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Portions of our Definitive Proxy Statement for the 2008 Annual Meeting, expected to be filed within 120 days of our fiscal year end, are incorporated by reference into Part III.

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PART I

"Live Nation" (which may be referred to as the "Company", "we", "us" or "our") means Live Nation, Inc. and its subsidiaries, or one of our segments or subsidiaries, as the context requires.

Special Note About Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements contained in this Form 10-K (or otherwise made by us or on our behalf from time to time in other reports, filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, news releases, conferences, internet postings or otherwise) that are not statements of historical fact constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, notwithstanding that such statements are not specifically identified. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements about our financial position, business strategy, competitive position, potential growth opportunities, potential operating performance improvements, the effects of competition, the effects of future legislation or regulations and plans and objectives of our management for future operations. We have based our forward-looking statements on our beliefs and assumptions based on information available to us at the time the statements are made. Use of the words "may," "should," "continue," "plan," "potential," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "outlook," "could," "target," "project," "seek," "predict," or variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements but are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in such statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ from those discussed in the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, those set forth under Item 1A.—Risk Factors as well as other factors described herein or in our annual, quarterly and other reports we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (collectively, "cautionary statements"). Based upon changing conditions, should any one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should any underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those described in any forward-looking statements. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the applicable cautionary statements. We do not intend to update these forward-looking statements, except as required by applicable law.

ITEM 1. BUSINESS

Our Company

We are the world's largest live music company. Globally, we own, operate, have booking rights for and/or have an equity interest in more than 155 venues, including *House of Blues*® music venues and prestigious locations such as *The Fillmore* in San Francisco, Nikon at Jones Beach Theater in New York and London's Wembley Arena. In addition, we also produce, promote or host theatrical, specialized motor sports and other live entertainment events. In 2007, we connected over 64 million fans, including over 45 million live music fans, with their favorite performers at approximately 28,000 events in 18 countries around the world.

Our principal executive offices are located at 9348 Civic Center Drive, Beverly Hills, California 90210 (telephone: 310-867-7000). Our principal website is www.livenation.com. Live Nation is listed on the New York Stock Exchange, trading under the symbol "LYV".

Our Strategy

Our strategy is to connect the artist to the fan. We believe that this focus will enable us to increase shareholder value by developing new ancillary revenue streams around the live music event and the artist themselves. We will continue to focus on our live music assets. We plan to expand our business through building

a stronger connection with the fan through the live event and our ticketing platform. We will seek to connect corporate sponsors with this fan through the live music experience. We have begun, and will continue, to execute on this strategy through pursuing the objectives listed below.

- Improve the Profitability of Our Existing Core Business. We continue to be focused on improving the profitability of our existing core live music operations by implementing strategies to increase ancillary sales per fan at all events and at all venues we operate in, as well as striving to be the low-cost operator.
- Extend Relationships with Artists and Sponsors. We seek to develop deeper relationships with touring artists centered on the live music event. We plan to expand our relationship with the artist through longer-term and broader relationships by providing more services and partnering with the artist to grow their music properties. We believe that we should be able to expand the business lines related to the live music event, such as the sale of tour merchandise and live concert DVDs as well as providing other products and services to fans and artists both before and after the concert, including the development of artist fan clubs and websites. We also believe that we have an opportunity to expand our relationship with corporate sponsors by providing strategic programs that deliver more value to the sponsor through our unique relationship to the music fan and to the artist and by utilizing our distribution network of venues and our extensive online presence.
- Develop Ticketing and Online Services. Our goal is to have a direct relationship with the music fan through managing our own ticketing platform and to be the leading online live music destination website. Our database of customer contacts has grown to a database of 23 million customers since 2005, and in 2007 we rolled out local versions of www.livenation.com to our international operations. Currently, our website offers comprehensive information about live concerts, regardless of whether they are Live Nation promoted events, and access to tickets and artist merchandise. We seek to continue to drive the growth of our website by expanding our online offering to increase traffic and generating incremental revenue from additional ticket sales, merchandise sales, online advertising and other goods and services.
- Increase Our Global Live Music Platform. We plan to expand our promoter presence to include the top music markets and population centers around the world. We currently operate in 19 global markets. Our focus internationally is on increasing our promoter presence. We intend to expand our North American platform in key larger markets through ownership or operation of key venues and by growing our festival presence.
- Divest Non-Core Assets. We are focused on building our live music business and ancillary services in major music markets around the world. As a result, we expect, where it is economically justifiable, to continue to divest non-live music related assets and/or underperforming live music assets and use the net proceeds to re-invest in our core live music business, repay outstanding indebtedness or for general corporate purposes.

In order to achieve our objectives and successfully implement our strategies, we have made, and expect to continue to pursue, investments, acquisitions and divestitures that contribute to the above goals where the valuations, returns and growth potential are consistent with our long-term goal of increasing shareholder value.

Our Assets

We believe we have a unique portfolio of assets that is unmatched in the live music industry.

- Fans. During 2007, our events and venues were attended by over 64 million fans, including over 45 million live music fans. Our database includes contact information for 23 million fans, providing us with the means to efficiently market our shows to these fans as well as offer them other music related products and services. This database is an invaluable asset that we are able to use to service our artists and corporate clients.
- *Artists.* We have extensive relationships with artists ranging from those acts that are just beginning their careers to superstars. In 2007, we promoted shows or tours for over 1,500 artists globally. We believe our

artist relationships are a competitive advantage and will help us pursue our strategy to develop additional ancillary revenue streams around the live music event and the artists themselves.

- Distribution Network. We believe that our extensive global distribution network of promoters, venues and festivals provides us with a strong position in the live music industry. We believe we have one of the largest global networks of music promoters in the world, with offices in 27 cities in North America and a total of 18 countries worldwide. In addition, we own, operate, have booking rights and/or have an equity interest in over 155 venues located across six countries at December 31, 2007, making us, we believe, the second largest operator of entertainment venues in the world. We also believe that we produce one of the largest networks of music festivals in the world with over 20 festivals globally.
- Sponsors. We employed a sales force of approximately 250 people that worked with over 500 sponsors during 2007, through a combination of local venue related deals and national deals, both in North America and internationally. Our sponsors include some of the most well-recognized national and global brands including Rogers Communications, AT&T, Nokia and our newly announced relationship with Citi®.
- *Employees*. At December 31, 2007, we employed approximately 4,700 full-time employees who are dedicated to providing first-class service to our artists, fans and corporate sponsors. Many of our employees have decades of experience in promoting and producing live concerts, as well as operating live entertainment venues.

Our History

We were formed through acquisitions of various entertainment businesses and assets by our predecessors. On August 1, 2000, Clear Channel Communications, Inc. ("Clear Channel") acquired our live entertainment business, which was initially formed in 1997. On August 2, 2005, we were incorporated in our current form as a Delaware corporation to own substantially all of the entertainment business of Clear Channel. In December 2005, the separation of the business previously conducted by Clear Channel's live entertainment segment and sports representation business, now comprising our business, and the distribution by Clear Channel of all of our common stock to its shareholders, was completed in a tax free spin-off (the "Distribution," the "Separation" or the "spin-off"). Following our separation from Clear Channel, we became a separate publicly traded company on the New York Stock Exchange trading under the symbol "LYV".

Live Music Industry

The live music industry includes concert promotion and/or production. According to *Pollstar*, North American gross concert revenue increased from \$3.1 billion in 2005 to \$3.9 billion in 2007, a compound annual growth rate of approximately 12%. Excluding the impact of acquisitions, in the 2005 to 2007 period, our North American Music, International Music and Global Artists revenue, comprised primarily of gross concert related revenue, increased from \$2.4 billion to \$3.1 billion, a compound annual growth rate of 16%. We believe this growth was primarily due to increasing ticket prices for top-grossing acts and the desire of these acts such as Madonna, The Rolling Stones and U2, to tour.

Typically, to initiate live entertainment events or tours, booking agents directly contract with performers to represent them for defined periods. Booking agents then contact promoters, who will contract with them or directly with performers to arrange events. Booking agents generally receive fixed or percentage fees from performers for their services. Promoters earn revenue primarily from the sale of tickets. Performers are paid by the promoter under one of several different formulas, which may include fixed guarantees and/or a percentage of ticket sales or event profits. In addition, promoters may also reimburse performers for certain costs of production, such as sound and lights. Under guaranteed payment formulas, promoters assume the risks of unprofitable events. Promoters may renegotiate lower guarantees or cancel events because of insufficient ticket sales in order to reduce their losses. Promoters can also reduce the risk of losses by entering into global or national touring agreements with performers and including the right to offset lower performing shows with higher performing shows on the tour in the determination of overall artist fees.

For music tours, one to four months typically elapse between booking performers and the first performances. Promoters, in conjunction with performers, managers and booking agents, set ticket prices and advertise events. Promoters market events, sell tickets, rent or otherwise provide venues (if not provided by booking agents) and arrange for local production services, such as stages and sets.

Venue operators typically contract with promoters to rent their venues for specific events on specific dates. Venue operators provide services such as concessions, parking, security, ushering and ticket-taking, and receive some or all of the revenue from concessions, merchandise, sponsorships, parking and premium seats. For the events they host, venue operators typically receive fixed fees or percentages of ticket sales, as well as percentages of total concession sales from the vendors and percentages of total merchandise sales from the merchandisers.

Theatrical Industry

The theatrical industry includes groups engaged in promoting, which is generally referred to in the theatrical industry as "presenting," and producing live theatrical presentations. According to data from members of The Broadway League, gross ticket sales for the North American theatrical industry of touring Broadway theatrical performances has increased from \$934 million during the 2004-05 season to \$950 million during the 2006-07 season, a compound annual growth rate of 1%. In the 2005 to 2007 period, our global theatrical revenue increased from \$339.4 million to \$362.4 million, a compound annual growth rate of 3%.

Live theater consists mainly of productions of existing musicals and dramatic works and the development of new works. While musicals require greater investments of time and capital than dramatic productions, they are more likely to become touring theatrical shows. Producers of touring theatrical shows first acquire the rights to works from their owners, who typically receive royalty payments in return. Producers then assemble casts, hire directors and arrange for the design and construction of sets and costumes. Producers also arrange transportation and schedule shows with local presenters. Local presenters, who generally operate or have relationships with venues, provide all local services such as selling tickets, hiring local personnel, buying advertising and paying fixed guarantees to producers. Presenters then have the right to recover the guarantees plus their local costs from ticket revenue. Presenters and producers typically share any remaining show profit. In order to secure exclusive touring rights, investors may take equity positions in Broadway (New York) or West End (London) shows. Touring rights are generally granted to investors for three to four years.

Other

Specialized Motor Sports Industry

The specialized motor sports industry includes promoters and producers of specialized motor sports events. Typical events include motorcycle road racing, supercross racing, monster truck shows, freestyle motocross events and other similar events. In general, in most markets where we operate we produce one to four motor sports events each year, with larger markets hosting more events. Venue operators of stadiums and arenas typically work with producers and promoters to schedule individual events or full seasons of events. Corporate sponsorships and television exposure are important financial components that contribute to the success of a single event or a season of events.

Specialized motor sports events make up a growing segment of the live entertainment industry. This growth has resulted from additional demand in existing markets and new demand in markets, including Europe, where arenas and stadiums have been built. The increasing popularity of specialized motor sports over the last several years has coincided with the increased popularity of other professional motor sports events, such as professional auto racing, including the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing, or NASCAR, and the Indy Racing League, or IRL. A number of events are also broadcast domestically and internationally.

Our Business

We operate in five reportable business segments: North American Music, International Music, Global Artists, Global Digital and Global Theater. In addition, we operate in the specialized motor sports, sports representation and other businesses, which are included under "other."

Information related to these operating segments and other operations for 2007, 2006 and 2005 is included in Note 16—Segment Data in the Notes to Consolidated and Combined Financial Statements in Item 8.

North American Music. Our North American Music business principally involves the promotion of live music shows in our owned and/or operated venues and in rented third-party venues. During 2007, our North American Music business generated approximately \$2.0 billion, or 47%, of our total revenue. We promoted over 10,000 North American live music events in 2007, including artists such as Van Halen, Dave Matthews Band and Kenny Chesney.

International Music. Our International Music business principally involves the promotion of live music shows in our owned and/or operated venues and in rented third-party venues and the production of music festivals. For 2007, our International Music business generated approximately \$1.1 billion, or 26%, of our total revenue. We promoted or produced over 2,500 live music events internationally in 2007, including artists such as Vasco Rossi, Michael Buble and Cirque De Soleil's *Delirium* as well as several large festivals in Europe, such as *Rock Werchter* in Belgium, Lowlands Festival in Holland, and Reading Festival and Leeds Festival, both in the United Kingdom.

Global Artists. Our Global Artists business principally involves the production and/or promotion of global music tours as well as providing various services to artists, such as Madonna. During 2007, our Global Artists business generated approximately \$640.6 million, or 15%, of our total revenue. We produced or promoted over 150 live music events in 2007, including tours for artists such as The Police, The Rolling Stones, Genesis and The Who.

Global Digital. Our Global Digital business principally involves the management of our in-house ticketing operations and online and wireless distribution activities, including the development of our website. Our Global Digital business generated approximately \$11.4 million, or 0.3%, of our total revenue in 2007. Our online database includes the contact information for over 23 million fans as of December 31, 2007. We expect this business to expand as a result of both our licensing of a ticketing platform which allows us to begin selling tickets for 2009 events.

Global Theater. Our Global Theater business principally involves the presentation and/or production of theatrical performances in our owned and/or operated venues and in rented third-party venues. For 2007, our Global Theater business generated approximately \$362.4 million, or 9%, of our total revenue. In 2007, we presented and/or produced over 5,000 theatrical performances such as tours of *Chicago* in the United Kingdom and our North American touring productions of *The Lion King, Mamma Mia! and Spamalot.*

Other. We promote and/or produce specialized motor sports events in rented third-party venues. During 2007, we held over 550 specialized motor sports events in stadiums, arenas and other venues including monster truck shows, supercross races, motocross races, freestyle motocross events, motorcycle road racing and dirt track motorcycle racing. For 2007, businesses included under "other" generated approximately \$163.6 million, or 4%, of our total revenue.

Recent Acquisitions

Jackie Lombard. In January 2007, we acquired a 51% interest in Jackie Lombard Productions, one of the leading concert promoters in France.

TRUNK, Ltd. In April 2007, we acquired the remaining 49% interest in Cinq Group, LLC, which operates as TRUNK, Ltd. Trunk is a specialty merchandise company, located in the United States, which acquires licenses primarily from music artists to design, manufacture and sell merchandise through various distribution channels.

HOB Canada. In June 2007, we acquired the remaining 50% interest in House of Blues Concerts Canada, or HOB Canada. HOB Canada is a live music company located in Canada which operates or has booking rights for one amphitheater and three small-sized music venues in Toronto and Vancouver.

Academy Music Group. In July 2007, we completed our two-step acquisition of a 55.9% interest in Academy Music Holdings Limited, or AMG, through our joint venture with Gaiety Investments. We own 50.1% of this joint venture with Gaiety Investments. AMG owns and/or operates 12 music venues in the United Kingdom, including the Carling Academy Brixton and Shepherds Bush Empire.

Musictoday. In July 2007, we acquired the remaining 49% interest in Musictoday, LLC, a leader in connecting artists directly to their fans through online fan clubs, artist e-commerce and fulfillment and artist fan club ticketing.

Concert Productions International. In September 2007, we acquired the remaining interests in the touring business and several entities in the non-touring business of a commonly owned group of companies operating under the name of Concert Productions International, or CPI. Founded and led by entertainment industry veteran Michael Cohl, CPI provides full service global touring, having produced tours for top acts such as The Rolling Stones, Pink Floyd and U2. CPI has also developed additional revenue streams around the tours that it produces, such as VIP ticketing, fan clubs, merchandising and DVDs.

Anthill. In October 2007, we acquired Anthill Trading Ltd., a global merchandising company which represents some of the most prestigious icons and trademarked properties in music, entertainment and lifestyle. Anthill has relationships with over 50 artists, including The Police, AC/DC, Pink Floyd, Neil Young and Pearl Jam.

Signatures. In December 2007, we acquired Signatures Network, Inc., the global leader in music merchandise that holds master merchandise licenses for some of the most successful artists in music. Signatures holds the rights to market and license a diverse array of more than 150 major music artists in all genres, including The Beatles, U2, Barbra Streisand, Justin Timberlake and many others. In addition, it has expanded its core business by offering print-on-demand merchandising and custom manufacturing, allowing music fans to create unique one-of-a-kind products.

Recent Divestitures

Consistent with our strategy to focus on our core live music business, we continued to divest of non-music or non-core assets during 2007.

Donington Park, In January 2007, we sold Donington Park, an arena/race track in Leicestershire, England.

Phantom Vegas. In March 2007, we sold our remaining 50.1% interest in the production of Phantom: The Las Vegas Spectacular at The Venetian Resort Hotel and Casino.

Starwood Amphitheater. In April 2007, we sold the non-core Starwood Amphitheater located in Nashville, Tennessee.

San Francisco Office. In May 2007, we sold an office building located in San Francisco, California.

Mean Fiddler Venues. In August 2007, we sold seven non-core, small-sized music venues in London. The venues sold included Jazz Café, G-A-Y, G-A-Y Late, Borderline, Old Fiddler, Garage and Upstairs at the

Garage. These venues were owned by our joint venture with Gaiety Investments. We own 50.1% of this joint venture with Gaiety Investments.

Odeon. In August 2007, we sold the Odeon, a non-core small-sized music venue located in Cleveland, Ohio.

Broadway in Chicago. In December 2007, we sold the Oriental Theater in Chicago, Illinois and our 50% interest in Broadway in Chicago, LLC.

Apollo Hammersmith and Forum. In addition, in June 2007, we sold the Hammersmith Apollo and Forum mid-sized music venues located in London as a regulatory requirement of the AMG transaction.

Operating Segments

North American Music

Our North American Music segment principally involves the promotion of live music events in our owned and/or operated venues and in rented third-party venues in the United States and Canada.

As a promoter, we typically book performers, arrange performances and tours, secure venues, provide for third-party production services, sell tickets and advertise events to attract audiences. We earn revenue primarily from the sale of tickets and pay performers under one of several formulas, including a fixed guaranteed amount and/or a percentage of ticket sales or event profits. For each event, we either use a venue we own and/or operate, or rent a third-party venue. Revenues are generally related to the number of events, volume of ticket sales and ticket prices. Event costs such as artist and production service expenses are included in direct operating expenses and are typically substantial in relation to the revenue. As a result, significant increases or decreases in promotion revenue do not typically result in comparable changes to operating income.

As a venue operator, we contract with promoters to rent our venues for events and provide operational services such as concessions, merchandising, parking, security, ushering and ticket-taking. We generate revenue primarily from the sale of food and beverages, parking, premium seating, venue sponsorships and ticket rebates earned on tickets sold through phone, outlet and internet by third parties under our ticketing agreements for events we promote. In our amphitheaters, the sale of food and beverage is outsourced and we receive a share of the net revenue from the concessionaire which is recorded in revenue with no significant direct operating expenses associated with it. Revenue generated from venue operations typically have a higher margin than promotion revenue and therefore typically have a more direct relationship to operating income.

We believe that we have a unique opportunity to connect the music fan to corporate sponsors and therefore seek to optimize this relationship through the development of strategic sponsorship programs. We continue to also pursue the sale of national and local sponsorships and placement of advertising, including signage and promotional programs. Many of our venues have venue naming rights sponsorship programs. We believe national sponsorships allow us to maximize our network of venues and to arrange multi-venue branding opportunities for advertisers. Our national sponsorship programs include companies such as Anheuser-Busch, Verizon, MBNA UK and Citi[®]. Our local and venue-focused sponsorships include venue signage, promotional programs, on-site activation, hospitality and tickets, and are derived from a variety of companies across various industry categories.

International Music

Our International Music segment principally involves the promotion of live music events in our owned and/or operated venues and in rented third-party venues and the production of music festivals.

As a promoter, we typically book performers, arrange performances and tours, secure venues, provide for third-party production services, sell tickets and advertise events to attract audiences. We earn revenue primarily

from the sale of tickets and pay performers under one of several formulas, including a fixed guaranteed amount and/or a percentage of ticket sales or event profits. For each event, we either use a venue we own and/or operate, or rent a third-party venue. Revenues are generally related to the number of events, volume of ticket sales and ticket prices. Event costs such as artist and production service expenses are included in direct operating expenses and are typically substantial in relation to the revenue. As a result, significant increases or decreases in promotion revenue do not typically result in comparable changes to operating income.

As a venue operator, we contract with promoters to rent our venues for events and provide operational services such as concessions, merchandising, security, ushering and ticket-taking. We generate revenue primarily from rental income, the sale of food and beverages, venue sponsorships and ticket rebates earned on tickets sold through phone, outlet and internet by third parties under our ticketing agreements for events we promote. Revenue generated from venue operations typically have a higher margin than promotion revenue and therefore typically have a more direct relationship to operating income.

Global Artists

Our Global Artists segment principally involves the production and/or promotion of global music tours as well as providing various services to artists

As a producer, we generally hire artistic talent, develop sets and coordinate the performances of the events. We usually produce tours on a global basis. We generate revenue by sharing in a percentage of event or tour profits primarily related to the sale of tickets, merchandise and event and tour sponsorships. These production revenue are generally related to the size and profitability of the music tour. Artist and production costs, included in direct operating expenses, are typically substantial in relation to the revenue. As a result, significant increases or decreases in production revenue do not typically result in comparable changes to operating income.

In addition to global touring services, our Global Artists segment includes our newly formed Live Nation Artists division. Live Nation Artists was formed to partner with artists to manage their diverse rights, grow their fan bases and provide a direct connection to fans through our global distribution platform and marketing proficiencies. The operations of this division include merchandise, artist fan sites and ticketing, broadcast/digital media rights, recorded music and music publishing distribution and sponsorship and marketing services. Live Nation Artists currently generates revenue primarily through the sale of fan club memberships, artist and special event ticketing and merchandise. Direct operating expenses include the artist's share of profits and cost of goods sold.

Global Digital

Within our Global Digital segment, we are engaged in managing our in-house ticketing operations and online and wireless distribution activities, including the development of our website. This segment derives the majority of its revenue from service charges earned on tickets sold through our in-house centralized ticketing operations and sponsorships. The tickets sold by this segment are the tickets that we are allowed to sell directly to customers in North America under our agreements with outside ticketing agencies. For these tickets, Global Digital pays our North American Music and Global Theater segments a ticket rebate equivalent to the amount that they would have received had the ticket been sold by an outside ticketing agency. The remainder of the service charge is retained by Global Digital.

Global Theater

Our Global Theater segment principally involves the presentation and production of touring and other theatrical performances, owning and/or operating theatrical venues and selling sponsorships and advertising.

As a presenter, we typically book touring theatrical performances of revivals of previous commercial successes and new productions of theatrical performances playing on Broadway in New York or the West End in

London. We pre-sell tickets for our touring and other theatrical performances through *Broadway Across America*, one of the largest subscription series in the United States and Canada (with 223,000 subscribers in the 2007-2008 season). We present these subscription series in approximately 42 touring markets in North America. Occasionally, we invest in shows or productions to obtain touring rights and favorable scheduling to distribute them across our presentation network. Revenues are generally related to the number of events, volume of ticket sales and ticket prices. Event costs such as touring company and production service expenses are included in direct operating expenses and are typically substantial in relation to the revenue. As a result, significant increases or decreases in presentation revenue do not typically result in comparable changes to operating income.

We derive revenue from our theater venue operations primarily from rental income, sponsorships, concessions, merchandise and ticket rebates earned on tickets sold through phone, outlet and internet by third parties under our ticketing agreements for events we present. For each theatrical event we host, we typically receive a fixed fee for the use of the venue, as well as fees representing a percentage of total concession sales from the vendors and total merchandise sales from the performer or tour producer. Revenue generated from theater venue operations typically have a higher margin than presentation revenue and therefore typically have a more direct relationship to operating income.

Other

Included under our Other operations are our operations in specialized motor sports, sports representation and other businesses.

Specialized Motor Sports. Our specialized motor sports events are primarily held in stadiums and arenas and include monster truck shows, supercross races, motocross races, freestyle motocross events, motorcycle road racing and dirt track motorcycle racing. Other events included in this division are thrill acts and other motor sports concepts and events. Our specialized motor sports activities consist principally of the promotion and production of specialized motor sports events, which generate revenue primarily from ticket sales and sponsorships, as well as merchandising and video rights.

Sports Representation. Our sports representation business specializes in the negotiation of professional sports contracts and endorsement contracts for clients.

Live Nation Venue Details

In the live entertainment industry, venues generally consist of:

- Stadiums—Stadiums are multi-purpose facilities, often housing local sports teams. Stadiums typically have 30,000 or more seats. Although they are the largest venues available for live music, they are not specifically designed for live music. At December 31, 2007, we did not own or lease any stadiums, although on occasion we may rent them for certain events.
- Amphitheaters—Amphitheaters are generally outdoor venues with between 5,000 and 30,000 seats that are used primarily in the summer season. We believe they are popular because they are designed specifically for concert events, with premium seat packages and better lines of sight and acoustics. At December 31, 2007, we owned nine, leased 27, operated five and had booking rights for six amphitheaters located in North America.
- Arenas—Arenas are indoor venues that are used as multi-purpose facilities, often housing local sports teams. Arenas typically have between 5,000 and 20,000 seats. Because they are indoors, they are able to offer amenities other similar-sized outdoor venues cannot such as luxury suites and premium club memberships. As a result, we believe they have become increasingly popular for higher-priced concerts aimed at audiences willing to pay for these amenities. At December 31, 2007, we leased one, operated two and had booking rights for four arenas located in the United Kingdom and North America.

- *Mid-Sized Music Venues*—Mid-sized music venues are indoor venues that are built primarily for music events. These venues typically have a capacity between 1,000 and 6,500. Because these venues have a smaller capacity than an amphitheater, they do not offer as much economic upside on a per show basis. However, because mid-sized music venues can be used year-round, unlike most amphitheaters, they can generate annual profits similar to those of an amphitheater. Mid-sized music venues represent less risk to concert promoters because they have lower fixed costs associated with hosting a concert and may provide a more appropriately sized venue for developing artists and more artists in general. At December 31, 2007, we owned seven, leased 24, operated three, had booking rights for seven and an equity interest in one mid-sized music venues located in North America, the United Kingdom and Sweden
- Small-Sized Music Venues—Small-sized music venues are indoor venues that are built primarily for music events but may also include comedy clubs. These venues typically have a capacity of less than 1,000 and often without full fixed seating. Because of their small size, they do not offer as much economic upside, but they also represent less risk to a concert promoter because they have lower fixed costs associated with hosting a concert and also may provide a more appropriate size venue for developing artists. Small-sized music venues can also be used year-round and can therefore generate higher profits for the year, even though per show profits are lower. At December 31, 2007, we owned two, leased eight and had booking rights for eight small-sized music venues in North America.
- Small-Sized Music Venues—House of Blues—House of Blues venues are indoor venues that offer customers an integrated live music and dining experience. The live music halls are specially designed to provide optimum acoustics and typically can accommodate between 1,000 to 2,000 guests. A full-service restaurant and bar is located adjacent to the live music hall. We believe that the high quality of the food, service and atmosphere in our restaurants attracts customers to these venues independently from an entertainment event, and generates a significant amount of repeat business from local customers. At December 31, 2007, we owned two and leased eight House of Blues venues located in North America. One of the House of Blues venues is comprised of two buildings where we own one of the buildings and lease the other building. We have included this venue as an owned venue.
- Festival Sites—Festival sites are outdoor locations used primarily in the summer season to stage day-long or multi-day concert events featuring several performers. Depending on the location, festival site capacities can range from 10,000 to 120,000. We believe they are popular because of the value provided to the fan by packaging several performers for a day-long or multi-day event. While festival sites only host a few events each year, they can provide higher operating income because they have lower costs associated with producing the event and maintaining the site. At December 31, 2007, we owned two festival sites, one in each of North America and the United Kingdom.
- Theatrical Theaters—Theatrical theaters are generally indoor venues that are built specifically for theatrical events, with substantial aesthetic and acoustic consideration. These venues typically have less than 5,000 seats. Additionally, given their size, they are able to host events aimed at niche audiences. At December 31, 2007, we owned 10, leased nine, operated 11 and had an equity interest in one theatrical theaters located in North America, the United Kingdom and Spain.

At December 31, 2007, we owned, operated, had booking rights for and/or had an equity interest in the following domestic and international venues primarily used for music events:

	DMA [®] Region			Estimated Seating
Market and Venue	Rank (1)	Type of Venue	Live Nation's Interest	Capacity
NEW YORK, NY	1	4.1.1		4.5.500
PNC Bank Arts Center		Amphitheater	22-year lease that expires October 31, 2017	17,500
Nikon at Jones Beach Theater		Amphitheater	20-year license agreement that expires December 31, 2019	14,400
North Fork Theatre at Westbury		Mid-Sized	43-year lease that expires December 31, 2034	2,800
Hammerstein Ballroom		Mid-Sized	Booking agreement	3,600
Fillmore New York at Irving Plaza		Small-Sized	10-year lease that expires October 31, 2016	1,000
Blender Theater at Gramercy		Small-Sized	10-year lease that expires December 31, 2016	600
Roseland Ballroom		Small-Sized	Booking agreement	3,700
LOS ANGELES, CA	2			*
Glen Helen Pavilion		Amphitheater	25-year lease that expires June 30, 2018	65,000
Verizon Wireless Amphitheater		Amphitheater	20-year lease that expires February 28, 2017	16,300
Gibson Amphitheatre at Universal Citywalk		Mid-Sized	15-year lease that expires September 9, 2014	6,185
Long Beach Arena		Arena	Booking agreement	13,500
Hollywood Paladium		Mid-Sized	20 year lease that expires January 31, 2027	4,000
The Wiltern		Mid-Sized	5-year lease that expires June 30, 2010	2,300
Avalon Hollywood		Small-Sized	Booking agreement	1,400
The Roxy Theatre		Small-Sized	Booking agreement	500
House of Blues—Sunset Strip		House of Blues	10-year lease that expires April 30, 2012	1,000
House of Blues—Anaheim		House of Blues	10-year lease that expires January 8, 2011	950
CHICAGO, IL	3			
First Midwest Bank Amphitheatre		Amphitheater	Owned	28,600
Charter One Pavilion at Northerly Island		Amphitheater	4-year lease that expires December 31, 2008	8,500
Allstate Arena		Arena	Booking agreement	19,000
Rosemont Theatre		Mid-Sized	Booking agreement	4,400
House of Blues—Chicago		House of Blues	Owned	1,300
PHILADELPHIA, PA	4			
Susquehanna Bank Center		Amphitheater	31-year lease that expires September 29, 2025	25,000
Tower Theater		Mid-Sized	Owned	3,050
Fillmore at the Theater of the Living Arts		Small-Sized	Owned	810
Electric Factory		Small-Sized	Booking agreement	2,250

	DMA® Region			Estimated Seating
Market and Venue DALLAS—FORT WORTH, TX	Rank (1) 5	Type of Venue	Live Nation's Interest	Capacity
Superpages.com Music Center	3	Amphitheater	30-year lease that expires December 31, 2018	20,100
House of Blues—Dallas		House of Blues	15-year lease that expires April 30, 2022	1,625
SAN FRANCISCO—				
OAKLAND—SAN JOSE, CA Shoreline Amphitheatre at Mountain View	6	Amphitheater	20 year loage that expires	22,000
•		·	20-year lease that expires December 31, 2025	22,000
Sleep Train Pavilion at Concord		Amphitheater	5-year management agreement that expires December 31, 2011	12,500
The Warfield		Mid-Sized	10-year lease that expires May 31, 2008	2,250
The Fillmore		Mid-Sized	15-year lease that expires August 31, 2012	1,200
Punch Line Comedy Club—San Francisco		Small-Sized	5-year lease that expires September 15, 2011	500
Cobb's Comedy Club		Small-Sized	10-year lease that expires November 1, 2015	150
BOSTON, MA	7		·	
Tweeter Center for the Performing Arts		Amphitheater	Owned	19,900
Bank of America Pavilion		Amphitheater	Indefinite license agreement that expires 18 months after notification that pier is to be occupied for water dependent use	4,900
Orpheum Theatre		Mid-Sized	5-year operating agreement that expires December 31, 2010	2,700
Paradise Rock Club		Small-Sized	Booking agreement	650
Avalon		Small-Sized	Currently not in operation	1,920
ATLANTA, GA	8			
Lakewood Amphitheatre		Amphitheater	35-year lease that expires December 31, 2033	19,000
Chastain Park Amphitheatre		Amphitheater	10-year lease that expires December 31, 2010	6,400
The Tabernacle		Mid-Sized	20-year lease that expires January 31, 2018	2,500
Coca-Cola Roxy Theatre		Small-Sized	1-year lease that expires March 31, 2008	1,200
WASHINGTON, DC	9		,	
Nissan Pavilion		Amphitheater	Owned	22,500
HOUSTON, TX	10	•		•
Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion		Amphitheater	Booking agreement	16,400
Verizon Wireless Theater		Mid-Sized	15-year lease that expires December 31, 2012	2,900

	DMA [®] Region			Estimated Seating
Market and Venue	Rank (1)	Type of Venue	Live Nation's Interest	Capacity
DETROIT, MI The Fillmore Detroit	11	Mid-Sized	15-year lease that expires February 28, 2018	2,900
St. Andrews Hall		Small-Sized	Owned	820
PHOENIX, AZ	12			
Cricket Wireless Pavilion		Amphitheater	60-year lease that expires June 30, 2049	20,000
Dodge Theatre		Mid-Sized	10-year lease that expires December 31, 2016	5,500
TAMPA—ST. PETERSBURG—				
SARASOTA, FL	13			
Ford Amphitheatre at the Florida State Fairgrounds		Amphitheater	15-year lease that expires December 31, 2018	20,000
SEATTLE—TACOMA, WA	14			
White River Amphitheatre		Amphitheater	25-year management agreement that expires October 31, 2028	20,000
MIAMI—FT. LAUDERDALE, FL	16			
The Fillmore Miami Beach at the Jackie Gleason Theater		Mid-Sized	10-year lease that expires August 21, 2017	2,700
Revolution Live		Small-Sized	Booking agreement	1,000
CLEVELAND—AKRON, OH	17			
Blossom Music Center		Amphitheater	15-year lease that expires October 31, 2014	19,550
Time Warner Cable Amphitheater at Tower City		Amphitheater	6-year lease that expires April 30, 2011	5,500
The Plain Dealer Pavilion at Nautica		Amphitheater	3-year management agreement that expires December 31, 2008	5,000
House of Blues—Cleveland		House of Blues	20-year lease that expires November 19, 2024	1,200
DENVER, CO	18			
Coors Amphitheatre		Amphitheater	20-year lease that expires December 31, 2012	16,820
The Fillmore Auditorium		Mid-Sized	Owned	3,600
Paramount Theatre		Mid-Sized	Booking agreement	1,850
ORLANDO—DAYTONA BEACH—				
MELBOURNE, FL	19			
House of Blues—Orlando		House of Blues	15-year lease that expires September 1, 2012	2,100
SACRAMENTO— STOCKTON— MODESTO, CA	20			
Sleep Train Amphitheatre		Amphitheater	Owned	18,500
Punch Line Comedy Club – Sacramento		Small-Sized	5-year lease that expires December 31, 2010	100

	DMA® Region			Estimated Seating
Market and Venue ST. LOUIS, MO	Rank (1) 21	Type of Venue	Live Nation's Interest	Capacity
Verizon Wireless Amphitheater	21	Amphitheater	Owned	21,000
St. Louis		Ampinmeater	Owned	21,000
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The Pageant PITTSBURGH, PA	22	Mid-Sized	50% equity interest	2,300
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Post Gazette Pavilion		Amphitheater	45-year lease that expires December 31, 2034	23,100
BALTIMORE, MD	24			
Rams Head Live!		Mid-Sized	Booking agreement	1,600
CHARLOTTE, NC	25		8 8	,
Verizon Wireless Amphitheatre		Amphitheater	Owned	18,800
INDIANAPOLIS, IN	26			
Verizon Wireless Music Center		Amphitheater	Owned	24,400
The Lawn at White River State Park		Amphitheater	Booking agreement	6,000
The Murat Centre		Mid-Sized	50-year lease that expires	2,500
			August 31, 2045	, , , , ,
SAN DIEGO, CA	27		<i></i>	
Coors Amphitheatre—San Diego	_,	Amphitheater	20-year lease that expires	19,490
		F	October 31, 2023	,
SDSU Open Air Theater		Amphitheater	Booking agreement	4,790
Cox Arena at Aztec Bowl		Arena	Booking agreement	12,500
4th and B		Small-Sized	Booking agreement	1,500
House of Blues—San Diego		House of Blues	15-year lease that expires	1,100
<u> </u>			May 31, 2020	,
RALEIGH—DURHAM, NC	28			
Walnut Creek Amphitheatre		Amphitheater	40-year lease that expires	20,000
			October 31, 2030	
HARTFORD—NEW HAVEN, CT	29			
New England Dodge Music Center		Amphitheater	40-year lease that expires	24,200
			June 30, 2035	
Mohegan Sun Arena		Arena	Booking agreement	9,000
Chevrolet Theatre		Mid-Sized	Owned	4,560
KANSAS CITY, MO	31			
Starlight Theatre		Mid-Sized	Booking agreement	8,105
COLUMBUS, OH	32			
Germain Amphitheater		Amphitheater	Currently not in operation	20,000
CINCINNATI, OH	33			
Riverbend Music Center		Amphitheater	Booking agreement	20,500
Taft Theatre		Mid-Sized	5-year lease that expires July 31, 2010	2,500
Bogart's		Small-Sized	10-year lease that expires September 30, 2012	1,470

	DMA® Region	T. 411		Estimated Seating
Market and Venue MILWAUKEE, WI	Rank (1)	Type of Venue	Live Nation's Interest	Capacity
Alpine Valley Music Theatre	34	Amphitheater	21-year management agreement that expires December 31, 2019	35,300
Marcus Amphitheater		Amphitheater	Booking agreement	23,000
SAN ANTONIO, TX	37		8 8 1 1	
Verizon Wireless Amphitheater		Amphitheater	Owned	19,300
WEST PALM BEACH—		•		
FORT PIERCE, FL	38			
Cruzan Amphitheatre		Amphitheater	10-year lease that expires December 31, 2015	19,300
BIRMINGHAM, AL	40			
Verizon Wireless Music Center – Birmingham		Amphitheater	Owned	10,550
NORFOLK—PORTSMOUTH—				
NEWPORT NEWS, VA	42			
Verizon Wireless Virginia Beach		Amphitheater	30-year lease that expires	20,000
Amphitheater			December 31, 2026	
LAS VEGAS, NV	43			
The Pearl		Mid-Sized	Booking agreement	2,500
House of Blues—Las Vegas		House of Blues	15-year lease that expires March 15, 2014	1,800
ALBUQUERQUE—				
SANTA FE, NM	45			
Journal Pavilion		Amphitheater	20-year lease that expires April 16, 2021	12,000
LOUISVILLE, KY	48			
The Louisville Palace		Mid-Sized	Owned	2,700
BUFFALO, NY Darien Lake Performing Arts Center	50	Amphitheater	25-year lease that expires October 15, 2020	21,800
Seneca Events Center		Mid-Sized	Booking agreement	2,100
AUSTIN, TX	51	ma sizea	Dooming agreement	2,100
The Backyard		Amphitheater	Booking agreement	5,000
Austin Music Hall		Mid-Sized	Booking agreement	3,000
PROVIDENCE, RI —NEW BEDFORD, MA	52			,
Twin Rivers Event Center	34	Mid-Sized	Booking agreement	2,500
NEW ORLEANS, LA	53	IIII DIZU		2,500
House of Blues—New Orleans		House of Blues	One building owned and one building under 35-year lease that expires October 31, 2027	1,000
WILKES BARRE—				
SCRANTON, PA	54			
Toyota Pavilion at Montage Mountain		Amphitheater	10-year lease that expires December 31, 2011	17,500

	DMA® Region			Estimated Seating
Market and Venue ALBANY—SCHNECTADY—TROY, NY	Rank (1)	Type of Venue	Live Nation's Interest	Capacity
Saratoga Performing Arts Center	50	Amphitheater	10-year license agreement that expires September 7, 2009	25,200
FLORENCE—MYRTLE BEACH, SC	103		-	
House of Blues—Myrtle Beach		House of Blues	27-year lease that expires May 31, 2025	2,000
YAKIMA—PASCO—RICHLAND—				
KENNEWICK, WA	126			
The Gorge Amphitheatre		Amphitheater	20-year lease that expires October 31, 2023	20,000
WHEELING, WV STEUBENVILLE, OH	159			
Jamboree in the Hills		Festival Site	Owned	35,000
Capitol Music Hall		Mid-Sized	Currently not in operation	2,490
TORONTO, CANADA	N/A			
Molson Amphitheatre		Amphitheater	35-year lease that expires December 31, 2010	16,000
The Guvernment-Koolhaus		Small-Sized	Booking agreement	2,400
The Guvernment-Drink		Small-Sized	Booking agreement	1,200
VANCOUVER, CANADA	N/A			
Commodore Ballroom		Small-Sized	10-year lease that expires July 31, 2009	1,100
BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND	N/A			
Bar Academy Birmingham		Mid-Sized	Currently not in operation	3,000
Carling Academy Birmingham		Mid-Sized	8-year lease that expires March 25, 2008	3,200
BRIGHTON, ENGLAND	N/A			
Brighton Academy		Mid-Sized	Currently not in operation	2,500
BRISTOL, ENGLAND	N/A			
Carling Academy Bristol		Mid-Sized	25-year lease that expires December 25, 2022	1,900
LEEDS, ENGLAND	N/A			
Leeds Academy		Mid-Sized	Currently not in operation	2,300
LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND	N/A			
Carling Academy Liverpool		Mid-Sized	34-year lease that expires May 30, 2036	1,200
LONDON, ENGLAND	N/A			
Wembley Arena		Arena	15-year management agreement that expires March 31, 2021	12,750
Carling Academy Brixton		Mid-Sized	98-year lease that expires December 4, 2024	4,920
Carling Academy Shepherds Bush		Mid-Sized	Owned	2,000

Market and Venue	DMA [®] Region Rank (1)	Type of Venue	Live Nation's Interest	Estimated Seating Capacity
Astoria	Runk (1)	Mid-Sized	15-year lease that expires	1,800
Astoria		Wild-Sized	December 31, 2008	1,000
Astoria 2		Mid-Sized	15-year lease that expires	1,000
ristoria 2		Wild Sized	December 31, 2008	1,000
Carling Academy Islington		Mid-Sized	25-year lease that expires	800
			June 20, 2028	
MANCHESTER, ENGLAND	N/A		,	
Manchester Apollo		Mid-Sized	Owned	3,500
NEWCASTLE, ENGLAND	N/A			
Carling Academy Newcastle		Mid-Sized	15-year lease that expires	2,000
•			March 24, 2021	
NOTTINGHAM, ENGLAND	N/A			
Media		Small-	Currently not in operation	1,380
		Sized		
OXFORD, ENGLAND	N/A			
Carling Academy Oxford		Mid-Sized	25-year lease that expires	1,020
			September 1, 2031	
READING, ENGLAND	N/A			
Little John's Farm and Battle Farm		Festival	Owned	30,000
		Site		
SHEFFIELD, ENGLAND	N/A			
Sheffield Hallam FM Arena		Arena	18-year management agreement that expires March 31, 2008	11,250
SOUTHAMPTON, ENGLAND	N/A		, ,	
Southampton Guildhall		Mid-Sized	25-year management agreement that expires	1,750
F			February 10, 2028	,
GLASGOW, SCOTLAND	N/A		· · ·	
Glasgow Academy		Mid-Sized	Owned	2,500
Universe		Small-	Currently not in operation	200
		Sized	•	
CARDIFF, WALES	N/A			
Cardiff International Arena		Arena	137-year lease that expires	6,700
			December 31, 2131	
DUBLIN, IRELAND	N/A			
The Point	11/71	Arena	Currently not in operation	8,500
STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN	N/A	1 11 0114	t and may make an operation	0,500
Cirkus	1,711	Mid-Sized	10-year lease that expires	3,000
			March 31, 2009	- ,

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At December 31, 2007, we owned, operated and/or had an equity interest in the following domestic and international venues primarily used for theatrical events:

	DMA® Region			Estimated Seating
Market and Venue	Rank (1)	Type of Venue	Live Nation's Interest	Capacity
NEW YORK, NY Hilton Theatre	1	Theatrical Theater	40-year lease that expires December 31, 2038	1,800
PHILADELPHIA, PA	4			
Chestnut Theatre		Theatrical Theater	Currently not in operation	2,350
BOSTON, MA	7			
Boston Opera House		Theatrical Theater	Owned	2,700
Colonial Theatre		Theatrical Theater	10-year lease that expires August 31, 2011	1,725
Charles Playhouse		Theatrical Theater	Owned	550
WASHINGTON, DC	9			
Warner Theatre		Theatrical Theater	10-year lease that expires September 30, 2012	1,850
MINNEAPOLIS, MN	15			
Orpheum Theatre		Theatrical Theater	30-year management agreement that expires December 1, 2035	2,610
State Theatre		Theatrical Theater	30-year management agreement that expires December 1, 2035	2,160
Pantages Theatre		Theatrical Theater	30-year management agreement that expires December 1, 2035	1,000
BALTIMORE, MD	24		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
France-Merrick Performing Arts Center		Theatrical Theater	20-year operating agreement that expires June 18, 2022	1,600
TORONTO, CANADA	N/A			
Canon Theatre		Theatrical Theater	Owned	2,300
Panasonic Theatre		Theatrical Theater	Owned	710
ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, ENGLAND	N/A			
Tameside Hippodrome		Theatrical Theater	15-year management agreement that expires March 31, 2008	1,260
BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND	N/A			
Alexandra Theatre		Theatrical Theater	20-year lease that expires February 20, 2014	1,350
BRISTOL, ENGLAND	N/A			
The Bristol Hippodrome		Theatrical Theater	Owned	1,980
FOLKSTONE, ENGLAND	N/A			
Leas Cliff Hall		Theatrical Theater	20-year management agreement that expires August 20, 2023	1,510
GRIMSBY, ENGLAND	N/A			
Grimsby Auditorium		Theatrical Theater	10-year management agreement that expires March 31, 2011	1,700

Market and Venue	DMA [®] Region Rank (1)	Type of Venue	Live Nation's Interest	Estimated Seating Capacity
HASTINGS, ENGLAND	N/A	Type of venue	Live Nation's Interest	Сараспу
White Rock Theatre-Hastings	1771	Theatrical Theater	11-year management agreement that expires March 31, 2013	1,450
LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND	N/A			
Liverpool Empire Theatre		Theatrical Theater	125-year lease that expires June 8, 2127	2,365
LONDON, ENGLAND	N/A		·	
Lyceum Theatre		Theatrical Theater	150-year lease that expires November 21, 2138	2,095
Apollo Victoria Theatre		Theatrical Theater	Owned	2,600
The Dominion Theatre		Theatrical Theater	33% equity interest	2,100
MANCHESTER, ENGLAND	N/A			
Palace Theatre Manchester		Theatrical Theater	Owned	1,995
Opera House Manchester		Theatrical Theater	Owned	1,915
OXFORD, ENGLAND	N/A			
New Theatre Oxford		Theatrical Theater	75-year lease that expires December 24, 2007 (currently negotiating new terms)	1,780
O.F.S. Studio		Theatrical Theater	20-year lease that expires February 22, 2021	170
SOUTHPORT, ENGLAND	N/A			
Southport Theatre		Theatrical Theater	12-year lease that expires March 31, 2008	1,600
SUNDERLAND, ENGLAND	N/A			
Sunderland Empire		Theatrical Theater	25-year management agreement that expires December 31, 2029	2,025
TORBAY, ENGLAND	N/A			
Princess Theatre		Theatrical Theater	60-year management agreement that expires November 30, 2058	1,490
YORK, ENGLAND	N/A			
Grand Opera House York		Theatrical Theater	Owned	970
EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND	N/A			
The Edinburgh Playhouse		Theatrical Theater	Owned	3,055
MADRID, SPAIN	N/A			
Teatro Rialto		Theatrical Theater	10-year lease that expires February 28, 2014	1,100

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The following table summarizes the number of venues by type that we owned, operated, had booking rights for and/or had an equity interest in as of December 31, 2007.

Venue Type	Capacity	Owned	Leased	Operated	Booking Rights	Equity Interest	Total
Music Venues:							
Festival Site	10,000 - 120,000	2	_	_	_	_	2
Amphitheater	5,000 - 30,000	9	27	5	6	_	47
Arena	5,000 - 20,000	_	1	2	4	_	7
Mid-Sized Music Venue	1,000 - 6,500	7	24	3	7	1	42
Small-Sized Music Venue	Less than 1,000	2	8	_	8	_	18
House of Blues	1,000 - 2,000	2	8				10
Sub-total		22	68	10	25	1	126
Theatrical Theater	Less than 5,000	10	9	11		1	31
Total		32	77	21	25	2	157
Venues currently not in operation		4	5	_	1	_	10

Competition

Competition in the live entertainment industry is intense. We believe that we compete primarily on the basis of our ability to deliver quality entertainment products and enhanced fan experiences from music concerts, touring theatrical performances and specialized motor sports events. We believe that our primary strengths include:

- the quality of service delivered to our artists, fans and corporate sponsors;
- our track record in promoting and producing live entertainment events and tours both in the United States and internationally;
- the scope and effectiveness of our expertise of marketing and sponsorship programs; and
- · our financial stability.

Although we believe that our entertainment products and services currently compete favorably with respect to such factors, we cannot provide any assurance that we can maintain our competitive position against current and potential competitors, especially those with significantly greater brand recognition, financial, marketing, service, support, technical and other resources.

North American Music, International Music and Global Artists. In the markets in which we promote music concerts, we face competition from promoters, as well as from certain artists that promote their own concerts. We believe that barriers to entry into the promotion services business are low and that certain local promoters are increasingly expanding the geographic scope of their operations.

Our main competitors in the live music industry include Anschutz Entertainment Group, Jam Productions and Palace Sports & Entertainment, in addition to numerous smaller regional companies and various casinos in North America and Europe. Anschutz Entertainment Group operates under a number of different names including AEG Live, Concerts West and The Messina Group. Some of our competitors in the live music industry have a stronger presence in certain markets, and have access to other sports and entertainment assets, as well as greater financial resources and brand recognition, which may enable them to gain a greater competitive advantage in relation to us.

In markets where we own and/or operate a venue, we compete with other venues to serve artists likely to perform in that general region. In markets where we do not own or operate venues, we compete with other

venues and promoters for popular tours. Consequently, touring artists have significant alternatives to our venues in scheduling tours. Our main competitors in venue management include SMG and Anschutz Entertainment Group, in addition to numerous smaller regional companies and various casinos in North America and Europe. Some of our competitors in venue management have a greater number of venues in certain markets as well as greater financial resources and brand recognition in those markets.

Our main competitors at the local market level for sponsorship consists of local sports teams, which often offer state of the art venues and strong local media packages. Additionally, our competitors locally can include festivals, theme parks and other local events. On the national level, our competitors include the major sports leagues that all sell sponsorships combined with significant national media packages.

Global Digital. In the online environment, we compete with other website companies to provide event information, sell tickets and provide other online services such as fan clubs and artist websites. Our main competitors for online event sites include Ticketmaster and secondary ticketing companies such as StubHub.

Global Theater. In the markets in which we present theatrical performances, we compete with other presenters to obtain presentation arrangements with venues and performing arts organizations, including markets with more than one venue suitable for presenting a touring or other theatrical show. We compete with other New York- and London-based production companies for the rights to produce particular shows. As a producer of Broadway and West End shows, we compete with producers of other theatrical performances for box office sales, talent and theater space. As the producer of a touring show, we compete with producers of other touring or other theatrical performances to book the production in desirable presentation markets.

Our main competitors in the global theatrical industry include Nederlander Producing Company of America, Mirvish Productions, The Shubert Organization, The Walt Disney Company and Jujamcyn Theaters in North America. In Europe, our competitors include Cameron Mackintosh, Really Useful Theater Group and Ambassadors Theatre Group, as well as smaller regional players. Some of our competitors in the theatrical industry have more Broadway show interests than we do in New York City, from which most North American theatrical touring productions originate. In addition, these competitors may have significantly greater brand recognition and greater financial and other resources, which could enable them to strengthen their competitive positions against us.

Other. Our main competitors in the specialized motor sports industry are primarily smaller regional promoters. On a broader level in the United States we compete against other outdoor motor sports such as NASCAR. Some of our competitors in the specialized motor sports industry enjoy stronger brand recognition and larger revenue in the motor sports industry than we do and may have greater financial and other resources enabling them to gain a greater competitive advantage in relation to us.

Government Regulations

We are subject to federal, state and local laws both domestically and internationally governing matters such as construction, renovation and operation of our venues, as well as:

- licensing and permitting;
- human health, safety and sanitation requirements;
- the service of food and alcoholic beverages;
- working conditions, labor, minimum wage and hour, citizenship and employment laws;
- compliance with The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the United Kingdom's Disability Discrimination Act 1995;

- sales and other taxes and withholding of taxes;
- historic landmark rules; and
- environmental protection.

We believe that our venues are in material compliance with these laws. The regulations relating to our food and support service in our venues are many and complex. A variety of regulations at various governmental levels relating to the handling, preparation and serving of food (including in some cases requirements relating to the temperature of food), the cleanliness of food production facilities and the hygiene of food-handling personnel are enforced primarily at the local public health department level.

We also must comply with applicable licensing laws, as well as state and local service laws, commonly called dram shop statutes. Dram shop statutes generally prohibit serving alcoholic beverages to certain persons such as an individual who is intoxicated or a minor. If we violate dram shop laws, we may be liable to third parties for the acts of the patron. Although we generally hire outside vendors to provide these services at our larger operated venues and regularly sponsor training programs designed to minimize the likelihood of such a situation, we cannot guarantee that intoxicated or minor patrons will not be served or that liability for their acts will not be imposed on us.

We are also required to comply with The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, or the ADA, the United Kingdom's Disability Discrimination Act 1995, or the DDA, and certain state statutes and local ordinances that, among other things, require that places of public accommodation, including both existing and newly constructed venues, be accessible to customers with disabilities. The ADA and DDA require that venues be constructed to permit persons with disabilities full use of a live entertainment venue. The ADA and DDA may also require that certain modifications be made to existing venues in order to make them accessible to patrons and employees who are disabled. In order to comply with the ADA, DDA and other similar ordinances, we may face substantial capital expenditures in the future.

From time to time, state and federal governmental bodies have proposed legislation that could have an effect on our business. For example, some legislatures have proposed laws in the past that would impose potential liability on us and other promoters and producers of live entertainment events for entertainment taxes and for incidents that occur at our events, particularly relating to drugs and alcohol.

In addition, we and our venues are subject to extensive environmental laws and regulations relating to the use, storage, disposal, emission and release of hazardous and non-hazardous substances, as well as zoning and noise level restrictions which may affect, among other things, the hours of operations of our venues.

Intellectual Property

We create, own and distribute intellectual property worldwide. It is our practice to protect out trademarks, brands, copyrights, patents and other original and acquired works, ancillary goods and services. Our trademarks include, among others, the word marks "Live Nation," House of Blues" and "The Fillmore," as well as the Live Nation, House of Blues, and The Fillmore logos. We have registered our most significant trademarks in many foreign countries. We believe that our trademarks and other proprietary rights have significant value and are important to our brand-building efforts and the marketing of our services. We cannot predict, however, whether steps taken by us to protect our proprietary rights will be adequate to prevent misappropriation of these rights.

Employees

At December 31, 2007, we had approximately 4,700 full-time employees, including 3,500 domestic and 1,200 international employees, of which approximately 4,600 were employed in our operations departments and approximately 100 were employed in our corporate area.

Our staffing needs vary significantly throughout the year. Therefore, we also, from time to time, employ part-time and/or seasonal employees. At December 31, 2007, we employed approximately 7,500 seasonal and/or part-time employees and during peak seasonal periods, particularly in the summer months, we have employed as many as 17,600 seasonal employees. The stagehands at some of our venues, and the actors, musicians and others involved in some of our business operations are subject to collective bargaining agreements. Our union agreements typically have a term of three years and thus regularly expire and require negotiation in the course of our business. We believe that we enjoy good relations with our employees and other unionized labor involved in our events, and there have been no significant work stoppages in the past three years. Upon the expiration of any of our collective bargaining agreements, however, we may be unable to renegotiate our collective bargaining agreements on terms favorable to us, and our business operations at one or more of our facilities may be interrupted as a result of labor disputes or difficulties and delays in the process of renegotiating our collective bargaining agreements. A work stoppage at one or more of our owned and/or operated venues or at our produced and/or presented events could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. We cannot predict the effect that new collective bargaining agreements will have on our expenses.

Executive Officers

Set forth below are the names, ages and current positions of our executive officers and other significant employees as of February 22, 2008.

Name	Age	Position
Michael Rapino	42	President and Chief Executive Officer and Director
Kathy Willard	41	Chief Financial Officer
Brian Capo	41	Chief Accounting Officer
Michael Rowles	42	General Counsel and Secretary
Jason Garner	35	Chief Executive Officer—North American Music
Thomas O. Johansson	59	Chairman—International Music
Alan Ridgeway	41	Chief Executive Officer—International Music
Michael Cohl	60	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer—Live Nation Artists and Director
Arthur Fogel	54	Chief Executive Officer—Global Touring and Chairman—Global Music
Bryan Perez	40	Chief Executive Officer—Global Digital

Michael Rapino is our President and Chief Executive Officer and has served in this capacity since August 2005. He has also served on our board of directors since December 2005. From August 2004 to August 2005, Mr. Rapino was Chief Executive Officer and President of our predecessor's Global Music division. From July 2003 to July 2004, Mr. Rapino served as Chief Executive Officer and President of our predecessor's International Music division. From July 2001 to 2003, Mr. Rapino served as Chief Executive Officer of our predecessor's European Music division.

Kathy Willard is our Chief Financial Officer and has served in this capacity since September 2007. From September 2005 to August 2007, Ms. Willard was our Chief Accounting Officer. Prior to that, Ms. Willard served as Chief Financial Officer of Clear Channel Entertainment from December 2004 to September 2005. From January 2001 to December 2004 she served as Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer of Clear Channel Entertainment.

Brian Capo is our Chief Accounting Officer and has served in this capacity since December 2007. Prior to that, Mr. Capo served as a Senior Finance Director at BMC Software, Inc. from November 2005 to November 2007. From August 2004 to October 2005, he served as a Finance Director at Waste Management, Inc. and was a Managing Finance Director at American Electric Power Company, Inc. from November 2002 to July 2004.

Michael Rowles is our General Counsel and has served in this capacity since March 2006 and as our Secretary since May 2007. Previously, Mr. Rowles served as General Counsel and Secretary of Entravision Communications Corporation since September 2000.

Jason Garner is the Chief Executive Officer of our North American Music division and has served in this capacity since September 2007. Prior to that, Mr. Garner held various positions within our North American Music division including President of North American Music.

Thomas O. Johansson is the Chairman of our International Music division and has served in this capacity since September 2004. Previously, Mr. Johansson served as the Chief Executive Officer of our subsidiary EMA Telstar Group, a company he founded in April 1969 and which our predecessor acquired in 1999.

Alan Ridgeway is the Chief Executive Officer of our International Music division and has served in this capacity since September 2007. From September 2005 to August 2007, Mr. Ridgeway was our Chief Financial Officer. Prior to that, Mr. Ridgeway served as President of our European Music division. From October 2003 to 2004, Mr. Ridgeway was Chief Operating Officer of the European Music division. Mr. Ridgeway served as Chief Financial Officer for the European Music division from January 2002 to October 2003.

Michael Cohl is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of our Live Nation Artists division and has served in this capacity since September 2007. Previously, Mr. Cohl was Chief Executive Officer of CPI. He has also been on our board of directors since May 2006, became Vice Chairman of our board of directors in November 2007 and became Chairman of our board of directors in February 2008.

Arthur Fogel is the Chief Executive Officer of our Global Touring division and Chairman of our Global Music group and has served in this capacity since 2005. Previously, Mr. Fogel served as President of our Music Touring division since 1999.

Bryan Perez is the Chief Executive Officer of our Global Digital division and has served in this capacity since September 2005. Prior to that, Mr. Perez served as our Executive Vice President of Strategy and Business Development. From October 2002 through 2004, Mr. Perez was Executive Vice President of Marketing and Communications for the Dallas Stars Hockey Club.

Available Information

We are required to file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC. You may read and copy any materials we have filed with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. Our filings with the SEC are also available to the public through the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov.

You can find more information about us at our internet website located at www.livenation.com. Our Annual Report on Form 10-K, our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, our Current Reports on Form 8-K and any amendments to those reports are available free of charge on our internet website as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with the SEC.

ITEM 1A.RISK FACTORS

You should carefully consider each of the following risks and all of the other information set forth in this Annual Report. The following risks relate principally to our leverage, our convertible notes, our business, our common stock and our separation from Clear Channel. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones facing our company. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently believe to be immaterial may also adversely affect our business. If any of the following risks and uncertainties develop into actual events, this could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. In that case, the trading price of our common stock could decline.

Risks Associated with Our Leverage

We have a large amount of debt, redeemable preferred stock and lease obligations that could restrict our operations and impair our financial condition.

As of December 31, 2007, our total indebtedness for borrowed money, including our redeemable preferred stock, was approximately \$862.6 million. Our available borrowing capacity under the revolving portion of our senior secured credit facility at that date was approximately \$184.3 million, with sub-limits up to \$235.0 million available for letters of credit. At December 31, 2007, outstanding letters of credit were approximately \$45.7 million. We may incur substantial additional indebtedness in the future.

Our substantial indebtedness could have adverse consequences, including:

- making it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations;
- increasing our vulnerability to adverse economic, regulatory and industry conditions;
- · limiting our ability to obtain additional financing for future working capital, capital expenditures, mergers and other purposes;
- requiring us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to payments on our debt, thereby reducing funds available for operations and other purposes;
- limiting our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industry in which we operate;
- making us more vulnerable to increases in interest rates;
- placing us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our competitors that have less debt; and
- having a material adverse effect on us if we fail to comply with the covenants in the instruments governing our debt and preferred stock.

To service our debt, preferred stock and lease obligations and to fund potential acquisitions, artist rights payments and capital expenditures, we will require a significant amount of cash, which depends on many factors beyond our control.

As of December 31, 2007, approximately \$36.3 million of our total indebtedness (excluding interest) is due in 2008, \$22.2 million is due in the aggregate for 2011 and 2012 and \$678.6 million is due thereafter. See the table in Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Contractual Obligations and Commitments—Firm Commitments.

Our redeemable preferred stock bears an annual dividend rate of 13%, or \$5.2 million annually, and is subject to financial and other covenants substantially similar to the covenants applicable to our senior secured credit facility. If we default under any of these covenants, we will have to pay additional dividends. In addition,

as of December 31, 2007, we had approximately \$1.1 billion in operating lease agreements, of which approximately \$74.3 million is due in 2008 and \$69.1 million is due in 2009.

Our ability to service our debt, preferred stock and lease obligations and to fund potential acquisitions, artist rights payments and capital expenditures for venue construction, expansion or renovation will require a significant amount of cash, which depends on many factors beyond our control. Our ability to make payments on and to refinance our debt will also depend on our ability to generate cash in the future. This, to an extent, is subject to general economic, financial, competitive, legislative, regulatory and other factors that are beyond our control.

We cannot assure you that our business will generate sufficient cash flow or that future borrowings will be available to us in an amount sufficient to enable us to pay our debt or to fund our other liquidity needs. We cannot predict the impact to our ability to access additional capital in light of the current uncertainty in the credit market. If our future cash flow from operations and other capital resources are insufficient to pay our obligations as they mature or to fund our liquidity needs, we may be forced to reduce or delay our business activities and capital expenditures, sell assets, obtain additional equity capital or restructure or refinance all or a portion of our debt on or before maturity. We may be subject to limitations on the assets we can sell under the terms of the tax matters agreement with Clear Channel. In addition, the terms of our existing debt, including our senior secured credit facility, other future debt and our preferred stock may limit our ability to pursue any of these alternatives.

These measures might also be unsuccessful or inadequate in permitting us to meet scheduled debt, redeemable preferred stock or lease service obligations. We may be unable to restructure or refinance our obligations and obtain additional equity financing or sell assets on satisfactory terms or at all. As a result, the inability to meet our debt, redeemable preferred stock or lease obligations could cause us to default on those obligations. Any such defaults could materially harm our financial condition and liquidity.

The agreement governing our senior secured credit facility, our preferred stock designations and certain of our other indebtedness impose restrictions on us that limit the discretion of management in operating our business and that, in turn, could impair our ability to meet our obligations under our debt.

The agreement governing our senior secured credit facility, our preferred stock designations and certain of our other indebtedness include restrictive covenants that, among other things, restrict our ability to:

- incur additional debt or issue preferred stock;
- pay dividends and make distributions;
- make certain investments;
- · repurchase our stock and prepay certain indebtedness;
- create liens;
- enter into transactions with affiliates;
- modify the nature of our business;
- enter into sale-leaseback transactions;
- · transfer and sell material assets; and
- merge or consolidate.

In addition, our senior secured credit facility and preferred stock designations include other restrictions, including requirements to maintain certain financial ratios. Our failure to comply with the terms and covenants in our indebtedness could lead to a default under the terms of the governing documents, which would entitle the lenders to accelerate the indebtedness and declare all amounts owed due and payable. If we default under any of

the covenants applicable to our preferred stock, the holder of our preferred stock may be entitled to elect a director of one of our subsidiaries, and we will have to pay additional dividends.

These covenants could materially and adversely affect our ability to finance our future operations or capital needs. Furthermore, they may restrict our ability to expand, to pursue our business strategies and otherwise to conduct our business. Our ability to comply with these covenants may be affected by circumstances and events beyond our control, such as prevailing economic conditions and changes in regulations, and we cannot assure you that we will be able to comply. A breach of these covenants could result in a default under our debt. If there were an event of default under our outstanding indebtedness and the obligations thereunder accelerated, our assets and cash flow might not be sufficient to repay our outstanding debt and we could be forced into bankruptcy.

We will depend on the cash flows of our subsidiaries in order to satisfy our obligations.

We will rely on distributions and advances from our subsidiaries in order to meet our payment requirements under our obligations. If our subsidiaries are unable to pay dividends or otherwise make payments to us, we may not be able to make debt service payments on our obligations. We are a holding company and conduct substantially all of our operations through our subsidiaries. Our operating cash flows and consequently our ability to service our debt is therefore principally dependent upon our subsidiaries' earnings and their distributions of those earnings to us and may also be dependent upon loans, advances or other payments of funds to us by those subsidiaries. Our subsidiaries are separate legal entities and have no obligation, contingent or otherwise, to pay any amount due pursuant to our obligations or to make any funds available for that purpose. In addition, the ability of our subsidiaries to provide funds to us is subject to restrictions under our senior secured credit facility and the outstanding preferred stock of our subsidiary and may be subject to the terms of such subsidiaries' future indebtedness, as well as the availability of sufficient surplus funds under applicable law.

Any inability to fund the significant up-front cash requirements associated with our touring business could result in the loss of key tours.

In order to secure a tour, including global tours by major artists, we are often required to post a letter of credit or advance cash to the artist prior to the sale of any tickets for that tour. If we do not have sufficient cash on hand or capacity under our revolving credit facility to advance the necessary cash or post the required letter of credit, for any given tour, we would not be able to promote that tour and our touring business would be negatively impacted.

Risks Relating to our 2.875% Convertible Senior Notes

We may not have the funds necessary to finance the repurchase of the notes or to pay the cash payable upon a conversion (if we make the net share settlement election), or we may otherwise be restricted from making such payments, which may increase note holders' credit risk.

In July 2007, we issued \$220 million of 2.875% convertible senior notes due 2027 in a private placement in the United States to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. On July 15, 2014, July 15, 2017 and July 15, 2022, or in the event of a fundamental change (as defined in the indenture governing the notes), holders may require us to repurchase their notes at a price of 100% of the principal amount of the notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest, including contingent interest and additional amounts, to the repurchase date. In addition, at any time on or prior to June 15, 2027, we may irrevocably elect net share settlement of the notes, and thereafter we will be required to make a cash payment of up to \$1,000 for each \$1,000 in principal amount of notes converted. However, it is possible that we will not have sufficient funds available at such time to make the required repurchase or settlement of converted notes. In addition, some of our existing financing agreements contain, and any future credit agreements or other agreements relating to our

indebtedness could contain, provisions prohibiting the repurchase of the notes under certain circumstances, or could provide that a fundamental change constitutes an event of default under that agreement, restrict our ability to make cash payments upon conversion of the notes or restrict the ability of our subsidiaries to make funds available to us for that purpose. If any agreement governing our indebtedness prohibits or otherwise restricts us from repurchasing the notes or making the cash payment upon conversion when we become obligated to do so, we could seek the consent of the lenders to repurchase the notes or settle the conversion or attempt to refinance the other debt. If we do not obtain such a consent or refinance the debt, we would not be permitted to repurchase the notes or settle the conversion without potentially causing a default under the other debt. Our failure to repurchase tendered notes or to pay any cash payable on a conversion would constitute an event of default under the indenture, which might constitute a default under the terms of our other indebtedness.

The additional shares of common stock payable on any notes converted in connection with specified corporate transactions may not adequately compensate holders of notes for any loss they may experience as a result of such specified corporate transactions.

