



October 16, 2006

via facsimile and U. S. mail

Ms. April Sifford  
Branch Chief  
Division of Corporate Finance  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
Washington, D. C. 20549-0405

Re: ML Macadamia Orchards, L. P.  
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005  
Filed March 17, 2006  
File No. 001-09145

Dear Ms. Sifford:

We have received your comment letter dated September 28, 2006 and have researched each of the issues raised therein. Our research included a thorough review of the original documents and supporting memoranda, discussions with management, and a review of relevant accounting literature.

Following are your original comments, followed by our responses to your comments.

**The United States Securities and Exchange Commission comment 1.**

Management's Discussion and Analysis, page 14

Liquidity and Capital Resources, page 19

1. Please enhance your discussion of liquidity and capital resources to describe your payment of cash distributions to partners. Additionally, tell us why you excluded the cash distributions from your tabular disclosure of contractual obligations, as found on page 14.

**Response to Comment 1. Liquidity and Capital Resources**

We acknowledge the staff's comment regarding the enhancement of the discussion of liquidity and capital resources to describe the payment of cash distributions to partners. We have revised the presentation in the attached draft of the Partnership's Form 10-K/A, for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005, to include a discussion of the cash distribution to the Partnership's unit holders. This revision is made on page 20 of the attached draft of the Partnership's Form 10-K/A.

We have excluded the cash distributions from the tabular disclosure of contractual obligations as they were not required per the Final Rule: Disclosure in Management's Discussion and Analysis about Off-Balance Arrangements and Aggregate Contractual Obligations (Effective date: April 7, 2003). The nomenclature referenced is as follows:

Securities and Exchange Commission

17 CFR Parts 228, 229 and 249

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As presented in II. Overview of Proposals, Comments and Amendments, B. Overview of Comments and Amendments, 4. Proposed Tabular and Textual Disclosure.

"After evaluating the comments received, we have modified the required table of contractual obligations. Contrary to the proposed rules, which only suggested the categories of contractual obligations to be included, the amendments specify that the following categories of contractual obligations must be included within the tables:

Long-term debt obligations

Capital lease obligations

Operating lease obligations

Purchase obligations; and

Other long-term liabilities reflected on the registrant's balance sheet under GAAP"

The cash distribution to the Partnership's unit holders is a short-term liability that is determined by the Board of Directors at quarterly meetings. The obligation is discretionary and depending upon the liquidity and capital resources available to the Partnership and its operating needs may be reduced to \$0.00 or set at an amount that allows the Partnership to operate in a fiscally responsible manner. As the decision to pay a cash distribution is made one a quarter at a time, it is a short-term liability and therefore is not included as a component of the table of contractual obligations.

**The United States Securities and Exchange Commission comment 2.**

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Notes to Financial Statements, page 28

Note (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, page 28

2. Please expand your policy footnote to disclose how you account for impairments of your long-lived assets.

**Response to Comment 2. Notes to Financial Statements, Note (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, page 28 Accounting for Impairment of Long-lived Assets**

We acknowledge the staff's comment. We have revised the presentation in the attached draft of the Partnership's Form 10-K/A for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005, to include in (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (f) Land, Orchards and Equipment disclosure of the Partnership's accounting for the impairment of long-lived assets. We have followed FAS144 and have added disclosure which addresses the procedures to be followed to assess the recoverability of our long-lived assets, and the process we follow if impairment is required to be recognized. This revision is made on page 30 of the attached draft of the Partnership's Form 10-K/A.

**The United States Securities and Exchange Commission comment 3.**

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Note (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, page 28

(d) Farming Costs, page 28

3. Tell us in full detail how your policy for accounting for farming costs complies with the guidance set forth in paragraphs 6.05 to 6.08 and 6.25 to 6.29 of the AICPA Audit Guide for *Audits of Agricultural Producers and Agricultural Cooperatives*. Your response should address, but not be limited to the following:
  - (a) Tell us if you have organized your orchards and related costs by cost Centers, as discussed in paragraph 6.28 of the AICPA guide referred to above;
  - (b) We note the nature of costs incurred to maintain and manage your Orchards as disclosed on page 4. Identify which of these costs benefit harvests in succeeding years and how these costs are allocated and accounted for among your cost centers over future harvests; and
  - (c) Your disclosures on page 5 state the typical harvest season spans over

your fiscal year end, beginning in late summer and ending in early spring. Tell us how you account for the costs of growing nuts among the harvested amounts throughout the harvest season and when these costs are allocated to inventory. Identify what estimates and assumptions are used by management in this process and the underlying information used by management to make these estimates.

**Response to Comment 3. Notes to Financial Statements, Note (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, page 28 (d) Farming Costs**

(a) Paragraph 6.28 of the AICPA guide reads as follows:

“Each orchard, vineyard or grove may be considered a cost center and all costs incurred prior to the time of commercial production should be accumulated in the property accounts. When production in commercial quantities begins, the accumulated costs should be depreciated over the estimated useful life of the particular orchard, vineyard, or grove.”

The Partnership purchased orchards with commercial production at the time of purchase. Each orchard is an individual cost center, including the capitalized costs of orchard acquisition, and direct costs of each orchard maintenance and harvesting, and the Partnership develops standard costs for each orchard which are monitored throughout the accounting year for each orchard. The standard cost measurement is based upon management estimate of the cost to produce and harvest each pound of macadamia nuts from each of the individual orchards. On a monthly basis management meets to review the actual costs versus the standard cost and based upon the variances management determines if the standard cost is a reasonable representation of the expectations for the calendar year. An adjustment to the deferred farming costs and farming expense accounts is made to reflect the appropriate representation at the end of each month in the Partnership's financial statements. The acquisition cost of each orchard is being depreciated over the estimated useful life of the orchard.

(b) and (c)

Accounting for Farming Costs

As part of its normal farming operation, MLMO incurs farming costs for cultivation, replanting, orchard maintenance and irrigation prior to harvesting macadamia nuts-in-shell (NIS). Since the inception of the Partnership in 1986, it has been the accounting practice of MLMO to capitalize pre-harvest farming costs as a current asset (Deferred Farming Costs) and then amortized these costs over the calendar year incurred at standard as the NIS are harvested.

Statement of Position (SOP) 85-3, *Accounting by Agricultural Producers and Agricultural Cooperatives*, provides accounting guidance on the issue addressed in this document. The pronouncement discusses accounting for inventories in paragraphs 23-38 and recognizes that diversities in practice do and should exist. In general, direct and indirect production costs should be accumulated and subsequently relieved at the time of harvest/sale. This supports the accounting practice that is generally prevalent with mainland agricultural producers, but is

contrary to the expense as incurred (within a calendar year, with inter-period allocations made under APB 28) practice followed by Hawaiian agricultural producers.

In the initial Note of SOP 85-3, the following conclusion is delineated: *“the accounting treatment specified by this Statement of Position should be used **or** the member should be prepared to justify a conclusion that another treatment better presents the substance of the transaction in the circumstances. However, **an entity need not change an accounting treatment followed as of March 15, 1992 to the accounting treatment specified in this Statement of Position.**”* MLMO has maintained its accounting practice since 1986 and believes that the accounting practice was then, and continues to be acceptable.

