30, 2023			September 28, 2024			September 30, 2023			
Net income (loss)	\$	(8,468)	()	1.9)%	\$	(73,798)	(10	6.8)%	\$ 92		0.0 %	\$	(49,914)	(3.7)%
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax		(28)	2:	5.5 %		(73,432)	(73	8.5)%	(2,180)	(1.7)%		(68,199)	(24.0)%
Income (loss) from continuing operations, net of tax		(8,440)	(1	.9)%		(366)	(0	0.1)%	2,272		0.2 %		18,285	1.4 %
Interest expense, net		4,108	(0.9 %		3,722	(0.8 %	11,560		0.8 %		10,425	0.8 %
Income tax provision (benefit)		(3,630)	(0	0.8)%		191	(0.0 %	2,239		0.2 %		8,198	0.6 %
Depreciation and amortization		22,690	5	5.0 %		22,476	4	5.1 %	68,603		4.9 %		66,521	5.0 %
EBITDA from continuing operations		14,728	3	3.3 %		26,023	4	5.9 %	84,674		6.1 %		103,429	7.7 %
Stock-based compensation expense (a)		4,615	1	1.0 %		5,099	1	1.2 %	11,779		0.8 %		14,320	1.1 %
(Gain) loss on extinguishment of debt (b)		(859)	(0	0.2)%		_		<u> </u>	(859)	(0.1)%		_	— %
Asset impairment (c)		13,726	3	3.0 %		1,452	(0.3 %	17,701		1.3 %		2,699	0.2 %
Litigation settlement (d)		_		<u> </u>		_		<u> </u>	4,450		0.3 %		_	— %
ERP and CRM implementation expenses		1,804	().4 %		173	(0.0 %	4,461		0.3 %		173	0.0 %
Other (h)		2,589	(0.6 %		1,048	(0.2 %	7,514		0.5 %		1,390	0.1 %
Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations / Adjusted EBITDA Margin from continuing operations	\$	36,603	8	3.1 %	\$	33,795	7	7.7 %	\$ 129,720		9.4 %	\$	122,011	9.1 %

Note: Percentages reflect line item as a percentage of net revenue, adjusted for rounding. Some of the percentage totals in the table above do not foot due to rounding differences.

		Three Mor	nths Ended	Nine Months Ended			
In thousands, except per share amounts	September 28, September 30, 2024 2023		September 28, 2024	September 30, 2023			
Diluted EPS	\$	(0.11)	\$ (0.94)	\$ 0.00	\$	(0.63)	
Diluted EPS from discontinued operations		(0.00)	(0.94)	(0.03)		(0.87)	
Diluted EPS from continuing operations		(0.11)	(0.00)	0.03		0.23	
Stock-based compensation expense (a)		0.06	0.07	0.15		0.18	
(Gain) loss on extinguishment of debt (b)		(0.01)	_	(0.01)		_	
Asset impairment (c)		0.17	0.02	0.22		0.03	
Litigation settlement (d)		_	_	0.06		_	
Amortization of debt discount and deferred financing costs (e)		0.01	0.01	0.02		0.03	
Derivative fair value adjustments (f)		0.01	0.03	0.08		0.08	
ERP and CRM implementation expenses (g)		0.02	0.00	0.06		0.00	
Other ^(h)		0.04	0.02	0.11		0.03	
Tax effects (i)		(0.07)	(0.04)	(0.16)		(0.08)	
Adjusted Diluted EPS from continuing operations	\$	0.12	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.56	\$	0.51	
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding		78,655	78,163	78,747		78,646	

Weighted average diluted shares outstanding
Note: Some of the totals in the table above do not foot due to rounding differences.