If certain specified corporate transactions occur on or prior to July 15, 2014, we will under certain circumstances increase the conversion rate on notes converted in connection with the specified corporate transaction by a number of additional shares of common stock. The number of additional shares of common stock will be determined based on the date on which the specified corporate transaction becomes effective and the price paid per share of our common stock in the specified corporate transaction. The additional shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes in connection with a specified corporate transaction may not adequately compensate holders of notes for any loss they may experience as a result of such specified corporate transaction. Furthermore, holders of notes will not receive the additional consideration payable as a result of the increase in the conversion rate until the effective date of the specified corporate transaction or later, which could be a significant period of time after holders of notes have tendered their notes for conversion. If the specified corporate transaction occurs after July 15, 2014, or if the price paid per share of our common stock in the specified corporate transaction is less than the common stock price at the date of issuance of the notes or above a specified price, there will be no increase in the conversion rate. In addition, in certain circumstances upon a change of control arising from our acquisition by a public company, we may elect to adjust the conversion rate and, if we so elect, holders of notes will not be entitled to the increase in the conversion rate determined as described above.

The conditional conversion feature of the notes could result in holders of notes receiving less than the value of the common stock for which a note would otherwise be convertible.

Prior to July 15, 2027, the notes are convertible for shares of our common stock (or cash or a combination of cash and shares of our common stock) only if specified conditions are met. If the specific conditions for conversion are not met, holders of notes will not be able to convert their notes, and they may not be able to receive the value of the common stock or cash and common stock, as applicable, for which the notes would otherwise be convertible.

Upon conversion of the notes, holders of notes may receive less proceeds than expected because the value of our common stock may decline after the exercise of the conversion right.

If we elect to settle conversions other than solely in shares of common stock, including by making a net share settlement election, the conversion value that holders of notes will receive upon conversion of their notes are in part determined, subject to certain exceptions, by the average of the last reported sale prices of our common stock for the 20 trading days beginning on the second trading day immediately following the day the notes are tendered for conversion, or, if tendered within the 20 days leading up to the maturity date or a specified redemption date, beginning on the fifth day following the maturity date or the redemption date. Accordingly, if the price of our common stock decreases after holder of notes tender their notes for conversion, the conversion value they will receive may be adversely affected.

The conversion rate of the notes may not be adjusted for all dilutive events.

The conversion rate of the notes is subject to adjustment only for certain specified events, including, but not limited to, the issuance of stock dividends on our common stock, the issuance of certain rights or warrants, subdivisions, combinations, distributions of capital stock, indebtedness or assets, cash dividends and certain issuer tender or exchange offers. However, the conversion rate will not be adjusted for other events, such as an issuance of common stock for cash or acquisition, that may adversely affect the trading price of the notes or the common stock, or for a third-party tender offer.

Risks Relating to Our Business

Our live entertainment business is highly sensitive to public tastes and dependent on our ability to secure popular artists and other live entertainment events, and we may be unable to anticipate or respond to changes in consumer preferences, which may result in decreased demand for our services.

Our ability to generate revenue from our entertainment operations is highly sensitive to rapidly changing public tastes and dependent on the availability of popular artists and events. Our success depends in part on our ability to anticipate the tastes of consumers and to offer events that appeal to them. Since we rely on unrelated parties to create and perform live entertainment content, any unwillingness to tour or lack of availability of popular artists, touring theatrical performances, specialized motor sports talent and other performers could limit our ability to generate revenue. In particular, there are a limited number of artists that can headline a major North American or global tour or who can sell out larger venues, including many of our amphitheaters. If those key artists do not continue to tour, or if we are unable to secure the rights to their future tours, then our business would be adversely affected.

In addition, we typically book our live music tours one to four months in advance of the beginning of the tour and often agree to pay an artist a fixed guaranteed amount prior to our receiving any operating income. Therefore, if the public is not receptive to the tour or we or a performer cancel the tour, we may incur a loss for the tour depending on the amount of the fixed guarantee or incurred costs relative to any revenue earned, as well as foregone revenue we could have earned at booked venues. We have cancellation insurance policies in place to cover our losses if a performer cancels a tour. Furthermore, consumer preferences change from time to time, and our failure to anticipate, identify or react to these changes could result in reduced demand for our services, which would adversely affect our operating results and profitability.

We have incurred net losses and may experience future net losses.

Our operating results have been adversely affected by, among other things, increased cost of artists and a decline in ticket sales. We incurred net losses of approximately \$11.9 million, \$31.4 million and \$130.6 million in 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively. We may face reduced demand for our live entertainment events and other factors that could adversely affect our results of operations in the future. We cannot predict whether we will achieve profitability in future periods.

Our operations are seasonal and our results of operations vary from quarter to quarter and year over year, so our financial performance in certain financial quarters or years may not be indicative of, or comparable to, our financial performance in subsequent financial quarters or years.

We believe our financial results and cash needs will vary greatly from quarter to quarter and year to year depending on, among other things, the timing of tours and theatrical productions, tour cancellations, capital expenditures, seasonal and other fluctuations in our operating results, the timing of guaranteed payments and receipt of ticket sales, financing activities, acquisitions and investments and receivables management. Because our results may vary significantly from quarter to quarter and year to year, our financial results for one quarter or year cannot necessarily be compared to another quarter or year and may not be indicative of our future financial

performance in subsequent quarters or years. Typically, we experience our lowest financial performance in the first and fourth quarters of the calendar year as our outdoor venues are primarily used, and our festivals primarily occur, during May through September. In addition, the timing of tours of top grossing acts can impact comparability of quarterly results year over year and potentially annual results.

The following table sets forth our operating income (loss) for the last eight fiscal quarters:

(in thousands)

	Operating	
Fiscal Quarter Ended	in	come (loss)
March 31, 2006	\$	8,063
June 30, 2006	\$	11,682
September 30, 2006	\$	28,037
December 31, 2006	\$	(14,660)
March 31, 2007	\$	(30,404)
June 30, 2007	\$	36,387
September 30, 2007	\$	71,969
December 31, 2007	\$	4,190

We may be adversely affected by a general deterioration in economic conditions, which could affect consumer and corporate spending and, therefore, significantly adversely impact our operating results.

A decline in attendance at or reduction in the number of live entertainment events may have an adverse effect on our revenue and operating income. In addition, during the most recent economic slowdown in the United States, many consumers reduced their discretionary spending and advertisers reduced their advertising expenditures. The impact of slowdowns on our business is difficult to predict, but they may result in reductions in ticket sales, sponsorship opportunities and our ability to generate revenue. The risks associated with our businesses become more acute in periods of a slowing economy or recession, which may be accompanied by a decrease in attendance at live entertainment events.

Our business depends on discretionary consumer and corporate spending. Many factors related to corporate spending and discretionary consumer spending, including economic conditions affecting disposable consumer income such as employment, fuel prices, interest and tax rates and inflation can significantly impact our operating results. Business conditions, as well as various industry conditions, including corporate marketing and promotional spending and interest levels, can also significantly impact our operating results. These factors can affect attendance at our events, premium seats, sponsorship, advertising and hospitality spending, concession and souvenir sales, as well as the financial results of sponsors of our venues, events and the industry. Negative factors such as challenging economic conditions, public concerns over additional terrorism and security incidents, particularly when combined, can impact corporate and consumer spending, and one negative factor can impact our results more than another. There can be no assurance that consumer and corporate spending will not be adversely impacted by economic conditions, thereby possibly impacting our operating results and growth.

Loss of our key promoters, management and other personnel could result in the loss of key tours and negatively impact our business.

The live music business is uniquely dependent upon personal relationships, as promoters and executives within the live music companies such as ours leverage their existing network of relationships with artists, agents and managers in order to secure the rights to the live music tours and events which are critical to our success. Due to the importance of those industry contacts to our business, the loss of any of our promoters, officers or other key personnel could adversely affect our operations. Although we have entered into long-term agreements with many of those individuals to protect our interests in those relationships, we can give no assurance that all or any of these key employees will remain with us or will retain their associations with key business contacts.

Doing business in foreign countries creates risks not found in doing business in the United States.

Our international operations accounted for approximately 33% of our revenue in 2007. The risks involved in foreign operations that could result in losses against which we are not insured include:

- exposure to local economic conditions;
- potential adverse changes in the diplomatic relations of foreign countries with the United States;
- restrictions on the withdrawal of foreign investment and earnings;
- investment restrictions or requirements on businesses owned by foreigners;
- expropriations of property;
- potential instability of foreign governments;
- risks of renegotiation or modification of existing agreements with governmental authorities;
- diminished ability to legally enforce our contractual rights in foreign countries;
- · foreign exchange restrictions;
- withholding and other taxes on remittances and other payments by subsidiaries; and
- · changes in foreign taxation structures.

In addition, we may incur substantial tax liabilities if we repatriate any of the cash generated by our international operations back to the United States due to our current inability to recognize any foreign tax credits that would be associated with such repatriation. We currently expect to repatriate some of the cash generated by our international operations and to use certain of our substantial net operating losses to offset associated tax liabilities. We are not currently in a position to recognize any tax assets in the United States that are the result of payments of income or withholding taxes in foreign jurisdictions.

Exchange rates may cause fluctuations in our results of operations that are not related to our operations.

Because we own assets overseas and derive revenue from our international operations, we may incur currency translation losses or gains due to changes in the values of foreign currencies relative to the United States Dollar. We cannot predict the effect of exchange rate fluctuations upon future operating results. For the year ended December 31, 2007, our international operations accounted for approximately 33% of our revenue. Although we cannot predict the future relationship between the United States Dollar and the currencies used by our international businesses, principally the British Pound and the Euro, in 2007 and 2006, we experienced foreign exchange rate net gains of \$4.5 million and \$3.2 million, respectively, for those periods, which had a positive effect on our operating income, while in 2005, we experienced a foreign exchange rate net loss of \$1.3 million which had a negative effect on our operating income. See Item 7.

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We may enter into future acquisitions and long-term artist rights arrangements and take certain actions in connection with such transactions that could affect the price of our common stock.

As part of our growth strategy, we expect to review acquisition prospects that would offer growth opportunities. We also anticipate entering into long-term arrangements with certain artists under which we would acquire the rights to certain music-related activities, including touring, merchandising, recording, online fan clubs, film/DVD and other rights. In the event of future acquisitions or artist rights arrangements, we could:

- use a significant portion of our available cash;
- issue equity securities, which would dilute current stockholders' percentage ownership;

- incur substantial debt;
- · incur or assume contingent liabilities, known or unknown;
- incur amortization expenses related to intangibles; and
- · incur large, immediate accounting write-offs.

Such actions by us could harm our results from operations and adversely affect the price of our common stock.

We may be unsuccessful in our future acquisition endeavors, if any, which may have an adverse effect on our business. Our compliance with antitrust, competition and other regulations may limit our operations and future acquisitions.

Our future growth rate depends in part on our selective acquisition of additional businesses. A significant portion of our recent growth has been attributable to acquisitions, including, among others, our acquisitions of HOB Entertainment, Inc., or HOB, Musictoday, CPI and of an equity interest in AMG. We may be unable to identify other suitable targets for further acquisition or make further acquisitions at favorable prices. If we identify a suitable acquisition candidate, our ability to successfully implement the acquisition would depend on a variety of factors, including our ability to obtain financing on acceptable terms and requisite government approvals. Acquisitions involve risks, including those associated with:

- integrating the operations, financial reporting, technologies and personnel of acquired companies;
- managing geographically dispersed operations;
- the diversion of management's attention from other business concerns;
- · the inherent risks in entering markets or lines of business in which we have either limited or no direct experience; and
- the potential loss of key employees, customers and strategic partners of acquired companies.

We may not successfully integrate any businesses or technologies we may acquire in the future and may not achieve anticipated revenue and cost benefits. Acquisitions may be expensive, time consuming and may strain our resources. Acquisitions may not be accretive to our earnings and may negatively impact our results of operations as a result of, among other things, the incurrence of debt, one-time write-offs of goodwill and amortization expenses of other intangible assets. In addition, future acquisitions that we may pursue could result in dilutive issuances of equity securities.

We are also subject to laws and regulations, including those relating to antitrust, that could significantly affect our ability to expand our business through acquisitions. For example, the Federal Trade Commission and the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice with respect to our domestic acquisitions, and the European Commission (the antitrust regulator of the European Union) and the United Kingdom Competition Commission with respect to our European acquisitions, have the authority to challenge our acquisitions on antitrust grounds before or after the acquisitions are completed. State agencies may also have standing to challenge these acquisitions under state or federal antitrust law. Comparable authorities in other jurisdictions also have the ability to challenge our foreign acquisitions. Our failure to comply with all applicable laws and regulations could result in, among other things, regulatory actions or legal proceedings against us, the imposition of fines, penalties or judgments against us or significant limitations on our activities. In addition, the regulatory environment in which we operate is subject to change. New or revised requirements imposed by governmental regulatory authorities could have adverse effects on us, including increased costs of compliance. We also may be adversely affected by changes in the interpretation or enforcement of existing laws and regulations by these governmental authorities.

In addition, restrictions contained in the tax matters agreement between us and Clear Channel, the credit agreement for the senior secured credit facility and the terms of our subsidiary's preferred stock restrict our ability to make acquisitions.

Certain of our new or expanded business lines, including ticketing and artist rights arrangements, may not develop as currently anticipated, causing an adverse impact on our financial performance.

We are currently in the process of expanding our operations to encompass music-related businesses beyond the live music event. These include launching a full-scale in-house ticketing operation which is anticipated to be operational by the beginning of 2009, as well as continuing to invest in long-term rights arrangements with key artists. In each of these and other new or expanding business lines, we currently anticipate incurring costs to build infrastructure, making advances to artists and otherwise investing in these new businesses. If these businesses do not develop as currently anticipated, either due to our inability to execute on our strategic plans or as a result of other factors, our profitability could be negatively impacted.

There is the risk of personal injuries and accidents in connection with our live entertainment events, which could subject us to personal injury or other claims and increase our expenses, as well as reduce attendance at our live entertainment events, causing a decrease in our revenue.

There are inherent risks involved with producing live entertainment events. As a result, personal injuries and accidents have, and may, occur from time to time, which could subject us to claims and liabilities for personal injuries. Incidents in connection with our live entertainment events at any of our venues or venues that we rent could also result in claims, reducing operating income or reducing attendance at our events, causing a decrease in our revenue. We are currently subject to wrongful death claims, as well as other litigation. While we maintain insurance polices that provide coverage within limits that are sufficient, in management's judgment, to protect us from material financial loss for personal injuries sustained by persons at our venues or accidents in the ordinary course of business, there can be no assurance that such insurance will be adequate at all times and in all circumstances.

Costs associated with, and our ability to obtain, adequate insurance could adversely affect our profitability and financial condition.

Heightened concerns and challenges regarding property, casualty, liability, business interruption and other insurance coverage have resulted from the terrorist and related security incidents on and after September 11, 2001 in the United States, as well as the more recent terrorist attacks in Madrid and London. As a result, we may experience increased difficulty obtaining high policy limits of coverage at reasonable costs, including coverage for acts of terrorism. We have a material investment in property and equipment at each of our venues, which are generally located near major cities and which hold events typically attended by a large number of fans. At December 31, 2007, we had property and equipment with a net book value of approximately \$915.0 million.

These operational, geographical and situational factors, among others, may result in significant increases in insurance premium costs and difficulties obtaining sufficiently high policy limits with deductibles that we believe to be reasonable. We cannot assure you that future increases in insurance costs and difficulties obtaining high policy limits will not adversely impact our profitability, thereby possibly impacting our operating results and growth.

In addition, under our Live Nation Artists platform we enter into various agreements with artists from time to time, including long-term artist rights arrangements. The profitability of those arrangements depends upon those artists' willingness and ability to continue performing, and we may not be able to obtain sufficient insurance coverage at reasonable costs to adequately protect us against the death, disability or other failure of such artists to continue engaging in revenue-generating activities under those agreements.

We cannot guarantee that our insurance policy coverage limits, including insurance coverage for property, casualty, liability, artists and business interruption losses and acts of terrorism, would be adequate under the circumstances should one or multiple events occur at or near any of our venues, or that our insurers would have adequate financial resources to sufficiently or fully pay our related claims or damages. We cannot guarantee that adequate coverage limits will be available, offered at reasonable costs, or offered by insurers with sufficient financial soundness. The occurrence of such an incident or incidents affecting any one or more of our venues could have a material adverse effect on our financial position and future results of operations if asset damage and/or company liability were to exceed insurance coverage limits or if an insurer were unable to sufficiently or fully pay our related claims or damages.

Costs associated with capital improvements could adversely affect our profitability and liquidity.

Growth or maintenance of our existing revenue depends in part on consistent investment in our venues. Therefore, we expect to continue to make substantial capital improvements in our venues to meet long-term increasing demand, to increase entertainment value and to increase revenue. We frequently have a number of significant capital projects underway. Numerous factors, many of which are beyond our control, may influence the ultimate costs and timing of various capital improvements at our venues, including:

- · availability of financing on favorable terms;
- · unforeseen changes in design;
- increases in the cost of construction materials and labor;
- additional land acquisition costs;
- fluctuations in foreign exchange rates;
- litigation, accidents or natural disasters affecting the construction site;
- · national or regional economic changes;
- · environmental or hazardous conditions; and
- · undetected soil or land conditions.

The amount of capital expenditures can vary significantly from year to year. In addition, actual costs could vary materially from our estimates if the factors listed above and our assumptions about the quality of materials or workmanship required or the cost of financing such construction were to change. Construction is also subject to governmental permitting processes which, if changed, could materially affect the ultimate cost.

We are subject to extensive governmental regulation, and our failure to comply with these regulations could adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Our live entertainment venue operations are subject to federal, state and local laws, both domestically and internationally, governing matters such as construction, renovation and operation of our venues, as well as:

- · licensing and permitting;
- human health, safety and sanitation requirements;
- requirements with respect to the service of food and alcoholic beverages;
- · working conditions, labor, minimum wage and hour, citizenship and employment laws;
- compliance with the ADA and the DDA;
- sales and other taxes and withholding of taxes;
- historic landmark rules; and
- environmental protection laws.

We cannot predict the extent to which any future laws or regulations will impact our operations. The regulations relating to our food and support service in our venues are many and complex. Although we generally contract with a third-party vendor for these services at our operated venues, we cannot assure you that we or our third-party vendors are in full compliance with all applicable laws and regulations at all times or that we or our third-party vendors will be able to comply with any future laws and regulations or that we will not be held liable for violations by third-party vendors. Furthermore, additional or amended regulations in this area may significantly increase the cost of compliance.

We also serve alcoholic beverages at many of our venues during live entertainment events and must comply with applicable licensing laws, as well as state and local service laws, commonly called dram shop statutes. Dram shop statutes generally prohibit serving alcoholic beverages to certain persons such as an individual who is intoxicated or a minor. If we violate dram shop laws, we may be liable to third parties for the acts of the patron. Although we generally hire outside vendors to provide these services at our operated venues and regularly sponsor training programs designed to minimize the likelihood of such a situation, we cannot guarantee that intoxicated or minor patrons will not be served or that liability for their acts will not be imposed on us. We cannot assure you that additional regulation in this area would not limit our activities in the future or significantly increase the cost of regulatory compliance. We must also obtain and comply with the terms of licenses in order to sell alcoholic beverages in the states in which we serve alcoholic beverages.

From time to time, state and federal governmental bodies have proposed legislation that could have an effect on our business. For example, some legislatures have proposed laws in the past that would impose potential liability on us and other promoters and producers of live entertainment events for entertainment taxes and for incidents that occur at our events, particularly relating to drugs and alcohol.

We and our venues are subject to extensive environmental laws and regulations relating to the use, storage, disposal, emission and release of hazardous and non-hazardous substances, as well as zoning and noise level restrictions which may affect, among other things, the hours of operations of our venues. Additionally, certain laws and regulations could hold us strictly, jointly and severally responsible for the remediation of hazardous substance contamination at our facilities or at third-party waste disposal sites, and could hold us responsible for any personal or property damage related to any contamination.

We face intense competition in the live entertainment industry, and we may not be able to maintain or increase our current revenue, which could adversely affect our financial performance.

Our business segments are in highly competitive industries, and we may not be able to maintain or increase our current live entertainment revenue. We compete in the live entertainment industries, and within such industries we compete with other venues to book performers, and, in the markets in which we promote music concerts, we face competition from other promoters, as well as from certain performers who promote their own concerts. Our competitors also compete with us for key employees who have relationships with popular music artists that have a history of being able to book such artists for concerts and tours. These competitors may engage in more extensive development efforts, undertake more far-reaching marketing campaigns, adopt more aggressive pricing policies and make more attractive offers to existing and potential artists. Our competitors may develop services, advertising options or entertainment venues that are equal or superior to those we provide or that achieve greater market acceptance and brand recognition than we achieve. It is possible that new competitors may emerge and rapidly acquire significant market share. Other variables that could adversely affect our financial performance by, among other things, leading to decreases in overall revenue, the numbers of advertising customers, event attendance, ticket prices or profit margins include:

an increased level of competition for advertising dollars, which may lead to lower sponsorships as we attempt to retain
advertisers or which may cause us to lose advertisers to our competitors offering better programs that we are unable or unwilling
to match;

- unfavorable fluctuations in operating costs, including increased guarantees to performers, which we may be unwilling or unable
 to pass through to our customers;
- our competitors may offer more favorable terms than we do in order to obtain agreements for new venues or to obtain events for the venues they operate;
- technological changes and innovations that we are unable to adopt or are late in adopting that offer more attractive entertainment alternatives than we currently offer, which may lead to reduction in attendance at live events, a loss of ticket sales or to lower ticket prices;
- other entertainment options available to our audiences that we do not offer;
- · unfavorable changes in labor conditions which may require us to spend more to retain and attract key employees; and
- unfavorable shifts in population and other demographics which may cause us to lose audiences as people migrate to markets
 where we have a smaller presence, or which may cause sponsors to be unwilling to pay for sponsorship and advertising
 opportunities if the general population shifts into a less desirable age or geographical demographic from an advertising
 perspective.

We believe that barriers to entry into the live entertainment promotion business are low and that certain local promoters are increasingly expanding the geographic scope of their operations.

We depend upon unionized labor for the provision of some of our services and any work stoppages or labor disturbances could disrupt our business.

The stagehands at some of our venues, and the actors, musicians and others involved in some of our business operations are subject to collective bargaining agreements. Our union agreements typically have a term of three years and thus regularly expire and require negotiation in the course of our business. Upon the expiration of any of our collective bargaining agreements, however, we may be unable to negotiate new collective bargaining agreements on terms favorable to us, and our business operations may be interrupted as a result of labor disputes or difficulties and delays in the process of renegotiating our collective bargaining agreements. A work stoppage at one or more of our owned and/or operated venues or at our produced and/or presented events could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. We cannot predict the effect that new collective bargaining agreements will have on our expenses.

We are dependent upon our ability to lease, acquire and develop live entertainment venues, and if we are unable to do so on acceptable terms, or at all, our results of operations could be adversely affected.

We require access to venues to generate revenue from live entertainment events. For these events, we use venues that we own, but we also operate a number of our live entertainment venues under various agreements which include leases with third parties or equity or booking agreements, which are agreements where we contract to book the events at a venue for a specific period of time. Our long-term success in the live entertainment business will depend in part on the availability of venues, our ability to lease these venues and our ability to enter into booking agreements upon their expiration. As many of these agreements are with third parties over whom we have little or no control, we may be unable to renew these agreements or enter into new agreements on acceptable terms or at all, and may be unable to obtain favorable agreements with venues. Our ability to renew these agreements or obtain new agreements on favorable terms depends on a number of other factors, many of which are also beyond our control, such as national and local business conditions and competition from other promoters. If the cost of renewing these agreements is too high or the terms of any new agreement with a new venue are unacceptable or incompatible with our existing operations, we may decide to forego these opportunities. There can be no assurance that we will be able to renew these agreements on acceptable terms or at all, or that we will be able to obtain attractive agreements with substitute venues, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

We plan to continue to expand our operations through the development of live entertainment venues and the expansion of existing live entertainment venues, which poses a number of risks, including:

- construction of live entertainment venues may result in cost overruns, delays or unanticipated expenses;
- · desirable sites for live entertainment venues may be unavailable or costly; and
- the attractiveness of our venue locations may deteriorate over time.

Additionally, the market potential of live entertainment venues sites cannot be precisely determined, and our live entertainment venues may face competition in markets from unexpected sources. Newly constructed live entertainment venues may not perform up to our expectations. We face significant competition for potential live entertainment venue locations and for opportunities to acquire existing live entertainment venues. Because of this competition, we may be unable to add to or maintain the number of our live entertainment venues on terms we consider acceptable.

Our revenues depend in part on the promotional success of our marketing campaigns, and there can be no assurance that such advertising, promotional and other marketing campaigns will be successful or will generate revenue or profits.

Similar to many companies, we spend significant amounts on advertising, promotional and other marketing campaigns for our live entertainment events and other business activities. Such marketing activities include, among others, promotion of ticket sales, premium seat sales, hospitality and other services for our events and venues and advertising associated with our distribution of related souvenir merchandise and apparel. During 2007, we spent approximately 5.8% of our revenue on marketing, including advertising, and there can be no assurance that such advertising, promotional and other marketing campaigns will be successful or will generate revenue or profits.

Poor weather adversely affects attendance at our live entertainment events, which could negatively impact our financial performance from period to period.

We promote many live entertainment events. Weather conditions surrounding these events affect sales of tickets, concessions and souvenirs, among other things. Poor weather conditions can have a material effect on our results of operations particularly because we promote a finite number of events. Due to weather conditions, we may be required to reschedule an event to the next available day or a different venue, which would increase our costs for the event and could negatively impact the attendance at the event, as well as food, beverage and merchandise sales. Poor weather can affect current periods as well as successive events in future periods. If we are unable to reschedule events due to poor weather, we are forced to refund the tickets for those events.

Increased costs associated with corporate governance compliance may significantly affect our results of operations.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, require compliance with corporate governance and securities disclosure requirements, and require an ongoing review of our internal control procedures. These requirements could make it more difficult for us to attract and retain qualified members of our board of directors, or qualified executive officers. In addition, director and officer liability insurance for public companies like us has become more difficult and more expensive to obtain, and we may be required to accept reduced coverage or incur higher costs to obtain coverage that is satisfactory to us and our officers or directors. We continue to evaluate and monitor regulatory developments and cannot estimate the timing or magnitude or additional costs we may incur as a result.

If in any year we are unable to satisfy the requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, or our internal control over financial reporting is not effective, the reliability of our financial statements may be questioned and our stock price may suffer.

Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 requires any company subject to the reporting requirements of the United States securities laws to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of its and its consolidated subsidiaries' internal control over financial reporting. To comply with this statute, we are required to document and test our internal control procedures and our management is required to assess and issue a report concerning our internal control over financial reporting. The rules governing the standards that must be met for management to assess our internal control over financial reporting are complex and require significant documentation, testing and possible remediation to meet the detailed standards under the rules. During the course of annual testing, our management may identify material weaknesses or deficiencies which may not be remediated in time to meet the deadline imposed by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. If our management cannot favorably assess the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting or our auditors identify material weaknesses in our internal control, investor confidence in our financial results may weaken, and our stock price may suffer. Our efforts to comply with these regulations have resulted in, and are likely to continue resulting in, increased general and administrative expenses and diversion of management time and attention from revenue generating activities to compliance activities.

We may be adversely affected by the occurrence of extraordinary events, such as terrorist attacks.

The occurrence and threat of extraordinary events, such as terrorist attacks, intentional or unintentional mass-casualty incidents, natural disasters or similar events, may substantially decrease the use of and demand for our services and the attendance at live entertainment events, which may decrease our revenue or expose us to substantial liability. The terrorism and security incidents of September 11, 2001, military actions in Iraq, and periodic elevated terrorism alerts have raised numerous challenging operating factors, including public concerns regarding air travel, military actions and additional national or local catastrophic incidents, causing a nationwide disruption of commercial and leisure activities.

Following September 11, 2001, some artists refused to travel or book tours, which adversely affected our music business, and many people did not travel to New York City, which caused us to experience lower attendance levels at our theatrical performances playing on Broadway in New York City and adversely affected our theatrical business. The occurrence of the 2005 terrorist attacks in London, England, also caused us to experience lower attendance levels at our theatrical performances playing on the West End in London. The occurrence or threat of future terrorist attacks, military actions by the United States, contagious disease outbreaks, natural disasters such as earthquakes and severe floods or similar events cannot be predicted, and their occurrence can be expected to negatively affect the economies of the United States and other foreign countries where we do business.

Risks Relating to Our Common Stock

We cannot predict the prices at which our common stock may trade.

Our stock price has fluctuated between \$9.26 and \$25.63 since the spin-off in December 2005. The market price of our common stock may continue to fluctuate significantly due to a number of factors, some of which may be beyond our control, including:

- our quarterly or annual earnings, or those of other companies in our industry;
- actual or anticipated fluctuations in our operating results due to the seasonality of our business and other factors related to our business;
- our loss or inability to obtain significant popular artists or theatrical productions;
- · changes in accounting standards, policies, guidance, interpretations or principles;
- announcements by us or our competitors of significant contracts or acquisitions;
- the publication by securities analysts of financial estimates or reports about our business;

- changes by securities analysts of earnings estimates or reports, or our inability to meet those estimates or achieve any goals
 described in those reports;
- the disclosure of facts about our business that may differ from those assumed by securities analysts in preparing their estimates or reports about our company;
- the operating and stock price performance of other comparable companies;
- overall market fluctuations; and
- general economic conditions.

In particular, the realization of any of the risks described in these Risk Factors could have a significant and adverse impact on the market price of our common stock. In addition, the stock market in general has experienced extreme price and volume volatility that has often been unrelated to the operating performance of particular companies. This volatility has had a significant impact on the market price of securities issued by many companies, including companies in our industry. The changes frequently appear to occur without regard to the operating performance of these companies. The price of our common stock could fluctuate based upon factors that have little or nothing to do with our company, and these fluctuations could materially reduce our stock price.

The price of our common stock may fluctuate significantly, and investors could lose all or part of the value of their common stock.

In recent years, the stock market has experienced extreme price and volume fluctuations. This volatility has had a significant impact on the market price of securities issued by many companies, including companies in our industry. The changes frequently appear to occur without regard to the operating performance of these companies. The price of our common stock could fluctuate based upon factors that have little or nothing to do with our company, and these fluctuations could materially reduce our stock price.

In the past, some companies that have had volatile market prices for their securities have been subject to securities class action suits filed against them. If a suit were to be filed against us, regardless of the outcome, it could result in substantial legal costs and a diversion of our management's attention and resources. This could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Our corporate governance documents, rights agreement and Delaware law may delay or prevent an acquisition of us that shareholders may consider favorable, which could decrease the value of our common stock.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws and Delaware law contain provisions that could make it more difficult for a third party to acquire us without the consent of our board of directors. These provisions include restrictions on the ability of our shareholders to remove directors and supermajority voting requirements for shareholders to amend our organizational documents, a classified board of directors and limitations on action by our shareholders by written consent. Two of our eleven directors are also directors of Clear Channel. In addition, our board of directors has the right to issue preferred stock without shareholder approval, which could be used to dilute the stock ownership of a potential hostile acquirer. Delaware law, for instance, also imposes some restrictions on mergers and other business combinations between any holder of 15% or more of our outstanding common stock and us. Although we believe these provisions protect our shareholders from coercive or otherwise unfair takeover tactics and thereby provide for an opportunity to receive a higher bid by requiring potential acquirers to negotiate with our board of directors, these provisions apply even if the offer may be considered beneficial by some shareholders.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that, subject to any written agreement to the contrary, which agreement does not currently exist, Clear Channel will have no duty to refrain from engaging in the same or similar business activities or lines of business as us or doing business with any of our customers or

vendors or employing or otherwise engaging or soliciting any of our officers, directors or employees. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that if Clear Channel acquires knowledge of a potential transaction or matter which may be a corporate opportunity for both us and Clear Channel, we will generally renounce our interest in the corporate opportunity. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation renounces any interest or expectancy in such corporate opportunity that will belong to Clear Channel. Clear Channel will, to the fullest extent permitted by law, have satisfied its fiduciary duty with respect to such a corporate opportunity and will not be liable to us or our shareholders for breach of any fiduciary duty as our shareholder by reason of the fact that it acquires or seeks the corporate opportunity for itself, directs that corporate opportunity to another person or does not present that corporate opportunity to us. These provisions could make an acquisition of us less advantageous to a third party.

Our obligation to indemnify, under certain circumstances, Clear Channel and its affiliates pursuant to the tax matters agreement against tax-related liabilities, if any, caused by the failure of the spin-off to qualify as a tax-free transaction under Section 355 of the Code (including as a result of Section 355(e) of the Code) could deter a change of control of us.

We have also adopted a shareholder rights plan intended to deter hostile or coercive attempts to acquire us. Under the plan, if any person or group acquires, or begins a tender or exchange offer that could result in such person acquiring, 15% or more of our common stock, and in the case of certain Schedule 13G filers, 20% or more of our common stock, without approval of our board of directors under specified circumstances, our other shareholders have the right to purchase shares of our common stock, or shares of the acquiring company, at a substantial discount to the public market price. Therefore, the plan makes an acquisition much more costly to a potential acquirer.

In addition, the terms of our senior secured credit facility provide that the lenders can require us to repay all outstanding indebtedness upon a change of control, and the preferred stock requires one of our subsidiaries to offer to repurchase the preferred stock at 101% of the liquidation preference upon a change of control. These provisions make an acquisition more costly to a potential acquirer. See Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Liquidity and Capital Resources—Redeemable Preferred Stock.

We have no plans to pay dividends on our common stock, which could affect its market price.

We currently intend to retain any future earnings to finance the growth, development and expansion of our business. Accordingly, we do not intend to declare or pay any dividends on our common stock for the foreseeable future. The declaration, payment and amount of future dividends, if any, will be at the sole discretion of our board of directors after taking into account various factors, including our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow from operations, current and anticipated capital requirements and expansion plans, the income tax laws then in effect and the requirements of Delaware law. In addition, our preferred stock and the agreement governing our senior secured credit facility include restrictions on our ability to pay cash dividends without meeting certain financial ratios and obtaining the consent of the lenders. Accordingly, holders of common stock will not receive cash payments on their investment and the market price may be adversely affected.

Future sales or other issuances of our common stock could adversely affect its market price.

We have a large number of shares of common stock outstanding and available for resale beginning at various points in time in the future. Sales of a substantial number of shares of our common stock in the public market, or the possibility that these sales may occur, could cause the market price for our common stock to decline. As of December 31, 2007, there were 74,893,005 shares of our common stock outstanding. As of December 31, 2007, there were 62,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options outstanding at a weighted average exercise price of \$11.35 per share.

We continually explore acquisition opportunities consistent with our strategy. These acquisitions may involve the payment of cash, the incurrence of debt or the issuance of common stock or other securities. Any such issuance could be at a valuation lower than the trading price of our common stock at the time. The price of our common stock could also be affected by possible sales of our common stock by hedging or arbitrage trading activity that may develop involving our common stock. The hedging or arbitrage could, in turn, affect the trading prices of the notes.

Conversion of the notes may dilute the ownership interest of existing stockholders and may affect our per share results and the trading price of our common stock.

The issuance of shares of our common stock upon conversion of the notes may dilute the ownership interests of existing stockholders. Issuances of stock on conversion may also affect our per share results of operations. Any sales in the public market of our common stock issuable upon such conversion could adversely affect prevailing market prices of our common stock.

We can issue preferred stock without stockholder approval, which could materially adversely affect the rights of common stockholders.

Our certificate of incorporation authorizes us to issue "blank check" preferred stock, the designation, number, voting powers, preferences and rights of which may be fixed or altered from time to time by our board of directors. Our subsidiaries may also issue additional shares of preferred stock. Accordingly, the board of directors has the authority, without stockholder approval, to issue preferred stock with rights that could materially adversely affect the voting power or other rights of the common stockholders or the market value of the common stock.

Risks Relating to Our Separation from Clear Channel

We have a short operating history as a separate publicly-traded company and our historical combined and consolidated financial information is not necessarily representative of the results we would have achieved as a separate publicly-traded company and may not be a reliable indicator of our future results.

In December 2005, we were spun-off from Clear Channel, and, therefore, we have minimal operating history as a separate publicly-traded company. The historical consolidated and combined financial information included in this Form 10-K for years prior to 2006 does not necessarily reflect the financial condition, results of operations or cash flows we would have achieved as a separate publicly-traded company during the periods presented or those we will achieve in the future. This is primarily a result of the following factors:

- Prior to the Separation, our working capital requirements and capital for our general corporate purposes, including acquisitions and capital expenditures, were satisfied as part of the corporate-wide cash management policies of Clear Channel. As a result of our separation, Clear Channel is no longer providing us with funds to finance our working capital or other cash requirements. Without the opportunity to obtain financing from Clear Channel, we may need to obtain additional financing from banks, or through public offerings or private placements of debt or equity securities, strategic relationships or other arrangements. We currently have a credit rating of B1 by Moody's Investors Services, Inc. and B by Standards & Poor's Rating Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., that is lower than Clear Channel's credit rating and, as a result, we will incur debt on terms and at interest rates that will not be as favorable as those generally enjoyed by Clear Channel.
- Significant changes may occur in our cost structure, management, financing and business operations as a result of our operating
 as a company separate from Clear Channel. These changes may result in increased costs associated with reduced economies of
 scale, stand-alone costs for services previously provided by Clear Channel, the need for additional personnel to perform services
 previously provided

by Clear Channel and the legal, accounting, compliance and other costs associated with being a public company with equity securities listed on a national stock exchange. During 2007, we continued to use on a temporary basis certain services of Clear Channel under the transition services agreement. We have now implemented, or are in the process of implementing these functions. As we continue to implement these functions, the costs may be higher than previous years' allocations or current estimates and our losses may increase.

The Separation could result in significant tax liability to our initial public shareholders.

Clear Channel received a private letter ruling from the Internal Revenue Service substantially to the effect that the distribution of our common stock to its shareholders qualifies as a tax-free distribution for United States federal income tax purposes under Sections 355 and 368(a)(1)(D) of the Code. Although a private letter ruling from the Internal Revenue Service generally is binding on the Internal Revenue Service, if the factual representations or assumptions made in the letter ruling request are untrue or incomplete in any material respect, we will not be able to rely on the ruling.

Furthermore, the Internal Revenue Service will not rule on whether a distribution satisfies certain requirements necessary to obtain tax-free treatment under Section 355 of the Code. Rather, the ruling is based upon representations by Clear Channel that these conditions have been satisfied, and any inaccuracy in such representations could invalidate the ruling. Therefore, in addition to obtaining the ruling from the Internal Revenue Service, Clear Channel made it a condition to the Separation that Clear Channel obtain an opinion of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP that the Distribution will qualify as a tax-free distribution for United States federal income tax purposes under Sections 355 and 368(a)(1)(D) of the Code. The opinion relies on the ruling as to matters covered by the ruling. In addition, the opinion is based on, among other things, certain assumptions and representations as to factual matters made by Clear Channel and us, which if incorrect or inaccurate in any material respect would jeopardize the conclusions reached by counsel in its opinion. The opinion is not binding on the Internal Revenue Service or the courts, and the Internal Revenue Service or the courts may not agree with the opinion.

Notwithstanding receipt by Clear Channel of the ruling and opinion of counsel, the Internal Revenue Service could assert that the Distribution does not qualify for tax-free treatment for United States federal income tax purposes. If the Internal Revenue Service were successful in taking this position, our initial public shareholders could be subject to significant United States federal income tax liability. In general, our initial public shareholders could be subject to tax as if they had received a taxable distribution equal to the fair market value of our common stock that was distributed to them.

The Separation could result in significant tax-related liabilities to us.

As discussed above, notwithstanding receipt by Clear Channel of the ruling and the opinion of counsel, the Internal Revenue Service could assert that the Distribution does not qualify for tax-free treatment for United States federal income tax purposes. If the Internal Revenue Service were successful in taking this position, Clear Channel could be subject to significant United States federal income tax liability. In general, Clear Channel would be subject to tax as if it had sold the common stock of our company in a taxable sale for its fair market value. In addition, even if the Distribution otherwise were to qualify under Section 355 of the Code, it may be taxable to Clear Channel as if it had sold the common stock of our company in a taxable sale for its fair market value under Section 355(e) of the Code, if the Distribution were later deemed to be part of a plan (or series of related transactions) pursuant to which one or more persons acquire directly or indirectly stock representing a 50% or greater interest in Clear Channel or us. For this purpose, any acquisitions of Clear Channel stock or of our stock within the period beginning two years before the Distribution and ending two years after the Distribution are presumed to be part of such a plan, although we or Clear Channel may be able to rebut that presumption.

Although such corporate-level taxes, if any, resulting from a taxable distribution generally would be imposed on Clear Channel, we have agreed in the tax matters agreement to indemnify Clear Channel and its affiliates against tax-related liabilities, if any, caused by the failure of the Separation to qualify as a tax-free transaction under Section 355 of the Code (including as a result of Section 355(e) of the Code) if the failure to so qualify is attributable to actions, events or transactions relating to our stock, assets or business, or a breach of the relevant representations or covenants made by us in the tax matters agreement. If the failure of the Separation to qualify under Section 355 of the Code is for any reason for which neither we nor Clear Channel is responsible, we and Clear Channel have agreed in the tax matters agreement that we will each be responsible for 50% of the tax-related liabilities arising from the failure to so qualify. Clear Channel reported a \$2.4 billion capital loss as a result of the Separation. See Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data—Note 10 Related-Party Transactions—Relationship with Clear Channel for a more detailed discussion of the tax matters agreement between Clear Channel and us.

We could be liable for income taxes owed by Clear Channel.

Each member of the Clear Channel consolidated group, which includes Clear Channel, our company and our subsidiaries through December 21, 2005, and Clear Channel's other subsidiaries, is jointly and severally liable for the United States federal income tax liability of each other member of the consolidated group. Consequently, we could be liable in the event any such liability is incurred, and not discharged, by any other member of the Clear Channel consolidated group. Disputes or assessments could arise during future audits by the Internal Revenue Service in amounts that we cannot quantify. In addition, Clear Channel has recognized a capital loss for United States federal income tax purposes in connection with the Separation. If Clear Channel is unable to deduct such capital loss for United States federal income tax purposes as a result of any action we take following the Separation or our breach of a relevant representation or covenant made by us in the tax matters agreement, we have agreed in the tax matters agreement to indemnify Clear Channel for the lost tax benefits that Clear Channel would have otherwise realized if it were able to deduct this loss. See Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data—Note 10 Related-Party Transactions—Relationship with Clear Channel.

ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

As of December 31, 2007, we own, operate or lease 93 entertainment venues and 66 other facilities, including office leases, throughout North America and 37 entertainment venues and 33 other facilities internationally. We believe our venues and facilities are generally well-maintained and in good operating condition and have adequate capacity to meet our current business needs. We have a five-year lease ending June 30, 2010 for our corporate headquarters in Beverly Hills, California, used primarily by our executive and domestic operations management staff. We also have a nine-year lease ending September 29, 2016, for office space in London, England, used primarily by our international operations management staff.

Our leases are for varying terms ranging from monthly to multi-year. These leases can typically be for terms of three to ten years for our office leases and 15 to 25 years for our venue leases, and many provide for renewal options. There is no significant concentration of venues under any one lease or subject to negotiation with any one landlord. We believe that an important part of our management activity is to negotiate suitable lease renewals and extensions.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We were a defendant in a lawsuit filed by Malinda Heerwagen on June 13, 2002, in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. The plaintiff, on behalf of a putative class consisting of certain concert ticket purchasers, alleged that anti-competitive practices for concert promotion services by us nationwide caused artificially high ticket prices. On August 11, 2003, the Court ruled in our favor, denying the plaintiff's class certification motion. The plaintiff appealed this decision to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. On January 10, 2006, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit affirmed the ruling in our favor by the District Court. On January 17, 2006, the plaintiff filed a Notice of Voluntary Dismissal of her action in the Southern District of New York.

We are a defendant in twenty-two putative class actions filed by different named plaintiffs in various U.S. District Courts throughout the country. The claims made in these actions are substantially similar to the claims made in the *Heerwagen* action described above, except that the geographic markets alleged are regional, statewide or more local in nature, and the members of the putative classes are limited to individuals who purchased tickets to concerts in the relevant geographic markets alleged. The plaintiffs seek unspecified compensatory, punitive and treble damages, declaratory and injunctive relief and costs of suit, including attorneys' fees. We have filed our answers in some of these actions, and we have denied liability. On December 5, 2005, we filed a motion before the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation to transfer these actions and any similar ones commenced in the future to a single federal district court for coordinated pre-trial proceedings. On April 17, 2006, the Panel granted our motion and ordered the consolidation and transfer of the actions to the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California. On June 4, 2007, the Court conducted a hearing on the plaintiffs' motion for class certification. On June 25, 2007, the Court entered an order to stay all proceedings in the case pending the Court's ruling on the plaintiffs' motion for class certification. On October 22, 2007, the Court ruled in the plaintiffs' favor, granting the plaintiffs' motion for class certification and certifying a class in the Chicago, New England, New York/New Jersey, Colorado and Southern California regional markets. On November 5, 2007, we filed a Petition for Permission to Appeal from Order Granting Class Certification with the U.S. District Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. At a status conference conducted on November 5, 2007, the U.S. District Court extended its stay of all proceedings pending further developments in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. On February 15, 2008, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit issued an order denying our Petition for Permission to Appeal. On February 20, 2008, we filed a Motion with the U.S. District Court for Reconsideration of its October 22, 2007 order granting the plaintiffs' motion for class certification. We intend to vigorously defend all claims in all of the actions.

From time to time, we are involved in other legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of our business, including proceedings and claims based upon violations of antitrust laws and tortious interference, which could cause us to incur significant expenses. We also have been the subject of personal injury and wrongful death claims relating to accidents at our venues in connection with our operations. As required, we accrue our estimate of the probable settlement or other losses for the resolution of any outstanding claims. These estimates have been developed in consultation with counsel and are based upon an analysis of potential results, assuming a combination of litigation and settlement strategies. It is possible, however, that future results of operations for any particular period could be materially affected by changes in our assumptions or the effectiveness of our strategies related to these proceedings. In addition, under our agreements with Clear Channel, we have assumed and will indemnify Clear Channel for liabilities related to our business for which they are a party in the defense.

ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

None.

PART II

ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Our common stock was listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "LYV" on December 21, 2005. There were 3,513 shareholders of record as of February 22, 2008. This figure does not include an estimate of the indeterminate number of beneficial holders whose shares may be held of record by brokerage firms and clearing agencies. The following table presents the high and low sales prices of the common stock on the New York Stock Exchange during the calendar quarter indicated.

	Commo	on Stock
	Marke	t Price
	High	Low
2006		
First Quarter	\$19.99	\$12.77
Second Quarter	\$24.90	\$18.87
Third Quarter	\$22.66	\$18.17
Fourth Quarter	\$24.66	\$19.60
2007		
First Quarter	\$25.63	\$21.07
Second Quarter	\$24.09	\$18.75
Third Quarter	\$23.27	\$16.85
Fourth Quarter	\$24.03	\$12.50

Dividend Policy

Since the Separation and through December 31, 2007, we have not declared or paid any dividends. We presently intend to retain future earnings, if any, to finance the expansion of our business. Therefore, we do not expect to pay any cash dividends in the foreseeable future. Moreover, the terms of our senior secured credit facility and the designations of our preferred stock limit the amount of funds which we will have available to declare and distribute as dividends on our common stock. Payment of future cash dividends, if any, will be at the discretion of our board of directors in accordance with applicable law after taking into account various factors, including our financial condition, operating results, current and anticipated cash needs, plans for expansion and contractual restrictions with respect to the payment of dividends.

Equity Compensation Plans

Information regarding our equity compensation plans is incorporated by reference from Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters of this annual report on Form 10-K and should be considered an integral part of this Item 5.

Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

On December 27, 2007, in connection with our acquisition of Signatures, we issued 1,526,036 shares of our common stock with a value of \$30.0 million to a trust company which was the sole stockholder of Signatures. The shares were not initially registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and were issued in reliance upon the exemptions from registration provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and Rule 506 of Regulation D. The merger agreement contained representations from the holder of the shares to support our reasonable belief that the holder acquired the shares for its own account and not with a view to distribution, and that the holder is an "accredited investor" as defined in Regulation D. On January 31, 2008, we registered 1,017,408 of these shares for resale under the Securities Act pursuant to a registration rights agreement.

ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

	Year Ended December 31, (1) (2)				
(in thousands, except per share data)	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Results of Operations Data:					
Revenue	\$2,707,902	\$2,806,128	\$2,936,845	\$3,711,715	\$4,184,981
Operating Expenses:					
Direct operating expenses	2,039,499	2,185,127	2,310,925	2,997,863	3,333,572
Selling, general and administrative expenses	467,136	460,166	518,907	530,340	653,811
Depreciation and amortization	63,436	64,095	64,622	128,167	120,828
Loss (gain) on sale of operating assets	(978)	6,371	4,859	(11,640)	(51,226)
Corporate expenses	30,820	31,386	50,715	33,863	45,854
Operating income (loss)	107,989	58,983	(13,183)	33,122	82,142
Interest expense	2,788	3,119	6,059	37,218	61,915
Interest expense with Clear Channel Communications	41,415	42,355	46,437	_	_
Interest income	(6,870)	(3,221)	(2,506)	(12,446)	(14,479)
Equity in losses (earnings) of nonconsolidated affiliates	(1,357)	(2,906)	276	(8,407)	(4,806)
Minority interest expense	3,280	3,300	5,236	12,209	7,869
Other expense (income)—net	366	1,611	446	(1,220)	(13)
Income (loss) before income taxes	68,367	14,725	(69,131)	5,768	31,656
Income tax expense (benefit):					
Current	(68,272)	(55,946)	(53,025)	26,876	35,943
Deferred	79,607	54,411	114,513	10,334	7,649
Net income (loss)	\$ 57,032	\$ 16,260	\$ (130,619)	\$ (31,442)	\$ (11,936)
Basic and diluted net loss per common share			\$ (1.96)	\$ (0.48)	\$ (0.17)
Cash dividends per share			\$	\$ —	\$ —

	As of December 31, (1) (2)					
(in thousands)	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	
Balance Sheet Data:						
Total assets	\$1,495,715	\$1,478,706	\$1,776,584	\$2,225,002	\$2,752,103	
Long-term debt, including current maturities	\$ 617,838	\$ 650,675	\$ 366,841	\$ 639,146	\$ 822,606	
Redeemable preferred stock	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	
Business/Shareholders' equity	\$ 188,283	\$ 156,976	\$ 636,700	\$ 638,662	\$ 867,066	

- (1) Acquisitions and dispositions significantly impact the comparability of the historical consolidated financial data reflected in this schedule of Selected Financial Data.
- (2) Prior to the Separation, the combined financial statements include amounts that are comprised of businesses included in the consolidated financial statements and accounting records of Clear Channel, using the historical bases of assets and liabilities of the entertainment business. As a result of the Separation, we recognized the par value and additional paid-in capital in connection with the issuance of our common stock in exchange for the net assets contributed at that time.

The Selected Financial Data should be read in conjunction with Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

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

You should read the following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations together with the audited consolidated and combined financial statements and notes to the financial statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report. This discussion contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. The forward-looking statements are not historical facts, but rather are based on current expectations, estimates, assumptions and projections about our industry, business and future financial results. Our actual results could differ materially from the results contemplated by these forward-looking statements due to a number of factors, including those discussed under Item 1A. Risk Factors and other sections in this Annual Report.

Executive Overview

During 2007 we continued to execute on our strategy to improve and build our core business, comprised of our North American Music, International Music, Global Artists and Global Digital segments and to divest non-core operations. The highlights for each of our segments for 2007 were:

North American Music

- For the year ended December 31, 2007, our live music attendance increased by 3.3 million to 28.0 million total fans, a 13% increase over the prior year.
- During 2007, our goal was to improve the operating results of our amphitheaters versus 2006, stopping the annual declines in
 operating income we had seen in this business in prior years. We were successful in achieving our goal this year even as the
 2007 summer concert season proved to be weaker than in 2006 overall.
- Of particular importance, we held 856 events in our owned and/or operated amphitheaters, a decrease of 67 events in those venues over the prior year. This decrease was intentional and was based on our focused plan to reduce the number of events that had less than 7,500 attendees at these venues as these smaller events tend to be less profitable and do not produce the best experience for the artist. Overall, our amphitheater attendance increased by 0.1 million attendees over the same period of the prior year.
- We have substantially completed the integration of the 2006 acquisition of House of Blues, or HOB, and were successful in our
 overall cost reduction of \$15.8 million of costs through the achievement of synergies between our existing business and HOB.
- Our North American venue portfolio was expanded during 2007 through the addition of the Dodge Theater in January 2007, the Hollywood Palladium in April 2007 and *The Fillmore* Miami Beach at the Jackie Gleason Theater in June 2007.
- We continued to focus on the process of divesting of a small number of non-core or underperforming venues in 2007 where
 economically feasible. We were successful in selling the Starwood Amphitheater in Nashville and also sold an office building
 that we owned in San Francisco.

International Music

- For the year ended December 31, 2007, our number of events increased by 443 events to 2,894, an 18% increase over the prior year. In addition, our attendance increased by 0.8 million fans over the prior year. These increases were largely driven by acquisitions.
- We expanded our international venue portfolio in 2007 through our two-step acquisition of a consolidating interest in AMG, which owns or operates 12 music venues in the United Kingdom. In line with its strategy to expand its venue portfolio throughout the United Kingdom, AMG opened the

Oxford Academy in September 2007 and has further venues in development for Sheffield, Leeds and Brighton, with Sheffield expected to open in April 2008.

Despite bad weather impacting much of Europe over the summer, our festivals continued to grow. Established festivals such as
 Reading and *Leeds* in the United Kingdom, *Werchter* in Belgium and *Lowlands* in Holland all experienced increases in
 attendance and more recently created festivals, such as *Latitude* in the United Kingdom, firmly established themselves on the
 festival calendar.

Global Artists

- This segment includes the results from our global tours for artists such as The Rolling Stones, U2, Madonna and The Police. In addition, it includes our Live Nation Artists division which partners with artists to help them reach their fullest potential by managing their diverse rights in a unified manner, increasing their fan bases and providing a direct connection to fans through Live Nation's global distribution platform and sponsorship relationships.
- The Police, who reformed after 23 years, returned in 2007 resulting in the highest domestic grossing tour of the year. The tour included over 70 events across 19 countries around the world and played to largely sold out audiences.
- In October 2007, we announced that we had signed Madonna to a ten-year relationship which encompasses Madonna's future
 music and music-related businesses, including the exploitation of the Madonna brand, touring, merchandising, fan club/website,
 DVDs, music-related television and film projects, distribution of recorded music and associated sponsorship agreements. This
 unique new business model will address all of Madonna's music ventures as a total business enterprise for the first time in her
 career.
- Our acquisitions in 2007 have been built around our strategy of providing more services to the artist, and included the
 acquisitions of the remaining interest in Musictoday in July 2007, the remaining interest in CPI in September 2007, Anthill, a
 global merchandising company, in October 2007, and Signatures, the global leader in artist merchandising, in December 2007.
- As expected, our global touring season was not as strong as the 2006 season solely due to the decline in the number of tours by major artists. In addition, during 2007 we made investments in building the Live Nation Artists division of this business.

Global Digital

- Live Nation's domestic website, www.livenation.com, continued to grow with over 27.7 million unique visitors during 2007. Globally, Live Nation's websites had over 110.7 million unique visitors during 2007.
- During 2007, we launched globally consistent websites in the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Spain, Italy and Poland which offer fans a powerful concert search engine and special online access to tickets and merchandise. In January 2008, we launched similar websites in Norway, Finland, Denmark and Sweden. In addition, in October 2007, we announced a partnership with viagogo, Europe's leading online secondary ticketing company, to become our official secondary ticketing partner in the Netherlands. We also launched additional functionality to our website including ticket auctions, 3D seat maps for a number of our amphitheaters and video recorded at our events.
- In December 2007, we entered into a long-term agreement with CTS Eventim which will enable us to launch our own ticketing
 business utilizing what we believe to be one of the most technologically advanced ticketing platforms in the world. We will
 exclusively license the Eventim platform in North America, and Eventim will provide back-office ticketing services in the
 United Kingdom and ticketing services across Europe. The new agreement will allow us to begin selling tickets for 2009 events.
 The

new ticketing platform will also allow us to control customer data, to create enhanced ticket-based concert products and to capitalize on expanded distribution channels and sponsorship opportunities.

Global Theater

- Early in 2007, we announced that we had commenced a process to divest the majority of our North American theatrical business
 operations. As part of this process, we sold our 50% nonconsolidated interest in Broadway in Chicago, or BIC, in December
 2007.
- In January 2008, we completed the sale of the majority of the remaining North American theatrical business through the sale of our *Broadway Across America* business, which produces and/or presents Broadway shows at primarily third-party venues in the United States and Canada, as well as our interest in three owned and five leased and/or managed theatrical venues located in Minneapolis, Boston, Baltimore and Toronto.

Other Information

• As part of our focus on expanding our strategic marketing alliances, we announced in February 2008 that we have entered into an agreement with Citi® that leverages Live Nation's fully integrated music platform, including concerts, online ticketing and access to Live Nation Artists, to deliver what we believe to be a uniquely comprehensive music experience to Citi® customers in the United States. Citi's® investment will grant them "official credit card partner" status at Live Nation and will give Citi® customers potential benefits including access to presale and preferred tickets, box seats at select venues, premium seats, exclusive merchandise and a variety of unique VIP experiences.

Our Separation from Clear Channel

We were formed through acquisitions of various entertainment businesses and assets by our predecessors. On August 1, 2000, Clear Channel acquired our entertainment business. On August 2, 2005, we were incorporated in our current form as a Delaware corporation to own substantially all of the entertainment business of Clear Channel. On December 21, 2005, the separation of the business previously conducted by Clear Channel's live entertainment segment and sports representation business, now comprising our business, and the distribution by Clear Channel of all of our common stock to its shareholders, was completed in a tax free spin-off. Following our separation from Clear Channel, we became a separate publicly traded company on the New York Stock Exchange trading under the symbol "LYV".

Basis of Presentation

Prior to the Separation, our combined financial statements include amounts that are comprised of businesses included in the consolidated financial statements and accounting records of Clear Channel, using the historical bases of assets and liabilities of the entertainment business. Management believes the assumptions underlying the combined financial statements are reasonable. However, the combined financial statements included herein may not reflect what our results of operations, financial position and cash flows would have been had we operated as a separate, stand-alone entity during the periods presented. As a result of the Separation, we recognized the par value and additional paid-in capital in connection with the issuance of our common stock in exchange for the net assets of Clear Channel's entertainment business contributed at that time, and we began accumulating retained earnings and currency translation adjustments upon completion of the Separation. Beginning on December 21, 2005, our consolidated financial statements include all accounts of Live Nation and our majority owned subsidiaries and also variable interest entities for which we are the primary beneficiary.

Segment Overview

Our reportable segments are North American Music, International Music, Global Artists, Global Digital and Global Theater. In addition, we have operations in the specialized motor sports, sports representation and other businesses which are included under "other".

North American Music

Our North American Music segment principally involves the promotion of live music events in our owned and/or operated venues and in rented third-party venues. While our North American Music segment operates year-round, we experience higher revenue during the second and third quarters due to the seasonal nature of shows at our outdoor amphitheaters, which primarily occur May through September.

To judge the health of our North American Music segment, we primarily monitor the number of confirmed events in our network of owned and/or operated and third-party venues, talent fees, average paid attendance and advance ticket sales. In addition, at our owned and/or operated venues, we monitor attendance, food and beverage sales per attendee, premium seat sales and corporate sponsorship sales.

See further discussion of our North American Music segment in Item 1. Business—Operating Segments.

International Music

Our International Music segment principally involves the promotion of live music events in our owned and/or operated venues and in rented third-party venues and the production of music festivals. While our International Music segment operates year-round, we experience higher revenue during the second and third quarters due to the seasonal nature of our international festivals, which primarily occur June through August.

To judge the health of our International Music segment, we primarily monitor the number of confirmed events in our network of owned and/or operated and third-party venues, talent fees, average paid attendance and advance ticket sales. In addition, at our owned and/or operated venues, we monitor attendance and food and beverage sales per attendee. Because this business is conducted in foreign markets, we look at the operating results from our foreign operations on a constant dollar basis.

See further discussion of our International Music segment in Item 1. Business—Operating Segments.

Global Artists

Our Global Artists segment principally involves the production and/or promotion of global music tours as well as providing various services to artists. While our Global Artists segment operates year-round, the timing of tours of top-grossing acts can impact comparability of quarterly results year over year, although annual results may or may not be impacted.

To judge the health of our Global Artists segment, we primarily monitor the number of confirmed events, paid attendance and tour contribution margin. In addition, for our Live Nation Artists services, we monitor the number of artist clients, services provided per artist client and revenue per artist client.

See further discussion of our Global Artists segment in Item 1. Business—Operating Segments.

Global Digital

Our Global Digital segment is creating the new internet and digital platform for Live Nation. This segment is involved in managing our in-house ticketing operations and online and wireless distribution activities, including the development of our website.

To judge the health of our Global Digital segment, we primarily review the number of tickets sold through our in-house centralized ticketing operations, the number of unique visitors to our websites and the overall number of customers in our database.

See further discussion of our Global Digital segment in Item 1. Business—Operating Segments.

Global Theater

Our Global Theater segment principally involves the presentation and production of touring and other theatrical performances, owning and/or operating theatrical venues and selling sponsorships and advertising. While our Global Theater segment operates year-round, we experience higher revenue during the first, second and fourth quarters as the theatrical touring season typically runs from September to April.

To judge the health of our Global Theater segment, we primarily monitor the number of confirmed events, average show profit, paid attendance and advance ticket sales. In addition, at our owned and/or operated theater venues, we monitor attendance, food and beverage sales per attendee and corporate sponsorship sales. Because a portion of our global theater business is conducted in foreign markets, we look at the operating results from our foreign operations on a constant dollar basis.

See further discussion of our Global Theater segment in Item 1. Business—Operating Segments.

Consolidated and Combined Results of Operations

	Year Ended December 31,			% Change	% Change
(in thousands)	2007	2006	2005	2007 vs. 2006	2006 vs. 2005
Revenue	\$4,184,981	\$3,711,715	\$2,936,845	13%	26%
Operating expenses:					
Direct operating expenses	3,333,572	2,997,863	2,310,925	11%	30%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	653,811	530,340	518,907	23%	2%
Depreciation and amortization	120,828	128,167	64,622	(6)%	98%
Loss (gain) on sale of operating assets	(51,226)	(11,640)	4,859	340%	**
Corporate expenses	45,854	33,863	50,715	35%	(33)%
Operating income (loss)	82,142	33,122	(13,183)	148%	**
Operating margin	2.0%	0.9%	(0.5)%		
Interest expense	61,915	37,218	6,059		
Interest expense with Clear Channel					
Communications	_	_	46,437		
Interest income	(14,479)	(12,446)	(2,506)		
Equity in losses (earnings) of nonconsolidated					
affiliates	(4,806)	(8,407)	276		
Minority interest expense	7,869	12,209	5,236		
Other expense (income)—net	(13)	(1,220)	446		
Income (loss) before income taxes	31,656	5,768	(69,131)		
Income tax expense (benefit): Current	35,943	26,876	(53,025)		
Deferred	7,649	10,334	114,513		
Net loss	\$ (11,936)	\$ (31,442)	\$ (130,619)		

Note: Non-cash compensation expense of \$10.8 million and \$1.6 million is included in corporate expenses and \$18.4 million and \$1.7 million is included in selling, general and administrative expenses for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. For the year ended December 31, 2005, non-cash

compensation expense of \$1.3 million was included in corporate expenses and was based on an allocation from Clear Channel related to issuance of Clear Channel stock awards above fair value. The non-cash compensation expense for 2007 includes expenses related to stock option and restricted stock grants as well as incentive bonuses being paid in stock in lieu of cash.

** Percentages are not meaningful.

Key Operating Metrics

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Total attendance 64,274	000	59,744,000	55,791,000
Further detail of North American Music promotions:			
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All other 19,583		16,401,000	15,281,000
Total North American Music promotion attendance 28,004	000	24,730,000	22,405,000

Note: Promotions listed above include events in our owned and/or operated venues as well as events we promote in third-party venues. Events and attendance information for our exhibition and sports representation businesses have been excluded as the majority of these businesses were either sold or shut down during 2006. The 2007 Global Artists data excludes 88 events and 31,000 attendees for a theatrical production. The 2006 International Music data is not comparable to 2005 because the 2006 promotion data includes 710 events and 221,000 attendees for 2006 for Mean Fiddler Music Group, Plc, or Mean Fiddler, venues in the United Kingdom and the 2006 third-party rental data includes 526 events and 349,000 attendees for 2006 for Mean Fiddler venues. The data for Mean Fiddler for 2005 is not available.

Revenue

Our revenue increased \$473.3 million, or 13%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increases in revenue from our North American Music, International Music and Global Artists segments of \$325.8 million, \$211.3 million and \$17.5 million, respectively, partially offset by decreases in revenue in our Global Theater and other operations of \$26.0 million and \$41.7 million, respectively. The total increase in revenue includes the impact of our acquisitions during the year. Included in the increase in revenue for the year ended December 31, 2007 is approximately \$116.7 million from increases in foreign exchange rates as compared to the same period of 2006.

Our revenue increased \$774.9 million, or 26%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increases in revenue from our North American Music, International Music, Global Artists and Global Theater segments of \$277.3 million, \$164.4 million, \$324.5 million and \$49.0 million, respectively, partially offset by a decrease in revenue in our other operations of \$41.1 million. The total increase in revenue includes the impact of our acquisitions during the year. Included in the increase in revenue for the year ended December 31, 2006 is approximately \$39.6 million from increases in foreign exchange rates as compared to the same period of 2005.

More detailed explanations of the years ended 2007 and 2006 changes are included in the applicable segment discussions contained herein.

Direct operating expenses

Our direct operating expenses increased \$335.7 million, or 11%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increases in direct operating expenses in our North American Music, International Music and Global Artists segments of \$208.7 million, \$178.1 million and \$20.5 million, respectively, partially offset by a decrease in our Global Theater and other operations of \$34.5 million and \$21.5 million, respectively. Included in the increase in direct operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2007 is approximately \$93.5 million from increases in foreign exchange rates as compared to the same period of 2006.

Our direct operating expenses increased \$686.9 million, or 30%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increases in direct operating expenses in our North American Music, International Music, Global Artists and Global Theater segments of \$240.9 million, \$137.0 million, \$280.1 million and \$44.5 million, respectively, partially offset by a decrease in our other operations of \$14.6 million. We recorded write-downs on certain prepaid production costs related to DVDs and a theatrical production of \$4.8 million during 2006 in our Global Theater segment and other operations. Direct operating expenses in 2005 included \$13.4 million of write-offs of advances on certain music and theater projects and other reorganization costs. Included in the increase in direct operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2006 is approximately \$32.2 million from increases in foreign exchange rates as compared to the same period of 2005.

Direct operating expenses include artist fees, show related marketing and advertising expenses along with other costs.

More detailed explanations of the years ended 2007 and 2006 changes are included in the applicable segment discussions contained herein.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Our selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$123.5 million, or 23%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increases in selling, general

and administrative expenses of our North American Music, International Music and Global Artists segments of \$84.6 million, \$27.3 million and \$25.7 million, respectively, partially offset by a decrease in our other operations of \$14.9 million. Included in the increase in selling, general and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2007 is approximately \$16.0 million from increases in foreign exchange rates as compared to the same period of 2006.

Our selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$11.4 million, or 2%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increases in selling, general and administrative expenses of our North American Music, International Music and Global Artists segments of \$20.9 million, \$20.6 million and \$18.4 million, respectively, partially offset by decreases in our Global Theater segment and other operations of \$10.8 million and \$46.4 million, respectively. Partially offsetting the overall increase was a reduction of \$7.0 million related to certain pre-acquisition contingencies for legal matters which were resolved during the year. In addition there were reductions due to expenses of approximately \$45.0 million related to severance costs and litigation contingencies and expenses that were recorded during the year ended December 31, 2005. Included in the increase in selling, general and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2006 is approximately \$2.6 million from increases in foreign exchange rates as compared to the same period of 2005.

More detailed explanations of the years ended 2007 and 2006 changes are included in the applicable segment discussions contained herein.

Depreciation and amortization

Our depreciation and amortization decreased \$7.3 million, or 6%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to decreases in depreciation and amortization of our North American Music and Global Theater segments of \$17.5 million and \$7.2 million, respectively, partially offset by an increase in our Global Artists segment of \$13.7 million.

Our depreciation and amortization increased \$63.5 million, or 98%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increases in depreciation and amortization of our North American Music, International Music, Global Artists and Global Theater segments of \$43.8 million, \$9.2 million, \$5.8 million and \$6.6 million, respectively. Driving this increase was an impairment charge of \$51.6 million primarily related to several amphitheaters and one theater development project that is no longer being pursued.

More detailed explanations of the years ended 2007 and 2006 changes are included in the applicable segment discussions contained herein.

Loss (gain) on sale of operating assets

Our gain on sale of operating assets increased \$39.6 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to gains recorded in 2007 on the sale of an arena/race track in Leicestershire, England, an amphitheater in Nashville, an office building in San Francisco, two mid-sized music venues in London, seven small-sized music venues in London, a theatrical theater in Chicago and our 50% interest in Broadway in Chicago. These gains were partially offset by an \$8.1 million loss recorded in 2007 on the sale of our ownership interest in the production of *Phantom: The Las Vegas Spectacular*. These increases were further offset by gains recorded in 2006 on the sale of a portion of our sports representation business assets and the sale of certain show-related prepaid production assets, theatrical productions and investments in nonconsolidated affiliates.