Since the initial Partnership year began 1/1/86 and ran through 12/31/86, the Partnership began capitalizing pre-harvest farming costs at the date of inception and relieved costs from the balance sheet as the calendar year harvest occurred. The Partnership ended its first reporting year with zero Deferred Farming Costs on the balance sheet as of 12/31/86. This accounting practice has been maintained for the subsequent 19 years, and Partnership financial statements filed with the SEC (Forms 10-K and 10-Q) and reports to limited partners have reflected this accounting treatment. For interim reporting, the Partnership follows a systematic allocation of farming costs based upon a standard cost for each pound of nuts produced for each orchard, as contemplated by APB 28, Interim Financial Reporting, paragraphs 13 and 14.

The issue of quantifying the appropriate amount of deferred farming costs that should remain on the balance sheet as of any given date, given the difference between the end of the crop year and the financial accounting year, is complex and will always be subject to various estimates. Since the Partnership's orchards are located in different geographic locations, harvesting and other farming activities and costs are incurred at different times. Estimates of future crop volumes are always difficult and subject to unknown future events (e.g. weather, pollination, and timing of nut drop) and estimation error.

#### Industry Practice in Hawaii

The Partnership and other agricultural producers in Hawaii, both public and private, have historically maintained the practice of expensing pre-harvest costs in the year incurred. Hawaiian sugar producers (C. Brewer & Co., Ltd. Alexander & Baldwin, Amfac/JMB, Theo H. Davies, Castle & Cooke, Gay & Robinson) show no deferred farming costs on their yearend balance sheet despite the fact that sugar is typically a three-year crop cycle. The same holds true for pineapple growers (Maui Land & Pineapple) and other macadamia producers (Mac Farms of Hawaii). The justification for this practice is twofold:

The first consideration is unique to Hawaii. For almost all agricultural crops, the state benefits from a 12-month or continuous growing season due to the sub-tropical or temperate climate. Both pre-harvest costs and harvesting activities occur throughout the year and it is difficult to associate specific costs with a specific accounting period.

The second consideration is the nature of pre-harvest costs in general. These activities, such as fertilizing, pruning, irrigation and cultivation, should be viewed as akin to repair and maintenance of the orchard asset. Indeed, macadamia trees will continue to bear nuts in the

absence of these activities (as a vehicle will run with dirty oil), however these activities and costs are incurred in order to improve or maintain the production levels and quality (efficiency) of the orchard assets.

Management believes that the practice of expensing pre-harvest costs in the year incurred is acceptable and accurately reflects the substance of the transaction in these circumstances.

Crop year historical data shows that approximately 80% of the crop is harvested by December 31 of any given year. The associated pre-harvest farming costs, for the remaining 20% of the crop to be harvest from January 1 through June 30, 2005 would be about \$236,000 based upon about \$1.2 million in pre-harvest farming costs for the period July 31 through December 31, 2005 (Exhibit 1). If this amount was deferred at calendar year end the Partnership believes it would be insignificant to the Partnership's financial statements.

**The United States Securities and Exchange Commission comment 4.**

Consolidated Financial Statements, page 22

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Note (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, page 28

(f) Revenue, page 29

4. Please expand you revenue recognition policy footnote to more fully describe when and how you recognize contract farming revenue. In this regard, describe whether you recognize contract farming revenue upon completion of service or over a service period. If you recognize revenue over a service period, then disclose how you measure revenue during a period (e.g., progress toward completion, proportional performance, or separate milestones). Disclose whether your contracts have multiple elements, and if so, explain how you allocate revenue among the elements, as appropriate. Refer to Section II.F.E of our "Current Accounting and Disclosure Issues in the Division of Corporation Finance," which may be found at <http://www.sec.gov/divisions/corpfin/acctdis120105.pdf> for additional guidance.

**Response to Comment 4. Notes to Financial Statements, Note (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, (f) Revenue, page 29**

The Note to Financial Statements in the Summary of Significant Accounting Policies under section (f) states "Contract farming and administrative services revenues are recognized in the period that such services are provided."

We acknowledge the staff's comment. We have revised the presentation in the attached draft of the Partnership's Form 10-K/A, for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005, to expand the contract farming revenue recognition policy to more fully describe said policy. This revision is made on page 30 of the attached draft of the Partnership's Form 10-K/A.

**The United States Securities and Exchange Commission comment 5.**

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Note (3) Segment Information, page 29

(1)(a) Nut Purchase Contracts, page 30

5. We note on page 30 that you recognized revenue in 2005 for the difference between the 2004 audited nut price and estimated 2004 nut price in the amount of \$576,000. In regards to this adjustment, please address the following:

(a) Tell us how you satisfied the criteria that your price to the buyer is fixed or determinable. In your response, refer to specific accounting guidance you relied upon in determining that your price is fixed or determinable.

(b) Tell us how you considered your use of estimates in determining the nut price upon which you recognized revenue as a critical accounting estimate that would require disclosure in your MD&A to address material implications of uncertainties associated with the methods, assumptions and estimates underlying your accounting measurements. Refer to FRC 501.14, as added by FR-72, for further guidance.

**Response to Comment 5. Notes to Financial Statements, Note (3) Segment Information, (1) Revenues from owned-orchard segment, (a) Nut Purchase Contracts**

(a) The Partnership had five contracts for the sale of all nuts produced and delivered to its sole buyer, "Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation" (Mauna Loa) in calendar year 2005. Two of the contracts have a fixed price. Three of the contracts have formulas for the determination of the price to be paid to the Partnership by Mauna Loa. The 2005 Partnership's Form 10-K includes Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, Owned-Orchard Segment – Nut Revenue on page 15 which reads as follows:

"Under three of the nut purchase contracts with Mauna Loa, the price for nuts delivered is based 50% on the two year trailing average of USDA published macadamia nut prices and 50% on a "netback component". The netback component is determined on a calendar year basis by subtracting from Mauna Loa's gross revenues from the sale of macadamia products (i) allocable processing, packaging, marketing, selling and advertising costs and (ii) a 20% capital charge on the difference between those aggregate gross revenues and aggregate allocable costs."

The USDA published macadamia nut prices are available prior to the start of any given year; therefore, the USDA trailing average is a known component of the formula required for determining the nut price to be paid by Mauna Loa to the Partnership.

The netback component is a calculated amount which must be determined by Mauna Loa upon the completion of the contract (calendar) year in question. Mauna Loa has the data required to complete the calculation for the contract price at the end of each year. No element of this calculation is dependent on production or sales activity that occurs after calendar year end. Therefore, at the end of each year the two components for determining the price to be paid for the nuts delivered by the Partnership to Mauna Loa are determinable.

There is a time lag in obtaining the second component, in that Mauna Loa needs to close its accounting records, and an annual audit of the netback component by a third party auditor is required by the contracts. The audit is to be provided by Mauna Loa as soon as practicable after the end of each accounting year. In fact in 17 of 20 years the audit was completed in a timely manner and there was not adjustment. If the audit has not been completed within the time constraints the Partnership has for its filing of Forms 10-K and / or 10-Q then the preliminary information provided by Mauna Loa is used to determine the nut price.

SFAC No. 5, paragraph 83(a); SFAS No. 48, paragraph 6(a); SOP 97-2, paragraph 8 defines a "fixed fee" as a "fee required to be paid at a set amount that is not subject to refund or adjustment". As noted above, the contract pricing is determinable at year end, however due to the timing of the release of the information from Mauna Loa, the final amounts are not known, which results in the use of estimates by the Partnership for revenue recognition and subsequent true ups to revenue once the final contract prices become known.

