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FORM 10-K

FOR ANNUAL AND TRANSITION REPORTS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009

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

Commission File No. 001-11048

DGSE COMPANIES, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or  
organization)

88-0097334  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

11311 Reeder Road  
Dallas, Texas 75229  
972-484-3662  
(Address, including zip code, and telephone  
number, including area code, of registrant's  
principal executive offices)

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

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

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share

(Title of Class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

YES  NO

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

YES  NO

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

YES  NO

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

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

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer   
Non-accelerated filer  (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller Reporting Company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).  
YES  NO

Aggregate market value of the 3,774,762 shares of Common Stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant at the closing sales price as reported on the NYSE Amex on June 30, 2009. \$ 4,152,238

Number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of the close of business on March 27, 2010: 9,863,635

Documents incorporated by reference:

Portions of the definitive proxy statement relating to the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of DGSE Companies, Inc. are incorporated by reference into Part III of this report.

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PART I

ITEM 1. BUSINESS.

Overview

Unless the context indicates otherwise, references to "we," "us", "our" and "DGSE" refers to the consolidated business operations of DGSE Companies, Inc., the parent, and all of its direct and indirect subsidiaries.

We buy and sell jewelry, bullion products and rare coins. Our customers include individual consumer, dealers and institutions throughout the United States. In addition, we make collateralized loans to individuals in the State of Texas prior to the sale of our pawn shops. Our products and services are marketed through our facilities in Dallas and Euless, Texas; Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina; Woodland Hills, California and through our internet web sites [DGSE.com](http://DGSE.com); [CGDEinc.com](http://CGDEinc.com); [SGBH.com](http://SGBH.com); [SuperiorPreciousMetals.com](http://SuperiorPreciousMetals.com); [SuperiorEstateBuyers.com](http://SuperiorEstateBuyers.com); [USBullionExchange.com](http://USBullionExchange.com); [Americangoldandsilverexchange.com](http://Americangoldandsilverexchange.com); and [FairchildWatches.com](http://FairchildWatches.com).

We operate eight primary internet sites and over 900 related landing sites on the World Wide Web. Through the various sites we operate a virtual store, real-time auction of rare coin and jewelry products, free quotations of current prices on all commonly traded precious metal and related products, trading in precious metals, a mechanism for selling unwanted jewelry, rare coins and precious metals and wholesale prices and information exclusively for dealers on pre-owned fine watches. Over 7,500 items are available for sale on our internet sites including \$2,000,000 in diamonds.

On May 9, 2007 we purchased all of the tangible assets of Euless Gold and Silver, Inc., located in Euless, Texas. We opened a new retail store in the former Euless Gold & Silver facility and it operates under the name of Dallas Gold & Silver Exchange.

On May 30, 2007, we completed the acquisition of Superior Galleries, Inc. located in Beverly Hills, California. In June 2008, we moved Superior Galleries operations from Beverly Hills to Woodland Hills, California. Superior's principal line of business is the sale of rare coins on a retail and wholesale basis. Superior's retail and wholesale operations are conducted in virtually every state in the United States. Superior also conducted live and internet auctions for customers seeking to sell their own coins prior to management's decision to discontinue the live auction operations. Superior markets its services nationwide through broadcast and print media and independent sales agents, as well as on the internet through third party websites, and through its own website at [SGBH.com](http://SGBH.com).

On July 13, 2007, we sold the loan balances from our American Pay Day Center locations and discontinued operations in those locations.

On August 3, 2007 we announced the launch of [Americangoldandsilverexchange.com](http://Americangoldandsilverexchange.com) along with the simultaneous activation of over 900 proprietary Internet sites related to the home page of [Americangoldandsilverexchange.com](http://Americangoldandsilverexchange.com). This site, along with our existing locations in Texas, California and South Carolina, provides customers from all over the United States with a seamless and secure way to value and sell gold, silver, rare coins, jewelry, diamonds and watches.

Late in 2007, Superior Estate Buyers was launched to bring our unique expertise in the purchase of gold, silver, diamonds, rare coins and other collectibles to local markets with a team of traveling professionals for short-term buying events.

Superior Precious Metals was also launched in late 2007 and functions as a retail precious metals arm of DGSE. Professional account managers provide a convenient way for individuals and companies to buy and sell precious metals and rare coins. This activity is supported by the internally developed account management and trading platform created as part of DGSE's USBullionExchange.com precious metals system.

In June 2009 we sold the assets of National Jewelry Exchange, Inc. (our two pawn shops) to an unrelated third party.

## Products and Services

Our jewelry operations include sales to both wholesale and retail customers. We sell finished jewelry, gem stones, and findings (gold jewelry components) and make custom jewelry to order. Jewelry inventory is readily available from wholesalers throughout the United States. In addition, we purchase inventory from pawn shops and individuals. Jewelry repair is also available to our customers in our Dallas and Eules, Texas, Woodland Hills, California and Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina locations.

Our bullion and rare coin trading operations buy and sell all forms of precious metals products including United States and other government coins, medallions, art bars and trade unit bars. Bullion and rare coin transactions are conducted at all of our store locations.

Bullion and rare coin products are purchased and sold based on current market price. The availability of precious metal products is a function of price as virtually all bullion items are actively traded. Precious metals sales amounted to 50% of total revenues 2009, 43.2% of total revenues for 2008, and 33.6% in 2007.

During December 2000 we opened a jewelry super store located in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina. The store operates through a wholly owned subsidiary, Charleston Gold and Diamond Exchange, Inc. ("CGDE"). CGDE operates in a leased facility located in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina.

Our primary presence on the internet is through our websites DGSE.com, CGDEinc.com, SGBH.com, Superiorpreciousmetals.com, Superiorestatebuyers.com, USBullionexchange.com, Americangoldandsilverexchange.com, and Fairchildwatches.com. The DGSE.com web site serves as a corporate information site, a retail store where we sell our products and an auction site for jewelry and other products. The internet store functions as a CyberCash™ authorized site which allows customers to purchase products automatically and securely on line. Auctions close at least five times per week.

The SGBH.com website services as a primary rare coin marketing site and includes a retail store and conducts regular online auctions.

Americangoldandsilverexchange.com provides customers from all over the United States with a simple and secure method to sell unwanted valuables by sending them directly to our corporate facilities for evaluation. Customers are provided with a firm purchase price which they can reject or accept for immediate payment.

Our internet activity also includes a web site, USBullionExchange.com, which allows customers unlimited access to current quotations for prices on approximately 200 precious metals, coins and other bullion related products. This web site allows customers to enter immediate real-time buy and sell orders in dozens of precious metal products. This functionality allows our customers to fix prices in real time and to manage their precious metals portfolios in a comprehensive way.

We also offer wholesale customers a virtual catalog of our fine watch inventory through our web site Fairchildwatches.com.

All of the Company's websites are being redesigned, expanded and integrated. It is expected that all of the new websites will be ready for launch in early 2010.

We did not have any customer or supplier that accounted for more than 10% of total sales or purchases during 2009, 2008 or 2007.



## Sales and Marketing

All of our activities rely heavily on local television, radio and print media advertising. Marketing activities emphasize our broad and unusual array of products and services and the attractiveness of its pricing and service.

We market our bullion and rare coin trading services through a combination of advertising in national coin publications, local print media, coin and bullion wire services and our internet web site. Trades are primarily with coin and bullion dealers on a "cash on confirmation" basis which is prevalent in the industry. Cash on confirmation means that once credit is approved the buyer remits funds by mail or wire concurrently with the mailing of the precious metals. Customer orders for bullion or rare coin trades are customarily delivered within three days of the order or upon clearance of funds depending on the customer's credit standing. Our backlogs for fabricated jewelry products were not significant as of December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007.

## Seasonality

The retail and wholesale jewelry business is seasonal. We realized 25.9%, 22.2% and 37.2% of our annual sales in the fourth quarters of 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

While our bullion and rare coin business is not seasonal, management believes it is directly impacted by the perception of inflation trends. Historically, anticipation of increases in the rate of inflation has resulted in higher levels of interest in precious metals as well as higher prices for such metals. Our other business activities are not seasonal.

## Competition

We operate in a highly competitive industry where competition is based on a combination of price, service and product quality. Our jewelry and consumer loan activities compete with numerous other retail jewelers and consumer lenders in Dallas and Euless, Texas; Woodland Hills, California; and Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina and the surrounding areas.

The bullion and rare coin industry in which we compete is dominated by substantially larger enterprises which wholesale bullion, rare coin and other precious metal products.

We attempt to compete in all of our activities by offering high quality products and services at prices below that of our competitors and by maintaining a staff of highly qualified employees.

## Employees

As of December 31, 2009, we employed 82 individuals, 81 of whom were full time employees.

## Available Information

Our website is located at [www.dgse.com](http://www.dgse.com). Through this website, we make available free of charge all of our Securities and Exchange Commission filings. In addition, a complete copy of our Code of Ethics is available through this website.



## Discontinued Operations and Acquisitions

## Discontinued Operations.

In December 2008 we decided to discontinue the live auction segment of the Company's business activities. This decision was based on the substantial losses being incurred by this operating segment during 2008 and 2007. As a result, the operating results of the auction segment have been reclassified to discontinued operations for 2009, 2008 and 2007. During 2008 the auction segment incurred a pretax loss of \$2,379,151 and during 2009 the auction segment incurred a pretax loss of \$ 795,328. The 2009 loss is the last of the charges from the auction segment.

On July 13, 2007, we sold the loan balances from our American Pay Day Center locations for \$77,496 and discontinued operations in those locations. The receivables sold, including interest due, had a balance of \$120,573 at the time of the sale. The sales price was determined based on the age of the outstanding receivables. As a result of the sale and discontinued operations, we recognized a pretax loss of \$107,838 on the disposal and a pretax loss on discontinued operations of \$51,938 for the year ended December 31, 2007.