Our gain on sale of operating assets increased \$16.5 million during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to gains recorded in 2006 on the sale of portions of

our sports representation business assets related to basketball, golf, football, tennis, media, baseball, soccer and rugby. These gains were partially offset by a loss recorded in 2006 on the disposal of certain theatrical venue interests in Spain and further increased by a loss recorded in 2005 on the sale of certain exhibition assets.

Corporate expenses

Corporate expenses increased \$12.0 million, or 35%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to \$9.2 million of higher non-cash compensation expense for additional stock-based awards and increased headcount related to the building of corporate functions previously provided by Clear Channel, partially offset by a reduction in rent expense in our New York office due to subleasing of available space.

Corporate expenses decreased \$16.9 million, or 33%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to \$17.0 million of litigation contingencies and expenses related to a case recorded and settled in 2005 and \$4.7 million of severance expense recorded in 2005. Partially offsetting these decreases were increases in consultant expense primarily related to corporate functions that were provided by Clear Channel in 2005 and insurance expense primarily due to increased rates in 2006.

Interest expense

Interest expense increased \$24.7 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to interest expense related to our additional term loan which we obtained in the fourth quarter of 2006, our convertible notes which were issued in the third quarter of 2007, borrowings under the revolving credit facility during the period and amortization of additional debt issuance costs.

Interest expense increased \$31.2 million during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to interest expense related to our term loans, revolving credit facility and redeemable preferred stock, which did not exist until late December 2005, and a loan from a minority interest holder, which occurred in the third quarter of 2005. Partially offsetting the increase was interest expense recorded in 2005 related to a contingent purchase price payment for a prior acquisition.

Our debt balances, including redeemable preferred stock, and weighted average cost of debt were \$862.6 million and 6.77%, respectively, at December 31, 2007, and \$679.1 million and 8.18%, respectively, at December 31, 2006.

Interest expense with Clear Channel Communications

The increases and decreases in interest expense with Clear Channel Communications are directly related to the respective increase or decrease in average debt outstanding as the rate charged remained relatively consistent throughout the periods. As of December 21, 2005, this debt was repaid to or contributed to our capital by Clear Channel.

Our weighted average cost of this debt during 2005 was 7.0%.

Interest income

Interest income increased \$2.0 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to interest income earned on excess cash invested in money market funds and other short-term investments and interest income earned on HOB purchase price held in escrow.

Interest income increased \$9.9 million during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to interest income earned on excess cash invested in money market funds

and other short-term investments. Excess cash balances in 2005 were used to pay down intercompany debt with Clear Channel and therefore did not generate interest income.

Equity in losses (earnings) of nonconsolidated affiliates

Equity in earnings of nonconsolidated affiliates decreased \$3.6 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to a write-down of \$2.2 million on an investment in 2007 with no similar significant write-down in 2006 and losses recorded for our investment in Rock in Rio Madrid S.A. primarily related to advertising expenses incurred in advance of the festival.

Equity in losses (earnings) of nonconsolidated affiliates increased \$8.7 million during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to an increase in earnings from our investments in NBC-Live Nation Ventures, LLC, Dominion Theatre and Marek Lieberberg Konzertagentur, partially offset by losses on other investments. This is further increased by a write-down recorded in 2005 of \$4.9 million on an investment with no similar significant write-down in 2006.

Minority interest expense

Minority interest expense decreased \$4.3 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to our acquisition of the remaining interests in the CPI entities during the third quarter of 2007, partially offset by our acquisition of a controlling interest in AMG during the third quarter of 2007.

Minority interest expense increased \$7.0 million during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to our acquisition of controlling interests in the CPI entities during the second quarter of 2006.

Income Taxes

Our effective tax rate was 138% for 2007 compared to an effective tax rate of 645% in 2006. This effective tax rate represents net tax expense of \$43.6 million and \$37.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. Of the \$43.6 million of 2007 tax expense, \$2.7 million relates to state and local taxes, \$0.8 million relates to reserves for uncertain tax positions, \$11.8 million relates to adjustments for significant, unusual and extraordinary items and \$1.2 million relates to U.S. tax on nonconsolidated entities. The remainder of \$27.1 million relates to statutory tax on profitable operations which are principally operations outside of the United States and reflect effective tax rates in those jurisdictions. The net increase in 2007 tax expense as compared to 2006 tax expense is primarily attributable to an increase in taxable gains in the United Kingdom and an increase in other European earnings.

Our effective tax rate is 645% for 2006 compared to an effective tax rate of (89)% in 2005. Our effective tax rate for 2006 was impacted by valuation allowances recorded against increases in deferred tax assets related to impairments recorded during the year effects of tax reserves.

The negative effective tax rate in 2005 was due primarily to a valuation allowance recorded against deferred tax assets during the fourth quarter of 2005 and other nondeductible expenses incurred. This effective tax rate represents net tax expense of \$37.2 million and \$61.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively. The net decrease in tax expense is primarily attributable to increases in taxable income and a reduction in deferred tax expense due to a smaller valuation allowance adjustment in 2006. Our effective tax rate is higher than the U.S. statutory rate of 35% due primarily to nondeductible expenses, state income taxes, tax reserves and tax rate differences since a significant portion of our full year earnings are subject to tax in countries other than the United States.

North American Music Results of Operations

Our North American Music segment operating results were as follows:

		Year Ended December 31,		% Change	% Change
(in thousands)	2007	2006	2005	2007 vs. 2006	2006 vs 2005
Revenue	\$1,955,059	\$1,629,247	\$1,351,942	20%	21%
Operating expenses:					
Direct operating expenses	1,566,144	1,357,414	1,116,467	15%	22%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	323,528	238,940	218,029	35%	10%
Depreciation and amortization	60,286	77,775	33,973	(22)%	129%
Loss (gain) on sale of operating					
assets	(6,725)	(63)	109	**	**
Operating income (loss)	11,826	(44,819)	(16,636)	**	(169)%
Operating margin	0.6%	(2.8)%	(1.2)%		

^{**} Percentages are not meaningful.

Year Ended 2007 Compared to Year Ended 2006

North American Music revenue increased \$325.8 million, or 20%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to \$319.5 million of revenue related to our acquisitions of HOB during the fourth quarter of 2006 and HOB Canada during the second quarter of 2007.

North American Music direct operating expenses increased \$208.7 million, or 15%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to \$230.8 million of direct operating expenses related to our acquisitions of HOB and HOB Canada. This increase was partially offset by a reduction in direct operating expenses for our owned and/or operated amphitheaters due to a decline in the number of events and reduced show costs. The net increase in direct operating expenses was less than the increase in revenue primarily due to more strategic talent buying and reduced show costs at our amphitheaters and due to HOB clubs, acquired in 2006, having lower direct operating expenses as a percentage of revenue as compared to our other promotion and venue operation businesses.

North American Music selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$84.6 million, or 35%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to \$64.4 million of selling, general and administrative expenses related to our acquisitions of HOB and HOB Canada. In addition, we experienced an increase in legal expenses of \$4.8 million related to ongoing cases, increased salary expense for promoters and additional staff at venues and other incremental expenses related to the commencement of the Dodge Theater operating agreement in January 2007, the Hollywood Palladium operating agreement in April 2007 and The Fillmore Miami Beach at the Jackie Gleason Theater operating agreement in June 2007.

North American Music depreciation and amortization expense decreased \$17.5 million, or 22%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year due to an impairment of \$42.5 million recorded during 2006 related to several amphitheaters. This decrease was partially offset by an additional \$17.3 million primarily for the amortization of the intangible assets resulting from our acquisition of HOB during 2006, which were recorded as part of the purchase price allocations, and an impairment of \$3.8 million recorded during the fourth quarter of 2007 related to two amphitheaters.

North American Music gain on sale of operating assets increased \$6.7 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to the sales of an office building in San Francisco and the Starwood Amphitheater in Nashville.

The increase in operating income for North American Music was primarily a result of operating income from our HOB and HOB Canada acquisitions, improved results at our owned and/or operated amphitheaters, decreased depreciation expense due to the amphitheater impairments recorded in 2006, and the gains recorded in 2007 on the asset sales.

Year Ended 2006 Compared to Year Ended 2005

North American Music revenue increased \$277.3 million, or 21%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increases in the number of events and related attendance at our owned and/or operated amphitheaters of 155 and 1.2 million, respectively, as we focused on increasing the bookings for these venues. This increase was partially achieved through successful packaging of artists such as Def Leppard and Journey. In addition, the increased attendance at our owned and/or operated amphitheaters and increased attendance from third-party rentals increased service charge rebates, food and beverage and merchandise revenue. Finally, the number of events at our owned and/or operated mid-sized music venues and related attendance increased by 161 and 0.5 million, respectively. Included in the increase was \$59.9 million of revenue related to our acquisition of HOB during the fourth quarter of 2006.

North American Music direct operating expenses increased \$240.9 million, or 22%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increases in the number of events in our owned and/or operated amphitheaters and mid-sized music venues, all of which resulted in higher talent fees, other event related costs and merchandise direct operating expenses. However, these increases were partially offset by a decline in sponsorship direct operating expenses primarily due to a one-time sponsorship event held in 2005. Also offsetting these increases, was the elimination in 2006 of \$5.6 million of write-offs of advances on certain domestic music projects during the fourth quarter of 2005. Included in the increase was \$40.7 million of direct operating expenses related to our acquisition during of HOB.

North American Music selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$20.9 million, or 10%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increased compensation related expense due to building the venue management team and incentive plans based on driving increased food and beverage sales at our owned and/or operated venues, increased property insurance expense and increased utility expenses. Partially offsetting these increases was the elimination in 2006 of \$11.2 million of severance and other reorganization costs and \$6.7 million of litigation contingencies and expenses recorded during 2005. Included in the increase was \$17.4 million of selling, general and administrative expenses related to our acquisition of HOB.

North American Music depreciation and amortization expense increased \$43.8 million, or 129%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to an impairment of \$42.5 million recorded during the third and fourth quarters of 2006 related primarily to several amphitheaters. In addition, we incurred increased depreciation expense related to capital expenditures to improve the audience experience at our amphitheaters.

International Music Results of Operations

Our International Music segment operating results were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			% Change	% Change
(in thousands)	2007	2006	2005	2007 vs. 2006	2006 vs. 2005
Revenue	\$1,078,696	\$867,423	\$703,060	24%	23%
Operating expenses:					
Direct operating expenses	857,867	679,732	542,753	26%	25%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	146,526	119,276	98,714	23%	21%
Depreciation and amortization	14,928	15,006	5,815	(1)%	158%
Loss (gain) on sale of operating assets	(18,807)	1,041	(914)	**	**
Operating income	78,182	52,368	56,692	50%	(8)%
Operating margin	7.3%	6.0%	8.1%		

^{**} Percentages are not meaningful.

Year Ended 2007 Compared to Year Ended 2006

International Music revenue increased \$211.3 million, or 24%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year. Excluding the increase related to the impact of changes in foreign exchange rates of \$93.1 million, the increase in revenue was \$118.2 million, or 14%, primarily due to incremental revenue of \$107.8 million, prior to intersegment eliminations, related to the effect of acquisitions in France and Spain since the same period in the prior year, our acquisition of AMG in July 2007 and the addition of the Wembley Arena operating agreement in the United Kingdom in April 2006. We also experienced an increase in revenue from our other European operations driven by increased promotion activity in Italy, Finland, Norway and Holland and stronger results for several festivals in the United Kingdom. Partially offsetting these increases, was a decline in revenue from The Point, an arena in Ireland, due to the venue being closed for renovations in August 2007.

International Music direct operating expenses increased \$178.1 million, or 26%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year. Excluding the increase related to the impact of changes in foreign exchange rates of \$76.1 million, the increase in direct operating expenses was \$102.0 million, or 15%, primarily due to incremental direct operating expenses of \$80.3 million, prior to intersegment eliminations, related to the acquisitions since the same period in the prior year and the addition of the Wembley Arena operating agreement. Our direct operating expenses also increased due to the improved results for our other European operations noted above and increased direct operating expenses for several festivals in the United Kingdom.

International Music selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$27.3 million, or 23%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year. Excluding the increase related to the impact of changes in foreign exchange rates of \$11.7 million, the increase in selling, general and administrative expenses was \$15.6 million, or 13%, primarily due to \$15.7 million of selling, general and administrative expenses related to the acquisitions made since the same period in the prior year and the addition of the Wembley Arena operations.

International Music gain on sale of operating assets increased \$19.8 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to the sale of the Hammersmith Apollo and Forum mid-sized music venues and seven small-sized music venues in London.

Overall, the increase in operating income for International Music during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year was primarily due to gains recorded on the sale of the two

mid-sized and seven small-sized music venues noted above. In addition, our recent acquisitions in Spain and France and our acquisition of AMG improved overall operating income during 2007. Finally, we experienced stronger results at several of our festivals in the United Kingdom.

Year Ended 2006 Compared to Year Ended 2005

International Music revenue increased \$164.4 million, or 23%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to improved attendance at several music festivals in the United Kingdom such as Download and the newly created Hyde Park Calling, as well as stronger promotion activity for international tours by artists such as the Red Hot Chili Peppers. Partially offsetting these increases was a decline in revenue resulting from our divestiture of an artist agency business in the United Kingdom during the fourth quarter of 2005 and reduced revenue from an arena due to weaker content in 2006. Included in the increase was \$36.4 million of revenue related to our acquisitions during the year ended December 31, 2006 and full year revenue of our acquisitions during 2005.

International Music direct operating expenses increased \$137.0 million, or 25%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to improved attendance at several international music festivals and other events, all of which resulted in higher talent fees and other event related costs. Partially offsetting these increases was a decline in direct operating expenses resulting from our divestiture of an artist agency business in the United Kingdom during 2005. Included in the increase was \$17.9 million of direct operating expenses related to our acquisitions during 2006 and a full year of direct operating expenses for our acquisitions completed during 2005.

International Music selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$20.6 million, or 21%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to \$15.3 million of selling, general and administrative expenses related to our acquisitions during 2006 and a full year of selling, general and administrative expenses for our acquisitions completed during 2005, offset by the elimination in 2006 of \$1.6 million of costs related to severance and reorganization of the business incurred during 2005.

International Music depreciation and amortization expense increased \$9.2 million, or 158%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to asset retirement obligations and intangible assets resulting from our acquisition of Mean Fiddler in the third quarter of 2005 due to the finalization of the purchase price allocations between goodwill and intangibles.

International Music loss on sale of operating assets increased \$2.0 million during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to a loss recorded on the disposal of our interest in two venues in Spain.

Global Artists Results of Operations

Our Global Artists segment operating results were as follows:

	Yea	ar Ended December 31	l <u>, </u>	% Change	% Change
(in thousands)	2007	2006	2005	2007 vs. 2006	2006 vs. 2005
Revenue	\$640,620	\$623,147	\$298,622	3%	109%
Operating expenses:					
Direct operating expenses	581,526	561,046	280,984	4%	100%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	52,381	26,704	8,262	96%	223%
Depreciation and amortization	19,849	6,121	336	224%	**
Gain on sale of operating					
assets			(1)	**	**
Operating income (loss)	(13,136)	29,276	9,041	**	224%
Operating margin	(2.1)%	4.7%	3.0%		

^{**} Percentages are not meaningful.

Year Ended 2007 Compared to Year Ended 2006

Global Artists revenue increased \$17.5 million, or 3%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to incremental revenue of \$107.5 million related to our acquisitions of CPI, Trunk and Musictoday during the second and third quarters of 2006 and Anthill during the fourth quarter of 2007. This increase was partially offset by a decline in global touring revenue due to a decline in the average ticket price. Tours during 2007 included The Rolling Stones, The Who, Barbra Streisand, The Police, Genesis and a non-music touring production.

Global Artists direct operating expenses increased \$20.5 million, or 4%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to incremental direct operating expenses of \$87.6 million related to our acquisitions of CPI, Trunk and Musictoday during 2006 and Anthill during 2007. This increase was partially offset by a decline in direct operation expenses for global tours due to the timing and mix of tours in 2007 as compared to 2006.

Global Artists selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$25.7 million, or 96%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to incremental expenses of \$19.9 million related to our 2006 acquisitions of CPI, Trunk and Musictoday and our 2007 acquisition of Anthill. In addition, we experienced an increase in selling general and administrative expenses due to increased salary and consultant expense related to increased headcount and activity for Live Nation Artists as we invest in the infrastructure of this division.

Global Artists depreciation and amortization expense increased \$13.7 million, or 224%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to amortization of the intangible assets resulting from our 2006 and 2007 acquisitions of CPI and intangible assets associated with certain artist rights agreements.

The increased operating loss for Global Artists is primarily a result of a decline in the average ticket price for global tours, the timing and mix of global tours year over year and the amortization of intangible assets related to our acquisition of CPI and artist rights agreements.

Year Ended 2006 Compared to Year Ended 2005

Global Artists revenue increased \$324.5 million, or 109%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to \$212.7 million of revenue related to our acquisitions during 2006. In addition, we experienced an increase of events primarily due to the number of artists on tour during the respective years. We had an extraordinary year in 2006 with the Rolling Stones, U2, Madonna, Barbra Streisand and The Who all touring. In 2005, U2 and Sting were the only significant tours.

Global Artists direct operating expenses increased \$280.1 million, or 100%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to \$180.9 million of direct operating expenses related to our acquisitions during 2006. In addition, direct operating expenses increased due to the increase in the number of events and the number of artists on tour during the year which resulted in higher talent fees and other event-related costs.

Global Artists selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$18.4 million, or 223%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to \$14.2 million of selling, general and administrative expenses related to our acquisitions during 2006.

Global Artists depreciation and amortization expense increased \$5.8 million during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to amortization of the intangible assets resulting from our acquisition of CPI during the second quarter of 2006.

Global Digital Results of Operations

Our Global Digital segment operating results were as follows:

	Year	Ended December 31,		% Change	% Change
(in thousands)	2007	2006	2005	2007 vs. 2006	2006 vs. 2005
Revenue	\$ 11,358	\$ 8,893	\$7,654	28%	16%
Operating expenses:					
Direct operating expenses	3,128	2,665	3,058	17%	(13)%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	15,379	11,829	3,153	30%	275%
Depreciation and amortization	3,311	501	278	**	80%
Operating income (loss)	(10,460)	(6,102)	1,165	71%	**
Operating margin	(92.1)%	(68.6)%	15.2%		

^{**} Percentages are not meaningful.

Year Ended 2007 Compared to Year Ended 2006

Global Digital revenue increased \$2.5 million, or 28%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increased sponsorship revenue and ticket service charge rebates associated with our in-house ticketing operations.

Global Digital direct operating expenses remained relatively flat during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year due to the minimal amount of direct operating expenses that are required for our internal ticketing operations.

Global Digital selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$3.6 million, or 30%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increased salary related to new staff, increased maintenance and consultant expenses related to our internal information technology and our website management.

Global Digital depreciation and amortization expense increased \$2.8 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to depreciation expense related to our website development.

Year Ended 2006 Compared to Year Ended 2005

Global Digital revenue increased \$1.2 million, or 16%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to an increase in ticket service charge rebates from our in-house ticketing operations resulting from the increase in the number of events and attendance in our North American Music segment.

Global Digital direct operating expenses remained relatively flat during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year due to the minimal amount of direct operating expenses that are required for our internal ticketing operations.

Global Digital selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$8.7 million during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to increases in salary for new staff and consultant expenses related to our website and internet management primarily due to the launch of our consolidated website www.livenation.com.

Global Theater Results of Operations

Our Global Theater segment operating results were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			% Change	% Change
(in thousands)	2007	2006	2005	2007 vs. 2006	2006 vs. 2005
Revenue	\$362,378	\$388,391	\$339,441	(7)%	14%
Operating expenses:					
Direct operating expenses	244,808	279,260	234,768	(12)%	19%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	83,314	86,071	96,825	(3)%	(11)%
Depreciation and amortization	15,587	22,784	16,139	(32)%	41%
Loss (gain) on sale of operating assets	(22,294)	(2,052)	2,996	**	**
Operating income (loss)	40,963	2,328	(11,287)	**	**
Operating margin	11.3%	0.6%	(3.3)%		

^{**} Percentages are not meaningful.

Year Ended 2007 Compared to Year Ended 2006

Global Theater revenue decreased \$26.0 million, or 7%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to an increase in the number of fixed fee events for our North American presenting markets, as opposed to events where we recognize all the revenue and direct operating expense. In addition, we sold our interest in the production of *Phantom: The Las Vegas Spectacular* which opened during the third quarter of 2006. Our interest in this production was sold effective March 2007. These decreases were partially offset by increases in our United Kingdom operations driven by strong results from our production of *Chicago* and increased rental, merchandise and concession revenue for our United Kingdom theatrical theaters due to an increase in the number of events and related attendance driven by shows such as *Wicked*, *The Producers* and *Mamma Mia!*.

Global Theater direct operating expenses decreased \$34.5 million, or 12%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to an increase in the number of fixed fee events for our North American presenting markets and the sale of our interest in the production of *Phantom: The Las Vegas Spectacular* noted above. The decrease is also impacted by the elimination of \$1.8 million in expenses in 2006 related to a write-down of certain theatrical prepaid production assets. These decreases were partially offset by the strong results from our United Kingdom theatrical productions and theaters noted above.

Global Theater selling, general and administrative expenses decreased \$2.8 million, or 3%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to reduced salary and rent expense during 2007 as a result of headcount reductions.

Global Theater depreciation and amortization expense decreased \$7.2 million, or 32%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to an impairment of \$9.1 million recorded during 2006 primarily related to a theater development project.

Global Theater gain on sale of operating assets increased \$20.2 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to a gain of \$31.3 million from the sale of the Oriental Theater in Chicago and our 50% interest in Broadway in Chicago, partially offset by a loss of \$8.1 million from the sale of our 50.1% interest in the production of *Phantom: The Las Vegas Spectacular*.

Year Ended 2006 Compared to Year Ended 2005

Global Theater revenue increased \$49.0 million, or 14%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to our production of *Phantom of the Opera* opening

in Las Vegas at the end of the second quarter of 2006, an increase in the number of North American theater rental events and stronger results for our touring productions of *Chicago*, *Starlight Express* and *Cats* in the United Kingdom. Included in the increase was \$3.2 million of revenue related to our acquisition of Historic Theatre Group, or HTG, during the year ended December 31, 2006. These increases were partially offset by a decline in revenue from a few of our larger theatrical venues due to weaker content in 2006.

Global Theater direct operating expenses increased \$44.5 million, or 19%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to the opening and pre-opening costs of our production of *Phantom of the Opera* in Las Vegas and the increase in the number of North American theater rental events noted above. We also recorded \$1.8 million related to a write-down of certain theatrical prepaid production assets. Partially offsetting these increases was the elimination in 2006 of \$7.8 million of write-offs of advances on certain theater projects and other reorganization costs during the fourth quarter of 2005. Included in the increase was \$0.4 million of direct operating expenses related to our acquisition of HTG during the year ended December 31, 2006.

Global Theater selling, general and administrative expenses decreased \$10.8 million, or 11%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to \$4.6 million of severance and other reorganization costs recorded during 2005. In addition, we experienced reduced salary expense during 2006 as a result of the headcount reductions made in 2005. Partially offsetting these decreases was an increase in selling, general and administrative expenses of \$4.7 million related to our acquisition of HTG during the year ended December 31, 2006.

Global Theater depreciation and amortization expense increased \$6.6 million, or 41%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to an impairment of \$9.1 million recorded during the third and fourth quarters of 2006 related primarily to a theater development project that we have decided not to pursue.

Global Theater gain on sale of operating assets increased \$5.0 million during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year due to a gain recorded on the sale of certain theatrical assets in 2006 and a loss recorded on certain exhibition assets in 2005.

Other Results of Operations

Our other operating results were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		% Change 2007 vs. 2006	% Change 2006 vs. 2005	
(in thousands)	2007	2006	2005		
Revenue	\$163,625	\$205,288	\$246,349	(20)%	(17)%
Operating expenses:					
Direct operating expenses	106,851	128,350	142,990	(17)%	(10)%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	32,686	47,590	93,999	(31)%	(49)%
Depreciation and amortization	1,313	2,963	4,085	(56)%	(27)%
Loss (gain) on sale of operating assets	(3,231)	(10,445)	604	(69)%	**
Operating income	26,006	36,830	4,671	(29)%	688%
Operating margin	15.9%	17.9%	1.9%		

^{**} Percentages are not meaningful.

Year Ended 2007 Compared to Year Ended 2006

Other revenue decreased \$41.7 million, or 20%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to the sale of portions of our sports representation business assets in 2006 and the sale of Donington Park in the United Kingdom.

Other direct operating expenses decreased \$21.5 million, or 17%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to the sale of portions of our sports representation business assets, the sale of Donington Park and a decline in write-offs and costs related to certain DVD/CD production and distribution projects.

Other selling, general and administrative expenses decreased \$14.9 million, or 31%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to the sale of portions of our sports representation business assets and the sale of Donington Park. These decreases were partially offset by an increase in selling, general and administrative expenses for our motor sports operations driven by a reserve recorded against receivables due to a sponsor's bankruptcy.

Other depreciation and amortization expense decreased \$1.7 million, or 56%, during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to the sale of Donington Park.

Other gain on sale of operating assets decreased \$7.2 million during the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year as the gain recorded in 2007 on the sale of Donington Park, an arena/race track in Leicestershire, England, was less than the gain on the sale of a portion of our sports representation business assets recorded in 2006.

Year Ended 2006 Compared to Year Ended 2005

Other revenue decreased \$41.1 million, or 17%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily as a result of the sale of portions of our sports representation business assets related to basketball, golf, football, tennis, media, baseball, soccer and rugby and the loss of a golf event due to its relocation to another country.

Other direct operating expenses decreased \$14.6 million, or 10%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily as a result of the sale of portions of our sports representation business assets and the loss of a golf event. We also recorded \$3.0 million related to a write-down of certain DVD prepaid production assets.

Other selling, general and administrative expenses decreased \$46.4 million, or 49%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to the sale of portions of our sports representation business assets. In addition, we experienced a decline in litigation contingencies and expenses in 2006 as compared to the prior year due to \$7.0 million of certain preacquisition contingencies for legal matters which were resolved during the year. Finally, 2006 benefited from the elimination of \$17.3 million of increased litigation contingencies and expenses and \$3.6 million of costs related to severance and reorganization of the business incurred during 2005.

Other depreciation and amortization expense decreased \$1.1 million, or 27%, during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to the sale of portions of our sports representation business assets.

Other gain on sale of operating assets increased \$11.0 million during the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to gains recorded in 2006 on the sale of portions of our sports representation business assets.

Reconciliation of Segment Operating Income (Loss)

	Year	Year Ended December 31,		
(in thousands)	2007	2006	2005	
North American Music	\$ 11,826	\$(44,819)	\$(16,636)	
International Music	78,182	52,368	56,692	
Global Artists	(13,136)	29,276	9,041	
Global Digital	(10,460)	(6,102)	1,165	
Global Theater	40,963	2,328	(11,287)	
Other	26,006	36,830	4,671	
Corporate	(51,239)	(36,759)	(56,776)	
Eliminations			(53)	
Consolidated and combined operating income (loss)	\$ 82,142	\$ 33,122	\$(13,183)	

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our working capital requirements and capital for our general corporate purposes, including acquisitions and capital expenditures, are funded from operations or from borrowings under our senior secured credit facility described below. Our cash is currently managed on a worldwide basis.

Our balance sheet reflects cash and cash equivalents of \$339.0 million and current and long-term debt of \$822.6 million at December 31, 2007, and cash and cash equivalents of \$313.9 million and current and long-term debt of \$639.1 million at December 31, 2006. These debt balances do not include our outstanding redeemable preferred stock.

We may need to incur additional debt or issue equity to make other strategic acquisitions or investments. There can be no assurance that such financing will be available to us on acceptable terms or at all. Our ability to issue additional equity may be constrained because the issuance of additional stock may cause the Distribution to be taxable under section 355(e) of the Internal Revenue Code, and, under our tax matters agreement with Clear Channel, we would be required to indemnify Clear Channel against the tax, if any. We may make significant acquisitions in the near term, subject to limitations imposed by our financing documents, market conditions and the tax matters agreement.

We generally receive cash related to ticket revenue in advance of the event, which is recorded in deferred revenue until the event occurs. With the exception of some upfront costs and artist deposits, which are recorded in prepaid expenses until the event occurs, we pay the majority of event-related expenses at or after the event. We view our available cash as cash and cash equivalents, less event-related deferred revenue, less accrued expenses due to artists and for cash collected on behalf of others, plus event-related prepaids. This is essentially our cash available to, among other things, repay debt balances, make acquisitions, repurchase stock and finance revenue-generating capital expenditures.

Our intra-year cash fluctuations are impacted by the seasonality of our various businesses. Examples of seasonal effects include our North American Music and International Music segments, which report the majority of their revenue in the second and third quarters, while our Global Theater segment reports the majority of its revenue in the first, second and fourth quarters of the year. Cash inflows and outflows depend on the timing of event-related payments but the majority of the inflows generally occur prior to the event. See "— Seasonality" below. We believe that we have sufficient financial flexibility to fund these fluctuations and to access the global capital markets on satisfactory terms and in adequate amounts, although there can be no assurance that this will be the case. We expect cash flow from operations and borrowings under our senior secured credit facility, along with other financing alternatives, to satisfy working capital, capital expenditure and debt service requirements for at least the succeeding year.

Sources of Cash

Senior Secured Credit Facility

We have a senior secured credit facility consisting of term loans totaling \$550 million and a \$285 million revolving credit facility. The revolving credit facility provides for borrowings up to the amount of the facility with sub-limits of up to \$235 million to be available for the issuance of letters of credit and up to \$100 million to be available for borrowings in foreign currencies. The term loans of \$325 million and \$225 million mature in June 2013 and December 2013, respectively, and the revolving credit portion of the credit facility matures in June 2012. For the term loan maturing in June 2013, minimum quarterly principal repayments of approximately \$2.7 million per year are required through March 2013, with the balance due at maturity. For the term loan maturing in December 2013, minimum quarterly principal repayments of approximately \$1.9 million per year are required through September 2013, with the balance due at maturity. We are required to prepay the outstanding term loans, subject to certain exceptions and conditions, from certain asset sale proceeds and casualty and condemnation proceeds that we do not reinvest within a 365-day period or from certain additional debt issuance proceeds.

During the year ended December 31, 2007, we made principal payments totaling \$95.0 million and \$185.5 million on the term loans and revolving credit facility, respectively. The payments on the revolving credit facility were primarily to repay short-term borrowings used to fund working capital requirements during the year. At December 31, 2007, the outstanding balances on the term loans and revolving credit facility were \$451.7 million and \$55.0 million, respectively. Taking into account letters of credit of \$45.7 million, \$184.3 million was available for future borrowings.

As of February 22, 2008, the outstanding balances on the term loans and revolving credit facility were \$451.7 million and \$20.0 million, respectively. Taking into account letters of credit of \$45.5 million, \$219.5 million was available for future borrowings.

Borrowings under the term loan portion of the credit facility bear interest at per annum floating rates equal, at our option, to either (a) the base rate (which is the greater of the prime rate offered by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. or the federal funds rate plus 0.5%) plus 1.75% or (b) Adjusted LIBOR plus 2.75%. Borrowings under the revolving portion of the credit facility bear interest at per annum floating rates equal, at our option, to either (a) the base rate (which is the prime rate offered by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.) plus an applicable margin or (b) Adjusted LIBOR plus an applicable margin. Sterling and Euro-denominated borrowings under the revolving portion of the credit facility currently bear interest at per annum floating rates equal to either Adjusted LIBOR or Adjusted EURIBOR, respectively, plus an applicable margin. The revolving credit facility margins are subject to change based upon the amount of leverage for the previous calendar quarter. In the event our leverage ratio improves, the interest rate on revolving credit borrowings declines gradually to 0.75% at a total leverage ratio of less than, or equal to, 1.25 times. Under the terms of the original term loan, we are required to enter into an interest rate swap for a minimum of 50% of the outstanding debt for a minimum of three years.

The interest rate we pay on borrowings on our senior term loans is 2.75% above LIBOR. The interest rate we pay on our \$285 million multi-currency revolving credit facility depends on our total leverage ratio. Based on our current total leverage ratio, our interest rate on revolving credit borrowings is 1.75% above LIBOR. In addition to paying interest on outstanding principal under the credit facility, we are required to pay a commitment fee to the lenders under the revolving credit facility in respect of the unutilized commitments. As of December 31, 2007, the commitment fee rate was 0.375%. We also are required to pay customary letter of credit fees, as necessary.

The senior secured credit facility contains a number of covenants that, among other things, restrict our ability to incur additional debt, pay dividends and make distributions, make certain investments and acquisitions, repurchase stock and prepay certain indebtedness, create liens, enter into agreements with affiliates, modify the nature of the business, enter into sale-leaseback transactions, transfer and sell material assets and merge or consolidate.

Convertible Senior Notes

In July 2007, we issued \$220 million of convertible senior notes due 2027 in a private placement in the United States to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933. The notes pay interest semiannually at a rate of 2.875% per annum. Beginning with the period commencing on July 20, 2014 and ending on January 14, 2015, and for each of the interest periods commencing thereafter, we will pay contingent interest on the notes if the average trading price of the notes during the five consecutive trading days ending on the second trading day immediately preceding the first day of the applicable interest period equals or exceeds 120% of the principal amount of the notes. The contingent interest payable per note will equal 0.25% per year of the average trading price of such note during the applicable five trading-day reference period, payable in arrears. The notes will be convertible, under certain circumstances, at an initial conversion rate of 36.8395 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of notes, which represents a 27.5% conversion premium based on the last reported sale price of \$21.29 per share on July 10, 2007. Upon conversion, the notes may be settled in shares of Live Nation common stock or, at our election, cash or a combination of cash and shares of Live Nation common stock. The net proceeds from the offering, after deducting estimated offering expenses payable by us, were approximately \$212.4 million.

Holders of the convertible senior notes may require us to purchase for cash all or a portion of their notes on July 15, 2014, July 15, 2017 and July 15, 2022 at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, subject to specified additional conditions. In addition, if we experience a fundamental change, as defined in the indenture governing the notes, holders may require us to purchase for cash all or a portion of their notes, subject to specified exceptions, at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

On or after July 20, 2014, we may redeem all or a portion of the notes for cash at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount being redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

Redeemable Preferred Stock

As part of the Separation, one of our subsidiaries sold 200,000 shares of Series A (voting) mandatorily Redeemable Preferred Stock to third-party investors and issued 200,000 shares of Series B (non-voting) mandatorily Redeemable Preferred Stock to Clear Channel which then sold this Series B Redeemable Preferred Stock to third-party investors. We did not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of the Series B Redeemable Preferred Stock sold by Clear Channel. As of December 31, 2007, we had 200,000 shares of Series A Redeemable Preferred Stock and 200,000 shares of Series B Redeemable Preferred Stock outstanding (collectively, the Preferred Stock) with an aggregate liquidation preference of \$40 million. The Preferred Stock accrues dividends at 13% per annum and is mandatorily redeemable on December 21, 2011, although we are obligated to make an offer to repurchase the Preferred Stock at 101% of the liquidation preference in the event of a change of control.

In June 2007, we entered into an Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation governing the Redeemable Preferred Stock (the Amended Preferred Stock Agreement) which amended and restated the certificate of incorporation to modify certain covenants and other provisions and facilitate potential future acquisitions. The Amended Preferred Stock Agreement contains a covenant that requires us to pay additional dividends in the event the ratio of consolidated total indebtedness minus unrestricted cash and cash equivalents, up to a maximum of \$150 million (all as defined by the Amended Preferred Stock Agreement), to consolidated

earnings-before-interest-taxes-depreciation-and-amortization (as defined by the Amended Preferred Stock Agreement) exceeds 4.0 times.

The Amended Preferred Stock Agreement contains a number of covenants that, among other things, restrict our ability to incur additional debt, issue certain equity securities, create liens, merge or consolidate, modify the nature of our business, make certain investments and acquisitions, transfer and sell material assets, enter into sale-leaseback transactions, enter into swap agreements, pay dividends and make distributions, and enter into agreements with affiliates. If we default under any of these covenants, we will have to pay additional dividends.

At December 31, 2007, we were in compliance with all Redeemable Preferred Stock covenants. We expect to remain in compliance with all of our Redeemable Preferred Stock covenants throughout 2008.

Guarantees of Third-Party Obligations

As of December 31, 2007 and 2006, we guaranteed the debt of third parties of approximately \$2.8 million and \$1.9 million for each of the respective periods, primarily related to maximum credit limits on employee and tour related credit cards and guarantees of bank lines of credit of a nonconsolidated affiliate and a third-party promoter. In addition, in connection with the sale of a portion of our sports representation business assets, we guaranteed the performance of a third party related to an employment contract in the amount of approximately \$0.4 and \$0.9 million as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

During 2006, in connection with our acquisition of Historic Theatre Group, we guaranteed obligations related to a lease agreement. In the event of default, we could be liable for obligations which have future lease payments (undiscounted) of approximately \$30.9 million through the end of 2035.

Disposal of Assets

During the year ended December 31, 2007, we received \$132.1 million of proceeds primarily related to the sales of the Oriental Theater in Chicago and our interest in BIC, the Apollo Hammersmith and Forum mid-sized music venues in London, Donington Park, an arena/race track in Leicestershire, England, seven small-sized music venues in London, an office building in San Francisco, the Starwood Amphitheater in Nashville, our remaining 50.1% interest in the production of *Phantom: The Las Vegas Spectacular* and a small-sized music venue in Cleveland. These proceeds are presented net of any cash included in the assets sold.

Debt Covenants

The significant covenants on our multi-currency senior secured credit facility relate to total leverage, senior leverage, interest coverage and capital expenditures contained and defined in the credit agreement. The adjusted leverage ratio covenant requires us to maintain a ratio of consolidated total indebtedness minus unrestricted cash and cash equivalents, up to a maximum of \$150 million (all as defined by the credit agreement), to consolidated earnings-before-interest-taxes-depreciation-and-amortization (as defined by the credit agreement, "Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA") of less than 4.5 times through June 30, 2008, and less than 4.0 times thereafter, provided that aggregated subordinated indebtedness and permitted holding company indebtedness (as defined by the credit agreement) is less than \$25 million or 6.0 times if greater than \$25 million. The senior leverage covenant, which is only applicable provided aggregate subordinated indebtedness and permitted holding company indebtedness is greater than \$25 million, requires us to maintain a ratio of adjusted consolidated senior indebtedness minus unrestricted cash and cash equivalents to Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA of less than 4.5 times through March 31, 2008 and 4.0 times thereafter. The interest coverage covenant requires us to maintain a minimum ratio of Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA to cash interest expense (as defined by the credit agreement) of 2.5 times. The capital expenditure covenant limits annual capital expenditures (as defined by the credit agreement) to \$110 million or less. In the event that we do not meet these covenants, we are considered to be in default on the credit facilities at which time the credit facilities may become immediately due. This credit facility

contains a cross default provision that would be triggered if we were to default on any other indebtedness greater than \$10 million.

Some of our other indebtedness includes restrictions on acquisitions and prohibit payment of ordinary dividends. They also have financial covenants including minimum consolidated EBITDA to consolidated net interest payable, minimum consolidated cash flow to consolidated debt service, and maximum consolidated debt to consolidated EBITDA, all as defined in the applicable debt agreements.

Our other indebtedness does not contain provisions that would make it a default if we were to default on our credit facilities.

Other than the convertible notes, we believe there are no other agreements that contain provisions that trigger an event of default upon a change in long-term debt ratings that would have a material impact on our financial statements.

At December 31, 2007, we were in compliance with all debt covenants. We expect to remain in compliance with all of our debt covenants throughout 2008.

Uses of Cash

Acquisitions

When we make acquisitions, especially of entities where we buy a controlling interest only, the acquired entity may have cash on its balance sheet at the time of acquisition. All amounts discussed in this section are presented net of any cash acquired. During 2007, we used \$124.3 million in cash for acquisitions in our various segments. Our North American Music segment acquired the remaining interest in HOB Canada, a live music company located in Canada which operates or has booking rights for one amphitheater and three small-sized music venues in Toronto and Vancouver, and acquired an interest in Bamboozle, LLC, a festival promotion company located in the United States. Our International Music segment acquired an interest in Jackie Lombard, a concert promotion company in France, an interest in AMG, a live music company located in the United Kingdom which owns and/or operates 12 music venues, along with payment of an additional working capital adjustment related to our acquisition of Gamerco, S.A. in December 2006. Our Global Artists segment acquired the remaining 49% interest in Trunk, a specialty merchandise company, located in the United States, that acquires licenses primarily from music artists to design, manufacture and sell merchandise through various distribution channels, the remaining 49% interest in Musictoday which provides services to artists for online fan clubs, artist e-commerce and fulfillment, VIP packaging and artist fan club ticketing, the remaining interests in the CPI entities which engage in full service global tours, VIP ticketing, artist fan clubs, merchandising and DVDs, Anthill, a merchandising company located in New York and Signatures, a merchandising company located in San Francisco.

During 2006, our North American Music segment used \$334.9 million in cash for our acquisition of HOB. HOB owns and/or operates ten branded clubs in Los Angeles, Anaheim, San Diego, Las Vegas, New Orleans, Chicago, Cleveland, Orlando, Myrtle Beach and Atlantic City; The Commodore Ballroom, a small-sized music venue in Vancouver; and eight amphitheaters in Seattle, Los Angeles, San Diego, Denver, Dallas, Atlanta, Cleveland and Toronto. In addition, our International Music segment used \$21.8 million in cash, primarily for our acquisitions of an interest in Angel Festivals Limited, a dance festival promotion company in the United Kingdom and Gamerco, S.A., a concert promotion company in Spain. Also, our Global Theater segment used \$2.0 million in cash for our acquisition of Historic Theatre Group which operates three theaters in the Minneapolis area that primarily host theatrical performances. As an offset to our use of cash for acquisitions, our Global Artists segment received \$6.8 million in cash, primarily related to our acquisitions of interests in several Concert Productions International entities, which engage in full service global tours, provide certain artist services and invest in theatrical productions; an interest in Musictoday which provides services to artists for online fan clubs and artist e-commerce and fulfillment; and an interest in Trunk Ltd., a specialty merchandise company.

Capital Expenditures

Venue operations is a capital intensive business, requiring consistent investment in our existing venues in order to address audience and artist expectations, technological industry advances and various federal, state and/or local regulations.

We categorize capital outlays into maintenance capital expenditures and revenue generating capital expenditures. Maintenance capital expenditures are associated with the renewal and improvement of existing venues and, to a lesser extent, capital expenditures related to information systems, web development and administrative offices. Revenue generating capital expenditures relate to either the construction of new venues or major renovations to existing buildings or buildings that are being added to our venue network. Capital expenditures typically increase during periods when venues are not in operation.

Our capital expenditures consisted of the following:

(in thousands)	2007	2006	2005
Maintenance capital expenditures	\$ 45,194	\$48,120	\$56,325
Revenue generating capital expenditures	71,655	17,585	36,195
Total capital expenditures	\$116,849	\$65,705	\$92,520

Revenue generating capital expenditures for 2007 increased significantly from the prior year due to the development and renovation of various venues including The Point in Ireland, the *House of Blues* club in Dallas and the acquisition of an additional portion of the land on which we annually stage our *Reading Festival* in the United Kingdom. In addition, we invested additional capital in transforming our venues into wired studios to expand on the distribution opportunities of the live concert experience.

Revenue generating capital expenditures declined during 2006 primarily due to the timing of capital expenditures associated with the development and renovation of five venues, three of which were completed in 2005. In addition, in May 2006, we sold one of these venue projects which would have required us to incur capital expenditures to build-out this venue. This sale relieved us of these future capital expenditure commitments and reimbursed us for capital expenditures already incurred on this venue. Although management has determined not to pursue the development of this remaining venue project, we expect our revenue generating capital expenditures in 2007 to increase related to the renovation or construction of other venues.

Share Repurchase Program

Our board of directors authorized a \$150 million share repurchase program in December 2005. That program expired on December 31, 2006 and no new program was approved for 2007. A total of 3.4 million shares were repurchased under this share repurchase program for an aggregate purchase price of \$42.7 million, including commissions and fees, with an average purchase price of \$12.65 per share.

Summary

Our primary short-term liquidity needs are to fund general working capital requirements and capital expenditures while our long-term liquidity needs are primarily acquisition related. Our primary sources of funds for our short-term liquidity needs will be cash flows from operations and borrowings under our senior secured credit facility, while our long-term sources of funds will be from cash from operations, long-term bank borrowings and other debt or equity financing.

Contractual Obligations and Commitments

Firm Commitments

In addition to the scheduled maturities on our debt, we have future cash obligations under various types of contracts. We lease office space, certain equipment and the venues used in our entertainment operations under long-term operating leases. Some of our lease agreements contain renewal options and annual rental escalation clauses (generally tied to the consumer price index), as well as provisions for our payment of utilities and maintenance. We also have minimum payments associated with noncancelable contracts related to our operations such as artist guarantee contracts and theatrical production payments. As part of our ongoing capital projects, we will enter into construction related commitments for future capital expenditure work. The scheduled maturities discussed below represent contractual obligations as of December 31, 2007 and thus do not represent all expected expenditures for those periods.

The scheduled maturities of our long-term debt outstanding, future minimum rental commitments under noncancelable lease agreements, minimum payments under other noncancelable contracts and capital expenditures commitments as of December 31, 2007 are as follows:

	Payments Due by Period					
(in thousands)	Total	2008	2009-2010	2011-2012	2013 and thereafter	
Long-term debt obligations, including current maturities						
Term loans and revolving credit facility	\$ 506,730	\$ 4,540	\$ 9,080	\$ 64,080	\$ 429,030	
2.875% convertible senior notes	220,000	_	_	_	220,000	
Other long-term debt	95,876	31,805	13,141	21,418	29,512	
Preferred stock	40,000	_	_	40,000	_	
Estimated interest payments (1)	281,530	40,072	100,526	94,922	46,010	
Non-cancelable operating lease obligations (4)	1,120,056	74,275	134,506	122,403	788,872	
Non-cancelable contracts (2) (4)	541,473	364,850	68,671	33,419	74,533	
Capital expenditures	10,330	7,830	_	2,500	_	
Other long-term liabilities (3)						
Total	\$2,815,995	\$523,372	\$325,924	\$378,742	\$ 1,587,957	

- (1) Includes dividends on the Series A and Series B redeemable preferred stock. Includes interest on the 2.875% convertible senior notes through July 2014. Excludes interest on the outstanding revolver balance. Based on the outstanding revolver balance of \$55.0 million at December 31, 2007, annual interest expense through maturity in June 2012 would be approximately \$3.6 million assuming a rate of 6.60% and that we maintain this level of indebtedness under the revolver.
- (2) Excluded from the non-cancelable contracts is \$90.4 million related to minimum severance obligations for all employment contracts calculated as if all such employees were terminated on January 1, 2008.
- (3) Other long-term liabilities consist of \$24.2 million of tax contingencies, \$7.2 million of deferred revenue, \$35.7 million of accrued rent and \$24.4 million of various other obligations. All of our other long-term liabilities do not have contractual maturities and, therefore, we cannot predict when, or if, they will become due.
- (4) Commitment amounts for non-cancelable operating leases and non-cancelable contracts which stipulate an increase in the commitment amount based on an inflationary index have been estimated using an inflation factor of 3% for North America and 1.75% for the United Kingdom.

During 2006, in connection with our acquisition of the Historic Theatre Group, we guaranteed obligations related to a lease agreement. In the event of default, we could be liable for obligations which have future lease payments (undiscounted) of approximately \$30.9 million through the end of 2035 which are not reflected in the

table above. The scheduled future minimum rentals for this lease for the years 2008 through 2012 are \$1.6 million each year. We believe that the likelihood of material liability being triggered under this lease is remote, and no liability has been accrued for these contingent lease obligations as of December 31, 2007.

Minimum rentals of \$112.5 million to be received in years 2008 through 2020 under non-cancelable subleases are excluded from the commitment amounts in the above table.

Cash Flows

	Y ea	Year Ended December 31,			
(in thousands)	2007	2006	2005		
Cash provided by (used in):					
Operating activities	\$ 49,810	\$ 17,628	\$ (3,917)		
Investing activities	\$(141,059)	\$(376,071)	\$(106,049)		
Financing activities	\$ 110,188	\$ 268,294	\$ 363,268		

Operating Activities

Year Ended 2007 Compared to Year Ended 2006

Cash provided by operations was \$49.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$17.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2006. The \$32.2 million increase in cash provided by operations primarily resulted from changes in the event-related operating accounts which are dependent on the number and size of events for upcoming periods. Accounts receivable decreased, rather than increased, due to the timing and number of events during 2007 as compared to 2006 and the timing of cash collections resulting in an increase to cash provided by operations. In addition, we received more deferred revenue and paid less accrued event related expenses during 2007 as compared to 2006 resulting in an increase to cash provided by operations. Conversely, the other assets increase was higher primarily due to advances under long-term artist rights agreements resulting in a decrease to cash provided by operating activities. Finally, we paid more prepaid event related expenses during 2007 as compared to 2006 resulting in a decrease to cash provided by operating activities. These changes in event-related operating accounts are impacted by the timing, size and number of events related to music activity in the period.

Year Ended 2006 Compared to Year Ended 2005

Cash provided by operations was \$17.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2006, compared to cash used in operations of \$3.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2005. The \$21.5 million increase in cash provided by operations primarily resulted from an increase in net income, adjusted for non-cash charges and non-operating activities, and changes in the event related operating accounts which are dependent on the number and size of events ongoing at period end. We paid less prepaid event related expenses in 2006 as compared to 2005 resulting in an increase to cash provided by operations. Conversely, we paid more accrued event related expenses and received less deferred revenue in 2006 as compared to 2005 resulting in a decrease to cash provided by operations. In addition, the accounts receivable increase was higher due to the timing and number of events in 2006 as compared to 2005 resulting in a decrease to cash provided by operations. Finally, the other assets increase was higher due primarily to prepaid rent for new lease agreements in 2006 as compared to 2005 resulting in a decrease to cash provided by operations.

Investing Activities

Year Ended 2007 Compared to Year Ended 2006

Cash used in investing activities was \$141.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, as compared to \$376.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2006. The \$235.0 million decrease in cash used in investing

activities was primarily due to our acquisition of HOB during 2006. In addition, we received higher proceeds from the divestiture of the Oriental Theater in Chicago and our 50% interest in BIC, the Apollo Hammersmith and Forum mid-sized venues in London, Donington Park in Leicestershire, England, seven small-sized music venues in London, an office building in San Francisco, the Starwood Amphitheater in Nashville, our remaining 50.1% interest in the production of *Phantom: The Las Vegas Spectacular* and a small-sized music venue in Cleveland, Ohio. These decreases were partially offset by increases in our capital expenditures during 2007 as compared to the prior year primarily due to the development of the *House of Blues* club in Dallas, the renovation of The Point in Ireland, the acquisition of an additional portion of the land on which we annually stage our *Reading Festival* in the United Kingdom and the wiring of our venues into live studios. Also offsetting the decreases was an increase in cash used for investing activities primarily related to intangible assets acquired for long-term artist rights agreements.

Year Ended 2006 Compared to Year Ended 2005

Cash used in investing activities was \$376.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2006, as compared to \$106.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2005. The \$270.1 million increase in cash used in investing activities is primarily due to \$351.9 million of cash used primarily for our acquisitions of HOB and Gamerco, S.A. during 2006. This increase is offset by \$36.3 million of proceeds received from the sale of certain theatrical assets and portions of our sports representation business assets. In addition, our capital expenditures declined during 2006 as compared to the prior year due to the timing of five venue development and renovation projects, three of which were completed in 2005. Finally, we received more distributions from our nonconsolidated affiliates in 2006 as compared to 2005.

Financing Activities

Prior to the Separation from Clear Channel, we had funded our cash needs through an intercompany promissory note with Clear Channel. The intercompany promissory note functioned as part of a sweep account that allowed excess operating cash generated by our domestic operations to be transferred to Clear Channel, generally on a daily basis. As we had cash needs, they were funded from Clear Channel through this account.

Since our separation from Clear Channel, we have funded our cash needs through cash from operations, borrowings under long-term debt and our revolving credit facility and available cash and cash equivalents.

Year Ended 2007 Compared to Year Ended 2006

Cash provided by financing activities was \$110.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, as compared to \$268.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2006. The \$158.1 million decrease in cash provided by financing activities was primarily a result of net payments made on our term loans and revolving credit facility partially offset by increased proceeds received from the issuance of our 2.875% convertible notes during 2007 as compared to the proceeds received from the additional term loan during 2006 which was partially used to fund our acquisition of HOB last year.

Year Ended 2006 Compared to Year Ended 2005

Cash provided by financing activities was \$268.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to \$363.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2005. The \$95.0 million decrease in cash provided by financing activities was primarily a result of repayments on our senior secured credit facility during 2006, repurchases of our common stock during 2006, proceeds received from the issuance of redeemable preferred stock during 2005 and a slight decline in proceeds received from borrowings under our senior secured credit facility. Partially offsetting these decreases was an increase in contributions from minority interest partners primarily related to a contribution received in advance of certain capital expenditures during 2006 compared to a contribution received from the minority interest partner for the Mean Fiddler acquisition during 2005.

Seasonality

Our North American Music and International Music segments typically experience higher operating income in the second and third quarters as our outdoor venues and international festivals are primarily used or occur during May through September. Our Global Theater segment typically experiences its higher operating income during the first, second and fourth quarters of the calendar year as the theatrical touring season typically runs from September through April. In addition, the timing of tours of top-grossing acts in our Global Artists segment can impact comparability of quarterly results year over year, although annual results may not be impacted.

Cash flows from our North American Music, International Music and Global Theater segments typically have a slightly different seasonality as payments are often made for artist performance fees and production costs in advance of the date the related event tickets go on sale. These artist fees and production costs are expensed when the event occurs. Once tickets for an event go on sale, we begin to receive payments from ticket sales, still in advance of when the event occurs. We record these ticket sales as revenue when the event occurs.

We expect these trends to continue in the future. See Item 1A. Risk Factors—Our operations are seasonal and our results of operations vary from quarter to quarter, so our financial performance in certain financial quarters may not be indicative of or comparable to our financial performance in subsequent financial quarters.

Market Risk

We are exposed to market risks arising from changes in market rates and prices, including movements in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates.

Foreign Currency Risk

We have operations in countries throughout the world. The financial results of our foreign operations are measured in their local currencies. As a result, our financial results could be affected by factors such as changes in foreign currency exchange rates or weak economic conditions in the foreign markets in which we have operations. Currently, we do not operate in any hyper-inflationary countries. Our foreign operations reported operating income of \$92.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2007. We estimate that a 10% change in the value of the United States dollar relative to foreign currencies would change our operating income for the year ended December 31, 2007 by \$9.2 million. As of December 31, 2007, our primary foreign exchange exposure included the Euro, British Pound, Swedish Kroner and Canadian Dollar.

This analysis does not consider the implication such currency fluctuations could have on the overall economic conditions of the United States or other foreign countries in which we operate or on the results of operations of our foreign entities.

Occasionally, we will use forward currency contracts to reduce our exposure to foreign currency risk. The principal objective of such contracts is to minimize the risks and/or costs associated with artist fee commitments. At December 31, 2007 we had no outstanding foreign currency contracts.

Interest Rate Risk

Our market risk is also affected by changes in interest rates. We had \$822.6 million total debt outstanding as of December 31, 2007. Of the total amount, we have interest rate hedges with an aggregate notional amount of \$162.5 million, an additional interest rate swap with a notional amount of \$28.5 million, \$273.1 million of fixed rate debt and \$358.5 million of floating-rate debt.

Based on the amount of our floating-rate debt as of December 31, 2007, each 25 basis point increase or decrease in interest rates would increase or decrease our annual interest expense and cash outlay by

approximately \$0.9 million. This potential increase or decrease is based on the simplified assumption that the level of floating-rate debt remains constant with an immediate across-the-board increase or decrease as of December 31, 2007 with no subsequent change in rates for the remainder of the period.

We currently use interest rate swaps to reduce our exposure to market risk from changes in interest rates. We do not intend to hold or issue interest rate swaps for trading purposes. The accounting for changes in the fair value of a derivative instrument depends on whether it has been designated and qualifies as part of a hedging relationship, and further, on the type of hedging relationship. For derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as hedging instruments, we must designate the hedging instrument, based upon the exposure being hedged, as a fair value hedge, cash flow hedge or a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation. We formally document all relationships between hedging instruments and hedged items, as well as its risk management objectives and strategies for undertaking various hedge transactions. We formally assess, both at inception and at least quarterly thereafter, whether the derivatives that are used in hedging transactions are highly effective in offsetting changes in either the fair value or cash flows of the hedged item. If a derivative ceases to be a highly effective hedge, we discontinue hedge accounting. We account for our derivative instruments that are not designated as hedges at fair value with changes in fair value recorded in current earnings during the period of change.

For derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as a fair value hedge (i.e., hedging the exposure to changes in the fair value of an asset or a liability or an identified portion thereof that is attributable to a particular risk), the gain or loss on the derivative instrument as well as the offsetting loss or gain on the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk are recognized in the same line item associated with the hedged item in current earnings during the period of the change in fair values (for example, in interest expense when the hedged item is fixed-rate debt). For derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as a cash flow hedge (i.e., hedging the exposure to variability in expected future cash flows that is attributable to a particular risk), the effective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative instrument is reported as a component of other comprehensive income (loss) and reclassified into earnings in the same line item associated with the forecasted transaction in the same period or periods during which the hedged transaction affects earnings (for example, in interest expense when the hedged transactions are interest cash flows associated with floating-rate debt). The remaining gain or loss on the derivative instrument in excess of the cumulative change in the present value of future cash flows of the hedged item, if any, is recognized in other expense (income)—net in current earnings during the period of change. For derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as a hedge of a net investment in a foreign currency, the gain or loss is reported in other comprehensive income (loss) as part of the cumulative translation adjustment to the extent it is effective. Any ineffective portions of net investment hedges are recognized in other expense (income)—net in current earnings during the period of change.

In March 2006, we entered into two separate interest rate swaps for which we purchased a series of interest rate caps and sold a series of interest rate floors with a \$162.5 million aggregate notional amount that effectively converts a portion of our floating-rate debt to a fixed-rate basis. These agreements expire in March 2009. The fair value of these agreements at December 31, 2007 was a liability of \$1.8 million. These agreements were put in place to eliminate or reduce the variability of a portion of the cash flows from the interest payments related to the senior secured credit facility. The terms of the senior secured credit facility required that an interest rate swap be put in place for at least 50% of the original \$325 million senior term loan and for at least three years.

As part of the acquisition of AMG, we have interest rate swap agreements with a \$28.5 million aggregate notional amount that effectively converts a portion of our floating-rate debt to a fixed-rate basis. These agreements expire in January 2015. These interest rate swap agreements have not been designated as hedging instruments. Therefore, any change in fair value is recorded in earnings during the period of the change.

In July 2007, we issued \$220.0 million of convertible senior notes due 2027. Beginning with the period commencing on July 20, 2014 and ending on January 14, 2015, and for each of the interest periods commencing thereafter, we will pay contingent interest on the notes if the average trading price of the notes during the five

consecutive trading days ending on the second trading day immediately preceding the first day of the applicable interest period equals or exceeds 120% of the principal amount of the notes. The contingent interest payable per note will equal 0.25% per year of the average trading price of such note during the applicable five trading-day reference period, payable in arrears.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*, or Statement 157. Statement 157 provides guidance for using fair value to measure assets and liabilities and also responds to investors' requests for expanded information about the extent to which companies measure assets and liabilities at fair value, the information used to measure fair value, and the effect of fair value measurements on earnings. Statement 157 applies whenever other standards require (or permit) assets or liabilities to be measured at fair value. Statement 157 does not expand the use of fair value in any new circumstances. Statement 157 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007 and interim periods within those fiscal years. Earlier application is encouraged, provided that the reporting entity has not yet issued financial statements for that year, including financial statements for an interim period within that fiscal year. The provisions of Statement 157 are applied prospectively with retrospective application to certain financial instruments. We adopted Statement 157 on January 1, 2008 and do not expect the adoption to have a material impact on our financial position or results of operations.

In February 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities*, or Statement 159. Statement 159 allows entities to voluntarily choose, at specified election dates, to measure many financial assets and financial liabilities (as well as certain nonfinancial instruments that are similar to financial instruments) at fair value, or the fair value option. The election is made on an instrument-by-instrument basis and is irrevocable. If the fair value option is elected for an instrument, Statement 159 specifies that all subsequent changes in fair value for that instrument will be reported in earnings. Statement 159 is effective as of the beginning of an entity's first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2007. Upon initial adoption, Statement 159 provides entities with a one-time chance to elect the fair value option for existing eligible items. The effect of the first measurement to fair value should be reported as a cumulative-effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in the year of adoption. We adopted Statement 159 on January 1, 2008 and do not expect the adoption to have a material impact on our financial position or results of operations.

In February 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. 157-2, Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157 which delays the effective date for non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities, except for items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (at least annually). The effective date for these items was delayed to years beginning after November 15, 2008.

In August 2007, the FASB issued for comment an exposure draft of a proposed FASB Staff Position APB 14-a, or Proposed FSP, that would change the accounting for certain convertible debt instruments, including our 2.875% convertible senior notes. Under the proposed new rules, for convertible debt instruments that may be settled entirely or partially in cash upon conversion, an entity should separately account for the liability and equity components of the instrument in a manner that reflects the issuer's economic interest cost. The effect of the proposed new rules for our 2.875% convertible senior notes is that the equity component would be included in the additional paid-in capital section of shareholders' equity on our balance sheet and the value of the equity component would be treated as an original issue discount for purposes of accounting for the debt component of the 2.875% convertible senior notes. Higher interest expense would result by recognizing the accretion of the discounted carrying value of the 2.875% convertible senior notes to their face amount as interest expense over the expected term of the 2.875% convertible senior notes using an effective interest rate method of amortization. This Proposed FSP, if issued in its current state, would be effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2007, would not permit early application and would be applied retrospectively to all periods presented. We are

currently evaluating the proposed new rules and its impact on our current accounting for the 2.875% convertible senior notes. However, if the Proposed FSP is adopted in its current form, we expect to recognize additional interest expense in future periods due to the interest expense accretion associated with the 2.875% convertible senior notes and to report greater than previously reported interest expense due to retrospective application.

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 141(R), *Business Combinations*, or Statement 141(R). Statement 141(R) establishes revised principles and requirements for the recognition and measurement of assets and liabilities in a business combination. Statement 141(R) requires (i) recognition of 100% of the fair values of acquired assets, including goodwill, and assumed liabilities upon obtaining control, (ii) contingent consideration to be fair valued at acquisition date, (iii) transaction costs to be expensed as incurred, (iv) pre-acquisition contingencies to be accounted for at acquisition date at fair value and (v) costs of a plan to exit an activity or terminate or relocate employees to be accounted for as post combination costs. Statement 141(R) is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. We will adopt Statement 141(R) on January 1, 2009 and apply the requirements of Statement 141(R) for business combinations that occur after the date of adoption.

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements—an amendment of ARB No. 51*, or Statement 160. Statement 160 clarifies the classification of noncontrolling interests in consolidated statements of financial position and the accounting for and reporting of transactions between the reporting entity and holders of such noncontrolling interests. Statement 160 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The provisions of Statement 160 are applied prospectively with the exception of reclassifying noncontrolling interests to equity and recasting consolidated net income (loss) to include net income (loss) attributable to both the controlling and noncontrolling interests, which are required to be adopted retrospectively. We will adopt Statement 160 on January 1, 2009 and are currently assessing the impact its adoption will have on our financial position and results of operations.

Stock Option Accounting

We adopted Statement 123(R), which is a revision of FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, or Statement 123, effective January 1, 2006. Statement 123(R) supersedes Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, or APB 25, and amends FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 95, *Statement of Cash Flows*. Generally, the approach in Statement 123(R) is similar to the approach described in Statement 123. However, Statement 123(R) requires all share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options, to be recognized in the income statement based on their fair values. In accordance with Statement 123(R), we continue to use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of our stock options at the date of grant. Pro forma disclosure is no longer an alternative. We chose the modified-prospective application of Statement 123(R) and recorded \$2.1 million of non-cash compensation expense during the year ended December 31, 2006. The total amount of compensation costs not yet recognized related to nonvested stock options at December 31, 2007 was \$17.1 million with a weighted average period over which it is expected to be recognized of five years.

Prior to our adoption of Statement 123(R), we accounted for our stock-based award plans in accordance with APB 25, and related interpretations, under which compensation expense was recorded only to the extent that the current market price of the underlying stock exceeds the exercise price. In addition, we disclosed the pro forma net income (loss) as if the stock-based awards had been accounted for using the provisions of Statement 123. Pro forma earnings (loss) per share amounts are not disclosed as we had no common stock prior to the Separation. There have been no modifications made to or changes in the terms related to any outstanding stock options prior to our adoption of Statement 123(R).

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The preparation of our financial statements in conformity with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles requires management to make estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of expenses during the reporting period. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates that are based on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The result of these evaluations forms the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities and the reported amount of expenses that are not readily apparent from other sources. Because future events and their effects cannot be determined with certainty, actual results could differ from our assumptions and estimates, and such difference could be material. Management believes that the following accounting estimates are the most critical to aid in fully understanding and evaluating our reported financial results, and they require management's most difficult, subjective or complex judgments, resulting from the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. The following narrative describes these critical accounting estimates, the judgments and assumptions and the effect if actual results differ from these assumptions.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

We evaluate the collectibility of our accounts receivable based on a combination of factors. Generally, we record specific reserves to reduce the amounts recorded to what we believe will be collected when a customer's account ages beyond typical collection patterns, or we become aware of a customer's inability to meet its financial obligations.

We believe that the credit risk with respect to trade receivables is limited due to the large number and the geographic diversification of our customers.

Long-lived Assets

Long-lived assets, such as property, plant and equipment, are reviewed for impairment when events and circumstances indicate that depreciable and amortizable long-lived assets might be impaired and the undiscounted cash flows estimated to be generated by those assets are less than the carrying amount of those assets. When specific assets are determined to be unrecoverable, the cost basis of the asset is reduced to reflect the current fair value.

We use various assumptions in determining the current fair market value of these assets, including future expected cash flows and discount rates, as well as future salvage values and other fair value measures. Our impairment loss calculations require us to apply judgment in estimating future cash flows, including forecasting useful lives of the assets and selecting the discount rate that reflects the risk inherent in future cash flows.

If actual results are not consistent with our assumptions and judgments used in estimating future cash flows and asset fair values, we may be exposed to future impairment losses that could be material to our results of operations.

Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of identifiable net assets acquired in business combinations. We review goodwill for any potential impairment at least annually using the income approach to determine the fair value of our reporting units. The fair value of our reporting units is used to apply value to the net assets of each reporting unit. To the extent that the carrying amount of net assets would exceed the fair value, an impairment charge may be required to be recorded.

The income approach we use for valuing goodwill involves estimating future cash flows expected to be generated from the related assets, discounted to their present value using a risk-adjusted discount rate. Terminal values are also estimated and discounted to their present value.

If actual results are not consistent with our assumptions and judgments used in estimating future cash flows, we may be exposed to future impairment losses that could be material to our results of operations.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue from the presentation and production of an event is recognized after the performance occurs upon settlement of the event. Revenue related to larger global tours is recognized after the performance occurs; however, any profits related to these tours, primarily related to music tour production and tour management services, is recognized after minimum revenue thresholds, if any, have been achieved. Revenue collected in advance of the event is recorded as deferred revenue until the event occurs. Revenue collected from sponsorships and other revenue, which is not related to any single event, is classified as deferred revenue and generally amortized over the operating season or the term of the contract.

We account for taxes that are externally imposed on revenue producing transactions on a net basis, as a reduction to revenue.

Litigation Accruals

We are currently involved in certain legal proceedings and, as required, have accrued our estimate of the probable costs for the resolution of these claims. Management's estimates used have been developed in consultation with counsel and are based upon an analysis of potential results, assuming a combination of litigation and settlement strategies. It is possible, however, that future results of operations for any particular period could be materially affected by changes in our assumptions or the effectiveness of our strategies related to these proceedings.

Stock-Based Compensation

We adopted FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (revised 2004), *Share-Based Payment*, or Statement 123(R), which is a revision of FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, or Statement 123, effective January 1, 2006. Generally, the approach in Statement 123(R) is similar to the approach described in Statement 123. However, Statement 123(R) requires all share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options, to be recognized in the income statement based on their fair values. In accordance with Statement 123(R), we continue to use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of our stock options at the date of grant. Judgment is required in estimating the amount of stock-based awards expected to be forfeited prior to vesting. If actual forfeitures differ significantly from these estimates, non-cash compensation expense could be materially impacted.

Income Taxes

We account for income taxes using the liability method in accordance with FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on differences between financial reporting bases and tax bases of assets and liabilities and are measured using the enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the periods in which the deferred tax asset or liability is expected to be realized or settled. Deferred tax assets are reduced by valuation allowances if we believe it is more likely than not that some portion or the entire asset will not be realized. As all earnings from our foreign operations are permanently reinvested and not distributed, our income tax provision does not include additional U.S. taxes on foreign operations. It is not practical to determine the amount of federal income taxes, if any, that might become due in the event that the earnings were distributed.

We adopted the provisions of FIN 48 on January 1, 2007. FIN 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and a measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of tax positions taken or expected

to be taken in a tax return. For those benefits to be recognized, a tax position must be more likely than not to be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities. The amount recognized is measured as the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement.

Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

The ratio of earnings to fixed charges is as follows:

Year Ended December 31,				
2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
1.28	0.96	0.07	1.18	2.04

The ratio of earnings to fixed charges was computed on a total company basis. Earnings represent income from continuing operations before income taxes less equity in undistributed net income (loss) of nonconsolidated affiliates plus fixed charges. Fixed charges represent interest, amortization of debt discount and expense and the estimated interest portion of rental charges. Rental charges exclude variable rent expense for events in third-party venues. Prior period calculations have been revised to conform to the current period presentation.

ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Required information is within Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Market Risk.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Live Nation, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Live Nation, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the related consolidated and combined statements of operations, changes in business/shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2007. Our audit also included the financial statement schedule listed in the Index at Item 15(a)2. These financial statements and schedule are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and schedule based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. 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 Live Nation, Inc. and subsidiaries at December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the consolidated and combined results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2007, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also in our opinion, the related financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly in all material respects the information set forth therein.

As discussed in Notes 1 and 11 to the consolidated financial statements, in 2007 the Company changed its method of accounting for income taxes. As discussed in Notes 1 and 13 to the consolidated financial statements, in 2006 the Company changed its method of accounting for stock based compensation.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Live Nation, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2007, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated February 27, 2008 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Los Angeles, California February 27, 2008

LIVE NATION, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	Decem	ber 31,
	2007 (in thousa share	2006 nds except data)
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 338,991	\$ 313,880
Accounts receivable, less allowance of \$18,928 in 2007 and \$13,465 in 2006	264,316	250,831
Prepaid expenses	186,379	136,938
Other current assets	44,722	38,519
Total current assets	834,408	740,168
Property, plant and equipment	1.010.070	000 561
Land, buildings and improvements Furniture and other equipment	1,018,079 236,320	999,561 193,290
Construction in progress	51,725	43,370
Construction in progress		
Logo acquireulated dominaciation	1,306,124	1,236,221
Less accumulated depreciation	391,079	360,049
T	915,045	876,172
Intangible assets	202.000	72 200
Intangible assets—net Goodwill	382,999 471,542	73,398 423,169
Other long-term assets	4/1,342	423,109
Notes receivable, less allowance of \$745 in 2007 and \$545 in 2006	1,703	2,613
Investments in nonconsolidated affiliates	23,443	59,283
Other long-term assets	122,963	50,199
Total assets	\$2,752,103	\$2,225,002
	\$2,732,103	\$2,223,002
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities	\$ 79,273	\$ 40,646
Accounts payable Accrued expenses	529,984	471,414
Deferred revenue	259,868	230,179
Current portion of long-term debt	36,345	31,721
Total current liabilities	905,470	773,960
	703,470	
Long-term debt	786,261	607,425
Other long-term liabilities	91,465	88,790
Minority interest liability	61,841	76,165
Series A and Series B redeemable preferred stock	40,000	40,000
Commitments and contingent liabilities (Note 9)		
Shareholders' equity		
Preferred stock—Series A Junior Participating, \$.01 par value; 20,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and outstanding		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 30,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and outstanding		
Common stock, \$.01 par value; 450,000,000 shares authorized; 74,893,005 and 67,174,912 shares	740	(72
issued and outstanding in 2007 and 2006, respectively Additional paid-in capital	749 940,848	672 757,748
Retained deficit	(130,941)	(119,005)
Cost of shares held in treasury (1,697,227 shares in 2006)	(130,941)	(21,472)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	56,410	20,719
Total shareholders' equity	867,066	638,662
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$2,752,103	\$2,225,002

LIVE NATIONS, INC. CONSOLIDATED AND COMBINED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

		Year Ended December 31,				
	2007	2006	2005			
		(in thousands except share and per share da				
Revenue	\$ 4,184,981	\$ 3,711,715	\$ 2,936,845			
Operating expenses:						
Direct operating expenses	3,333,572	2,997,863	2,310,925			
Selling, general and administrative expenses	653,811	530,340	518,907			
Depreciation and amortization (Note 2)	120,828	128,167	64,622			
Loss (gain) on sale of operating assets	(51,226)	(11,640)	4,859			
Corporate expenses	45,854	33,863	50,715			
Operating income (loss)	82,142	33,122	(13,183)			
Interest expense	61,915	37,218	6,059			
Interest expense with Clear Channel Communications	_	_	46,437			
Interest income	(14,479)	(12,446)	(2,506)			
Equity in losses (earnings) of nonconsolidated affiliates	(4,806)	(8,407)	276			
Minority interest expense	7,869	12,209	5,236			
Other expense (income)—net	(13)	(1,220)	446			
Income (loss) before income taxes	31,656	5,768	(69,131)			
Income tax expense (benefit):						
Current	35,943	26,876	(53,025)			
Deferred	7,649	10,334	114,513			
Net loss	(11,936)	(31,442)	(130,619)			
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:						
Unrealized holding gain (loss) on cash flow derivatives	(1,888)	104	_			
Foreign currency translation adjustments	37,579	27,032	(4,398)			
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 23,755	\$ (4,306)	\$ (135,017)			
Basic and diluted net loss per common share	\$ (0.17)	\$ (0.48)	\$ (1.96)			
Basic and diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	68,440,582	64,853,243	66,809,394			

 ${\bf LIVE\ NATION, INC.}$ CONSOLIDATED AND COMBINED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN BUSINESS/SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

	Common		Additional			Cost of Shares	Accumulated Other Comprehensive	
	Shares		Paid-	Retained	Owner's Net	Held in	Income	
	Issued	Common Stock	in Capital	Deficit	Investment except share data	Treasury	(Loss)	Total
Balances at December 31, 2004	_	s —	\$ —	\$ —		* \$ —	\$ (13,521)	\$ 156,976
Net loss	_	_	_	(87,563)	(43,056)	_	_	(130,619)
Contributions from Owner	_	_	_	<u> </u>	81,885	_	_	81,885
Dividends to Owner	_	_	_	_	(76,705)	_	_	(76,705)
Contribution of debt with Clear								
Channel Communications	_	_	_	_	627,564	_	_	627,564
Distribution of common stock at								
spin-off	67,174,912	672	748,011	_	(760,185)		11,502	_
Purchase of common shares	_	_	_	_	_	(18,003)	_	(18,003)
Currency translation adjustment							(4,398)	(4,398)
Balances at December 31, 2005	67,174,912	\$ 672	\$748,011	\$ (87,563)	\$ —	\$ (18,003)	\$ (6,417)	\$ 636,700
Net loss	_	_		(31,442)	_	_	_	(31,442)
Non-cash compensation	_	_	3,307	<u> </u>	_	_	_	3,307
Common shares issued for								
business acquisitions	_	_	16,395	_	_	21,246	_	37,641
Spin-off adjustment	_	_	(9,965)	_	_	_	_	(9,965)
Purchase of common shares		_	_	_	_	(24,715)	_	(24,715)
Unrealized holding gain on cash								
flow derivatives	_	_	_	_	_	_	104	104
Currency translation adjustment							27,032	27,032
Balances at December 31, 2006	67,174,912	\$ 672	\$757,748	\$(119,005)	\$ —	\$ (21,472)	\$ 20,719	\$ 638,662
Net loss				(11,936)				(11,936)
Non-cash compensation	93,000	1	16,975	` <u>_</u>	_	_	_	16,976
Common shares issued for	,		•					ĺ
business acquisitions	6,450,722	64	139,725		_	21,884	_	161,673
Common shares issued for								
operational contracts	1,174,371	12	26,400	_	_	_	_	26,412
Purchase of common shares		_	<u></u>	_	_	(412)	_	(412)
Unrealized holding loss on cash								
flow derivatives	_	_	_	_	_	_	(1,888)	(1,888)
Currency translation adjustment							37,579	37,579
Balances at December 31, 2007	74,893,005	\$ 749	\$940,848	\$(130,941)	\$ —	\$	\$ 56,410	\$ 867,066

LIVE NATION, INC. CONSOLIDATED AND COMBINED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

		Year Ended December 3		
	2007	2006 (in thousands)	2005	
Cash flows from operating activities		(in inousumus)		
Net loss	\$ (11,936)	\$ (31,442)	\$(130,619	
Reconciling items:	`	, , ,	,	
Depreciation	85,848	118,343	62,279	
Amortization of intangibles	34,980	9,824	2,343	
Deferred income tax expense	7,649	10,334	114,513	
Amortization of debt issuance costs	2,095	736	9	
Current tax benefit dividends to Clear Channel Communications	_	_	(76,705	
Non-cash compensation expense	29,191	3,432	1,256	
Loss (gain) on sale of operating assets	(51,226)	(11,640)	4,859	
Loss (gain) on sale of other investments	(64)	1,659	_	
Equity in losses (earnings) of nonconsolidated affiliates	(4,806)	(8,407)	276	
Minority interest expense	7,869	12,209	5,236	
Decrease in other—net	_	_	(119	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions and dispositions:			`	
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	3,827	(55,504)	(15,911	
Increase in prepaid expenses	(51,554)	(11,837)	(41,759	
Decrease (increase) in other assets	(50,951)	(1,762)	4,592	
Increase in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	30,858	3,902	41,940	
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue	18,030	(22,219)	24,132	
Decrease in other—net	_		(245	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	49,810	17,628	(3,917	
	47,010	17,020	(3,71)	
ash flows from investing activities	1.010	4 407	2.517	
Collection of notes receivable	1,910	4,427	2,51	
Advances to notes receivable	(879)	(2,420)	(2,34)	
Distributions from nonconsolidated affiliates	16,195	15,922	5,450	
Investments made to nonconsolidated affiliates	(5,261)	(14,657)	(11,203	
Proceeds from disposal of other investments	3,616	1,743		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(116,849)	(65,705)	(92,520	
Proceeds from disposal of operating assets	132,106	36,292	580	
Cash paid for acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(124,285)	(351,858)	(8,467	
Purchases of intangible assets	(47,568)	(796)	(100	
Decrease (increase) in other—net	(44)	981	29	
Net cash used in investing activities	(141,059)	(376,071)	(106,049	
ash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from debt with Clear Channel Communications	_	_	220,98	
Payment on debt with Clear Channel Communications at spin-off			(220,000	
Proceeds from long-term debt, net of debt issuance costs	399,781	339,491	344,129	
Payments on long-term debt	(285,635)	(78,253)	(1,169	
Contributions from minority interest partners	_	33,188	20,543	
Distributions to minority interest partners	(4,424)	(1,415)	(2,713	
Proceeds from issuance of redeemable preferred stock, net of debt issuance costs	_	_	19,500	
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	466	_		
Payments for purchases of common stock		(24,717)	(18,003	
Net cash provided by financing activities	110,188	268,294	363,268	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	6,172	313	(28,723	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	25,111	(89,836)	224,579	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	313,880	403,716	179,137	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 338,991	\$ 313,880	\$ 403,716	
upplemental disclosure				
Cash paid during the year for:				
Interest	\$ 57,596	\$ 35,406	\$ 4,549	
Income taxes	\$ 20,683	\$ 20,508	\$ 17,253	

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED AND COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—(Continued)

NOTE 1—SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Business

Live Nation, Inc. (the "Company" or "Live Nation") was incorporated in Delaware on August 2, 2005 in preparation for the contribution and transfer by Clear Channel Communications, Inc. ("Clear Channel") of substantially all of its entertainment assets and liabilities to the Company (the "Separation"). The Company completed the Separation on December 21, 2005 and became a publicly traded company on the New York Stock Exchange trading under the symbol "LYV".

Prior to the Separation, Live Nation was a wholly owned subsidiary of Clear Channel. As part of the Separation, holders of Clear Channel's common stock received one share of Live Nation common stock for every eight shares of Clear Channel common stock.

Seasonality

Due to the seasonal nature of shows in outdoor amphitheaters and festivals, which primarily occur May through September, the Company experiences higher revenue during the second and third quarters. This seasonality also results in higher balances in cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, prepaid expenses, accrued expenses and deferred revenue at different times in the year.

Basis of Presentation and Principles of Consolidation and Combination

Prior to the Separation

Prior to the Separation, the combined financial statements include amounts that are comprised of businesses included in the consolidated financial statements and accounting records of Clear Channel, using the historical bases of assets and liabilities of the entertainment business. Management believes the assumptions underlying the combined financials statements are reasonable. However, the combined financial statements included herein may not reflect what the Company's results of operations, financial position and cash flows would have been had it operated as a separate, stand-alone entity during the periods presented or what its results of operations, financial position and cash flows will be in the future. Clear Channel's net investment in the Company is shown as Business equity in lieu of Shareholders' equity in the combined financial statements prior to the Separation.

Subsequent to the Separation

As a result of the Separation, the Company recognized the par value and additional paid-in-capital in connection with the issuance of its common stock in exchange for the net assets contributed at that time, and the Company began accumulating retained deficits and currency translation adjustments upon completion of the Separation. Beginning on December 21, 2005, the Company's consolidated financial statements include all accounts of the Company, its majority owned subsidiaries and variable interest entities for which the Company is the primary beneficiary.

Significant intercompany accounts among the consolidated and combined businesses have been eliminated in consolidation. Minority interest expense is recorded for consolidated affiliates in which the Company owns more than 50%, but not all, of the voting common stock and also variable interest entities for which the Company is the primary beneficiary. Investments in nonconsolidated affiliates in which the Company owns 20% to 50% of the voting common stock or otherwise exercises significant influence over operating and financial policies of the

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nonconsolidated affiliate are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Investments in nonconsolidated affiliates in which the Company owns less than 20% of the voting common stock are accounted for using the cost method of accounting.

During 2006, the Company recorded an adjustment to additional paid-in capital of \$10.0 million to adjust the carrying value of assets distributed at the date of spin-off.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less. The Company's cash and cash equivalents consist primarily of money market accounts as well as domestic and foreign bank accounts. To reduce its credit risk, the Company monitors the credit standing of the financial institutions that hold the Company's cash and cash equivalents and also only invests in AAA-rated money market accounts.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The Company evaluates the collectibility of its accounts receivable based on a combination of factors. Generally, it records specific reserves to reduce the amounts recorded to what it believes will be collected when a customer's account ages beyond typical collection patterns, or the Company becomes aware of a customer's inability to meet its financial obligations.

The Company believes that the credit risk with respect to trade receivables is limited due to the large number and the geographic diversification of its customers.

Prepaid Expenses

The majority of the Company's prepaid expenses relate to event expenses including show advances and deposits and other costs directly related to future entertainment events. For advances that are expected to be recouped over a period of more than 12 months, the long-term portion of the advance is classified as other long-term assets. Such costs are charged to operations upon completion of the related events.

Purchase Accounting

The Company accounts for its business acquisitions under the purchase method of accounting. The total cost of acquisitions is allocated to the underlying identifiable net assets based on their respective estimated fair values. The excess of the purchase price over the estimated fair values of the assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. Determining the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed requires management's judgment and often involves the use of significant estimates and assumptions, including assumptions with respect to future cash inflows and outflows, discount rates, asset lives and market multiples, among other items. In addition, reserves have been established on the Company's balance sheet related to acquired liabilities and qualifying restructuring costs and contingencies based on assumptions made at the time of acquisition. The Company evaluates these reserves on a regular basis to determine the adequacies of the amounts.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost or fair value at date of acquisition. Depreciation, which is recorded for both owned assets and assets under capital leases, is computed using the straight-line method at rates that, in the opinion of management, are adequate to allocate the cost of such assets over their estimated useful lives, which are as follows:

Buildings and improvements — 10 to 50 years Furniture and other equipment — 3 to 10 years

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Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of the economic life or associated lease term assuming renewal periods, if appropriate. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to operations as incurred, whereas expenditures for renewal and improvements are capitalized.

The Company tests for possible impairment of property, plant, and equipment whenever events or circumstances change, such as a significant reduction in operating cash flow or a dramatic change in the manner that the asset is intended to be used indicate that the carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. If indicators exist, the Company compares the estimated undiscounted future cash flows related to the asset to the carrying value of the asset. If the carrying value is greater than the estimated undiscounted future cash flow amount, an impairment charge is recorded based on the difference between the discounted future cash flow estimates and the carrying value. Any such impairment charge is recorded in depreciation and amortization expense in the statement of operations. The impairment loss calculations require management to apply judgment in estimating future cash flows and the discount rates that reflect the risk inherent in future cash flows.

Intangible Assets

The Company classifies intangible assets as definite-lived, indefinite-lived or goodwill. Definite-lived intangibles primarily include non-compete agreements, intellectual property, music-related rights and building or naming rights, all of which are amortized either prorata over the respective lives of the agreements, typically four to twenty years, or on a basis more representative of the time pattern over which the benefit is derived. The Company periodically reviews the appropriateness of the amortization periods related to its definite-lived assets. These assets are stated at cost or fair value. Indefinite-lived intangibles include primarily intangible value related to trade names. The excess cost over fair value of net assets acquired is classified as goodwill. The goodwill and indefinite-lived intangibles are not subject to amortization, but are tested for impairment at least annually.

The Company tests for possible impairment of definite-lived intangible assets whenever events or circumstances change, such as a significant reduction in operating cash flow or a dramatic change in the manner that the asset is intended to be used indicate that the carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. If indicators exist, the Company compares the estimated undiscounted future cash flows related to the asset to the carrying value of the asset. If the carrying value is greater than the estimated undiscounted future cash flow amount, an impairment charge is recorded based on the difference between the discounted future cash flow estimates and the carrying value. Any such impairment charge is recorded in depreciation and amortization expense in the statement of operations. The impairment loss calculations require management to apply judgment in estimating future cash flows and the discount rates that reflect the risk inherent in future cash flows.

At least annually, the Company performs its impairment test for each reporting unit's goodwill and indefinite-lived intangibles using a two-step approach. The first step, used to screen for potential impairment, compares the fair value of the reporting unit with its carrying amount, including goodwill and indefinite-lived intangibles. The second step, used to measure the amount of any potential impairment, uses a discounted cash flow model to determine if the carrying value of the reporting unit, including goodwill and indefinite-lived intangibles, is less than the fair value of the reporting unit. Certain assumptions are used in determining the fair value, including assumptions about cash flow rates, discount rates and terminal values. If the fair value of the Company's reporting unit is less than the carrying value of the reporting unit, the Company reduces the carrying amount of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangibles. Impairment charges are recorded in depreciation and amortization expense in the statement of operations.

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Nonconsolidated Affiliates

In general, investments in which the Company owns 20 percent to 50 percent of the common stock or otherwise exercises significant influence over the company are accounted for under the equity method. The Company does not recognize gains or losses upon the issuance of securities by any of its equity method investees. The Company reviews the value of equity method investments and records impairment charges in the statement of operations for any decline in value that is determined to be other-than-temporary.

Operational Assets

As part of the Company's operations, it will invest in certain assets or rights to use assets, generally in theatrical productions. The Company reviews the value of these assets and records impairment charges in direct operating expenses in the statement of operations for any decline in value that is determined to be other-than-temporary.

Financial Instruments

Due to their short maturity, the carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued expenses approximated their fair values at December 31, 2007 and 2006. With the exception of the Company's convertible senior notes, none of the Company's other debt is publicly-traded and the majority of the interest on this debt accrues at a variable rate, the carrying amounts of long-term debt approximated their fair value at December 31, 2007 and 2006. The convertible senior notes can be traded, but not on a public market, and therefore their fair value cannot be approximated at December 31, 2007.

The Company has fixed rate debt with a minority interest partner of \$26.6 million and \$24.6 million at December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The Company is unable to determine the fair value.

Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes using the liability method in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on differences between financial reporting bases and tax bases of assets and liabilities and are measured using the enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the periods in which the deferred tax asset or liability is expected to be realized or settled. Deferred tax assets are reduced by valuation allowances if the Company believes it is more likely than not that some portion of or the entire asset will not be realized. As all earnings from the Company's foreign operations are permanently reinvested and not distributed, the Company's income tax provision does not include additional United States ("U.S.") taxes on foreign operations. It is not practical to determine the amount of federal income taxes, if any, that might become due in the event that the earnings were distributed.

The Company adopted the provisions of FIN 48 on January 1, 2007. FIN 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and a measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. For those benefits to be recognized, a tax position must be more likely than not to be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities. The amount recognized is measured as the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement.

The Company's provision for income taxes has been computed on the basis that the Company files consolidated income tax returns with its subsidiaries. Prior to the Separation, the operations of the Company were included in a consolidated federal income tax return filed by Clear Channel. Certain tax liabilities owed by the

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Company were remitted to the appropriate taxing authority by Clear Channel and were accounted for as non-cash capital contributions by Clear Channel to the Company. Tax benefits recognized on employee stock option exercises prior to the Separation were retained by Clear Channel. Subsequent to the Separation, the Company files separate consolidated income tax returns.

The Company has established a policy of including interest related to tax loss contingencies in income tax expense (benefit).

The Company's provision for income taxes is further disclosed in Note 11.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue from the presentation and production of an event is recognized after the performance occurs upon settlement of the event. Revenue related to larger global tours is recognized after the performance occurs; however, any profits related to these tours, primarily related to music tour production and tour management services, is recognized after minimum revenue guarantee thresholds, if any, have been achieved. Revenue collected in advance of the event is recorded as deferred revenue until the event occurs. Revenue collected from sponsorships and other revenue, which is not related to any single event, is classified as deferred revenue and generally amortized over the operating season or the term of the contract. Membership revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the membership.

The Company accounts for taxes that are externally imposed on revenue producing transactions on a net basis, as a reduction to revenue.

Barter Transactions

Barter transactions represent the exchange of display space or tickets for advertising, merchandise or services. These transactions are generally recorded at the lower of the fair value of the display space or tickets relinquished or the fair value of the advertising, merchandise or services received. Revenue is recognized on barter transactions when the advertisements are displayed or the event occurs for which the tickets are exchanged. Expenses are recorded when the advertising, merchandise or service is received or when the event occurs. Barter revenue for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, were approximately \$39.5 million, \$45.0 million and \$34.9 million, respectively, and are included in total revenue. Barter expense for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, were approximately \$39.4 million, \$44.7 million and \$34.8 million, respectively, and are included in direct operating expenses and selling, general and administrative expenses.

Foreign Currency

Results of operations for foreign subsidiaries and foreign equity investees are translated into U.S. dollars using the average exchange rates during the year. The assets and liabilities of those subsidiaries and investees are translated into U.S. dollars using the exchange rates at the balance sheet date. The Company does not currently have operations in highly inflationary countries. The related translation adjustments are recorded in a separate component of business/shareholders' equity in accumulated other comprehensive loss. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses are included in operations.

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Advertising Expense

The Company records advertising expense as it is incurred on an annual basis. Advertising expenses of \$243.0 million, \$209.3 million and \$179.7 million were recorded during the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Direct Operating Expenses

Direct operating expenses include artist fees, show related marketing and advertising expenses and salaries and wages related to seasonal employees at our venues along with other costs.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses include salaries and wages related to full-time employees and fixed rent along with other costs.

Depreciation and Amortization

The Company's depreciation and amortization expense is presented as a separate line item in the consolidated and combined statements of operations. There is no depreciation or amortization expense included in direct operating expenses or selling, general and administrative expenses.

Non-Cash Compensation

Effective January 1, 2006, the Company adopted the fair value recognition provisions of FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (revised 2004), *Share-Based Payment* ("Statement 123(R)"), which is a revision of FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation* ("Statement 123"). Under the fair value recognition provisions of Statement 123, stock-based compensation cost is measured at the grant date based on the fair value of the award and is amortized to selling, general and administrative expenses and corporate expenses on a straight-line basis over the options' vesting period.

Prior to the Separation, non-cash compensation expense, which was based on an allocation from Clear Channel and was related to issuance of Clear Channel's stock awards, is included in corporate expenses in the Company's consolidated and combined statements of operations.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates, judgments, and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes including, but not limited to, legal, tax and insurance accruals. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In September 2006, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* ("Statement 157"). Statement 157 provides guidance for using fair value to measure assets and liabilities and also responds to investors' requests for expanded information about the extent to which companies

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measure assets and liabilities at fair value, the information used to measure fair value, and the effect of fair value measurements on earnings. Statement 157 applies whenever other standards require (or permit) assets or liabilities to be measured at fair value. Statement 157 does not expand the use of fair value in any new circumstances. Statement 157 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007 and interim periods within those fiscal years. The provisions of Statement 157 are applied prospectively with retrospective application to certain financial instruments. The Company adopted Statement 157 on January 1, 2008 and does not expect the adoption to have a material impact on its financial position or results of operations.

In February 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities* ("Statement 159"). Statement 159 allows entities to voluntarily choose, at specified election dates, to measure many financial assets and financial liabilities (as well as certain nonfinancial instruments that are similar to financial instruments) at fair value (the "fair value option"). The election is made on an instrument-by-instrument basis and is irrevocable. If the fair value option is elected for an instrument, Statement 159 specifies that all subsequent changes in fair value for that instrument will be reported in earnings. Statement 159 is effective as of the beginning of an entity's first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2007. Upon initial adoption, Statement 159 provides entities with a one-time chance to elect the fair value option for existing eligible items. The effect of the first measurement to fair value should be reported as a cumulative-effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in the year of adoption. The Company adopted Statement 159 on January 1, 2008 and does not expect the adoption to have a material impact on its financial position or results of operations.

In February 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. 157-2, Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157 which delays the effective date for non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities, except for items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (at least annually). The effective date for these items was delayed to years beginning after November 15, 2008.

In August 2007, the FASB issued for comment an exposure draft of a proposed FASB Staff Position APB 14-a ("Proposed FSP") that would change the accounting for certain convertible debt instruments, including the Company's 2.875% convertible senior notes. Under the proposed new rules, for convertible debt instruments that may be settled entirely or partially in cash upon conversion, an entity should separately account for the liability and equity components of the instrument in a manner that reflects the issuer's economic interest cost. The effect of the proposed new rules for the Company's 2.875% convertible senior notes is that the equity component would be included in the additional paid-in capital section of shareholders' equity on the Company's balance sheet and the value of the equity component would be treated as an original issue discount for purposes of accounting for the debt component of the 2.875% convertible senior notes. Higher interest expense would result by recognizing the accretion of the discounted carrying value of the 2.875% convertible senior notes to their face amount as interest expense over the expected term of the 2.875% convertible senior notes using an effective interest rate method of amortization. This Proposed FSP, if issued in its current state, would be effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2007, would not permit early application and would be applied retrospectively to all periods presented. The Company is currently evaluating the proposed new rules and its impact on the Company's current accounting for the 2.875% convertible senior notes. However, if the Proposed FSP is adopted in its current form, the Company expects to recognize additional interest expense in future periods due to the interest expense accretion associated with the 2.875% convertible senior notes and to report greater than previously reported interest expense due to retrospective application.

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 141(R), *Business Combinations* ("Statement 141(R)"). Statement 141(R) establishes revised principles and requirements for the

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recognition and measurement of assets and liabilities in a business combination. Statement 141(R) requires (i) recognition of 100% of the fair values of acquired assets, including goodwill, and assumed liabilities upon obtaining control, (ii) contingent consideration to be fair valued at acquisition date, (iii) transaction costs to be expensed as incurred, (iv) pre-acquisition contingencies to be accounted for at acquisition date at fair value and (v) costs of a plan to exit an activity or terminate or relocate employees to be accounted for as post combination costs. Statement 141(R) is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The Company will adopt Statement 141(R) on January 1, 2009 and apply the requirements of Statement 141(R) for business combinations that occur after the date of adoption.

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 160, Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements—an amendment of ARB No. 51 ("Statement 160"). Statement 160 clarifies the classification of noncontrolling interests in consolidated statements of financial position and the accounting for and reporting of transactions between the reporting entity and holders of such noncontrolling interests. Statement 160 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The provisions of Statement 160 are applied prospectively with the exception of reclassifying noncontrolling interests to equity and recasting consolidated net income (loss) to include net income (loss) attributable to both the controlling and noncontrolling interests, which are required to be adopted retrospectively. The Company will adopt Statement 160 on January 1, 2009 and is currently assessing the impact its adoption will have on its financial position and results of operations.

NOTE 2—LONG-LIVED ASSETS

Property, Plant and Equipment

The Company tests for possible impairment of property, plant and equipment whenever events or circumstances change, such as a significant reduction in operating cash flow or a dramatic change in the manner that the asset is intended to be used indicate that the carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable.

During the fourth quarter of 2007 and the third and fourth quarters of 2006, the Company reviewed the carrying value of certain property, plant and equipment assets that management determined would, more likely than not, be disposed of before the end of their previously estimated useful lives or had an indicator that future operating cash flows may not support their carrying value. It was determined that several of those assets were impaired since the estimated undiscounted cash flows associated with those assets were less than their carrying value. These cash flows were calculated using estimated sale values of the land for the assets being evaluated for disposal, that were developed based on an approximate value related to the best use of the land or appraised values, in addition to operating cash flows, all of which were used to approximate fair value. As a result, the Company recorded impairment charges as a component of depreciation and amortization expense primarily related to several amphitheaters to be disposed of or determined to be impaired and a theater project that is no longer being pursued. For the year ended December 31, 2006 impairment charges of \$42.5 million and \$9.1 million were recorded in the Company's North American Music and Global Theater segments, respectively. For the year ended December 31, 2007, an impairment charge of \$3.8 million was recorded in the Company's North American Music segment related to an amphitheater that was determined to be impaired and an amphitheater that is no longer being used.

During 2007, the Company released \$3.4 million of asset retirement obligations, originally recorded in connection with the Mean Fiddler Music Group, PLC ("Mean Fiddler") acquisition, due to the sale in 2007 of these venues. In addition, the Company recorded \$1.9 million in additional reserves related to various properties in the United Kingdom.

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During the third quarter of 2006, the Company recorded an asset retirement obligation of \$5.5 million through purchase accounting which is reported in other long-term liabilities. This liability relates to dilapidation reserves and obligations for meeting regulatory requirements for certain venues in the United Kingdom obtained in the Mean Fiddler acquisition. In addition, the Company recorded \$2.5 million in additional reserves related to various properties in the United Kingdom.

The following table presents the activity related to the Company's asset retirement obligations as of December 31, 2007 and 2006:

	2007	2006
	(in thou	sands)
Balance as of January 1	\$ 8,835	\$ 650
Additions	1,920	_
Adjustment due to change in estimate of related costs	_	7,976
Accretion of liability	144	_
Liabilities settled	(6,044)	(131)
Foreign currency	177	340
Balance as of December 31	\$ 5,032	\$8,835

Definite-lived Intangibles

The Company has definite-lived intangible assets which are amortized over the shorter of either the respective lives of the agreements or the period of time the assets are expected to contribute to the Company's future cash flows. The following table presents the gross carrying amount and accumulated amortization of definite-lived intangible assets as of December 31, 2007 and 2006:

	December	31, 2007	December 31, 2006		
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(in thou	isands)	<u> </u>	
Venue management and leasehold interests	\$ 82,693	\$ (8,848)	\$ 7,456	\$ (1,937)	
Artist relationships and other revenue-generating contracts	297,070	(28,633)	63,216	(7,900)	
Trademarks and naming rights	14,390	(4,042)	9,020	(2,196)	
Non-compete agreements	1,127	(329)	1,804	(1,432)	
Other	4,286	(761)	4,360	(584)	
Total	\$ 399,566	\$ (42,613)	\$ 85,856	\$ (14,049)	

For the year ended December 31, 2007, the Company recorded additional definite-lived intangible assets totaling \$240.1 million due to purchase accounting adjustments for venue management and leasehold interests, revenue-generating contracts and artist relationships primarily resulting from the Company's 2006 acquisition of HOB Entertainment, Inc. ("HOB") and the Company's 2007 acquisitions of the remaining interest in Concert Productions International ("CPI") and House of Blues Concerts Canada ("HOB Canada"). These additional definite-lived intangible assets have a weighted average life of approximately ten years.

In addition, the Company recorded other definite-lived intangible assets of \$73.6 million related to revenue-generating contracts not acquired through acquisitions.

During 2006, the Company acquired intellectual property rights, non-compete agreements and certain intangible relationships of \$69.2 million with a weighted average life of five years.

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Total amortization expense from definite-lived intangible assets for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005 was \$35.0 million, \$9.8 million and \$2.3 million, respectively.

The following table presents the Company's estimate of amortization expense for each of the five succeeding fiscal years for definite-lived intangible assets that exist at December 31, 2007:

	(in thousands)
2008	\$ 43,576
2009	41,409
2010	42,190
2011	41,044
2012	39,256

As acquisitions and dispositions occur in the future and the valuation of intangible assets for recent acquisitions is completed, amortization expense may vary.

Indefinite-lived Intangibles

The Company has indefinite-lived intangible assets which consist primarily of the intangible value related to trade names which are reviewed for impairment at least annually. These indefinite-lived intangible assets had a carrying value of \$26.0 million and \$1.6 million as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The increase in indefinite-lived intangible assets during 2007 was due primarily to the intangible value related to trade names resulting from purchase accounting adjustments for the Company's 2006 acquisition of HOB and the Company's 2007 acquisition of the remaining interest of Musictoday, LLC ("Musictoday").

Goodwill

The Company tests goodwill for impairment at least annually using a two-step process. The first step, used to screen for potential impairment, compares the fair value of the reporting unit with its carrying amount, including goodwill. The second step, used to measure the amount of any potential impairment, compares the implied fair value of the reporting unit with the carrying amount of goodwill. As discussed in Note 16, the Company reorganized its segments beginning in 2007 in accordance with the change in the management of the business units. As a result, goodwill has been reallocated to the new reporting business units that make up these segments utilizing a fair value approach. For each reportable operating segment, the reporting units were determined to be either the operating segment or the components thereof in accordance with FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*. The following table presents the changes in the carrying amount of goodwill in each of the Company's business segments for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006:

	North American Music	International Music	Global Artists (in thousan	Global <u>Digital</u> ds)	Global Theater	Total
Balance as of December 31, 2005	\$ 20,116	\$ 108,462	\$ 3,297	\$-	\$ 5,235	\$137,110
Acquisitions	276,174	10,415	11,117	_	2,011	299,717
Foreign currency	2,378	2,411	546	_	868	6,203
Adjustments	(7,615)	(7,718)	(1,749)		(2,779)	(19,861)
Balance as of December 31, 2006	291,053	113,570	13,211	_	5,335	423,169
Acquisitions	(82,475)	69,608	60,517	_	164	47,814
Foreign currency	4,828	4,894	1,109	_	1,762	12,593
Adjustments	(1,548)	(9,561)	(360)		(565)	(12,034)
Balance as of December 31, 2007	\$211,858	\$ 178,511	\$74,477	\$	\$ 6,696	\$471,542

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Included in the acquisition amounts above for 2007, \$3.1 million, \$30.1 million, \$63.4 million, \$15.4 million, \$5.1 million and \$39.9 million of goodwill are related to the Company's acquisitions of Jackie Lombard Productions ("Jackie Lombard") in the first quarter of 2007, the remaining 50% interest in HOB Canada in the second quarter of 2007, a 55.9% interest in Academy Music Holdings Limited ("AMG") and the remaining interest in Musictoday, both in the third quarter of 2007, Anthill Trading Ltd. ("Anthill") and Signatures SNI, Inc. ("Signatures"), both in the fourth quarter of 2007, respectively. The Company began consolidating AMG in July 2007 after the completion of a two-step acquisition of interests in AMG through its joint venture with Gaiety Investments ("Gaiety"). The Company owns 50.1% of the joint venture with Gaiety. The goodwill recorded related to AMG represents the value of accelerating the Company's venue strategy in the United Kingdom through AMG's interest in twelve music venues through a well-recognized brand. The Company is in the process of finalizing its purchase accounting for recent acquisitions which could result in a change to the allocation of the purchase price.

In addition, also included in the acquisition amount above for 2007, is a reduction of goodwill recorded during 2007 related to adjustments in the purchase accounting for the Company's acquisition of HOB in November 2006. This HOB adjustment included a reduction in goodwill of \$105.3 million related to the recording of the fair value of definite-lived and indefinite-lived intangibles related to venue management and leasehold interests, revenue-generating contracts and trade names, and a \$12.3 million reduction related to the fair value adjustment of fixed assets. These decreases were partially offset by an increase in goodwill of \$4.4 million related to pre-acquisition liabilities for HOB.

The Company expects that \$20.8 million of goodwill related to the 2007 acquisitions will be deductible for tax purposes.

In addition, during 2007 and 2006, the Company recorded adjustments of \$4.6 million and \$19.9 million, respectively, primarily related to deferred tax assets, with an offset to goodwill, due to the limited availability of future tax deductions as a result of the settlement of certain Internal Revenue Service audits of the Company for periods prior to Clear Channel's acquisition in 2000 and related to preacquisition reserves. For 2007, the adjustment includes \$7.4 million related to the allocation of goodwill and reversal of restructuring accruals related to the sale of seven small-sized music venues in the United Kingdom.

During November 2006, the Company acquired HOB, headquartered in Los Angeles, California, for approximately \$360.0 million. Total assets were valued at approximately \$453.2 million, which includes \$268.8 million of goodwill and intangible assets, and total liabilities and minority interest of approximately \$93.1 million were recorded.

Also, included in the acquisition amounts for 2006 are \$2.0 million, \$11.1 million and \$20.6 million of goodwill related to the Company's acquisitions of Historic Theater Group in the first quarter of 2006, Musictoday in the third quarter of 2006 and Gamerco, S.A. in the fourth quarter of 2006, respectively. A reduction of goodwill was recorded during 2006 related to the finalization of the purchase accounting for the Company's acquisition of Mean Fiddler Music Group, PLC ("Mean Fiddler") in 2005. This Mean Fiddler adjustment included a reduction in goodwill of \$14.9 million related to the finalization of the fair value of definite-lived intangibles pertaining to festival rights, partially offset by an increase in goodwill of \$4.2 million primarily related to the finalization of the purchase accounting which was partially offset by the recording of asset retirement obligations.

Other Operating Assets

The Company makes investments in various operating assets, including investments in assets and rights related to assets for theatrical productions and DVD production and distribution. These assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. For the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, the Company recorded impairment write-

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downs related to these other operating assets, included in the Company's Global Theater segment, of \$1.8 million and \$0.9 million, respectively. For the year ended December 31, 2006, the Company also recorded an impairment write-down related to these other operating assets, included in the Company's other operations, of \$3.0 million. These write-downs were recorded in direct operating expenses. There were no write-downs recorded for the year ended December 31, 2007.

NOTE 3—BUSINESS ACQUISITIONS

The Company made acquisition related cash payments of \$124.3 million, \$351.9 million and \$8.5 million during the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively. In 2007, these payments related to nine acquisitions including music promoters, venue operators and artist fan club and merchandise service providers, as well as various earn-outs and deferred purchase price consideration paid on prior year acquisitions. During 2007, the Company also issued 8.2 million shares of its common stock in connection with the acquisitions of the remaining interest in Musictoday, the remaining interest in CPI, Anthill and Signatures for a total value of \$161.7 million. Of these shares, 0.3 million shares are held by the Company pursuant to a pledge agreement. In addition, Clear Channel made cash payments of \$67.9 million during the year ended December 31, 2005 related to acquisitions. These payments by Clear Channel were recorded as non-cash capital contributions to the Company.

Acquisition Summary

The following is a summary of the assets and liabilities acquired and the consideration given, net of cash received, for all acquisitions made during 2007 and 2006:

	2007	2006	
	(in thou	(in thousands)	
Accounts receivable	\$ 16,603	\$ 26,514	
Property, plant and equipment	62,241	102,273	
Intangible assets	264,496	69,046	
Goodwill	47,814	296,702	
Other assets	18,624	49,595	
	409,778	544,130	
Long-term debt, including current portion	(57,989)	(4,625)	
Other liabilities	(65,831)	(150,006)	
Common stock issued	(161,673)	(37,641)	
Cash paid for acquisitions, net	\$ 124,285	\$ 351,858	

The Company is in the process of finalizing its purchase accounting for recent acquisitions which could result in a change to the allocation of the purchase price.

The Company has entered into certain agreements relating to acquisitions that provide for purchase price adjustments and other future contingent payments based on the financial performance of the acquired company. During the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, the cash payments discussed above include payments related to earn-outs and deferred purchase price consideration of \$2.0 million, \$0.5 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, that were recorded to goodwill. The Company will continue to accrue additional amounts related to such contingent payments if and when it is determinable that the applicable financial performance targets will be met. The aggregate of these contingent payments, if performance targets are met, will not significantly impact the Company's financial position or results of operations.

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NOTE 4—RESTRUCTURING

Acquisition Related

As part of the Company's acquisition of HOB Canada in June 2007, the Company accrued \$1.2 million in restructuring costs in its North American Music segment related to severance costs which were paid in 2007. These additional costs were recorded as part of the purchase price allocation. As of December 31, 2007, the accrual balance for the HOB Canada restructuring was \$0.4 million. This restructuring resulted in the termination of eight employees.

As part of the Company's acquisition of HOB in November 2006, the Company accrued \$5.5 million in restructuring costs in its North American Music segment related to severance costs which were paid in 2007. These additional costs were recorded as an adjustment to the purchase price. As of December 31, 2007, the accrual balance for the HOB restructuring was \$0.1 million. This restructuring resulted in the termination of 80 employees, the majority of which have been terminated as of December 31, 2007.

As part of the Company's acquisition of Mean Fiddler, subsequently renamed Festival Republic, in July 2005, the Company accrued \$4.7 million during the year ended 2005 and recorded an additional accrual of \$2.7 million in 2006 in its International Music segment primarily related to lease terminations which it expects to pay over the next several years. These additional costs were recorded as adjustments to the purchase price. In August 2007, the Company sold seven small-sized music venues that were acquired with Mean Fiddler resulting in a reduction of \$4.4 million to the restructuring accrual with an offset to goodwill for the lease terminations related to these venues. As of December 31, 2007, the accrual balance for the Mean Fiddler restructuring was \$1.1 million.

In addition, the Company has a remaining restructuring accrual of \$1.9 million as of December 31, 2007, related to its merger with Clear Channel in August 2000.

In total, the Company has recorded a liability in purchase accounting related to severance for terminated employees and lease terminations as follows:

	2007	2006	2005
		(in thousands)	
Severance and lease termination costs:			
Accrual at January 1	\$13,132	\$ 6,223	\$ 2,579
Restructuring accruals recorded	1,456	7,995	4,730
Payments charged against restructuring accrual	(6,611)	(1,086)	(1,086)
Adjustments to restructuring accrual	(4,434)		
Remaining accrual at December 31	\$ 3,543	\$13,132	\$ 6,223

The remaining severance and lease accrual is comprised of \$1.1 million of severance and \$2.4 million of lease termination costs. The severance accrual includes amounts that will be paid over the next several years related to deferred payments to former employees, as well as other compensation. The lease termination accrual will be paid over the next 16 years. For the year ended December 31, 2007 there was \$6.2 million charged to the restructuring reserve related to severance. The Company is continuing to evaluate its purchase accounting liabilities related to its recent acquisitions which may result in additional restructuring accruals.

Clear Channel made payments related to acquisition contingencies of \$5.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2005 on behalf of the Company. These payments were accounted for as non-cash capital contributions by Clear Channel to the Company.

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NOTE 5—INVESTMENTS

The Company has investments in various nonconsolidated affiliates. These investments are not consolidated, but are accounted for either under the equity or cost methods of accounting whereby the Company records its investments in these entities in the balance sheet as investments in nonconsolidated affiliates. The Company's interests in their operations are recorded in the statement of operations as equity in losses (earnings) of nonconsolidated affiliates. Investments in nonconsolidated affiliates in which the Company owns 20% to 50% of the voting common stock or otherwise exercises significant influence over operating and financial policies of the nonconsolidated affiliate are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Investments in nonconsolidated affiliates in which the Company owns less than 20% of the voting common stock are accounted for using the cost method of accounting. The following is a list of several of the Company's larger investments in nonconsolidated affiliates accounted for under the equity method of accounting.

Broadway in Chicago

The Company owned a 50% interest in Broadway in Chicago ("BIC"), a United States theatrical company involved in promotion, presentation and venue operations for live entertainment events. This interest was divested in December 2007. See further discussion of this divestiture in Note 15—Other Information.

Delirium Concert, L.P.

The Company owns a 50% interest in a joint venture with Cirque Du Soleil to develop, produce and promote a new type of live entertainment musical and visual event. This joint venture was formed in 2005 with the tour beginning in 2006.

Dominion Theatre

The Company owns a 33% interest in the Dominion Theatre, a United Kingdom theatrical company involved in venue operations.

Marek Lieberberg Konzertagentur

The Company owns a 20% interest in Marek Lieberberg Konzertagentur ("MLK"), a German music company involved in promotion of, and venue operations for, live entertainment events.

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Summarized unaudited balance sheet and unaudited income statement information for the Company's investments that are considered significant for the year ended December 31, 2007 is as follows:

			Broadway in	Delirium
	Dominion	MLK	Chicago	Concert(1)
		(in thou	isands)	
2007	***	*		*
Current assets	\$15,910	\$ 61,016	\$ —	\$ 17,110
Noncurrent assets	\$11,376	\$ 2,124	\$ —	\$ —
Current liabilities	\$ 7,775	\$ 28,954	\$ —	\$ 14,545
Noncurrent liabilities	\$ —	\$ 11,505	\$ —	\$ 3,500
Revenue	\$16,061	\$136,773	\$67,993	\$ 44,762
Operating income (loss)	\$ 6,872	\$ 15,397	\$16,801	\$(13,157)
Net income	\$ 6,158	\$ 9,020	\$17,958	\$(13,157)
2006				
Current assets	\$17,843	\$ 58,177	\$23,335	\$ 2,440
Noncurrent assets	\$ 2,269	\$ 1,738	\$ 2,357	\$ 2,410
Current liabilities	\$ 7,342	\$ 42,420	\$22,410	\$ 1,063
Noncurrent liabilities	\$ —	\$ 6,547	\$ —	\$ —
Revenue	\$13,052	\$115,556	\$59,811	\$ 69,746
Operating income	\$ 4,508	\$ 12,133	\$13,211	\$(10,438)
Net income	\$ 3,284	\$ 6,920	\$14,154	\$(10,438)
2005				
Current assets	\$14,504	\$ 51,968	\$32,839	\$ —
Noncurrent assets	\$ 1,985	\$ 1,416	\$ 865	\$ — \$ —
Current liabilities	\$ 5,432	\$ 30,673	\$25,417	\$ —
Noncurrent liabilities	\$ —	\$ 8,653	\$ —	\$ —
Revenue	\$11,417	\$ 87,725	\$49,515	\$ —
Operating income	\$ 4,349	\$ 8,481	\$11,687	\$ —
Net income	\$ 3,113	\$ 4,660	\$11,940	\$ —

⁽¹⁾ Included in Delirium Concert's operating income (loss) is amortization of production costs.

There were no accumulated undistributed earnings included in retained deficit for these investments for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005.

These assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. For the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, the Company recorded an impairment write-down related to these investments in nonconsolidated affiliates of \$2.7 million, \$0.5 million and \$4.9 million, respectively. These write-downs were recorded as equity in losses (earnings) of nonconsolidated affiliates.

The Company conducts business with certain of its equity method investees in the ordinary course of business. Transactions relate to venue rentals, management fees, sponsorship revenue, and reimbursement of certain costs. Expenses of \$4.1 million, \$4.9 million and \$3.1 million were incurred in 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively, and revenue of \$2.3 million, \$2.8 million and \$1.9 million were earned in 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively, from these equity investees for services rendered or provided in relation to these business ventures.

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NOTE 6—LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt, which includes capital leases, at December 31, 2007 and 2006, consisted of the following:

	Decem	December 31,	
	2007	2006	
	(in tho	(in thousands)	
Senior Secured Credit Facility:			
Term loan	\$451,730	\$546,750	
Revolving credit facility	55,000	48,000	
2.875% convertible senior notes due 2027	220,000	_	
Other long-term debt	95,876	44,396	
	822,606	639,146	
Less: current portion	36,345	31,721	
Total long-term debt	\$786,261	\$607,425	

Debt with Clear Channel Communications

Prior to the Separation, the Company had a revolving line of credit with Clear Channel Communications that was payable upon demand by Clear Channel or on August 1, 2010, whichever was earlier, allowed for prepayment at any time, and accrued interest at a fixed per annum rate of 7.0%. As part of the Separation in 2005, \$220.0 million of the outstanding debt balance was repaid, with Clear Channel contributing the remaining balance to the Company's capital.

Senior Secured Credit Facility

The Company has a senior secured credit facility consisting of term loans totaling \$550 million and a \$285 million revolving credit facility, with the right, subject to certain conditions, to increase such facilities by up to \$250 million in the aggregate. The revolving credit facility provides for borrowings up to the amount of the facility with sub-limits of up to \$235 million to be available for the issuance of letters of credit and up to \$100 million to be available for borrowings in foreign currencies. Under the senior secured credit facility, revolving loans bear interest at an annual rate of LIBOR plus 1.75%, subject to stepdowns based on the Company's leverage ratio at the time of borrowing, and term loans bear interest at an annual rate of LIBOR plus 2.75%.

The interest rate paid on the Company's \$285 million, multi-currency revolving credit facility depends on its total leverage ratio. Based on the Company's current total leverage ratio, its interest rate on revolving credit borrowings is 1.75% above LIBOR. In addition to paying interest on outstanding principal under the credit facility, the Company is required to pay a commitment fee to the lenders under the revolving credit facility in respect of the unutilized commitments. As of December 31, 2007, the commitment fee rate was 0.375%. The Company is also required to pay customary letter of credit fees, as necessary. In the event the Company's leverage ratio improves, the interest rate on revolving credit borrowings declines gradually to .75% above LIBOR at a total leverage ratio of less than, or equal to, 1.25 times.

The senior secured credit facility contains a number of covenants that, among other things, restrict the Company's ability to incur additional debt, pay dividends and make distributions, make certain investments and acquisitions, repurchase stock and prepay certain indebtedness, create liens, enter into agreements with affiliates, modify the nature of the business, enter into sale-leaseback transactions, transfer and sell material assets, and merge or consolidate.

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At December 31, 2007, the outstanding balance on the term loans and revolving credit facility was \$451.7 million and \$55.0 million, respectively. Taking into account letters of credit of \$45.7 million, \$184.3 million was available for future borrowings. Under the senior secured credit facility, the Company is required to make minimum quarterly principal repayments for the term loans. The Company has a term loan maturing in June 2013, for which minimum quarterly principal repayments aggregating approximately \$2.7 million per year are required through March 2013, with the balance due at maturity. The Company also has a term loan maturing in December 2013, for which minimum quarterly principal repayments aggregating approximately \$1.9 million per year are required through September 2013, with the balance due at maturity. The revolving credit portion of the credit facility matures in June 2012. At December 31, 2007, the weighted average interest rate, including the benefit of the interest rate swap agreements, on term loans under this credit facility was 7.95%.

Convertible Senior Notes

In July 2007, the Company issued \$220.0 million of convertible senior notes due 2027 in a private placement in the United States to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The notes pay interest semiannually at a rate of 2.875% per annum. Beginning with the period commencing on July 20, 2014 and ending on January 14, 2015, and for each of the interest periods commencing thereafter, the Company will pay contingent interest on the notes if the average trading price of the notes during the five consecutive trading days ending on the second trading day immediately preceding the first day of the applicable interest period equals or exceeds 120% of the principal amount of the notes. The contingent interest payable per note will equal 0.25% per year of the average trading price of such note during the applicable five trading-day reference period, payable in arrears. The notes will be convertible, under certain circumstances, at an initial conversion rate of 36.8395 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of notes, which represents a 27.5% conversion premium based on the last reported sale price of \$21.29 per share on July 10, 2007. Upon conversion, the notes may be settled in shares of Live Nation common stock or, at the Company's election, cash or a combination of cash and shares of Live Nation common stock. The net proceeds from the offering, after deducting estimated offering expenses payable by the Company, were approximately \$212.4 million.

Holders of the convertible senior notes may require the Company to purchase for cash all or a portion of their notes on July 15, 2014, July 15, 2017 and July 15, 2022 at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, subject to specified additional conditions. In addition, if the Company experiences a fundamental change, as defined in the indenture governing the notes, holders may require the Company to purchase for cash all or a portion of their notes, subject to specified exceptions, at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

On or after July 20, 2014, the Company may redeem all or a portion of the notes for cash at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount being redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

See Note 8 for discussion on the accounting for derivative instruments related to the convertible senior notes.

Other Long-term Debt

Other long-term debt is comprised of capital leases of \$9.7 million and notes payable of \$86.2 million, including debt to a minority interest partner of \$26.6 million. As part of the consolidation of the acquisition of AMG in July 2007, the Company's long-term debt now includes \$52.5 million of AMG's long-term debt which consists of eight notes. Total notes payable primarily consist of eleven notes with interest rates ranging from 6.0% to 11.0% and maturities ranging up to fourteen years.

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Future maturities of long-term debt at December 31, 2007 are as follows:

	(in thousands)
2008	\$ 36,345
2009	11,086
2010	11,135
2011	15,192
2012	70,306
Thereafter	678,542
Total	\$ 822,606

All long-term debt without a stated maturity date is considered current and is reflected as maturing in the earliest period shown in the table above.

Debt Covenants

The significant covenants on the Company's senior secured credit facility relate to total leverage, senior leverage, interest coverage, and capital expenditures contained and defined in the credit agreement. The adjusted leverage ratio covenant requires the Company to maintain a ratio of consolidated total indebtedness minus unrestricted cash and cash equivalents, up to a maximum of \$150 million (all as defined by the credit agreement) to consolidated earnings-before-interest-taxes-depreciation-and-amortization (as defined by the credit agreement, "Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA") of less than 4.5 times through June 30, 2008, and less than 4.0 times thereafter, provided that aggregated subordinated indebtedness and permitted holding company indebtedness (as defined by the credit agreement) is less than \$25 million or 6.0 times if greater than \$25 million. The senior leverage covenant, which is only applicable provided aggregate subordinated indebtedness and permitted holding company indebtedness is greater than \$25 million, requires the Company to maintain a ratio of adjusted consolidated senior indebtedness minus unrestricted cash and cash equivalents to Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA of less than 4.5 times through March 31, 2008 and 4.0 times thereafter. The interest coverage covenant requires the Company to maintain a minimum ratio of Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA to cash interest expense (as defined by the credit agreement) of 2.5 times. The capital expenditure covenant limits annual capital expenditures (as defined by the credit agreement) to \$110 million or less. In the event that the Company does not meet these covenants, the Company is considered to be in default on the senior secured credit facility at which time the credit facility may become immediately due. This senior secured credit facility contains a cross default provision that would be triggered if the Company were to default on any other indebtedness greater than \$10 million.

Some of the Company's other indebtedness includes restrictions on acquisitions and prohibit payment of ordinary dividends. They also have financial covenants including minimum consolidated EBITDA to consolidated net interest payable, minimum consolidated cash flow to consolidated debt service, and maximum consolidated debt to consolidated EBITDA, all as defined in the applicable debt agreements.

The Company's other indebtedness, excluding the convertible notes, does not contain provisions that would make it a default if the Company were to default on its credit facility.

The Company believes there are no other agreements that contain provisions that trigger an event of default upon a change in long-term debt ratings that would have a material impact on its financial statements.

At December 31, 2007, the Company was in compliance with all debt covenants. The Company expects to remain in compliance throughout 2008.

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NOTE 7—REDEEMABLE PREFERRED STOCK

As of December 31, 2007, one of the Company's subsidiaries had 200,000 shares of Series A redeemable preferred stock, par value \$.01 per share, and 200,000 shares of Series B redeemable preferred stock, par value \$.01 per share, outstanding (collectively, the "Preferred Stock") with an aggregate liquidation preference of \$40.0 million. The Preferred Stock accrues dividends at 13% per annum and is mandatorily redeemable on December 21, 2011. The Company will be required to make an offer to purchase the Series A and Series B redeemable preferred stock at 101% of each series' liquidation preference in the event of a change of control. The Series A and Series B redeemable preferred stock will rank pari passu to each other and will be senior to all other classes or series of capital stock of the issuer with respect to dividends and with respect to liquidation or dissolution of the issuer.

In June 2007, the Company entered into an Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation governing the Redeemable Preferred Stock (the Amended Preferred Stock Agreement) which amended and restated the certificate of incorporation to modify certain covenants and other provisions and facilitates potential future acquisitions. The Amended Preferred Stock Agreement contains a covenant that requires the Company to pay additional dividends in the event the ratio of consolidated total indebtedness minus unrestricted cash and cash equivalents, up to a maximum of \$150 million (all as defined by the Amended Preferred Stock Agreement), to consolidated earnings-before-interest-taxes-depreciation-and-amortization (as defined by the Amended Preferred Stock Agreement) exceeds 4.0 times.

The Amended Preferred Stock Agreement contains a number of covenants that, among other things, restrict the Company's ability to incur additional debt, issue certain equity securities, create liens, merge or consolidate, modify the nature of its business, make certain investments and acquisitions, transfer and sell material assets, enter into sale-leaseback transactions, enter into swap agreements, pay dividends and make distributions, and enter into agreements with affiliates. If the Company defaults under any of these covenants, it will have to pay additional dividends.

The Series A redeemable preferred stock has voting rights including the right to appoint one of the four members of the issuer's board of directors. The Series B redeemable preferred stock has no voting rights other than the right to vote as a class with the Series A redeemable preferred stock to elect one additional member to the board of directors of the issuer in the event the issuer breaches certain terms of the designations of the preferred stock.

At December 31, 2007, the Company was in compliance with all Redeemable Preferred Stock covenants. The Company expects to remain in compliance with all of our Redeemable Preferred Stock covenants throughout 2008.

NOTE 8—DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities* ("Statement 133"), requires the Company to recognize all of its derivative instruments as either assets or liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets at fair value. The accounting for changes in the fair value of a derivative instrument depends on whether it has been designated and qualifies as part of a hedging relationship, and further, on the type of hedging relationship. For derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as hedging instruments, the Company must designate the hedging instrument, based upon the exposure being hedged, as a fair value hedge, cash flow hedge or a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation. The Company formally documents all relationships between hedging instruments and hedged items, as well as its risk management objectives and strategies for undertaking various hedge transactions. The Company formally

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assesses, both at inception and at least quarterly thereafter, whether the derivatives that are used in hedging transactions are highly effective in offsetting changes in either the fair value or cash flows of the hedged item. If a derivative ceases to be a highly effective hedge, the Company discontinues hedge accounting. The Company accounts for its derivative instruments that are not designated as hedges at fair value with changes in fair value recorded in earnings. The Company does not enter into derivative instruments for speculation or trading purposes.

For derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as a cash flow hedge (i.e., hedging the exposure to variability in expected future cash flows that is attributable to a particular risk), the effective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative instrument is reported as a component of other comprehensive income (loss) and reclassified into earnings in the same line item associated with the forecasted transaction in the same period or periods during which the hedged transaction affects earnings (for example, in interest expense when the hedged transactions are interest cash flows associated with floating-rate debt). The remaining gain or loss on the derivative instrument in excess of the cumulative change in the present value of future cash flows of the hedged item, if any, is recognized in other expense (income)—net in current earnings during the period of change.

In March 2006, the Company entered into two interest rate swap agreements, designated as cash flow hedges, which are combinations of purchased interest rate caps on a notional amount of a total of \$162.5 million and sold floors over the same period on a total of \$121.9 million of the notional amount to effectively convert a portion of its floating-rate debt to a fixed-rate basis. The principal objective of these contracts is to eliminate or reduce the variability of the cash flows in interest payments associated with the Company's variable rate debt as required by the Company's senior secured credit facility, thus reducing the impact of interest rate changes on future interest expense. Approximately 35% of the Company's outstanding term loans had its interest payments designated as the hedged forecasted transactions against these interest rate swap agreements at December 31, 2007. As of December 31, 2007, the interest rate for these hedges was fixed at 5.11% on a variable rate of 4.83% based on a 3-month LIBOR; this variable rate is subject to quarterly adjustments. For the year ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, these hedges were determined to be highly effective and the Company recorded an unrealized loss of \$1.9 million and an unrealized gain of \$0.1 million, respectively, as a component of other comprehensive income (loss). Based on the current interest rate expectations, the Company estimates that approximately \$1.3 million of this loss in other comprehensive income will be reclassified into earnings in the next 12 months.

The Company has recorded a gain (loss) and related asset (liability) related to these derivative instruments during the year as follows:

	2007	2006
	(in thou	isands)
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 104	\$
Unrealized holding gain (loss) on cash flow derivatives	(1,888)	104
Balance at end of year	\$(1,784)	\$104

As part of the acquisition of AMG, the Company now has interest rate swap agreements to convert a portion of AMG's long-term debt from floating-rate debt to a fixed-rate basis. These interest rate swap agreements have not been designated as hedging instruments. Therefore, any change in fair value is recorded in earnings during the period of the change. As of December 31, 2007, the change in fair value was not significant to the Company's results of operations.

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The Company's convertible senior notes issued in July 2007 include certain provisions which are bifurcated from the notes and accounted for as derivative instruments. At the date of issuance and as of December 31, 2007, the fair value of these provisions is considered de minimis.

The Company has guaranteed a minimum value of its stock that has been granted under certain contractual arrangements in 2007. At the date of issuance and as of December 31, 2007, the fair value of this guarantee is \$6.4 million and \$10.5 million, respectively. The change in value of this guarantee is recorded as a component of depreciation and amortization expense.

Occasionally, the Company will use forward currency contracts to reduce its exposure to foreign currency risk. The principal objective of such contracts is to minimize the risks and/or costs associated with artist fee commitments. At December 31, 2007 the Company had no outstanding foreign currency contracts. At December 31, 2006, the Company had \$0.9 million in outstanding forward currency contracts. The change in fair value of these instruments from date of purchase through December 31, 2007, was not significant to the Company's results of operations.

NOTE 9—COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Company leases office space and equipment. Some of the lease agreements contain renewal options and annual rental escalation clauses (generally tied to the consumer price index), as well as provisions for the payment of utilities and maintenance by the Company. The Company also has non-cancelable contracts related to minimum performance payments with various artists and other event related costs. In addition, the Company has commitments relating to additions to property, plant, and equipment under certain construction commitments for facilities and venues.

As of December 31, 2007, the Company's future minimum rental commitments under non-cancelable operating lease agreements with terms in excess of one year, minimum payments under non-cancelable contracts in excess of one year and capital expenditure commitments consist of the following:

	Non-Can Operating		Non- Cancelable Contracts (in thousands)	Capital penditures
2008	\$ 7	4,275	\$364,850	\$ 7,830
2009	6	9,135	44,663	_
2010	6	5,371	24,008	
2011	6	2,122	14,073	2,500
2012	6	0,281	19,346	
Thereafter	78	88,872	74,533	
Total	\$ 1,12	20,056	\$541,473	\$ 10,330

Commitment amounts for non-cancelable operating leases and non-cancelable contracts which stipulate an increase in the commitment amount based on an inflationary index have been estimated using an inflation factor of 3% for North America and 1.75% for the United Kingdom.

Excluded from the non-cancelable contracts is \$90.4 million related to minimum severance obligations for all employment contracts calculated as if all such employees were terminated on January 1, 2008.

Minimum rentals of \$112.5 million to be received in years 2008 through 2020 under non-cancelable subleases are excluded from the commitment amounts in the above table.

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Total rent expense charged to operations for 2007, 2006 and 2005 was \$96.8 million, \$71.7 million and \$61.7 million, respectively. In addition to the minimum rental commitments included in the table above, the Company has leases, including a capital lease entered into during 2007, that contain contingent payment requirements for which payments vary depending on revenue, tickets sold or other variables. Contingent rent expense charged to operations for 2007, 2006 and 2005 was \$17.0 million, \$11.5 million and \$7.0 million, respectively. The above does not include rent expense for events in third-party venues.

During 2006, in connection with the Company's acquisition of Historic Theatre Group, the Company guaranteed obligations related to a lease agreement. In the event of default, the Company could be liable for obligations which have future lease payments (undiscounted) of approximately \$30.9 million through the end of 2035. The scheduled future minimum rentals for this lease for the years 2008 through 2012 are \$1.6 million each year. The Company believes that the likelihood of a material liability being triggered under this lease is remote, and no liability has been accrued for these contingent lease obligations as of December 31, 2007.

As of December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company guaranteed the debt of third parties of approximately \$2.8 million and \$1.9 million, respectively, primarily related to maximum credit limits on employee and tour related credit cards and bank lines of credit of a nonconsolidated affiliate and a third-party promoter.

In connection with the sale of a portion of its sports representation business assets during 2006, the Company guaranteed the performance of a third-party related to an employment contract in the amount of approximately \$0.4 million. This guarantee is effective through December 31, 2008; however, it would only require payment by the Company in the event of the buyer's insolvency. As of December 31, 2007 and 2006, the carrying value of this liability recorded by the Company was \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million, respectively.

Certain agreements relating to acquisitions provide for purchase price adjustments and other future contingent payments based on the financial performance of the acquired companies. The Company will accrue additional amounts related to such contingent payments if and when it is determinable that the applicable financial performance targets will be met. The aggregate of these contingent payments, if performance targets are met, would not significantly impact the financial position or results of operations of the Company.

The Company was a defendant in a lawsuit filed by Malinda Heerwagen on June 13, 2002, in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. The plaintiff, on behalf of a putative class consisting of certain concert ticket purchasers, alleged that anti-competitive practices for concert promotion services by the Company nationwide caused artificially high ticket prices. On August 11, 2003, the Court ruled in the Company's favor, denying the plaintiff's class certification motion. The plaintiff appealed this decision to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. On January 10, 2006, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit affirmed the ruling in the Company's favor by the District Court. On January 17, 2006, the plaintiff filed a Notice of Voluntary Dismissal of her action in the Southern District of New York.

The Company is a defendant in twenty-two putative class actions filed by different named plaintiffs in various U.S. District Courts throughout the country. The claims made in these actions are substantially similar to the claims made in the *Heerwagen* action discussed above, except that the geographic markets alleged are regional, statewide or more local in nature, and the members of the putative classes are limited to individuals who purchased tickets to concerts in the relevant geographic markets alleged. The plaintiffs seek unspecified compensatory, punitive and treble damages, declaratory and injunctive relief and costs of suit, including attorneys' fees. The Company has filed its answers in some of these actions, and has denied liability. On December 5, 2005, the Company filed a motion before the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation to transfer these actions and any similar ones commenced in the future to a single federal district court for coordinated pre-trial proceedings. On April 17, 2006, the Panel granted the Company's motion and ordered the consolidation

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and transfer of the actions to the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California. On June 4, 2007, the Court conducted a hearing on the plaintiffs' motion for class certification. On June 25, 2007, the Court entered an order to stay all proceedings in the case pending the Court's ruling on the plaintiffs' motion for class certification. On October 22, 2007, the Court ruled in the plaintiffs' favor, granting the plaintiffs' motion for class certification and certifying a class in the Chicago, New England, New York/New Jersey, Colorado and Southern California regional markets. On November 5, 2007, the Company filed a Petition for Permission to Appeal from Order Granting Class Certification with the U.S. District Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. At a status conference conducted on November 5, 2007, the U.S. District Court extended its stay of all proceedings pending further developments in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. On February 15, 2008, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit issued an order denying the Company's Petition for Permission to Appeal. On February 20, 2008, the Company filed a Motion with the U.S. District Court for Reconsideration of its October 22, 2007 order granting the plaintiffs' motion for class certification. The Company intends to vigorously defend all claims in all of the actions.

The Company is also currently involved in certain other legal proceedings and accrues its best estimate of the probable settlement or other losses for the resolution of these claims as selling, general and administrative expenses and corporate expenses. These estimates have been developed in consultation with counsel and are based upon an analysis of potential results, assuming a combination of litigation and settlement strategies. It is possible, however, that future results of operations for any particular period could be materially affected by changes in the Company's assumptions or the effectiveness of its strategies related to these proceedings.

During 2006, the Company reversed \$7.0 million of certain pre-acquisition contingencies related to legal matters which were resolved during the year. As resolution of the legal matters occurred beyond the one-year purchase price allocation period, this reversal was recorded to selling, general and administrative expenses in other operations.

NOTE 10—RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Relationship with Clear Channel

Master Separation and Distribution Agreement

The master separation and distribution agreement provides for, among other things, the principal corporate transactions required to effect the transfer of assets and the Company's assumption of liabilities necessary to separate the transferred businesses from Clear Channel, the distribution of the Company's common stock to the holders of record of Clear Channel's common stock on December 14, 2005, and certain other agreements governing the Company's relationship with Clear Channel after the date of the Separation. The transfers from Clear Channel to the Company occurred prior to the Separation and all of the assets were transferred on an "as is," "where is" basis, and the Company and its subsidiaries agreed to bear the economic and legal risks that any conveyance was insufficient to vest in the Company good title, free and clear of any security interest, and that any necessary consents or approvals were not obtained or that any requirements of laws or judgments were not complied with. The Company assumed and agreed to perform and fulfill all of the liabilities arising out of ownership or use of the transferred assets or the operation of the transferred businesses. The Company also agreed, among other things, that for the Company's 2005 fiscal year and for any fiscal year thereafter for so long as Clear Channel is required to consolidate the Company's results of operations and financial position with its results of operations and financial position, the Company will not select an independent registered public accounting firm different from Clear Channel.

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Transition Services Agreement

The transition services agreement governs the provision by Clear Channel to the Company of certain transitional administrative and support services such as treasury, payroll and other financial related services; human resources and employee benefits; legal and related services; information systems, network and related services; investment services; and corporate services. The charges for the transition services are intended to allow Clear Channel to fully recover the allocated direct costs of providing the services, plus all out-of-pocket expenses, generally without profit. The allocation of costs is based on various measures depending on the service provided, including relative revenue, employee headcount or number of users of a service. The services will terminate or were terminated at various times after the completion of the Separation. As of December 31, 2007, only insignificant information systems related services are still being provided, all of which are expected to be terminated by the end of 2008.

Tax Matters Agreement

The tax matters agreement governs the respective rights, responsibilities and obligations of Clear Channel and the Company with respect to tax liabilities and benefits, tax attributes, tax contests and other matters regarding income taxes, non-income taxes and preparing and filing tax returns, as well as with respect to any additional taxes incurred by the Company attributable to actions, events or transactions relating to the Company's stock, assets or business following the Separation, including taxes imposed if the Separation fails to qualify for tax-free treatment under Section 355 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or if Clear Channel is not able to recognize certain losses

Transactions with Clear Channel Directors

The Company has three non-employee directors as of December 31, 2007 on its board of directors that are also directors and executive officers of Clear Channel. These three directors receive directors' fees, stock options and restricted stock awards as do other non-employee members of the Company's board of directors.