- (b) The price used by the Partnership to record revenues at the close of its fiscal year is based upon (1) the actual USDA two year trailing average and (2) a calculated estimate, provided by Mauna Loa, for the netback or profit-sharing component of the price. The netback component for any contract year is determined from the accounting records of Mauna Loa, which provides the calculation to its independent auditors and to the Partnership for review. Due to SEC reporting deadlines, the completion of the independent audit and review by the Partnership may occur after the filing of the Partnership's Form 10-K and adjustments may be recognized and recorded in the subsequent year. The contracts recognize this and call for any price adjustments to be settled for in subsequent payments.

In that the audit and review of the 2004 nut price calculation had not been completed at the time of submission of the Partnership's Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2004, the Partnership disclosed that the Mauna Loa audit had not been completed. In the Partnership's Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2005 the Partnership disclosed the receipt of the 2004 audit adjustment and disclosed the fact that the Mauna Loa audit for 2005 had not been completed in Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in the Owned-Orchard Segment – Nut Revenue on pages 16 and 17.

We acknowledge the staff's comment. We have revised the presentation in the attached draft of the Partnership's Form 10-K/A, for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005 on page 21.



**The United States Securities and Exchange Commission comment 6.**

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Controls and Procedures, page 40

6. Please revise the disclosure in Item 9A. to conform with the requirements set forth in Item 307 of Regulation S-K, as follows:

- (a) Expand your conclusion that your disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in your reports filed or submitted under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the requisite time periods specified in the rules and forms of the Securities and Exchange Commission, to clarify, if true, that your officers concluded that your disclosure controls and procedures are also effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that you file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to your management, including your chief executive officer and chief financial officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure; and

- (b) Please disclose whether there have been any changes in your internal control over financial reporting that occurred during your last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, your internal control over financial reporting.

Refer to Exchange Act Rule 13a-15 and Section II.F.4 of Management's Reports on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and Certification of Disclosure in Exchange Act Periodic Reports, SEC Release No. 33-8238, available on our website at <<http://www.sec.gov/rules/final/33-8238.htm>> for available guidance.

**Response to Comment 6. Notes to Financial Statements, Controls and Procedures**

We acknowledge the staff's comment. We have revised the presentation in the attached draft of the Partnership's Form 10-K/A, for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005 on page 42.

**The United States Securities and Exchange Commission comment 7.**

Certifications, Exhibit 31.1 and 31.2

7. Please conform your certifications to that in Item 601 (b)(31) of Regulation S-K by revising "annual report" to "report" in paragraphs 2., 3., and 4.a).

**Response to Comment 7. Certifications, Exhibit 31.1 and 31.2**

We acknowledge the staff's comment. We have revised the presentation in the attached draft of the Partnership's Form 10-K/A, for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005 on page 61 and 62.


As requested, we hereby acknowledge that:

The company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing;

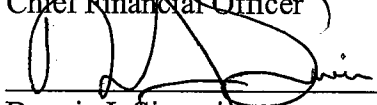
Staff comments or changes to disclosure in response to staff comments do not Foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing; and

The company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

Sincerely,



Wayne W. Roumagoux  
Chief Financial Officer



Dennis J. Simonis  
Chief Executive Officer

Attachment

July to December Farming Costs  
Deferred Farming Costs Analysis

EXHIBIT  
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	<u>Jul</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sept</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fertilizer	0	0	97	56	60	11	224
Herbicides	22	14	16	22	26	29	129
Equipment and Services	151	288	464	361	358	368	1,990
Labor and Benefits	120	480	785	565	500	524	2,974
Depreciation	16	16	16	16	16	20	100
Insurance	10	13	14	12	13	14	76
	<u>319</u>	<u>811</u>	<u>1,392</u>	<u>1,032</u>	<u>973</u>	<u>966</u>	<u>5,493</u>

Less Harvesting/Contract Costs

Production Costs @ \$.15/lb	50	449	812	577	442	320	2,649
Contract Costs (30% of Total)	96	243	418	310	292	290	1,648
Total Production and Contract Costs		<u>146</u>	<u>692</u>	<u>1,230</u>	<u>886</u>	<u>734</u>	<u>609</u>

Estimated Pre-Harvest Costs incurred 7/1-12/31	173	119	162	146	239	357	<b>1,196</b>
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	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>Avg</u>		
% of Crop remaining (1/1-6/30)	17%	19%	18%	25%	19.8%	X	19.8%

Est. Deferred Farming Cost balance at 12/31 = **236**

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**DRAFT FORM 10-K/A**

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

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005

OR

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

Commission File Number 1-9145

**ML MACADAMIA ORCHARDS, L.P.**  
(Exact Name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 99-0248088  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

26-238 Hawaii Belt Road, HILO, HAWAII 96720  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (808) 969-8057  
Registrant's website: www.mlmacadamia.com

**SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OF THE ACT:**

<u>Title of Each Class</u>	<u>Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered</u>
Depository Units Representing Class A Limited Partners' Interests	New York Stock Exchange

**SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(g) OF THE ACT: NONE**

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act  
Yes ☐ No ☒

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Act.  
Yes ☐ No ☒

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding twelve months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ☒ No ☐

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer or a non-accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Large accelerated filer ☐ Accelerated filer ☐ Non-accelerated filer ☒

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Yes ☐ No ☒

As of March 14, 2006, 7,500,000 shares of the registrant's Class A Units were outstanding, and the aggregate market value of such Units held by non-affiliates was \$44,025,000 (based on the closing price on that date of \$5.87 per Unit).

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Amendment on Form 10-K/A to the Partnership's Annual Report in Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 17, 2006 is filed to amend and revise the following:

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations dealing with Liquidity and Capital Resources is revised to include a discussion of cash payments to unit holders.

Notes to Financial Statements (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (f) Land, Orchards and Equipment is revised to include a discussion of the Partnership's accounting for the impairment of long-lived assets.

Notes to Financial Statements (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (f) Revenue is revised to include an expanded discussion of the Partnership's revenue recognition policy for contract farming revenue.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedure is revised to conform with the requirements set forth in Item 307 of Regulation S-K.

Certifications, Exhibit 31.1 and 31.2 are revised to conform to Item 601 (b)(31) of Regulation S-K.

## PART I

### ITEM 1. BUSINESS OF THE PARTNERSHIP

#### (a) General Description of the Business

ML Macadamia Orchards, L.P. (the "Partnership") is a publicly traded partnership, organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and engaged in the business of growing and farming macadamia nuts in Hawaii. The Partnership believes that it is one of the world's largest growers of macadamia nuts. The Partnership owns or leases approximately 4,169 tree acres of macadamia nut orchards in three locations within a 50-mile radius on the island of Hawaii. ("Tree acres" are acres of the Partnership's owned or leased lands utilized for macadamia nut orchards. "Gross acres" includes areas not utilized for orchards.) The Partnership sells all of its macadamia nut production to Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation ("Mauna Loa") under five nut purchase contracts. Four of the nut purchase contracts with Mauna Loa, totaling approximately 15 million pounds, expire December 31, 2006 and the fifth contract totaling approximately 5 million pounds expires June 30, 2019. The Partnership has reached nut purchase agreements with Hamakua Macadamia Nut Company, Inc. ("Hamakua"), Mac Farms of Hawaii, LLC ("Mac Farms") and Purdyco International, Ltd. dba Island Princess ("Island Princess") beginning January 1, 2007. The contracts call for Hamakua to purchase about 6 million field pounds, Mac Farms to purchase about 5.0 to 6.0 million field pounds, and Island Princess to purchase about 2.2 million field pounds. Additional information can be found in section (c) under the heading Nut Purchase Contracts on page 3.