In June 2009 we sold the assets of National Jewelry Exchange, Inc. (our two pawn shops) to an unrelated third party for cash in the amount of \$ 1,324,450. The proceeds were used to retire \$400,000 of our bank debt and the balance was used for working capital.

In December we discontinued the operations of Superior Estate Buyers due to operating loss incurred during the first half of the year in the amount of \$ 87,120.

As a result, operating results from these business segments have been reclassified to discontinued operations for all periods presented. As of December 31, 2009 there were no operating assets to be disposed of or liabilities to be paid in completing the disposition of these operations.

## Acquisitions.

Superior Galleries, Inc. On May 30, 2007, we completed our acquisition of Superior Galleries, Inc., which we refer to as Superior, pursuant to an amended and restated agreement and plan of merger and reorganization dated as of January 6, 2007, which we refer to as the merger agreement, with Superior and Stanford International Bank Ltd., then Superior's largest stockholder and its principal lender, which we refer to as Stanford, as stockholder agent for the Superior stockholders, whereby Superior became a wholly owned subsidiary of DGSE Companies, Inc. Superior operated a store in Beverly Hills, CA. The total purchase price of approximately \$13.6 million was broken down as follows:

	Shares	Stock Price	Extended Price
Common stock	3,669,067	\$ 2.55	\$ 9,356,121
A warrants	845,634	1.27(1)	1,073,955
B warrants	863,000	2.55	2,220,650
Exercise Price B warrants	863,000	\$ .001	(863)
Direct transaction costs			1,176,290
Total purchase price			\$ 13,806,153

(1) The \$1.27 is the fair value of the warrants calculated under the Black Sholes method as of the acquisition date.

The total purchase price has been allocated to the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed as follows:

Goodwill	\$ 8,203,448
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Intangible assets	2,521,340
Deferred tax asset	1,860,475(1)
Property and other assets	1,068,958
Inventory	3,260,766
Liabilities assumed	(3,108,834)
Total purchase price	\$ 13,806,153

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(1) Subsequent to date of acquisition the Company recorded an adjustment to reduce goodwill and increase deferred tax assets to reflect the change in estimated fair value of the net operating loss carryforwards acquired in the Superior acquisition.

In accordance with SFAS 142, the goodwill will not be amortized but instead tested for impairment in accordance with the provisions of SFAS 142 at least annually and more frequently upon the occurrence of certain events.

During 2008, the Company reflected \$8,185,443 of goodwill relating to the acquisition of Superior Galleries, Inc. in May 2007. Under SFAS No. 142, the Company is required to undertake an annual impairment test at its year end or when there is a triggering event. In addition to the annual impairment review, there were a number of triggering events in the fourth quarter due to the significant operating losses of Superior and the impact of the economic downturn on Superior's operations and the decline in the Company's share price resulting in a substantial discount of the market capitalization to tangible net asset value. An evaluation of the recorded goodwill was undertaken and it was determined that it was impaired. Accordingly, to reflect the impairment, the Company recorded a non-cash charge of \$8,185,443, which eliminated the value of the goodwill related to Superior.

The operating results of Superior have been included in the consolidated financial statements since the acquisition date of May 30, 2007. The following unaudited condensed consolidated financial information reflects the pro forma results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2007 as if the acquisition of Superior had occurred on January 1 of 2007 after giving effect to purchase accounting adjustments as compared to actual results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2008 and the effects of the discontinued operations related to the live auction segment. The pro forma results have been prepared for comparative purposes only and do not purport to be indicative of what operating results would have been had the acquisition actually taken place at the beginning of the period, and may not be indicative of future operating results (in thousands, except per share data):

(In thousands, except per share data)	Year Ended December 31,	
	2008	2007
	(Unaudited)	
	Pro Forma	
Total revenue	\$ 105,219	\$ 73,565
Net earnings (loss)	\$ (7,851)	\$ (2,920)
Net earnings per share — basic	\$ (.80)	\$ (.33)
Net earnings per share — diluted	\$ (.80)	\$ (.33)
Weighted average shares — basic	9,708	8,582
Weighted average shares — diluted	9,708	10,353

In relation to the acquisition, as of June 29, 2007, Stanford and Dr. L.S. Smith, our chairman and chief executive officer, collectively had the power to vote approximately 63% of our voting securities, and beneficially owned approximately 56.4% of our voting securities on a fully-diluted basis (after giving effect to the exercise of all options and warrants held by them which are exercisable within sixty days of December 31, 2007 but not giving effect to the exercise of any other options or warrants). Consequently, these two stockholders have sufficient voting power to control the outcome of virtually all corporate matters submitted to the vote of our common stockholders. Those matters could include the election of directors, changes in the size and composition of our board of directors, mergers and other business combinations involving us, or the liquidation of our company. In addition, Stanford and Dr. Smith have entered into a corporate governance agreement with us, which entitles Stanford and Dr. Smith to each nominate two "independent" directors to our board and entitles Dr. Smith, our chairman and chief executive officer, and William H. Oyster, our president and chief operating officer, to be nominated to our board for so long as each remains an executive officer.



Through this control of company nominations to our board of directors and through their voting power, Stanford and Dr. Smith are able to exercise substantial control over certain decisions, including decisions regarding the qualification and appointment of officers, dividend policy, access to capital (including borrowing from third-party lenders and the issuance of additional equity securities), a merger or consolidation with another company, and our acquisition or disposition of assets. Also, the concentration of voting power in the hands of Stanford and Dr. Smith could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control of our company, even if the change in control would benefit our other stockholders. The significant concentration of stock ownership may adversely affect the trading price of our common stock due to investors' perception that conflicts of interest may exist or arise.

Eules Gold & Silver, Inc.

On May 9, 2007 we purchased all of the tangible assets of Eules Gold and Silver, Inc., located in Eules, Texas. The purchase price paid for these assets totaled \$1,000,000 including \$600,000 in cash and a two year note in the amount of \$400,000. This note was paid in full in May 2009. We opened a new retail store in the former Eules Gold & Silver facility and operate under the name of Dallas Gold & Silver Exchange. Of the assets received, \$990,150 was inventory and the remainder was fixed assets.

We entered into these transactions seeing them as opportunistic acquisitions that would allow us to expand our operations and provide a platform for future growth.

## ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS.

You should carefully consider the risks described below before making an investment decision. We believe these are all the material risks currently facing our business. Our business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially adversely affected by these risks. The trading price of our common stock could decline due to any of these risks, and you may lose all or part of your investment. You should also refer to the other information included or incorporated by reference in this report, including our financial statements and related notes.

Changes in customer demand for our products and services could result in a significant decrease in revenues.

Although our customer base commonly uses our products and services, our failure to meet changing demands of our customers could result in a significant decrease in our revenues.

Changes in governmental rules and regulations applicable to the specialty financial services industry could have a negative impact on our lending activities.

Our lending is subject to extensive regulation, supervision and licensing requirements under various federal, state and local laws, ordinances and regulations. New laws and regulations could be enacted that could have a negative impact on our lending activities.

Fluctuations in our inventory turnover and sales.

We regularly experience fluctuations in our inventory balances, inventory turnover and sales margins, yields on loan portfolios and pawn redemption rates. Changes in any of these factors could materially and adversely affect our profitability and ability to achieve our planned results.

Changes in our liquidity and capital requirements could limit our ability to achieve our plans.

We require continued access to capital, and a significant reduction in cash flows from operations or the availability of credit could materially and adversely affect our ability to achieve our planned growth and operating results. Similarly, if actual costs to build new stores significantly exceeds planned costs, our ability to build new stores or to operate new stores profitably could be materially restricted. The DGSE credit agreement also limits the allowable amount of capital expenditures in any given fiscal year, which could limit our ability to build new stores.

Changes in competition from various sources could have a material adverse impact on our ability to achieve our plans.

We encounter significant competition in connection with our retail and lending operations from other pawnshops, cash advance companies and other forms of financial institutions and other retailers, many of which have significantly greater financial resources than us. Significant increases in these competitive influences could adversely affect our operations through a decrease in the number or quality pawn loans or our ability to liquidate forfeited collateral at acceptable margins.

In the coins and other collectibles business, we will compete with a number of comparably sized and smaller firms, as well as a number of larger firms throughout the United States. Our primary competitors are American Numismatic Rarities, a comparably-sized coin auctioneer. Many of our competitors have the ability to attract customers as a result of their reputation and the quality collectibles they obtain through their industry connections. Additionally, other reputable companies that sell rare coins and other collectibles may decide to enter our markets to compete with us. These companies have greater name recognition and have greater financial and marketing resources than we do. If these auction companies are successful in entering the specialized market for premium collectibles in which we

participate or if dealers and sellers participate less in our auctions, we may attract fewer buyers and our revenue could decrease.

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Our earnings could be negatively impacted by an unfavorable outcome of litigation, regulatory actions, or labor and employment matters.

From time to time, we are involved in litigation, regulatory actions and labor and employment matters arising from our normal operations. There can be no assurance as to the ultimate outcome of any future actions and that they will not have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operation or liquidity.

A failure in our information systems could prevent us from effectively managing and controlling our business or serving our customers.

We rely on our information systems to manage and operate our stores and business. Each store is part of an information network that permits us to maintain adequate cash inventory, reconcile cash balances daily and report revenues and expenses timely. Any disruption in the availability of our information systems could adversely affect our operation, the ability to serve our customers and our results of operations.

A failure of our internal controls and disclosure controls and procedures in accordance with the requirements of section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act could have a material adverse impact on us and our investors' confidence in our reported financial information.