Transactions with Clear Channel

Prior to the Separation, the Company had a revolving line of credit with Clear Channel. See further disclosure in Note 6—Long-Term Debt.

Clear Channel had provided funding for certain of the Company's acquisitions of net assets. These amounts funded by Clear Channel for these acquisitions were recorded in owner's net investment as a component of business/shareholders' equity. Also, certain tax related receivables and payables, which are considered non-cash capital contributions or dividends, were recorded in owner's net investment. During the fiscal year 2005, Clear Channel made additional non-cash capital contributions of \$8.8 million to the Company. During the fourth quarter of 2005, the Company completed the Separation from Clear Channel. As a result, the Company recognized the par value and additional paid-in-capital in connection with the issuance of our common stock in exchange for the net assets contributed by Clear Channel. As of December 31, 2005 there is no longer an owner's net investment balance recorded.

From time to time, the Company purchases advertising from Clear Channel and its subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business. For the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, the Company recorded \$11.8 million, \$16.4 million and \$12.9 million, respectively, as components of direct operating expenses and selling, general and administrative expenses for these advertisements.

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Pursuant to a transition services agreement, subsequent to the Separation, Clear Channel provided or provides to the Company certain limited administrative and support services as discussed above. As of December 31, 2007, there are no significant services that Clear Channel continues to provide. For the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company recorded an aggregate of \$2.0 million and \$4.9 million, respectively, for these services as components of selling, general and administrative expenses and corporate expenses.

Prior to the Separation, Clear Channel provided management services to the Company, which included services similar to the transition services, along with executive oversight. These services were allocated to the Company based on actual direct costs incurred or on the Company's share of Clear Channel's estimate of expenses relative to a seasonally adjusted headcount. Management believes this allocation method to be reasonable and the expenses allocated to be materially the same as the amount that would have been incurred on a stand-alone basis. For the year ended December 31, 2005, the Company recorded \$9.5 million as a component of corporate expenses for these services.

Clear Channel owns the trademark and trade names used by the Company prior to the Separation. Clear Channel charged the Company a royalty fee based upon a percentage of annual revenue. Clear Channel used a third-party valuation firm to assist in the determination of the royalty fee. For the year ended December 31, 2005 the Company recorded \$0.5 million of royalty fees in corporate expenses.

Prior to the Separation, the operations of the Company were included in a consolidated federal income tax return filed by Clear Channel. The Company's provision for income taxes for 2005 was computed on the basis that the Company files separate consolidated income tax returns with its subsidiaries. Tax payments were made to Clear Channel on the basis of the Company's separate taxable income. Tax benefits recognized on employee stock option exercises prior to the Separation were retained by Clear Channel.

The Company's North American employees participated in Clear Channel's employee benefit plans prior to the Separation, including employee medical insurance, an employee stock purchase plan and a 401(k) retirement benefit plan. These costs were recorded primarily as a component of selling, general and administrative expenses and were approximately \$9.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2005. Subsequent to the Separation, the Company provides its own employee benefit plans.

In connection with the Separation, the Company entered into various lease and licensing agreements with Clear Channel primarily for office space occupied by the Company's employees. For the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company recorded \$0.7 million and \$0.7 million, respectively, of expense as a component of selling, general and administrative expenses related to these agreements.

As of December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company recorded a liability in accrued expenses to Clear Channel of \$0.1 million and \$1.0 million, respectively, for the transition services described above and certain other costs paid for by Clear Channel on the Company's behalf.

Other Relationships

Transactions with Directors

In May 2006, the Company acquired a 50.1% controlling interest in the touring business of a commonly owned group of companies operating under the name of Concert Productions International ("CPI") and a 50% interest in several entities in the non-touring business of CPI (collectively, the "CPI Entities"). Concurrent with the acquisition, Michael Cohl became a member of the Company's board of directors. Mr. Cohl owned a 72.37%

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interest in Concert Productions International, Inc. ("CPI, Inc.") which, together with other sellers, sold the Company its interests in the CPI Entities. Through his ownership in CPI, Inc., Mr. Cohl indirectly received consideration from the sale of \$72,370 in cash and 54,519 shares of the Company's common stock, which shares are subject to a Lockup and Registration Rights Agreement. SAMCO Investments Ltd. ("Samco") received consideration from the sale of \$7.3 million in cash and 1,483,906 shares of the Company's common stock, which shares are subject to a Lockup and Registration Rights Agreement. Related to this initial transaction, the CPI Entities entered into a Services Agreement with KSC Consulting (Barbados) Inc. ("KSC Consulting") for the executive services of Mr. Cohl, pursuant to which Mr. Cohl would serve as Chief Executive Officer of the CPI Entities for a term of five years. In addition, the Company entered into a Securityholders Agreement and a Credit Agreement in connection with this transaction. The Securityholders Agreement provided for, among other things, the payment of fees and expenses to CPI, Inc. and CPI Entertainment Rights, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of CPI, Inc., and the Credit Agreement required the Company to make certain extensions of credit to the CPI Entities.

In September 2007, the Company acquired the remaining interests of the CPI Entities. Mr. Cohl, through his ownership in CPI, Inc., indirectly received consideration from the sale of 176,512 shares of the Company's common stock. Mr. Cohl also sold his 5% interest in the touring business of CPI in this transaction and received Trust Certificates evidencing a beneficial interest in 585,366 shares of the Company's common stock, which shares are subject to a Trust Agreement. In addition, Samco sold its 41.25% ownership interest in the touring business of CPI in this transaction and received \$9.3 million in cash and Trust Certificates evidencing a beneficial interest in 4,829,269 shares of the Company's common stock, which shares are subject to a Trust Agreement. In connection with the closing of the transaction, the Company was informed that Mr. Cohl entered into a non-binding arrangement in December 2006 with Samco and subsequently modified the arrangement in September 2007. This non-binding arrangement could be construed as creating a pecuniary interest in favor of Mr. Cohl in up to all of the shares of the Company's common stock owned by Samco. All of the shares of the Company's common stock noted above are subject to a Lockup and Registration Rights Agreement. Finally, KSC Consulting, a consulting company wholly-owned by Mr. Cohl, was entitled to receive \$0.7 million of the cash consideration payable to Samco in the transaction. The CPI Entities and the Company have entered into a revised Services Agreement with KSC Consulting which replaces the Services Agreement entered into in the May 2006 transaction. The Services Agreement provides for the executive services of Mr. Cohl, pursuant to which Mr. Cohl serves as Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the CPI Entities and the Company's Live Nation Artists division for a term of five years. The Services Agreement also provides that Mr. Cohl be named as the Company's sole Vice Chairman of the Company's Board of Directors and that the board of directors elect a person nominated by Mr. Cohl to the Company's Board of Directors. For the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company incurred \$1.2 million and \$0.6 million, respectively, related to these services with KSC Consulting. As part of this transaction, the Security Holders Agreement and Credit Agreement entered into in the May 2006 transaction were terminated.

Other Related Parties

The Company conducts certain transactions in the ordinary course of business with companies that are owned, in part or in total, by various members of management of the Company's subsidiaries. These transactions primarily relate to venue rentals, concession services, equipment rental, ticketing and other services and reimbursement of certain costs. Expenses of \$12.3 million, \$9.3 million and \$10.5 million were incurred for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively, and revenue of \$1.0 million, \$1.0 million, and \$0.5 million were earned for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively, from these companies for services rendered or provided in relation to these business ventures. None of these transactions were with directors or executive officers of the Company.

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NOTE 11—INCOME TAXES

Prior to the Separation, the operations of the Company were included in a consolidated federal income tax return filed by Clear Channel. However, for financial reporting purposes, the Company's provision for income taxes has been computed on the basis that the Company files separate consolidated income tax returns with its subsidiaries. Any accruals related to domestic and certain foreign tax contingencies for items that arose prior to the Separation were retained by Clear Channel.

Significant components of the provision for income tax expense (benefit) are as follows:

	2007	2006	2005
		(in thousands)	
Current—federal	\$ 1,236	\$ 2,622	\$ (74,605)
Current—foreign	32,023	23,543	31,170
Current—state	2,684	711	(9,590)
Total current	35,943	26,876	(53,025)
Deferred—federal	10,459	10,370	111,268
Deferred—foreign	(4,155)	(36)	(1,127)
Deferred—state	1,345		4,372
Total deferred	7,649	10,334	114,513
Income tax expense (benefit)	\$43,592	\$37,210	\$ 61,488

Current income tax expense increased \$9.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2007 as compared to the same period of the prior year due primarily to increases in taxable gains in the United Kingdom and in other European earnings.

Current income tax expense increased \$79.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year primarily due to losses in the United States which the Company is not currently able to use. Losses incurred by the Company during 2005 prior to the Separation could be used by Clear Channel to realize a current tax benefit. Deferred tax expense decreased \$104.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2006 as compared to the same period of the prior year due primarily to a decrease in the provision for valuation reserves recorded against deferred tax assets.

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Significant components of the Company's deferred tax liabilities and assets as of December 31, 2007 and 2006 are as follows:

	2007	2006
	(in tho	usands)
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Intangible assets	\$ 14,017	\$ 486
Prepaid expenses	5,285	6,385
Other	3,758	2,688
Total deferred tax liabilities	23,060	9,559
Deferred tax assets:		
Intangible and fixed assets	86,148	59,988
Accrued expenses	19,106	6,535
Investments in nonconsolidated affiliates	5,309	5,309
Net operating loss carryforwards	157,800	102,480
Bad debt reserves	5,388	3,293
Deferred income	7,554	2,941
Other	5,720	10,778
Total gross deferred tax assets	287,025	191,324
Valuation allowance	275,921	191,324
Total deferred tax assets	11,104	
Net deferred tax assets (liabilities)	\$ (11,956)	\$ (9,559)

The valuation allowance was recorded due to the uncertainty of the ability to generate sufficient taxable income necessary to realize certain deferred tax assets in future years. If, at a later date, it is determined that due to a change in circumstances, the Company will utilize all or a portion of those deferred tax assets, the Company will reverse the corresponding valuation allowance with the offset to income tax benefit or to goodwill.

During 2007, settlements were reached with the Internal Revenue Service concerning tax matters involving certain of the Company's fixed assets. The settlements resulted in an increase in depreciable tax basis in fixed assets and a related deferred tax asset of \$38.2 million. The Company has provided a full valuation reserve against that deferred tax asset resulting from the Company's current assessment that the deferred tax asset will not be realized. The 2007 net increase in the valuation allowance of \$84.6 million, as presented in the table of significant deferred tax assets and liabilities, exceeds the 2007 change in valuation allowance of \$26.8 million as presented in the reconciliation of income tax below by \$57.8 million. This difference is attributable principally to the Company's recording of valuation allowances against: (i) previously unrecorded deferred tax assets arising from the Internal Revenue Service settlement of \$38.2 million and a capital loss carryforward of \$18.9 million, (ii) deferred tax assets established in connection with the HOB and Signatures business combinations of \$1.8 million, and (iii) other assets of (\$1.1) million.

The deferred tax asset related to intangibles and fixed assets primarily relates to the difference in book and tax basis of tax deductible goodwill created from the Company's various stock acquisitions. In accordance with FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*, the Company no longer amortizes goodwill. Thus, a deferred tax benefit for the difference between book and tax amortization for the Company's tax-deductible goodwill is no longer recognized, as these assets are no longer amortized for book purposes. As the Company continues to amortize its tax basis in its tax deductible goodwill, the deferred tax asset will decrease over time. As of December 31, 2007, the Company has U.S. federal and state deferred tax assets related to net operating loss carryforwards of \$140.1 million and \$18.0 million, respectively. Based on current statutory carryforward periods, these losses will expire on various dates between the years 2008 and 2027. For 2008, the amount of net operating loss carryforwards expected to expire is approximately \$5.7 million. The Company's federal net operating loss is subject to statutory limitations on the amount that can be used in any given year.

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The reconciliation of income tax computed at the United States federal statutory tax rates to income tax expense (benefit) is:

	2007	2006 (in thousands)	2005
Income tax expense (benefit) at statutory rates	\$11,080	\$ 2,018	\$(24,196)
State income taxes, net of federal tax benefit	2,684	711	(5,218)
Differences of foreign taxes from U.S. statutory rates	(3,620)	(5,658)	8,457
Nondeductible items	13,550	10,335	1,365
Tax contingencies	793	3,641	_
Change in valuation allowance	26,755	29,502	77,266
Other, net	(7,650)	(3,339)	3,814
	\$43,592	\$37,210	\$ 61,488

During 2007, the Company recorded tax expense of approximately \$43.6 million on income before tax of \$31.7 million. Income tax expense is principally attributable to the Company's European operations and to charges for valuation allowances. State tax expense is attributable to domestic operations in state tax jurisdictions that either currently do not permit combined reporting or that require reporting on modified income. The Company continually reassesses its ability to realize deferred tax assets. In connection with that assessment, during 2007, the Company recorded a valuation allowance of \$26.8 million against certain deferred tax assets.

During 2006, the Company recorded tax expense of approximately \$37.2 million on income before tax of \$5.8 million. As a result of a determination by the Company during 2006 that it may not be able to realize certain deferred tax assets in the future, the Company recorded a valuation allowance of approximately \$29.5 million in 2006. In addition, the Company established \$84.6 million of additional valuation allowance in 2006 in connection with its acquisition of HOB.

During 2005, the Company recorded tax expense of approximately \$61.5 million on losses before income tax of \$69.1 million. Because of uncertainty as to whether the Company may realize certain deferred tax assets in the future, the Company recorded a valuation allowance of approximately \$77.3 million in 2005.

Prior to the Separation, certain tax liabilities owed by the Company were remitted to the appropriate taxing authority by Clear Channel and were accounted for as non-cash capital contributions by Clear Channel to the Company. To the extent tax benefits of the Company were utilized by Clear Channel, they were accounted for as non-cash dividends from the Company to Clear Channel. For the year ended December 31, 2005, Clear Channel utilized \$76.7 million of the Company's tax benefit.

The Company regularly assesses the likelihood of additional assessments in each taxing jurisdiction resulting from current and subsequent years' examinations. Liabilities for income taxes have been established for future income tax assessments when it is probable there will be future assessments and the amount thereof can be reasonably estimated. Once established, liabilities for uncertain tax positions are adjusted only when there is more information available or when an event occurs necessitating a change to the liabilities. The Company believes that the resolution of income tax matters for open years will not have a material effect on its consolidated and combined financial statements although the resolution of income tax matters could impact the Company's effective tax rate for a particular future period. As of December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company had an accrual for tax contingencies of \$24.2 million and \$22.9 million, respectively.

In June 2006, the FASB issued FIN 48, which became effective for the Company on January 1, 2007. FIN 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and a measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and

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measurement of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. For those benefits to be recognized, a tax position must be more likely than not to be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities. The amount recognized is measured as the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement. As a result of the adoption of FIN 48, the Company recognized no material adjustment in the liability for unrecognized income tax benefits. At the adoption date on January 1, 2007, the Company had \$21.9 million of unrecognized tax benefits, the majority of which would affect the Company's effective tax rate if recognized. At December 31, 2007, the Company had \$24.2 million of unrecognized tax benefits. This change in unrecognized income tax benefits relates to current and pre-2007 uncertain tax positions, additional interest accruals, as described below, and currency fluctuations. The amount of these unrecognized tax benefits which would favorably impact the effective tax rate if recognized at some point in the future is \$19.7 million.

The Company recognizes interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions in income tax expense. For the year ended December 31, 2007, the Company has recognized \$0.6 million of interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions. As of December 31, 2007, the Company has approximately \$2.7 million of accrued interest related to uncertain tax positions.

The tax years 2002 through 2007 remain open to examination by the major tax jurisdictions to which the Company is subject.

The following table summarizes the activity related to the Company's unrecognized tax benefits for the year ended December 31, 2007:

	_	2007
	(in	thousands)
Balance at January 1	\$	22,935
Additions:		
Tax for current year positions		3,796
Tax for prior year positions		68
Interest and penalties for prior years		1,278
Reductions:		
Settlements for prior year positions		(3,737)
Foreign currency		(139)
Balance at December 31	\$	24,201

NOTE 12—BUSINESS/SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Dividends

The Company presently intends to retain future earnings, if any, to finance the expansion of its business. Therefore, it does not expect to pay any cash dividends in the foreseeable future. Moreover, the terms of the Company's senior secured credit facility and the designations of its preferred stock limit the amount of funds which the Company will have available to declare and distribute as dividends on its common stock. Payment of future cash dividends, if any, will be at the discretion of the Company's board of directors in accordance with applicable law after taking into account various factors, including the financial condition, operating results, current and anticipated cash needs, plans for expansion and contractual restrictions with respect to the payment of dividends.

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Common Stock Reserved for Future Issuance

Common stock of approximately 9.0 million shares is reserved for future issuances under the stock incentive plan (including 4.5 million options and 1.1 million restricted stock awards currently granted).

Share Repurchase Program

On December 22, 2005, the Company's board of directors authorized a \$150.0 million share repurchase program effective as of that date. The repurchase program was authorized through December 31, 2006 and no such program was authorized for 2007. As of the expiration of the program on December 31, 2006, 3.4 million shares had been repurchased for an aggregate cost of \$42.7 million, including commissions and fees.

Earnings per Share

The Company computes net income per common share in accordance with FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 128, *Earnings per Share* ("Statement 128"). Under the provisions of Statement 128, basic net income per common share is computed by dividing the net income applicable to common shares by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted net income per common share adjusts basic net income per common share for the effects of stock options, restricted stock and other potentially dilutive financial instruments only in the periods in which such effect is dilutive. In July 2007, the Company issued \$220.0 million of 2.875% convertible notes which are considered in the calculation of diluted net income per common share, if dilutive.

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net loss per common share:

	For the year ended December 31,			
	2007	2006	2005	
Numerator:				
Net loss	\$(11,936)	\$(31,442)	\$(130,619)	
Effect of dilutive securities:				
2.875% convertible notes				
Numerator for net loss per common share—diluted	\$(11,936)	\$(31,442)	\$(130,619)	
Denominator:				
Weighted average common shares	68,441	64,583	66,809	
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Stock options and restricted stock	_	_	_	
2.875% convertible notes				
Denominator for net loss per common share—diluted	68,441	64,583	66,809	
Net loss per common share:				
Basic and diluted	\$ (0.17)	\$ (0.48)	\$ (1.96)	

The calculation of diluted net loss per common share includes the effects of the assumed exercise of any outstanding stock options, the assumed vesting of shares of restricted stock and the assumed conversion of the 2.875% convertible notes where dilutive. For the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, the Company has excluded all potentially dilutive securities, such as nonvested restricted stock and outstanding options to purchase common stock, from the calculation of diluted net loss per common share because such securities are anti-dilutive. For the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, the diluted weighted average common shares outstanding excludes the dilutive effect of 2,240,000 and 80,000 stock options, respectively, since such options

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have an exercise price in excess of the average market price of the Company's common stock. In addition, for the year ended December 31, 2007, the diluted weighted average common shares outstanding excludes 3,752,582 total shares which represents the dilutive effect of 8,104,690 conversion shares related to the Company's \$220.0 million 2.875% convertible notes because such securities are anti-dilutive. For the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, the diluted weighted average common shares outstanding excludes 2,118,495, 829,128 and 539,938 total shares, respectively, which represents the dilutive effect of 4,885,722, 2,512,461 and 2,396,849 stock options and shares of restricted stock, respectively, because these securities were anti-dilutive.

NOTE 13—STOCK BASED COMPENSATION

In December 2005, the Company adopted its 2005 Stock Incentive Plan. The plan authorizes the Company to grant stock option awards, director shares, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock and deferred stock awards, other equity-based awards and performance awards. The Company has granted restricted stock awards and options to purchase its common stock to employees, directors and consultants of the Company and its affiliates under the stock incentive plan at no less than the fair market value of the underlying stock on the date of grant. The options are granted for a term not exceeding ten years and the nonvested options are forfeited in the event the employee or director terminates his or her employment or relationship with the Company or one of its affiliates. Any options that have vested at the time of termination are forfeited to the extent they are not exercised within the applicable post-employment exercise period provided in their option agreements. These options vest over one to five years. The stock incentive plan contains anti-dilutive provisions that require the adjustment of the number of shares of the Company's common stock represented by, and the exercise price of, each option for any stock splits or stock dividends.

Prior to the Separation, Clear Channel granted options to purchase Clear Channel's common stock to employees of the Company and its affiliates under various stock option plans at no less than the fair market value of the underlying stock on the date of grant. Compensation expense relating to Clear Channel stock options and restricted stock awards held by the Company's employees was allocated by Clear Channel to the Company on a specific employee basis. At the Separation, all nonvested options outstanding under Clear Channel's stock-based compensation plans that were held by the Company's employees were forfeited and any outstanding vested options will be forfeited to the extent they are not exercised within the applicable post-employment exercise period provided in their option agreements. All Clear Channel restricted stock awards held by the Company's employees at the date of Separation were forfeited due to the termination of their employment with the Clear Channel group of companies.

The Company recorded \$16.5 million and \$3.3 million of non-cash compensation expense during the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively, related to nonvested stock-based compensation arrangements for stock options and restricted stock awards. Of these amounts \$6.4 million and \$1.7 million was recorded in selling, general and administrative expenses and \$10.1 million and \$1.6 million recorded in corporate expenses, respectively. As of December 31, 2007, there was \$29.8 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested stock-based compensation arrangements for stock options and restricted stock awards. This cost is expected to be recognized over the next four years.

Stock Options

Effective January 1, 2006, the Company has adopted the fair value recognition provisions of Statement 123(R), which is a revision of FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation* ("Statement 123"). Statement 123(R) supersedes Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees* ("APB 25"), and related interpretations, and amends

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FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 95, *Statement of Cash Flows*. The Company chose the modified-prospective transition application of Statement 123(R) and therefore prior periods were not restated to reflect the impact of adoption of the new standard. The fair value of the options is amortized to expense on a straight-line basis over the options' vesting period.

Prior to January 1, 2006, the Company accounted for its stock-based award plans using the provisions of Statement 123. As permitted under this standard, compensation expense was recognized using the intrinsic value method described in APB 25 under which compensation expense is recorded to the extent that the current market price of the underlying stock exceeds the exercise price.

As a result of the adoption of Statement 123(R), stock-based compensation expense recognized during the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 includes compensation expense for all share-based payments granted on or prior to, but not yet vested at the end of the period based on the grant date fair value estimated in accordance with the provisions of Statement 123(R).

Prior to the adoption of Statement 123(R) and through December 31, 2007, no tax benefits from the exercise of stock options have been recognized. Any future excess tax benefits derived from the exercise of stock options will be recorded prospectively and reported as cash flows from financing activities in accordance with Statement 123(R).

The following table illustrates the effect on operating results and per share information had the Company accounted for share-based compensation in accordance with Statement 123(R) for the periods indicated. Due to the Separation, the Company's pro forma disclosure for 2005 includes stock compensation expense for options granted by Clear Channel prior to the Separation, and options granted by the Company after the Separation, when applicable. The required pro forma disclosure is as follows:

(in thousands except per share data)
\$ (130,619)
(47)
6,713
\$ (123,953)
\$ (1.96)
\$ (1.86)

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The fair value for options in Live Nation stock was estimated on the date of grant using a Black-Scholes option-pricing model. Expected volatilities are based on implied volatilities of traded options and the historical volatility of stocks of similar companies since the Company's common stock does not have sufficient trading history to reasonably predict its own volatility. The Company uses the simplified method for estimating the expected life within the valuation model which is the period of time that options granted are expected to be outstanding. The risk free rate for periods within the expected life of the option is based on the U.S. Treasury Note rate. An estimated rate of 10% is used for expected forfeitures of stock options due to the limited history of the Company's stock option plans. The following assumptions were used to calculate the fair value of the Company's options on the date of grant:

	2007	2006	2005
Risk-free interest rate	3.63% - 4.88%	4.57% - 4.86%	4.71%
Dividend yield	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Volatility factors	28%	28%	25%
Weighted average expected life (in years)	5.5 - 7	5 - 7.5	5 -7.5

Clear Channel calculated the fair value for the options in Clear Channel stock at the date of grant using a Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions for 2005:

	2005
Risk-free interest rate	3.76% - 4.44%
Dividend yield	1.46% - 2.36%
Volatility factors	25%
Weighted average expected life (in years)	5 - 7.5

The following table presents a summary of the Company's stock options outstanding at, and stock option activity during, the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005 ("Price" reflects the weighted average exercise price per share):

	2007		2007 2006		2007 2006		2005	
	Options	Price	Options	Price	Options	Price		
		(in th	ousands, exc	ept per share	data)			
Outstanding, January 1	2,152	\$11.07	2,078	\$10.60	_	\$ —		
Granted	2,355	24.09	90	21.88	2,078	10.60		
Exercised	(44)	10.60	_	_	_	_		
Forfeited or expired	(582)	14.88	(16)	10.60				
Outstanding, December 31	3,881	\$18.41	2,152	\$11.07	2,078	\$ 10.60		
Exercisable, December 31	62	\$11.35	32	\$10.60	_	_		
Weighted average fair value per option granted		\$ 6.12		\$ 3.81		\$ 3.51		

The total intrinsic value of stock options exercised during the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$0.6 million. Cash received from stock option exercises for the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$0.5 million. The Company did not realize any actual tax benefit from stock option exercises.

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There were 4.2 million shares available for future grants under the stock incentive plan at December 31, 2007. Upon share option exercise or vesting of restricted stock, the Company issues new shares to fulfill these grants. Vesting dates on the stock options range from February 2008 to December 2011, and expiration dates range from December 2012 to December 2017 at exercise prices and average contractual lives as follows:

		Weighted				Weighted
		Average				Average
	Outstanding	Remaining	Weighted		Weighted	Remaining
Range of	as of	Contractual	Average	Exercisable	Average	Contractual
Exercise	12/31/07	Life	Exercise	as of	Exercise	Life
Prices	(in thousands)	(in years)	Price	12/31/07	Price	(in years)
\$10.00 - \$14.99	1,641	7.4	\$ 10.65	58	\$ 10.60	7.3
\$15.00 - \$19.99	200	10.0	\$ 19.36		\$ —	_
\$20.00 - \$24.99	2,040	9.9	\$ 24.55	4	\$ 22.18	10.0

The total intrinsic value of options exercisable as of December 31, 2007 was \$0.3 million.

Restricted Stock Awards

Prior to the Separation, Clear Channel granted restricted stock awards to the Company's employees. All Clear Channel restricted stock awards held by the Company's employees at the date of the Separation were forfeited due to the termination of their employment with the Clear Channel group of companies.

Subsequent to the Separation, the Company has granted restricted stock awards to its employees and directors under the stock incentive plan. These common shares carry a legend which restricts their transferability for a term of one to five years and are forfeited in the event the recipient's employment or relationship with the Company is terminated prior to the lapse of the restriction. In addition, certain restricted stock awards require the Company or the recipient to achieve minimum performance targets in order for these awards to vest. Recipients of the restricted stock awards are entitled to all cash dividends as of the date the award was granted. The fair value of the restricted stock is amortized to expense on a straight-line basis over the restricted stock's vesting period. The Company does not assume any forfeitures of restricted stock as awards are limited to a small number of senior management.

The following table presents a summary of the Company's restricted stock awards outstanding at December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005. ("Price" reflects the weighted average share price at the date of grant):

	20	2007		2006		005
	Awards	Price	Awards	Price	Awards	Price
		(in the	ousands, exc	ept per share	data)	
Outstanding, January 1	361	\$12.39	319	\$10.60	_	\$ —
Granted	710	22.53	65	21.12	319	10.60
Forfeited	(39)	19.70	(1)	10.60	_	_
Vested	(104)	20.32	(22)	10.60	_	
Outstanding, December 31	928	\$18.99	361	\$12.39	319	\$10.60

The total fair market value of the shares issued upon the vesting of restricted stock awards during the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 was \$2.1 million and \$0.2 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2007, there were 231,250 restricted stock awards outstanding which require the Company or the recipient to achieve minimum performance targets in order for the awards to vest.

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Bonus Incentives

During 2007, the Company entered into arrangements with certain key employees to issue shares of the Company's common stock in lieu of cash bonus payments. The Company has recorded \$12.0 million and \$0.8 million of non-cash compensation expense for the year ended December 31, 2007 in selling, general and administrative and corporate expenses, respectively, related to bonus incentives. Based on the closing stock price of the Company's common stock on December 31, 2007, this would result in the issuance of approximately 0.9 million shares in 2008.

NOTE 14—EMPLOYEE STOCK AND SAVINGS PLANS

Employee Benefit Plans

Prior to the Separation, the Company's employees were eligible to participate in various 401(k) savings and other plans provided by Clear Channel for the purpose of providing retirement benefits for substantially all employees. Both the employees and the Company made contributions to the plan. The Company matched a portion of an employee's contribution. The Company matched 50% of the employee's first 5% of pay contributed to the plan. Company matched contributions vest to the employees based upon their years of service to the Company.

Subsequent to the Separation, the Company adopted various 401(k) savings and other plans for the purpose of providing retirement benefits for substantially all employees. Both the employees and the Company make contributions to the plan. The Company matches 50% of the employee's first 5% of pay contributed to the plan. Company matched contributions vest to the employees based upon their years of service to the Company.

Contributions to these plans of \$1.8 million, \$1.6 million and \$2.1 million were charged to expense for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

The Company's employees were also eligible to participate in a non-qualified employee stock purchase plan provided by Clear Channel. Under the plan, shares of Clear Channel's common stock could be purchased at 85% of the market value on the day of purchase. Employees could purchase shares having a value not exceeding 10% of their annual gross compensation or \$25,000, whichever is lower. During 2005 all Clear Channel employees purchased 222,789 shares at weighted average share prices of \$28.79. The Company's employees represented approximately 6% of the total participation in this plan. Subsequent to the Separation, the Company did not adopt a non-qualified employee stock purchase plan.

Prior to the Separation, certain highly compensated employees of the Company were eligible to participate in a non-qualified deferred compensation plan provided by Clear Channel, which allowed deferrals up to 50% of their annual salary and up to 80% of their bonus before taxes. The Company did not match any deferral amounts. Clear Channel retained ownership of all assets until distributed and recorded the liability under this deferred compensation plan. In connection with the Separation, Clear Channel transferred to the Company the asset and liability related to the deferrals made by the Company's employees and these deferrals were added into the Company's new plan.

Subsequent to the Separation, the Company adopted a non-qualified deferred compensation plan for highly compensated employees and directors. The plan allows employees to defer up to 50% of their annual salary and up to 80% of their bonus before taxes and allows directors to defer up to 100% of their compensation. Matching contributions are made at the sole discretion of the Company's compensation committee and the Company retains ownership of all assets until distributed. The liability under the deferred compensation plan at December 31, 2007 and 2006 was approximately \$2.5 million and \$1.9 million, respectively, which is recorded in other long-term liabilities.

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NOTE 15—OTHER INFORMATION

Variable Interest Entities

During May 2006, the Company acquired a 50% interest in several entities in the non-touring business of Concert Productions International ("CPI Non-Touring Entities") for \$0.1 million in cash and 75,195 shares of the Company's common stock. Based on the average of the closing prices of the Company's common stock two trading days before and two trading days after the day of the transaction of \$22.41, the total purchase price was \$1.8 million. The CPI Non-Touring Entities primarily invest in theatrical productions. In connection with the acquisition, the Company entered into a Credit Agreement with the CPI Non-Touring Entities agreeing to extend loans to each of the entities for all their working capital and project funding requirements. The loans made under the Credit Agreement are secured by substantially all of the material assets of the CPI Non-Touring Entities, which primarily consists of investments in nonconsolidated affiliates with a carrying value of approximately \$9.0 million as of December 31, 2006. As of December 31, 2006, the CPI Non-Touring Entities had no outstanding loans to the Company under the Credit Agreement.

The Company has consolidated the CPI Non-Touring Entities in its December 31, 2006 balance sheet as the CPI Non-Touring Entities were determined to be variable interest entities and the Company their primary beneficiary because the Company has assumed more risk for the CPI Non-Touring Entities through the terms of the Credit Agreement.

In September 2007, the Company acquired the remaining 50% interest in the CPI Non-Touring Entities. As part of the transaction, the Credit Agreement from the previous acquisition was terminated.

Other

Included in gain on sale of operating assets for the year ended December 31, 2007 is a \$31.3 million gain related to the sale of the Oriental Theater in Chicago and the Company's 50% interest in BIC during the fourth quarter of 2007. The Company also recorded a \$3.6 million gain related to the sale of Donington Park, an arena/race track in Leicestershire, England. In addition, the Company recorded gains of \$12.3 million, \$5.8 million, \$0.6 million and \$0.5 million related to the sale of the Hammersmith Apollo, seven small-sized music venues, the Forum and Starwood Amphitheater, respectively. The Hammersmith Apollo and Forum music venues and the seven small-sized music venues are located in London and Starwood Amphitheater is located in Nashville. Finally, the Company recorded a gain of \$6.0 million related to the sale of an office building in San Francisco. Partially offsetting these gains, is an \$8.1 million loss related to the sale of the Company's remaining 50.1% interest in the production of *Phantom: The Las Vegas Spectacular*.

Included in loss (gain) on sale of operating assets for the year ended December 31, 2006 is a \$10.6 million gain related to the sale of portions of the Company's sports representation business assets related to basketball, golf, football, media, tennis, baseball, soccer and rugby representation and events which were sold in 2006. Part of these sales were made to a former member of senior management of the Company.

Included in loss (gain) on sale of operating assets for the year ended December 31, 2005 was a \$3.0 million loss related to the sale of certain exhibition assets during the fourth quarter of 2005.

Included in other expense (income)—net for the year ended December 31, 2006 is income of \$5.9 million related to a fee received on the sale of land in Ireland which was sold in April 2006 to the minority interest holder in this entity. This fee was for payment of services provided by the Company in completing the sale since, under the terms of the original acquisition that included this asset, the Company did not have the rights to the appreciation in the value of this property. The minority interest holder contributed his share of the appreciation in the value of the land to the entity.

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	For th	For the Year Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005	
		(in thousands)		
The following details the components of "Other expense (income)—net":				
Gain on sale of investments	\$ (64)	\$ 1,659	\$ —	
Currency exchange loss (gain)	902	3,130	(1,154)	
Other, net	<u>(851</u>)	(6,009)	1,600	
Total other expense (income)—net	\$ (13)	\$ (1,220)	\$ 446	

	As of D	ecember 31,
	2007	2006
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The following details the components of "Other current assets":	¢ 9.779	¢ 12.570
Investments in theatrical productions	\$ 8,778	\$ 13,578
Inventory	20,188	12,369
Cash held in escrow	12,088	10,124
Other	3,668	2,448
Total other current assets	\$ 44,722	\$ 38,519
The following details the components of "Other long-term assets":		
Prepaid management and booking fees	\$ 11,280	\$ 12,392
Prepaid rent	21,289	21,756
Long-term advances	53,040	_
Debt issuance costs	17,888	7,714
Other	19,466	8,337
Total other long-term assets	\$122,963	\$ 50,199
The following details the components of "Accrued expenses":		
Accrued event expenses	\$124,868	\$107,770
Collections on behalf of others	117,165	136,643
Current deferred tax liabilities	5,285	2,357
Accrued expenses—other	282,666	224,644
Total accrued expenses	\$529,984	\$471,414
The following details the components of "Other long-term liabilities":		
Unrecognized tax benefits	\$ 24,201	\$ 22,935
Deferred revenue	7,190	13,309
Accrued rent	35,691	33,702
Other	24,383	18,844
Total other long-term liabilities	\$ 91,465	\$ 88,790

NOTE 16—SEGMENT DATA

Beginning in 2007, the Company reorganized its business units and the way in which these businesses are assessed and therefore changed its reportable operating segments to North American Music, International Music, Global Artists, Global Digital and Global Theater. Multiple operating segments are aggregated as the reportable segment for Global Artists. The North American Music segment principally involves the promotion of live music events in the Company's owned and/or operated venues and in rented third-party venues and the operation and

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management of music venues primarily in the United States and Canada. The International Music segment principally involves the promotion of live music events in the Company's owned and/or operated venues and in rented third-party venues, the production of music festivals and the operation and management of music venues outside of North America. The Global Artists segment principally involves the promotion and/or production of global music tours as well as providing various services to artists including merchandise, artist fan sites and ticketing, broadcast/digital media rights, recorded music and music publishing distribution and sponsorship and marketing services. The Global Digital segment principally involves the management of the Company's in-house centralized ticketing operations and online and wireless distribution activities, including the development of the Company's website. The Global Theater segment principally involves the presentation and production of touring and other theatrical performances and the operation and management of theatrical venues. "Other" includes specialized motor sports, sports representation, as well as other businesses.

Revenue and expenses earned and charged between segments are eliminated in consolidation. Corporate expenses, interest income, interest expense, equity in losses (earnings) of nonconsolidated affiliates, minority interest expense (income), other expense (income) — net and income tax expense (benefit) are managed on a total company basis.

There are no customers that individually account for more than ten percent of the Company's consolidated and combined revenue in any year.

	North American Music	In	ternational Music	Global Artists	Glo Digi	ital	Global Theater (in thousan	Other	<u>C</u>	orporate	Eli	minations	nsolidated and combined
2007													
Revenue	\$1,955,059	\$	1,078,696	\$640,620	\$ 11,	,358	\$362,378	\$163,625	\$	_	\$	(26,755)	\$ 4,184,981
Direct operating expenses	1,566,144		857,867	581,526	3.	,128	244,808	106,851		_		(26,752)	3,333,572
Selling, general and administrative expenses	323,528		146,526	52,381	15,	,379	83,314	32,686		_		(3)	653,811
Depreciation and amortization	60,286		14,928	19,849	3.	,311	15,587	1,313		5,554		_	120,828
Gain on sale of operating assets	(6,725)		(18,807)	_		_	(22,294)	(3,231)		(169)		_	(51,226)
Corporate expenses										45,854			45,854
Operating income (loss)	\$ 11,826	\$	78,182	\$(13,136)	\$(10,	,460)	\$ 40,963	\$ 26,006	\$	(51,239)	\$		\$ 82,142
Intersegment revenue	\$ 820	\$	16,868	\$ 4,735	\$	_	\$ —	\$ 4,332	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 26,755
Identifiable assets	\$ 975,002	\$	679,554	\$546,062	\$ 19.	,334	\$396,972	\$ 47,762	\$	87,417	\$	_	\$ 2,752,103
Capital expenditures	\$ 43,595	\$	39,927	\$ 2,804	\$ 14,	,180	\$ 8,984	\$ 123	\$	7,236	\$	_	\$ 116,849
2006													
Revenue	\$1,629,247	\$	867,423	\$623,147	\$ 8.	,893	\$388,391	\$205,288	\$	_	\$	(10,674)	\$ 3,711,715
Direct operating expenses	1,357,414		679,732	561,046	2.	,665	279,260	128,350		_		(10,604)	2,997,863
Selling, general and administrative expenses	238,940		119,276	26,704	11,	,829	86,071	47,590		_		(70)	530,340
Depreciation and amortization	77,775		15,006	6,121		501	22,784	2,963		3,017			128,167
Loss (gain) on sale of operating assets	(63)		1,041	_		_	(2,052)	(10,445)		(121)		_	(11,640)
Corporate expenses										33,863			33,863
Operating income (loss)	\$ (44,819)	\$	52,368	\$ 29,276	\$ (6,	,102)	\$ 2,328	\$ 36,830	\$	(36,759)	\$		\$ 33,122
Intersegment revenue	\$ 4,356	\$	881	\$ 3,792	\$		\$ —	\$ 1,645	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 10,674
Identifiable assets	\$ 926,735	\$	548,979	\$173,051	\$ 7.	,443	\$451,809	\$ 68,863	\$	48,122	\$	_	\$ 2,225,002
Capital expenditures	\$ 24,401	\$	6,553	\$ 382	\$ 5	,473	\$ 15,044	\$ 6,466	\$	7,386	\$	_	\$ 65,705
2005													
Revenue	\$1,351,942	\$	703,060	\$298,622	\$ 7	,654	\$339,441	\$246,349	\$	_	\$	(10,223)	\$ 2,936,845
Direct operating expenses	1,116,467		542,753	280,984		,058	234,768	142,990		_		(10,095)	2,310,925
Selling, general and administrative expenses	218,029		98,714	8,262		,153	96,825	93,999		_		(75)	518,907
Depreciation and amortization	33,973		5,815	336		278	16,139	4,085		3,996		_	64,622
Loss (gain) on sale of operating assets	109		(914)	(1)		_	2,996	604		2,065		_	4,859
Corporate expenses										50,715			50,715
Operating income (loss)	\$ (16,636)	\$	56,692	\$ 9,041	\$ 1.	,165	\$(11,287)	\$ 4,671	\$	(56,776)	\$	(53)	\$ (13,183)
Intersegment revenue	\$ 2,038	\$	1,170	\$ 2,268	\$	32	\$ 19	\$ 4,696	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 10,223
Identifiable assets	\$ 539,830	\$	444,931	\$ 91,727	\$ 2	,315	\$521,863	\$ 75,282	\$	100,636	\$	_	\$ 1,776,584
Capital expenditures	\$ 31,698	\$	10,826	\$ 128	\$	8	\$ 34,018	\$ 8,953	\$	6,889	\$	_	\$ 92,520

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The following table provides information on the Company's foreign operations included in the consolidated and combined amounts above:

	United Kingdom Operations	Other Foreign Operations (in thousands)	Total Foreign Operations
2007			
Revenue	\$575,180	\$808,832	\$ 1,384,012
Identifiable assets	\$456,703	\$461,279	\$ 917,982
2006			
Revenue	\$533,534	\$ 487,355	\$ 1,020,889
Identifiable assets	\$437,989	\$ 308,471	\$ 746,460
2005			
Revenue	\$427,834	\$477,746	\$ 905,580
Identifiable assets	\$299,282	\$298,367	\$ 597,649

NOTE 17—QUARTERLY RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)

	Marc	March 31, June 3		30,	Septem	ber 30,	December 31,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
			(in	thousands,	except per sha	re data)		
Revenue	\$ 584,185	\$516,567	\$1,039,565	\$768,230	\$ 1,547,731	\$ 1,368,221	\$ 1,013,500	\$ 1,058,697
Operating expenses:								
Direct operating expenses	421,312	377,832	814,993	604,779	1,277,565	1,132,788	819,702	882,464
Selling, general and administrative expenses	151,333	116,016	173,163	129,187	166,019	139,306	163,296	145,831
Depreciation and amortization	27,686	15,005	25,027	16,306	26,971	62,576	41,144	34,280
Loss (gain) on sale of operating assets	4,462	(7,728)	(19,268)	(1,682)	(6,128)	(2,091)	(30,292)	(139)
Corporate expenses	9,796	7,379	9,263	7,958	11,335	7,605	15,460	10,921
Operating income (loss)	(30,404)	8,063	36,387	11,682	71,969	28,037	4,190	(14,660)
Interest expense	14,952	7,813	15,270	8,348	15,080	8,636	16,613	12,421
Interest income	(2,769)	(1,480)	(4,425)	(4,496)	(3,987)	(2,992)	(3,298)	(3,478)
Equity in earnings of nonconsolidated affiliates	(343)	(1,824)	(2,875)	(1,478)	(159)	(1,983)	(1,429)	(3,122)
Minority interest expense (income)	(3,045)	(835)	3,472	151	7,763	8,274	(321)	4,619
Other expense (income)—net	(60)	2,554	(325)	(5,879)	(76)	872	448	1,233
Income (loss) before income taxes	(39,139)	1,835	25,270	15,036	53,348	15,230	(7,823)	(26,333)
Income tax expense (benefit)	5,910	718	15,348	5,354	11,795	24,331	10,539	6,807
Net income (loss)	\$ (45,049)	\$ 1,117	\$ 9,922	\$ 9,682	\$ 41,553	\$ (9,101)	\$ (18,362)	\$ (33,140)
Net income (loss) per common share:								
Basic	\$ (0.69)	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.60	\$ (0.14)	\$ (0.25)	\$ (0.51)
Diluted	\$ (0.69)	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.55	\$ (0.14)	\$ (0.25)	\$ (0.51)

NOTE 18—SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On January 23, 2008, the Company sold the majority of its remaining North American theatrical business, including certain debt owed to the Company, for a gross sales price of \$90.4 million. After fees, expenses, an adjustment to replace the show cash of the theatrical business that was previously removed from the operations

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and utilized by the Company and other adjustments, the Company received approximately \$61.0 million of net proceeds. The assets of the North American theatrical business include the *Broadway Across America* business, which produces or presents Broadway shows at primarily third-party venues in the United States and Canada, two owned theatrical venues in Toronto, one owned venue and one leased venue in Boston, one managed venue in Baltimore and a 51% interest in three managed venues in Minneapolis. As of December 31, 2007, total assets were approximately \$129.0 million, including \$33.7 million of cash and cash equivalents, \$60.4 million of property, plant and equipment and \$3.2 million of goodwill, and total liabilities were approximately \$85.0 million, including \$46.0 million of deferred revenue.

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

None

ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Introduction

Live Nation became subject to the periodic and other reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, on December 21, 2005, the date of our Separation from Clear Channel.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We have established disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to our company, including our consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to the officers who certify our financial reports and to other members of senior management and our board of directors.

Based on their evaluation as of December 31, 2007, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) are effective to ensure that the information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms.

Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, does not expect that our disclosure controls and procedures or internal controls will prevent all possible error and fraud. Our disclosure controls and procedures are, however, designed to provide reasonable assurance of achieving their objectives, and our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our financial controls and procedures are effective at that reasonable assurance level.

Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Our management conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal controls over financial reporting based on the framework in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). Based on its evaluation, our management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2007.

During 2007, we completed the acquisitions of House of Blues Concerts Canada (June), Academy Music Holdings Limited (July), Anthill Trading Ltd. (October) and Signatures Network, Inc. (December). Consistent with published guidance of the SEC, our management excluded the acquired companies from the scope of its assessment of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2007. Total assets and total revenue from the acquisitions represented approximately 10% and 2%, respectively, of the related consolidated financial statement amounts of Live Nation as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007.

Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, has issued an attestation report on our internal control over financial reporting. The attestation report is included herein.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting during the fourth quarter of 2007 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of Live Nation, Inc.

We have audited Live Nation, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2007, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). Live Nation, Inc.'s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A 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. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

As indicated in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting, management's assessment of and conclusion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting did not include the internal controls of House of Blues Concerts Canada, Academy Music Holdings Limited, Anthill Trading Ltd., and Signatures Network, Inc which are included in the 2007 consolidated financial statements of Live Nation, Inc. and constituted 10% of total assets as of December 31, 2007 and 2% of total revenues for the year then ended. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting of Live Nation, Inc. also did not include an evaluation of the internal control over financial reporting of House of Blues Concerts Canada, Academy Music Holdings Limited, Anthill Trading Ltd., and Signatures Network, Inc.

In our opinion, Live Nation, Inc. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2007, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of Live Nation, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2007

and 2006, and the related consolidated and combined statements of operations, changes in business/shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2007 of Live Nation, Inc. and our report dated February 27, 2008 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Los Angeles, California February 27, 2008

ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

PART III

ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Other than the information set forth under Item 1. Business—Executive Officers, the information required by this Item is incorporated by reference to our Definitive Proxy Statement, expected to be filed within 120 days of our fiscal year end.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information required by this Item is incorporated by reference to our Definitive Proxy Statement, expected to be filed within 120 days of our fiscal year end.

ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

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ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

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ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES

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PART IV

ITEM 15. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a)1. Financial Statements.

The following consolidated and combined financial statements are included in Item 8:

Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2007 and 2006

Consolidated and Combined Statements of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005

Consolidated and Combined Statements of Changes in Business/Shareholders' Equity for the Years Ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005

Consolidated and Combined Statements of Cash Flows for the Years Ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005

Notes to Consolidated and Combined Financial Statements

Under Rule 3-09 of Regulation S-X, Live Nation is required to file separate audited financial statements of Broadway in Chicago. Live Nation expects to file those financial statements by amendment to its Annual Report on Form 10-K on or before March 31, 2008.

(a)2. Financial Statement Schedule.

The following financial statement schedule for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005 is filed as part of this report and should be read in conjunction with the consolidated and combined financial statements.

Schedule II Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

All other schedules for which provision is made in the applicable accounting regulation of the Securities and Exchange Commission are not required under the related instructions or are inapplicable, and therefore have been omitted.

LIVE NATION, INC.

SCHEDULE II VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts (in thousands)

		Charges			
	Balance at	to Costs,	Write-off		Balance
	Beginning	Expenses	of Accounts		at end of
Description	of period	and other	Receivable	Other	Period
Year ended December 31, 2005	\$10,174	\$ 4,767	\$ (5,191)	<u>\$(232</u>)(1)	\$ 9,518
Year ended December 31, 2006	\$ 9,518	\$ 5,923	\$ (1,693)	\$(283)(2)	\$13,465
Year ended December 31, 2007	\$13,465	\$11,079	\$ (5,855)	\$ 239(1)	\$18,928

- (1) Foreign currency adjustments.
- (2) Write-off of allowance for doubtful accounts resulting from dispositions, partially offset by foreign currency adjustments and allowance for doubtful accounts resulting from acquisitions.

LIVE NATION, INC.

SCHEDULE II VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS

Deferred Tax Asset Valuation Allowance (in thousands)

		Charges			
	Balance at	to Costs,			Balance at
	Beginning	Expenses			end of
Description	of period	and other(1)	Deletions(1)	Other(2)	Period
Year ended December 31, 2005	\$ —	\$ 77,266	<u> </u>	\$ —	\$ 77,266
Year ended December 31, 2006	\$ 77,266	\$ 29,502	\$ —	\$84,556	\$191,324
Year ended December 31, 2007	\$191,324	\$ 26,755	<u> </u>	\$57,842	\$275,921

- (1) In 2005, 2006 and 2007 the Company determined that it may not be able to realize certain deferred tax assets in the future and recorded a valuation allowance accordingly.
- (2) In 2006, the Company established allowances against deferred tax assets in connection with the Company's acquisition of HOB Entertainment, Inc. In 2007, the Company recorded valuation allowances against: (i) previously unrecorded deferred tax assets arising from the Internal Revenue Service settlement of \$38.2 million and a capital loss carryforward of \$18.9 million, (ii) deferred tax assets established in connection with the HOB Entertainment, Inc. and the Signatures Network, Inc. business combinations of \$1.8 million and (iii) other assets of (\$1.1) million.

(a)3. Exhibits.

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10.11 §	Live Nation, Inc. 2006 Annual Incentive Plan, as Amended and Restated (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Company's Proxy Statement dated April 5, 2007).
10.12	Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of June 29, 2007, among Live Nation, Inc., Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and the foreign borrowers party thereto, as Borrowers, the Lenders party thereto, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Toronto Branch, as Canadian Agent, J.P. Morgan Europe Limited, as London Agent, Bank of America, N.A., as Syndication Agent, and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and Banc of America Securities LLC, as Co-Lead Arrangers and Joint Bookrunners (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed July 3, 2007).
10.13	Amended and Restated Guarantee and Collateral Agreement, dated as of June 29, 2007, among Live Nation, Inc., Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., the other subsidiaries of Live Nation, Inc. identified therein and JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed July 3, 2007).
10.14 §	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement effective as of January 1, 2007 by and between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Michael Rapino (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed October 9, 2007)
10.15 §	Employment Agreement, dated November 28, 2005, by and between SFX Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a Clear Channel Entertainment and Alan Ridgeway (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.11 of the Company's Registration Statement on Form 10 (File No. 001-32601)).
10.16 §	First Amendment to Employment Agreement entered into August 8, 2006 by and between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Alan Ridgeway (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed August 11, 2006).
10.17 §	Second Amendment to Employment Agreement dated March 29, 2007 by and between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Alan Ridgeway (incorporate by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed May 10, 2007).
10.18 §	Employment Agreement effective September 1, 2007 by and between Live Nation Music (UK) Limited and Alan B. Ridgeway (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed September 24, 2007).
10.19 §	Employment Agreement, dated December 22, 2004, by and between Kathy Willard and SFX Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a/Clear Channel Entertainment, as amended December 1, 2005 effective January 1, 2005 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.13 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed December 23, 2005).
10.20 §	Employment Agreement effective September 1, 2007 by and between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Elizabeth K. (Kathy) Willard (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed September 24, 2007).
10.21 §	Employment Agreement dated March 13, 2006 by and between SFX Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a Live Nation, and Michael G. Rowles (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed February 1, 2006).

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10.22 §	First Amendment to Employment Agreement dated March 29, 2007 by and between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Michael G. Rowles (incorporate by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed May 10, 2007).
10.23 §	Employment Agreement entered into May 1, 2006 by and between SFX Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a Live Nation and Charles Walker (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed August 11, 2006).
10.24 §	Severance Agreement and General Release, by and between Charles S. Walker and Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., dated January 18, 2007 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed January 24, 2007)
10.25 §	Employment Agreement entered into May 1, 2006 by and between SFX Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a Live Nation and Bruce Eskowitz (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 5, 2006).
10.26 §	First Amendment to Employment Agreement dated March 29, 2007 by and between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Bruce Eskowitz (incorporate by reference to Exhibit 10.4 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed May 10, 2007).
10.27	Membership Interest Purchase Agreement dated January 26, 2006 by and among SFX Sports Group, Inc. and Arn Tellem (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed March 17, 2006).
10.28	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated May 26, 2006, by and among Live Nation, Inc., SFX Entertainment, Inc., SAMCO Investments Ltd., Concert Productions International Inc., CPI Entertainment Rights, Inc., Michael Cohl and the other parties set forth therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 2, 2006).
10.29	Securityholders Agreement, dated May 26, 2006, by and among Live Nation, Inc., SFX Entertainment, Inc., SAMCO Investments Ltd., Concert Productions International Inc., CPI Entertainment Rights, Inc., Michael Cohl and the other parties set forth therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 2, 2006).
10.30 §	Services Agreement, dated May 26, 2006, by and among CPI International Touring Inc., CPI Touring (USA), Inc., Grand Entertainment (Row), LLC, CPI Entertainment Content (2005), Inc., CPI Entertainment Content (2006), Inc., KSC Consulting (Barbados) Inc. and Michael Cohl (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 2, 2006).
10.31	Credit Agreement, dated May 26, 2006, by and among Live Nation, Inc., SFX Entertainment, Inc., CPI International Touring Inc., CPI Touring (USA), Inc., Grand Entertainment (Row), LLC, CPI Entertainment Content (2005), Inc., and CPI Entertainment Content (2006), Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 2, 2006).
10.32	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated September 12, 2007, by and among Live Nation, Inc., Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., SAMCO Investments Ltd., Michael Cohl, Concert Productions International Inc., the other sellers identified on Exhibit A to the Stock Purchase Agreement, CPI Entertainment Content (2005), Inc., CPI Entertainment Content (2006), Inc., Grand Entertainment (ROW), LLC, CPI International Touring Inc. and CPI Touring (USA), Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 13, 2007).
10.33	Services Agreement, dated September 12, 2007, by and among Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., KSC Consulting (Barbados) Inc., CPI Entertainment Content (2005), Inc., CPI Entertainment Content (2006), Inc., Grand Entertainment (ROW), LLC, CPI International Touring Inc. and CPI Touring (USA), Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 13, 2007).

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10.34	Trust Agreement dated September 12, 2007, by and among Live Nation, Inc., Samco Investments Ltd., Michael Cohl and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 13, 2007).
10.35*	Purchase Agreement, dated November 8, 2007, by and among Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., Laurence Chicago, LLC and Laurence Chicago Ventures, LLC.
10.36*	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated January 23, 2008, between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Key Brand Entertainment Inc.
12.1 *	Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.
21.1 *	Subsidiaries of the Company.
23.1 *	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP.
24.1*	Power of Attorney (see page 141).
31.1 *	Certification of Chief Executive Officer.
31.2 *	Certification of Chief Financial Officer.
32.1 *	Section 1350 Certification of Chief Executive Officer.
32.2 *	Section 1350 Certification of Chief Financial Officer.

- * Filed herewith.
- § Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

The Company has not filed long-term debt instruments of its subsidiaries where the total amount under such instruments is less than ten percent of the total assets of the Company and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis. However, the Company will furnish a copy of such instruments to the Commission upon request.

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, on February 29, 2008.

LIVE NATION, INC.

By: /s/ MICHAEL RAPINO

Michael Rapino

President and Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints, jointly and severally, Michael Rapino and Kathy Willard, and each of them, as his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this Annual Report on Form 10-K, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or any of them, or their or his or her substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

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.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/S/ MICHAEL RAPINO Michael Rapino	President and Chief Executive Officer and Director	February 29, 2008
/S/ KATHY WILLARD Kathy Willard	Chief Financial Officer	February 29, 2008
/S/ BRIAN CAPO Brian Capo	Chief Accounting Officer	February 29, 2008
/S/ WILLIAM BALLARD William Ballard	Director	February 29, 2008
/S/ MICHAEL COHL Michael Cohl	Director	February 29, 2008
/S/ ARIEL EMANUEL Ariel Emanuel	Director	February 29, 2008
/S/ ROBERT TED ENLOE, III Robert Ted Enloe, III	Director	February 29, 2008

Name	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ Jeffrey T. Hinson	Director	February 29, 2008
Jeffrey T. Hinson		
/s/ James S. Kahan	Director	February 29, 2008
James S. Kahan		
/s/ L. Lowry Mays	Director	February 29, 2008
L. Lowry Mays		
/s/ RANDALL T. MAYS	Director	February 29, 2008
Randall T. Mays		
/s/ CONNIE MCCOMBS MCNAB	Director	February 29, 2008
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10.11 §	Live Nation, Inc. 2006 Annual Incentive Plan, as Amended and Restated (incorporated by reference to Appendix A to the Company's Proxy Statement dated April 5, 2007).
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10.13	Amended and Restated Guarantee and Collateral Agreement, dated as of June 29, 2007, among Live Nation, Inc., Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., the other subsidiaries of Live Nation, Inc. identified therein and JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed July 3, 2007).
10.14 §	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement effective as of January 1, 2007 by and between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Michael Rapino (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed October 9, 2007)
10.15 §	Employment Agreement, dated November 28, 2005, by and between SFX Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a Clear Channel Entertainment and Alan Ridgeway (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.11 of the Company's Registration Statement on Form 10 (File No. 001-32601)).
10.16 §	First Amendment to Employment Agreement entered into August 8, 2006 by and between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Alan Ridgeway (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed August 11, 2006).
10.17 §	Second Amendment to Employment Agreement dated March 29, 2007 by and between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Alan Ridgeway (incorporate by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed May 10, 2007).
10.18 §	Employment Agreement effective September 1, 2007 by and between Live Nation Music (UK) Limited and Alan B. Ridgeway (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed September 24, 2007).
10.19 §	Employment Agreement, dated December 22, 2004, by and between Kathy Willard and SFX Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a/Clear Channel Entertainment, as amended December 1, 2005 effective January 1, 2005 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.13 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed December 23, 2005).
10.20 §	Employment Agreement effective September 1, 2007 by and between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Elizabeth K. (Kathy) Willard (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed September 24, 2007).
10.21 §	Employment Agreement dated March 13, 2006 by and between SFX Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a Live Nation, and Michael G. Rowles (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed February 1, 2006).

Exhibit Number	<u>Description</u>
10.22 §	First Amendment to Employment Agreement dated March 29, 2007 by and between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Michael G. Rowles (incorporate by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed May 10, 2007).
10.23 §	Employment Agreement entered into May 1, 2006 by and between SFX Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a Live Nation and Charles Walker (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed August 11, 2006).
10.24 §	Severance Agreement and General Release, by and between Charles S. Walker and Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., dated January 18, 2007 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed January 24, 2007)
10.25 §	Employment Agreement entered into May 1, 2006 by and between SFX Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a Live Nation and Bruce Eskowitz (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 5, 2006).
10.26 §	First Amendment to Employment Agreement dated March 29, 2007 by and between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Bruce Eskowitz (incorporate by reference to Exhibit 10.4 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed May 10, 2007).
10.27	Membership Interest Purchase Agreement dated January 26, 2006 by and among SFX Sports Group, Inc. and Arn Tellem (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed March 17, 2006).
10.28	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated May 26, 2006, by and among Live Nation, Inc., SFX Entertainment, Inc., SAMCO Investments Ltd., Concert Productions International Inc., CPI Entertainment Rights, Inc., Michael Cohl and the other parties set forth therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 2, 2006).
10.29	Securityholders Agreement, dated May 26, 2006, by and among Live Nation, Inc., SFX Entertainment, Inc., SAMCO Investments Ltd., Concert Productions International Inc., CPI Entertainment Rights, Inc., Michael Cohl and the other parties set forth therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 2, 2006).
10.30 §	Services Agreement, dated May 26, 2006, by and among CPI International Touring Inc., CPI Touring (USA), Inc., Grand Entertainment (Row), LLC, CPI Entertainment Content (2005), Inc., CPI Entertainment Content (2006), Inc., KSC Consulting (Barbados) Inc. and Michael Cohl (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 2, 2006).
10.31	Credit Agreement, dated May 26, 2006, by and among Live Nation, Inc., SFX Entertainment, Inc., CPI International Touring Inc., CPI Touring (USA), Inc., Grand Entertainment (Row), LLC, CPI Entertainment Content (2005), Inc., and CPI Entertainment Content (2006), Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 2, 2006).
10.32	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated September 12, 2007, by and among Live Nation, Inc., Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., SAMCO Investments Ltd., Michael Cohl, Concert Productions International Inc., the other sellers identified on Exhibit A to the Stock Purchase Agreement, CPI Entertainment Content (2005), Inc., CPI Entertainment Content (2006), Inc., Grand Entertainment (ROW), LLC, CPI International Touring Inc. and CPI Touring (USA), Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 13, 2007).
10.33	Services Agreement, dated September 12, 2007, by and among Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., KSC Consulting (Barbados) Inc., CPI Entertainment Content (2005), Inc., CPI Entertainment Content (2006), Inc., Grand Entertainment (ROW), LLC, CPI International Touring Inc. and CPI Touring (USA), Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 13, 2007).

Exhibit Number	<u>Description</u>
10.34	Trust Agreement dated September 12, 2007, by and among Live Nation, Inc., Samco Investments Ltd., Michael Cohl and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 13, 2007).
10.35*	Purchase Agreement, dated November 8, 2007, by and among Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., Laurence Chicago, LLC and Laurence Chicago Ventures, LLC.
10.36*	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated January 23, 2008, between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. and Key Brand Entertainment Inc.
12.1*	Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.
21.1*	Subsidiaries of the Company.
23.1*	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP.
24.1*	Power of Attorney (see page 141).
31.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer.
31.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer.
32.1*	Section 1350 Certification of Chief Executive Officer.
32.2*	Section 1350 Certification of Chief Financial Officer.

- * Filed herewith.
- § Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

The Company has not filed long-term debt instruments of its subsidiaries where the total amount under such instruments is less than ten percent of the total assets of the Company and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis. However, the Company will furnish a copy of such instruments to the Commission upon request.

PURCHASE AGREEMENT [Broadway in Chicago, LLC]

THIS PURCHASE AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is executed and entered into effective as of November 8, 2007 by and among (i) LIVE NATION WORLDWIDE, INC. ("<u>Live Nation</u>"), a Delaware corporation, (ii) LAURENCE CHICAGO, LLC ("<u>LLC Purchaser</u>"), an Illinois limited liability company, and (iii) LAURENCE CHICAGO VENTURES, LLC ("<u>Corporate Purchaser</u>" and, together with the LLC Purchaser, collectively called the "<u>Purchasers</u>"), an Illinois corporation.

RECITALS

- A. Live Nation Theatrical Group, Inc. (f/k/a PACE Theatrical Group, Inc.) ("<u>LNTG</u>") and Nederlander Palace Acquisition, LLC ("<u>NPA</u>") are the sole members of Palace Operating, LLC ("<u>Palace</u>"), an Illinois limited liability company that is governed by that certain Operating Agreement ("<u>Palace Operating Agreement</u>") dated June 19, 2000 and entered into by and between LNTG and NPA.
- B. SFX Theatrical Group, Inc. ("<u>SFXTG</u>"), Windy City Broadway, LLC ("<u>Windy</u>" and together with NPA, sometimes herein called the "<u>Remaining Partners</u>") and Palace are the sole members of Broadway in Chicago, LLC ("<u>BIC</u>"), an Illinois limited liability company that is governed by that certain Operating Agreement ("<u>BIC Operating Agreement</u>") dated July 1, 2000 and entered into by and among SFXTG, Windy and Palace.
- C. Chicago Theater Company ("<u>CTC</u>") (i) owns fee simple title to the Ford Center for the Performing Arts Oriental Theater located in Chicago, Illinois free and clear of any and all mortgages, pledges, security interests or other liens and (ii) has previously licensed to BIC the right to operate and exploit the Ford Center for the Performing Arts Oriental Theater.
 - D. TCN Theater Group, Inc. ("TCN"), a Delaware corporation, owns all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock in CTC.
- E. SFXTG, LNTG and TCN (i) are each direct wholly-owned subsidiaries of Live Nation and (ii) shall be sometimes herein collectively referred to as the "*LN Target Companies*".
- F. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth, (i) Live Nation will cause SFXTG to sell to the LLC Purchaser, and the LLC Purchaser will purchase from SFXTG, all of SFXTG's membership interest in BIC, (ii) Live Nation will cause LNTG to sell to the LLC Purchaser, and the LLC Purchaser will purchase from LNTG, all of LNTG's membership interest in Palace and (iii) Live Nation will cause TCN to sell to the Corporate Purchaser, and the Corporate Purchaser will purchase from TCN, all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock in CTC (all of the foregoing membership interests and shares of capital stock being herein collectively called the "LN Chicago Interests").

AGREEMENT

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of \$10.00 and other good and valuable consideration and the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties to this Agreement do hereby agree as follows:

1. Certain Introductory Matters.

- (a) General Representations. Each party hereto represents and warrants to the other parties as follows:
- (i) <u>Recitals</u>. The Recitals are true and correct to the extent that such recitals relate to or describe such party or such party's Affiliates.
- (ii) <u>Organization and Related Matters</u>. Such party (i) is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the applicable state and/or country in which it is organized, (ii) has all necessary power and authority to carry on its business as now being conducted, and (iii) has the necessary power and authority to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and any related agreements to which it is a party.
- (iii) <u>Authorization</u>. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and any related agreements by such party has been duly and validly authorized by all necessary action on the part of such party. This Agreement constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of such party, enforceable against such party in accordance with its terms except as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws and equitable principles relating to or limiting creditors' rights generally.
- (iv) No Conflicts. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and any related agreements by such party does not or, if to be delivered after the date hereof, will not as of the date of such delivery violate or constitute a breach or default (whether upon lapse of time and/or the occurrence of any act or event or otherwise), or require a consent approval from a third party or filing or notification to a third party, under (a) the charter documents of such party, (b) any law to which such party is subject or (c) any contract to which such party is a party that is material to the condition, results of operations or conduct of the business of such party.
- (v) <u>Legal Proceedings</u>. There is no order or action pending or, to the knowledge of such party, threatened against or affecting such party or any of its subsidiaries that individually or when aggregated with one or more other actions has or might reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on such party's ability to perform this Agreement or any other aspect of the transactions described herein.
- (vi) <u>Title</u>. Such party has good and marketable title to all of the rights it is agreeing to transfer hereunder, free and clear of all liens and security interests (other than those that will be released at closing), and, at the closing, such party will deliver such rights to the other party free and clear of liens and security interests.
- (b) <u>HSR Act</u>. The transactions contemplated by this Agreement are exempt from the filing requirements of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder for the reasons reflected in the analysis attached hereto as Exhibit "B" (the "<u>HSR Analysis</u>"). The Purchasers, jointly and severally, represent and warrant to Live Nation that all of the underlying facts and information, including the information related to the ownership of the Remaining Partners and the Purchasers, contained in the HSR Analysis are true and correct.

- (c) <u>Definition of Affiliate</u>. As used in this Agreement, the term "<u>Affiliate</u>" shall mean, with respect to any specified person, any other person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with such specified person. The term "person" used in the immediately preceding sentence shall refer to any individual, partnership, firm, corporation, association, trust, unincorporated organization, joint venture, limited liability company or other entity.
- 2. <u>Closing: Purchase and Sale.</u> The Closing of the transaction contemplated by this Agreement (the "<u>Closing</u>") shall be held at the offices of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, 1000 Louisiana, Suite 3400, Houston, Texas 77002-5011 at 9:00 a.m. central time on December 17, 2007 or such other date as may be mutually agreed upon by the Purchasers and Live Nation (the day on which the Closing takes place being herein referred to as the "<u>Closing Date</u>"). At the Closing, Live Nation will cause the LN Target Companies to sell to the Purchasers, and the Purchasers shall purchase from the LN Target Companies, all of the LN Chicago Interests, free and clear of all encumbrances, as more fully set forth herein.

