

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549**

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**FORM 10-Q**

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2012

or

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

For the transition period from      to

Commission File Number 0-25150

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**STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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Wisconsin  
(State of Incorporation)

39-1804239  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

3333 West Good Hope Road, Milwaukee, WI 53209  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(414) 247-3333  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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

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

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

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

Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share: 3,314,458 shares outstanding as of September 30, 2012

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**PROSPECTIVE INFORMATION**

A number of the matters and subject areas discussed in this Form 10-Q contain “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements may be identified by the use of forward-looking words or phrases such as “anticipate,” “believe,” “would,” “expect,” “intend,” “may,” “planned,” “potential,” “should,” “will,” and “could,” or the negative of these terms or words of similar meaning. These statements include expected future financial results, product offerings, global expansion, liquidity needs, financing ability, planned capital expenditures, management’s or the Company’s expectations and beliefs, and similar matters discussed in this Form 10-Q. The discussions of such matters and subject areas are qualified by the inherent risks and uncertainties surrounding future expectations generally, and also may materially differ from the Company’s actual future experience.

The Company’s business, operations and financial performance are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, which could result in material differences in actual results from the Company’s current expectations. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, general economic conditions, in particular relating to the automotive industry, consumer demand for the Company’s and its customers’ products, competitive and technological developments, customer purchasing actions, foreign currency fluctuations, fluctuations in costs of operations (including fluctuations in the cost of raw materials) and other matters described in the section titled “Risk Factors” in the Company’s Form 10-K report filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the year ended July 1, 2012.

Shareholders, potential investors and other readers are urged to consider these factors carefully in evaluating the forward-looking statements and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements made herein are only made as of the date of this Form 10-Q and the Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update such forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances occurring after the date of this Form 10-Q.

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## Item 1 Financial Statements

STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES  
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss)  
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)  
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Net sales	\$ 70,807	\$66,377
Cost of goods sold	57,094	54,873
Gross profit	13,713	11,504
Engineering, selling and administrative expenses	9,120	8,208
Income from operations	4,593	3,296
Interest income	3	17
Equity loss of joint ventures	(12)	(120)
Interest expense	(5)	(31)
Other expense, net	(18)	(868)
Income before provision for income taxes	4,561	2,294
Provision for income taxes	1,246	321
Net income	3,315	1,973
Net income attributed to non-controlling interest	645	691
Net income attributable to STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION	\$ 2,670	\$ 1,282
Comprehensive Income (Loss):		
Net income	\$ 3,315	\$ 1,973
Change in cumulative translation adjustments, net	732	(2,949)
Comprehensive income (loss)	4,047	(976)
Comprehensive income attributed to non-controlling interest	670	611
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION	\$ 3,377	\$ (1,587)
Earnings per share:		
Basic	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.39
Diluted	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.39
Average shares outstanding:		
Basic	3,309	3,294
Diluted	3,340	3,326
Cash dividends declared per share	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.10

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss).

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STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES  
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets  
(In Thousands, Except Share Amounts)

	September 30, 2012 (Unaudited)	July 1, 2012
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 16,274	\$ 17,487
Receivables, net	45,051	44,496
Inventories		
Finished products	7,545	5,313
Work in process	6,242	5,659
Purchased materials	12,995	11,564
Excess and obsolete reserve	(1,300)	(1,300)
Inventories, net	25,482	21,236
Other current assets	17,053	18,072
Total current assets	103,860	101,291
Deferred income taxes	9,742	9,742
Investment in joint ventures	8,352	8,139
Other long-term assets	511	536
Property, plant and equipment	154,955	152,014
Less: accumulated depreciation	(107,341)	(105,684)
Net property, plant and equipment	47,614	46,330
	<u>\$ 170,079</u>	<u>\$ 166,038</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 26,253	\$ 24,149
Borrowings under credit facility	1,500	—
Accrued Liabilities:		
Payroll and benefits	15,373	19,233
Environmental reserve	1,431	1,436
Warranty	5,284	4,958
Other	7,920	7,197
Total current liabilities	57,761	56,973
Accrued pension obligations	18,979	18,202
Accrued postretirement obligations	3,264	3,465
Shareholders' Equity:		
Common stock, authorized 12,000,000 shares, \$.01 par value, issued 6,942,557 shares at September 30, 2012 and 6,932,457 shares at July 1, 2012	69	69
Capital in excess of par value	80,708	80,621
Retained earnings	173,924	171,590
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(35,050)	(35,757)
Less: treasury stock, at cost (3,628,099 shares at September 30, 2012 and 3,628,673 shares at July 1, 2012)	(135,961)	(135,971)
Total STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION shareholders' equity	83,690	80,552
Non-controlling interest	6,385	6,846
Total shareholders' equity	90,075	87,398
	<u>\$ 170,079</u>	<u>\$ 166,038</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated balance sheets.

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STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES  
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows  
(In Thousands)  
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net income	\$ 3,315	\$ 1,973
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	1,758	1,652
Foreign currency transaction loss (gain)	455	(1,699)
Stock based compensation expense	76	174
Equity loss of joint ventures	12	120
Unrealized (gain) loss on foreign currency option contracts	(311)	2,305
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		
Receivables	(413)	(2,207)
Inventories	(4,246)	(2,177)
Other assets	1,116	(696)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(29)	331
Other, net	(30)	16
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	1,703	(208)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Investment in joint ventures	(200)	—
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(2,711)	(3,492)
Proceeds received on sale of property, plant and equipment	30	—
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,881)	(3,492)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Borrowings under credit facility	1,500	—
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests of subsidiaries	(1,131)	—
Dividends paid	(336)	(335)
Exercise of stock options and employee stock purchases	19	16
Repayment of loan from related parties	—	(400)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	52	(719)
Foreign currency impact on cash	(87)	357
<b>NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>(1,213)</b>	<b>(4,062)</b>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		
Beginning of period	17,487	17,250
End of period	<u>\$ 16,274</u>	<u>\$ 13,188</u>
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:</b>		
Income taxes paid	\$ 168	\$ 527
Interest paid	12	42

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

STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES  
Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements  
(Unaudited)

**Basis of Financial Statements**

STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION designs, develops, manufactures and markets automotive access control products, including mechanical locks and keys, electronically enhanced locks and keys, steering column and instrument panel ignition lock housings, latches, power sliding door systems, power lift gate systems, power deck lid systems, door handles and related products for primarily North American automotive customers. We also supply global automotive manufacturers through a unique strategic relationship with WITTE Automotive of Velbert, Germany, and ADAC Automotive of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Under this relationship, STRATTEC, WITTE and ADAC market each company's products to global customers under the "VAST" brand name (as more fully described herein). STRATTEC products are shipped to customer locations in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Europe, South America, Korea and China, and we provide full service and aftermarket support for our products.