- (a) Non-cash charges related to stock-based compensation programs, which vary from period to period depending on the timing of awards and performance vesting conditions.
- (b) For the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024, reflects the gain on extinguishment related to the repurchase of \$217.7 million of the 2025 Notes on August 12, 2024
- (c) Reflects write-off related to non-cash impairment charges of long-lived assets, primarily impairment of Fred Meyer contracts and relationships intangible asset of \$10.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024, and impairment of property, equipment and lease-related assets on closed or underperforming stores and certain store closure decisions made as part of the Company's store optimization review in the current period.
- (d) Expenses associated with settlement of certain litigation.
- (e) Amortization of deferred financing costs and other non-cash charges related to our debt. We adjust for amortization of deferred financing costs related to the 2025 Notes only when adjustment for these costs is not required in the calculation of diluted earnings per share under U.S. GAAP.
- (f) The adjustments for the derivative fair value (gains) and losses have the effect of adjusting the (gain) or loss for changes in the fair value of derivative instruments and amortization of AOCL for derivatives not designated as accounting hedges. This results in reflecting derivative (gains) and losses within Adjusted Diluted EPS during the period the derivative is settled.
- (g) Costs related to the Company's ERP and CRM implementation.
- (h) Other adjustments include amounts that management believes are not representative of our operating performance (amounts in brackets represent reductions in Adjusted Operating Income, Adjusted Diluted EPS and Adjusted EBITDA), which are primarily related to costs associated with the digitization of paper-based records of \$1.5 million and \$5.7 million for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024, respectively, costs associated with the store fleet review of \$1.1 million for the three and nine months ended September 28, 2024, and other expenses and adjustments. Other adjustments for both Adjusted Operating Income and Adjusted Diluted EPS include amortization of the increase in carrying values of finite-lived intangible assets resulting from the application of purchase accounting following the acquisition of the Company by affiliates of KKR & Co. Inc. Adjusted Diluted EPS is also adjusted to include debt issuance costs.
- (i) Represents the income tax effect of the total adjustments at our combined statutory federal and state income tax rates, including tax expense (benefit) from stock-based compensation.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our primary cash needs are for inventory, payroll, store rent, advertising, capital expenditures associated with new stores and updating existing stores, as well as information and remote medicine technology and infrastructure, including our corporate office, distribution centers, and laboratories. When appropriate, the Company may utilize excess liquidity towards debt service requirements, including voluntary debt prepayments, or required interest and principal payments, if any, as well as repurchases of common stock or other securities, based on excess cash flows. The most significant components of our operating assets and liabilities are inventories, accounts receivable, prepaid expenses and other assets, accounts payable, deferred and unearned revenue and other payables and accrued expenses. We exercise prudence in our use of cash and closely monitor various items related to cash flow including, but not limited to, cash receipts, cash disbursements, payment terms and alternative sources of funding. We continue to be focused on these items in addition to other key measures we use to determine how our consolidated business and operating segments are performing. We believe that cash on hand, cash expected to be generated from operations and the availability of borrowings under our Revolving Loans will be sufficient to fund our working capital requirements, liquidity obligations, anticipated capital expenditures, and payments due under our existing debt for the next 12 months and thereafter for the foreseeable future. Depending on our liquidity levels, conditions in the capital markets and other factors, we may from time to time consider the prepayment, refinancing or issuance of debt, issuance of equity or other securities, the proceeds of which could provide additional liquidity for our operations, as well as modifications to our Term Loan A where possible.

We recently established an incremental term loan in the amount of \$115.0 million and used the proceeds of this borrowing in addition to cash on hand to repurchase \$217.7 million of aggregate principal amount of the 2025 Notes. Refer to Part I. Item 1. Note 6. "Debt" for more information. Depending on market conditions and other factors, we may elect to repurchase all or a significant portion of our 2025 Notes outstanding principal balance of \$84.8 million prior to their maturity on May 15, 2025, utilizing cash on hand and/or one or more of the additional liquidity sources noted above. Our ability to maintain sufficient liquidity may be affected by numerous factors, many of which are outside of our control. We primarily fund our working capital needs using cash provided by operations. Our working capital requirements for inventory will increase as we continue to open additional stores.

As of September 28, 2024, we had \$81.2 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$293.6 million of availability under our Revolving Loans, which includes \$6.4 million in outstanding letters of credit.

As of September 28, 2024, we had \$257.5 million of Term Loan A outstanding under our credit agreement. We were in compliance with all covenants related to our debt as of September 28, 2024.