Effective internal controls and disclosure controls and processes are necessary for us to provide reliable financial reports and to detect and prevent fraud. Under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008 using the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in Internal Control — Integrated Framework. Based on this assessment, management has concluded that, as of December 31, 2009, the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective 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 based on such criteria.

Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, does not expect that our disclosure controls or internal controls over financial reporting will prevent all errors or all instances of fraud. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the control system's objectives will be met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within our company have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Controls can also be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the controls. The design of any system of controls is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and any design may not succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions. Over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or deterioration in the degree of compliance with policies or procedures. Because of the inherent limitation of a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

This Annual Report on Form 10-K does not include an attestation report of the Company's registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by the Company's registered public accounting firm pursuant to temporary rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission that permit the Company to provide only management's report in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.



If there is a failure in any of our controls as required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act that leads to a material misstatement of our financial condition, investors could lose confidence in our reported financial information.

Changes in general economic conditions could negatively affect loan performance and demand for our products and services.

A sustained deterioration in the economic environment could adversely affect our operations by reducing consumer demand for the products we sell.

Interest rate fluctuations could increase our interest expense.

Although the U.S. Federal Reserve halted a sustained period of regular interest rate hikes in August 2006, interest rates could rise which would, in turn, increase our cost of borrowing.

Our success depends on our ability to attract, retain and motivate management and other skilled employees.

Our future success and growth depend on the continued services of our key management and employees. The loss of the services of any of these individuals or any other key employee or contractor could materially affect our business. Our future success also depends on our ability to identify, attract and retain additional qualified personnel. Competition for employees in our industry is intense and we may not be successful in attracting or retaining them. There are a limited number of people with knowledge of, and experience in, our industry. We do not have employment agreements with many of our key employees. We do not maintain life insurance policies on many of our employees. Our loss of key personnel, especially without advance notice, or our inability to hire or retain qualified personnel, could have a material adverse effect on sales and our ability to maintain our technological edge. We cannot guarantee that we will continue to retain our key management and skilled personnel, or that we will be able to attract, assimilate and retain other highly qualified personnel in the future.

The voting power in our company is substantially controlled by a small number of stockholders, which may, among other things, delay or frustrate the removal of incumbent directors or a takeover attempt, even if such events may be beneficial to our stockholders.

As of June 29, 2007, Stanford International Bank Ltd. (SIBL), which we refer to as Stanford, and Dr. L.S. Smith, our chairman and chief executive officer, collectively had the power to vote approximately 63% of our voting securities, and beneficially owned approximately 56.4% of our voting securities on a fully-diluted basis (after giving effect to the exercise of all options and warrants held by them which are exercisable within sixty days of December 31, 2007 but not giving effect to the exercise of any other options or warrants). Consequently, these two stockholders may have sufficient voting power to control the outcome of virtually all corporate matters submitted to the vote of our common stockholders. Those matters could include the election of directors, changes in the size and composition of our board of directors, mergers and other business combinations involving us, or the liquidation of our company. In addition, Stanford and Dr. Smith have entered into a corporate governance agreement with us, which entitles Stanford and Dr. Smith to each nominate two "independent" directors to our board and entitles Dr. Smith, our chairman and chief executive officer, and William H. Oyster, our president and chief operating officer, to be nominated to our board for so long as he remains an executive officer.

Rule 704 of the NYSE:Amex rules requires that listed companies hold annual meeting no later than 12 months after the close of the fiscal year.

As a result of the Receivership involving Stanford International Bank, The Company did not hold an annual meeting in 2009 and therefore may not be in compliance with the requirements of the Exchange. The Company has scheduled an annual meeting April of 2010.



Through this control of company nominations to our board of directors and through their voting power, Stanford and Dr. Smith are able to exercise substantial control over certain decisions, including decisions regarding the qualification and appointment of officers, dividend policy, access to capital (including borrowing from third-party lenders and the issuance of additional equity securities), a merger or consolidation with another company, and our acquisition or disposition of assets. Also, the concentration of voting power in the hands of Stanford and Dr. Smith could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control of our company, even if the change in control would benefit our other stockholders. The significant concentration of stock ownership may adversely affect the trading price of our common stock due to investors' perception that conflicts of interest may exist or arise.

We could be subject to sales taxes, interest and penalties on interstate sales for which we have not collected taxes.

Superior has not collected California sales tax on mail-order sales to out-of-state customers, nor has it collected use tax on its interstate mail order sales. We believe that our sales to interstate customers are generally tax-exempt due to varying state exemptions relative to the definitions of being engaged in business in particular states and the lack of current Internet taxation. While we have not been contacted by any state authorities seeking to enforce sales or use tax regulations, we cannot assure you that we will not be contacted by authorities in the future with inquiries concerning our compliance with current statutes, nor can we assure you that future statutes will not be enacted that affect the sales and use tax aspects of our business.

We may incur losses as a result of accumulating inventory.

A substantial portion of the products that we sell comes from our own inventory. We purchased these products from dealers and collectors and assume the inventory and price risks of these items until they are sold. If we are unable to resell the products that we purchase when we want or need to, or at prices sufficient to generate a profit from their resale, or if the market value of the inventory of purchased products were to decline, our revenue would likely decline.

Our planned expansion and enhancement of our websites and internet operations may not result in increased profitability.

The satisfactory performance, reliability and availability of our website and network infrastructure are and will be critical to our reputation and our ability to attract and retain customers and technical personnel and to maintain adequate customer service levels. Any system interruptions or reduced performance of our website could materially adversely affect our reputation and our ability to attract new customers and technical personnel. We are in the process of development and/or enhancement of several portions of our websites that will offer content and auctions for rare coins that may have a lower average selling price than many of the rare coins in the markets we currently serve, and in the future we plan to integrate various of our websites. Continued development of our websites will require significant resources and expense. If the planned expansion of our websites does not result in increased revenue, we may experience decreased profitability.

Our websites may be vulnerable to security breaches and similar threats which could result in our liability for damages and harm to our reputation.

Despite the implementation of network security measures, our websites are vulnerable to computer viruses, break-ins and similar disruptive problems caused by internet users. These occurrences could result in our liability for damages, and our reputation could suffer. The circumvention of our security measures may result in the misappropriation of customer or other confidential information. Any such security breach could lead to interruptions and delays and the cessation of service to our customers and could result in a decline in revenue and income.

Changes to financial accounting standards and new exchange rules could make it more expensive to issue stock options to employees, which would increase compensation costs and may cause us to change our business practices.

We prepare our financial statements to conform with generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP, in the United States. These accounting principles are subject to interpretation by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, the SEC and various other bodies. A change in those policies could have a significant effect on our reported results and may affect our reporting of transactions completed before a change is announced.

We are subject to new corporate governance and internal control reporting requirements, and our costs related to compliance with, or our failure to comply with existing and future requirements could adversely affect our business.

We face new corporate governance requirements under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as well as new rules and regulations subsequently adopted by the SEC, the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board and the NYSE Amex. These laws, rules and regulations continue to evolve and may become increasingly stringent in the future. In particular, we're required to include management's report on internal controls as part of our annual report for the year ending December 31, 2009 pursuant to Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. We are in the process of evaluating our control structure to help ensure that we will be able to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. We cannot assure you that we will be able to fully comply with these laws, rules and regulations that address corporate governance, internal control reporting and similar matters. Failure to comply with these laws, rules and regulations could materially adversely affect our reputation, financial condition and the value and liquidity of our securities.

The revolving credit facilities with Stanford International Bank Ltd. and Texas Capital Bank, N.A. is each collateralized by a general security interest in our assets. If we were to default under the terms of either credit facility, the lender would have the right to foreclose on our assets.

In December 2005, we entered into a revolving credit facility with Texas Capital Bank, N.A., which permits borrowings up to a maximum principal amount of \$4.3 million. Borrowings under the revolving credit facility are collateralized by a general security interest in substantially all of our assets (other than the assets of Superior). As of December 31, 2009, approximately \$3.3 million was outstanding under the term loan and revolving credit facility. If we were to default under the terms and conditions of the revolving credit facility, Texas Capital Bank would have the right to accelerate any indebtedness outstanding and foreclose on our assets in order to satisfy our indebtedness. Such a foreclosure could have a material adverse effect on our business, liquidity, results of operations and financial position.

In October 2003, Superior entered into a revolving credit facility with Stanford Financial Group Company, which we refer to as SFG, which has assigned the facility to Stanford. The facility currently permits borrowings up to a maximum principal amount of \$11.5 million, up to \$6.5 million of which Superior may upstream to DGSE. Borrowings under the revolving credit facility are collateralized by a general security interest in substantially all of Superior's assets and, to the extent of money to DGSE, substantially all of DGSE's assets. As of December 31, 2009, approximately \$9.7 million was outstanding under the revolving credit facility. If Superior were to default under the terms and conditions of the revolving credit facility, Stanford would have the right to accelerate any indebtedness outstanding and foreclose on Superior's assets, and, subject to intercreditor arrangements with Texas Capital Bank and other limitations, our assets, in order to satisfy Superior's indebtedness. Such a foreclosure could have a material adverse effect on our business, liquidity, results of operations and financial position.

We have been informed that on February 19, 2009, a US district court placed SIBL under the supervision of a receiver and that the court enjoined SIBL's creditors and other persons from taking certain actions related to SIBL or its assets. In addition, on the same date, Antiguan Financial Services Regulatory Commission appointed a Receiver for Stanford International Bank Ltd. This action was subsequently ratified by the High Court of Justice in Antigua and Barbuda. As a result of SIBL's current status, we do not believe that Superior will be able to borrow additional funds under either revolving loan, including any amounts Superior is obligated to repay to SIBL pursuant to the repayment provisions applicable to the first revolving note. We believe that certain terms of agreements entered into by us, Superior and/or SIBL and its affiliates in connection with our acquisition of Superior have been breached by SIBL or its affiliates, and we are evaluating available remedies, including but not limited to damages from responsible parties. While Superior does not currently require additional funds under the SIBL credit facility, should the need arise and Superior is unable to replace this credit facility the operations and performance of Superior could be materially adversely affected.