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements reflect the consolidated results of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION, its wholly owned Mexican subsidiary, STRATTEC de Mexico, and its majority owned subsidiaries, ADAC-STRATTEC, LLC and STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC. STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION is located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. STRATTEC de Mexico is located in Juarez, Mexico. ADAC-STRATTEC, LLC and STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC have operations in El Paso, Texas and Juarez, Mexico. Equity investments in Vehicle Access Systems Technology LLC ("VAST LLC") for which we exercise significant influence but do not control and are not the primary beneficiary, are accounted for using the equity method. VAST LLC consists primarily of three wholly owned subsidiaries in China and one joint venture in Brazil. We have only one reporting segment.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of July 1, 2012, which has been derived from our audited financial statements, and the related unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring items, necessary for their fair presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") and in accordance with Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X. All significant intercompany transactions have been eliminated.

Interim financial results are not necessarily indicative of operating results for an entire year. The information included in this Form 10-Q should be read in conjunction with Management's Discussion and Analysis and the financial statements and notes thereto included in the STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION 2012 Annual Report, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an exhibit to our Form 10-K on September 6, 2012.

**Derivative Instruments**

We own and operate manufacturing operations in Mexico. As a result, a portion of our manufacturing costs are incurred in Mexican pesos, which causes our earnings and cash flows to fluctuate due to changes in the U.S. dollar/Mexican peso exchange rate. We have contracts with Bank of Montreal that provide for two weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts for a portion of our estimated peso denominated operating costs. Current contracts with Bank of Montreal extend through June 28, 2013. The two weekly option contracts are for equivalent notional amounts. The contracts that were effective in fiscal 2012 and expired on July 6, 2012 provided for the purchase of Mexican pesos at a U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 11.85 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date was below 11.85 or for the purchase of Mexican pesos at a U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 12.85 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date was above 12.85. Contracts that are effective during the period July 6, 2012 through June 28, 2013 provide for the purchase of Mexican pesos at an average U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 12.40 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date is below an average of 12.40 or for the purchase of Mexican pesos at an average U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 13.40 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date is above an average of 13.40. Our objective in entering into these currency option contracts is to minimize our earnings volatility resulting from changes in exchange rates affecting the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations. The Mexican peso option contracts are not used for speculative purposes and are not designated as hedges. As a result, all currency option contracts are recognized in our accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements at fair value and changes in the fair value are reported in current earnings as part of Other Expense, net. The premiums to be paid and received under the weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts net to zero. As a result, premiums related to the contracts did not impact our earnings during the periods presented herein.

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The following table quantifies the outstanding Mexican peso currency option contracts as of September 30, 2012 (thousands of dollars):

	Effective Dates	Notional Amount	Average Option Contractual Exchange Rate	Fair Value
Buy MXP/Sell USD	July 6, 2012 – June 28, 2013	\$7,600	12.40	\$ 55
Buy MXP/Sell USD	July 6, 2012 – June 28, 2013	\$7,600	13.40	\$ (140)

The fair market value of all outstanding Mexican peso option contracts in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets was as follows (thousands of dollars):

	September 30, 2012	July 1, 2012
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:		
Other Current Liabilities:		
Mexican Peso Option Contracts	\$ (85)	\$ (395)

The pre-tax effects of the Mexican peso option contracts on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and October 2, 2011 consisted of the following (thousands of dollars):

	Other Expense, net Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:		
Realized Gain	\$ —	\$ 18
Realized (Loss)	\$ (34)	\$ (14)
Unrealized Gain (Loss)	\$ 311	\$ (2,305)

**Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

The fair value of our cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and borrowings under our credit facility approximated book value as of September 30, 2012 and July 1, 2012. Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid for a liability in the principal or most advantageous market in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The following table summarizes our financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2012 (in thousands of dollars):

	Fair Value Inputs		
	Quoted Prices In Active Markets	Observable Inputs Other Than Market Prices	Unobservable Inputs
Assets:			
Rabbi Trust Assets:			
Stock Index Funds:			
Small Cap	\$ 221	\$ —	\$ —
Mid Cap	216	—	—
Large Cap	680	—	—
U.S. Treasury Securities	2,034	—	—
Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,286	—	—
Mexican Peso Option Contracts	—	55	—
Total Assets at Fair Value	<u>\$ 4,437</u>	<u>\$ 55</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Liabilities:			
Mexican Peso Option Contracts	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 140</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

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The Rabbi Trust assets fund our supplemental executive retirement plan and are included in Other Current Assets in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Rabbi Trust assets are classified as Level 1 assets. Refer to the discussion of Mexican peso option contracts under Derivative Instruments above. The fair value of the Mexican Peso option contracts are based on an option pricing model that considers the remaining term, current exchange rate and volatility of the underlying foreign currency base. There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 assets during the three ended September 30, 2012.