The Partnership farms its own orchards and approximately 2,505 additional acres of macadamia orchards for other orchard owners. The Partnership is managed by its general partner, ML Resources, Inc. ("MLR" or the "Managing Partner"). On August 1, 2001, all of the stock of the Managing Partner was purchased by D. Buyers Enterprises, LLC ("DBE") from C. Brewer and Company, Ltd ("CBCL"). J.W.A. Buyers is the majority owner and managing member of DBE and the Chairman of the Board of CBCL. On January 6, 2005, the stock of ML Resources, Inc. was purchased from DBE by the Partnership for \$750,000.

Ownership of Class A Units confers no direct or indirect interest in CBCL, DBE or any of their affiliated entities, or in Mauna Loa.

The Partnership commenced operations in June 1986, following its acquisition of interests in approximately 2,423 tree acres of macadamia nut orchards from subsidiaries of CBCL. In December 1986 and October 1989, respectively, the Partnership acquired from subsidiaries of CBCL interests in approximately 266 and 1,260 additional tree acres of macadamia orchards. In September 1991 the Partnership acquired approximately 78 tree acres of producing macadamia orchards.

On May 1, 2000, the Partnership purchased 142 acres of macadamia orchards and the macadamia farming operations from subsidiaries of CBCL. The farming operations consist of farming contracts, farming equipment, vehicles, a husking plant, irrigation well, office buildings, garages and warehouses, office furniture and equipment and material inventories related to macadamia farming. All the assets and operations are located on the island of Hawaii.

#### **(b) Financial Information about Industry Segments**

The response to this section of Item 1 incorporates by reference Note 4 of the Notes to the Financial Statements.

#### **(c) Narrative Description of the Business**

##### **Owned-orchard Segment**

The Partnership currently sells all of the macadamia nuts from its orchards to Mauna Loa under long-term nut purchase contracts. Mauna Loa processes and markets the nuts under the **Mauna Loa®** brand name and is believed to be one of the largest processors and marketers of macadamia nuts in the world. The Partnership is Mauna Loa's largest single supplier of macadamia nuts. Mauna Loa was a subsidiary of CBCL until its sale in September 2000 to The Shansby Group. In December 2004 Mauna Loa was purchased by Hershey Food Corporation. On May 1, 2000, the Partnership began farming its own macadamia orchards. Prior to that date, subsidiaries of CBCL performed the farming activities for the Partnership under long-term farming contracts.

**Nut Purchase Contracts.** The Partnership is a party to five nut purchase contracts with Mauna Loa. They cover all nuts produced by the orchards acquired in June 1986, December 1986, October 1989, September 1991 and May 2000, respectively. The 1986 contracts expire December 31, 2006, while the 1989 contract expires June 30, 2019 and also provides for the exclusion of unusable nuts from those purchased by Mauna Loa. The first three contracts are identical in all other material respects. The fourth contract was acquired by assignment with the orchard purchase in September 1991 and expired on June 30, 2003. Effective July 1, 2003 the fourth contract was renegotiated with an expiration date of December 31, 2006. The fourth contract is a set price contract (\$0.60 cents per pound at wet-in-shell moisture ("WIS") of 25%) with an adjustment for trash and spoilage outside the range of 10% to 13%. The first three contracts use a pricing formula based 50% on a two-year trailing average of the macadamia nut price published annually by the United States Department of Agriculture and 50% on Mauna Loa's "netback component." The netback component is calculated by subtracting Mauna Loa's processing and marketing costs per pound and a "capital charge" of 20% from its nut revenues per pound. The fifth contract expires in 2006. Its pricing formula is based 100% on the two-year trailing average of USDA reported prices. The fifth contract may be terminated at any time by mutual agreement in writing.

On December 16, 2004, a new nut purchase contract was signed with Hamakua Macadamia Nut Company ("Hamakua") for the annual delivery of six million WIS pounds, starting January 1, 2007. The contract provides for a minimum price of 79 cents per pounds and a maximum price of 99 cents per pound. The pricing formula includes a fixed component of 85 cents and a second component based on Hamakua's average selling price for bulk kernel. Refer to Exhibit 10.52 on page 58.

On January 5, 2006, a new nut purchase contract was signed with Purdyco International, Ltd. dba Island Princess for the annual delivery of approximately two million WIS pounds, effective January 1, 2007.

The nut price will be determined every six months by mutual agreement based on prevailing market price for kernel from Hawaii and Australia. Refer to Exhibit 10.55 on page 58.

On January 6, 2006, a new nut purchase contract was signed with Mac Farms of Hawaii, LLC for the annual delivery of between four and one-half million and five and one-half million WIS pounds, effective January 1, 2007. The nut price will be determined every six months by mutual agreement based on prevailing market price for kernel from Hawaii and Australia. Refer to Exhibit 10.54 on page 58.

**Competition.** Because the Partnership's revenues from nut sales are tied to a formula dependent in large part upon Mauna Loa's market performance, the Partnership bears certain risks associated with Mauna Loa's marketing of the nuts, including the possibility of increased future competition. Subsequent to the sale of Mauna Loa to The Shansby Group in September 2000, the Partnership no longer has access to the operational and marketing strategies and financial results of Mauna Loa, as it is no longer a related entity.

Mauna Loa considers its primary competition to be other premium nut products, except in Hawaii where its products compete with those of other macadamia nut producers and other food and non-food tourist items. As a premium nut, macadamia nuts compete with cashews, almonds and pistachios.

Mauna Loa sells macadamia nuts as "retail" nuts and "commercial" nuts and produces and sells various macadamia nut products. These include pristine salted and unsalted roasted macadamia nuts, packages of diced macadamia nuts and macadamia oil (for cooking and baking), value-added products such as candy-glazed macadamia nuts, chocolate-covered macadamia nuts, chocolate macadamia nut candy bars, honey-roasted macadamia nuts and macadamia nut brittle.

Macadamia nuts comprise less than 5% of the sales of branded premium nuts sold through mass merchandisers, drug and grocery stores on the U.S. mainland, based upon published industry statistics. Cashews and mixed nuts represent the bulk of the dollar sales in this segment, followed by pistachios. Macadamia nuts are the highest priced of all premium nuts, and, therefore, they may be sensitive to price competition from other nuts.

The primary market for the **Mauna Loa®** brand is the U.S. mainland, where Mauna Loa sells its products through brokers to food stores, club stores, drug store chains, mass merchandisers and commercial customers.

A strong secondary market for the **Mauna Loa®** brand is the state of Hawaii, where Mauna Loa sells through its own direct sales force primarily to retailers. Substantial portions of the macadamia nut products sold in Hawaii are purchased by visitors as gifts and souvenirs. Mauna Loa believes that it is one of the largest sellers of macadamia products in the State of Hawaii.

Mauna Loa also sells macadamia products as ingredient nuts, through its visitor centers and mail order sales.

In addition to the State of Hawaii, mature macadamia nut orchards are located in Australia, Africa, and Central America. For the 2005 crop, Hawaii was expected to supply 24% of the world crop, and Australia, the world's largest producer, was expected to supply 41%.