On January 27, 2010, DGSE Companies, Inc. ("DGSE") and Stanford International Bank, LTD ("SIBL"), which is the beneficial owner of a significant equity interest in DGSE, a primary lender to a wholly owned subsidiary of DGSE and subject to certain agreements with DGSE and its Chairman, entered into definitive agreements whereby SIBL will terminate all agreements, will convert all of its debt, interest and other expenses and will sell all of its equity interests including common stock and warrants to DGSE or its assignees.

Stanford and its affiliates, including SIBL are under receivership, and, accordingly, the transaction is subject to the approval of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas which has jurisdiction for the assets of SIBL. The agreements also contain other closing conditions including, but not limited to the receipt of all United States governmental and regulatory approvals, if any, the receipt of third party approvals, consents and/or waivers as may be required in connection with the transaction and compliance with United States regulatory and governmental requirements, including proof acceptable to the Company, that upon transfer to the purchaser or its assignees that they

will receive title to the Securities free and clear of all liens. It is anticipated that additional 8-K's may be filed upon the occurrence of material events related to this matter.

As a result of the transaction, it is anticipated that the immediate shares outstanding of the Company will be reduced by all or part of approximately 3,400,000 held by SIB and over \$9,000,000 in obligations owed by a subsidiary of DGSE to SIBL will be eliminated.

We have not paid dividends on our common stock in the past and do not anticipate paying dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future.

We have not paid common stock dividends since our inception and do not anticipate paying dividends in the foreseeable future. Our current business plan provides for the reinvestment of earnings in an effort to complete development of our technologies and products, with the goal of increasing sales and long-term profitability and value. In addition, our revolving credit facility with Texas Capital Bank currently restricts, and any other credit or borrowing arrangements that we may enter into may in the future restrict or limit, our ability to pay dividends to our stockholders.



ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS.

None.

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES.

We own a 20,000 square foot facility at 11311 Reeder Rd, Dallas, Texas which houses retail and wholesale jewelry, bullion and rare coin trading operations and our principal executive offices. The land and buildings are subject to a mortgage maturing in August 2016, with a balance outstanding of approximately \$2,251,387 as of December 31, 2009.

Our Euless, TX location is a 2,158 square foot facility which houses retail jewelry, bullion and rare coin trading operations. Our monthly lease payments at December 31, 2009 are \$2,248 and the lease is due to expire June 30, 2015.

CGDE operates in a leased 2,367 square foot facility in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina. The lease expires in May 2015 and requires monthly lease payments in the amount of \$4,575.

Our Superior Galleries operations are located in an approximately 9,265 square foot storefront facility located at 20011 Ventura Boulevard, Woodland Hills, California. This facility includes administrative, customer support, auction, gallery and retail space. The lease for this facility expires March 31, 2013. The combined monthly rental rate is \$30,045 including parking fees and rent of storage space.

We also maintain a resident agent office in Nevada at the office of our Nevada counsel, McDonald, Carano, Wilson, McClure, Bergin, Frankovitch and Hicks, 241 Ridge Street, Reno, Nevada 89505.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

From time to time, be involved in various claims, lawsuits, disputes with third parties, actions involving allegations of discrimination, or breach of contract actions incidental to the operation of its business. Except as set forth above, we are not currently involved in any such litigation which we believe could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations, liquidity or cash flows.

## PART II

## ITEM 5. MARKET FOR COMMON EQUITY AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS.

On October 31, 2007, our Common Stock began trading on the NYSE Amex under the symbol “DGC” and is currently trading under the symbol “DGSE”. Previously, our Common Stock was traded on the NASDAQ Small CAP Market under the symbol “DGSE”. The following table sets forth for the period indicated, the per share high and low bid quotations as reported by NASDAQ or actual closing sale prices as reported on NYSE Amex for our common stock. During the past three years, we have not declared any dividends with respect to our common stock. We intend to retain all earnings to finance future growth; accordingly, it is not anticipated that cash dividends will be paid to holders of common stock in the foreseeable future.

The following quotations reflect inter-dealer prices without retail mark-ups, mark-downs or commissions and may not reflect actual transactions. High and low bid quotations for the last two years were:

	High	Low
2009		
Fourth Quarter	\$ 1.750	\$ 1.16
Third Quarter	1.50	0.780
Second Quarter	1.20	0.76
First Quarter	1.95	0.76
2008	High	Low
Fourth Quarter	\$ 2.600	\$ 0.760
Third Quarter	3.800	2.420
Second Quarter	5.040	2.920
First Quarter	5.45	4.000

On March 26, 2010, the closing sales price for our common stock was \$2.06 and there were 558 shareholders of record.

Securities authorized for issuance under equity compensation plans.

We have granted options to certain officers, directors and key employees to purchase shares of our common stock. Each option vests according to a schedule designed by our board of directors, not to exceed four years. Each option expires 180 days from the date of termination of the employee or director. The exercise price of each option is equal to the market value of our common stock on the date of grant. These option grants have been approved by security holders.

The following table summarizes options outstanding as of December 31, 2009:

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of options, warrants & rights	Weighted average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants & rights	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	1,544,134	\$ 2.34	700,000
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	None	—	None
Total	1,543,134	\$ 2.34	700,000



## Stock Performance Table

The following table represents a comparison of the five year total return of our common stock to the NASDAQ Composite Index, the S&P 600 Small Cap Index and the S&P Retail Index for the period from January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2009. The comparison assumes \$100 was invested on December 31, 2004 and dividends, if any, were reinvested for all years ending December 31.

## Comparison of Five Year Cumulative Return

Date:	DGSE Common Stock	NASDAQ Composite Index	S&P Retail Index	S&P 600 Small Cap Index
2004	100	100	100	100
2005	83	111	136	142
2006	59	113	134	142
2007	75	124	146	172
2008	490	197	143	199
2009	42	78	73	73

On June 27, 2006 stockholders of the Company approved the adoption of the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2006 Plan"). During the year ended December 31, 2007, there were 130,000 options granted to our non-employee directors under this plan and, as a result, there are 700,000 shares available for future grants under the 2006 Plan.

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

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES THAT MAY AFFECT FUTURE RESULTS

Forward-Looking Statements

This Annual Report on Form 10-K, including Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements generally can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology, such as "may," "will," "would," "expect," "intend," "could," "estimate," "should," "anticipate" or "believe." We intend that all forward-looking statements be subject to the safe harbors created by these laws. All statements other than statements of historical information provided herein are forward-looking and may contain information about financial results, economic conditions, trends, and known uncertainties. All forward-looking statements are based on current expectations regarding important risk factors. Many of these risks and uncertainties are beyond our ability to control, and, in many cases, we cannot predict all of the risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements. Actual results could differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements, and readers should not regard those statements as a representation by us or any other person that the results expressed in the statements will be achieved. Important risk factors that could cause results or events to differ from current expectations are described under the section "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this report. These factors are not intended to be an all-encompassing list of risks and uncertainties that may affect the operations, performance, development and results of our business. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. We undertake no obligation to release publicly the results of any revisions to these forward-looking statements which may be made to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereon, including without limitation, changes in our business strategy or planned capital expenditures, store growth plans, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our significant accounting policies are disclosed in Note 1 of our consolidated financial statements. The following discussion addresses our most critical accounting policies, which are those that are both important to the portrayal of our financial condition and results of operations and that require significant judgment or use of complex estimates.

**Inventories.** Jewelry and other inventories are valued at the lower of cost or market. Bullion is valued at the lower-of-cost-or-market (average cost). See also "Critical Accounting Estimates".

**Impairment of Long-Lived and Amortized Intangible Assets.** The Company performs impairment evaluations of its long-lived assets, including property, plant and equipment and intangible assets with finite lives, including the customer base acquired in the Superior acquisition, whenever business conditions or events indicate that those assets may be impaired. When the estimated future undiscounted cash flows to be generated by the assets are less than the carrying value of the long-lived assets, the assets are written down to fair market value and a charge is recorded to current operations. Based on our evaluations no impairment was required as of December 31, 2009.

**Impairment of Goodwill and Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets.** Goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets are tested for impairment annually, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the assets might be impaired. The Company performs its annual review at the beginning of the fourth quarter of each fiscal year.

The Company evaluates the recoverability of goodwill by estimating the future discounted cash flows of the businesses to which the goodwill relates. Estimated cash flows and related goodwill are grouped at the reporting unit level. A reporting unit is an operating segment or, under certain circumstances, a component of an operating segment that constitutes a business. When estimated future discounted cash flows are less than the carrying value of the net assets and related goodwill, an impairment test is performed to measure and recognize the amount of the impairment loss, if any. Impairment losses, limited to the carrying value of goodwill, represent the excess of the carrying amount of a reporting unit's goodwill over the implied fair value of that goodwill. In determining the estimated future cash flows, the Company considers current and projected future levels of income as well as business trends, prospects and market and economic conditions.

The Company cannot predict the occurrence of certain events that might adversely affect the carrying value of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets. Such events may include, but are not limited to, the impact of the economic environment, a material negative change in relationships with significant customers, or strategic decisions made in response to economic and competitive conditions. See “Critical Accounting Estimates.”