The following table summarizes cash flows provided by (used for) operating activities, investing activities and financing activities for the periods indicated:

		Nine Months Ended					
In thousands	Septem	nber 28, 2024	September 30, 2023				
Cash flows provided by (used for):							
Operating activities	\$	103,367	\$	153,272			
Investing activities		(62,368)		(82,579)			
Financing activities		(109,351)		(34,165)			
Net change in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$	(68,352)	\$	36,528			

Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities

Cash flows provided by operating activities decreased by \$49.9 million to \$103.4 million, during the nine months ended September 28, 2024 from \$153.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 as a result of a decrease in non-cash reconciling items of \$77.2 million and changes in net working capital and other assets and liabilities of \$22.8 million, partially offset by an increase in net income of \$50.0 million compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2023. Both the increase in net income and decrease in non-cash adjustments were primarily driven by the termination of the Walmart partnership and related impairment charges of \$79.4 million in the prior year period, partially offset by impairments of long-lived assets and intangible assets of \$17.9 million in the current year period.

Decreases in other liabilities during the nine months ended September 28, 2024 used \$52.2 million in year-over-year cash, primarily due to decreases in compensation-related accruals. Decreases in accounts payable used \$25.6 million in year-over-year cash. These were partially offset by decreases in trade receivables, which contributed \$37.0 million in year-over-year cash and decreases in inventories which contributed \$29.0 million in year-over-year cash during the nine months ended September 28, 2024, compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2023. These changes in working capital during the nine months ended September 28, 2024 are primarily a result of the AC Lens wind down and the Walmart partnership termination.

Net Cash Used for Investing Activities

Net cash used for investing activities decreased by \$20.2 million, to \$62.4 million, during the nine months ended September 28, 2024 from \$82.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2023. The year-over-year decrease was primarily due to lower investments in doctor and in-store lab equipment, new stores, and labs and distribution center.

Net Cash Used For Financing Activities

Net cash used for financing activities was \$109.4 million during the nine months ended September 28, 2024 as compared to \$34.2 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2023. The \$75.2 million year-over-year increase in cash used for financing activities was primarily due to an increase in principal payments of debt due to the repurchase of the \$217.7 million aggregate principal amount of the 2025 Notes for an aggregate cash repurchase price of \$215.0 million. This increase was partially offset by an increase in proceeds from long-term debt related to the additional borrowings of \$115.0 million and a decrease in purchases of treasury stock of \$24.8 million during the nine months ended September 28, 2024.

Share Repurchases

Effective February 23, 2024, the Board of Directors authorized the Company to repurchase up to \$50 million aggregate amount of shares of the Company's common stock until January 3, 2026. As of September 28, 2024, \$50 million remains available under the share repurchase authorization. During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company repurchased 1.1 million shares of its common stock for \$25.0 million.

Material Cash Requirements

There were no material changes outside the ordinary course of business in our material cash requirements and commercial commitments from those reported in the 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

We follow U.S. GAAP in making the determination as to whether to record an asset or liability related to our arrangements with third parties. Consistent with current accounting guidance, we do not record an asset or liability associated with long-term purchase, marketing and promotional commitments, or commitments to philanthropic

endeavors. We have disclosed the amount of future commitments associated with these items in the 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K. We are not a party to any other material off-balance sheet arrangements.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Management has evaluated the accounting policies used in the preparation of the Company's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes and believes those policies to be reasonable and appropriate. Certain of these accounting policies require the application of significant judgment by management in selecting appropriate assumptions for calculating financial estimates. By their nature, these judgments are subject to an inherent degree of uncertainty. These judgments are based on historical experience, trends in the industry, information provided by customers and information available from other outside sources, as appropriate. The most significant areas involving management judgments and estimates may be found in the 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K, in the "Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates" section of "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations." There have been no material changes to our critical accounting policies as compared to the critical accounting policies described in the 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K. Refer to Note 5. "Fair Value Measurement" for information on estimates related to the valuation of our Fred Meyer contracts and relationships intangible asset.

Adoption of New Accounting Pronouncements

There have been no material changes due to recently issued or adopted accounting standards since those disclosed in our 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

We have market risk exposure from changes in interest rates. When appropriate, we use derivative financial instruments to mitigate the risk from such exposure. A discussion of our accounting policies for derivative financial instruments is included in Note 5. "Fair Value Measurement" and Note 7. "Interest Rate Derivatives" to our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included in Part I. Item 1. of this Form 10-Q.