A general decline in nut prices would adversely affect the prices which Mauna Loa could charge for its macadamia nut products and could have a negative effect on its profitability. Since the purchase price for the Partnership's nuts under all but one of its nut purchase contracts is based in part on nut prices reported by the industry and in part on the marketing success of Mauna Loa, a general decline in macadamia nut prices could also adversely affect the Partnership's revenues.

## **Macadamia Farming Segment**

Since the May 2000 purchase of the macadamia farming operations, the Partnership farms its own 4,169 acres of macadamia orchards and approximately 2,505 additional acres of macadamia orchards owned by other growers. Three of the farming contracts terminated December 31, 2005, covering approximately 465 acres making the total acres covered by farming contracts for 2006 to be 2,040.

All the orchards are located in three separate regions on the island of Hawaii ("Keaau", "Ka'u" and "Mauna Kea"). Because each region has different terrain and weather conditions, farming methods vary somewhat among the three locations.

**Farming Contracts.** The Partnership currently services approximately seventeen farming contracts which were assigned to the Partnership with the May 2000 acquisition. Services under these contracts include cultivation, weed and pest control, fertilization, pruning and hedging, replanting, harvesting, and husking. These contracts also provide a management fee to the Partnership, which is based as either a fixed fee per acre farmed, or as a percent of reimbursed costs, ranging from 5% to 20%.

**Orchard Maintenance.** Maintenance of an orchard is essential to macadamia nut farming. Pruning and hedging of trees is necessary to allow space for mechanical harvesting and cultivating equipment to operate safely and efficiently and to remove dead branches. Where mechanical equipment is used, the orchard floor must be maintained in a condition that will permit its operation. Soil and gravel are used to repair mud holes and other surface irregularities caused by soil erosion from heavy rain and by farming equipment. Pruning and surface maintenance are usually performed between harvest seasons.

Orchard management also requires the proper selection and application of fertilizers, pesticides (to control rodents, insects and fungi) and herbicides (to control weeds). Insects, rodents and fungi, as well as wild pigs, if not controlled, can cause losses to nut production.

**Harvesting.** The harvest period begins in the late summer and runs through the following spring. Mature nuts fall from the trees and are harvested using mechanized harvest equipment when the orchard floor is level enough to permit its use. Nuts are harvested by hand when the orchard floor is too uneven to permit mechanical harvesting, when the nut drop is very light and when nuts remain after harvesting. At Keaau, Ka'u and Mauna Kea, seasonal labor for hand harvesting and other operations is generally available from nearby Hilo and adjacent communities.

Mechanical harvesting is less costly than hand harvesting, but mechanical harvesting is possible only where the orchard floor is relatively flat. Approximately 70% of the orchards in Ka'u, 59% in Keaau and 94% in Mauna Kea are currently mechanically harvested. The remaining acres are too uneven for mechanical harvesting and must be harvested by hand.

During the harvest season, the nuts are collected every six to ten weeks. Nuts suffer loss in quality if they remain on the ground too long. The harvested nuts are then transported to the husking facilities, which are located in Ka'u and Keaau. The Keaau husking facility is owned by Mauna Loa, and the Ka'u husking facility is owned by the Partnership. Nuts harvested in the Mauna Kea region are transported to the husking facility in Keaau. At the husking facility, the outer husk is removed and the nuts, still in their shell, are weighed and sampled to determine moisture content and kernel quality. Title to the nuts husked in Keaau passes to Mauna Loa after weighing. Title to the nuts husked at Ka'u pass to Mauna Loa after delivery to the Mauna Loa processing plant in Keaau. The nuts are then moved to a drying facility.

**Processing.** The nuts purchased by Mauna Loa from the Partnership and from the other orchards farmed by the Partnership are primarily processed at Mauna Loa's processing plant located adjacent to the orchards located in the Keaau area. The plant was built in 1966 and is presently capable of handling approximately 210,000 pounds of dry-in-shell (commonly abbreviated "DIS") nuts per day. Processing at the plant includes drying, cracking, roasting, inspecting and limited packaging. The plant also includes separate warehouses, a machine shop, storage facilities, husking facilities, nut drying facilities, a



generator and a 10,000 square foot chocolate processing plant. None of these processing facilities are owned by the Partnership.

At Mauna Loa's plant in Keaau, the harvested nuts pass by conveyors over metal screens, blowers and rock separators that remove extraneous material from the in-husk nuts. The husks are then split and removed by pressing the nuts between steel roller bars and a rubber pad. At this stage, the nut kernels are still encased in their hard round shells and roughly 20% of their weight is attributable to moisture content. At this point, the nuts are referred to as wet-in-shell (commonly abbreviated "WIS"). The WIS weight of the nuts is used to determine payments to be made by Mauna Loa under the Nut Purchase Contracts. Approximately 20% of the WIS weight of the nuts will become dry salable kernels when all further processing is completed.

After the nuts are weighed, the moisture content of the nuts is reduced by blowing warm air over them, which produces DIS nuts. Metal rollers are used to crack the nuts and remove the shell. Mechanical and optical equipment, as well as hand sorting, are used to separate the salable kernels from unusable nuts and pieces of broken shell.

The dry nut kernels are roasted and then sorted into retail and commercial grades. At this stage, some of the nuts are bulk-packed and sent to various co-packers on the U.S. mainland for packaging. At Mauna Loa's plant in Keaau the nuts may be salted, or covered with chocolate or one of several coatings, and finally packaged, labeled and readied for shipment.

### **Stabilization Payments**

In December 1986, the Partnership acquired a 266-acre orchard that was several years younger than other orchards of the Partnership. Because of the relative immaturity of the newer orchard, its productivity (and therefore its cash flow) was expected to be correspondingly lower for the first several years than for the other older orchards.

Accordingly, the seller of this orchard Ka'u Agribusiness Company, Inc. ("KACI") agreed to make cash stabilization payments to the Partnership for each year through 1993 in which the cash flow (as defined) from this orchard fell short of the target cash flow level, which equaled \$507,000. Stabilization payments for any given year were limited to the lesser of the amount of the shortfall or a maximum payment amount. For the years from 1987 through 1993, inclusive, the Partnership received a total of \$1,628,000 (including a 4% Hawaii general excise tax) in stabilization payments under this agreement.

The Partnership accounted for stabilization payments (net of the 4% Hawaii general excise tax) as a reduction in the cost basis of the orchard. As such, these payments are being reflected in the Partnership's net income ratably through 2019 as a reduction to the depreciation expense reported for this orchard.

In return, the Partnership is obligated to pay the seller 100% of any year's cash flow from this orchard in excess of the target cash flow as additional percentage rent until the aggregate amount of the additional percentage rent paid equals 150% of the total amount of stabilization payments previously received. Thereafter, the Partnership is obligated to pay the seller 50% of this orchard's cash flow in excess of the target cash flow as additional incentive rent. No additional rent was due in 2003, 2004, or 2005.

### **Item 1A. Risks Involved in Operating Macadamia Orchards**

Macadamia nut trees are subject to damage or destruction from diseases, pests, floods, droughts, windstorms, hurricanes, volcanic activity and other natural causes. Partnership tree replacements for all orchards from all causes were 0.6% in 2003, 0.6% in 2004, and 0.2% in 2005. Both crop and tree insurance are in place to protect the Partnership against material losses.