3. Purchase Price.

- (a) The Purchasers will pay to Live Nation, at the Closing, a cash payment (the "<u>Purchase Price</u>") in an amount equal to the sum of (i) US \$60,000,000 and (ii) fifty percent (50%) of the amount of BIC's Excess Cash (herein defined), payable by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account designated in writing by Live Nation in advance of the execution of this Agreement.
- (b) As used herein, "<u>BIC's Excess Cash</u>" shall mean the sum of (i) all undistributed cash flow of BIC through the Closing Date and (ii) the amount of undistributed working capital held by BIC as of the Closing Date, which is typically in the amount of approximately \$200,000. The foregoing amounts shall be calculated using the same methodology that is used in calculating the monthly distributions made by BIC to its members.
- (c) Prior to the Closing, the Purchasers will cause BIC's staff to prepare, in good faith, and deliver to Live Nation, a statement ("Estimated Cash Flow Statement") containing the best estimate of the amount of the undistributed cash flow of BIC through the Closing Date (the "Tentative Amount"), using the same methodology that is used in calculating the monthly distributions made by BIC to its members. At the Closing, the Tentative Amount shall be used for purposes of determining the amount of BIC's Excess Cash and the resulting calculation of the amount of the Purchase Price. Live Nation shall have the right to challenge the Tentative Amount by providing notice ("Challenge Notice") to the Purchasers within 30 days following the Closing Date. If Live Nation does not provide a Challenge Notice within such 30 day period, then the Tentative Amount shall be final and no subsequent adjustments to the Purchase Price will be made. If Live Nation should provide a Challenge Notice to the Purchasers within 30 days following the Closing Date, then the actual amount of undistributed cash flow through the Closing Date ("Undistributed Cash Amount") shall be determined as follows:
 - (i) During the 30 day period ("<u>Review Period</u>") following delivery of a timely given Challenge Notice, Live Nation and its representatives, upon advance request, will be provided with reasonable access to BIC's books and records for purposes of allowing Live Nation to evaluate and verify the Undistributed Cash Amount. Throughout the Review Period, the parties will cooperate with one another in attempting to reach mutual agreement regarding the Undistributed Cash Amount.

(ii) If the parties are unable to reach mutual agreement with respect to the Undistributed Cash Amount, then Live Nation may, by written notice to the Purchasers after the Review Period, require that the calculation of the Undistributed Cash Amount be finally determined by an independent certified public accounting firm mutually selected by the Purchasers and Live Nation (the "Accounting Reviewer"), using the same methodology that is used in calculating the monthly distributions made by BIC to its members. The Accounting Reviewer will, within 30 days after being engaged for such purpose, review the disputed items and make a final determination of the Undistributed Cash Amount which determination (i) will be evidenced by the Accounting Reviewer's submission to both Live Nation and the Purchasers of a written report evidencing and supporting in reasonable detail such determination and (ii) will be final, binding and conclusive as to the parties for purposes of determining the Undistributed Cash Amount hereunder and shall not be subject to further appeal, challenge or alternate dispute resolution or remedy of any party hereto. All fees and expenses charged by the Accounting Reviewer shall be paid one-half by Live Nation and one-half by the

If the Undistributed Cash Amount, as determined by the Accounting Reviewer or by mutual agreement between the parties, is more or less than the Tentative Amount, then the amount of the Purchase Price shall be adjusted accordingly, and either Live Nation or the Purchasers, as appropriate, will be required to make an adjusting payment to the other as necessary to correct the amount of the Purchase Price that should have been paid at Closing as if the finally determined Undistributed Cash Amount had been used to calculate the amount of the Purchase Price at the Closing.

- (d) Upon execution of this Agreement, the Purchasers have (i) provided to Live Nation a true, correct and complete copy of all agreements, letters and other documents that evidence commitments for the debt and financing that will be utilized by the Purchasers to fund the Purchase Price and (ii) available to them sufficient committed funds to purchase the LN Chicago Interests in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and to pay all related fees and expenses. The right of the Purchasers to receive such committed funds is not subject to any material condition other than the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 6 hereof.
- 4. <u>Closing Deliveries</u>. In order to close the transaction contemplated herein, the parties shall do the following at the Closing:

(a) Closing Documents.

- (i) Live Nation shall cause LNTG to execute and deliver to the LLC Purchaser an Assignment of Membership Interest in Palace Operating LLC in the form attached as <u>Exhibit A-1</u>, and the LLC Purchaser shall execute and deliver to Live Nation such Assignment of Membership Interest in Palace Operating LLC.
- (ii) Live Nation shall cause SFXTG to execute and deliver to the LLC Purchaser an Assignment of Membership Interest in Broadway in Chicago LLC in the form attached as <u>Exhibit A-2</u>, and the LLC Purchaser shall execute (and cause its designee to execute) and deliver to Live Nation such Assignment of Membership Interest in Broadway in Chicago LLC.

- (iii) Live Nation will cause TCN to execute and deliver to the Corporate Purchaser an Assignment of Stock in Chicago Theater Company in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A-3</u> and to further deliver to the Corporate Purchaser the certificate evidencing the shares of stock in CTC as required by the terms of such Assignment of Stock, and the Corporate Purchaser shall execute and deliver to Live Nation such Assignment of Stock in Chicago Theater Company.
- (iv) Live Nation will provide to the Purchasers a fully signed copy of an instrument of release in which (i) Live Nation, on behalf of itself and all of its Affiliates, releases CTC from any and all liabilities and obligations owed to Live Nation or any of its Affiliates, including any intra-company accounts, notes and payables and (ii) CTC releases Live Nation and all of its Affiliates from any and all liabilities and obligations owed to CTC, including any intra-company accounts, notes or payables.
- (v) Live Nation will cause the members of BIC's Management Committee that were appointed by SFXTG to sign instruments of resignation in which such individuals resign from their respective position as a member of BIC's Management Committee and shall deliver originally signed counterparts thereof to the Purchasers.
- (vi) Live Nation will cause any officers of Palace who are employed by Live Nation or any of its Affiliates to sign instruments of resignation in which such individuals resign from their respective position as an officer of Palace and shall deliver originally signed counterparts thereof to the Purchasers.
- (vii) Live Nation will cause all of the officers and directors of CTC to sign instruments of resignation in which such individuals resign from their respective position as an officer and/or director of CTC and shall deliver originally signed counterparts thereof to the Purchasers.
- (b) <u>Delivery of Purchase Price</u>. The Purchasers shall pay and deliver the Purchase Price to Live Nation by wire transfer in accordance with wiring instructions provided by Live Nation to the Purchasers prior to Closing.
- (c) <u>Mutual Release</u>. Live Nation will execute and deliver to the Remaining Partners, and the Purchasers will cause the Remaining Partners and BIC to execute and deliver to Live Nation, originally executed counterparts of a Mutual Release in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A-4</u>.

5. Confidentiality of this Agreement.

- (a) Without the prior written consent of Live Nation, except as required by law (such requirement to be confirmed by a written legal opinion of counsel reasonably acceptable to Live Nation and addressed to Live Nation) or as specifically permitted pursuant to Section 5(b), the Purchasers will not disclose to any person, firm or corporation the financial terms of this Agreement ("<u>Confidential Information</u>").
 - (b) The Purchasers may disclose the Confidential Information only as follows:
 - (i) to directors, officers, employees, legal and business advisors of the Purchasers (the foregoing being referred to collectively as the Purchasers' "*Representatives*") who (A) are directly involved in the efforts to finance the purchase of the LN Chicago Interests, (B) are required by written agreement, or pursuant to the nature of the relationship with the Purchasers, to maintain the Confidential Information in accordance with this Agreement; and (C) have a specific need to know such information; and

(ii) to individual employees of proposed lenders of the Purchasers ("<u>Proposed Lenders</u>") who (A) are directly involved in the consideration of a proposed lending transaction for the funding of the purchase of the LN Chicago Interests, (B) have signed and delivered to the Purchasers a written agreement adopting the confidentiality obligations herein; (C) have a specific need to know such information and (D) have been identified in advance to, and reasonably approved by, Live Nation.

The Purchasers shall be responsible to Live Nation for any breach of this Agreement by any of its Representatives or Proposed Lenders that receive any of the Confidential Information pursuant to this Section 5(b).

- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is understood and agreed that Live Nation will have the right to disclose the terms and existence of this Agreement as follows without violating any express or implied duty or obligation to the contrary:
 - (i) pursuant to disclosures made to any persons selected by Live Nation that have a specific need to know such information; and
 - (ii) pursuant to any public disclosure or filing, including public filings with the Securities Exchange Commission, filings with the New York Stock Exchange or any publicly disseminated press release.

If any information is disclosed by Live Nation in writing to third parties, the Purchasers shall be released from their confidentiality obligations under this Section 5 to the extent of that information so disclosed.

6. Conditions to Closing.

- (a) The obligation of Live Nation to consummate the transaction contemplated by this Agreement shall be subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by Live Nation), at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following conditions:
 - (i) The representations and warranties of the Purchasers contained in this Agreement and to be contained in the Assignments attached hereto as Exhibits A-1, A-2, A-3 and A-4 shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing Date, in each case as if made as of the Closing Date.
 - (ii) The covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement to be complied with by the Purchasers at or before the Closing shall have been complied with in all material respects.
 - (iii) Live Nation shall have received a certificate from each of the Purchasers signed by an executive officer of such Purchaser confirming that the conditions described in Section 6(a)(i) and (ii) have been satisfied with respect to such Purchaser.
- (b) The obligation of the Purchasers to consummate the transaction contemplated by this Agreement shall be subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by the Purchasers), at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following conditions:
 - (i) The representations and warranties of Live Nation and the LN Target Companies contained in this Agreement and to be contained in <u>Exhibits A-1</u>, <u>A-2</u>, <u>A-3</u> and <u>A-4</u> shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing Date, in each case as if made as of the Closing Date.

- (ii) The covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement to be complied with by Live Nation at or before the Closing shall have been complied with in all material respects.
- (iii) The Purchasers shall have received a certificate from Live Nation signed by an executive officer thereof confirming that the conditions described in Section 6(b)(i) and (ii) have been satisfied.
- 7. Termination and Waiver. This Agreement may be terminated prior to the Closing in accordance with the following provisions:
- (a) Live Nation or the Purchasers, upon notice to the other, may terminate this Agreement at any time after the date specified for Closing pursuant to the provisions of Section 2 hereof if the Closing shall not have occurred on or before such date; provided, however, that the right to terminate this Agreement under this Section 7(a) shall not be available to any party whose failure to fulfill any obligation under this Agreement shall have been the cause of, or shall have resulted in, the failure of the Closing to occur on or prior to such date.
- (b) Live Nation or the Purchasers, if not then in material breach or default under this Agreement, may terminate this Agreement upon notice to the non-terminating party, upon a material breach or default by the non-terminating party that is not cured within thirty (30) days after receipt by the non-terminating party of written notice from the terminating party specifying with particularity such breach or default.
 - (c) Live Nation and the Purchasers may terminate this Agreement by mutual written consent.

If this Agreement should be terminated as provided in this Section 7, then this Agreement shall forthwith become void and of no further force or effect and there shall be no liability on the part of either party except that nothing herein shall relieve either party from liability for any breach of this Agreement.

- 8. <u>Remedies for Default</u>. If either party fails to perform, or tender performance, of its obligations under this Agreement, then the non-defaulting party may, in addition to any other rights or remedies available at law or in equity, elect to pursue any one or more of the following rights or remedies:
 - (a) terminate the non-defaulting party's right to close on the sale and purchase of the LN Chicago Interests;
 - (b) pursue an action for actual damages for the defaulting party's failure to close on the sale and purchase of the LN Chicago Interests; and
 - (c) if Live Nation is the defaulting party, the Purchasers may pursue an action for specific performance of the defaulting party's obligations hereunder.

9. <u>Notices</u>. All notices, requests, claims, demands and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be given or made (and shall be deemed to have been duly given or made upon receipt) by delivery in person, by courier service or by telecopy to the respective parties at the following addresses (or at such other address for a party as shall be specified in a notice given in accordance with this Section):

(a) if to Live Nation:

Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. 9348 Civic Center Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90210 Attention: Ms. Lee Ann Gliha Facsimile: (310) 867-7158

with a copy to:

Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. 9348 Civic Center Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90210 Attention: Mr. Michael Rowles Facsimile: (310) 867-7158

(b) if to the Purchasers:

Laurence Chicago, LLC and Laurence Chicago Ventures, LLC 1450 Broadway, 6th Floor New York, NY 10018 Facsimile: 212-840-3326

Attention: James L. Nederlander

with a copy to:

DLA Piper US LLP 203 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1900 Chicago, Illinois 60601-1293 Facsimile: 312-630-5379 Attention: George T. Plumb

and another copy to:

Law Offices of David Malkin, P.C. 950 3rd Avenue, 32nd Floor New York, NY 10022 Facsimile: 212-644-0491

Attention: David Malkin

10. <u>Purchase Price Allocation</u>. The Purchasers and Live Nation agree that the Purchase Price shall be allocated among the LN Chicago Interests as follows: (i) 40% to the stock in CTC, (ii) 40% to SFXTG's membership interest in BIC and (iii) 20% to LNTG's membership interest in Palace. Each party hereto agrees not to assert, in connection with any tax return, tax audit or similar proceeding, any allocation that differs from the foregoing allocation of the Purchase Price.

- 11. Right to Distribute LN Chicago Interests. Reference is made to the fact that Live Nation is currently in the process of arranging for the sale (the "*Theatrical Division Sale*") of all of the issued and outstanding capital stock in each of the LN Target Companies to a third party purchaser. If the Theatrical Division Sale is to be consummated prior to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, then Live Nation will need to cause the LN Chicago Interests to be distributed by the LN Target Companies to Live Nation prior to the consummation of the Theatrical Division Sale. Accordingly, the Purchasers represent and warrant to Live Nation that the Remaining Partners have consented and agreed (and the Purchasers will cause the Remaining Partners to execute and deliver to Live Nation, upon Live Nation's request, a letter confirming that the Remaining Partners have consented and agreed) to the following matters:
 - (a) SFXTG may distribute, assign and transfer to Live Nation all of SFXTG's membership interest in BIC without regard to any restrictions or prohibitions on the transfer or assignment of such membership interest contained in the BIC Operating Agreement or otherwise. If SFXTG should so distribute, assign and transfer its membership interest in BIC to Live Nation, then Live Nation will be admitted to and become a member of BIC in the same manner and to the same extent as SFXTG currently serves as a member of BIC with all rights, interests and benefits appurtenant thereto without any loss or diminution in such rights, interests and benefits and without any further action required by the parties hereto.
 - (b) LNTG may distribute, assign and transfer to Live Nation all of LNTG's membership interest in Palace without regard to any restrictions or prohibitions on the transfer or assignment of such membership interest contained in the Palace Operating Agreement or otherwise. If LNTG should so distribute, assign and transfer its membership interest in Palace to Live Nation, then Live Nation will be admitted to and become a member of Palace in the same manner and to the same extent as LNTG currently serves as a member of Palace with all rights, interests and benefits appurtenant thereto without any loss or diminution in such rights, interests and benefits and without any further action required by the parties hereto.
 - (c) TCN may distribute, assign and transfer to Live Nation all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock in CTC without regard to any restrictions or prohibitions on the transfer or assignment of such shares of stock in CTC.
- If the LN Chicago Interests should be distributed, assigned and transferred to Live Nation pursuant to, and as authorized by, the foregoing provisions prior to the Closing, then Live Nation will be obligated to sign and deliver at Closing the assignment documents specified in Section 4(a) hereof in lieu of causing the LN Target Companies to execute such assignment documents.
- 12. <u>Transition Services for Financial Accounting Matters</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Section 12, Live Nation will provide, or will cause to be provided to BIC, the following rights, licenses and services (collectively, the "<u>Services</u>") from the Closing Date and continuing through and until 270 days following the Closing Date (the "<u>Transition Services Period</u>"):
 - (a) Live Nation will continue to provide access and support to BIC as a general ledger company on Live Nation's Financial Accounting System (the "Oracle Software System") to enable BIC to continue to process accounting records and create financial statements on a monthly basis. Live Nation will only be required to provide use of, and support for, the Oracle Software System during the Transition Services Period, and Live Nation is not hereby transferring any ownership interest in the Oracle Software System.

- (b) Live Nation will continue to host, in a manner consistent with current practices, BIC's financial accounting data and information on Live Nation's computer servers throughout the Transition Services Period. All information on Live Nation's computer servers will be afforded the same degree of security and confidentiality that Live Nation provides to its own financial accounting data and information and will not be intentionally disclosed to third parties or used by Live Nation for any purposes.
- (c) The Purchasers will not be required to pay any fee to Live Nation for the Services to be provided hereunder. However, in connection with performance of the Services, Live Nation may be required to make certain payments for the benefit of, and on behalf of, BIC and will incur out-of-pocket costs and expenses to the extent necessary (collectively, the "Other Costs"), which the Purchasers will cause BIC to reimburse to Live Nation; provided, however, no Other Costs will be incurred by Live Nation without prior notice to, and approval of, BIC. Live Nation will deliver an invoice to BIC on a monthly basis (or at such other frequency as Live Nation may determine) in arrears for any Other Costs that are incurred with prior notice to, and approval of, BIC. The Purchasers will cause BIC to pay the amount of such invoice to Live Nation in U.S. dollars within 30 days of the date of such invoice.
- (d) In no event shall the scope of any category of Service required to be provided hereunder exceed the scope of such category of Service that has been provided by the Live Nation to BIC prior to the Closing in the ordinary course of business. Nothing in this Agreement will require that any Service be provided other than for use in, or in connection with the business of BIC as is conducted on the Closing.
- (e) This Agreement will not assign any rights to any intellectual property between the parties, other than as specifically set forth herein. Any upgrades, updates or other modifications to any software or other electronic content made available or delivered to BIC pursuant to this Agreement will be deemed to be the property of the Live Nation and merely licensed to the BIC through the end of the Transition Services Period.
- (f) THERE ARE NO EXPRESS WARRANTIES OR GUARANTIES WITH RESPECT TO THE SERVICES, AND THERE ARE NO IMPLIED WARRANTIES OR GUARANTIES REGARDING THE SERVICES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, TITLE AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.
- (g) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, none of Live Nation or any of its respective Affiliates, directors, officers or employees (each, a "<u>LN Party</u>"), will have any liability in contract, tort or otherwise, including for any such party's ordinary or contributory negligence, to the Purchasers or BIC for or in connection with (i) any Services rendered or to be rendered by any LN Party pursuant to this Agreement, (ii) any LN Party's actions or inactions in connection with any such Services; provided, however, that such limitation on liability will not extend to or otherwise limit any liabilities that have resulted directly from such LN Party's (i) gross negligence or willful misconduct or (ii) violation of applicable law. In no event shall the aggregate liability of Live Nation under or relating to the provision of the Services pursuant to this Section 12 exceed an amount equal to the aggregate amount of fees and costs paid by BIC or the Purchasers to Live Nation for the Services provided pursuant to this Section 12.
- (h) Notwithstanding any other provision contained in this Agreement, the Purchasers agree on their own behalf, and on behalf of BIC, that Live Nation and its Affiliates will not be liable to the Purchasers or BIC, whether based on contract, tort (including negligence), warranty

or any other legal or equitable grounds, for any special, indirect, punitive, incidental or consequential losses, damages or expenses of the Purchasers or BIC, including, without limitation, loss of data, loss of profits, interest or revenue, or use or interruption of business, arising from any claim relating to breach of this Section 12 or otherwise relating to any of the Services provided pursuant to this Section 12.

- (i) Live Nation represents and warrants that it has the necessary legal rights and authority to grant, provide and deliver all of the Services on and in accordance with the provisions of this Section 12 throughout the Transition Services Period.
- 13. <u>Live Nation's Post-Closing Non-Compete Covenant</u>. On and subject to the terms hereof, Live Nation and its Affiliates will not, for a period of five years after the Closing Date, own or otherwise control any of the legitimate theaters in the greater Chicago area listed on <u>Schedule 13</u> hereto ("<u>Applicable Chicago Theaters</u>").
 - (a) <u>Certain Exceptions</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the purchase or other acquisition of an Applicable Chicago Theater by Live Nation or any of its Affiliates shall not be a violation of the covenant contained in this Section 13 if one of the following conditions apply:
 - (i) the use of such Applicable Chicago Theater is changed as soon as commercially reasonable after completion of such purchase or other acquisition such that the presentation of Theatrical Shows becomes Incidental (as hereinafter defined), with the understanding that, for purposes of determining whether the use of such Applicable Chicago Theater is being changed as soon as commercially reasonable, it will be commercially reasonable to fulfill and honor any existing contractual arrangement for the presentation of Theatrical Shows at such Applicable Chicago Theater that are in place at the time of the purchase or other acquisition thereof but it will not be commercially reasonable to extend, renew or replace (other than any extension effected pursuant to the exercise of a unilateral option held by the other party pursuant to the terms of such existing contractual arrangement) any such existing contractual arrangement for the presentation of Theatrical Shows at such Applicable Chicago Theater after the purchase or other acquisition thereof; or
 - (ii) no subscription series of Theatrical Shows are operated in such Applicable Chicago Theater other than a subscription series operated by a third party unrelated to Live Nation but then only if BIC is offered a right to bid to provide any such subscription series for Theatrical Shows in such Applicable Chicago Theater (except that if there is a pre-existing contract related to any subscription series for Theatrical Shows at such Applicable Chicago Theater, then such right to bid will only apply after expiration of such pre-existing contract).
 - (b) <u>Management Exception</u>. The covenant contained in this Section 13 shall not be violated as a result of Live Nation or any of its Affiliates acquiring the right to manage an Applicable Chicago Theater; *provided*, if such right to manage includes the right to control the content to be presented in such Applicable Chicago Theater, then clause (a) will apply in lieu of this clause (b) in the same manner as if such Applicable Chicago Theater had been acquired by Live Nation or its Affiliates.

- (c) <u>Definition</u>. As used herein, (i) the meaning of the term "<u>Incidental</u>" shall mean, with respect to any Applicable Chicago Theater, that there are less than eight (8) weeks of Theatrical Shows presented per year in such Applicable Chicago Theater and (ii) the term "<u>Theatrical Show</u>" shall mean a live entertainment event featuring a professional (equity or non-equity) Broadway-type dramatic and/or dramatic-musical attraction, with or without a story line, of the type presented on Broadway, Off-Broadway or West End.
- (d) <u>Clarifying Exemption Related to Non-Theatrical Shows</u>. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Live Nation and its Affiliates may book, promote, produce, sponsor and/or present any non-Theatrical Shows (including without limitation any concerts, comedy or other entertainment event) in any venue any where in the world without violating the provisions of this Section 13.
- (e) <u>Right to Invest in Other Persons</u>. Notwithstanding the above, Live Nation and its Affiliates may make investments in other Persons (regardless of the type of business that such Person may operate) without violating the covenants and restrictions contained in this Section 13, provided such investment does not represent a controlling ownership interest in such Person or otherwise give veto power to Live Nation and/or its Affiliates with respect to the operations or booking of any Applicable Chicago Theater that is managed, owned or operated by such Person.
- (f) <u>Presentation Rights in Chicago</u>. If Live Nation or any of its Affiliates should, at any time during the five year period after the Closing Date, control, directly or indirectly, the presentation rights for any Theatrical Show that it proposes to present in any venue in Chicago that is not owned or controlled by Live Nation or one of its Affiliates (a "<u>Third Party Venue</u>"), then Live Nation will give BIC the right to make the first offer to present such Theatrical Show in one of BIC's theaters. If BIC provides a good faith offer to present such Theatrical Show in one of its theaters ("<u>First Offer</u>") within five (5) days after written notice from Live Nation requesting an offer for the presentation of such Theatrical Show, then the following provisions shall apply:
 - (i) Live Nation shall consider the terms of the First Offer and shall have the right, in its absolute and sole discretion, to (x) accept the First Offer, (y) reject the First Offer or (z) enter into discussions and negotiations with the BIC in and effort to reach agreement to reach mutually acceptable terms for the presentation of such Theatrical Show in one of BIC's theaters.
 - (ii) If Live Nation does not accept the First Offer, then Live Nation will not present, or permit the presentation of, such Theatrical Show in a Third Party Venue in Chicago without first providing a written offer ("<u>Matching Offer</u>") to BIC offering to present such Theatrical Show at one of BIC's theaters upon the same terms (taking into account the value of any non-cash considerations), on the same dates (or other mutually acceptable dates) and with the same production accommodations as have been offered by such Third Party Venue. If BIC does not accept the Matching Offer within twenty-four hours following the receipt thereof, then Live Nation may, at any time thereafter, make arrangements for the presentation of such Theatrical Show in such Third Party Venue on the terms set forth in the Matching Offer with no further obligations to BIC pursuant to this Agreement in respect of the presentation of such Theatrical Show in Chicago.
- (g) <u>Affiliate</u>. The provisions of this Section 13 shall apply to each Person that is an Affiliate of Live Nation only for so long as such Person remains an Affiliate of Live Nation.

- (h) Acknowledgements. Live Nation represents, acknowledges and agrees that the provisions of this Section 13 are material provisions of this Agreement and that Purchasers would not have entered into this Agreement but for these provisions. The parties agree and acknowledge that the breach of the covenants contained in this Section 13 will cause irreparable damage to the Purchasers, and upon breach of any covenant contained in this Section 13, the Purchasers shall be entitled to injunctive relief, specific performance or other equitable relief; provided, however, that this shall in no way limit any other remedies that the Purchasers may have (including, without limitation, the right to seek monetary damages). The parties hereto agree that the restrictions contained in this Section 13 are reasonable in scope and duration and are necessary to protect the business interests being acquired pursuant to this Agreement. If any provision of this Section 13 as applied to any party or to any circumstance is adjudged by a court or arbitrator to be invalid or unenforceable, the same will in no way affect any other circumstance or the validity or enforceability of this Agreement. If any such provision, or any part thereof, is held to be unenforceable because of the scope, duration, or geographic area covered thereby, the parties agree that the court or arbitrator making such determination shall have the power to reduce the scope and/or duration and/or geographic area of such provision, and/or to delete specific words or phrases, and in its reduced form, such provision shall then be enforceable and shall be enforced.
- 14. <u>Governing Law.</u> This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Illinois, without reference to the choice of law doctrine of Illinois. EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY OF ANY CLAIM, DEMAND, ACTION OR CAUSE OF ACTION ARISING UNDER OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT.
- 15. Severability. If any term or other provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced by any law or public policy, all other terms and provisions of this Agreement shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to any party. Upon such determination that any term or other provision is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced, the parties shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible in an acceptable manner in order that the transactions contemplated hereby are consummated as originally contemplated to the greatest extent possible.
- 16. Waiver. Any party to this Agreement may (a) extend the time for the performance of any of the obligations or other acts of any other party, (b) waive any inaccuracies in the representations and warranties of another party contained herein or in any document delivered by another party pursuant hereto or (c) waive compliance with any of the agreements or conditions of another party contained herein. Any such extension or waiver shall be valid only if set forth in an instrument in writing signed by the party to be bound thereby. Any waiver of any term or condition shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach or a subsequent waiver of the same term or condition, or a waiver of any other term or condition, of this Agreement. The failure of any party to assert any of its rights hereunder shall not constitute a waiver of any of such rights.
- 17. <u>Construction</u>. This Agreement and any documents or instruments delivered pursuant hereto shall be construed without regard to the identity of the Person who drafted the various provisions of the same. Each and every provision of this Agreement and such other documents and instruments reflects a negotiated outcome and as such shall be construed as though the parties participated equally in the drafting of the same. Any rule of construction providing that a document or provision be construed against the drafting party shall not be applicable to this Agreement or such other documents and instruments.

- 18. <u>Time of the Essence</u>. Time is of the essence with respect to all dates and time periods set forth or referred to in this Agreement. The parties acknowledge that each will be relying upon the timely performance by the other of its obligations hereunder as a material inducement to enter into this Agreement.
- 19. <u>Counterparts.</u> This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, and by the different parties in separate counterparts, each of which when executed shall be deemed to be an original but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. Facsimile signatures shall have the same force and effect as "ink" signatures.
- 20. <u>Guaranty of the Obligations of Purchasers</u>. James L. Nederlander, an Affiliate of the Purchasers, unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees to Live Nation the full, complete and timely performance, fulfillment, payment and discharge of the Purchasers' obligations to close the transactions contemplated pursuant to this Agreement. Upon completion of the Closing and payment of the Purchase Price by the Purchasers to Live Nation, James L. Nederlander will be released from any further liability pursuant to this provision.

21. Indemnification Provisions.

or

- (a) From and after the Closing Date, the Purchasers and their Affiliates and each of their respective, officers, directors, employees and agents shall be indemnified and held harmless by Live Nation for any and all liabilities, losses, damages, claims, costs and expenses, interest, awards, judgments and penalties (including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) actually suffered or incurred by them (hereinafter a "Loss"), arising out of or resulting from:
 - (i) the breach of any representation or warranty made by Live Nation or its Affiliates in this Agreement or any of the instruments of assignment or other documents to be executed and delivered pursuant to this Agreement (the "Ancillary Agreements"); or
 - (ii) the breach of any covenant or agreement undertaken by Live Nation or its Affiliates in this Agreement or in any of the Ancillary Agreements; or
 - (iii) the legal proceeding styled 32 West Randolph Limited Partnership v. Chicago Theater Company, Inc., et al filed under Cause No. 06-CH-09718 in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois involving a legal action between the CaramelCrisp LLC ("Popcorn Tenant") and the owner of a certain property adjoining the Popcorn Tenant's demised premises in the lobby of the Ford Center for the Performing Arts Oriental Theater ("Ford Theater") claiming, among other things, that (i) the Popcorn Tenant and its operations in the Ford Theater create a nuisance by the permeation of popcorn odor and (ii) there is an inadequate firewall separation between the Popcorn Tenant's restroom and the stairwell of the adjacent owner.
- (b) From and after the Closing Date, Live Nation and its Affiliates and each of their respective officers, directors, employees and agents shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Purchasers for any and all Losses arising out of or resulting from:
 - (i) the breach of any representation or warranty made by the Purchasers in this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements;
 - (ii) the breach of any covenant or agreement undertaken by the Purchasers in this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements;

- (iii) the possession, use, operation, management, modification, disposition or exploitation of any of the assets or operations of one or more of Palace, BIC and CTC.
- (c) The obligations and liabilities of each indemnifying party pursuant to this Section 13 with respect to claims resulting from the assertion of liability by third parties shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - (i) If any person shall notify an indemnified party (the "<u>Indemnified Party</u>") with respect to any matter which may give rise to a claim for indemnification (a "<u>Claim</u>") against Live Nation or the Purchasers (the "<u>Indemnifying Party</u>") under this Section 13, then the Indemnified Party shall promptly notify each Indemnifying Party thereof in writing; provided, however, that no delay on the part of the Indemnified Party in notifying any Indemnifying Party shall relieve the Indemnifying Party from any obligation hereunder unless (and then solely to the extent) the Indemnifying Party thereby is prejudiced.
 - (ii) Any Indemnifying Party will have the right to defend the Indemnified Party against the Claim with counsel of its choice reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Party so long as (i) the Indemnifying Party notifies the Indemnified Party in writing within 30 days after the Indemnified Party has given notice of the Claim that the Indemnifying Party will indemnify the Indemnified Party from and against any Losses the Indemnified Party may suffer resulting from the Claim and (ii) the Indemnifying Party thereafter conducts the defense of the Claim actively and diligently and in good faith.
 - (iii) So long as the Indemnifying Party is conducting the defense of the Claim in accordance with Section 13(c)(ii) above, (A) the Indemnified Party may retain separate co-counsel at its sole cost and expense and participate in the defense of the Claim, (B) the Indemnified Party will not consent to the entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement with respect to the Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnifying Party (not to be withheld unreasonably), and (C) the Indemnifying Party will not consent to the entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement with respect to the Claim without the prior written consent of the Indemnified Party (not to be withheld unreasonably).
 - (iv) In the event any of the conditions in Section 13(c)(ii) above is or becomes unsatisfied, however, (A) the Indemnified Party may defend against, and consent to the entry of any judgment or enter into any settlement with respect to, the Claim in any manner it reasonably may deem appropriate (and the Indemnified Party need not consult with, or obtain any consent from, any Indemnifying Party in connection therewith) and (B) the Indemnifying Party will remain responsible for any Losses the Indemnified Party may suffer resulting from the Claim to the extent provided in this Section 13.
- 22. Sponsorship Commissions. Live Nation is not releasing or selling pursuant to this Agreement or pursuant the Ancillary Agreements the right to receive from BIC (i) the 7.5% commissions due and payable to the LN Target Companies (or other designee of Live Nation) in respect of all amounts received under BIC's LaSalle Bank sponsorship agreement or (ii) the 15% commission due and payable to the LN Target Companies (or other designee of Live Nation) in respect of all amounts received under BIC's Walgreen sponsorship agreement (the foregoing commissions being herein collectively called the "LN Sponsorship Commissions"). Live Nation agrees and acknowledges that, other than the LN Sponsorship Commissions, neither it nor its Affiliates are entitled to any commissions, fees or other payments in respect of the sale of any sponsorships for or in connection with the business operations of BIC.

23. Books, Records and Accounts.

- (a) Live Nation and the Purchasers shall, and the Purchasers will cause Palace, BIC and CTC (collectively, the "<u>Chicago</u> <u>Companies</u>"), to cooperate with one another, and shall cause their respective officers, employees, agents, auditors and representatives to cooperate with one another after the Closing Date to ensure the orderly transition of the Chicago Companies and their respective operations and to minimize any disruption to the respective businesses of Live Nation, the Purchasers, the Chicago Companies and their respective Affiliates that might result from the closing of the transactions contemplated in this Agreement.
- (b) After the Closing Date, upon reasonable written notice, Live Nation and the Purchasers shall furnish or cause to be furnished to each other and their employees, counsel, auditors and representatives access, during normal business hours, to such information and assistance relating to the Chicago Companies as is reasonably necessary for financial reporting and legal and accounting matters, the preparation and filing of any tax returns, reports or forms, the defense of any tax audit, claim or assessment or any other corporate governance matters. Each party shall reimburse the other for reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred in assisting the other pursuant to this Section 23(b). Neither party shall be required by this Section 23(b) to take any action that would unreasonably disrupt its normal operations (or, in the case of the Purchasers, the business or operations of the Chicago Companies).
- (c) In furtherance of the obligations specified in Section 23(b) hereof, the Purchasers agree that they will cause the Chicago Companies to provide to Live Nation,
 - (i) within thirty (30) days following the end of the calendar month in which the Closing occurs, financial statements with respect to the operations of the Chicago Companies for such month in a manner consistent with current practices and including a breakdown among the venues operated by the Chicago Companies in a manner consistent with past practices; and
 - (ii) on or before March 28, 2008, audited annual financial statements with respect to the operations of the Chicago Companies for calendar year 2007 in a manner consistent with the procedures and practices utilized for the 2006 audit so as to enable Live Nation to comply with its obligations to provide annual financial information pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- 24. <u>Survival.</u> Following completion of the Closing, the provisions of Sections 5, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23 shall survive and remain in full force and effect in accordance with their terms.

[Signatures appear on the following page.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the date first written above by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized.

LIVE NATION WORLDWIDE, INC., a Delaware corporation

By: /s/ Kathy Willard Name: Kathy Willard

Title: EVP and CFO

LAURENCE CHICAGO, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company

By: /s/ James L Nederlander

Name: James L. Nederlander

Title: Manager

LAURENCE CHICAGO VENTURES, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company

By: /s/ James L Nederlander

Name: James L. Nederlander

Title: Manager

The undersigned joins in the execution of this Agreement for the express purposes set forth in Section 20 hereof.

/s/ James L Nederlander

JAMES L. NEDERLANDER

STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT

between

LIVE NATION WORLDWIDE, INC.

and

KEY BRAND ENTERTAINMENT INC.

Dated as of January 23, 2008

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STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT

STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT dated as of January 23, 2008 between Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Seller</u>") and Key Brand Entertainment Inc a Delaware Corporation ("<u>Purchaser</u>"). Each of Seller and Purchaser is a "<u>Party</u>" and together, the "<u>Parties</u>".

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Seller owns all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock (the "Shares") of the following companies (each being referred to as a "Target Parent Company" and collectively referred to as the "Target Parent Companies"):

- (i) Live Nation Theatrical Group, Inc. (f/k/a Pace Theatrical Group, Inc.), a Texas corporation;
- (ii) Live Nation Family Holdings, Inc. (f/k/a SFX Family Holdings, Inc.), a Delaware corporation;
- (iii) SFX Theatrical Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation; and
- (iv) TCN Theatre Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

WHEREAS, Seller desires to sell, and Purchaser desires to purchase, the Shares upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual terms, conditions and agreements set forth herein, Seller and Purchaser hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

- SECTION 1.1 Certain Defined Terms. As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
- (a) "Action" shall mean any claim, action, suit, arbitration, inquiry, proceeding or investigation by or before any Governmental Authority or any arbitrator.
- (b) "Affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any specified Person, any other Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with such specified Person; provided that for purposes of Sections 3.22 and 4.8 only, "Affiliate" shall have the meaning attributed to such term in the Competition Act (Canada).
- (c) "Agreement" shall mean this Stock Purchase Agreement between Seller and Purchaser, including the Schedules and Exhibits hereto, as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time.
- (d) "<u>Agreed Manner and Methodology</u>" shall mean the methodology normally used by the Target Group Companies to determine "Free Cash" as illustrated in <u>Exhibit B</u> attached hereto.

- (e) "Auction" shall mean the process undertaken by Seller, its Affiliates, agents and representatives with respect to the potential disposition of the business, assets and operations of the Target Group Companies that has resulted in the execution of this Agreement.
- (f) "Business Day" shall mean any day that is not a Saturday, a Sunday or other day on which banks are required or authorized by Law to be closed in The City of Los Angeles (or for any action to be performed in Canada, the City of Toronto).
 - (g) "Canadian Employee" shall mean any Employee of the Canadian Subsidiaries.
- (h) "<u>Canadian Employee Benefit Plans</u>" means any pension, retirement, bonus, profit sharing, incentive, stock purchase, stock option, stock appreciation, severance, change-of-control, savings, thrift, insurance, medical care, dental care, vision care, prescription drugs, hospitalization, disability, death or other similar program or practice providing benefits to Canadian Employees, other than any Canadian Union Plans and any Canadian Statutory Plans.
- (i) "Canadian Statutory Plans" means statutory benefit plans that benefit Canadian Employees which the Target Group Companies are required to participate in or comply with, including the Canada and Quebec Pension Plans and plans administered pursuant to applicable health tax, workplace safety insurance and employment insurance legislation.
- (j) "<u>Canadian Subsidiaries</u>" shall mean each of the following Target Subsidiaries: Eagle Eye Entertainment, Inc., TTL and Theater Management Group Toronto Corp.
- (k) "<u>Canadian Union Plans</u>" means any and all pension and other benefit plans for the benefit of Canadian Employees which are not maintained, sponsored or administered by any of the Target Group Companies, and in respect of which the Target Group Companies are required to contribute pursuant to a collective agreement.
 - (1) "Capex Shortfall Amount" shall mean the amount, if any, by which the Expended Capex Amount is less than \$1,924,005.
 - (m) "Closing" shall mean the closing of the sale and purchase of the Shares pursuant hereto.
 - (n) "Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
 - (o) "Company Theaters" shall mean the Owned Theaters, the Leased Theaters and the Managed Theaters.
- (p) "Confidentiality Agreement" shall mean the confidentiality agreement dated March 1, 2007 between Purchaser and Live Nation, Inc.
- (q) "control" (including the terms "controlled by" and "under common control with"), with respect to the relationship between or among two or more Persons, shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the affairs or management of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise, including, without limitation, the ownership, directly or indirectly, of securities having the power to elect a majority of the board of directors or similar body governing the affairs of such Person.

- (r) "Employee" shall mean any employee of the Target Group Companies.
- (s) "Employment Contract" shall mean any written employment agreement with an Employee that is binding upon any of the Target Group Companies and is not terminable by the employer on ninety (90) days' notice or less without material cost or penalty.
- (t) "Encumbrance" shall mean any security interest, pledge, mortgage, lien (statutory of otherwise), hypothec, charge or other encumbrance of any kind other than Permitted Encumbrances.
- (u) "Environmental Laws" shall mean any Law currently in effect relating to the protection or restoration of the environment, to industrial hygiene, or to the treatment, storage, handling, presence, transport, disposal or management of Hazardous Materials.
- (v) "ERISA" shall mean the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (w) "ERISA Affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any Person, any other Person that, as of any relevant measuring date under ERISA, was or is required to be treated along with such Person as a single employer under Section 414 of the Code.
- (x) "Expended Capex Amount" shall mean the sum of (i) \$557,806 and (ii) the amount actually expended in cash after September 30, 2007 but prior to or on the Closing Date for the contractually required capital expenditures with respect to the Historic Theater Group's theaters in Minneapolis and the France-Merrick (Hippodrome) Theater in Baltimore.
- (y) "First Class Legitimate Theater" shall mean (i) in Boston, the first class theatres presently known as The Boston Opera House, The Shubert Theatre, The Wang, The Wilbur Theatre and any similar first class theatres subsequently constructed in the greater Boston, Massachusetts area, (ii) in Baltimore, the first class theatre presently known as The Opera House and any similar first class theatres subsequently constructed in the greater Baltimore area, (iii) in Minneapolis/Saint Paul, the first class theatres presently known as The Ordway, The Guthrie and any similar first class theatres subsequently constructed in the greater Minneapolis/Saint Paul area, and (iv) in Toronto, the first class theatres presently known as The Elgin Theatre, Hummingbird Center for The Performing Arts, Princess of Wales, Roy Thompson Hall, Royal Alexandra Theatre, Toronto Center for The Performing Arts, the Winter Garden Theatre, and any similar first class theatres subsequently constructed in the greater Toronto area.
- (z) "Free Cash" shall mean, as of any date, the amount shown as "Free Cash" on the Target Group Companies internal balances sheets as prepared in the normal course of business and in a manner and utilizing a methodology consistent with the Agreed Manner and Methodology. For purposes of calculating the Free Cash of the Target Group Companies, the Free Cash of any Target Subsidiary that is less than wholly-owned, directly or indirectly, by the Target Parent Companies, will be multiplied by the Target Parent Companies' then effective percentage share of that Target Subsidiary's Free Cash before including the Free Cash of that Target Subsidiary in the calculation of Free Cash for the Target Group Companies. For example, if a Target Parent Company is entitled to receive 80% of cash distributions from a Target Subsidiary, then only 80% of that Target Subsidiary's Free Cash will be included in the calculation of Free Cash of the Target Group Companies.

- (aa) "<u>Free Cash Estimated Deficit Amount</u>" means the amount by which the Free Cash of the Target Group Companies, as reflected in the internally prepared monthly financial statements of the Target Group Companies as of December 31, 2007 that are prepared in the ordinary course and as calculated consistent with the Agreed Manner and Methodology, is less than \$2,400,000.
- (bb) "Free Cash Final Deficit Amount" means the amount by which the Free Cash of the Target Group Companies, as of the close of business on the Closing Date, is less than \$2,400,000.
- (cc) "GAAP" shall mean generally accepted accounting principles and practices as in effect from time to time of the United States or Canada, as applicable.
- (dd) "Governing Documents" shall mean, with respect to any business organization, those documents, instruments and agreements that govern the formation, ownership, management and/or operation of such business organization, including, without limitation, (i) in the case of a corporation, Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and any Shareholders Agreement, (ii) in the case of a limited liability company, a Certificate of Formation (or similar document) and any Operating Agreement (or similar document), and (iii) in the case of a partnership, a Certificate of Formation (or similar document), if any, and any Partnership Agreement (or similar document).
- (ee) "Governmental Authority" shall mean any United States or Canadian federal, state, provincial, territorial or local or any foreign government, governmental, regulatory or administrative authority, agency or commission or any arbitrator, court, tribunal or judicial body, including state attorneys general, but excluding any such entity acting in the capacity of a lessor, licensor, licensee, owner or operator of any public gathering facility.
- (ff) "Governmental Order" shall mean any order, writ, injunction, decree, stipulation, determination or award entered by or with any Governmental Authority.
- (gg) "<u>Hazardous Materials</u>" shall mean any hazardous or toxic substance, material or waste defined, listed, or classified as such in any Environmental Law, including, without limitation, asbestos, petroleum, polychlorinated biphenyls, and urea-formaldehyde insulation
- (hh) "HSR Act" shall mean the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
 - (ii) "Indebtedness" shall mean any indebtedness for borrowed money.
- (jj) "Knowledge" shall mean (i) with respect to Purchaser, the actual knowledge (without independent inquiry) of the executive officers of Purchaser and (ii) with respect to Seller, the actual knowledge (without independent inquiry) of the following executive officers of Seller: Michael Rapino, Lee Ann Gliha, Kathy Willard and Michael Rowles.
 - (kk) "Law" shall mean any applicable statute, law, ordinance, regulation or rule of any Governmental Authority.
- (II) "Liabilities" shall mean any and all liabilities and obligations, whether accrued or fixed, absolute or contingent, matured or unmatured.

- (mm) "Material Adverse Effect" shall mean, except as provided in the next succeeding sentence, any material adverse effect on (a) the business, assets, results of operations or financial condition of the Target Group Companies, taken as a whole, or (b) the ability of the Seller to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Material Adverse Effect will not include any effect (i) affecting companies engaged in all or any part of the Target Business generally, (ii) resulting from terrorist threats or other acts of hostility or from general economic, business, social, political or regulatory conditions, (iii) resulting from the announcement or performance of this Agreement, the transactions contemplated hereby or the Auction, (iv) resulting from any actions required under this Agreement to obtain any approval, waiver or consent from any Person or Governmental Authority, (v) resulting from changes made by the Target Group Companies in their accounting methods or principles of practice, as required by applicable Law or GAAP, (vi) resulting from the loss of services of any Employees or (vii) attributable to or caused by changes in the U.S. securities markets.
- (nn) "Minneapolis Guaranty" shall mean that certain Guaranty Agreement executed by Seller in favor of the City of Minneapolis and dated as of December 1, 2005 in which Seller unconditionally guaranteed the full and prompt payment and performance of the obligations of the tenant under that certain Lease Agreement dated as of December 1, 2005 between the City of Minneapolis, as landlord, and Hennepin Theater Trust, as tenant.
- (oo) "Minneapolis Liens" means the security interests created in favor of Seller pursuant to the Minneapolis Lien Documents on those assets of Historic Theatre Group, LLC and Live Nation Theatrical Group, Inc. relating to their respective operations in Minneapolis, including (i) the Management Agreement dated December 1, 2005 by and between Historic Theatre Group, LLC and Hennepin Theatre Trust and (ii) the Consulting Agreement dated December 1, 2005 between Live Nation Theatrical Group, Inc. and Hennepin Theatre Trust.
- (pp) "Minneapolis Lien Documents" means the following documents executed in favor Seller to secure performance of the liabilities of Historic Theatre Group, LLC under a Loan Agreement dated of even date herewith relating to loans that may be extended in connection with the funding of obligations guaranteed by Seller pursuant to the Minneapolis Guaranty: (i) the Security Agreement dated December 1, 2005 and executed by Historic Theatre Group, LLC and Hennepin Theatre Trust in favor of Seller, as amended by the Security Agreement of even date herewith between Seller and Historic Theatre Group, LLC and (ii) that certain Security Agreement dated of even date herewith and executed by Historic Theatre Group, LLC and Live Nation Theatrical Group, Inc. in favor of Seller.
- (qq) "Office Lease" shall mean a lease agreement, sublease agreement or other rental contract whereby a Target Group Company receives the right to occupy and possess office space for the conducting of normal office functions.
- (rr) "Ordinary Course Agreements" shall mean (i) any presenting agreement with the show entered into by a Target Group Company in the ordinary course of business and consistent with past practices for one touring production in a BAA Market, (ii) any contract (other than the presenting agreement with the show) entered into by a Target Group Company in the ordinary course of business and consistent with past practices that relates to the presentation of one touring production in a BAA Market, (iii) any Ordinary Presenting Agreement and (iv) any contract entered into by Network Presentations, LLC in the ordinary course and consistent with past practices that relate to the production of a show, such as agreements with cast members, designers and directors, and that involve financial commitments consistent with the production budget for such show; provided that any agreement that would otherwise be covered under clause (ii) that contains fixed and/or contingent payments in excess of \$200,000 payable to a single individual will not be an "Ordinary Course Agreement" for purposes hereof.

- (ss) "Ordinary Presenting Agreement" shall mean a lease, license or similar arrangement entered into by a Target Group Company in the ordinary course of business in which a third party presenter or producer is given the right to present a specific theatrical production for a specified term in a Company Theater.
- (tt) "Permitted Encumbrances" shall mean: (A) liens for Taxes, assessments and governmental charges or levies not yet subject to penalties for delinquent nonpayment or which are actively being contested, (B) Encumbrances in respect of property or assets imposed by Law which were incurred in the ordinary course of business, such as carriers', warehousemen's, materialmen's and mechanics' liens and other similar liens, (C) pledges or deposits made in the ordinary course of business to secure obligations under workers' compensation laws or similar legislation or to secure public or statutory obligations, (D) land use planning/zoning, building restrictions, entitlements, restrictive covenants and other land use and environmental regulations by any Governmental Authority, (E) rights of eminent domain or expropriation, as applicable, in respect of any real property unless notice of the exercise thereof has been previously provided to Seller or its Affiliates, (F) encumbrances that will be discharged or released prior to the Closing, (G) with respect to any real property, easements, rights in the nature of easements, restrictions, concessions, licenses, rights of access, covenants, servitudes, terms of governmental permits, minor survey exceptions, title defects, encroachments or irregularities and other Encumbrances which either (x) do not materially interfere with or materially restrict the current use and operation of such real property or (y) are required, necessary or useful in connection with the current use and operation of such real property, (H) as to any real property leased to a Target Group Company, any Encumbrance affecting the interest of the fee title owner of such real property, (I) such other encumbrances that are not substantial and do not materially detract from or interfere with the present or intended use of the asset in question, (J) liens given to a public utility or any governmental authority when required by such utility or governmental authority in connection with the operations of that Person in the ordinary course of business and (K) any conditions that would be shown by a current, accurate survey or physical inspection. With respect to real property located in Canada, the term "Permitted Encumbrances" shall include (i) any reservations, limitations, provisos and conditions expressed in any original grant from the Crown and (ii) all unregistered rights, interests and privileges in favour of the Crown under or pursuant to any applicable statute or regulation, provided the same do not arise as a result of some failure to comply with a governmental requirement.
- (uu) "Person" shall mean any individual, partnership, firm, corporation, association, trust, unincorporated organization, joint venture, limited liability company or other entity.
- (vv) "Post-Closing Tax Period" means any Tax period beginning after the close of business on the Closing Date and that portion of any Straddle Period beginning after the Closing Date.
- (ww) "<u>Purchased Presenting Business</u>" shall mean the business of the Seller Group Companies in North America involving the operation of a subscription series for touring Theatrical Shows in various local markets, as currently being operated under the trade name of "Broadway Across America".
- (xx) "<u>Pre-Closing Tax Period</u>" shall mean all taxable periods ending on or before the Closing Date and that portion of any Straddle Period ending on the Closing Date.

- (yy) "Presenting Business" shall mean the type of business operated by the Seller Group Companies in North America involving the operation of a subscription series for touring Theatrical Shows in various local markets, as currently being operated under the trade name of "Broadway Across America".
- (zz) "Prime Rate" the base lending rate posted by 75% of the largest banks in the United States as published daily in the Wall Street Journal.
- (aaa) "Proprietary Right" shall mean any copyright, trademark, service mark, trade name, brand name, logo, domain name, URL, or custom software application currently being used by the Target Group Companies in the Target Business.
- (bbb) "Regulations" shall mean the Treasury Regulations (including temporary regulations) promulgated by the United States Department of Treasury with respect to the Code or other federal Tax statutes.
- (ccc) "<u>Return or Returns</u>" shall mean all returns, declarations, reports, claims for refund or information returns or statements, including any schedule or attachment thereto, and including any amendment thereof filed or to be filed with any Tax Authority.
 - (ddd) "Securities Act" shall mean the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (eee) "Seller Bank Account" shall mean one or more bank accounts to be designated by Seller in a written notice to Purchaser at least two (2) Business Days before the Closing.
 - (fff) "Seller Group Companies" shall mean the Seller and all of the Seller's Affiliates other than the Target Group Companies.
 - (ggg) "Seller Group Company" shall mean any one of the Seller Group Companies.
- (hhh) "Seller's Senior Lender Agent" means JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent for the lenders under the Senior Facility.
- (iii) "Senior Facility" shall mean the Credit Facility (as amended) created in favor of Seller and its Affiliates pursuant to that certain Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of June 29, 2007 by and among Live Nation, Inc., Seller and others, as borrowers, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, and others.
 - (jjj) "Senior Facility Liens" shall mean the liens and security interests that secure the repayment of the Senior Facility.
- (kkk) "Senior Lender Waiver" shall mean that Seller's Senior Lender Agent has agreed, in writing, to release, at the Closing, (i) the Senior Facility Liens on the Shares and on the Target Group Assets and (ii) all of the Target Group Companies from all liabilities in respect of the Senior Facility.
 - (Ill) "Separate Return or Return(s)" shall mean any Return that is not a consolidated, combined or unitary Return.

- (mmm) "Straddle Period" shall mean any taxable period that includes (but does not end on) the Closing Date.
- (nnn) "Target Business" shall mean the Venue Business and the Purchased Presenting Business.
- (000) "Target Group Assets" shall mean all of the assets of the Target Group Companies other than the Excluded Assets.
- (ppp) "Target Group Companies" shall mean the Target Parent Companies and the Target Subsidiaries.
- (qqq) "Target Group Company" shall mean any one of the Target Group Companies.
- (rrr) "<u>Target Subsidiaries</u>" shall mean Networks Presentations LLC and all corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies and other entities with respect to which the Target Parent Companies, directly or indirectly, own 50% or more of the securities having the power to elect members of the board of directors or similar body governing the affairs of such entity.
 - (sss) "Target Subsidiary" shall mean any one of the Target Subsidiaries.
- (ttt) "Tax" or "Taxes" shall mean all federal, state, provincial, local and foreign income, profits, franchise, gross receipts, payroll, sales, employment-related, use, property, real estate, escheat, excise, license, value added, estimated, stamp, utility, alternative or add-on minimum, environmental, withholding and any other taxes, duties, levies or assessments, together with all interest, penalties and additions attributable to or imposed with respect to such amounts.
- (uuu) "<u>Tax Authority</u>" and "<u>Taxing Authority</u>" shall mean any domestic, foreign, federal, national, state, provincial, county or municipal or other local government, any subdivision, agency, commission or authority thereof, or any quasi-governmental body exercising any taxing authority or any other authority exercising Tax regulatory authority.
- (vvv) "Theatrical Show" shall mean a live entertainment event featuring a professional Broadway-type dramatic and/or dramatic-musical attraction of the type presented on Broadway.
 - (www) "TTL" shall mean Toronto Theater Ltd., an Ontario corporation and one of the Target Subsidiaries.
- (xxx) "TTL Debt" shall mean the outstanding Indebtedness owed by TTL to the Seller in the current principal amount of the TTL Debt Amount.
- (yyy) "TTL Debt Amount" shall mean \$24,500,000, which represents the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the TTL Debt as of the date hereof.
- (zzz) "<u>Venue Business</u>" shall mean the business of owning, operating or managing the Company Theaters but excluding any activities related to the Purchased Presenting Business being conducted in the Company Theaters.

SECTION 1.2 Other Defined Terms. The following terms shall have the meanings defined for such terms in the Sections set forth below:

Term	Section
Active Theatrical Investment	3.6(b)
Acquisition Transaction	5.16(i)
Agreed Manner and Methodology	1.1(y)
Applicable Chicago Theaters	5.16(h)
Arbitrating Accountant	2.3(b)(iii)
Assumption Agreement	5.12(a)
Auction Confidentiality Agreements	5.10(e)
BAA Markets	3.9
Back-to-Back LCs	5.12(c)(i)
Bank	2.1(f)
BIC Chicago Ownership Covenant	5.16(h)(iii)
BIC Transaction	5.16(h)(iv)
Boston Playhouse Lien	9.2(a)(iii)
Canadian Employee Benefit Plans	3.14(a)
Cash Closing Payment	2.1(d)
Closing Date	2.2
"commercially reasonable efforts"	5.1(b)
Continued Employees	6.1(a)
Customer Database	5.15
Deposit Escrow Funds	2.1(f)
DOJ	5.3(c)
Due Date	5.17(a)
Elections	7.1(a)
Employee Benefit Plans	3.14(a)
Equity Consideration	2.1(b)
Excluded Assets	5.11
Financial Statements	3.7(a)(iv)
First Party	9.4(e)
Free Cash Statement	2.3(b)(i)
FTC	5.3(c)
Governmental Conditions	5.3(c)
Historical TM Allocation Methodology	5.13(c)
Incidental	5.16(c)
Indefinitely Surviving Representations	9.1
Indemnified Party	9.2(c)
Indemnifying Party	9.2(c)
Insurance Policies	3.19
Interest Commencement Date	2.1(c)
Lease	3.10(a)
Leased Theaters	3.10(a)
LN Guarantees	5.12(a)
LN LCs	5.12(b)
LN Marks	5.7
Local Presenter	3.9
Local Venue	3.9
Loss(es)	9.2(a)
Managed Theaters	3.10(a)
Minneapolis Excluded Obligations	5.12(a)
Minneapolis Theaters	5.16(i)
Multiemployer Plan	3.14(b)

Note Purchaser	2.1(b)(i)(B)
Outside Date	10.1(a)
Owned Theaters	3.10(a)
Party/Parties	Preamble
Property Taxes	9.4(c)(i)
Purchaser	Preamble
Purchaser Plans	6.2
Purchaser Tax Act	9.4(a)
Records	5.10(b)
Replacement LCs	5.12(b)
Retained Amount	5.17
Refusal Notice	2.2(b)
Second Party	9.4(e)
Section 338 Allocation	7.1(c)
Section 338 Forms	7.1(b)
Seller	Preamble
Seller Confidential Information	5.10(c)
Shares	Recitals
Target Parent Companies	Recitals
Tax Amount	5.17(e)
Tax Claim	9.4(e)
TCN Price	2.4(h)
TCN Shares	2.4(h)
Third Party Claims	9.2(c)
Total Consideration Amount	2.1(a)
Transition Services Agreement	5.14
Unreturned LC	5.12(c)(i)

SECTION 1.3 Other Interpretive Provisions. The words "hereof", "herein" and "hereunder" and words of similar import when used in this Agreement shall refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Agreement, and Section, Schedule and Exhibit references are to this Agreement unless otherwise specified. The words "include", "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation". The meanings given to terms defined herein shall be equally applicable to both the singular and plural forms of such terms.

ARTICLE II

PURCHASE AND SALE

SECTION 2.1 Purchase and Sale.

- (a) Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, at the Closing Seller shall sell to Purchaser, and Purchaser shall purchase from Seller, the Shares. The aggregate consideration for the Shares, including acceptance of the Shares with the TTL Debt outstanding, shall be \$90,400,000 (the "Total Consideration Amount"), which shall be payable as more fully described below.
- (b) Purchaser will pay to Seller at the Closing, a net purchase price (the "Equity Consideration") equal to (i) the Total Consideration Amount; (ii) less the TTL Debt Amount; (iii) less the Free Cash Estimated Deficit Amount as provided in Section 2.3(a) (i), and (iv) less the Capex Shortfall Amount.

- (c) In addition, Purchaser will accept the transfer and assignment of the Shares with the TTL Debt outstanding and make arrangements to pay the TTL Debt Amount to the Seller in cash at the Closing. At the option of Purchaser, the payment of the TTL Debt Amount at the Closing will be made either as—
 - (i) a payment and discharge by TTL of the TTL Debt; or
 - (ii) a purchase of the TTL Debt from Seller by a financing source (the "Note Purchaser") of the Purchaser and/or TTL.
- (d) In addition to the payment of the TTL Debt Amount and the Equity Consideration (collectively, the "<u>Cash Closing Payment</u>"), the Purchaser shall also be required (i) to assume certain of the obligations of Seller under the LN Guarantees as required by Section 5.12(a) and (ii) issue letters of credit as required by the provisions of Section 5.12(b) and (c). The Cash Closing Payment shall be paid without reduction or offset for any amount relating to any of the Excluded Assets.
 - (e) [Intentionally deleted].
- (f) Upon execution of this Agreement, Purchaser shall provide written instructions to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association ("Bank") to pay to Seller by wire transfer the Seven Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollar (\$7,500,000.00) deposit (and any undistributed interest held by Bank in respect of such deposit) (such deposit, together with any undistributed interest earned thereon, herein called the "Deposit Escrow Funds") that was previously deposited by Purchaser with Bank pursuant to an escrow agreement related to this transaction and entered into by and among Purchaser, Seller and Bank. The Deposit Escrow Funds shall be applied towards the Purchaser's payment obligations at the Closing.
- SECTION 2.2 <u>Closing</u>. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, the Closing shall be held at the offices of Jeffer, Mangels, Butler & Marmaro, LLP, 1900 Avenue of the Stars, Los Angeles, California 90067, 10:00 a.m. Pacific Time on the date of the execution of this Agreement (or at such other place or at such other time as Seller and Purchaser may mutually agree upon in writing) (the day on which the Closing takes place being referred to herein as the "<u>Closing Date</u>").

SECTION 2.3 Adjustments to the Total Consideration Amount for Free Cash Deficit.

- (a) Seller shall pay to Purchaser, as a downward adjustment to the Total Consideration Amount, the Free Cash Final Deficit Amount as follows:
 - (i) As a deposit against Seller's obligation under this Section 2.3(a), Purchaser is authorized to reduce the amount otherwise payable at the Closing pursuant to Section 2.1(a) hereof by the Free Cash Estimated Deficit Amount.
 - (ii) Within five (5) business days following the date upon which the amount of Free Cash as of the close of business on the Closing Date is finally determined in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.3(b), the payment obligation of Seller pursuant to this Section 2.3(a) will be settled as follows:
 - (A) If the Free Cash Final Deficit Amount exceeds the Free Cash Estimated Deficit Amount, then Seller will pay the amount of such excess to Purchaser.

- (B) If the Free Cash Estimated Deficit Amount exceeds the Free Cash Final Deficit Amount, then Purchaser will pay the amount of such excess to Seller.
- (b) The Free Cash Final Deficit Amount shall be determined in accordance with the following provisions:
- (i) Seller shall prepare a written statement setting forth a determination of Free Cash of the Target Group Companies as of the close of business on the Closing Date (the "Free Cash Statement") with reasonable detail reflecting the calculation of Free Cash and the components thereof as of such date. The Free Cash Statement shall be prepared by or at the direction of the Seller. Seller shall use reasonable efforts to cause the Free Cash Statement to be delivered to Purchaser within forty-five (45) days following the Closing Date. Purchaser shall make available to Seller, and its accountants and other representatives, such information, books, records, and personnel of the Target Group Companies and provide such assistance as Seller shall reasonably request at any time during the preparation by Seller of the Free Cash Statement.
 - (ii) Before finalization, the Free Cash Statement must be mutually agreed upon by Seller and Purchaser.
- (iii) If Seller and Purchaser are unable to resolve any dispute concerning the contents of the Free Cash Statement within the thirty (30) day period following delivery by Seller to Purchaser of the Free Cash Statement, a mutually approved Big 4 Accounting Firm that does not regularly perform services for the Seller Group Companies or the Purchaser or its Affiliates (the "Arbitrating Accountant") shall be engaged as arbitrator hereunder to settle such dispute as soon as practicable. In connection with the resolution of any such dispute, the Arbitrating Accountant shall have access to all documents, records, work papers, facilities and personnel necessary to perform its function as arbitrator. The Arbitrating Accountant's function shall be to review only those items which are in dispute and to resolve the dispute with respect to such items. The Arbitrating Accountant's award with respect to any such dispute shall be final and binding upon the parties hereto, and judgment may be entered on the award. The fees and expenses of the Arbitrating Accountant shall be allocated between Seller, on the one hand, and Purchaser, on the other hand, so that (A) Seller shall pay an amount equal to the product of (x) and (y), where (x) is the aggregate amount of such fees and expenses, and where (y) is a fraction, the numerator of which is the amount in dispute that is successfully disputed by Purchaser (as determined by the Arbitrating Accountant), and the denominator of which is the total value in dispute and (B) Purchaser shall pay the remaining portion of such fees and expenses that are not payable by Seller.
- (iv) Purchaser and Seller shall cooperate with one another in connection with providing information to one another relating to the calculation of the Free Cash Final Deficit Amount.

SECTION 2.4 Closing Deliveries by Seller. At the Closing, Seller shall deliver to Purchaser:

- (a)(i) stock certificates evidencing the Shares duly endorsed in blank by an authorized officer of Seller, or accompanied by stock powers duly executed in blank by an authorized officer of Seller, in form reasonably satisfactory to Purchaser and (ii) a receipt for the payment of the Equity Consideration;
- (b)(i) the original signed promissory note evidencing the TTL Debt endorsed "paid in full" if Purchaser chooses the option described in Section 2.1(c)(i) or endorsed "pay to the order of Note Purchaser without recourse" if Purchaser chooses the option described in Section 2.1(c)(ii) and (ii) a receipt for the payment of the TTL Debt Amount;
- (c)(i) the resignations of the directors of the Target Group Companies as required by Section 5.9(a) and (ii) the instrument of release executed by Seller as required by Section 5.9(b);
 - (d) executed counterparts of the Transition Services Agreement (if required pursuant to Section 5.14);
- (e) To the extent obtained, written consent from the counterparty to each contract listed on <u>Schedule 3.3</u> consenting to the sale of the Shares by Seller to Purchaser and releasing any claim that it may have to (i) treat the transfer of the Shares by Purchaser to Seller as a breach of the applicable contract and/or (ii) terminate the applicable contract by reason of the sale of the Shares by Seller to Purchaser; and
- (f) if obtained, a certificate issued by the Minister of National Revenue of Canada under subsection 116(2) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) with a certificate limit at least equal to the portion of the Equity Consideration payable by Purchaser to Seller to acquire the Shares of TCN Theatre Group, Inc. ("<u>TCN Shares</u>") as indicated in Section 2.6 hereof ("<u>TCN Price</u>").

SECTION 2.5 Closing Deliveries by Purchaser. At the Closing, Purchaser shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to Seller:

- (a) A signed letter of instruction to Bank directing Bank to deliver the Deposit Escrow Funds to Seller as described in Section 2.1(f);
- (b) the Closing Cash Payment, less the amount of the Deposit Escrow Funds, by wire transfer in immediately available funds to the Seller Bank Account;
 - (c) a receipt for the Shares and for the original signed promissory note evidencing the TTL Debt;
 - (d) the instrument of release executed on behalf of the Target Parent Companies as required by Section 5.9(c);
 - (e) the Assumption Agreement referred to in Section 5.12(a) reasonably satisfactory to Purchaser and Seller;
- (f) evidence reasonably satisfactory to Seller that Purchaser has caused letters of credit to be issued as required by the provisions of Section 5.12(b) and (c); and
 - (g) executed counterparts of the Transition Services Agreement (if required pursuant to Section 5.14).

SECTION 2.6 <u>Allocation of Equity Consideration Among the Target Parent Companies</u>. Purchaser and Seller agree that the Equity Consideration is allocable, based upon the relative fair market values of the Shares of each of the Target Parent Companies, between the TCN Shares and the Shares of the other Target Parent Companies as set forth in <u>Schedule 2.6</u>. Each party hereto agrees not to assert, in connection with any tax return, tax audit or similar proceeding, any allocation of the Equity Consideration between the TCN Shares and the Shares of the other Target Parent Companies that differs from the foregoing allocation.

ARTICLE III

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLER

Seller hereby represents and warrants to Purchaser as follows:

SECTION 3.1 <u>Organization</u>. Seller is duly incorporated, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of organization. Each of the Target Group Companies is a corporation, partnership or limited liability company duly organized, validly existing and in good standing (reference to good standing of any Canadian entity refers only to the fact that it has a certificate of compliance or equivalent) under the laws of its jurisdiction of organization, has all requisite power to own its properties and to carry on its business as it is now being conducted and is duly licensed or qualified to do business in each jurisdiction in which the nature of its business or the ownership or leasing of its properties makes such license or qualification necessary, except where the failure to be so licensed or to so qualify would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Complete and correct copies of the Governing Documents of the Target Parent Companies have been made available to Purchaser.

SECTION 3.2 <u>Authority: Enforceability</u>. Seller has the corporate power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement and perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder. The execution and delivery by Seller of this Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement and the performance by Seller of its obligations hereunder and thereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of Seller. This Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement have been duly executed and delivered by Seller and, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by Purchaser, constitute legal, valid and binding agreements of Seller, enforceable against Seller in accordance with their respective terms, subject to the effects of bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and other similar Laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and general equitable principles (whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

SECTION 3.3 Non-Contravention. Except as set forth in Schedule 3.3, the execution, delivery and performance by Seller of this Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement do not and will not (a) violate, conflict with or result in the breach of any provision of the Governing Documents of the Target Parent Companies, (b) subject to Section 3.4, conflict with or violate any Law or Governmental Order applicable to the Seller Group Companies, the Target Group Companies or any of their respective assets or properties, except for such conflicts or violations as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (c) conflict with, result in any breach of, constitute a default under, require any consent under, or give to others any rights of termination, amendment or acceleration of, or result in the creation of any Encumbrance on any of the Shares or on any of the Target Group Assets pursuant to, any note, bond, mortgage or indenture, contract, agreement, lease, license, permit or franchise to which any of the Seller Group Companies or the Target Group Companies is a party or by which any of the Shares or any of the Target Group Assets is bound or affected, except for such conflicts, breaches, defaults, consents, rights and Encumbrances, as would not,

individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect or (d) require any consent under any of the operating agreement for Networks Presentations LLC, the operating agreement for The Booking Group, LLC or the agreements described under Section 3.11(a)(iii) and (vii).