**Revenue Recognition.** Revenue is generated from wholesale and retail sales of rare coins, precious metals, bullion and second-hand jewelry. The recognition of revenue varies for wholesale and retail transactions and is, in large part, dependent on the type of payment arrangements made between the parties. The Company recognizes sales on an F.O.B. shipping point basis.

The Company sells rare coins to other wholesalers/dealers within its industry on credit, generally for terms of 14 to 60 days, but in no event greater than one year. The Company grants credit to new dealers based on extensive credit evaluations and for existing dealers based on established business relationships and payment histories. The Company generally does not obtain collateral with which to secure its accounts receivable when the sale is made to a dealer. The Company maintains reserves for potential credit losses based on an evaluation of specific receivables and its historical experience related to credit losses. See “Critical Accounting Estimates”.

Revenues for monetary transactions (i.e., cash and receivables) with dealers are recognized when the merchandise is shipped to the related dealer.

The Company also sells rare coins to retail customers on credit, generally for terms of 30 to 60 days, but in no event greater than one year. The Company grants credit to new retail customers based on extensive credit evaluations and for existing retail customers based on established business relationships and payment histories. When a retail customer is granted credit, the Company generally collects a payment of 25% of the sales price, establishes a payment schedule for the remaining balance and holds the merchandise as collateral as security against the customer’s receivable until all amounts due under the credit arrangement are paid in full. If the customer defaults in the payment of any amount when due, the Company may declare the customer’s obligation in default, liquidate the collateral in a commercially reasonable manner using such proceeds to extinguish the remaining balance and disburse any amount in excess of the remaining balance to the customer.

Under this retail arrangement, revenues are recognized when the customer agrees to the terms of the credit and makes the initial payment. We have a limited-in-duration money back guaranty policy (as discussed below).

In limited circumstances, the Company exchanges merchandise for similar merchandise and/or monetary consideration with both dealers and retail customers, for which the Company recognizes revenue in accordance with SFAS 153, “Exchanges of Nonmonetary Assets – An Amendment of APB Opinion No. 29.” When the Company exchanges merchandise for similar merchandise and there is no monetary component to the exchange, the Company does not recognize any revenue. Instead, the basis of the merchandise relinquished becomes the basis of the merchandise received, less any indicated impairment of value of the merchandise relinquished. When the Company exchanges merchandise for similar merchandise and there is a monetary component to the exchange, the Company recognizes revenue to the extent of monetary assets received and determine the cost of sale based on the ratio of monetary assets received to monetary and non-monetary assets received multiplied by the cost of the assets surrendered.

The Company has a return policy (money-back guarantee). The policy covers retail transactions involving graded rare coins only. Customers may return graded rare coins purchased within 7 days of the receipt of the rare coins for a full refund as long as the rare coins are returned in exactly the same condition as they were delivered. In the case of rare coin sales on account, customers may cancel the sale within 7 days of making a commitment to purchase the rare coins. The receipt of a deposit and a signed purchase order evidences the commitment. Any customer may return a coin if they can demonstrate that the coin is not authentic, or there was an error in the description of a graded coin.





Revenues from the sale of consigned goods are recognized as commission income on such sale if the Company is acting as an agent for the consignor. If in the process of selling consigned goods, the Company makes an irrevocable payment to a consignor for the full amount due on the consignment and the corresponding receivable from the buyer(s) has not been collected by the Company at that payment date, the Company records that payment as a purchase and the sale of the consigned good(s) to the buyer as revenue as the Company has assumed all collection risk.

Pawn loans (“loans”) were made with the collateral of tangible personal property for one month with an automatic 60-day extension period. Pawn service charges were recorded at the time of redemption at the greater of \$15 or the actual interest accrued to date. If the loan was not repaid, the principal amount loaned plus accrued interest (or the fair value of the collateral, if lower) became the carrying value of the forfeited collateral (“inventories”) which was recovered through sales to customers.

**Income Taxes.** Income taxes are estimated for each jurisdiction in which we operate. This involves assessing the current tax exposure together with temporary differences resulting from differing treatment of items for tax and financial statement accounting purposes. Any resulting deferred tax assets are evaluated for recoverability based on estimated future taxable income. To the extent that recovery is deemed not likely, a valuation allowance is recorded. See “Critical Accounting Estimates”.

**Inventories.** The Company acquires a majority of its retail jewelry inventory from individuals that is pre-owned. The Company acquires the jewelry based on its own internal estimate of the fair market value of the items offered for sale considering factors such as the current spot market prices of precious metals and current demand for the items offered for sale. Because the overall market value for precious metals fluctuates, these fluctuations could have either a positive or negative impact to the profitability of the Company. The Company monitors these fluctuations to evaluate any impairment to its retail jewelry inventory.

**Allowance for Doubtful Accounts.** The allowance for doubtful accounts requires management to estimate a customer’s ability to satisfy its obligations. The estimate of the allowance for doubtful accounts is particularly critical in the Company’s wholesale coin segment where a significant amount of the Company’s trade receivables are recorded. The Company evaluates the collectability of receivables based on a combination of factors. In circumstances where the Company is aware of a specific customer’s inability to meet its financial obligations, a specific reserve is recorded against amounts due to reduce the net recognized receivable to the amount reasonably expected to be collected. Additional reserves are established based upon the Company’s perception of the quality of the current receivables, including the length of time the receivables are past due, past experience of collectability and underlying economic conditions. If the financial condition of the Company’s customers were to deteriorate resulting in an impairment of their ability to make payments, additional reserves would be required.

**Impairment of Goodwill and Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets.** In evaluating the recoverability of goodwill, it is necessary to estimate the fair value of the reporting units. The estimate of fair value of intangible assets is generally determined on the basis of discounted future cash flows. The estimate of fair value of the reporting units is generally determined on the basis of discounted future cash flows supplemented by the market approach. In estimating the fair value, management must make assumptions and projections regarding such items as future cash flows, future revenues, future earnings and other factors. The assumptions used in the estimate of fair value are generally consistent with the past performance of each reporting unit and are also consistent with the projections and assumptions that are used in current operating plans. Such assumptions are subject to change as a result of changing economic and competitive conditions. The rate used to discount estimated cash flows is a rate corresponding to the Company’s cost of capital, adjusted for risk where appropriate, and is dependent upon interest rates at a point in time. There are inherent uncertainties related to these factors and management’s judgment in applying them to the analysis of goodwill impairment. It is possible that assumptions underlying the impairment analysis will change in such a manner to cause further impairment of goodwill, which could have a material impact on the Company’s results of operations.



During the 4th quarter of 2008, given the sustained decline in the price of the Company's Common Stock during 2008 when its share price approximated book value, continued operating losses within the auction segment, as well as further deterioration in credit markets and the macro-economic environment, the Company determined that the appropriate triggers had been reached to perform additional impairment testing on goodwill and its indefinite-lived intangible assets.

To derive the fair value of its reporting units, the Company performed extensive valuation analyses, utilizing both income and market approaches. Under the income approach, the Company determined fair value based on estimated future cash flows discounted by an estimated weighted-average cost of capital, which reflects the overall level of inherent risk of a reporting unit and the rate of return an outside investor would expect to earn. Estimated future cash flows were based on the Company's internal projection models, industry projections and other assumptions deemed reasonable by management. For the impairment analysis, the Company used a weighted-average cost of capital of 20% and a terminal growth rate of 3%. Under the market approach, the Company evaluated the fair value of its reporting units based on the overall actual market capitalization trend of the Company as compared to the net book value of the Company. Changes in estimates or the application of alternative assumptions could produce significantly different results.

As a result of this analysis, \$8,185,443 of goodwill was written off during the 4th quarter of fiscal 2008 relating to the goodwill resulting from the Superior Galleries acquisition. The evaluation of other long-lived intangible assets relating to the Superior Galleries acquisition were not written off due to new business generated from the Superior Galleries, Inc. through the establishment of two new entities, Superior Estate Buyers and Superior Precious Metals, which attracted approximately \$9.8 million and \$1.8 million, respectively, in revenues in their first full year of operations in 2008. These charges were driven by current projections and valuation assumptions that reflected the Company's belief that the Superior Galleries, Inc. wholesale auction and coin segments would not sustain adequate growth and profitability to generate cash flow, especially in the current downturn in the economy.

The analysis of the wholesale watch sales division resulting from the acquisition of Fairchild with a carrying value of goodwill of \$837,117 resulted in no impairment as its estimated future discounted cash flows significantly exceeded the net assets and related goodwill.

**Income Taxes.** The Company records deferred income tax assets and liabilities for differences between the book basis and tax basis of the related net assets. The Company records a valuation allowance, when appropriate, to adjust deferred tax asset balances to the amount management expects to realize. Management considers, as applicable, the amount of taxable income available in carryback years, future taxable income and potential tax planning strategies in assessing the need for a valuation allowance. The Company has recorded the net present value of the future expected benefits of the net operating loss (NOL) carryforward related to its subsidiary Superior Galleries, Inc. due to IRS loss limitation rules. The Company will require future taxable income to fully realize the net deferred tax asset resulting from the NOL.

As of January 1, 2007, the Company adopted FASB Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes ("FIN 48"). The adoption did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements or effective tax rate and did not result in any unrecognized tax benefits.

Interest costs and penalties related to income taxes are classified as interest expense and general and administrative costs, respectively, in the Company's consolidated financial statements. For the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, the Company did not recognize any interest or penalty expense related to income taxes. It is determined not to be reasonably likely for the amounts of unrecognized tax benefits to significantly increase or decrease within the next 12 months. The Company is currently subject to a three year statute of limitations by major tax jurisdictions. The Company and its subsidiaries file income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction.