### Equity (Loss) Earnings of Joint Ventures

We hold a one-third interest in a joint venture company, Vehicle Access Systems Technology LLC (“VAST LLC”), with WITTE Automotive of Velbert, Germany (“WITTE”), and ADAC Automotive of Grand Rapids, Michigan (“ADAC”). VAST LLC exists to seek opportunities to manufacture and sell all three companies’ products in areas of the world outside of North America and Europe. VAST LLC consists primarily of three wholly owned subsidiaries in China and one joint venture in Brazil. Our investment in VAST LLC, for which we exercise significant influence but do not control and are not the primary beneficiary, is accounted for using the equity method. The following are summarized statements of operations for VAST LLC (thousands of dollars):

	Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Net Sales	\$ 21,281	\$ 21,403
Cost of Goods Sold	17,241	19,218
Gross Profit	4,040	2,185
Engineering, Selling and Administrative Expenses	4,042	2,750
Loss From Operations	(2)	(565)
Other Income, net	40	199
Income (Loss) before Provision for Income taxes	38	(366)
Provision for Income Taxes	80	—
Net Loss	\$ (42)	\$ (366)
STRATTEC’s Share of VAST LLC Net Loss	\$ (14)	\$ (122)
Intercompany Profit Elimination	2	2
STRATTEC’s Equity Loss of Joint Ventures	\$ (12)	\$ (120)

### Credit Facilities and Guarantees

As of September 30, 2012, STRATTEC has a \$25 million secured revolving credit facility (the “STRATTEC Credit Facility”) with BMO Harris Bank N.A. The STRATTEC Credit Facility expires August 1, 2014. As of September 30, 2012, ADAC-STRATTEC LLC has a \$5 million secured revolving credit facility (the “ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility”) with BMO Harris Bank N.A, which is guaranteed by STRATTEC. The ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility expires June 28, 2015. Any borrowings under the credit facilities will be secured by our U.S. cash balances, accounts receivable, inventory and property. Interest on borrowings under these credit facilities is at varying rates based, at our option, on the London Interbank Offering Rate plus 1.0 to 1.75 percent or the bank’s prime rate. Both credit facilities contain a restrictive financial covenant that requires the maintenance of a minimum net worth level. The ADAC-STRATTEC credit facility includes an additional restrictive financial covenant that requires the maintenance of a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio. There were no outstanding borrowings under the STRATTEC Credit Facility at September 30, 2012 or July 1, 2012. There were no borrowings under the STRATTEC Credit Facility during fiscal 2013 to date or during fiscal 2012. Borrowings under the ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility totaled \$1.5 million at September 30, 2012. The average outstanding borrowings and weighted average interest rate on the ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility loans were approximately \$1.0 million and 2.02 percent, respectively, during the three months ended September 30, 2012. There were no borrowings under the ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility during fiscal 2012.



## Environmental Reserve

In 1995, we recorded a provision of \$3 million for estimated costs to remediate an environmental contamination site at our Milwaukee facility. The site was contaminated by a solvent spill, which occurred in 1985, from a former above ground solvent storage tank located on the east side of the facility. The reserve was originally established based on third party estimates to adequately cover the cost for active remediation of the contamination. Due to changing technology and related costs associated with active remediation of the contamination, an updated analysis and estimate was obtained during fiscal 2010. As a result of this analysis, the reserve was reduced by approximately \$1.1 million, to \$1.5 million in 2010, to reflect the revised monitoring and remediation cost estimate. From 1995 through September 30, 2012, costs of approximately \$445,000 have been incurred related to the installation of monitoring wells on the property and ongoing monitoring costs. We continue to monitor and evaluate the site with the use of groundwater monitoring wells that are installed on the property. An environmental consultant samples these wells one or two times a year to determine the status of the contamination and the potential for remediation of the contamination by natural attenuation, the dissipation of the contamination over time to concentrations below applicable standards. If such sampling evidences a sufficient degree of and trend toward natural attenuation of the contamination, we may be able to obtain a closure letter from the regulatory authorities resolving the issue without the need for active remediation. If a sufficient degree and trend toward natural attenuation is not evidenced by sampling, a more active form of remediation beyond natural attenuation may be required. The sampling has not yet satisfied all of the requirements for closure by natural attenuation. As a result, sampling continues and the reserve remains at an amount to reflect the estimated cost of active remediation. The reserve is not measured on a discounted basis. We believe, based on findings-to-date and known environmental regulations, that the environmental reserve of \$1.4 million at September 30, 2012, is adequate.

## Shareholders' Equity

A summary of activity impacting shareholders' equity for the three month period ended September 30, 2012 is as follows (in thousands):

	Total Shareholders' Equity	Equity Attributed to STRATTEC	Equity Attributed to Non-Controlling Interest
Balance, July 1, 2012	\$ 87,398	\$ 80,552	\$ 6,846
Net Income	3,315	2,670	645
Dividend Declared	(336)	(336)	—
Dividend Declared – Non-controlling Interests of Subsidiaries	(1,131)	—	(1,131)
Translation adjustments	732	707	25
Stock Based Compensation	76	76	—
Tax Benefit – Dividend Paid on Restricted Shares	2	2	—
Employee Stock Purchases and Stock Option Exercises	19	19	—
Balance, September 30, 2012	<u>\$ 90,075</u>	<u>\$ 83,690</u>	<u>\$ 6,385</u>

## Other Expense, net

Net other expense included in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) primarily includes foreign currency transaction gains and losses, unrealized gains and losses on our Mexican Peso option contracts, and Rabbi Trust gains and losses. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses are the result of foreign currency transactions entered into by our Mexican subsidiaries and fluctuations in foreign currency cash balances. We entered into the Mexican Peso currency option contracts to minimize earnings volatility resulting from changes in exchange rates affecting the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations. The Rabbi Trust funds our supplemental executive retirement plan. The investments held in the Trust are considered trading securities. The impact of these items for each of the periods presented was as follows (in thousands):

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	Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Foreign Currency Transaction (Loss) Gain	\$ (455)	\$ 1,699
Rabbi Trust Gain (Loss)	64	(241)
Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Mexican Peso Option Contracts	311	(2,305)
Realized (Loss) Gain on Mexican Peso Option Contracts, net	(34)	4
Other	96	(25)
	<u>\$ (18)</u>	<u>\$ (868)</u>

**Income Taxes**

The income tax provisions for the three month periods ended September 30, 2012 and October 2, 2011 were impacted by a lower statutory tax rate for income subject to tax in Mexico as compared to the statutory tax rate for income subject to tax in the U.S.