**Diseases and Pests.** The Partnership's Keaau orchards experienced tree replacements of 1.3% in 2003, 1.4% in 2004, and 0.6% in 2005. Other macadamia growers in the vicinity have also experienced losses

due to a problem known as "Macadamia Quick Decline" ("MQD"). Based upon research by the University of Hawaii and other experts, it is believed that the situation is due to fungi associated with high moisture conditions. It is also believed that a particular variety of macadamia nut tree (variety 333) is most susceptible to MQD. Another tree variety (variety 344) has also been identified as being more susceptible to MQD than other varieties. Approximately 9% of the Partnership's orchards are variety 333 and 45% are variety 344. Both the Keaau and Mauna Kea orchards are areas with high moisture conditions, and may be more susceptible to the MQD problem. MQD is present in the Ka'u orchards, but tree losses to date have been less than 2% per year in the Ka'u area.

There are also two types of fungal diseases, which can affect nut production but are not fatal to the trees themselves. One of these is Phytophthora, which affects the macadamia flowers and nutlets, and the other is Botrytis cinerea. These types of fungal disease are generally controllable with fungicides. Historically, these fungi have attacked the orchards located in Keaau during periods of persistent inclement weather. A light infestation of Phytophthora occurred in late January-early February 2001.

**Rainstorms and Floods.** The Partnership's orchards are located in areas on the island of Hawaii that are susceptible to heavy rainstorms. In November 2000 the Ka'u region was affected by flooding. This flooding resulted in expected 2000 harvesting being done in 2001. Since the flood in 2000 heavy rain in the Ka'u region has not produced flooding of any consequence.

**Windstorms.** The Partnership's orchards are located in areas on the island of Hawaii that are susceptible to windstorms. Twenty-five major windstorms have occurred on the island of Hawaii since 1961, and four of those caused material losses to Partnership orchards. Several of the Partnership's orchards are surrounded by windbreak trees, which provide limited protection. Younger trees that have not developed extensive root systems are particularly vulnerable to windstorms.

**Insurance.** The Partnership secures tree insurance each year under a federally subsidized program. The tree insurance for 2005 provides coverage up to a maximum of approximately \$22.8 million against loss of trees due to wind, fire or volcanic activity. Crop insurance was purchased for the 2004-2005 crop year and provides coverage up to a maximum of approximately \$8.6 million against loss of nuts due to wind, fire, volcanic activity, earthquake, adverse weather, wildlife damage and failure of irrigation water supplies.

**Volcanoes.** The orchards are located on the island of Hawaii, where there are two active volcanoes. To date, no lava flows from either volcano have affected or threatened the orchards.

**Rainfall.** The productivity of orchards depends in large part on moisture conditions. Inadequate rainfall can reduce nut yields significantly, while excessive rain without adequate drainage can foster disease and hamper harvesting operations. While rainfall at the orchards located in the Keaau and Mauna Kea areas has generally been adequate, the orchards located in the Ka'u area generally receive less rainfall and, as a result, a portion of the Ka'u orchards is presently irrigated. Irrigation can mitigate the effects of a drought, but it cannot completely protect a macadamia nut crop from the effect of a drought. Recorded rainfall at each of the three locations of the Partnership's orchards for the past five years is shown below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Ka'u</u>	<u>Keaau</u>	<u>Mauna Kea</u>
2001	46.0"	124.0"	133.4"
2002	58.5"	139.4"	156.1"
2003	22.8"	94.8"	117.4"
2004	54.9"	142.7"	151.5"
2005	34.7"	133.8"	171.8"

During 2005 the Ka'u, Keaau and Mauna Kea areas recorded 84%, 99% and 116% of the normal average annual rainfall in their area of the island, respectively.

## **Water Supply for Irrigation**

With the May 2000 acquisition, the Partnership acquired an irrigation well (the "Sisal Well"), which supplies water to the Partnership's orchards in Ka'u which were purchased in June 1986 and 1989. The Sisal Well is situated on land owned by Mauna Kea Agribusiness Company, Inc. ("MKACI"). On May 1, 2000 the Partnership entered into a license agreement with MKACI, which allows the Partnership necessary access to maintain and operate the Sisal Well, as well as the use of roads to access, maintain and operate the Partnership's macadamia orchards. Annual rent for the license agreement is One Dollar. The license agreement terminates on the earlier of June 30, 2045, or at the termination of the May 1, 2000 lease between Partnership and KACI.

Prior to the May 2000 acquisition, the Partnership and KACI were parties to a water agreement to which KACI agreed to supply water to those portions of the June 1986 Orchards and October 1986 Orchards located at Ka'u and which had been irrigated historically.

If the amount of water provided by the Sisal Well becomes insufficient to irrigate the above named orchards, the Partnership may consider increasing the capacity of the Sisal Well, drilling an alternative well into the historical source which provides water to the Sisal Well or obtaining water from other sources.

On a historical basis, the quantity of water available from the Sisal Well has been generally sufficient to irrigate these orchards in accordance with prudent farming practices. The irrigated portion of the Ka'u II Orchards is expected to need greater quantities of water as the orchards mature. The Partnership anticipates that the amount of water available from the Sisal well will be generally sufficient, assuming average levels of rainfall, to irrigate the irrigated orchards in accordance with prudent farming practices for the next several years. If no irrigation water is available to the Irrigated Orchards, then, based on historical average rainfall levels, diminished yields of macadamia nut production can be expected.

## **Employees**

As of December 31, 2005, the Partnership employed 249 people, of which 164 were seasonal employees. Of the total, 23 are in farming supervision and management, 212 in production, maintenance and agricultural operations, and 14 in accounting and administration.

With the May 2000 acquisition, the Partnership agreed to the assumption of three bargaining agreements with the ILWU Local 142. These agreements cover all production, maintenance and agricultural employees of the Ka'u Orchard Division, of the Keaau Orchard Division and of the Mauna Kea Orchard Division. These labor contracts became effective May 1, 1997 and expired on April 30, 2002. The parties have recently agreed to a new three-year contract, which will expire on April 30, 2008. The Partnership believes that relations with its employees and the ILWU are generally very good.

**Item 1B. Unresolved staff comments.** None

**Available Information.** The Partnership files annual, quarterly and current reports and other information with the Commission. These filings are available free of charge through its Internet website at [www.mlmacadamia.com](http://www.mlmacadamia.com) as soon as reasonably practicable after the Partnership electronically files such material with, or furnishes it to, the Commission. Any unit holder, who so requests may obtain a printed copy of these documents from the Partnership, by contacting the Partnership at 808-969-8057, or in writing at 26-238 Hawaii Belt Road, Hilo, Hawaii 96720.