## Results of Operations

### Comparison of the Years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

Revenues decreased by \$15,854,000 or 15.6%, in 2009. This decrease was primarily the result of a \$2,652,000 or 5.8% decrease in the sale of precious metals products, a \$11,958,000 or 32.6% decrease in retail jewelry sales and a \$1,890,000, or 11.8% decrease in rare coin sales. The decreases in precious metals and rare coin sales were due to a reduced availability of precious metal products and the reduction of activity at Superior as a result of the discontinuance of the auction business segment. The decrease in jewelry sales was due to the sluggish retail environment. In addition, the discontinuance of the auction business segment and the sale of our pawn shops had an indirect effect on our retail sales. Cost of goods sold as a percentage of sales decreased to 85.6% in 2009 from 87.2% in 2008 and gross margins increased to 14.4% in 2009 from 12.3% in 2008. This increase was due to the decrease in precious metal sales which have a lower margin than jewelry and rare coins revenues.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$2,446,000 or 29.43% during the year. This increase was due to higher advertising and payroll related cost. Depreciation and amortization increased by \$14,066 during 2009 due to new assets being placed into service. The decrease in interest expense was due to the reduction in debt outstanding and the non payment of the Superior related debt to Stanford International Bank resulting from the bank's default under the loan agreement. Loss from discontinued operations was the result of the discontinuing the operations of our live

During 2008, the Company reflected \$8,185,443 of goodwill relating to the acquisition of Superior Galleries, Inc. in May 2007. Under SFAS No. 142, the Company is required to undertake an annual impairment test at its year end or when there is a triggering event. In addition to the annual impairment review, there were a number of triggering events in the fourth quarter due to the significant operating losses of Superior and the impact of the economic downturn on Superior's operations and the decline in the Company's share price resulting in a substantial discount of the market capitalization to tangible net asset value. An evaluation of the recorded goodwill was undertaken, which considered two methodologies to determine the fair-value of the entity:

- A market capitalization approach, which measure market capitalization at the measurement date.
- A discounted cash flow approach, which entails determining fair value using a discounted cash flow methodology. This method requires significant judgment to estimate the future cash flow and to determine the appropriate discount rates, growth rates, and other assumptions.

Each of these the Company believes has merit, and resulted in the determination that goodwill was impaired. Accordingly, to reflect the impairment, the Company recorded a non-cash charge of \$8,185,443, which eliminated the value of the goodwill related to Superior.

In November 2008 we decided to discontinue the live auction segment of the Company's business activities. This decision was based on the substantial losses being incurred by this operating segment during 2008. As a result, the operating results of the auction segment have been reclassified to discontinued operations for 2009, 2008 and 2007. During 2008 the auction segment incurred a pretax loss of \$3,227,151 which includes \$848,000 related to the impairment of goodwill associated with the Superior acquisition in May 2007. During 2009 the auction segment incurred a pretax loss of \$710,056.

In June 2009 we sold the assets of National Jewelry Exchange, Inc. (our two pawn shops) to an unrelated third party for cash in the amount of \$ 1,324,450. The proceeds were used to retire \$400,000 of our bank debt and the balance was used for working capital. As a result, the operations results of this segment have been classified as discontinued operations.

In December 2009, the Company decided to discontinued operations of Superior Estate Buyers. This decision was based on the substantial losses being incurred by this component during 2009. As a result, the operating results of this segment have been reclassified to discontinued operations for 2009, 2008 and 2007. During 2009, Superior Estate Buyers incurred a pretax loss of \$87,120.

As a result, operating results from these business segments have been reclassified to discontinued operations for all periods presented

Income tax expense is directly affected by the levels of pretax income and non-deductible permanent differences related to the goodwill impairment. The Company's effective tax rate was 31.5% and 23.1% for the year ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Comparison of the Years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007

Revenues increased by \$43,749,984 or 71.2%, in 2008. This increase was primarily the result of a \$24,296,000 or 114.9% increase in the sale of precious metals products, a \$17,254,000, or 89.2% increase in retail jewelry sales and a \$1,992,000, or 14.3% increase in rare coin sales. The increases in precious metals, rare coin and jewelry sales were due to a price increase in gold products (\$13,435,000), acquisition of Superior Galleries (\$14,500,000) and Eulless Gold and Silver (\$8,600,000). Consumer loan service fees increased by \$242,440 in 2008 due to increased loans outstanding during the year. Cost of goods as a percentage of sales increased to 86.7% in 2008 from 84.1% in 2007 and gross margins decreased to 12.8% in 2008 from 15.9% in 2007. This decrease was due to the significant increase in precious metal sales which have a much lower margin than jewelry and rare coins revenues.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$1,520,262 or 18.3% during the year. This increase was due to the start up of Superior Precious metals (\$692,000), Superior Estate Buyers (\$396,000), American Gold and Silver Exchange (\$160,000) and the opening of our second pawn shop during 2007 (\$440,000). Depreciation and amortization increased by \$236,975, or 95.6%, during 2008 due to additional assets being purchased through our recent acquisitions and depreciation on our new facility in Dallas, Texas. The increase in interest expense was due to the additional debt related to the Superior acquisition. The loss from discontinued operations was the result of the discontinuing the operations of our live auction segment and closing of our pay day loan stores.

At December 31, 2008, management believed the equity shares owned in three publicly traded stocks had declined on an other than temporary basis as these stocks are thinly traded and have market values of less than \$ .01 per share. As a result, these investments were written-off in the amount of \$115,992. this charge is included in other expense during 2008 net of interest earned during the year. Other income during 2007 was the result of the gain on the sale of the land and building at which our Dallas retail store and corporate headquarters were previously located.

During 2008, the Company reflected \$8,185,443 of goodwill relating to the acquisition of Superior Galleries. Inc. in May 2007. Under SFAS No. 142, the Company is required to undertake an annual impairment test at its year end or when there is a triggering event. In addition to the annual impairment review, there were a number of triggering events in the fourth quarter due to the significant operating losses of Superior and the impact of the economic downturn on Superior's operations and the decline in the Company's share price resulting in a substantial discount of the market capitalization to tangible net asset value. An evaluation of the recorded goodwill was undertaken, which considered two methodologies to determine the fair-value of the entity:

- A market capitalization approach, which measure market capitalization at the measurement date.
- A discounted cash flow approach, which entails determining fair value using a discounted cash flow methodology. This method requires significant judgment to estimate the future cash flow and to determine the appropriate discount rates, growth rates, and other assumptions.

Each of these the Company believes has merit, and resulted in the determination that goodwill was impaired. Accordingly, to reflect the impairment, the Company recorded a non-cash charge of \$8,185,443, which eliminated the value of the goodwill related to Superior.

In November 2008 we decided to discontinue the live auction segment of the Company's business activities. This decision was based on the substantial losses being incurred by this operating segment during 2008. As a result, the operating results of the auction segment have been reclassified to discontinued operations for both 2009,2008 and 2009. During 2008 the auction segment incurred a pretax loss of \$3,227,151 which includes \$848,000 related to the impairment of goodwill associated with the Superior acquisition in May 2007.

In June 2009 we sold the assets of National Jewelry Exchange, Inc. (our two pawn shops to an unrelated third party for cash in the amount of \$ 1,324,450. The proceeds were used to retire \$400,000 of our bank debt and the balance was used for working capital.

As a result, operating results from this business segment has been reclassified to discontinued operations for all periods presented

Income tax expense is directly affected by the levels of pretax income and non-deductible permanent differences related to the goodwill impairment. The Company's effective tax rate was 11.4% and 23% for the year ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The provisions for deferred taxes increased due to the impairment of goodwill in 2008

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

During the three years ended December 31, 2009 cash flows from operating activities totaled \$1,317,816, (\$1,013,482), and (4,342,513), respectively. Cash provided in operating activities during 2009 was primarily the result of an decrease in trade receivables \$2,173,749, a increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses \$541,105, and a increase in customer deposits (\$870,284). These uses of cash were partially offset by a increase in inventory (\$2,362,528) and an increase in prepaid expenses. The increase in deposits was primarily the result of price increase in gold products and a significant increase in the demand for precious metal products. Cash used in operating activities during 2008 was primarily the result of an increase in inventory (\$3,077,051) offset by a decrease in trade receivable 1,473,136 and an increase in customer deposits 915,554. These increases were primarily the re the result of the acquisition of Superior Galleries, Inc. in May of 2007.

During the three years ended December 31, 2009 cash flows from investing activities totaled \$851,204 (\$1,222,178), and (\$3,546,379). The cash provided in 2009 was the result of the proceeds from the sale discontinued operations (1,324,450) The uses of cash in 2008 and 2007 were primarily the result of building improvements (\$1,130,602) during 2008, the purchase of a new facility (\$3,780,554) during 2007 and cost related to the acquisition of Superior Galleries, Inc.(\$375,280)during 2007.During 2007 the Company sold it's former corporate offices and store for cash in the amount of \$1,299,898.

During the three years ended December 31, 2009 cash flows from financing activities totaled (\$942,389), \$1,919,205 and \$7,215,158. These cash flows were the result of borrowings and repayments of loans.

We expect capital expenditures to total approximately \$150,000 during the next twelve months. It is anticipated that these expenditures will be funded from working capital. As of December 31, 2009 there were no commitments outstanding for capital expenditures.

In the event of significant growth in retail and or wholesale jewelry sales, the demand for additional working capital will expand due to a related need to stock additional jewelry inventory and increases in wholesale accounts receivable. Historically, vendors have offered us extended payment terms to finance the need for jewelry inventory growth and our management believes that we will continue to do so in the future. Any significant increase in wholesale accounts receivable will be financed under a new bank credit facility or from short-term loans from individuals.

Our ability to finance our operations and working capital needs are dependent upon management's ability to negotiate extended terms or refinance its debt. We have historically renewed, extended or replaced short-term debt as it matures and management believes that we will be able to continue to do so in the near future.