**Earnings Per Share (EPS)**

Basic earnings per share is computed on the basis of the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the applicable period. Diluted earnings per share is computed on the basis of the weighted average number of shares of common stock plus the potential dilutive common shares outstanding during the applicable period using the treasury stock method. Potential dilutive common shares include outstanding stock options and restricted stock awards. A reconciliation of the components of the basic and diluted per-share computations follows (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Net Income	\$ 2,670	\$ 1,282
Less: Income Attributable to Participating Securities	51	—
Net Income Attributable to Common Shareholders	<u>\$ 2,619</u>	<u>\$ 1,282</u>
Weighted Average Shares of Common Stock Outstanding	3,309	3,294
Incremental Shares – Stock based Compensation	31	32
Diluted Weighted Average Shares of Common Stock Outstanding	<u>3,340</u>	<u>3,326</u>
Basic Earnings Per Share	<u>\$ 0.79</u>	<u>\$ 0.39</u>
Diluted Earnings Per Share	<u>\$ 0.78</u>	<u>\$ 0.39</u>

Net earnings available to participating securities were not significant for the three months ended October 2, 2011. We consider unvested restricted stock that provides the holder with a non-forfeitable right to receive dividends to be a participating security.

As of September 30, 2012, options to purchase 220,000 shares of common stock at a weighted-average exercise price of \$37.27 were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive. As of October 2, 2011, options to purchase 250,000 shares of common stock at a weighted-average exercise price of \$33.78 were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive.

**Stock-based Compensation**

We maintain an omnibus stock incentive plan. This plan provides for the granting of stock options, shares of restricted stock and stock appreciation rights. The Board of Directors has designated 1,700,000 shares of common stock available for the grant of awards under the plan. Remaining shares available to be granted under the plan as of September 30, 2012 were 110,593. Awards that expire or are canceled without delivery of shares become available for re-issuance under the plan. We issue new shares of common stock to satisfy stock option exercises.

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Nonqualified and incentive stock options and shares of restricted stock have been granted to our officers, outside directors and specified employees under our stock incentive plan. Stock options granted under the plan may not be issued with an exercise price less than the fair market value of the common stock on the date the option is granted. Stock options become exercisable as determined at the date of grant by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. The options expire 5 to 10 years after the grant date unless an earlier expiration date is set at the time of grant. The options vest 1 to 4 years after the date of grant. Shares of restricted stock granted under the plan are subject to vesting criteria determined by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors at the time the shares are granted and have a minimum vesting period of three years from the date of grant. Restricted shares granted have voting and dividend rights, regardless if the shares are vested or unvested. The restricted stock grants issued to date vest 3 years after the date of grant.

The fair value of each stock option grant was estimated as of the date of grant using the Black-Scholes pricing model. The resulting compensation cost for fixed awards with graded vesting schedules is amortized on a straight line basis over the vesting period for the entire award. The fair value of each restricted stock grant was based on the market price of the underlying common stock as of the date of grant. The resulting compensation cost is amortized on a straight line basis over the vesting period.

A summary of stock option activity under our stock incentive plan for the three months ended September 30, 2012 was as follows:

	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in thousands)
Outstanding, July 1, 2012	332,800	\$ 28.19		
Granted	40,000	\$ 25.64		
Exercised	(500)	\$ 10.92		
Expired	(2,000)	\$ 44.93		
Forfeited	(2,000)	\$ 17.59		
Outstanding, September 30, 2012	368,300	\$ 27.90	5.7	\$ 1,061
Exercisable, September 30, 2012	189,200	\$ 33.72	4.3	\$ 716

The intrinsic value of stock options exercised and the fair value of stock options vesting during the three month periods presented was as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Intrinsic Value of Options Exercised	\$ 6	\$ —
Fair Value of Stock Options Vesting	\$ —	\$ —

The grant date fair value and assumptions used to determine compensation expense for the options granted during each period presented were as follows:

	Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value:		
Options Issued at Grant Date Market Value	n/a	n/a
Options Issued Above Grant Date Market Value	\$ 10.48	\$ 10.29
Assumptions:		
Risk Free Interest Rate	0.95%	1.23%
Expected Volatility	57.58%	59.88%
Expected Dividend Yield	1.69%	1.74%
Expected Term (in years)	6.0	6.0

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A summary of restricted stock activity under our omnibus stock incentive plan for the three months ended September 30, 2012 was as follows:

	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Nonvested Balance, July 1, 2012	49,400	\$ 20.45
Granted	24,150	\$ 23.69
Vested	(9,600)	\$ 14.75
Forfeited	—	—
Nonvested Balance, September 30, 2012	<u>63,950</u>	<u>\$ 22.53</u>

As of September 30, 2012, there was \$1.1 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to stock options granted under our omnibus stock incentive plan. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1 year. As of September 30, 2012, there was approximately \$740,000 of total unrecognized compensation cost related to restricted stock grants under the plan. This cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 11 months. Total unrecognized compensation cost will be adjusted for any future changes in estimated and actual forfeitures of awards granted under the plan.

**Pension and Other Postretirement Benefits**

We have a qualified, noncontributory defined benefit pension plan covering substantially all U.S. associates. Benefits are based on years of service and final average compensation. Our policy is to fund at least the minimum actuarially computed annual contribution required under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). Plan assets consist primarily of listed equity and fixed income securities. Effective January 1, 2010, an amendment to the qualified defined benefit pension plan discontinued the benefit accruals for salary increases and credited service rendered after December 31, 2009.

We have a noncontributory supplemental executive retirement plan (“SERP”), which is a nonqualified defined benefit plan that essentially mirrors the qualified plan, but provides benefits in excess of certain limits placed on our qualified retirement plan by the Internal Revenue Code. The SERP will pay supplemental pension benefits to certain key employees upon retirement based upon the employees’ years of service and compensation. The SERP is being funded through a Rabbi trust with BMO Harris Bank N.A. We also sponsor a postretirement health care plan for all of our U.S. associates hired prior to June 2, 2001. The expected cost of retiree health care benefits is recognized during the years that the associates who are covered under the plan render service. Effective January 1, 2010, an amendment to the postretirement health care plan limited the benefit for future eligible retirees to \$4,000 per plan year and is subject to a maximum five year coverage period based on the associate’s retirement date and age. The postretirement health care plan is unfunded.