SECTION 3.4 Governmental Consents. Except as set forth in Schedule 3.4, the execution, delivery and performance by Seller of this Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement do not and will not require any consent, approval, authorization or other order of, action by, filing with or notification to any Governmental Authority in connection with the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein or therein, except for (i) filings under the HSR Act, (ii) if required, the notification and/or review requirements under the Competition Act (Canada) and the Investment Canada Act, (iii) the application to and consent of the Alcohol & Gaming Commission of Ontario to the transfer of the Canon Theatre Liquor License, (iv) those that may be required by the nature of the business or ownership of Purchaser and its Affiliates and (v) those the failure to obtain or make would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 3.5 <u>Capital Stock of the Target Parent Companies</u>. Set forth on <u>Schedule 3.5</u> is the number of authorized, issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of each Target Parent Company and its jurisdiction of incorporation. All of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of the Target Parent Companies are, or at the Closing will be, owned of record free and clear of any Encumbrances by Seller. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.5</u>: (i) all of such issued and outstanding shares have been validly issued, are fully paid and nonassessable and have not been issued in violation of any preemptive or similar rights; (ii) there are no outstanding options, warrants, calls, rights or any other agreements relating to the sale, issuance or voting of any shares of the capital stock of the Target Parent Companies, or any securities or other instruments convertible into, exchangeable for or evidencing the right to purchase any shares of capital stock of the Target Parent Companies; and (iii) the transfer and delivery of the Shares by Seller to Purchaser as contemplated by this Agreement will transfer good title to the Shares to Purchaser, free and clear of all Encumbrances, except Encumbrances arising as a result of any action taken by Purchaser or any of its Affiliates.

SECTION 3.6 Target Subsidiaries and Equity Investments.

- (a) <u>Schedule 3.6(a)</u> lists each of the Target Subsidiaries. Set forth on <u>Schedule 3.6(a)</u> is the number of authorized, issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of each Target Subsidiary that is a corporation (or a list of outstanding ownership interests for other entities) and its jurisdiction of organization. Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 3.6(a)</u>, all the outstanding shares of capital stock or other equity interests of each of the Target Subsidiaries have been validly issued, are fully paid and nonassessable, have not been issued in violation of any preemptive or similar rights, and are owned of record by one of the Target Group Companies free and clear of any Encumbrances. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.6(a)</u>, there are no outstanding options, warrants, calls, rights or any other agreements relating to the sale, issuance or voting of any shares of the capital stock or other equity interests of any Target Subsidiary, or any securities or other instruments convertible into, exchangeable for or evidencing the right to purchase any shares of capital stock or other equity interests of any Target Subsidiary.
- (b) <u>Schedule 3.6(b)</u> sets forth a true, correct and complete list of (i) all of the Target Group Company's investments in currently active theatrical productions (the "<u>Active Theatrical Investments</u>"), (ii) the book value, as of the date indicated thereon, for each Active Theatrical Investment and (iii) the agreements (oral or written) that create or govern the ownership interest of the Target Group Companies in each Active Theatrical Investment. The Target Group Companies own good and valid title to each Active Theatrical Investment, and none of the Active Theatrical Investments are subject to any lien or pledge to secure any debts, liabilities or

obligations of any Person. Except as indicated on Schedule 3.6(b), the execution, delivery and performance by Seller of this Agreement do not and will not violate, conflict with or result in the breach of, constitute a default under, require any consent under, or give to others any rights of termination, amendment or acceleration of, or result in the creation of any Encumbrance on any of the Active Theatrical Investments pursuant to, any document, agreement or contract that creates or governs the ownership interest of the Target Group Companies in the Active Theatrical Investments.

(c) Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.6(c)</u>, there is no corporation, partnership or other entity in which the Target Parent Companies, directly or indirectly, own any material equity interest other than (i) the Target Subsidiaries and (ii) investments in active or inactive theatrical productions.

SECTION 3.7 Financial Information.

- (a) Seller has delivered to Purchaser accurate and complete copies of the audited consolidated or combined balance sheets of the Target Group Companies as of December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2006, and the related audited consolidated or combined statements of income, owners' equity and cash flows for each of the years then ended, and the notes and schedules thereto, prepared in conformity with GAAP, together with the reports thereon of Ernst & Young, independent public accountants (all of the foregoing being herein collectively called the "Financial Statements").
- (b) The Financial Statements (i) have been prepared from the books and records of the Target Group Companies in conformity with GAAP applied on a basis consistent in all material respects with preceding years throughout the periods involved and (ii) fairly present, in all material respects, the consolidated or combined financial position of the Target Group Companies as of the respective dates thereof and the consolidated or combined results of operations and cash flows of the Target Group Companies for the periods then ended.
- (c) The Target Group Companies have not operated as separate "stand alone" entities within Seller's affiliated group. As a result, the Financial Statements include allocations to the Target Group Companies of certain allocated charges and credits in accordance with Seller's customary practices. Such charges and credits do not necessarily reflect (i) the amounts that would have resulted from armslength transactions or (ii) all of the expenses, costs and charges that would be necessary to properly operate the business of the Target Group Companies as a "stand alone" business.
- (d) Except as set forth in Schedule 3.7(d) and for Liabilities that would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, there are no Liabilities of any of the Target Group Companies of the nature required to be reflected as a liability on a balance sheet prepared in accordance with GAAP, other than the TTL Debt and Liabilities (i) reflected or reserved against on the audited consolidated or combined balance sheet of the Target Group Companies as of December 31, 2006 or (ii) incurred since December 31, 2006 in the ordinary course of business.

SECTION 3.8 <u>Absence of Certain Changes or Events</u>. Except as expressly contemplated by this Agreement or the Transition Services Agreement or as described on <u>Schedule 3.8</u>, since December 31, 2006 and through the date of this Agreement, the Target Group Companies have conducted their respective businesses in all material respects only in the ordinary course and consistent with past practice. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, except as described on <u>Schedule 3.8</u>, none of the Target Group Companies has since December 31, 2006:

- (i) had a Material Adverse Effect occur;
- (ii) merged or consolidated with, or acquired an interest in, any Person or otherwise acquired any material assets, except for acquisitions in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;
- (iii) sold or otherwise disposed of any material properties or assets, except for dispositions in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;
- (iv) incurred, assumed or guaranteed any Indebtedness, except for intercompany obligations undertaken in the ordinary course of business with other Target Group Companies or with Seller Group Companies;
 - (v) mortgaged, pledged or encumbered any material assets, other than pursuant to Permitted Encumbrances;
- (vi) issued, sold or redeemed any capital stock or other equity interests, notes, bonds or other securities, or any option, warrant or other right to acquire the same;
- (vii) made any capital expenditure or commitment for any capital expenditure other than capital expenditures or commitments made or undertaken (x) in connection with any emergency repair, *force majeure* event or other unforeseen circumstance beyond the control of the Target Group Companies or (y) for maintenance, upkeep or repairs at the Company Theaters consistent with past practices or with the most recent capital expenditures forecast for the Venue Business;
- (viii) increased the compensation or benefits payable to its Employees except for increases in compensation or benefits in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;
 - (ix) amended its Governing Documents; or
 - (x) entered into any contract or other agreement to do any of the foregoing.

SECTION 3.9 <u>Subscription Markets</u>. The Target Group Companies currently operate or manage an annual "Broadway Theater" subscription series under the trade name "Broadway Across America" in each of the markets listed on <u>Schedule 3.9</u> (the "<u>BAA Markets</u>"). <u>Schedule 3.9</u> also indicates the following information for each BAA Market:

(a) The local party, if any, that participates with the Target Group Companies in the presentation of the theatrical events included in the subscription series in such BAA Market (the "Local Presenter");

- (b) The venue or venues in such BAA Market at which substantially all of the theatrical events included in the subscription series in such BAA Market are presented (the "Local Venue");
- (c) The dates of commencement and expiration of any agreements governing these relationships and a summary of the renewal provisions (if any);
 - (d) [intentionally left blank]; and
- (e) A schedule by market showing any special services or benefits or other obligations required to be performed with respect to some or all of the Advance Unearned Subscriptions, other than provision of the theater seat itself. For purposes of illustration only and without intending to limit this provision in any way, such obligations may include free parking for "Patron Club" members; cocktail receptions in advance of the show etc.

SECTION 3.10 Properties.

- (a) <u>Theaters</u>. Other than the Office Leases, <u>Schedule 3.10(a)</u> contains (A) a complete and correct list of all real estate properties that are owned, leased or managed by any of the Target Group Companies and (B) a designation as to which of those properties is (i) owned by a Target Group Company (the "<u>Owned Theaters</u>"), (ii) leased to a Target Group Company ("<u>Leased Theaters</u>") or (iii) managed by, but not leased to, a Target Group Company (the "<u>Managed Theaters</u>"). In this connection, the following matters are true and correct:
 - (i) Good and indefeasible title to each of the Owned Theaters is owned by the specific Target Group Company indicated on Schedule 3.10(a), free and clear of all Encumbrances other than leases and other encumbrances listed on Schedule 3.10(b) and Ordinary Presenting Agreements.
 - (ii) <u>Schedule 3.10(a)</u> also sets forth a list, for each of the Leased Theaters, of the real property lease, including all amendments thereto, under which the leasehold estate in favor of a Target Group Company has been created (each such real property lease, as amended, being herein called a "<u>Lease</u>" and collectively the "<u>Leases</u>"), and except as set forth thereon, (i) each Lease is a valid and subsisting agreement and is in full force and effect in accordance with the terms thereof, (ii) the Target Group Company designated thereon enjoys peaceful and quiet possession of such Leased Theater, and (iii) there has not been any material default (beyond any applicable notice, grace or cure period) under any Lease by the lessee or, to the Seller's Knowledge, the lessor thereunder, in each case except for defaults which individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. The rental set forth in each Lease is the actual rental being paid, and except as listed on <u>Schedule 3.10(a)</u>, there are no separate agreements or understandings with respect to the same.
 - (iii) <u>Schedule 3.10(a)</u> also sets forth a list, for each of the Managed Theaters, of the agreements, including all amendments thereto, under which the Target Group Companies manage such Managed Theaters and/or are granted the right to present events in such Managed Theater (each such management agreement and/or presenting rights agreement, as amended, being herein called a "<u>Management Agreement</u>" and collectively the "<u>Management Agreements</u>"), and except as set forth thereon, (i) each Management Agreement is a valid and subsisting agreement and is in full force and effect in accordance with the terms thereof and (ii) there has not been any material default (beyond

any applicable notice, grace or cure period) under any Management Agreement by the manager thereunder or, to the Seller's Knowledge, the other party thereunder, in each case except for defaults which individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. The management fees, remuneration, revenue sharing and other amounts payable by or to the Target Group Companies under each Management Agreement are the actual amounts being paid, and except as listed on Schedule 3.10(a), there are no material separate agreements or understandings with respect to the same.

- (b) <u>Current Use of Company Theaters</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.10(b)</u>, to Seller's Knowledge, the current use of each of the Company Theaters does not violate the certificate of occupancy thereof (if any), any applicable deed restrictions or any local zoning or similar land use or government regulations in any way that would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Seller has not received, as of the date hereof, any written notice of any: (1) condemnation proceedings or eminent domain proceedings pending or threatened against any of the Company Theaters; (2) work orders or deficiencies pursuant to municipal bylaws, the Ontario Building Code or the Ontario Fire Code which might result in the condemnation of a Company Theater; or (3) expropriation proceedings pending or threatened against any of the Company Theaters. Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 3.10(b)</u> and except for Ordinary Presenting Agreements, (i) none of the Leased Theaters or Owned Theaters are leased or subleased to any third party and (ii) no third party has any right of possession or similar interest in or to the Leased Theaters (except for the lessor of any Leased Theater as set forth in the applicable Lease) or the Owned Theaters. None of the Target Group Companies is in breach of or default under any of the leases or subleases that are listed on Schedule 3.10(b) and, to the Seller's Knowledge, no event has occurred that, with or without notice or lapse of time or both, would result in a breach or a default by any of the Target Group Companies under any such lease or sublease, other than an immaterial breach or default.
- (c) <u>Survey and Title Insurance</u>. The Target Group Companies have provided to the Purchaser, with respect to each of the Company Theaters, a true, correct and complete copy of all of the following that exist and are in the possession of the Seller or its Affiliates:
 - (i) the most recently prepared survey reflecting the actual dimensions of, and area within, the real property on which such Company Theater is located and the location of all easements, set-back lines, encroachments or overlaps thereon or thereover, and the outside boundary lines of all improvements; and
 - (ii) the most recently issued policy of title insurance in favor of a Target Group Company and covering such Company Theater.
- (d) No Liens on Assets. Other than the Minneapolis Liens, the Senior Facility Liens and the Boston Playhouse Lien, none of the assets of the Target Group Companies are subject to any lien or pledge given to secure the debts, liabilities or obligations of any Person.

SECTION 3.11 Contracts.

- (a) <u>Principal Contracts</u>. Except for contracts relating to investments in active or inactive theatrical productions and the contracts listed on <u>Schedule 3.11(a)</u>, as of the date of this Agreement, none of the Target Group Companies is a party to, or otherwise bound by, any:
 - (i) other than agreements with Local Presenters or Local Venues that restrict the operation of the Purchased Presenting Business in the BAA Market covered by such agreement, any contract containing covenants limiting the freedom of the Target Group Companies after the date hereof to (x) engage in any line of business in any geographic area, or (y) compete with any Person, in each case, the violation of which would materially impair the operation of the business of the Target Group Companies, taken as a whole;
 - (ii) partnership, limited liability company or joint venture agreements;
 - (iii) contract granting the right to, or requiring, any of the Target Group Companies to present any touring production of any Theatrical Shows, including family or children's Theatrical Shows, in multiple BAA Markets;
 - (iv) contract or commitment that requires any of the Target Group Companies to provide advertising privileges or exposure to any third party sponsor in any single BAA Market that involves the payment of cash, services or other consideration by such third party sponsor;
 - (v) Employment Contract;
 - (vi) Office Lease that is not terminable by the Target Group Companies on ninety (90) days' notice or less without cost or penalty;
 - (vii) contract with a Local Presenter or with the owner of a Local Venue that governs the subscription series operated or managed by the Target Group Companies in a BAA Market;
 - (viii) mortgage, pledge, security agreement, deed of trust or other instrument creating or purporting to create an Encumbrance (other than the documents creating the Minneapolis Liens and the Senior Facility Liens);
 - (ix) contract (other than this Agreement) for the sale of any assets of the Target Group Companies after the date hereof;
 - (x) other than guarantees of the Senior Facility, guaranty of Indebtedness owed by any Person (other than by a Target Group Company);
 - (xi) contract granting to any third party ticketing vendor the right, as agent for the Target Group Companies, to sell tickets to events presented by any of the Target Group Companies; or
 - (xii) contracts (other than Ordinary Course Agreements and the types of contracts described in the preceding clauses of this Section 3.11(a)) which require payments by the Target Group Companies after the date hereof in excess of \$200,000 (individually or in the aggregate) during any one-year period and which is not otherwise described in this Agreement, listed on the Schedules hereto or terminable by the Seller Group Companies on notice of ninety (90) days or less without penalty.

- (b) No Defaults on Principal Contracts. Except as set forth on Schedule 3.11(b), none of the Target Group Companies is (and, to Seller's Knowledge, no other party is) in breach of or default under any contract listed on Schedule 3.11(a), and to the Seller's Knowledge, no event has occurred that, with or without notice or lapse of time or both, would result in a breach or a default thereunder, other than an immaterial breach or default.
- (c) Each Target Group Company is a party to each contract currently used in the operation or conduct of such Target Group Company's business.
- SECTION 3.12 <u>Compliance with Law.</u> Except as disclosed on <u>Schedule 3.12</u>, to Seller's Knowledge, the Target Group Companies are in compliance with all Laws applicable to them, except where the failure to so comply would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- SECTION 3.13 <u>Litigation</u>. Except as disclosed on <u>Schedule 3.13</u>, as of the date of this Agreement, (i) there are no Actions pending or, to Seller's Knowledge, threatened against the Seller Group Companies or the Target Group Companies, and (ii) neither the Seller Group Companies nor any of the Target Group Companies is a party to or subject to or in default under any Governmental Order.

SECTION 3.14 Employees.

- (a) Other than the Canadian Employee Benefit Plans, the Canadian Union Plans and the Canadian Statutory Plans, Schedule 3.14 identifies each "employee benefit plan," as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, each management, agency, employment, consulting, severance or other similar contract, arrangement or policy and each stock option, stock purchase, deferred compensation plan or arrangement and each other employee fringe benefit plan, program, agreement, commission, profit sharing, bonus or incentive plan, or arrangement, excluding the Employment Contracts, that is currently maintained by, contributed to or required to be contributed to by Seller, its ERISA Affiliates or the Target Group Companies for the benefit of the Employees (collectively, the "Employee Benefit Plans"). The Seller has made available to the Purchaser true, correct and complete copies of each Canadian Employee Benefit Plan. Except as set forth on Schedule 3.14 and except as would not individually, or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, to Seller's Knowledge (i) there is no pending or threatened material litigation or administrative proceeding relating to any Employee Benefit Plan or Canadian Employee Benefit Plan; (ii) there is no material unfair labor practice proceeding or labor arbitration proceeding pending or threatened against the Target Group Companies; (iii) all Employee Benefit Plans have been established, maintained, operated, and administered in accordance with their respective terms and in material compliance with all applicable provisions of ERISA, the Code, and all other Laws; and (iv) all reports and returns required to be filed with any Governmental Authority and all information required to be provided to participants with respect to the Employee Benefit Plans and the Canadian Employee Benefit Plans have been timely and properly filed or provided.
- (b) Each Employee Benefit Plan intended to be a qualified plan within the meaning of Section 401(a) of the Code is so qualified, both as to form and operation and has received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service as to its qualification that is current as of the Closing except for changes required by the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act (with respect to which good faith amendments have been made), and each trust created thereunder which is intended to be exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(a) of the Code is, and has been so exempt from the date of its establishment, and to the Seller's Knowledge, no event has occurred or condition exists that could adversely affect the qualified status of any Employee Benefit Plan or the exempt status of any such trust

- (c) Except as set forth on Schedule 3.14, (i) the Target Group Companies are not party to or subject to any collective bargaining agreement with any labor union and there are no certification applications outstanding respecting the employees of the Target Group Companies, nor are there any voluntary recognition agreements, or any Knowledge of any union organizing campaigns respecting the employees of the Target Group Companies, (ii) there is no labor strike, stoppage or lockout actually pending or threatened against the Target Group Companies; and (iii) none of the Target Parent Companies nor any ERISA Affiliate maintains, administers, contributes to or is required to contribute to any "multiemployer plan" as defined in sections 4001(a)(3) and 3(37) of ERISA that covers one or more Employees (each a "Multiemployer Plan").
- (d) Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.14</u>, none of the Target Group Companies and ERISA Affiliates has, at any time, withdrawn from a Multiemployer Plan in a "complete withdrawal" or a "partial withdrawal" as defined in Sections 4203 and 4205 of ERISA, respectively, so as to result in a liability of any of the Target Group Companies.
- (e) Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.14</u>, all contributions required to be made by any of the Target Parent Companies or any ERISA Affiliate to each Multiemployer Plan on behalf of one or more current or former Employees have been made when due.
- (f) Except as set forth on Schedule 3.14, Seller has received no written notice that: (A) a Multiemployer Plan has been terminated or has been in reorganization under ERISA so as to result in any liability of the Target Group Companies under Title IV of ERISA; or (B) any proceeding has been initiated by any Person (including the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation) to terminate any Multiemployer Plan.
- (g) Except as set forth on Schedule 3.14, to Seller's Knowledge (i) the Canadian Employee Benefit Plans are duly registered where required, and are in good standing under all applicable laws including all Tax Laws where the same is required for preferential treatment; (ii) no fact or circumstance exists that would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on the preferential tax treatment ordinarily accorded to any such Canadian Employee Benefit Plan; (iii) all employer and employee contributions and premiums required to be paid under the terms of each Canadian Employee Benefit Plan or by applicable Law to the date hereof have been paid or accrued; and (iv) each Canadian Employee Benefit Plan that is a funded plan is funded in material compliance with the terms of such Employee Benefit Plan and all applicable Laws, and no material past service funding liabilities exist thereunder.
- (h) All contributions and premiums required to be paid to all Canadian Statutory Plans have been paid by the Target Group Companies in accordance with Applicable Laws.
- (i) <u>Schedule 3.14</u> attached hereto contains a true and correct list of (i) all full time employees of the Target Group Companies (and employees of the Seller Group Companies who primarily work for the Target Group Companies) as of September 30, 2007, (ii) the current base compensation for each such employee and (iii) the amount of the bonus paid to date for each such employee with respect to calendar year 2006.

SECTION 3.15 <u>Proprietary Rights</u>. <u>Schedule 3.15</u> contains a list of any registrations or applications for registration for Proprietary Rights that are (i) owned, or will be owned as of the Closing, by the Target Group Companies and (ii) material to the business of the Target Group Companies. Except for licenses entered into in the ordinary course of business, and except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.15</u>, none of the Target Group Companies has granted to any Person the right to use any of the Proprietary Rights of the Target Group Companies. To Seller's Knowledge, except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.15</u> and except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, no claims have been asserted by any third party based on the use by the Target Group Companies, or challenging the Target Group Companies' ownership of, any Proprietary Right that the Target Group Companies license or use. To Seller's Knowledge, there are no material infringing or diluting uses of the Proprietary Rights of the Target Group Companies by third parties that would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 3.16 Environmental Laws. Except as set forth in Schedule 3.16, and except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (i) the Target Group Companies (a) are, and have been within all applicable statute of limitations periods, in material compliance with all applicable Environmental Laws and (b) possess and are, and have been within all applicable statute of limitations periods, in material compliance with any permit, approvals and authorizations required under applicable Environmental Laws in order to operate the Owned Theaters and the Leased Theaters as currently operated; (ii) none of the Target Group Companies is a party to any judicial, administrative, or arbitral proceeding or to any judgment, decree, settlement, agreement, or order which proceeding, judgment, decree, settlement, agreement, or order relates to compliance with any Environmental Law or to responsibility for investigation or cleanup of any Hazardous Materials at any location, and, to Seller's Knowledge, no such proceeding, judgment, decree or order is threatened; and (iii) to Seller's Knowledge, there are no Hazardous Materials at, or emanating or disposed from, any of the Owned Theaters or the Leased Theaters, which Hazardous Materials are in contravention of any applicable Environmental Law. Notwithstanding the generality of any other representations and warranties in this Agreement, this Section 3.16 shall be deemed to contain the only representations and warranties in this Agreement with respect to Environmental Laws, Hazardous Materials, the environment, or industrial hygiene.

SECTION 3.17 <u>Contracts with Certain Persons</u>. Except for the Minneapolis Lien Documents and the contracts listed on <u>Schedule 3.17</u>, there are no contracts in effect as of the date hereof between the Target Group Companies, on the one hand, and the Seller Group Companies on the other.

SECTION 3.18 Taxes.

- (a) All material Returns required to be filed by, or with respect to any activities of, the Target Group Companies have been timely filed (except those under valid extension) with the proper Taxing Authorities or other Governmental Authorities.
- (b) Except as otherwise set forth on Schedule 3.18(b), (i) no material deficiencies for Taxes with respect to Separate Returns of the Target Group Companies have been claimed, proposed or assessed by any Taxing Authority or other Governmental Authority; (ii) there are no pending or, to the best of Seller's Knowledge, threatened audits, investigations or claims for or relating to any material liability in respect of Taxes with respect to Separate Returns of the Target Group Companies, and there are no matters under discussion with any Taxing Authority or other Governmental Authority with respect to material Taxes with respect to Separate Returns of the Target Group Companies; and (iii) all Taxes that the Target Group Companies have been required to collect or withhold have been duly collected or withheld and, to the extent required when due, have been or will be duly paid to the proper Taxing Authority or other Governmental Authority.

- (c) Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.18(c)</u>, the Target Group Companies (i) have not made any elections, and are not required, to treat any of their assets as owned by another person or as tax-exempt bond financed property or tax-exempt use property within the meaning of Section 168 of the Code or under any comparable state or local income Tax or other Tax provision; and (ii) are not bound by any tax sharing, tax indemnity or tax allocation agreement or other similar arrangement with any other person or entity.
- (d) No Target Group Company has in place any currently effective waiver of any statute of limitations with respect to Taxes or has agreed to an extension of time with respect to a Tax assessment or deficiency.
- (e) No Target Group Company is or has been a United States real property holding corporation within the meaning of Section 897(c)(2) of the Code.
- (f) There are no liens for Taxes (other than for current Taxes not yet due and payable) upon the assets of any of the Target Group Companies.
- (g) No Target Group Company is or has participated in any "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 1.6011-4(b) (11) of the Regulations. Each Target Group Company has disclosed on its tax return all positions taken therein that could give rise to a substantial understatement of Federal Income Tax within the meaning of Section 6662 of the Code or similar provisions under state or local law.
- (h) The shares of each of (i) Live Nation Theatrical Group, Inc. (f/k/a Pace Theatrical Group, Inc.), a Texas corporation, (ii) Live Nation Family Holdings, Inc. (f/k/a SFX Family Holdings, Inc.), a Delaware corporation, and (iii) SFX Theatrical Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation, are not, and will not be at the time of Closing, "taxable Canadian property" (as defined in the *Income Tax Act* (Canada)).
- SECTION 3.19 <u>Insurance</u>. The insurance policies maintained with respect to the Target Group Companies and their respective businesses, assets and properties (the "<u>Insurance Policies</u>") are listed on <u>Schedule 3.19</u>, including a description of whether such Insurance Policies are "occurrence based" or "claims made" policies.
- SECTION 3.20 <u>Bank Accounts</u>. <u>Schedule 3.20</u> sets forth a true, correct and complete list of all bank accounts or similar financial depositary accounts maintained by, or in the name of, any of the Target Group Companies.
- SECTION 3.21 <u>Brokers</u>. Except for Goldman, Sachs & Co., no broker, finder or investment banker is entitled to any brokerage, finder's or other fee or commission in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement based upon arrangements made by or on behalf of Seller. Seller is solely responsible for the fees and expenses of Goldman Sachs & Co.
- SECTION 3.22 <u>Canadian Revenues and Assets</u>. The Target Group Companies, on a combined basis, have (i) gross revenues from sales in and from Canada (determined for such annual period and in such manner as may be prescribed under the Competition Act (Canada) and its regulations for the purpose of determining the application of Part IX of the Competition Act (Canada) to the transactions contemplated herein) of less than Cdn.\$50,000,000 and (ii) assets in Canada having an aggregate value (determined as of such time and in such manner as may be prescribed in the Competition Act (Canada) and its regulations for the purpose of determining the application of Part IX of the Competition Act (Canada) to the transactions contemplated herein) of less than Cdn.\$50,000,000.

SECTION 3.23 Cash Related Representations.

- (a) As of the close of business on January 10, 2008, the combined aggregate cash balance held in all bank accounts of the Target Group Companies was in the amount specified in <u>Schedule 3.23</u>. The amount of such combined aggregate bank balance is net of all cash sweeps made from such bank accounts to any of the Seller Group Companies through the close of business on January 10, 2008 but do not take account of any items-in-transit as of the close of business on January 10, 2008.
- (b) No cash sweeps have been made from any of the bank accounts of the Target Group Companies to any of the Seller Group Companies at any time after the close of business on January 10, 2008.

ARTICLE IV

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF PURCHASER

Purchaser hereby represents and warrants to Seller as follows:

SECTION 4.1 Organization. Purchaser is duly incorporated, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware.

SECTION 4.2 <u>Authority; Enforceability</u>. Purchaser has the corporate power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder. The execution and delivery by Purchaser of this Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement, and the performance by Purchaser of its obligations hereunder and thereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of Purchaser. This Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement have been duly executed and delivered by Purchaser and constitute legal, valid and binding agreements of Purchaser, enforceable against Purchaser in accordance with their respective terms, subject to the effects of bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and other similar Laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and general equitable principles (whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

SECTION 4.3 Non-Contravention. The execution, delivery and performance by Purchaser of this Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement do not and will not (a) violate, conflict with or result in the breach of any provision of the Governing Documents of Purchaser, (b) conflict with or violate any Law or Governmental Order applicable to Purchaser or any of its assets or properties, except for such conflicts or violations as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on Purchaser's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement, or (c) conflict with, result in any breach of, constitute a default (or event which with the giving of notice or lapse of time, or both, would become a default) under, require any consent under, or give to others any rights of termination, amendment or acceleration of, or result in the creation of any Encumbrance on any of the assets or properties of Purchaser pursuant to, any note, bond, mortgage or indenture, contract, agreement, lease, license, permit or franchise to which Purchaser is a party or by which any of its assets or properties is bound or affected, except for such conflicts, breaches, defaults, consents, rights and Encumbrances, as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on Purchaser's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement.

SECTION 4.4 <u>Governmental Consents</u>. The execution, delivery and performance by Purchaser of this Agreement and the Transition Services Agreement do not and will not require <u>any</u> consent, approval, authorization or other order of, action by, filing with or notification to any Governmental Authority as a condition to the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein, except for (i) filings under the HSR Act, (ii) if required, the notification and review requirements under the Competition Act (Canada) and the Investment Canada Act, (iii) the application to and consent of the Alcohol & Gaming Commission of Ontario for the transfer of the Canon Theatre Liquor License, and (iv) those that may be required by the nature of the business or ownership of the Seller Group Companies.

SECTION 4.5 <u>Purchase for Investment</u>. Purchaser acknowledges that the Shares have not been registered under the Securities Act or under any state or foreign securities laws. Purchaser (i) is not <u>an</u> underwriter as such term is defined under the Securities Act, (ii) is acquiring the Shares solely for investment with no present intention to distribute any of the Shares to any Person and (iii) will not sell or otherwise dispose of any of the Shares, except in compliance with the registration requirements or exemption provisions of the Securities Act and any other applicable U.S. or foreign securities laws.

SECTION 4.6 <u>Financing</u>. Purchaser has (i) provided to Seller a true, correct and complete copy of all agreements, letters and other documents that evidence commitments for the debt and equity financing that will be utilized by Purchaser to fund the Cash Closing Payment and (ii) available to it sufficient committed funds based on such commitments to purchase the Shares in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and to pay all related fees and expenses. Purchaser's right to receive such committed funds is not subject to any material condition other than the satisfaction of the conditions in Section 8.2 hereof.

SECTION 4.7 Canon Theatre. Purchaser has not entered into any agreement to sell the Canon Theatre.

SECTION 4.8 <u>Brokers</u>. No broker, finder or investment banker is entitled to any brokerage, finder's or other fee or commission in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement based upon arrangements made by or on behalf of Purchaser.

ARTICLE V

ADDITIONAL AGREEMENTS AND UNDERSTANDINGS

SECTION 5.1 Conduct of Business Prior to the Closing.

- (a) Except as contemplated by this Agreement and except as set forth on Schedule 5.1, during the period of time, if any, between the execution of this Agreement and the Closing, Seller shall exercise commercially reasonable efforts to cause each of the Target Group Companies to conduct its business in all material respects only in the ordinary course and consistent with past practice, preserve substantially intact its business organization, and preserve its business relationships. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, except as contemplated by this Agreement and except as set forth in Schedule 5.1, subject to the requirements of Law or contract, Seller shall not permit the Target Group Companies to do any of the following during the period of time, if any, between the execution of this Agreement and Closing without the prior written consent of Purchaser (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed):
 - (i) merge or consolidate with, or acquire an interest in, any Person or otherwise acquire any material assets;
 - (ii) sell or otherwise dispose of any material properties or assets;

- (iii) incur, assume or guarantee any Indebtedness, except for (i) intercompany obligations undertaken in the ordinary course of business with other Target Group Companies or with any of the Seller Group Companies (but not guaranties of Indebtedness of any Person other than Target Group Companies) or (ii) arrangements to issue letters of credit in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practices;
 - (iv) mortgage, pledge or encumber any assets, other than pursuant to Permitted Encumbrances;
- (v) issue, sell or redeem any capital stock or other equity interests, notes, bonds or other securities, or any option, warrant or other right to acquire the same;
- (vi) make any capital expenditure or commitment for any capital expenditure that would result in the total amount of capital expenditures or commitments for capital expenditures for all of the Target Group Companies to exceed the current forecast of \$3,200,000 for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2007, unless made or undertaken in connection with any emergency repair, force majeure event, as needed to comply with any legal requirements or other unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the Target Group Companies;
- (vii) increase the compensation or benefits payable by it to its Employees except for increases in compensation or benefits in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice;
- (viii) enter into any Employment Contract that cannot be terminated by the Target Group Companies upon notice of 30 days or less without penalty or premium;
 - (ix) amend its Governing Documents;
 - (x) make any election with respect to Taxes except as permitted or contemplated by Article VII;
- (xi) make any amendment, modification or other change to any Lease, Management Agreement, agreement with any Local Presenter, agreement with the owner of any Local Venue, partnership agreements, joint venture agreements, limited liability operating agreements and/or any other agreements other than in the ordinary course of business (for purposes hereof, without limiting the definition of ordinary course of business, the parties agree any change in payment provisions or extensions of the term of an agreement shall be deemed outside of the ordinary course of business);
- (xii) without the written consent of the Purchaser, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, initiate any litigation other than in the ordinary course of business;
- (xiii) without the written consent of the Purchaser, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, settle any litigation other than in the ordinary course of business and in accordance with past practices for similar cases and/or fact patterns; provided, however, no settlement which will limit in any manner the conduct of business of the Target Group Companies shall be made without the prior written consent of Purchaser;

- (xiv) take any action or enter into a transaction that results in an increase in the liability for Canadian income taxes of a Canadian Subsidiary on or after the Closing Date except for actions or transactions in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice; or
- (xv) make any investment in theatrical shows other than required investments under agreements existing on the date hereof set forth on <u>Schedule 3.11(a)</u>;
- (xvi) without the written consent of Purchaser, amend or modify in any way (x) the letter agreement dated December 11, 2007 between The Boston Opera House Development, LLC and Live Nation Theatrical Group, Inc. and any license agreement executed in connection with such letter agreement, (y) the sublease agreement from the Seller to the Target Group Companies for the office space being used by the Target Group Companies at 2000 West Loop South, Houston, Texas or (z) the sublease agreement from the Seller to the Target Group Companies for the office space being used by the Target Group Companies at 220 West 42nd Street, New York, New York 10036;
- (xvii) without the written consent of the Purchaser, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, enter into any agreement with a venue not described on <u>Schedule 3.9</u> for presentation of any productions at such venue; or
- (xviii) without the written consent of the Purchaser, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, enter into any agreement relating to (x) a touring production in a BAA Market and which contains fixed and/or contingent payments in excess of \$200,000 which are payable to a single individual or (y) a production of a show by Network Presentations, LLC and which is outside of the ordinary course of business of Network Presentations, LLC.
- (b) For purposes of this Agreement, the term "commercially reasonable efforts" means the reasonable efforts that a reasonably prudent party to this Agreement would, at the time of executing this Agreement, contemplate using in similar circumstances in an effort to achieve a desired result set forth in this Agreement in a reasonably expeditious manner, including the lawful exercise of voting or other rights attached to shares held by that party or the lawful exercise of rights granted to such party under any contract, provided that "commercially reasonable efforts" shall not require the violation of, or failure to discharge, any duty owed to a third party or the provision of any consideration to any third party except for the costs of making filings in the ordinary course of business, the reasonable fees and expenses of counsel and other advisors and representatives, nominal consent fees provided for in the existing provisions of any contract and the customary fees and charges of Governmental Authorities.

SECTION 5.2 <u>Access to Information</u>. From the date hereof until the Closing, and except as limited by Law in the reasonable good faith judgment of Seller, Seller shall cause the Target Group Companies to afford the employees, authorized agents and representatives of Purchaser, at Purchaser's sole risk and expense, with reasonable access, during normal business hours and upon reasonable advance notice, to the offices, properties, facilities, books and records of the Target Group Companies, as Purchaser reasonably deems necessary or advisable, and to those employees of the Target Group Companies to whom Purchaser reasonably requests access. All information obtained by Purchaser and its employees, agents and representatives pursuant to this Section shall be kept confidential and treated in accordance with the Confidentiality Agreement.

SECTION 5.3 Efforts to Close; Regulatory Approvals.

- (a) Through the Closing Date, subject to the terms and conditions herein provided, each of the Parties will, and will cause its respective Affiliates within their control to, use commercially reasonable efforts to take all reasonable actions and do all reasonable things necessary, proper or advisable, under applicable Laws, contract or otherwise, to consummate and make effective, as soon as reasonably practicable, the purchase and sale contemplated hereby, including the satisfaction of all conditions thereto as set forth herein. Such actions shall include (A) using their commercially reasonable efforts to obtain (or assist the other Party to obtain) (i) the Senior Lender Waiver (if necessary) and (ii) all permits, authorizations, consents, orders and approvals of all non-governmental third parties and Governmental Authorities that may be or become necessary to effectuate the contemplated transactions, (B) making all appropriate filings pursuant to the HSR Act with respect to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement as soon as practicable after the date hereof, and (C) supplying as promptly as practicable to the appropriate Governmental Authorities any information and documentary material that may be requested pursuant thereto.
- (b) Through the Closing Date, except as prohibited by Law, each Party shall (i) promptly notify the other Party of any communication to that Party from any Governmental Authority relating to the approval or disapproval of the transactions contemplated hereby; and (ii) not participate in any meetings or substantive discussions with any Governmental Authority with respect thereto without consulting with and offering the other Party a meaningful opportunity to participate in such meetings or discussions (to the extent permitted by the Governmental Authority). Notwithstanding the foregoing, through the Closing Date, neither Purchaser nor its Affiliates (including their respective agents and representatives) shall seek (or cause to be sought) any advisory or declaratory opinion or otherwise make (or cause to be made) any voluntary submission relating to the Competition Act (Canada) or the Investment Canada Act without the written consent of the Seller.
- (c) From and after the Closing, Seller will reasonably cooperate with Purchaser and provide any information in Seller's possession that may be required to be included in any post-Closing filing to be made by Purchaser pursuant to the Investment Canada Act.
- SECTION 5.4 <u>Notice of Developments</u>. Prior to the Closing, each Party shall, promptly after obtaining Knowledge of the occurrence (or non-occurrence) of any event, circumstance or fact arising subsequent to the date of this Agreement which would result in the failure to satisfy the conditions set forth in Section 8.1(a), 8.1(b), 8.2(a) or 8.2(b), as applicable, give notice thereof to the other Party.

SECTION 5.5 Insurance; Risk of Loss.

(a) As of the close of business on the Closing Date: (i) Seller will terminate or cause its Affiliates to terminate all coverage relating to the Target Group Companies and their respective businesses, assets and employees under the policies of insurance of Seller maintained for the benefit of all of its controlled subsidiaries, including the Target Group Companies; provided, however, that (x) no such termination of any "occurrence based" policy in force as of the Closing Date shall be effected so as to prevent the Target Group Companies from recovering under such policies for losses covered thereby from events occurring prior to the Closing Date, it being understood that the Target Group Companies shall be responsible for any deductible payable under the terms of the applicable policy in connection with any such claims; (y) no such termination of any "claims made" policy in force as of the Closing Date shall be effected so as to prevent the Target Group Companies from recovering under such policies for losses covered thereby arising from or out of any claims made prior to the Closing Date, it being understood that the Target Group Companies shall be responsible for any deductible payable under the terms of

the applicable policy in connection with any such claims; and (ii) Purchaser shall become solely responsible for all insurance coverage and related risk of loss with respect to the Target Group Companies and their respective businesses, assets and employees in connection with events occurring on or after the Closing Date.

(b) Purchaser shall exercise commercially reasonable efforts to obtain, effective as of the Closing Date, replacement policies of insurance (and shall effect the same as of the Closing Date to the extent required by any joint venture, limited liability, lease or other agreement to which any Target Group Company is party), with comparable scope of coverage, limits, deductibles, and exclusions, to replace the Insurance Policies. To the extent that, after the Closing Date, the Target Group Companies or Seller require(s) any information regarding claim data, payroll or other information in order to make filings with insurance carriers, Seller shall promptly supply such information to the Target Group Companies, and Purchaser shall cause the Target Group Companies promptly to supply such information to Seller, as applicable. Purchaser shall, and shall cause the Target Group Companies to, promptly notify Seller of any claims pertaining to matters prior to the Closing Date if Purchaser or the Target Group Companies should tender or attempt to tender the defense of such claim to an insurer pursuant to an occurrence based policy of insurance maintained by the Seller Group Companies.

SECTION 5.6 <u>Corporate Names</u>. As soon as reasonably practicable after the Closing Date, but in any event no later than ninety (90) days thereafter, Purchaser shall cause each of the Target Group Companies to amend its Governing Documents, subject to any required consent or approval of any other partner or member, which Purchaser shall use its reasonable efforts to obtain, so as to delete any reference to "Live Nation", "SFX", or "PACE" in its legal name and, within such ninety (90) day period, to make all required filings with Governmental Authorities to effect such amendments.

SECTION 5.7 Trademarks. Purchaser agrees that Purchaser and Purchaser's Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies after the Closing) shall not, at any time, adopt or use any trademarks, trade names, trade dress, domain names, URLs, e-mail addresses or other marks, symbols or indicia containing the names "Live Nation", "SFX," or "PACE" or any confusingly similar term (the "LN Marks"), except for the use of the name "PACE" in connection with the operation of any Presenting Business or as may be otherwise expressly authorized in writing by Seller. As between Purchaser and its Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies after the Closing), on the one hand, and Seller, on the other, Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that the Seller Group Companies own all right, title and interest (including goodwill) in and to the LN Marks, and to any and all causes of action and rights of recovery for violations of or infringements upon any of the LN Marks. Purchaser agrees that neither it nor its Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies after the Closing) shall directly or indirectly challenge the ownership or other rights of the Seller Group Companies in or to, or the validity or strength of, any of the LN Marks. Purchaser agrees that neither it nor its Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies after the Closing) will file any applications for registration, nor make any efforts to acquire applications for registration or registrations, for the LN Marks, and it and they will cooperate fully as reasonably requested by Seller in connection with any registration by the Seller Group Companies of the LN Marks. The Purchaser shall have a reasonable period of time after the Closing, but no more than 90 days after the Closing, to effect any removal of the LN names from its publicity or public places (except as constitutes use of the name "PACE" in connection with the operation of any Presenting Business or as may be otherwise expressly authorized in writing by Seller). Purchaser shall have the right for internal purposes only to utilize existing inventories of goods which may contain or utilize the LN Marks but may not sell, distribute, provide or disseminate any such goods to any third parties (except as constitutes use of the name "PACE" in connection with the operation of any Presenting Business or as may be otherwise expressly authorized in writing by Seller).

SECTION 5.8 IT Matters. Subject to the further provisions of Section 5.10 and the provisions of the Transition Services Agreement, between the date hereof and the Closing, the Seller and Purchaser will use commercially reasonable efforts and cooperate with one another to provide for the orderly separation and transition as of the Closing Date of the information technology systems (including their support and maintenance) of the Target Group Companies from the systems of the Seller Group Companies such that the Target Group Companies are independent of the systems of the Seller Group Companies, and, in the event that such separation and transition have not been completed by the Closing, the Parties will use commercially reasonable efforts to complete such separation and transition as soon as reasonably practicable after the Closing Date and in any event upon expiration of the applicable provisions of the Transition Services Agreement. In this regard, the Parties agree that (i) Seller shall endeavor to provide historical accounting and human resources information concerning the Target Group Companies that it maintains in computerized form, and (ii) notwithstanding any other provision hereof, including Section 5.10, Seller need not provide historical or archival backups of e-mail communications.

SECTION 5.9 Resignations and Releases. On the Closing Date,

- (a) Seller shall cause to be delivered to Purchaser duly signed resignations (from the applicable board of directors), effective immediately after the Closing, of all directors of the Target Group Companies;
- (b) Seller shall deliver to Purchaser an instrument of release in a mutually approved form in which Seller, on behalf of itself and all of the Seller Group Companies, releases and discharges the Target Group Companies from any and all Indebtedness, payables, accounts, debts, liabilities or other obligations owed by any of the Target Group Companies to the Seller Group Companies as of the Closing Date; *provided* such release will not act to release (i) any of the obligations or liabilities of Purchaser under this Agreement, (ii) any obligations accruing after the Closing Date in connection with or pursuant to the contracts listed on <u>Schedule 3.17</u> hereto or (iii) the TTL Debt; and
- (c) Purchaser shall cause the Target Parent Companies to deliver to Seller an instrument of release in a mutually approved form in which the Target Parent Companies, on behalf of themselves and all of the Target Group Companies, release and discharge the Seller Group Companies from any and all Indebtedness, payables, accounts, debts, liabilities or other obligations owed by any of the Seller Group Companies to the Target Group Companies as of the Closing Date; *provided* such release will not act to release (i) any of the obligations or liabilities of Seller under this Agreement or (ii) any obligations accruing after the Closing Date in connection with or pursuant to the contracts listed on Schedule 3.17 hereto.

SECTION 5.10 Books and Records.

(a) Purchaser and Seller shall cooperate with each other, and shall cause their officers, employees, agents, auditors and representatives to cooperate with each other, for a period of ninety (90) days after the Closing to ensure the orderly transition of each of the Target Group Companies from Seller to Purchaser and to minimize any disruption to the respective businesses of Seller, Purchaser, and the Target Group Companies that might result from the transactions contemplated hereby. After the Closing, upon reasonable written notice, Purchaser and Seller shall furnish or cause to be furnished to each other and their employees, counsel, auditors and representatives access, during normal business hours, to such information and assistance relating to the Target Group Companies as is reasonably necessary for financial reporting and accounting matters, the preparation and filing of any Tax Returns, reports or forms or the defense of any Tax audit, claim or assessment. Neither party shall be required by this Section 5.10(a) to take any action that would unreasonably disrupt its normal operations (or, in the case of Purchaser, the business or operations of any of the Target Group Companies).

- (b) To the extent that Seller maintains books and records of the Target Group Companies that relate solely to their businesses and are not maintained by the Target Group Companies, Seller shall exercise commercially reasonable efforts to deliver or cause to be delivered to Purchaser copies of such books and records ("Records") in the possession of any of the Seller Group Companies; provided, however, that:
 - (i) Seller shall be entitled to retain a copy of all such books and records that are delivered;
 - (ii) "Records" shall not include any customer lists or information, promoter lists or information, or marketing information relating to the Seller Group Companies;
 - (iii) Seller may retain all Records prepared in connection with or for use in the Auction, including bids received from other parties and analyses relating to the Target Group Companies, or otherwise relating to any attempt to sell the Target Group Companies or assets thereof or Seller's analyses of the value thereof; and
 - (iv) Seller may retain any Tax Returns, reports or forms, and Purchaser shall be provided with copies of such Returns, reports or forms to the extent that they relate to Separate Returns or separate Tax liability or activities or operations of any of the Target Group Companies.
- (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Confidentiality Agreement, the provisions thereof relating to the Purchaser's obligations in respect of Confidential Information shall terminate as of the consummation of the Closing, except with respect to such information, data, analyses, documents and materials that (i) were prepared or received by or on behalf of the Seller and its Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies prior to the Closing) in connection with the Auction (other than the bid submitted by the Purchaser) or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and not provided to Purchaser prior to the Closing; (ii) do not involve current, historical or actually planned businesses of the Target Group Companies; or (iii) relate to Excluded Assets (all of the foregoing being herein collectively called the "Seller Confidential Information").
- (d) The Seller Confidential Information constitutes a subset of Confidential Information under the Confidentiality Agreement and, as such, is subject to the provisions of the Confidentiality Agreement, including, without limitation, the provisions contained therein that require that Confidential Information be maintained as confidential and prohibit use of Confidential Information in any way detrimental or adverse to the Seller Group Companies (which the parties hereby agree to be contained therein). Notwithstanding the foregoing or the provisions of the Confidentiality Agreement, for purposes of convenience, Purchaser, and the Target Group Companies shall be entitled to retain in its and their possession the Seller Confidential Information delivered with the Target Group Companies as bailees thereof, the Parties agreeing that the Confidentiality Agreement provides that Seller remains the owner thereof. Seller shall continue to have reasonable access to the Seller Confidential Information for purposes of removing, making and retaining additional copies thereof at Seller's expense during normal business hours and upon reasonable notice. Subject to Purchaser's customary retention policies, Purchaser and the Target Group Companies shall be under no obligation to destroy or return any such Seller Confidential Information except to the extent that Seller expressly requests

and specifically identifies the items to be returned or destroyed and that such return or destruction is not unduly burdensome. Without limiting the provisions of the Confidentiality Agreement or this Section 5.10, in the event that it is readily apparent that information, data, analyses, documents and materials included in Seller Confidential Information include a communication to or from an attorney actually known to be counsel for Seller or an Affiliate of Seller (including a Target Group Company prior to the Closing), then prior to the Purchaser, or a Target Group Company intentionally and purposefully waiving any attorney-client privilege that may exist with respect to such information, data, analyses, documents or material, it will endeavor to consult in good faith with Seller to determine if such privilege exists and if a Seller Group Company is the owner of such privilege or if the privilege is owned by a Target Group Company.

(e) On the Closing Date, Seller shall, to the extent permitted by the Auction Confidentiality Agreements (as defined below), assign to the Target Parent Companies, or designate the Target Parent Companies as intended third party beneficiaries under, the confidentiality agreements entered into between Seller and certain third party prospective bidders in connection with the Auction (collectively, the "Auction Confidentiality Agreements") insofar as the Auction Confidentiality Agreements pertain to (x) any Confidential Information (as defined in such Auction Confidentiality Agreements) or other confidential or proprietary information of, involving or otherwise related to the Target Group Companies, (y) any employees of any Target Group Company, or (z) any covenants, agreements or indemnities set forth in such Auction Confidentiality Agreements involving or otherwise related to, any Target Group Company or any transaction or potential transaction pertaining thereto and covered by such Auction Confidentiality Agreements, provided that this Section 5.10(e) shall not apply to Seller Confidential Information. Promptly after the Closing, but in no event later than five (5) Business Days thereafter, Seller shall notify, to the extent not previously notified, each other Person who is a party to an Auction Confidentiality Agreement to promptly return to Seller or destroy any Confidential Information, and all written or recorded copies thereof and written material, memoranda, notes, copies, excerpts and other writings or recordings whatsoever based upon, containing or otherwise reflecting any Confidential Information, subject to the terms of the applicable Auction Confidentiality Agreement. Seller shall not waive or modify any provisions of any Auction Confidentiality Agreement that relate to any Confidential Information pertaining to any of the Target Group Companies.

SECTION 5.11 Excluded Assets; Certain Pre-Closing Transfers. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the assets listed on Schedule 5.11 (the "Excluded Assets") are excluded from this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby, and prior to the Closing Date, Seller shall assign, transfer or otherwise dispose of (or cause the assignment, transfer or disposal of) each of the Excluded Assets from the Target Group Companies to the Seller Group Companies. Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that (i) neither it nor any of the Target Group Companies shall have any interest whatsoever in or to any of the Excluded Assets after the Closing and (ii) Purchaser will take such other and further actions after the Closing, upon Seller's request, as may be reasonably necessary to better complete the assignment and transfer of any Excluded Assets from the Target Group Companies to the Seller Group Companies at Seller's sole cost and expense.

SECTION 5.12 LN Guarantees; Letters of Credit.

(a) Concurrently herewith, Seller and Purchaser are entering into an Assumption Agreement (the "Assumption Agreement") pursuant to which Purchaser is assuming –

- (i) all of Seller's obligations under the Minneapolis Guaranty, other than (A) any obligations which by their nature are personal to Seller and thus are impossible of performance by Purchaser (including without limitation, the obligations under Sections 8 and 9 of the Minneapolis Guaranty), (B) the obligations to provide letters of credit to the City of Minneapolis pursuant to Section 3 of the Minneapolis Guaranty and (C) any expenses and charges under Section 1(b) of the Minneapolis Guaranty incurred by The City of Minneapolis in enforcing the obligations of Seller under the Minneapolis Guaranty which are not assumed by Purchaser (the obligations set forth in clauses (A), (B) and (C) are referred to herein collectively as the "Minneapolis Excluded Obligations"); and
- (ii) the obligations of Seller under the other guarantees set forth on <u>Schedule 5.12(a)</u> (the Minneapolis Guarantee and the other guarantees described in <u>Schedule 5.12 (a)</u> collectively are referred to herein as the "<u>LN Guarantees</u>").
- (b) The Seller Group Companies have arranged for the issuance of letters of credit with respect to certain obligations of the Target Group Companies as set forth on Schedule 5.12(b) (all of such letters of credit being herein collectively called the "LN LCs"). Prior to or concurrently with the Closing, Purchaser shall cause financial institutions acceptable to each beneficiary of the LN LCs to issue letters of credit (the "Replacement LCs") in the same amounts, to the same beneficiary and with the same terms and conditions as the LN LC's and as replacements for the LN LCs and shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause the return of the LN LCs from each beneficiary in exchange for the corresponding Replacement LC. Purchaser shall promptly reimburse the Seller Group Companies for all amounts drawn upon the LN LCs after the Closing.
- (c) If any beneficiary of an LN LC should refuse to accept a Replacement LC, for any reason whatsoever, in exchange for such Replacement LC, then the following provisions will apply:
 - (i) Purchaser shall be required, at Closing, to cause a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Seller to issue an unconditional and irrevocable letter of credit (a "Back-to-Back LC") to Seller, as beneficiary, in the same amount as the corresponding LN LC (each LN LC that is not returned and for which a corresponding Back-to-Back LC is so issued, being herein called an "Unreturned LC") and in a form reasonably approved by Seller. For all purposes hereof, Royal Bank of Canada, Toronto Dominion Bank, JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. and Bank of America, N.A shall be financial institutions acceptable to Seller with respect to any Back-to-Back LC without any further request to or approval from Seller. After the Closing, the provisions of Section 5.12(d) shall govern the rights and obligations of the parties with respect to any Back-to-Back LC issued pursuant to this Section 5.12(c)(i).
 - (ii) After the Closing, Purchaser will, from time to time upon the request of Seller, use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause the return of each Unreturned LC to Seller from the beneficiary thereof in exchange for a Replacement LC. If Purchaser should successfully obtain the return of any Unreturned LC to Seller or should any Unreturned LC otherwise be returned to Seller or expire without being drawn and with no obligation to replace, then Seller shall be required to return the corresponding Back-to-Back LC previously issued to Seller pursuant to Section 5.12(c)(i) (and any Unapplied Proceeds attributable to previous draws on such Unreturned LC) simultaneously with the return of such Unreturned LC to Seller.

- (iii) Seller shall maintain and keep in place each Unreturned LC with the respective beneficiary thereof until the earlier of (x) the Unreturned LC being returned to Seller in exchange for a Replacement LC or (y) there being no further legal obligation or requirement to maintain and keep in place such Unreturned LC.
- (d) The rights and obligations of the parties with respect to each Back-to-Back LC will be governed by the following provisions after the Closing:
 - (i) Purchaser may (x) cause the financial institution that issued any Back-to-Back LC to extend the expiry date thereof at any time and from time to time and/or (y) replace any Back-to-Back LC with another unconditional and irrevocable letter of credit issued to Seller, as beneficiary, by a financial institution reasonably acceptable to Seller, in the same amount as the Back-to-Back LC that it is replacing and in a form reasonably approved by Seller. Any letter of credit accepted by Seller in replacement of a Back-to-Back LC shall thereafter be a Back-to-Back LC for all purposes hereof.
 - (ii) Seller will have the right to make draws on the Back-to-Back LCs as follows:
 - (A) Seller will have the right to make a draw for the full amount of any Back-to-Back LC if the expiry date of such Back-to-Back LC is less than 90 days from the date of such draw.
 - (B) If the beneficiary of an LN LC should make a draw on such LN LC, then Seller may make a draw on the corresponding Back-to-Back LC in the same amount drawn on such LN LC.
 - (iii) All proceeds received by Seller from draws on any Back-to-Back LC shall be applied, held and disbursed by Seller to reimburse to Seller for any amounts drawn under the corresponding LN LC. Any other proceeds received by Seller from draws on any Back-to-Back LC shall be held and invested by Seller (all such proceeds, together with the earnings thereon, are herein called the "<u>Unapplied Proceeds</u>") as security for the obligations of Seller under and in respect of the corresponding LN LC.
- SECTION 5.13 <u>Ticketing Agent</u>. Purchaser has executed and entered into a contract with a ticketing agent of its choice for the sale of tickets in connection with the operation of the business of the Target Group Companies after the Closing Date. Accordingly, Purchaser acknowledges that (i) the Target Group Companies will not, from and after the Closing Date, be entitled to rely upon or utilize the benefits of the Seller's existing contract with its ticketing agent that the Target Group Companies have been utilizing prior to the Closing Date and (ii) Seller shall have no liability or responsibility to Purchaser or the Target Group Companies with respect to any matters after the Closing Date related to the services of the ticketing agent for the business of the Target Group Companies.
- SECTION 5.14 <u>Transition Services</u>. If requested in writing by Purchaser prior to the Closing, the Seller and Purchaser shall execute and deliver at the Closing a transition services agreement substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit A</u> (the "<u>Transition Services Agreement</u>") pursuant to which Seller will provide, on the terms and conditions and for the fees and charges, set forth in the Transition Services Agreement designated support services (including data processing, risk management, legal, human resources and accounting services) customarily provided to the Target Group Companies by the Seller Group Companies. Such services shall be provided for the fees set forth in the Transition Services Agreement.

SECTION 5.15 Customer Database.

- (a) Seller confirms that the Target Group Companies shall be, as of the Closing Date, in possession of and have available for their use a database containing the following information: (1) the electronic customer database related to "Broadway Across America"; (2) the name, address and other available identifying information for customers who have purchased a ticket within at least the two years prior to the Closing Date to a live theatrical performance presented by the Target Group Companies in the Purchased Presenting Business; and (3) a record of transactions between such customer within at least the last two years prior to the Closing Date and one or more of the Target Group Companies related to the Purchased Presenting Business ("Customer Database"); provided, however, it is understood that transactions by such customers regarding Seller's concert, motorsports and other businesses shall not be included in the Customer Database. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, neither Purchaser nor any of its Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies after the Closing) shall be entitled to (x) any credit card information, social security numbers and similar personal information or (y) any customer information or records of transactions relating to individuals who were known to be minors at the time such information was collected, and to the extent Purchaser or its Affiliates inadvertently obtains such information, (i) neither Purchaser nor its Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies) shall use, disclose or maintain such information in any way and (ii) Purchaser shall exercise its reasonable best efforts to cause such information to be discarded, deleted or destroyed in an appropriate manner.
 - (b) With regard to the Customer Database, the parties agree as follows:
 - (i) Purchaser agrees that it will be deemed to have reviewed each of the privacy policies that relate to the information contained in the Customer Database;
 - (ii) The Parties acknowledge that they have together agreed not to obtain any "opt-in" or "opt-out" consent prior to the Closing in connection with the transactions contemplated in this Agreement;
 - (iii) After the Closing, Purchaser shall cause the Target Group Companies to obtain the consent (either through an "opt-in" or "opt-out" mechanism, as applicable and in accordance with applicable Law and contract) of customers listed in the Customer Database to the continued use by the Target Group Companies (or any other Person) after the Closing of such customers' information:
 - (iv) After the Closing, Purchaser and its Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies) shall use the Customer Database only in connection with a business similar to the Purchased Presenting Business and only for the use for which such information was collected;
 - (v) The Customer Database is available to the Target Group Companies on an "AS IS, WHERE IS AND WITH ALL FAULTS" basis. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Seller makes no representation or warranty of any kind whatsoever with respect to the Customer Database, including, without limitation, as to its "merchantability," "fitness for use" or any other warranty related to its accuracy, completeness, condition, usability, fitness, or absence of defects, all of which are specifically disclaimed. Further, Seller makes no representation or warranty whatsoever in respect of whether the use by the Target Group Companies or any of their Affiliates after the Closing of the Customer Database (whether or not in accordance with any of terms and conditions set forth in this Section 5.15) complies with the privacy policies and Laws applicable to the Customer Database; and

- (vi) Pursuant to the provisions of Section 9.2(b)(iii), Purchaser shall indemnify the Seller Group Companies, its Affiliates and other designated indemnified Persons for the use of the Customer Database after the Closing.
- (c) Nothing herein shall in any way restrict or limit Seller or its Affiliates at any time to use the Customer Database or any other customer database in its retained businesses.

SECTION 5.16 Exclusivity and Non-Compete.

- (a) <u>Establishment, Operation or Acquisition of any Presenting Business</u>. The Parties agree that Seller and its Affiliates shall not for a period of five years after the Closing Date establish, operate or acquire ownership of any Presenting Business anywhere in the United States of America, Canada or any of their respective territories. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties agree as follows:
 - (i) The foregoing covenant shall not apply to or otherwise restrict Seller or its Affiliates with respect to the events to be presented or promoted in the entertainment venues that Seller or any of its Affiliates now own, manage, book and/or operate (including any venues owned, managed, booked or operated through a joint venture or partnership with a third party);
 - (ii) With respect to entertainment venues that Seller or any of its Affiliates shall hereafter purchase or otherwise acquire the right to manage or operate (including any venues hereafter owned, managed or operated through a joint venture or partnership with a third party), the foregoing covenant shall not apply provided: (A) Purchaser is offered a right to bid to provide any subscription series for Theatrical Shows in such venue (provided that if there is a pre-existing contract related to any subscription series for Theatrical Shows at such venue, then such right to bid will only apply after expiration of such pre-existing contract); or (B) the presentation of Theatrical Shows is an Incidental (as hereinafter defined) portion of such venue's offerings.
 - (iii) Venues for which Purchaser or its Affiliates do not control the decision to permit a Presenting Business to be operated in such venue will not be subject to the covenants contained in this Section 5.16(a) even if Purchaser or its Affiliates manages or otherwise oversees the operation of such venue.
 - (iv) The foregoing covenant shall not prevent or restrict the Seller or its Affiliates from producing Theatrical Shows or investing in the production of Theatrical Shows, including Theatrical Shows that are placed on tour and/or included in one or more subscription series of Theatrical Shows; provided if Seller is the originating producer or co-producer of any such Theatrical Show and should seek equity from third party investors during the five years after the Closing Date, then Purchaser shall be afforded the opportunity to co-invest in the production thereof pari passu with third party investors.
 - (v) The foregoing covenant shall not prevent or restrict the Seller or its Affiliates from conducting any business of any kind in the United Kingdom, Ireland or any of their respective territories or dominions or in other locations outside of the United States, Canada and their respective territories.

- (vi) Notwithstanding Sections 5.16(a)(i) and (ii) above, Seller and its Affiliates shall not engage in the production or Presenting Business of family or children's Theatrical Shows (such as, by way of example only, "Dora The Explorer" and "Blues Clues") for a period of five years after the Closing Date; provided this covenant shall not (A) apply to any family or children's Theatrical Show in which a touring concert performer with whom Seller has a business relationship has a material role as a performer or a creator or (B) prohibit the making of a financial investment in a family or children's Theatrical Show being produced by an unaffiliated party.
- (vii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Section 5.16, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed in such a fashion as to amend or invalidate any existing presentation agreements or booking agreements with any Person, including the Target Group Companies, that are in effect now or at the time a venue hereafter becomes subject to this provision.
- (b) <u>First Class Legitimate Theaters in Certain Markets</u>. The Parties agree that the Seller and its Affiliates will not for a period of five years after the Closing Date own or otherwise control a First Class Legitimate Theater in any of the following markets:
 (i) Baltimore, (ii) Minneapolis, (iii) Boston and (iv) Toronto. Notwithstanding the foregoing,
 - (i) It is understood by the Parties that Seller will continue to own and/or operate the Boston Opera House in Boston after the Closing and such ownership and/or operation will not be considered a violation of this provision.
 - (ii) The parties expressly acknowledge and agree that a purchase or other acquisition of a First Class Legitimate Theater by Seller or any of its Affiliates shall not be a violation of the covenant contained in this Section 5.16(b) if (A) the use of such venue is changed as soon as commercially reasonable after completion of such acquisition such that the presentation of Theatrical Shows becomes Incidental (as hereinafter defined) to the operation of such venue or Incidental (as hereinafter defined) to such venue's other uses or (B) Purchaser is offered a right to bid to provide any subscription series for Theatrical Shows in such First Class Legitimate Theater (provided that if there is a pre-existing contract related to any subscription series for Theatrical Shows at such First Class Legitimate Theater, then such right to bid will only apply after expiration of such pre-existing contract).
 - (iii) The parties expressly acknowledge and agree that the covenant contained in this Section 5.16(b) shall not be violated as a result of Seller or any of its Affiliates acquiring the right to manage a First Class Legitimate Theater; *provided*, if such right to manage includes the right to control the content to be presented in such First Class Legitimate Theater, then clause (ii) will apply in lieu of this clause (iii) in the same manner as if such First Class Legitimate Theater had been acquired by Seller or its Affiliates.

- (c) <u>Definition of "Incidental"</u>. As used herein, the meaning of the term "<u>Incidental</u>" shall be determined as follows:
- (i) For purposes of Section 5.16(a), "<u>Incidental</u>" shall mean, with respect to any entertainment venue, the presentation of Theatrical Shows in such entertainment venue for a number of weeks equal to or less than one-third (1/3) of (x) the highest number of presenting weeks of Theatrical Shows in any first class legitimate theater in the same market in any of the three most recently completed calendar years or (y) if there is no first class legitimate theater in the same market, the highest number of presenting weeks of Theatrical Shows in a first class legitimate theater in a market with comparable population and demographics in any of the three most recently completed calendar years.
- (ii) For purposes of Section 5.16(b), "Incidental" shall mean, with respect to any First Class Legitimate Theater, the presentation of Theatrical Shows for a number of weeks equal to or less than one-third (1/3) of the highest number of presenting weeks of Theatrical Shows in any of the three most recently completed calendar years presented by the Target Group Companies (or Purchaser) in the same market.
- (d) No Japanese Presenting Business. The Seller represents that it and its Affiliates do not now, and agrees as of the Closing Date it will not, operate a Presenting Business in Japan.
- (e) <u>Clarifying Exemption Related to Non-Theatrical Shows</u>. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Seller and its Affiliates may book, promote, produce, sponsor and/or present any non-Theatrical Shows (including without limitation any concerts, comedy or other entertainment event) in any venue any where in the world without violating the provisions of this Section 5.16,
- (f) <u>Right to Invest in Other Persons</u>. Notwithstanding the above, Seller and its Affiliates may make investments in other Persons (regardless of the type of business that such Person may operate) without violating the covenants and restrictions contained in this Section 5.16, provided such investment does not represent a controlling ownership interest in such Person or otherwise give veto power to Seller and/or its Affiliates with respect to the operations or booking of any of the venues managed, owned or operated by such Person.
- (g) Non-Applicability to Chicago. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the provisions of clauses (a) through (f) of this Section 5.16 shall not apply to or otherwise restrict, limit or impact any activities by Seller or any of its Affiliates in the greater Chicago, Illinois area; provided that the provisions of Section 5.16(h) shall apply for the benefit of Purchaser in accordance with its terms.
- (h) <u>Chicago Covenant</u>. On and subject to the terms hereof, Seller and its Affiliates will not, for a period of five years after the Closing Date of the BIC Transaction, own or otherwise control any of the legitimate theaters in the greater Chicago area listed on <u>Schedule 5.16(h)</u> hereto ("<u>Applicable Chicago Theaters</u>").
 - (i) <u>Certain Exceptions</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the purchase or other acquisition of an Applicable Chicago Theater by Seller or any of its Affiliates shall not be a violation of the covenant contained in this Section 5.16(h) if one of the following conditions apply:
 - (A) the use of such Applicable Chicago Theater is changed as soon as commercially reasonable after completion of such purchase or other acquisition such that the presentation of Theatrical Shows becomes de minimis (as hereinafter defined), with the understanding that, for purposes of determining

whether the use of such Applicable Chicago Theater is being changed as soon as commercially reasonable, it will be commercially reasonable to fulfill and honor any existing contractual arrangement for the presentation of Theatrical Shows at such Applicable Chicago Theater that are in place at the time of the purchase or other acquisition thereof but it will not be commercially reasonable to extend, renew or replace (other than any extension effected pursuant to the exercise of a unilateral option held by the other party pursuant to the terms of such existing contractual arrangement) any such existing contractual arrangement for the presentation of Theatrical Shows at such Applicable Chicago Theater after the purchase or other acquisition thereof; or

- (B) no subscription series of Theatrical Shows are operated in such Applicable Chicago Theater other than a subscription series operated by a third party unrelated to Seller but then only if the Purchaser is offered a right to bid to provide any such subscription series for Theatrical Shows in such Applicable Chicago Theater (except that if there is a pre-existing contract related to any subscription series for Theatrical Shows at such Applicable Chicago Theater, then such right to bid will only apply after expiration of such pre-existing contract).
- (ii) <u>Management Exception</u>. The covenant contained in this Section 5.16(h) shall not be violated as a result of Seller or any of its Affiliates acquiring the right to manage an Applicable Chicago Theater; *provided*, if such right to manage includes the right to control the content to be presented in such Applicable Chicago Theater, then clause (i) will apply in lieu of this clause (ii) in the same manner as if such Applicable Chicago Theater had been acquired by Seller or its Affiliates.
- (iii) <u>BIC Transaction Waiver/Amendment</u>. Reference is made to the fact that Seller has undertaken a covenant that is substantially similar to the provisions of this Section 5.16(h) as a part of the BIC Transaction (the "<u>BIC Chicago Ownership Covenant</u>"). If the purchaser in the BIC Transaction should agree to amend or waive any of the provisions of the BIC Chicago Ownership Covenant for the benefit of Seller, then such amendment or waiver shall also apply to the provisions contained in this Section 5.16(h) in the same manner and to the same extent as if Purchaser had agreed to the same amendment or waiver for the benefit of Seller.
- (iv) <u>Definitions</u>. As used herein, the meaning of (x) the term "<u>de minimis</u>" shall mean, with respect to any Applicable Chicago Theater, that there are less than eight (8) weeks of Theatrical Shows presented per year in such Applicable Chicago Theater and (y) the term "<u>BIC Transaction</u>" shall refer to the sale by Seller of its interest in Broadway in Chicago, LLC and related assets to certain entities controlled by James L. Nederlander.
- (i) Effect on Default under Minneapolis Guaranty. If Purchaser should ever default under the Assumption Agreement with respect to the Minneapolis Guaranty and Seller or any of its Affiliates should thereafter acquire the right to manage, operate, possess, use or exploit any one or more of the Pantages Theater, The State Theater and the Orpheum Theater in Minneapolis (collectively, the "Minneapolis Theaters") in connection with or as a result of such default under the Assumption Agreement with respect to the Minneapolis Guaranty, then the provisions of this Section 5.16 shall no longer apply to or otherwise restrict, limit or impact any activities by Seller or any of its Affiliates with respect to the Minneapolis Theaters.