From time to time, we have adjusted our inventory levels to meet seasonal demand or in order to meet working capital requirements. Management is of the opinion that if additional working capital is required, additional loans can be obtained from individuals or from commercial banks. If necessary, inventory levels may be adjusted in order to meet unforeseen working capital requirements.

In December 2005, we entered into a revolving credit facility with Texas Capital Bank, N.A., which currently permits borrowings up to a maximum principal amount of \$3.3 million. Borrowings under the revolving credit facility are collateralized by a general security interest in substantially all of our assets (other than the assets of Superior). As of December 31, 2009, approximately \$3.3 million was outstanding under the term loan and revolving credit facility. If we were to default under the terms and conditions of the revolving credit facility, Texas Capital Bank would have the right to accelerate any indebtedness outstanding and foreclose on our assets in order to satisfy our indebtedness. Such a foreclosure could have a material adverse effect on our business, liquidity, results of operations and financial position. This credit facility matures in June 2010.

Upon the consummation of our acquisition of Superior, and after the exchange by Stanford of \$8.4 million of Superior debt for shares of Superior common stock, Superior amended and restated its credit facility with Stanford. The amended and restated commercial loan and security agreement, which we refer to as the loan agreement, decreased the available credit line from \$19.89 million to \$11.5 million, reflecting the \$8.4 million debt exchange. Interest on the outstanding principal balance will continue to accrue at the prime rate, as reported in the Wall Street Journal or, during an event of default, at a rate 5% greater than the prime rate as so reported.

Loan proceeds can only be used for customer loans inventory purchases and receivables consistent with specified loan policies and procedures and for permitted inter-company transactions. Permitted inter-company transactions are loans or dividends paid to us or our other subsidiaries. We guaranteed the repayment of these permitted inter-company transactions pursuant to a secured subordinated guaranty in favor of Stanford. In connection with the secured guarantee, Stanford and Texas Capital Bank, N.A., our primary lender, entered into an intercreditor agreement with us, and we entered into a subordination agreement with Superior, both of which subordinate Stanford's security interests and repayment rights to those of Texas Capital Bank. As of December 31, 2009, approximately \$9.2 million was outstanding under this credit facility and there were no intercompany transactions outstanding.

This credit facility matures on May 1, 2011, provided that in case any of several customary events of default occurs, Stanford may declare the entire principal amount of both loans due immediately and take possession and dispose of the collateral described below. An event of default includes, among others, the following events: failure to make a payment when due under the loan agreement; breach of a covenant in the loan agreement or any related agreement; a representation or warranty made in the loan agreement or related agreements is materially incorrect; a default in repayment of borrowed money to any person; a material breach or default under any material contract; certain bankruptcy or insolvency events; and a default under a third-party loan. Superior is obligated to repay the first revolving loan from the proceeds of the inventory or other collateral purchased with the proceeds of the loan.

The loans are secured by a first priority security interest in substantially all of Superior's assets, including inventory, accounts receivable, promissory notes, books and records and insurance policies, and the proceeds of the foregoing. In addition, pursuant to the limited secured guaranty and intercreditor arrangements described above, Stanford would have a second-order security interest in all of our accounts and inventory to the extent of intercompany transactions.

The loan agreement includes a number of customary covenants applicable to Superior, including, among others: punctual payments of principal and interest under the credit facility; prompt payment of taxes, leases and other indebtedness; maintenance of corporate existence, qualifications, licenses, intellectual property rights, property and assets; maintenance of satisfactory insurance; preparation and delivery of financial statements for us and separately for Superior in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, tax returns and other financial information; inspection of offices and collateral; notice of certain events and changes; use of proceeds; notice of governmental orders which may have a material adverse effect, SEC filings and stockholder communications; maintenance of property and collateral; and payment of Stanford expenses.



In addition, Superior has agreed to a number of negative covenants in the loan agreement, including, among others, covenants not to: create or suffer a lien or other encumbrance on any collateral, subject to customary exceptions; incur, guarantee or otherwise become liable for any indebtedness, subject to customary exceptions; acquire indebtedness of another person, subject to customary exceptions and permitted inter-company transactions; issue or acquire any shares of its capital stock; pay dividends other than permitted inter-company transactions or specified quarterly dividends, or directors' fees; sell or abandon any collateral except in the ordinary course of business or consolidate or merge with another entity; enter into affiliate transactions other than in the ordinary course of business on fair terms or permitted inter-company transactions; create or participate in any partnership or joint venture; engage in a new line of business; pay principal or interest on subordinate debt except as authorized by the credit facility; or make capital expenditures in excess of \$100,000 per fiscal year

We have been informed that on February 19, 2009, a US district court placed SIBL under the supervision of a receiver and that the court enjoined SIBL's creditors and other persons from taking certain actions related to SIBL or its assets. In addition, on the same date, Antiguan Financial Services Regulatory Commission appointed a Receiver for Stanford International Bank Ltd. This action was subsequently ratified by the High Court of Justice in Antigua and Barbuda. As a result of SIBL's current status, we do not believe that Superior will be able to borrow additional funds under either revolving loan, including any amounts Superior is obligated to repay to SIBL pursuant to the repayment provisions applicable to the first revolving note. We believe that certain terms of agreements entered into by us, Superior and/or SIBL and its affiliates in connection with our acquisition of Superior have been breached by SIBL or its affiliates, and we are evaluating available remedies, including but not limited to damages from responsible parties. While Superior does not currently require additional funds under the SIBL credit facility, should the need arise and Superior is unable to replace this credit facility the operations and performance of Superior could be materially adversely affected.

On January 27, 2010, DGSE Companies, Inc. ("DGSE") and Stanford International Bank, LTD ("SIBL"), which is the beneficial owner of a significant equity interest in DGSE, a primary lender to a wholly owned subsidiary of DGSE and subject to certain agreements with DGSE and its Chairman, entered into definitive agreements whereby SIBL will terminate all agreements, will convert all of its debt, interest and other expenses and will sell all of its equity interests including common stock and warrants to DGSE or its assignees.

Stanford and its affiliates, including SIBL are under receivership, and, accordingly, the transaction is subject to the approval of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas which has jurisdiction for the assets of SIBL. The agreements also contain other closing conditions including, but not limited to the receipt of all United States governmental and regulatory approvals, if any, the receipt of third party approvals, consents and/or waivers as may be required in connection with the transaction and compliance with United States regulatory and governmental requirements, including proof acceptable to the Company, that upon transfer to the purchaser or its assignees that they will receive title to the Securities free and clear of all liens. It is anticipated that additional 8-K's may be filed upon the occurrence of material events related to this matter.

As a result of the transaction, it is anticipated that the immediate shares outstanding of the Company will be reduced by all or part of approximately 3,400,000 held by SIB and over \$10,000,000 in obligations owed by a subsidiary of DGSE to SIBL will be eliminated.

On October 17, 2007, we closed on the purchase of our new headquarters location. As a result, we assumed a new loan with a remaining principal balance of \$2,323,484 and an interest rate of 6.70%. The loan has required monthly payments of \$20,192 with the final payment due on August 1, 2016.

	Payments due by period			
	Total	2010	2011 - 2012	2013 – 2014 Thereafter
Contractual Cash Obligations				

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Notes payable	\$ 3,243,569	\$ 3,243,569	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
Long-term debt and capital leases	3,340,218	242,304	732,163	484,608	1,881,143
Operating Leases	2,108,774	523,769	1,248,447	302,486	34,072
Total	\$ 8,692,561	\$ 4,009,642	\$ 1,980,610	\$ 787,094	\$ 1,915,215

In addition, we estimate that we will pay approximately \$385,000 in interest during the next twelve months.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements.

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future effect on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources that is material to stockholders.

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

Market Risk

The following discussion about our market risk disclosures involves forward-looking statements. Actual results could differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. We are exposed to market risk related to changes in interest rates and precious metal values. We also are exposed to regulatory risk in relation to our pawn loans. We do not use derivative financial instruments.

Our earnings and financial position may be affected by changes in precious metal values and the resulting impact on pawn lending and jewelry sales. The proceeds of scrap sales and our ability to liquidate excess jewelry inventory at an acceptable margin are dependent upon gold values. The impact on our financial position and results of operations of a hypothetical change in precious metal values cannot be reasonably estimated.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

- (a) Financial Statements (see pages F-1 to F-25 of this report).

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

None.

ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

Disclosure Controls and procedures

An evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) as of the end of the period covered by this annual report. Our disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is (1) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms and (2) accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Based on that evaluation, our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

No changes in internal controls over financial reporting occurred during the last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our control over financial reporting.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as such term is defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f). The Company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009 using the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Tread way Commission in Internal Control — Integrated Framework. Based on this assessment, management has concluded that, as of December 31, 2009, the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective 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 based on such criteria.

This Annual Report on Form 10-K does not include an attestation report of the Company's registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by the Company's registered public accounting firm pursuant to temporary rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission that permit the Company to provide only management's report in this Annual Report on Form 10-K

Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, does not expect that our disclosure controls or internal controls over financial reporting will prevent all errors or all instances of fraud. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the control system's objectives will be met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within our company have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Controls can also be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the controls. The design of any system of controls is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and any design may not succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions. Over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or deterioration in the degree of compliance with policies or procedures. Because of the inherent limitation of a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

#### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

For the quarter ended December 31, 2009, there have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION.

None.