## **ITEM 2. PROPERTIES**

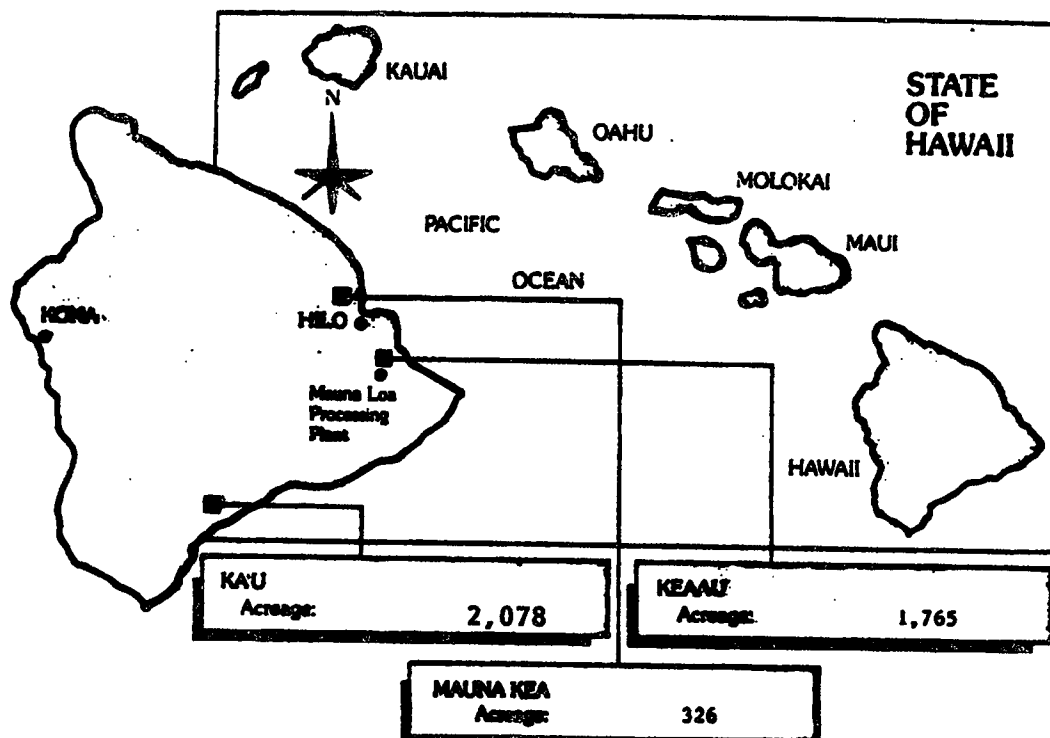
**Location.** The Partnership owns or leases approximately 4,169 tree acres of macadamia orchards on the island of Hawaii. The orchards are located in three areas: Ka'u, Keaau and Mauna Kea. The Ka'u area is

located in the south part of the island about fifty miles from Hilo. The Keaau area is located six miles south of Hilo on the east side of the island, and the Mauna Kea area is located three miles north of Hilo on the east side of the island.

The majority of macadamia nut trees grown in the State of Hawaii are grown on the island of Hawaii in volcanic soil that permits drainage during heavy rainfall. While the orchards are located approximately within a 50-mile radius, the climate and other conditions that affect the growing of macadamia nuts are different. These differences are the result of prevailing wind patterns and island topography, which produce a variety of microclimates throughout the island.

**Age and Density.** The productivity of macadamia nut orchards depends on several factors including, among others, the age of the trees, the number of trees planted per acre, soil condition, climate, rainfall and/or irrigation. The most significant characteristic affecting yields is maturity. The trees in a macadamia nut orchard generally begin to produce nuts at a commercially acceptable level at around nine years of age. Thereafter, nut yields increase gradually until the trees reach maturity at approximately 15 years of age, after which the nut yield remains relatively constant except for variances produced by rainfall, cultivation practices, pest infestation and disease.

Macadamia orchards normally reach peak production after fifteen to eighteen years of age. All of the 4,169 tree acres of macadamia orchards owned or leased by the Partnership are over twenty years of age. About 2% of trees are lost to various causes each year and are replaced.



**Rainfall.** Macadamia trees grow best in climates with substantial and evenly distributed rainfall (or equivalent irrigation) and in soil that provides good drainage. Inadequate rainfall can significantly reduce nut yields, while excessive rain without adequate drainage can impede healthy tree growth, promote the growth of harmful fungal diseases and produce mud holes that require repair of the orchard floor.

At Keaau, normal rainfall is adequate without irrigation, and the volcanic soil provides good drainage. However, short droughts and occasional flooding have occurred. At Mauna Kea, normal rainfall is adequate without irrigation and the volcanic soil provides adequate drainage. In the event of a very long drought, production at Keaau and Mauna Kea might be affected. At Ka'u, located on the drier side of the island, the rainfall averages are substantially less than at Keaau, particularly at the lower elevations. Approximately 652 acres at the lower elevations of Ka'u are irrigated to provide for additional water when required. Under extremely dry conditions at Ka'u, such as a prolonged drought, irrigation is not sufficient, and production will be adversely affected.

**Orchards.** The following table lists each of the orchards, the year acquired, tree acres, tenure, and lease rents:

<u>Orchard</u>	<u>Acquired</u>	<u>Tree Acres</u>	<u>Tenure</u>	<u>Lease Expiration</u>	<u>Min. Rent per Annum</u>
Keaau I	June 1986	1467	Fee simple		
Ka'u I	June 1986	456	Fee simple		
"	June 1986	500	Leasehold (1)	2019	\$ 25,000
Ka'u Green Shoe I	Dec. 1986	266	Leasehold (1)	2019	\$ 5,586
Keaau II	Oct. 1989	220	Fee simple		
Ka'u II	Oct. 1989	327	Leasehold (2)	2034	\$ 23,544
"	Oct. 1989	175	Leasehold (1)	2028	\$ 17,314
"	Oct. 1989	26	Leasehold (3)	2029	\$ 2,041
"	Oct. 1989	186	Leasehold (1)	2031	\$ 18,585
Mauna Kea	Oct. 1989	326	Leasehold (2)	2034	\$ 23,508
Keaau Lot 10	Sept. 1991	78	Fee simple		
Ka'u O	May 2000	142	Leasehold (1)	2045	\$ 10,224
Total acres		4169			

- (1) Lease of land only; trees may be removed at termination of lease.
- (2) Lease of land only; lessor may purchase trees from lessee at any time after June 30, 2019.
- (3) Lease of land; trees revert to lessor upon termination of lease.

For certain additional information concerning farming leases, see Item 13, page 48.

In addition to the minimum annual lease payment amount, all the leases require the Partnership to pay various expenses with respect to the leased premises as well as an additional rental payment based on the market price per pound of macadamia nuts sold in Hawaii.

With respect to the Ka'u Green Shoe I Orchard, the lease requires the Partnership to pay KACI, the seller and lessor, additional rent equal to 100% of any year's cash flow generated by such orchard in excess of a target level of \$507,000 until the aggregate amount paid equals 150% of the aggregate amount of the stabilization payments previously received by the Partnership. Thereafter, the Partnership is required, with respect to any year prior to the expiration of the lease, to pay as additional rent, 50% of the cash flow generated by such orchard for such year in excess of a target level of \$507,000 of cash flow. For additional information, see "Stabilization Payments" on page 6.

### **ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AND SETTLEMENT**

As reported on August 13, 2004, in the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of ML Macadamia Orchards, L.P. (the "Partnership") for its fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2004, the Partnership and several independent growers filed suit against Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation in the Circuit Court of the Third Judicial Circuit of the State of Hawaii in Hilo, alleging that the proposed acquisition by Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation ("Mauna Loa") of the assets of Mauna Loa's major competitor, Mac Farms of Hawaii, LLC ("Mac Farms"), would give Mauna Loa a monopoly over the supply and processing of wet-in-shell macadamia nuts on the Island of Hawaii, which in turn would give Mauna Loa monopoly power over the growers and other processors on the Island of Hawaii and consumers of macadamia nuts in Hawaii and on the mainland United States. Hamakua Macadamia Nut Company, Inc. ("Hamakua") subsequently filed its own lawsuit against Mauna Loa, which was then consolidated with the Partnership's case.