SECTION 5.17 <u>Canadian Tax Clearance Certificate</u>. If Seller does not provide Purchaser with a certificate issued by the Minister of National Revenue under subsection 116(2) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) on or before Closing with a certificate limit at least equal to the TCN Price, Purchaser shall withhold from the Equity Consideration an amount equal to 25% of the TCN Price (the "<u>Retained Amount</u>"). The Retained Amount shall be deposited in an in interest-bearing account and shall be dealt with it as follows:

- (a) If Seller delivers to Purchaser, not later than the 27th day of the month following the month in which the Closing occurs (the "<u>Due Date</u>"), either (i) a certificate issued by the Minister of National Revenue pursuant to subsection 116(4) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) in connection with the sale of the TCN Shares or (ii) a certificate issued by the Minister of National Revenue under subsection 116(2) in respect of such sale with a certificate limit at least equal to the TCN Price, then Purchaser will pay forthwith to Seller the Retained Amount together with any interest earned on the Retained Amount (net of any applicable tax);
- (b) If Seller delivers to Purchaser not later than the Due Date, a certificate under subsection 116(2) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) in respect of the disposition of the TCN Shares with a certificate limit less than the TCN Price, Purchaser will pay to the Receiver General for Canada within 30 days after the end of the month in which the Closing occurs an amount equal to 25% of the amount by which the TCN Price exceeds such certificate limit and pay to the Seller the balance of the Retained Amount together with any interest earned on the Retained Amount (net of any applicable tax);
- (c) If a certificate under subsection 116(2) or 116(4) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) is not delivered as contemplated in paragraphs (a) or (b) above and no Comfort Letter (as defined below) is provided to Purchaser by the Due Date, Purchaser shall pay the Retained Amount to the Receiver General for Canada within 30 days after the end of the month in which the Closing occurs;
- (d) If a certificate under subsection 116(2) or 116(4) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) is not delivered as contemplated in paragraphs (a) or (b) above but a Comfort Letter (as defined below) is provided to Purchaser by the Due Date, Purchaser shall continue to hold the Retained Amount in escrow in accordance with the terms of the Comfort Letter, and any interest or other income earned in connection with the Retained Amount from the Closing to the remittance date (net of any applicable taxes) will be paid promptly by the Purchaser to the Seller: or
- (e) If, following the Closing, the Minister of National Revenue indicates in writing to the Purchaser that it will issue a certificate pursuant to Section 116 of the Income Tax Act (Canada) in respect of the TCN Shares upon the payment of an amount (the "<u>Tax Amount</u>") that does not exceed the Retained Amount, then Purchaser shall remit the Tax Amount to the Receiver General as payment of the Tax Amount. Upon delivery of such certificate pursuant to Section 116 of the Income Tax Act (Canada), the Purchaser shall release to the Seller the Retained Amount (plus interest thereon, less any applicable taxes) less the Tax Amount.

In this section "Comfort Letter" means a letter from the Canada Revenue Agency addressed to Purchaser confirming to Purchaser's satisfaction, acting reasonably, that Purchaser need not remit any amount in respect of the purchase and sale of the TCN Shares under subsection 116(5) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) until further notification by the Canada Revenue Agency and until such further notification will not be liable under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) in respect of income taxes, interest or penalties arising from such sale. The provisions of this Section 5.17 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* in respect of each payment made by Purchaser to Seller in respect of the purchase and sale of the TCN Shares pursuant to the Agreement.

ARTICLE VI

EMPLOYEE MATTERS

SECTION 6.1 Participation in Benefit Plans as of the Closing.

- (a) At and after the Closing, all Employees who are employed with any of the Target Group Companies following the Closing Date and those employees of the Seller Group Companies listed on <u>Schedule 6.1(a)</u> who have been assigned to the Target Group Companies (all of the foregoing employees being herein collectively called the "<u>Continued Employees</u>") will cease to participate in any and all of the Employee Benefit Plans other than, with respect to any Canadian Employees, the Canadian Employee Benefit Plans.
- (b) At and after the Closing, the Purchaser and its Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies) shall pay, discharge and be responsible for all salary, wages, severance costs, benefits and claims (including workers compensation or other similar benefits and claims) arising out of or relating to the employment of the Continued Employees (including the Canadian Employees) after the Closing, including (i) all liabilities for accrued vacation, holiday, sick leave, salary continuation or short-term disability benefits; (ii) the payment of accrued payments or bonuses under any annual or long-term management or employee incentive or bonus plans, programs or arrangements; and (iii) any retirement plan and non-qualified deferred compensation plan arising out of or relating to the employment of the Continued Employees after the Closing Date.
- (c) At and after the Closing, the Target Group Companies shall be fully responsible and liable for all employment-related claims relating to any employee or independent contractor (employed or under contract at any time) of any Target Group Company which relates to, arises out of, or results from the employment or engagement of such Person in the Target Business after the Closing.

For purposes of allocating responsibility under this Section 6.1, a medical claim is deemed incurred when the services that are the subject of the claim are performed; in the case of hospitalization, upon commencement of hospitalization; in the case of life insurance, when the death occurs; in the case of long-term disability benefits, the later of when the disability is determined to have occurred or when the employee ceased active employment as a result of the disability; and, in the case of workers' compensation, when the event giving rise to the claim occurs.

SECTION 6.2 <u>Continuation of Benefits</u>. As of the Closing Date, the Purchaser shall permit the Continued Employees to participate in the employee benefit and welfare plans (or, with respect to the Canadian Employees, to continue to participate in the Canadian Employee Benefit Plans or suitable replacement plans) of the Purchaser or its Affiliates (the "<u>Purchaser Plans</u>"). For purposes of vesting, eligibility and calculation of severance payments, all Continued Employees shall retain their respective levels of seniority and shall, where applicable, receive full credit under the Purchaser Plans for all service with the Target Group Companies prior to the Closing Date. The Purchaser shall, where applicable, waive all limitations as to preexisting conditions, exclusions and waiting periods with respect to participation and coverage requirements under the Purchaser Plans and provide each Continued Employee with credit for any co-payments and deductibles paid prior to the Closing in satisfying any applicable deductible or out-of-pocket requirements under the Purchaser Plans.

SECTION 6.3 <u>Liability After the Closing</u>. Except as provided in <u>Schedule 6.3</u>, following the Closing, Purchaser shall be solely responsible for, and shall indemnify, defend and hold the Seller and its Affiliates harmless from and against, any Losses incurred by any of them arising from or relating to any acts or omissions of the Purchaser or its Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies) in connection with the employment or termination of Continued Employees.

SECTION 6.4 <u>Individual Account Plan</u>. With respect to any Employee Benefit Plan that is attributable to elective deferral contributions and matching contributions in connection with such elective deferral contributions within the meaning of Sections 401(k) and 401(m) of the Code, within thirty (30) Business Days following Closing Date, Purchaser shall cause Purchaser's qualified retirement plan, if it does not already so provide, to be amended to permit the Continued Employees to roll over their account balances (including any outstanding loans) to Purchaser's qualified retirement plan, and Purchaser shall allow Continued Employees to so roll over such account balances (including any outstanding loans).

SECTION 6.5 <u>COBRA</u>. Seller shall provide all required notifications under Section 601 of ERISA, *et. seq.*, to Employees (and their qualified beneficiaries) who lose coverage under Seller's health plans as a result of the transactions contemplated herein. Purchaser shall (i) assume any and all obligations to provide continuation coverage pursuant to Section 601 of ERISA, *et. seq.*, with respect to Continued Employees and their qualified beneficiaries (excluding any individual who became a qualified beneficiary prior to Closing), and (ii) indemnify the Seller Group Companies for any and all Liabilities that the Seller Group Companies may incur as a result of Purchaser's failure to provide continuation coverage to any Continued Employee or qualified beneficiary (excluding any individual who became a qualified beneficiary prior to Closing), including, but not limited to, any Liabilities or excise taxes arising pursuant to Code Section 4980B.

SECTION 6.6 <u>WARN</u>. Prior to Closing, Seller shall comply, and cause the Target Group Companies to comply, with any obligations under the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act of 1988, as amended ("WARN") and other applicable worker compensation legislation to the extent events implicating WARN or such other applicable worker compensation legislation occur prior to or at the Closing.

SECTION 6.7 No Other Rights. Without limiting or restricting the provisions of Section 11.11, nothing in this Article VI or elsewhere in the Agreement shall be deemed to create or confer any rights or remedies (including any agreement for employment or other benefits) to any Person other than the Parties.

ARTICLE VII

TAX MATTERS

SECTION 7.1 <u>Preparation and Filing of Returns</u>. For any Straddle Period of the Target Group Companies, Purchaser shall timely prepare and file with the appropriate Tax Authority all Returns required to be filed and shall pay all Taxes due with respect to such Returns, and such Returns shall be prepared reasonably consistently with past practices; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Seller shall reimburse Purchaser (in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 9.4(e)) for any amount owed by Seller pursuant to Section 9.4 with respect to any Straddle Period covered by such Returns. Subject to Section 7.4, for any taxable period of the Target Group Companies that ends on or before the Closing Date, Seller shall timely prepare and provide to the Target Group Companies for filing with the appropriate Tax Authority all Returns required to be filed and shall pay all Taxes due with respect to such Returns and

such Returns shall be prepared reasonably consistently with past practices. Purchaser and Seller agree to cause the Target Group Companies (other than the Canadian Subsidiaries) to file all Returns for the period including the Closing Date on the basis that the relevant taxable period ended as of the close of business on the Closing Date, unless the relevant Taxing Authority will not accept a Return filed on that basis. With respect to the Canadian Subsidiaries, Purchaser and Seller agree that the taxable period ending with respect to the Closing Date shall be deemed to have ended at 11:59 p.m on the day immediately preceding the Closing Date.

SECTION 7.2 Mutual Cooperation, Access and Assistance. Seller, the Target Group Companies and Purchaser shall fully cooperate to the extent reasonably requested, and shall cause their respective Affiliates, officers, employees, agents, auditors and other representatives to cooperate, in preparing and filing all Returns, including maintaining and making available to each other all records reasonably necessary in connection with Taxes and in resolving all disputes and audits with respect to all taxable periods relating to Taxes. Purchaser and Seller recognize that Seller, Purchaser and their respective Affiliates will need access, from time to time, after the Closing Date, to certain accounting and Tax records and information with respect to the Target Group Companies to the extent such records and information pertain to events occurring prior to the Closing Date; therefore, Seller and Purchaser agree, and Purchaser agrees to cause the Target Group Companies, (i) to use their best efforts to retain and maintain such records until such time as Seller and Purchaser agree that the retention and maintenance is no longer necessary and to give the other party reasonable written notice prior to transferring, destroying or discarding any such books and records and, if the other party so requests, Seller or the Target Group Companies, as the case may be, shall allow the other party to take possession of such books and records, and (ii) to allow Seller, Purchaser, and their respective agents and other representatives (and agents or other representatives of any of their respective Affiliates), at times and dates mutually acceptable to the parties, to inspect, review and make copies of such records as the requesting party may deem reasonably necessary or appropriate from time to time, such activities to be conducted during normal business hours and at the requesting party's expense. Neither the Purchaser nor any of the Target Group Companies (nor any transferee) shall file or cause to be filed any amended Return of any of the Target Group Companies for any Pre-Closing Tax Period without the prior written consent of Seller, which consent may be withheld in its reasonable discretion.

SECTION 7.3 <u>Refunds, Credits and Offsets</u>. The amount or economic benefit of any refunds, credits or offsets of Taxes of the Target Group Companies, or of any consolidated, combined, unitary, affiliated or aggregate group of which the Target Group Companies is or has been a member, for any taxable period ending on or before the Closing Date shall be for the account of Seller. The amount or economic benefit of any refunds, credits or offsets of Taxes of the Target Group Companies for any taxable period beginning after the Closing Date, or, solely, for Canadian tax purposes, on or after the Closing Date, shall be for the account of Purchaser. The amount or economic benefit of any refunds, credits or offsets of Taxes of the Target Group Companies for any Straddle Period (other than, solely for Canadian tax purposes, a taxable period that begins on the Closing Date) shall be equitably apportioned between Seller and Purchaser. Provided that the non-requesting party, acting in good faith, determines that there is a reasonable basis for filing a claim with the relevant Taxing Authority, and that the filing of such claim will not result in an increase in the Tax liability of such non-requesting party, each party shall, if the other party so requests and at such other party's sole expense, cause the Target Group Companies to file for and obtain any refunds, credits or offsets to Taxes to which the requesting party is entitled under this Section. Purchaser shall permit Seller to control the prosecution of any such claim relating solely to one or more taxable periods ending on or before the Closing Date and, shall cause each of the Target Group Companies to cooperate as reasonably necessary for Seller to prosecute such refund claim. Each party shall forward, and shall cause its Affiliates to forward, to the party entitled pursuant to this Section to receive the amount or economic benefit of a refund, credit or offset to Tax, the amount of such refund is received or

after such credit or offset is allowed or applied against other Tax liability, as the case may be. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the control of the prosecution of a claim for refund of Taxes paid pursuant to a deficiency assessed subsequent to the Closing Date as a result of an audit shall be governed by the provisions of Section 9.4(e). Purchaser agrees that it shall not cause or permit the Target Group Companies to carry back to any taxable period ending on or prior to the Closing Date any net operating loss, loss from operations or other Tax attribute, and further agrees that Seller have no obligation under this Agreement to return or remit any refund or other Tax benefit attributable to a breach by Purchaser of the foregoing undertaking.

SECTION 7.4 Examination Adjustments. Seller shall be responsible for filing any amended consolidated, combined or unitary Returns for taxable years ending on or prior to the Closing Date that are required as a result of examination adjustments made by the Internal Revenue Service or by the applicable state, local or foreign Taxing Authorities for such taxable years as finally determined. For those jurisdictions in which Separate Returns are filed by the Target Group Companies, any required amended Returns resulting from such examination adjustments, as finally determined, shall be prepared by Seller and furnished to such Target Group Company for review and comment and filing at least 30 days prior to the due date for filing such Returns.

SECTION 7.5 Other Taxes. All transfer, documentary, sales, use, registration and other such Taxes (including all applicable real estate transfer Taxes, but excluding any Taxes based on or attributable to income or gains) and related fees (including any penalties, interest and additions to Tax) incurred in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby shall be borne equally by Seller and Purchaser, and Seller and Purchaser shall cooperate timely in making all filings, returns, reports and forms as may be required to comply with the provisions of such Tax laws.

SECTION 7.6 <u>Termination of Tax Sharing Agreement</u>. Seller shall cause the provisions of any Tax sharing agreement between Seller or any of its Affiliates, on the one hand, and the Target Group Companies on the other hand, to be terminated on or before the Closing Date. After the Closing Date, no party shall have any rights or obligations under any such Tax sharing agreement.

SECTION 7.7 <u>Treatment of Tax Indemnity Payments</u>. Seller and Purchaser agree to treat any amounts payable pursuant to Article IX as an adjustment to the Total Consideration Amount, unless a final determination causes any such payment not to be treated as an adjustment to the Total Consideration Amount for Federal income tax purposes.

SECTION 7.8 <u>Timing of Non-Ordinary Course Transactions on the Closing Date</u>. Purchaser and Seller agree to report for income Tax purposes all transactions approved by Purchaser which are not in the ordinary course of business and which occur on the Closing Date after Purchaser's purchase of the Shares as occurring at the beginning of the day following the Closing Date to the extent permitted by Treasury Regulation Section 1.1502-76(b)(1)(ii)(B), and Purchaser agrees to indemnify Seller for any additional Taxes owed by any of the Seller Group Companies resulting from any such transaction.

ARTICLE VIII

CONDITIONS TO CLOSING

SECTION 8.1 <u>Conditions to Obligations of Seller</u>. The obligation of Seller to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement shall be subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by Seller), at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following conditions:

- (a) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. The representations and warranties of Purchaser contained in this Agreement that are qualified by materiality shall be true and correct as of the Closing Date and the representations and warranties of Purchaser contained in this Agreement that are not so qualified shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing Date, in each case as if made as of the Closing Date (other than such representations and warranties as are made as of another date, which shall be true and correct as of such date), except for changes permitted or contemplated by this Agreement;
- (b) <u>Covenants</u>. The covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement to be complied with by Purchaser at or before the Closing shall have been complied with in all material respects;
 - (c) [Intentionally deleted];
- (d) <u>Regulatory Approvals</u>. Any waiting period (and any extension thereof) under the HSR Act or the Investment Canada Act applicable to the purchase of the Shares contemplated hereby shall have expired or shall have been terminated; and
- (e) No Order. There shall not be in effect any Law or Governmental Order directing that the transactions contemplated by this Agreement not be consummated or which has the effect of rendering it unlawful to consummate such transactions.

SECTION 8.2 <u>Conditions to Obligations of Purchaser</u>. The obligation of Purchaser to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement shall be subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by Purchaser), at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following conditions:

- (a) <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. The representations and warranties of Seller contained in this Agreement that are qualified by materiality, including the standard of "Material Adverse Effect", shall be true and correct as of the Closing Date and the representations and warranties of Seller contained in this Agreement that are not so qualified shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing Date, in each case as if made as of the Closing Date (other than such representations and warranties as are made as of another date which shall be true and correct as of such date), except for changes permitted or contemplated by this Agreement;
- (b) <u>Covenants</u>. The covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement to be complied with by Seller at or before the Closing shall have been complied with in all material respects;
 - (c) [Intentionally deleted];
- (d) <u>Regulatory Approvals</u>. Any waiting period (and any extension thereof) under the HSR Act or the Investment Canada Act applicable to the purchase of the Shares contemplated hereby shall have expired or shall have been terminated; and
- (e) <u>No Order</u>. There shall not be in effect any Law or Governmental Order directing that the transactions contemplated by this Agreement not be consummated or which has the effect of rendering it unlawful to consummate such transactions; <u>provided</u>, however, that Purchaser shall have used all of its reasonable best efforts to have any such Governmental Order vacated or lifted and shall have complied with its obligations under Section 5.3.

- (f) No Material Adverse Effect. Since the date of this Agreement, there shall not have been any Material Adverse Effect.
- (g) <u>Release of Senior Facility Liens</u>. Seller's Senior Lender Agent shall have executed such documents or instruments as may be required to release the Senior Facility Liens to the extent encumbering all or any portion of the Shares and the Target Group Assets.

ARTICLE IX

INDEMNIFICATION

SECTION 9.1 <u>Survival</u>. The representations and warranties contained in this Agreement will survive the Closing (a) indefinitely, with respect to the representations and warranties contained in Sections 3.1 (*Organization*), 3.2 (*Authority; Enforceability*), 3.5 (*Capital Stock of the Target Parent Companies*), 3.6(a) (*Target Subsidiaries*), 3.10(d) (*No Liens on Assets*), 4.1 (*Organization*) and 4.2 (*Authority; Enforceability*) (all of the foregoing representations being herein called the "<u>Indefinitely Surviving Representations</u>"); and (b) until the date falling twelve months after the Closing Date in the case of all other representations and warranties (other than any representations or warranties contained in Section 3.18 (*Taxes*), which shall expire at the Closing). If written notice of a claim for breach of representation or warranty has been given in accordance with Section 9.2(c) prior to the expiration of the applicable survival period, then the applicable representations, warranties, covenants or agreements shall survive as to such claim, until such claim has been finally resolved.

SECTION 9.2 <u>Indemnification other than for Tax Matters</u>.

- (a) From and after the Closing, Purchaser and its Affiliates and each of their respective, officers, directors, employees and agents shall be indemnified and held harmless by Seller for any and all liabilities, losses, damages, claims, costs and expenses, interest, awards, judgments and penalties (including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) actually suffered or incurred by them (hereinafter a "Loss"), arising out of or resulting from:
 - (i) the breach of any representation or warranty made by Seller in this Agreement;
 - (ii) the breach of any covenant or agreement by Seller contained in this Agreement;
 - (iii) that certain Mortgage and Security Agreement encumbering the Charles Playhouse in Boston, Massachusetts issued by Boston Playhouse Realty, Inc. to Joanna Datello, Trustee of the Palm Beach Productions Trust and recorded on July 12, 1995 in Book 19876, Page 1 of the Suffolk Registry of Deeds (the "Boston Playhouse Lien");
 - (iv) any matter disclosed in <u>Schedule 3.13</u>, other than any claim arising under item 7 listed under "Pending and Threatened Litigation" which is subject to indemnification by Purchaser under Section 9.2(b)(iv);
 - (v) any violation by Seller of the Minneapolis Excluded Obligations, including a draw under any letter of credit supplied by Purchaser to the City of Minneapolis solely as a result of a violation of Section 9 of the Minneapolis Guaranty (provided, however, if as a result of a violation of the Minneapolis Excluded Obligations, Seller is required to prepay all lease payments under the lease of the Minneapolis

Theaters, Seller shall be subrogated to the position of the landlord under such lease as to such lease payments, after which time, the tenant under such lease shall continue to make lease payments in accordance therewith to Seller as if there had been no acceleration of the lease payments); or

(vi) any claim described on Schedule 9.2(a)(vi) hereof.

The foregoing provisions of this Section 9.2(a) shall not apply with respect to any Losses arising out of (and no indemnification hereunder shall be available with respect to) any (A) breach of any representation or warranty of Seller that is terminated as provided in Section 9.1 or (B) breach of the representations and warranties of Seller contained in this Agreement (other than any breach of the representations and warranties contained in Section 3.3 hereof with respect to the contracts listed on Schedule 9.2(a)) which would result in the failure of any of the conditions in Section 8.2(a) to be satisfied, but only if Purchaser had Knowledge of such breaches (or received notice thereof pursuant to Section 5.4) prior to the Closing Date. Seller agrees that any knowledge or information of, or acquired by or on behalf of, Purchaser through due diligence or otherwise shall not be a defense to Seller from, or serve as any limitation on Purchaser to make, claims under Section 9.2(a)(ii), (iii) or (iv) of this Agreement.

- (b) From and after the Closing, the Seller Group Companies and each of their respective officers, directors, employees and agents shall be indemnified and held harmless by Purchaser for any and all Losses arising out of or resulting from:
 - (i) the breach of any representation or warranty made by Purchaser in this Agreement;
 - (ii) the breach of any covenant or agreement by Purchaser contained in this Agreement or the Assumption Agreement;
 - (iii) the possession, use, operation, management, modification, disposition or exploitation of any of the Target Group Assets by Purchaser or its Affiliates, including, without limitation, any Losses arising from or related to the operation of the Canon Theatre by Purchaser or its Affiliates after the Closing pursuant to a 90-day carryover permit to sell liquor under the existing liquor license at the Canon Theatre (except insofar as Purchaser is entitled to indemnification, subject to the limitations set forth in this Agreement, for such Losses pursuant to Section 9.2(a)); or
 - (iv) any claim described on Schedule 9.2(b)(iv) hereof

The foregoing provisions of this Section 9.2(b) shall not apply with respect to any Losses arising out of (and no indemnification hereunder shall be available with respect to) any (A) breach of any representation or warranty of Purchaser that is terminated as provided in Section 9.1 and (B) breaches of the representations and warranties of Purchaser contained in this Agreement (other than any breach of the representation and warranty contained in Section 4.7 hereof) which would result in the failure of any of the conditions in Section 8.1(a) to be satisfied, but only if Seller had Knowledge of such breaches (or received notice thereof pursuant to Section 5.4) prior to the Closing Date.

(c) Any party seeking indemnification under this Section 9.2 (an "<u>Indemnified Party</u>") shall give the party from whom indemnification is being sought (an "<u>Indemnifying Party</u>") notice of any matter which such Indemnified Party has determined has given or could

give rise to a right of indemnification under this Agreement, stating the amount of the Loss, if known, and method of computation thereof, and containing a reference to the provisions of this Agreement in respect of which such right of indemnification is claimed or arises. The liability of an Indemnifying Party under this Section 9.2 with respect to Losses arising from claims of any third party which are subject to the indemnification provided for in this Section 9.2 ("<u>Third Party Claims</u>") shall be governed by and contingent upon the following additional terms and conditions:

- (i) If an Indemnified Party shall receive notice of any Third Party Claim, the Indemnified Party shall give the Indemnifying Party notice of such Third Party Claim within 20 days of the receipt by the Indemnified Party of such notice; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the failure to provide such notice shall not release the Indemnifying Party from any of its obligations under this Section 9.2 except to the extent the Indemnifying Party is materially prejudiced by such failure.
- (ii) The Indemnifying Party shall be entitled to assume and control the defense of such Third Party Claim at its expense and through counsel of its choice if it gives notice of its intention to do so to the Indemnified Party within 20 days of the receipt of such notice from the Indemnified Party; provided, however, that if there exists a material conflict of interest (other than one that is of a monetary nature) that would make it inappropriate for the same counsel to represent both the Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party, then the Indemnified Party shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, at the expense of the Indemnifying Party, provided that the Indemnifying Party shall not be obligated to pay the reasonable fees and expenses of more than one separate counsel for all Indemnified Parties, taken together.
- (iii) In the event the Indemnifying Party exercises the right created in clause (ii) to undertake any such defense against any such Third Party Claim as provided above, the Indemnified Party shall cooperate with the Indemnifying Party in such defense and make available to the Indemnifying Party, all witnesses, pertinent records, materials and information in the Indemnified Party's possession or under the Indemnified Party's control relating thereto as is reasonably required by the Indemnifying Party.
- (iv) In the event the Indemnified Party is, directly or indirectly, conducting the defense against any such Third Party Claim, the Indemnifying Party shall cooperate with the Indemnified Party in such defense and make available to the Indemnified Party, all such witnesses, records, materials and information in the Indemnifying Party's possession or under the Indemnifying Party's control relating thereto as is reasonably required by the Indemnified Party.
- (v) The Indemnifying Party shall not, without the written consent of the Indemnified Party, (i) settle or compromise any Third Party Claim or consent to the entry of any judgment which does not include as an unconditional term thereof the delivery by the claimant or plaintiff to the Indemnified Party of a written release from all liability in respect of such Third Party Claim or (ii) settle or compromise any Third Party Claim if the settlement imposes equitable remedies or material obligations on the Indemnified Party other than financial obligations for which such Indemnified Party will be indemnified hereunder.
- (vi) No Third Party Claim which is being defended in good faith by the Indemnifying Party in accordance with the terms of this Agreement shall be settled or compromised by the Indemnified Party without the written consent of the Indemnifying Party.

- (vii) If Indemnifying Party does not defend such Third Party Claim in good faith in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the Indemnified Party shall be entitled to settle or compromise such Third Party Claim without the written consent of the Indemnifying Party.
- (d) For purposes of determining whether a breach or default of a representation, warranty, covenant or agreement contained in this Agreement has occurred and calculating the amount of Losses arising from any breach or default of any of the representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement, the applicable provision shall be read and interpreted as if any qualification or limitation stated therein with respect to materiality or material adverse effect was not contained therein.
- (e) The respective indemnification obligations of the parties with respect to Tax matters shall be governed by Section 9.4 and this Section 9.2 shall not be applicable to any such matters.

SECTION 9.3 Limits on Indemnification.

- (a) No amount shall be payable by any Indemnifying Party pursuant to Section 9.2(a)(i) or 9.2(b)(i) unless the aggregate amount of Loss indemnifiable under Section 9.2(a)(i) or 9.2(b)(i), as applicable, exceeds \$2,000,000 (at which time, all Losses including those used to meet such threshold shall be subject to indemnification hereunder), except that such limitation shall not apply to or limit the rights of Seller pursuant to Section 9.2(b)(i) hereof with respect to or arising out of a breach of the representation made by Purchaser in Section 4.7 hereof.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the aggregate amount of Losses which may be recovered from Seller arising out of or resulting from the causes enumerated in Section 9.2(a)(i), or from Purchaser arising out of or resulting from the causes enumerated in Section 9.2(b)(i) shall not exceed \$20,000,000, except that such limitation shall not apply to claims arising under the Indefinitely Surviving Representations or the Tax Indemnifications.
- (c) In addition to any other limitations on indemnification that may apply, with respect to any claim for indemnification that Purchaser may assert regarding Environmental Laws or Hazardous Materials in connection with the Company Theaters, Seller shall have no obligation with respect to such claim to the extent that the Losses for which indemnification is sought arise out of any action that is not required by applicable Environmental Law or the applicable lease for the continued use of such Company Theater as it is used as of the date hereof. In addition, with respect to any claim that is the subject of this Section 9.3(c); (x) it is a condition precedent to any right of Purchaser to indemnification for such claim that, to the extent practicable, prior to incurring substantial costs with respect to such claim for which it may seek indemnification, Purchaser shall notify Seller of such claim and afford Seller the opportunity to evaluate the conditions giving rise to such claim; (y) if requested by Seller, Seller (at its sole expense) shall be entitled (but not obligated) to undertake, with Purchaser's continued oversight, participation and approval (not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), any investigation, remediation, or other action required or permitted by applicable Environmental Law or the terms of any binding lease (and any negotiation with regulatory authorities or landlords regarding same), and in the course thereof shall use commercially reasonable efforts to avoid any unreasonable interference with

Purchaser's operations, and Purchaser shall afford Seller reasonable access to undertake any such investigation, remediation, or other action; and (z) Purchaser, the Seller Group Companies and the Target Group Companies shall exchange information and otherwise cooperate in order to facilitate the expeditious and cost-effective resolution of such claim.

SECTION 9.4 Tax Indemnification.

- (a) Following the Closing, Seller shall indemnify Purchaser and its Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies) and its officers, directors, employees and agents and hold them harmless from (i) all liability for Taxes of the Target Group Companies for the Pre-Closing Tax Period, (ii) all liability (as a result of Treasury Regulation § 1.1502-6(a) or otherwise) for Taxes of Seller or any other Seller Group Company, (iii) any breach by Seller or any of its Affiliates (other than breaches occurring after the Closing by the Target Group Companies) of any covenant contained in Article VII and (iv) all costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) of asserting or defending any claims for Taxes described in subsections (i) and (ii) of this Section 9.4(a). Notwithstanding the foregoing, Seller shall not indemnify and hold harmless any of Purchaser, its Affiliates or officers, directors, employees or agents from any liability for Taxes attributable to any action taken after the Closing by Purchaser or any of its Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies), or any transferee of Purchaser or any of its Affiliates (other than any such action expressly required by applicable Law or contemplated by this Agreement) (a "Purchaser Tax Act") or attributable to a breach by Purchaser of any covenant contained in Article VII of this Agreement. Estimated Taxes paid by or on behalf of the Target Group Companies on or prior to the Closing Date shall be credited to Taxes with respect to the Pre-Closing Tax Period.
- (b) Following the Closing, Purchaser shall, and shall cause the Target Group Companies to, indemnify Seller and its Affiliates and their respective officers, directors, employees and agents and hold them harmless from (i) all liability for Taxes of the Target Group Companies for any taxable period ending after the Closing Date (except to the extent such taxable period began before the Closing Date, in which case Purchaser's indemnity will cover only that portion of any such Taxes that are not attributable to the Pre-Closing Tax Period), (ii) all liability for Taxes attributable to a Purchaser Tax Act or to a breach by Purchaser of any covenant contained in Article VII of this Agreement and (iii) all costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) of asserting or defending any claims for Taxes described in (i) of this Section 9.4(b).
 - (c) In the case of any Straddle Period:
 - (i) real, personal and intangible Property Taxes ("<u>Property Taxes</u>") of the Target Group Companies for the Pre-Closing Tax Period shall be equal to the amount of such Property Taxes for the entire Straddle Period multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days during the Straddle Period that are in the Pre-Closing Tax Period and the denominator of which is the total number of days in the Straddle Period;
 - (ii) other than in the case of Taxes imposed under the Income Tax Act (Canada) and corresponding provincial statutes in respect of the Canadian Subsidiaries, the Taxes of the Target Group Companies (other than Property Taxes) for the Pre-Closing Tax Period shall be computed as if such taxable period ended as of the close of business on the Closing Date; and

- (iii) in the case of Taxes imposed under the Income Tax Act (Canada) and corresponding provincial statutes in respect of the Canadian Subsidiaries, the Taxes of the Canadian Subsidiaries (other than Property Taxes) for the Pre-Closing Tax Period shall be computed as if such taxable period ended as of the close of business on the day preceding the Closing Date.
- (d) Seller's indemnity obligation hereunder in respect of Taxes for a Straddle Period shall initially be effected by its payment to Purchaser of the excess of (i) such Taxes for the Pre-Closing Tax Period over (ii) the amount of such Taxes with respect to the Target Group Companies paid by any of the Seller Group Companies at any time plus the amount of such Taxes paid by the Target Group Companies on or prior to the Closing Date. Seller shall pay such excess to Purchaser after written demand thereof is made by Purchaser (but not earlier than 5 days before the date on which the Taxes for the relevant taxable period are required to be paid to the relevant Taxing Authority). If the amount of such Taxes paid by the Seller Group Companies at any time plus the amount of such Taxes paid by the Target Group Companies on or prior to the Closing Date exceeds the amount of such Taxes for the Pre-Closing Tax Period, Purchaser shall pay to Seller the amount of such excess within 30 days after the Return with respect to the final liability for such Taxes is required to be filed with the relevant Taxing Authority. The payments to be made pursuant to this paragraph by Seller or Purchaser with respect to a Straddle Period shall be appropriately adjusted to reflect any final determination (which shall include the execution of Form 870-AD or successor form) with respect to Straddle Period Taxes.

(e) With respect to tax claims:

- (i) If a claim shall be made by any Taxing Authority, which, if successful, might result in an indemnity payment to a party (the "First Party"), one of its Affiliates or any of its officers, directors, employees or agents pursuant to this Section 9.4, the First Party shall promptly and in any event no more than 30 days following the First Party's receipt of such claim, give written notice to the other party (the "Second Party") of such claim (a "Tax Claim"); provided, however, the failure of the First Party to give such notice shall only relieve the Second Party from its indemnification obligations hereunder to the extent it is actually prejudiced by such failure.
- (ii) With respect to any Tax Claim relating to a taxable period ending on or prior to the Closing Date (or, solely for Canadian income tax purposes, ending on the day prior to the Closing Date) for Taxes for which Seller is responsible for indemnifying under the terms of this Agreement, Seller shall control all proceedings and may make all decisions taken in connection with such Tax Claim (including selection of counsel) and, without limiting the foregoing, may in its sole discretion pursue or forego any and all administrative appeals, proceedings, hearings and conferences with any Taxing Authority with respect thereto, and may, in its sole discretion, either pay the Tax claimed and sue for a refund where applicable Law permits such refund suits or contest the Tax Claim in any permissible manner; provided, however, that Seller shall not, without the consent of Purchaser (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld) take any such action with respect to a Separate Return that would materially increase Taxes for any taxable period beginning on or after the Closing Date (or, solely for Canadian income tax purposes, beginning on the Closing Date) for which Purchaser or the Target Group Companies would be responsible under this Agreement. Subject to the following sentence, Seller and Purchaser shall jointly control all proceedings taken in connection with any Tax Claim relating solely to Taxes of the Target Group Companies for a Straddle Period. Purchaser shall control all proceedings with respect to any Tax Claim relating to a taxable period beginning after (or, solely for Canadian income tax purposes, on or after) the Closing Date.

- (iii) Seller, Purchaser, the Target Group Companies and each of their respective Affiliates shall fully cooperate to the extent reasonably requested with each other in contesting any Tax Claim. Such cooperation shall include the retention and, upon the request of the party or parties controlling proceedings relating to such Tax Claim, the provision to such party or parties of records and information which are reasonably relevant to such Tax Claim, and making employees available on a mutually convenient basis to provide additional information or explanation of any material provided hereunder or to testify at proceedings relating to such Tax Claim.
- (iv) In no case shall any of Purchaser or any of the Target Group Companies settle or otherwise compromise any Tax Claim relating to a taxable period ending on or prior to the Closing Date (or, solely for Canadian income tax purposes, ending on the day prior to the Closing Date) without Seller's prior written consent. None of the Seller Group Companies, the Purchaser and Purchaser's Affiliates (including the Target Group Companies) shall settle a Tax Claim relating to Taxes of the Target Group Companies for a Straddle Period (other than, solely for Canadian income tax purposes, any such period that begins on the Closing Date) without the prior written consent of both Seller and Purchaser. In no case shall Seller settle or otherwise compromise any Tax Claim relating to a taxable period beginning after (or, solely for Canadian income tax purposes, on or after) the Closing Date without Purchaser's prior written consent. In the event that any party violates the provisions of this paragraph (relating to the settlement or compromise of Tax Claims), such party shall not be entitled to any indemnity payments with respect to such Tax Claim pursuant to this Section but only to the extent that the indemnifying party is actually prejudiced.
- (f) indemnification provisions in this Agreement relating to Taxes shall survive the Closing until 90 days after the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations.

SECTION 9.5 <u>Computation of Indemnifiable Losses</u>. Any amount payable pursuant to this Article IX shall be decreased or returned to the Indemnifying Party in the amount of (i) any net reduction in Tax liability that is realized by the recipient of such amount upon the payment of or as a result of, an indemnifiable Loss and (ii) any insurance proceeds received by the recipient of such amount in respect of an indemnifiable Loss.

SECTION 9.6 <u>Indemnification as Exclusive Remedy</u>. The indemnification provided in this Article IX, subject to the limitations set forth herein, shall be the exclusive post-Closing remedy available to any Party in connection with any Losses arising out of or resulting from this Agreement, the transactions contemplated hereby, any of the Company Theaters or otherwise regarding the Target Group Companies. Notwithstanding the forgoing, the indemnification provided in this Article IX shall not be the exclusive post-closing remedy or otherwise limit the Purchaser's remedies with respect to claims arising from Seller's fraud or criminal activity, if any.

ARTICLE X

[INTENTIONALLY DELETED]

ARTICLE XI

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 11.1 Expenses. Except as otherwise specified in this Agreement, all costs and expenses, including fees and disbursements of counsel, financial advisors and accountants, incurred in connection with this Agreement, the agreements contemplated hereby and the transactions contemplated hereby shall be paid by the Party incurring such costs and expenses, whether or not the Closing shall have occurred, provided, however, that Purchaser shall pay for all fees and expenses relating to antitrust, competition and foreign investment matters, if any, including filing fees and other fees and expenses related to obtaining approvals from, contesting, negotiating, resolving and otherwise addressing claims or positions asserted or held by any Governmental Authorities and provided further, however, Seller shall pay all costs and expenses, including fees and disbursements of counsel, financial advisors and accountants, incurred prior to the Closing by the Target Group Companies in connection with the negotiation and preparation of this Agreement and completing the Closing (other than any costs and expenses incurred by the Target Group Companies at the special request of, and with the prior consent of, the Purchaser).

SECTION 11.2 <u>Disclaimer Regarding Projections</u>. In connection with Purchaser's investigation of the Target Group Companies, Purchaser has received from the Seller Group Companies, the Target Group Companies and/or the respective representatives thereof, certain projections and other forecasts and certain business plan information. Purchaser acknowledges that there are uncertainties inherent in attempting to make such projections and other forecasts and plans, that Purchaser is familiar with such uncertainties, that Purchaser is taking full responsibility for making its own evaluation of the adequacy and accuracy of all projections and other forecasts and plans so furnished to it, and that Purchaser shall have no claim against anyone with respect thereto. Accordingly, Purchaser acknowledges that Seller makes no representation or warranty with respect to such projections, forecasts or plans and that Seller makes only those representations and warranties explicitly set forth in Article III.

SECTION 11.3 <u>Materiality</u>. As used in this Agreement, unless the context would require otherwise, the terms "material" or "material to the Target Group Companies", "material to the Target Parent Companies" and the concept of the "material" nature of an effect upon the Target Group Companies or the Target Parent Companies shall be measured relative to the entire business of the Target Group Companies, taken as a whole, as such business is currently being conducted. There have been included in the Schedules, and may be included elsewhere in this Agreement, items which are not "material" within the meaning of the immediately preceding sentence; such inclusion shall not be deemed to be an acknowledgement by Seller that such items are "material" and shall not be used to further define the meaning of "material" for purposes of this Agreement.

SECTION 11.4 [intentionally left blank]

SECTION 11.5 <u>Notices</u>. All notices, requests, claims, demands and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be given or made (and shall be deemed to have been duly given or made upon receipt) by delivery in person, by courier service or by telecopy to the respective parties at the following addresses (or at such other address for a party as shall be specified in a notice given in accordance with this Section):

(a) if to Seller:

Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. 9348 Civic Center Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90210 Attention: Ms. Lee Ann Gliha

with a copy to:

Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. 9348 Civic Center Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90210 Attention: Mr. Michael Rowles

(b) if to Purchaser:

Key Brand Entertainment Inc 220 West 42nd Street, 14th Floor New York, NY 10036 Attention: John Gore

with a copy to:

Jeffer Mangels Butler & Marmaro, LLP 1900 Avenue of the Stars, 7th Floor Los Angeles, California 90067 Facsimile: 310-203-0567

Attention: Frederick W. Gartside, Esq.

and a copy to:

Tom McGrath c/o Crossroads Media LLC 10880 Westwood Boulevard, Suite 870 Los Angeles, California 90024

Facsimile: 310-446-4930

SECTION 11.6 Public Announcements.

- (a) Following execution of this Agreement, Purchaser will not make, or cause to be made, any press release or public announcement in respect of this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby or otherwise communicate with any news media without the prior written consent of the other Parties, and the Parties shall cooperate as to the timing and contents of any such press release or public announcement; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Purchaser may, without the prior consent of the Seller, make such press release or public announcement as may be required by Law or any listing agreement with a securities exchange if it has used all reasonable efforts to consult with Seller and to obtain Seller's consent but has been unable to do so in a timely manner.
- (b) Seller shall not be restricted or limited in regard to any press release or public announcement in respect of this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby except that the portion of any press release or public announcement that describes the terms of the transaction

contemplated herein must be approved by Purchaser, such approval not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, *provided* that (i) the foregoing shall not limit or restrict Seller's right to make such disclosures or public filings as may be required by Law or any listing agreement with a securities exchange if Seller has used all reasonable efforts to consult with Purchaser and to obtain Purchaser's consent but has been unable to do so in a timely manner and (ii) any press release or any other presentation that references the transaction contemplated herein that contains a description of this transaction that is substantially similar to the description contained in a prior press release approved by Purchaser will not require further approval from Purchaser.

SECTION 11.7 <u>Headings</u>; <u>Table of Contents</u>. The descriptive headings contained in this Agreement and table of contents of this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

SECTION 11.8 Severability. If any term or other provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced by any Law or public policy, all other terms and provisions of this Agreement shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner materially adverse to any Party. Upon such determination that any term or other provision is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the Parties as closely as possible in an acceptable manner in order that the transactions contemplated hereby are consummated as originally contemplated to the greatest extent possible.

SECTION 11.9 <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement, the Confidentiality Agreement, and the Exhibits and Schedules attached hereto constitute the entire agreement of the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersede all prior agreements and undertakings, both written and oral, among the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

SECTION 11.10 <u>Binding Effect</u>; <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns. This Agreement may not be assigned by operation of law or otherwise by either Party without the prior written consent of the other Party (which consent may be granted or withheld in the sole discretion of such other Party), and any attempted assignment in violation of this Section 11.10 shall be void.

SECTION 11.11 No Third Party Beneficiaries. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure solely to the benefit of the Parties and their permitted assigns and nothing herein, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer upon any other Person other than the Parties any legal or equitable right, benefit or remedy of any nature whatsoever (including any rights as a third party beneficiary or otherwise) under or by reason of this Agreement.

SECTION 11.12 Amendment. This Agreement may not be amended except by an instrument in writing signed by the Parties.

SECTION 11.13 Waiver. Any Party to this Agreement may (a) extend the time for the performance of any of the obligations or other acts of any other Party, (b) waive any inaccuracies in the representations and warranties of another Party contained herein or in any document delivered by another Party pursuant hereto or (c) waive compliance with any of the agreements or conditions of another Party contained herein. Any such extension or waiver shall be valid only if set forth in an instrument in writing signed by the Party to be bound thereby. Any waiver of any term or condition shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach or a subsequent waiver of the same term or condition, or a waiver of any other term or condition, of this Agreement. The failure of any Party to assert any of its rights hereunder shall not constitute a waiver of any of such rights.

SECTION 11.14 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California, without reference to the choice of law doctrine of California. All actions and proceedings arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be heard and determined in any federal court sitting in the County of Los Angeles, California, unless there is no federal court jurisdiction, in which case the action or proceeding shall be heard and determined in any state court sitting in the County of Los Angeles, California, and the Parties hereby irrevocably submit to the jurisdiction of such courts in any such action or proceeding and irrevocably waive the defense of an inconvenient forum. THE PARTIES HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVE THEIR RESPECTIVE RIGHTS TO TRIAL BY JURY OF ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CLAIM, COUNTERCLAIM OR CROSS-COMPLAINT IN ANY ACTION OR OTHER PROCEEDING BROUGHT BY ANY PARTY AGAINST ANY OTHER PARTY OR PARTIES WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER ARISING OUT OF, OR IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH OR RELATED TO, THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY PORTION THEREOF WHETHER BASED UPON CONTRACTUAL, STATUTORY, TORT OR OTHER THEORIES OF LIABILITY. Each Party irrevocably consents to the service of any and all process in any such action or proceeding by the mailing of copies of such process to such Party at its address specified in Section 11.5. Nothing in this Section shall affect the right of any Party to serve legal process in any other manner permitted by Law. The consents to jurisdiction set forth in this Section shall not constitute general consents to service of process in the State of California and shall have no effect for any purpose except as provided in this Section and shall not be deemed to confer rights on any Person other than the Parties.

SECTION 11.15 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, and by the different Parties in separate counterparts, each of which when executed shall be deemed to be an original but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. Signatures delivered electronically shall have the same force and effect as "ink" signatures.

SECTION 11.16 <u>Construction</u>. This Agreement and any documents or instruments delivered pursuant hereto shall be construed without regard to the identity of the Person who drafted the various provisions of the same. Each and every provision of this Agreement and such other documents and instruments reflects a negotiated outcome and as such shall be construed as though the Parties participated equally in the drafting of the same. Any rule of construction providing that a document or provision be construed against the drafting party shall not be applicable to this Agreement or such other documents and instruments.

SECTION 11.17 <u>Time of the Essence</u>. Time is of the essence with respect to all dates and time periods set forth or referred to in this Agreement. The Parties acknowledge that each will be relying upon the timely performance by the other of its obligations hereunder as a material inducement to enter into this Agreement.

[Signatures appear on the following page.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Seller and Purchaser have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the date first written above by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized.

LIVE NATION WORLDWIDE, INC.

By: /s/ Kathy Willard
Name: Kathy Willard Title: Exec. Vice President

KEY BRAND ENTERTAINMENT INC.

/s/ John Gore By: Name: John Gore Title: President

Exhibits and Schedules

	Exhibits and Schedules
Description of Exhibit	Name of Exhibit
Exhibit A	Transition Services Agreement
Exhibit B	Free Cash Calculation
Schedule 2.6	Allocation of Equity Consideration Among the Target Parent Companies
Schedule 3.3	Non-Contravention
Schedule 3.4	Governmental Consents
Schedule 3.5	Capital Stock of the Target Parent Companies
Schedule 3.6(a)	Target Subsidiaries
Schedule 3.6(b)	Theatrical Investments
Schedule 3.6(c)	Any Other Material Investments
Schedule 3.7(d)	Undisclosed Liabilities
Schedule 3.8	Absence of Certain Changes or Events
Schedule 3.9	Subscription Series Markets
Schedule 3.10(a)	Theaters
Schedule 3.10(b)	Current Use of Company Theaters
Schedule 3.11(a)	Contracts
Schedule 3.11(b)	Contract Defaults
Schedule 3.12	Compliance with Law
Schedule 3.13	Litigation
Schedule 3.14	Employee Benefit Plans
Schedule 3.15	Proprietary Rights
Schedule 3.16	Environmental
Schedule 3.17	Contracts with Certain Persons
Schedule 3.18(b)	Taxes – Deficiencies; Assessments; Etc.
Schedule 3.18(c)	Taxes – Elections
Schedule 3.19	Insurance
Schedule 3.20	Bank Accounts
Schedule 3.23	Bank Balances on January 10, 2008
Schedule 5.1	Conduct of Business Prior to Closing
Schedule 5.7	Additional Restricted Seller Names
Schedule 5.11	Excluded Assets
Schedule 5.12(a)	LN Guarantees
Schedule 5.12(b)	LN Letters of Credit
Schedule 5.16(h)	Chicago Theaters
Schedule 6.1(a)	Seller Group Employees Included as Continued Employees
Schedule 6.3	Certain Limitations on Severance Obligations
Schedule 9.2(a)(vi)	Special Indemnity by Seller to Purchaser
Schedule 9.2(b)(iv)	Special Indemnity by Purchaser to Seller
Schedule 9.2(a)	Certain Contracts

Live Nation, Inc. Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

(In thousands, except ratio)

			Year Ended		
	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Income (loss) before income taxes, equity in earnings of nonconsolidated affiliates, and cumulative effect of a change in	\$ 26,850	¢ (2 620)	¢(60 055)	\$11,819	¢ 67.010
accounting principle	\$ 20,830	\$ (2,639)	\$(68,855)	\$11,019	\$ 67,010
Dividends and other received from nonconsolidated affiliates					
Total earnings	26,850	(2,639)	(68,855)	11,819	67,010
Fixed charges:					
Interest expense	61,915	37,218	52,496	45,474	44,203
Amortization of loan fees	*	*	*	_	_
Interest portion of rentals	33,885	25,089	21,582	20,480	20,006
Total fixed charges	95,800	62,307	74,078	65,954	64,209
Preferred stock dividends					
Total fixed charges and preferred stock dividends	95,800	62,307	74,078	65,954	64,209
Total earnings available for payment of fixed charges	\$122,650	\$59,668	\$ 5,223	\$77,773	\$131,219
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	1.28	0.96	0.07	1.18	2.04
Rental fees and charges	96,813	71,683	61,664	58,513	57,159
Interest rate	35%	35%	35%	35%	35%

^{*} Amortization of loan fees is included in interest expense.

Subsidiaries of Live Nation, Inc.

Domestic_	State or Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization
AKG, Inc.	California
American Artists Limited, Inc.	Massachusetts
Ant Hill Trading Ltd.	Nevada
Ardee Festivals N.J., Inc.	Delaware
Atlanta Concerts, Inc.	Delaware
Backyardigans Touring, LLC	Delaware
Bamboozle Festival, LLC	Delaware
Beach Concerts, Inc.	New York
Belafonte LLC	Delaware
Bill Graham Enterprises, Inc.	California
Bill Graham Presents, Inc.	California
Boston Opera House Development, LLC	Delaware
Boston Playhouse Realty, Inc.	Massachusetts
Bowfire Productions LLC	Delaware
Boylston Street Theatre Corp.	Massachusetts
Broadway Concerts, Inc.	New York
Broadway Series Associates, Inc.	Indiana
Broadway Series Management Group, Inc.	Ohio
Cat's-Eye, LLC	Delaware
CCE Tour I (USA), Inc.	Delaware
CDP, Inc.	Maryland
Cellar Door Amphitheater, Inc.	Virginia
Cellar Door Venues, Inc.	Florida
Chastain Ventures JV	Georgia
Chicago Facilities Management, LLC	Delaware
Cinq Group, LLC	Delaware
Cobb's Comedy, Inc.	California
Col. Arts Associates, Inc.	Maryland
Concert/Southern Chastain Promotions	Georgia
Conn Ticketing Company	Connecticut
Connecticut Amphitheater Development Corporation	Connecticut
Connecticut Performing Arts Partners	Connecticut
Connecticut Performing Arts, Inc.	Connecticut
Contemporary Concert Productions Incorporated	Missouri
Contemporary Group Acquisition Corp.	Delaware
Contemporary Group, Inc.	Missouri

<u>Domestic</u>	State or Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization
Contemporary Sports Incorporated	Missouri
Cuyahoga Falls Concerts, Inc.	Delaware
Delirium Concert, L.P.	Delaware
Delirium General Partner, LLC	Delaware
Delsener/Slater Enterprises, Ltd.	New York
Diego Touring, LLC	Delaware
DLC Corp.	Delaware
Dora Touring, LLC	Delaware
Eagle Eye Entertainment USA Inc.	Delaware
Electric Factory Concerts, Inc.	Pennsylvania
Entertainment Performing Arts, Inc.	Texas
Evening Star Productions, Inc.	Arizona
Event Merchandising, Inc.	California
Exit 116 Revisited, Inc.	New Jersey
Fillmore Fingers, Inc.	California
Fillmore Theatrical Services	California
Fosse NY LLC	Delaware
Fosse Touring LLC	Delaware
Gramercy License, LLC	Delaware
Greater Detroit Theatres, Inc.	New Jersey
GSAC Partners	Delaware
Gullwing Screenprint, Inc.	California
High Cotton, Inc.	Georgia
Hilltop Concerts, Inc.	California
Hilltop Concerts, LLC	Delaware
Historic Theatre Group, LLC	Delaware
HOB Boardwalk, Inc.	Delaware
HOB Chicago, Inc.	Delaware
HOB Concerts II, Inc.	California
HOB Concerts/PACE Amphitheatres Group, LP	Delaware
HOB Entertainment, Inc.	Delaware
HOB Hotel Chicago Partners, L.P.	Delaware
HOB Hotel Chicago, Inc.	Delaware
HOB Marina City Partners, L.P.	Delaware
HOB Marina City, Inc.	Delaware
House of Blues Anaheim Restaurant Corp.	Delaware
House of Blues Brands Corp.	Delaware

Delaware

House of Blues Cleveland Restaurant Corp.

Domestic	State or Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization
House of Blues Cleveland, LLC	Delaware
House of Blues Concerts, Inc.	California
House of Blues Connecticut, LLC	Delaware
House of Blues Dallas Restaurant Corp.	Delaware
House of Blues Dallas, Inc.	Texas
House of Blues Hospitality, Inc.	Delaware
House of Blues Houston Restaurant Corp.	Delaware
House of Blues Houston, Inc.	Texas
House of Blues Las Vegas Restaurant Corp.	Delaware
House of Blues Los Angeles Restaurant Corp.	Delaware
House of Blues Myrtle Beach Restaurant Corp.	Delaware
House of Blues New Orleans Restaurant Corp.	Delaware
House of Blues Orlando Restaurant Corp.	Delaware
House of Blues Restaurant Holding Corp.	Delaware
House of Blues San Diego Restaurant Corp.	Delaware
House of Blues San Diego, LLC	Delaware
In House Tickets, Inc.	New York
International Hot Rod Association, L.L.C.	Texas
Irvine Meadows Amphitheater	California
J&H Touring Company Limited Partnership (The)	Texas
Jujamcyn Productions Company, LLC	Minnesota
Lansdowne Boston Restaurant Corp., Inc.	Delaware
Listen Live, LLC	Delaware
Live Nation Bogart, LLC	Delaware
Live Nation Broadway, Inc.	Delaware
Live Nation Chicago, Inc.	Delaware
Live Nation Cincinnati, LLC	Michigan
Live Nation Concerts, Inc.	Delaware
Live Nation Family Entertainment, Inc.	Delaware
Live Nation Family Holdings, Inc.	Delaware
Live Nation Fulfillment, LLC	Delaware
Live Nation Holdco #1, Inc.	Delaware
Live Nation Holdco #2, Inc.	Delaware
Live Nation Jamboree Holdings, LLC	Delaware
Live Nation Marketing, Inc.	Delaware
Live Nation Motor Sports, Inc.	Texas
Live Nation Music - Tampa, LLC	Delaware
Live Nation Music Group, Inc.	Delaware

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ive Nation NYC Concerts, Inc.	Delaware
ive Nation Paradise, LLC	Delaware
ive Nation Saratoga Concerts, LLC	Delaware
ive Nation Shared Services, Inc.	Delaware
ive Nation Theatrical Group, Inc.	Texas
ive Nation Touring (USA), Inc.	Delaware
ive Nation Worldwide, Inc.	Delaware
ive Nation/NEDCO, Inc.	Delaware
ive Nation/RLE Special Purpose Venture, LLC	Texas
N Acquisition Holdco LLC	Delaware
N Hollywood, Inc.	Delaware
NSC, LLC	Delaware
RW Theatre Corp.	California
lichigan Licenses, LLC	Delaware
Iurat Center Concerts, L.P.	Delaware
Iusical Rights, Inc.	Delaware
Iusictoday, LLC	Virginia
ed Prop Joint Venture	Illinois
ettwerk Live, LLC	Delaware
etworks Presentations, LLC	Texas
ew York Metro Concerts, LLC	Delaware
EXT Ticketing, LLC	Delaware
OC, Inc.	Connecticut
akdale Theater Concerts, Inc.	Delaware
ACE Amphitheatres, Inc.	Texas
ace Events, Inc.	Delaware
alace Theatre Operating Group, LLC	Delaware
avilion Partners	Delaware
CMT, Inc.	Illinois
erforming Arts Management of North Miami, Inc.	Florida
ier 6 Concert Pavilion Partners, LLC	Maryland
TG-Florida, Inc.	Florida
agtime NY LLC	Delaware
ainbow Concert Productions, Inc.	New Jersey
ZO Tours, Inc.	New Jersey
FX Basketball Group, LLC	Delaware
FX Chicago, Inc.	Delaware
FX Family Entertainment of New Jersey, Inc.	Delaware

Domestic	State or Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization
SFX Family Entertainment Operations, Inc.	Delaware
SFX Financial Advisory Management Enterprises, Inc.	Delaware
SFX Theatrical Group, Inc.	Delaware
Shoreline Amphitheatre, Ltd.	California
Signatures Network, Inc.	California
Signatures SNI, Inc.	Delaware
Southern Promotions, Inc.	Georgia
Sunshine Designs, L.P.	Delaware
TCN Theater Group, Inc.	Delaware
Texas Tarps	Texas
The Booking Group L.L.C.	New York
The Horton Company Limited Partnership	New York
The Jekyll Company Limited Partnership	New York
The Seven Hundred Sundays Company	New York
The Tallulah Company	New York
The Wedding Tour Company	New York
Theatre Management Group – Canada, Inc.	Delaware
Theatre Management Group – Maryland, LLC	Texas
Theatre Management Group – New York, L.L.C.	Delaware
Theatre Management Group, Inc.	Texas
Theatre Management Group-Boston, LLC	Delaware
Theatrical Services, L.L.C.	Delaware
Thoel Company, LLC	New York
TMG Hippodrome, LLC	Delaware
TNA Tour II (USA) Inc.	Delaware
TNA Tour M3 (USA), Inc.	Delaware
Ultrastar Entertainment LLC	Delaware
VGL Properties, LLC	Delaware
Warner Theatre Operating Group, JV	Washington, D.C.
West 42nd Street Music, LLC	Delaware
Westbury Music Fair, L.L.C.	Delaware
Wiltern Renaissance LLC	Delaware

International	Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization
CPI International Touring, Inc.	Barbados
CPI Touring (RS 06 – ROW) Inc	Barbados
CPI Touring (RS05/06-ROW)	Barbados
CPI Touring (The Who-ROW) Inc.	Barbados
CPI Touring (FB-ROW) Inc.	Barbados
Live Nation Belgium Holdings BVBA	Belgium
Live Nation BVBA (fka - Make It Happen Nv)	Belgium
Live Nation Festivals NV (fka - Stageco Products N.V.)	Belgium
Belgian Concerts Sprl	Belgium
International Music Ltd.	Bermuda
Concert Productions International (LOTR), Inc.	Canada
CPI Canada Management, Inc.	Canada
Eagle Eye Entertainment, Inc.	Canada
HOB Concerts Canada, Ltd.	Canada
HOBCC Acquisition Co., Inc.	Canada
House of Blues Concerts Canada	Canada
Live Nation Canada, Inc.	Canada
Live Nation Touring (Canada), Inc.	Canada
LOTR (236) Toronto Management Corp.	Canada
LOTR Toronto Investors (II), Inc.	Canada
LOTR Toronto Investors (II), LP	Canada
Theatre Management Group – Toronto, Corp.	Canada
TNA International Ltd.	Canada
Toronto Theater Ltd.	Canada
Marek Lieberberg Konzertagentur Holding Gmbh	Germany
Dkb Management Holding Aps	Denmark
Dkb Management Aps	Denmark
Dkb Motor Aps (fka - Dkb Concert Promotions Aps)	Denmark
Ema Telstar Oy	Finland
Welldone Agency & Promotion Oy	Finland
Events Club Oy (fka Welldone Productions Oy)	Finland
Welldone Lr Oy	Finland
Welldone Concerts Oy	Finland
Lcb France	France
Live Nation Central and Eastern Europe Kft (fka Music Multimedia Kft)	Hungary
Point Exhibition Co. Ltd.	Ireland
Point Promotions Ltd.	Ireland
Point Presentations Ltd.	Ireland

International_	Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organizatio
Live Nation Ireland Holdings Limited	Ireland
Milano Concerti srl	Italy
Friends & Partners Italia	Italy
The Entertainment Group, S.A. de C.V.	Mexico
SFX Family Entertainment Group, S.A. de C.V.	Mexico
Amsterdam Music Dome Exploitatie BV	Netherlands
Live Nation CP II BV	Netherlands
Live Nation Europe Holdings BV (fka-Clear Channel International Radio Holdings Bv)	Netherlands
Live Nation International Holdings BV (fka - SFX Netherlands Holding, B.V.)	Netherlands
Live Nation Netherlands Holdings BV (fka - SFX Netherlands B.V.)	Netherlands
Live Nation Venues (Netherlands) BV (FKA Black Box Theater Exploitatie BV)	Netherlands
Mojo Works B.V.	Netherlands
Mojo Concerts B.V.	Netherlands
De Nationale Theaterkassa B.V.	Netherlands
The Security Company Utrecht Holland Holding B.V.	Netherlands
The Event Support Company B.V.	Netherlands
straight International Security B.V.	Netherlands
North Sea Jazz South Africa By	Netherlands
Festival Management Bv	Netherlands
Mojo Theater B.V.	Netherlands
Anti-Concerts Investments N.V.	Netherlands Antilles
Anti-Concerts Holding B.V.	Netherlands
Anti-Concerts B.V.	Netherlands
Mail 2 Me Vof	Netherlands
Concert Productions International B.V.	Netherlands
Gunnar Eide Concerts As	Norway
Live Nation SP z.o.o. (fka Odyssey Spolka Zo.O.)	Poland
Three Mad Monkeys Ltd	Scotland
Cma Holdings Ab	Sweden
Ema Telstar Gruppen Ab	Sweden
Ema Telstar Ab	Sweden
Moondog Entertainment Ab	Sweden
ugerinc Ab	Sweden
Cirkus Arena & Restaurang Pa D. Ab	Sweden
Forvaltningsbolaget Cirkus Pa K.D. Hb	Sweden
Ema Telstar Management Ab	Sweden
Eventum Ab	Sweden
Midland Concerts Promotions Group Ltd.	United Kingdom

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Live Nation (Music) UK Limited (fka - Mcp Promotions Limited)	United Kingdom
Touring Design Limited (fka - Venue And Event Management)	United Kingdom
Publicitywise Limited	United Kingdom
Northcane Limited	United Kingdom
Ant Hill Trading (Overseas) Ltd.	United Kingdom
Apollo Leisure Group Ltd.	United Kingdom
Apollo Dominion Investments Ltd.	United Kingdom
Nederlander Dominion Ltd.	United Kingdom
Live Nation (Venues) UK Limited (fka-Apollo Leisure (Uk) Ltd.)	United Kingdom
Barry Clayman Corporation Ltd.	United Kingdom
Bescot Enterprises Limited	United Kingdom
Cardiff International Arena Limited	United Kingdom
Live Nation (Theatrical) UK Limited (fka David Ian Productions (Dip))	United Kingdom
Fanbase Co.UK Limited	United Kingdom
The King & I Management UK Ltd	United Kingdom
Tony Stephens Associates Limited	United Kingdom
Park Associates Limited	United Kingdom
Pointstar Limited (25%)	United Kingdom
Sensible Events Limited	United Kingdom
The Security Company (Uk) Holdings Ltd	United Kingdom
Showsec Holdings Ltd	United Kingdom
Showsec International Ltd	United Kingdom
Gricind Limited	United Kingdom
International Talent Booking Ltd	United Kingdom
Uk Sx Limited (fka - Planit Promotions)	United Kingdom
Live Nation Enterprise Limited	United Kingdom
Live Nation (Ireland) Limited	United Kingdom
Showsec Special Events Limited	United Kingdom
Broadway Uk Limited	United Kingdom
Live Nation Facilitation Limited	United Kingdom
Network Presentations International Limited (fka - Networks (Uk))	United Kingdom
Gamerco	Spain
Rock in Rio Madrid SA	Spain
Iguapop, S.L.	Spain
Troubleshooter, S.A.	Spain
Mediterranea Concerts, S.L.	Spain
Compania Editora de Talentos Internacionales, S.A.	Spain
Trabajos de Musica, S.A.	Spain

Spain

Madrid Deportes Y Espectaculos, S.A.

International	Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organizatio
Live 1 BV	Netherlands
Live 2 BV	Netherlands
Holland Event Marketing BV	Netherlands
LN-Gaiety Holdings Ltd (fka Hamsard 2786 Ltd.)	United Kingdom
Festival Republic Music Group Limited	United Kingdom
Academy Music Holdings Ltd	United Kingdom
Academy Music Group Ltd	United Kingdom
Academy Entertainments Group Ltd	United Kingdom
Annestown Limited	United Kingdom
Bristolbeat Ltd	United Kingdom
Brumbeat Ltd	United Kingdom
Electricland Ltd	United Kingdom
Festival Republic Events Limited	United Kingdom
Festival Republic Ltd	United Kingdom
Finlaw 279 Ltd.	United Kingdom
Finlaw 271 Ltd	United Kingdom
First Family Entertainment LLP	United Kingdom
Glasgowbeat Ltd	United Kingdom
Glowspine Ltd	United Kingdom
Grand Theatricals (UK) Ltd.	United Kingdom
Slingtonbeat Ltd	United Kingdom
Live Beat Ltd	United Kingdom
Ludgate 354 Ltd	United Kingdom
Magstack Ltd	United Kingdom
Newcbeat Ltd	United Kingdom
OX4 Ltd	United Kingdom
Reading Festival Ltd.	United Kingdom
Rangepost Ltd	United Kingdom
Sidezone Ltd	United Kingdom
Sharpfleur Ltd	United Kingdom
Γhe Really Useful Financials Services Co. Ltd	United Kingdom
Ficketstoday Limited	United Kingdom
Astoria Limited	United Kingdom
Astoria Venues Ltd.	United Kingdom
Reading Festival Ltd	United Kingdom
Mean Fiddler Festivals Limited	United Kingdom
Festival Republic Live Limited	United Kingdom
Festival Republic Media Limited	United Kingdom
Festival Republic.com Limited	United Kingdom
Adventure Sport Events Ltd.	United Kingdom
Homelands Festival Ltd.	United Kingdom
Windfield Promotions Ltd.	United Kingdom
Subterrania Limited	United Kingdom
Mfmp Festival & Events Gmbh	Germany
Mean Fiddler Spain Sl	Spain
Live Nation (HK) Ltd	Hong Kong
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Concert Productions International B.V. Netherlands Live Nation CV Netherlands **Live Nation Holdings CV** Netherlands LYV BV Netherlands Antwerps Sportpaleis NV Belgium De schone Schijn NV Belgium Music Marketing Sp z.o.o. Poland **Live Nation France** France Live Nation Pte Ltd Singapore Shanghai Oriental Pearl Live Nation Entertainment and Sports Company Ltd China Beijing Gehua Live Nation Entertainment and Sports Company Ltd China

Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the following Registration Statements:

- (1) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-139178) pertaining to the Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan of Live Nation, Inc.,
- (2) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-132949) pertaining to the 2005 Stock Incentive Plan of Live Nation, Inc., and
- (3) Registration Statement (Form S-3 No. 333-148930) of Live Nation, Inc.;

of our report dated February 27, 2008, with respect to the consolidated financial statements and schedule of Live Nation, Inc. incorporated herein by reference, and our report dated February 27, 2008, with respect to the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Live Nation, Inc., included in this annual report of Live Nation, Inc. (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2007.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Los Angeles, California February 27, 2008

Certification of Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION

- I, Michael Rapino, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Live Nation, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) 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;
 - 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;
 - 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(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information;
 and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: February 29, 2008

By: /s/ MICHAEL RAPINO

Michael Rapino

President and Chief Executive Officer

Certification of Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION

- I, Kathy Willard, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Live Nation, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) 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;
 - 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;
 - 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(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information;
 - 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: February 29, 2008

By:	/s/ Kathy Willard
_	Kathy Willard
	Chief Financial Officer

Section 1350 Certification of Chief Executive Officer

In connection with this Annual Report of Live Nation, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Michael Rapino, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

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

Date: February 29, 2008

By:	/S/ MICHAEL RAPINO
	Michael Rapino
	President and Chief Executive Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

Section 1350 Certification of Chief Financial Officer

In connection with this Annual Report of Live Nation, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Kathy Willard, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

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

Date: February 29, 2008

By: /s/ KATHY WILLARD

Kathy Willard
Chief Financial Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.