## PART IV

## ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a)		Exhibits				
Exhibit No.	Description	Filed Herein	Incorporated by Reference	Form	Date Filed with SEC	Exhibit No.
2.1	Amended and Restated Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization, dated as of January 6, 2007		×	8-K	January 9, 2007	2.1
2.2	Limited Joinder Agreement, dated as of January 6, 2007		×	8-K	January 9, 2007	2.9
3.1	Articles of Incorporation dated September 17, 1965		×	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.1
3.2	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated October 14, 1981		×	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.2
3.3	Certificate of Resolution, dated October 14, 1981		×	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.3
3.4	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated July 15, 1986		×	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.4
3.5	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated August 23, 1998		×	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.5
3.6	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated June 26, 1992		×	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.6
3.7	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated June 26, 2001		×	8-K	July 3, 2001	1.0
3.8	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated May 22, 2007		x	8-K	May 31, 2007	3.1
3.9	By-laws, dated March 2, 1992		×	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.7

4.1	Specimen Common Stock Certificate	×	S-4	January 6, 2007	4.1
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10.1	Renewal, Extension And Modification Agreement dated January 28, 1994, by and among DGSE Corporation and Michael E. Hall And Marian E. Hall	×	10-KSB	March 1995	10.2
10.2	Lease Agreement dated June 2, 2000 by and between SND Properties and Charleston Gold and Diamond Exchange, Inc.	×	10-KSB	March 29, 2001	10.1
10.3	Lease agreement dated October 5, 2004 by and between Beltline Denton Road Associates and Dallas Gold & Silver Exchange	×	10-K	April 15, 2005	10.2
10.4	Lease agreement dated December 1, 2004 by and between Stone Lewis Properties and Dallas Gold & Silver Exchange	×	10-K	April 15, 2005	10.3
10.5	Lease agreement dated November 18, 2004 by and between Hinkle Income Properties LLC and American Pay Day Centers, Inc.	×	10-K	April 15, 2005	10.4
10.6	Lease Agreement dated January 17, 2005 by and between Belle-Hall Development Phase III Limited Partnership and DGSE Companies, Inc.	×	S-4	January 6, 2007	10.6
10.7	Sale agreement dated executed July 5, 2007 by and between DGSE Companies, Inc. and Texas Department of Transportation	×	8-K	July 11, 2007	10.1
10.8	Purchase agreement dated July 5, 2007 by and between DGSE Companies, Inc. and 11311 Reeder Road Holdings, LP	×	8-K	July 11, 2007	10.2
10.9	Loan Agreement, dated as of December 22, 2005, between DGSE Companies, Inc. and Texas Capital Bank, N.A.	×	8-K/A	August 17, 2006	10.1

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10.10	Third Amendment to Loan Agreement, dated as of May 10, 2007, by and between DGSE Companies, Inc. and Texas Capital Bank, N.A.	×	8-K	May 9, 2007	3.0
10.11	Support Agreement, DGSE stockholders, dated as of January 6, 2007	×	8-K	January 9, 2007	99.1
10.12	Securities Exchange Agreement, dated as of January 6, 2007	×	8-K	January 9, 2007	99.2
10.13	Warrant to DiGenova, issued January 6, 2007	×	8-K	January 9, 2007	99.3
10.14	Support Agreement, Superior stockholders, dated as of January 6, 2007	×	8-K	January 9, 2007	99.5
10.15	Asset purchase agreement, dated May 9, 2007, by and between DGSE Companies, Inc. and Eules Gold & Silver, Inc.	×	8-K	May 9, 2007	1.0
10.16	Subordinated Promissory Note dated May 9, 2007	×	8-K	May 9, 2007	2.0
10.17	Registration Rights Agreement with Stanford International Bank Ltd., dated as of May 30, 2007	×	8-K	May 31, 2007	99.1
10.18	Corporate Governance Agreement with Dr. L.S. Smith and Stanford International Bank Ltd., dated as of May 30, 2007	×	8-K	May 31, 2007	99.2
10.19	Escrow Agreement with American Stock Transfer & Trust Company and Stanford International Bank Ltd., as stockholder agent, dated as of May 30, 2007	×	8-K	May 31, 2007	99.3
10.20	Form of Warrants	×	8-K	May 31, 2007	99.4
10.21	Amended and Restated Commercial Loan and Security Agreement, by and between Superior Galleries Inc. and Stanford International Bank Ltd.,	×	8-K	May 31, 2007	99.5

dated as of May 30, 2007

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10.22	Employment Agreement with L.S. Smith, dated as of May 30, 2007	×	8-K	May 31, 2007	99.6
10.23	Employment Agreement with William H. Oyster, dated as of May 30, 2007	×	8-K	May 31, 2007	99.7
10.24	Employment Agreement with John Benson, dated as of May 30, 2007	×	8-K	May 31, 2007	99.8
23.1	Consent of Cornwell Jackson	x			
31.1	Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 implementing Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 by Dr. L.S. Smith	×			
31.2	Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 implementing Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 by John Benson	×			
32.1	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 by Dr. L.S. Smith	×			
32.2	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 by John Benson	×			

(b) Reports on Form 8-K :

None.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

DGSE Companies, Inc.

By: /s/ L. S. Smith  
L. S. Smith  
Chairman of the Board,  
Chief Executive Officer and  
Secretary

Dated: March 30, 2010

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: /s/ L. S. Smith  
L.S Smith  
Chairman of the Board,  
Chief Executive Officer and  
Secretary

Dated: March 30, 2010

By: /s/ W. H. Oyster  
W. H. Oyster  
Director, President and  
Chief Operating Officer

Dated: March 30, 2010

By: /s/ John Benson  
John Benson  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Accounting Officer)

Dated: March 30, 2010

By: /s/ William P. Cordeiro  
Director

Dated: March 30, 2010

By: /s/ Craig Allan-Lee  
Director

Dated: March 30, 2010

By

By: /s/David Rector  
Director

Dated: March 30, 2010

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and  
Shareholders of DGSE Companies, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of DSGE Companies, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the “Company”) as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of operations, shareholders’ equity and comprehensive income, and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008, and 2007. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. We have not been engaged to perform an audit of the Company’s internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company’s internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the consolidated results of operations and its cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008, and 2007 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Cornwell Jackson Advisors  
Plano, Texas  
March 31, 2010



## DGSE COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	December 31,	
	2009	2008
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,446,724	\$ 220,093
Trade receivables	649,310	1,928,867
Inventories	17,766,285	15,321,309
Prepaid expenses	807,298	522,494
Prepaid federal income tax	639,372	639,372
Current assets of discontinued operations		— 2,064,460
Total current assets	21,308,989	20,696,595
Marketable securities – available for sale	45,000	—
Property and equipment, net	4,713,142	4,675,530
Deferred income taxes	1,731,175	1,908,032
Goodwill	837,117	837,117
Intangible assets	2,464,006	2,492,673
Other assets	260,904	209,008
Non-current assets of discontinued operations	295,617	524,960
	\$ 31,655,950	\$ 31,343,915
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Current Liabilities:		
Notes payable	\$ 48,569	\$ 191,078
Current maturities of long-term debt	310,714	599,972
Line of credit	3,195,000	3,595,000
Accounts payable – trade	1,472,663	734,906
Accrued expenses	492,710	644,318
Customer deposits	2,092,593	1,222,309
Current liabilities of discontinued operations		— 45,044
Total current liabilities	7,612,249	7,032,627
Long-term debt, less current maturities	11,605,143	11,715,765
	19,217,392	18,748,392
<b>STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Common stock, \$.01 par value; 30,000,000 shares authorized; 9,863,635 and 9,833,635 shares issued and outstanding at the end of each period in 2009 and 2008	98,637	98,337
Additional paid-in capital	18,698,091	18,541,662
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		—
Retained deficit	(6,358,170)	(6,044,476)
	12,438,558	12,595,523
	\$ 31,655,950	\$ 31,343,915

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

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DGSE COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Years ended December 31,		
	2009	2008	2007
<b>Revenue</b>			
Sales	\$ 85,369,679	\$ 101,224,082	\$ 59,856,414
Consumer loan service charges	—	—	86,019
Management fees	—	—	250,000
	85,369,679	101,224,082	60,192,433
<b>Costs and expenses</b>			
Cost of goods sold	73,105,758	88,802,032	50,932,507
Selling, general and administrative expenses	10,753,717	8,307,924	7,637,399
Depreciation and amortization	410,838	396,772	226,406
Impairment of goodwill	—	7,337,443	—
Gain of sale of property	—	—	(579,447)
	84,270,313	104,844,171	58,216,865
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>1,099,366</b>	<b>(3,620,089)</b>	<b>1,975,568</b>
<b>Other (income) expense</b>			
Other income	(3,813)	87,694	26,782
Interest expense	401,105	902,897	675,199
<b>Earnings before income taxes</b>	<b>702,074</b>	<b>(4,610,680)</b>	<b>1,273,587</b>
<b>Income tax expense</b>	<b>221,457</b>	<b>1,069,351</b>	<b>325,843</b>
<b>Net earnings (loss) from continuing operations</b>	<b>480,617</b>	<b>(5,680,031)</b>	<b>947,744</b>
<b>Discontinued operations:</b>			
Loss (Gain) from discontinued operations (less applicable income tax benefit (expense) of \$3,526, \$1,118,485 and \$57,231, respectively)	803,848	2,171,176	111,095
Loss (Gain) on disposal of discontinued operations (less applicable income tax benefit (expense) of (\$4,913), \$0 and \$26,208, respectively)	(9,537)	—	81,630
<b>Net earnings (loss)</b>	<b>\$ (313,694)</b>	<b>\$ (7,851,207)</b>	<b>\$ 755,019</b>
<b>Earnings per common share</b>			
<b>Basic</b>			
From continuing operations	\$ .05	\$ (.59)	\$ .13
From discontinued operations	(.08)	(.22)	(.03)
<b>Net earnings per common share</b>	<b>\$ (.03)</b>		