The following tables summarize the net periodic benefit cost recognized for each of the periods indicated under these two plans (in thousands):

	Pension Benefits		Postretirement Benefits	
	Three Months Ended		Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Service cost	\$ 52	\$ 38	\$ 4	\$ 3
Interest cost	1,123	1,196	45	57
Expected return on plan assets	(1,532)	(1,603)	—	—
Amortization of prior service cost	3	3	(191)	(191)
Amortization of unrecognized net loss	1,131	603	225	168
Net periodic benefit cost	<u>\$ 777</u>	<u>\$ 237</u>	<u>\$ 83</u>	<u>\$ 37</u>

No contributions were made to the qualified pension plan during the three month periods ended September 30, 2012 or October 2, 2011. Contributions of \$750,000 were made subsequent to September 30, 2012 and additional contributions of \$2.25 million are anticipated to be made during the remainder of fiscal 2013.

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Item 2

STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis should be read in conjunction with STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION's accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes thereto and its 2012 Annual Report which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an exhibit to its Form 10-K on September 6, 2012. Unless otherwise indicated, all references to years refer to fiscal years.

**Analysis of Results of Operations**

*Three months ended September 30, 2012 compared to the three months ended October 2, 2011*

	Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Net Sales (in millions)	\$ 70.8	\$ 66.4

Aggregate sales to our largest customers overall increased in the current quarter compared to the prior year quarter levels. Sales to each of our largest customers in the current year quarter and prior year quarter were as follows (in millions):

	Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Chrysler Group LLC	\$ 22.4	\$ 19.8
General Motors Company	\$ 15.1	\$ 16.1
Ford Motor Company	\$ 9.6	\$ 8.3
Hyundai / Kia	\$ 2.8	\$ 3.8

Increased sales to Chrysler Group LLC and Ford Motor Company in the current quarter were primarily due to increased customer vehicle production volumes. New product content also contributed to the increased sales to Ford Motor Company. The reduction in sales to General Motors Company in the current quarter was mostly attributed to a combination of lost model programs offset by higher vehicle production on other models we supply to that customer. The reduction in sales to Hyundai / Kia in the current quarter was principally due to reduced customer vehicle production volumes.

	Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Gross Profit as a Percentage of Net Sales	19.4%	17.3%

The higher gross profit margin in the current year quarter was primarily attributed to higher customer vehicle production volumes which increased overhead absorption of our manufacturing costs, a favorable content sales mix including new products, ongoing cost reduction initiatives and a favorable Mexican Peso to U.S. dollar exchange rate which positively affected the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations in the current year quarter. These favorable impacts were partially offset by higher medical costs and higher expense provisions for both our pension plan and for the accrual of bonuses earned under our Economic Value Added (EVA®) Incentive Bonus Plans. The average U.S. dollar/Mexican peso exchange rate increased to approximately 13.14 pesos to the dollar in the current year quarter from approximately 12.36 pesos to the dollar in the prior year quarter. This resulted in decreased U.S. dollar costs related to our Mexican operations of approximately \$545,000 in the current year quarter compared to the prior year quarter.

Engineering, selling and administrative expenses were \$9.1 million in the current year quarter compared to \$8.2 million in the prior year quarter. The increase in these expenses was primarily due to increased product development costs, higher medical costs and higher expense provisions for both our pension plan and for the accrual of bonuses earned under our incentive bonus plans in the current year quarter as compared to the prior year quarter. Our defined benefit pension plan was frozen in regards to future benefit accruals effective the end of Calendar Year 2009.

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Income from operations in the current year quarter was \$4.6 million compared to \$3.3 million in the prior year quarter. This change was the result of the increase in sales and gross profit margin in the current year quarter over the prior year quarter as discussed above.

Equity loss of joint ventures was \$12,000 during the current year quarter compared \$120,000 in the prior year quarter. During the prior fiscal year our joint ventures in China and Brazil continued to incur relocation costs associated with moves to new facilities and start-up costs associated with a new product line. These relocation costs and start-up costs continued for VAST China in the current quarter. These items resulted in STRATTEC incurring an equity loss from joint ventures in both the current year and prior year quarters. We anticipate these transition costs and related losses to continue for VAST China over the remainder of the 2013 fiscal year.

Included in other expense, net in the current year quarter and prior year quarter were the following items (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Foreign Currency Transaction (Loss) Gain	\$ (455)	\$ 1,699
Rabbi Trust Gain (Loss)	64	(241)
Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Mexican Peso		
Option Contracts	311	(2,305)
Realized (Loss) Gain on Mexican Peso		
Option Contracts, net	(34)	4
Other	96	(25)
	<u>\$ (18)</u>	<u>\$ (868)</u>

Foreign currency transaction gains and losses resulted from foreign currency transactions entered into by our Mexican subsidiaries and fluctuations in foreign currency cash balances. In the prior year quarter, the Mexican peso appreciated significantly to the U.S. dollar creating unrealized losses on our Mexican peso currency option contracts. Our objective in entering into these currency option contracts was to minimize our earnings volatility resulting from changes in exchange rates affecting the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations. Unrealized losses recognized as a result of mark-to-market adjustments as of September 30, 2012 totaled approximately \$85,000, all of which may or may not be realized, depending upon the actual Mexican peso to U.S. dollar exchange rates experienced during the balance of the contract period. Our Rabbi Trust funds our supplemental executive retirement plan. The investments held in the Trust are considered trading securities.

Our income tax provision for each of the three month periods ended September 30, 2012 and October 2, 2011 was impacted by a lower statutory tax rate for income subject to tax in Mexico as compared to the statutory tax rate for income subject to tax in the U.S.