A portion of our debt bears interest at variable rates. If market interest rates increase, the interest rate on our variable rate debt will increase and will create higher debt service requirements, which would adversely affect our cash flow and could adversely impact our results of operations.

As of September 28, 2024, \$257.5 million of term loan borrowings were subject to variable interest rates, and we had total borrowings of \$342.3 million with a weighted average borrowing rate of 6.9%. Our interest rate collar matured on July 18, 2024 and our variable interest rate term loan borrowings are exposed to changes in market rates. A 1.0% increase in market rates would result in a \$2.6 million increase in annual interest expense. For more information about quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk, please see Item 7A. "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk" in Part II. of the 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures (as that term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Exchange Act) that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports under the Exchange Act, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and our Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures. Any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives.

In accordance with Rule 13a-15(b) of the Exchange Act, the Company carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of its management, including its CEO and CFO, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of September 28, 2024. Based on that evaluation, the CEO and the CFO have concluded that the Company's current disclosure controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that material information relating to the Company required to be disclosed in the Company's periodic filings with the SEC is made known to them in a timely manner.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as that term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act) that occurred during the third quarter of fiscal year 2024 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

See Note 11. "Commitments and Contingencies" in our condensed consolidated financial statements included in Part I. Item 1. of this Form 10-Q for information regarding certain legal proceedings in which we are involved, which discussion is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

For information regarding factors that could affect the Company's results of operations, financial condition and liquidity, see the risk factors discussed in Part I. Item 1A. "Risk Factors" in our 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K. There have been no material changes to the risk factors described in our 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

None.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

None

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Other Information.

(c) During the three months ended September 28, 2024, none of the Company's directors or officers (as defined in Rule 16a-1(f) of the Exchange Act) adopted, terminated or modified a "Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement" or "non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement" (as such terms are defined in Item 408(a) of Regulation S-K).

Item 6. Exhibits.

Exhibit Index

Exhibit No.	Exhibit Description
3.1	Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of National Vision Holdings, Inc incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 10, 2021.
<u>3.2</u>	Fourth Amended and Restated Bylaws of National Vision Holdings, Inc incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 12, 2023.
10.1	Joinder Agreement, dated as of August 9, 2024, among Nautilus Acquisition Holdings, Inc., National Vision, Inc., the other credit parties party thereto, the lenders party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent and collateral agent - incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 9, 2024.
<u>31.1</u>	Certification of Periodic Report by Chief Executive Officer under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
<u>31.2</u>	Certification of Periodic Report by Chief Financial Officer under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
<u>32.1</u>	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (furnished herewith).
<u>32.2</u>	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (furnished herewith).
101.INS	Inline XBRL Instance Document - the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within Inline XBRL document.
101.SCH	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document.
101.CAL	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document.
101.DEF	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document.
101.LAB	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document.
101.PRE	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document.
104	The cover page of the Company's Quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 28, 2024, formatted in Inline XBRL (included within the Exhibit 101 attachments).

Signatures

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

National Vision Holdings, Inc.

Dated: November 6, 2024

By: /s/ L. Reade Fahs

Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Dated: November 6, 2024

By: /s/ Melissa Rasmussen

Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

CERTIFICATION OF PERIODIC REPORT UNDER SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, L. Reade Fahs, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 28, 2024 of National Vision Holdings, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report:
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; and
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 6, 2024

/s/ L. Reade Fahs

L. Reade Fahs Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

CERTIFICATION OF PERIODIC REPORT UNDER SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Melissa Rasmussen, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 28, 2024 of National Vision Holdings, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e)) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f)) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles; and
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 6, 2024

/s/ Melissa Rasmussen

Melissa Rasmussen Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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

In connection with the Quarterly Report of National Vision Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 28, 2024 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, L. Reade Fahs, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, do hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

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

Date: November 6, 2024

/s/ L. Reade Fahs

L. Reade Fahs Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

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

In connection with the Quarterly Report of National Vision Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 28, 2024 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Melissa Rasmussen, Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, do hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

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

Date: November 6, 2024

/s/ Melissa Rasmussen

Melissa Rasmussen Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)