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our primary source of cash flow is from our major customers, which include Chrysler Group LLC, General Motors Company and Ford Motor Company. As of the date of filing this Form 10-Q with the Securities and Exchange Commission, all of our customers are making payments on their outstanding accounts receivable in accordance with the payment terms included on their purchase orders. A summary of our outstanding receivable balances from our major customers as of September 30, 2012 was as follows (in thousands of dollars):

Chrysler	\$ 14,653
General Motors	\$ 9,645
Ford	\$ 5,902
Hyundai / Kia	\$ 768

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We earn a portion of our operating income in Mexico, which is deemed to be permanently reinvested. As of September 30, 2012, \$8.4 million of our \$16.3 million cash and cash equivalents balance was held by our foreign subsidiaries in Mexico. We currently do not intend nor foresee a need to repatriate these funds. We expect existing domestic cash and cash equivalents and cash flows from operations to continue to be sufficient to fund our operating activities and cash commitments for investing and financing activities, such as regular quarterly dividends and capital expenditures, for at least the next 12 months and thereafter for the foreseeable future. Should we require more capital in the U.S. than is generated by our operations domestically, for example to fund significant discretionary activities, such as acquisitions of businesses and share repurchases, we could elect to repatriate future earnings from foreign jurisdictions or raise capital in the U.S. through borrowings under our revolving credit facility. These alternatives could result in higher effective tax rates, increased interest expense, or other dilution of our earnings.

Cash flow provided by operating activities was \$1.7 million during the three months ended September 30, 2012, compared to cash flow used in operating activities of \$208,000 during the three months ended October 2, 2011. The change in cash flow provided by operating activities was primarily attributable to an improvement in our overall financial results and reduced working capital requirements in the current year period as compared to the prior year period. Net income adjusted for non-cash items such as depreciation, unrealized gains and losses on foreign currency contracts and foreign currency transaction gains and losses increased approximately \$780,000 in the current quarter as compared to the prior year quarter. Cash used for working capital requirements decreased approximately \$1.1 million in the current quarter as compared to the prior year quarter. Our working capital requirements during the current quarter and prior year quarter were impacted by a significant increase in inventory resulting from the build-up of inventory in support of production shipment requirements for new model year launches. Prior year quarter working capital requirements were also impacted by a significant increase in accounts receivable resulting from significantly increases sales levels during that quarter. During the current year quarter, the other current assets balance was reduced by approximately \$1.0 million as a result of billings made for customer tooling balances. Current quarter operating cash flow was also impacted by an August 2012 payment of approximately \$5.2 million in bonuses, which were earned during fiscal 2012 under our incentive bonus plans. Bonus payments totaled approximately \$4.3 million in the prior year quarter. No pension contributions were made to our qualified plan during the current quarter or the prior year quarter.

During the three months ended September 30, 2012, our portion of capital contributions made to VAST LLC in support of general operating expenses totaled \$200,000. During the current year period the VAST joint venture in China incurred relocation costs associated with moves to new facilities and start-up costs associated with a new product line. These relocation costs and start-up costs have been financed internally by VAST LLC. We anticipate these transition costs and related losses to continue for VAST China over the remainder of the 2013 fiscal year. In addition, we anticipate that VAST China capital expenditures will total approximately \$7 million during each of calendar year 2012 and 2013 in support of the new product line and new programs. As a result, we estimate that our portion of additional capital contributions to VAST LLC could be \$1 million to \$2 million during our fiscal year 2013.

Capital expenditures during the current year quarter totaled \$2.7 million compared to \$3.5 million in the prior year quarter. We anticipate that capital expenditures will be approximately \$9 million in fiscal 2013, primarily relating to expenditures in support of requirements for new product programs and the upgrade and replacement of existing equipment.

Our Board of Directors has authorized a stock repurchase program to buy back outstanding shares of our common stock. Shares authorized for buy back under the program totaled 3,839,395 at September 30, 2012. A total of 3,655,322 shares have been repurchased over the life of the program through September 30, 2012, at a cost of approximately \$136.4 million. No shares were repurchased during the three month period ended September 30, 2012. Additional repurchases may occur from time to time and are expected to continue to be funded by cash flow from operations and current cash balances. Based on the current economic environment and our preference to conserve cash for other uses, we anticipate modest or no stock repurchase activity for the remainder of fiscal year 2013.

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We have a \$25 million secured revolving credit facility (the “STRATTEC Credit Facility”) with BMO Harris Bank N.A. The STRATTEC Credit Facility expires August 1, 2014. As of September 30, 2012, ADAC-STRATTEC LLC had a \$5 million secured revolving credit facility (the “ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility”) with BMO Harris Bank N.A, which is guaranteed by STRATTEC. The ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility expires June 28, 2015. Any borrowings under the credit facilities will be secured by our U.S. cash balances, accounts receivable, inventory and property. Interest on borrowings under these credit facilities is at varying rates based, at our option, on the London Interbank Offering Rate plus 1.0 to 1.75 percent or the bank’s prime rate. Both credit facilities contain a restrictive financial covenant that requires the maintenance of a minimum net worth level. The ADAC-STRATTEC credit facility includes an additional restrictive financial covenant that requires the maintenance of a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio. There were no outstanding borrowings under the STRATTEC Credit Facility at September 30, 2012 or July 1, 2012. There were no borrowings under the STRATTEC Credit Facility during fiscal 2013 to date or during fiscal 2012. Borrowing under the ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility totaled \$1.5 million at September 30, 2012. The average outstanding borrowings and weighted average interest rate on the ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility loans were approximately \$1 million and 2.02 percent, respectively, during the three months ended September 30, 2012. There were no borrowings under the ADAC-STRATTEC Credit Facility during fiscal 2012. We believe that the Credit Facilities are adequate, along with existing cash balances and cash flow from operations, to meet our anticipated capital expenditure, working capital, dividend and operating expenditure requirements.

Over the past several years, we have been impacted by rising health care costs, which have increased our cost of associate medical coverage. A portion of these increases have been offset by plan design changes and associate wellness initiatives. We have also been impacted by increases in the market price of zinc and brass and inflation in Mexico, which impacts the U. S. dollar costs of our Mexican operations. We have negotiated raw material price adjustment clauses with certain, but not all, of our customers to offset some of the market price fluctuations in the cost of zinc. Moreover, in January 2011 and August 2011, we entered into agreements with Bank of Montreal that provide for two weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts for a portion of our estimated peso denominated operating costs. Current contracts with Bank of Montreal extend through June 28, 2013. The two weekly option contracts are for equivalent notional amounts. The contracts that were effective in fiscal 2012 and expired on July 6, 2012 provided for the purchase of Mexican pesos at a U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 11.85 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date was below 11.85 or for the purchase of Mexican pesos at a U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 12.85 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date was above 12.85. Contracts that are effective during the period July 6, 2012 through June 28, 2013 provide for the purchase of Mexican pesos at an average U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 12.40 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date is below an average of 12.40 or for the purchase of Mexican pesos at an average U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 13.40 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date is above an average of 13.40. Our objective in entering into these currency option contracts is to minimize our earnings volatility resulting from changes in exchange rates affecting the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations. The Mexican peso option contracts are not used for speculative purposes and are not designated as hedges. As a result, all currency option contracts are recognized in our accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements at fair value and changes in the fair value of the currency option contracts are reported in current earnings as part of Other Expense, net. The premiums to be paid and received under the weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts net to zero. As a result, premiums related to the contracts did not impact our earnings during the periods presented herein.

The following table quantifies the outstanding Mexican peso currency option contracts as of September 30, 2012 (thousands of dollars):

	Notional Amount	Average Option Contractual Exchange Rate	Fair Value	Foreign Exchange Gain/(Loss) From:	
				10% Appreciation of U.S. Dollar	10% Depreciation of U.S. Dollar
<b>Contracts Effective July 6, 2012 – June 28, 2013</b>					
Buy MXP/Sell USD	\$7,600	12.40	\$ 55	\$ (50)	\$ 447
Buy MXP/Sell USD	\$7,600	13.40	\$ (140)	\$ (403)	\$ 127



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The fair market value of all outstanding Mexican peso option contracts in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets was as follows (thousands of dollars):

	<u>September 30, 2012</u>	<u>July 1, 2012</u>
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:		
Other Current Liabilities:		
Mexican Peso Option Contracts	\$ (85)	\$ (395)

The pre-tax effects of the Mexican peso option contracts on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and October 2, 2011 consisted of the following (thousands of dollars):

	<u>Other Expense, net</u>	
	<u>Three Months Ended</u>	
	<u>September 30, 2012</u>	<u>October 2, 2011</u>
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:		
Realized Gain	\$ —	\$ 18
Realized (Loss)	\$ (34)	\$ (14)
Unrealized Gain (Loss)	\$ 311	\$ (2,305)

### Joint Ventures

We participate in certain Alliance Agreements with WITTE Automotive (“WITTE”) and ADAC Automotive (“ADAC”). WITTE, of Velbert, Germany, is a privately held automotive supplier. WITTE designs, manufactures and markets automotive components, including locks and keys, hood latches, rear compartment latches, seat back latches, door handles and specialty fasteners. WITTE’s primary market for these products has been Europe. ADAC, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, is a privately held automotive supplier and manufactures engineered products, including door handles and other automotive trim parts, utilizing plastic injection molding, automated painting and various assembly processes.

The Alliance agreements include a set of cross-licensing agreements for the manufacture, distribution and sale of WITTE products by STRATTEC and ADAC in North America, and the manufacture, distribution and sale of STRATTEC and ADAC products by WITTE in Europe. Additionally, a joint venture company, Vehicle Access Systems Technology LLC (“VAST LLC”), in which WITTE, STRATTEC and ADAC each hold a one-third interest, exists to seek opportunities to manufacture and sell the companies’ products in areas of the world outside of North America and Europe.

VAST do Brasil, a joint venture between VAST LLC and Ifer do Brasil Ltda., services customers in South America. VAST Fuzhou, VAST Great Shanghai and VAST Shanghai Co. (collectively known as VAST China), provides a base of operations to service our automotive customers in the Asian market. VAST LLC also maintains branch offices in South Korea and Japan in support of customer sales and engineering requirements.

The VAST LLC investments are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The activities related to the VAST LLC joint ventures resulted in equity loss of joint ventures to STRATTEC of approximately \$12,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2012 and approximately \$120,000 during the three months ended October 2, 2011. During the prior fiscal year our joint ventures in China and Brazil continued to incur relocation costs associated with moves to new facilities and start-up costs associated with a new product line. These relocation costs and start-up costs continued for VAST China in the current quarter. These items resulted in STRATTEC incurring an equity loss from joint ventures in both the current year and prior year quarters. We anticipate these transition costs and related losses to continue for VAST China over the remainder of the 2013 fiscal year. During the three months ended September 30, 2012, cash capital contributions totaling \$600,000 were made to VAST LLC in support of general operating expenses. STRATTEC’s portion of the cash capital contributions totaled \$200,000. No capital contributions were made to VAST LLC during the three months ended October 2, 2011.

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In fiscal year 2007, we entered into a joint venture with ADAC forming ADAC-STRATTEC LLC, a Delaware limited liability company. The joint venture was created to establish injection molding and door handle assembly operations in Mexico. STRATTEC originally held a 50.1 percent interest in ADAC-STRATTEC LLC. Effective June 28, 2010, STRATTEC purchased an additional .9 percent interest from ADAC and now owns 51 percent. A Mexican entity, ADAC-STRATTEC de Mexico, exists and is wholly owned by ADAC-STRATTEC LLC. ADAC-STRATTEC LLC's financial results are consolidated with the financial results of STRATTEC and resulted in increased net income to STRATTEC of approximately \$340,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2012 and approximately \$311,000 during the three months ended October 2, 2011.

Effective November 30, 2008, STRATTEC established a new entity, STRATTEC POWER ACCESS LLC ("SPA"), which is 80 percent owned by STRATTEC and 20 percent owned by WITTE. SPA operates the North American portion of the Power Products business which was acquired from Delphi Corporation. The financial results of SPA are consolidated with the financial results of STRATTEC and resulted in increased net income to STRATTEC of approximately \$805,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2012 and approximately \$580,000 during the three months ended October 2, 2011.

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Item 3 Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Our exposure to market risk is limited to fluctuations in raw material commodity prices, interest rate fluctuations on borrowings under our secured revolving credit facilities and foreign currency exchange rate risk associated with STRATTEC's foreign operations. We do not utilize financial instruments for trading purposes.

Interest rates: We are subject to interest rate fluctuations on borrowings under our revolving credit facilities. At September 30, 2012, we had \$1.5 million of outstanding borrowings under our credit facilities. The interest expense related to borrowings under the credit facilities during the three months ended September 30, 2012 was \$5,000. A 10% increase or decrease in the interest rate on borrowings would not have a material effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Foreign Currency: We are subject to foreign currency exchange rate exposure related to the U.S. dollar costs of our manufacturing operations in Mexico. A portion of our manufacturing costs are incurred in Mexican pesos. Our earnings and cash flows are subject to fluctuations as a result of changes in the U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate. In January 2011 and August 2011, we entered into agreements with Bank of Montreal that provide for two weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts for a portion of our estimated peso denominated operating costs. Current contracts with Bank of Montreal extend through June 28, 2013. The two weekly option contracts are for equivalent notional amounts. The contracts that were effective in fiscal 2012 and expired on July 6, 2012 provided for the purchase of Mexican pesos at a U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 11.85 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date was below 11.85 or for the purchase of Mexican pesos at a U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 12.85 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date was above 12.85. Contracts that are effective during the period July 6, 2012 through June 28, 2013 provide for the purchase of Mexican pesos at an average U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 12.40 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date is below an average of 12.40 or for the purchase of Mexican pesos at an average U.S. dollar / Mexican peso exchange rate of 13.40 if the spot rate at the weekly expiry date is above an average of 13.40. Our objective in entering into these currency option contracts is to minimize our earnings volatility resulting from changes in exchange rates affecting the U.S. dollar cost of our Mexican operations. The Mexican peso option contracts are not used for speculative purposes and are not designated as hedges. As a result, all currency option contracts are recognized in our accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements at fair value and changes in the fair value of the currency option contracts are reported in current earnings as part of Other Expense, net. The premiums to be paid and received under the weekly Mexican peso currency option contracts net to zero. As a result, premiums related to the contracts did not impact our earnings during the periods presented herein.

The following table quantifies the outstanding Mexican peso currency option contracts as of September 30, 2012 (thousands of dollars):

	<u>Effective Dates</u>	<u>Notional Amount</u>	<u>Average Option Contractual Exchange Rate</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Buy MXP/Sell USD	July 6, 2012 – June 28, 2013	\$7,600	12.40	\$ 55
Buy MXP/Sell USD	July 6, 2012 – June 28, 2013	\$7,600	13.40	\$(140)

The fair market value of all outstanding Mexican peso option contracts in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets was as follows (thousands of dollars):

	<u>September 30, 2012</u>	<u>July 1, 2012</u>
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:		
Other Current Liabilities:		
Mexican Peso Option Contracts	\$ (85)	\$ (395)

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The pre-tax effects of the Mexican peso option contracts on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and October 2, 2011 consisted of the following (thousands of dollars):

	Other Expense, net	
	Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2012	October 2, 2011
Not Designated as Hedging Instruments:		
Realized Gain	\$ —	\$ 18
Realized (Loss)	\$ (34)	\$ (14)
Unrealized Gain (Loss)	\$ 311	\$ (2,305)

Item 4 Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”)) that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the Company’s reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act, are recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Security and Exchange Commission’s rules and forms, and that the information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act are accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. As of the end of the period covered by this report, we carried out an evaluation, 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. Based on this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of the end of such period, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at reaching a level of reasonable assurance. It should be noted that in designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognized that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and management necessarily was required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures. We have designed our disclosure controls and procedures to reach a level of reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives.

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) during our most recently completed fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Part II  
Other Information

Item 1 Legal Proceedings

In the normal course of business, we may be involved in various legal proceedings from time to time. We do not believe we are currently involved in any claim or action the ultimate disposition of which would have a material adverse effect on our financial statements.

Item 1A - Risk Factors

There have been no material changes to the risk factors disclosed in our Form 10-K as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 6, 2012.

Item 2 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds –  
Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Our Board of Directors authorized a stock repurchase program on October 16, 1996, and the program was publicly announced on October 17, 1996. The Board of Directors has periodically increased the number of shares authorized for repurchase under the program, most recently in August 2008. The program currently authorizes the repurchase of up to 3,839,395 shares of our common stock from time to time, directly or through brokers or agents, and has no expiration date. Over the life of the repurchase program through September 30, 2012, a total of 3,655,322 shares have been repurchased at a cost of approximately \$136.4 million. No shares were repurchased during the three month period ended September 30, 2012.

Item 3 Defaults Upon Senior Securities - None

Item 4 Mine Safety Disclosures - None

Item 5 Other Information - None

Item 6 Exhibits

(a) Exhibits

31.1 Rule 13a-14(a) Certification for Frank J. Krejci, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

31.2 Rule 13a-14(a) Certification for Patrick J. Hansen, Chief Financial Officer

32 <sup>(1)</sup> 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 Certifications

101\* The following materials from STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2012 formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language) and furnished electronically herewith: (i) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss); (ii) Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets; (iii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows; and (iv) Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements\*

\* Pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, the Interactive Data Files in Exhibit 101 hereto are deemed not filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Sections 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, are deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and otherwise are not subject to liability under those sections.

<sup>(1)</sup> This certification is not "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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SIGNATURE

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

STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION (Registrant)

Date: November 8, 2012

By /s/ Patrick J. Hansen

Patrick J. Hansen  
Senior Vice President,  
Chief Financial Officer,  
Treasurer and Secretary  
(Principal Accounting and Financial Officer)

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Frank J. Krejci, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

(a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

(b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

(c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

(d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

(a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 8, 2012

/s/ Frank J. Krejci

Frank J. Krejci,  
Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Patrick J. Hansen, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:

(a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

(b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

(c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

(d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

(a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 8, 2012

/s/ Patrick J. Hansen

Patrick J. Hansen,  
Chief Financial Officer



**Certification of Periodic Financial Report  
Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, each of the undersigned officers of STRATTEC SECURITY CORPORATION (the "Company") certifies that the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the Company for the quarter ended September 30, 2012 fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and information contained in that Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Dated: November 8, 2012

/s/ Frank J. Krejci

Frank J. Krejci,  
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: November 8, 2012

/s/ Patrick J. Hansen

Patrick J. Hansen,  
Chief Financial Officer

This certification is made solely for purpose of 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, subject to the knowledge standard contained therein, and not for any other purpose.