On October 1, 2004, the Partnership, the independent growers and Hamakua entered into an agreement with Mauna Loa whereby Mauna Loa terminated its agreement to acquire the assets of Mac Farms, and the Partnership, the independent growers and Hamakua caused their lawsuits to be dismissed.

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

No matters were submitted during the fourth quarter of the fiscal year covered by this report to a vote of security holders.

## PART II

### ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S CLASS A UNITS AND RELATED UNITHOLDER MATTERS

The Partnership's Class A Depositary Units are listed for trading on the New York Stock Exchange (symbol = NUT). There were 1,096 registered holders of Class A Depositary Units on December 31, 2005.

Distributions declared and high and low sales prices of the Class A Depositary Units, based on New York Stock Exchange daily composite transactions, are shown in the table below:

	Distribution	High	Low
<b>2005:</b> 4th Quarter	\$0.050	6.09	5.60
3rd Quarter	0.050	6.19	5.30
2nd Quarter	0.050	6.19	5.45
1st Quarter	0.050	6.26	5.45
<b>2004:</b> 4th Quarter	\$0.050	6.00	3.80
3rd Quarter	0.050	4.39	3.80
2nd Quarter	0.050	4.77	3.85
1st Quarter	0.050	4.75	3.51

#### Restrictions on Cash Distributions

In connection with the Partnership's Credit Agreement with American AgCredit Capital Markets, cash distributions to partners are restricted unless the Partnership is in compliance with specified terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement, including restrictions on further indebtedness, sales of assets, and maintenance of certain financial ratios. The Partnership was in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement at December 31, 2004 except for its debt coverage ratio. The lender has provided a waiver to the loan covenants for this ratio for the fourth quarter 2004. Had the lender not waived the restriction the Partnership would have been restricted in its ability to pay distributions to the limited partners. The Partnership was in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement at December 31, 2005.

**ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA**

(In thousands, except per pound and per unit data)

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Financial:					
Total revenue	\$ 17,378	\$ 13,665	\$ 15,426	\$ 14,556	\$ 16,893
Net cash provided by					
operating activities (1)	1,913	368	2,262	2,166	2,237
Income (loss) before taxes	900	(1,644)	111	(447)	1,112
Net income (loss)	771	(1,649)	69	(480)	1,010
Distributions declared	1,500	1,515	1,212	1,515	1,515
Total working capital	3,429	2,931	4,165	3,220	3,183
Total assets	58,046	58,438	60,069	61,803	65,329
Long-term debt, non current	1,600	2,034	2,468	2,920	3,402
Total partners' capital	49,389	50,542	53,706	54,849	56,844
Class A limited partners' capital	49,308	50,037	53,169	54,300	56,275
Net cash flow (2)	2,501	466	2,157	1,592	3,093
Operations:					
Acres harvested	4,169	4,169	4,169	4,169	4,169
Macadamia nuts harvested (lbs.) (3)	21,707	18,933	21,196	21,404	23,013
Net price \$/lb. (3)(4)	\$ 0.5550	\$ 0.4972	\$ 0.4857	\$ 0.4748	\$ 0.4830
Per Class A Unit (5):					
Net income (loss)	0.10	(0.22)	0.01	(0.06)	0.13
Net cash flow (2)	0.33	0.06	0.28	0.21	0.41
Distributions	0.20	0.20	0.16	0.20	0.20
Partners' capital	6.57	6.67	7.09	7.24	7.50

(1) See "Statements of Cash Flows" in the financial statements for method of calculation.

(2) See Footnote 5 in the notes to financial statements for method of calculation.

(3) Wet-in-shell at 25% moisture.

(4) Weighted average for all orchards.

(5) 7,500,000 Class A Units were issued and outstanding for all periods presented.



Contractual obligations for the Partnership are detailed in the following:

		Payments	Due by	Period	
Contractual Obligations	Total	Less Than 1 Year	1-3 Years	3-5 Years	More Than 5 Years
Long-Term Debt	\$2,000,000	\$400,000	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$ -
Capital Lease Obligations	34,000	34,000	-	-	-
Operating Leases	3,809,000	375,000	601,000	330,000	2,503,000
Purchase Obligations	-	-	-	-	-
Other Long-Term Liabilities off The Registrant's Balance Sheet under GAAP	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$5,843,000	\$809,000	\$1,401,000	\$1,130,000	\$2,503,000

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

This discussion should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this report.

### Results of operations – 2005, 2004, 2003

#### *Owned-Orchard Segment - Production and Yields*

Production and yield data for the eight orchards are summarized below (expressed in wet-in-shell pounds at 25% moisture):

Orchard	Acquired	Acreage	2005 Production	Average Yield per Acre		
				2005	2004	2003
Keaau I	June 1986	1,467	5,799,491	3,953	3,880	4,271
Keaau II	Oct. 1989	220	606,790	2,758	2,729	2,862
Keaau Lot 10	Sept. 1991	78	247,110	3,168	3,221	3,255
Ka'u I	June 1986	956	7,598,092	7,948	5,353	5,886
Ka'u Green Shoe I	Dec. 1986	266	1,702,137	6,399	6,632	7,619
Ka'u II	Oct. 1989	714	3,539,295	4,957	5,067	5,504
Ka'u O	May 2000	142	803,036	5,655	4,464	5,252
Mauna Kea	Oct. 1989	326	1,410,597	4,327	3,851	5,271
Totals (except yields which are averages)		4,169	21,706,548	5,207	4,541	5,084

Production for the orchards purchased in 1989 and 2000 is net of unusable nuts, as stated in their respective nut purchase agreements. Production for the orchards purchased in 1986 and 1991 includes all nuts delivered. The nut purchase contracts for the 1986 orchards require the purchaser, Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation ("Mauna Loa"), to purchase all of the nuts delivered from these orchards. The 1991 contract, renegotiated this year, allows for a set price within a range of unusable of 10% to 13%. The Partnership reports on a calendar year basis, though the natural crop year generally begins in August and runs through April.

Production in 2005 was 14.6% greater than 2004 and 2.4% greater than 2003. Production in 2004 was 10.7% lower than 2003 and 11.5% lower than 2002. Significant factors affecting the crop were as follows:

1. The drought in the Ka'u orchards in 2003 affected the nut set, development and production for the spring of 2004.
2. The above average rainfall in the Keaau and Mauna Kea orchards negatively impacted the pollination and nut set in 2004.
3. The Ka'u region recorded above average rainfall in 2004. The rainfall replenished the soil moisture and improved yields in the region for the spring of 2005.
4. The maturation of the crop was delayed by the weather conditions which resulted in less production in the fall of 2004 and improved yields in the spring of 2005.
5. The Ka'u region recorded below average rainfall in 2005. The shortfall during the early spring to fall is expected to reduce yields in the spring of 2006. Above average rainfall November 2005 to February 2006 is expected to have a positive effect on the fall 2006 production.
6. A late and abbreviated flower season in the Keaau and Mauna Kea regions resulted in lower production in the fall of 2005. The spring 2006 production is expected to be comparable to the production in the spring of 2005.

The Ka'u Green Shoe I orchard and the Mauna Kea orchard are fully mature. As a result, the yields from these orchards are expected to produce on average with the Partnership's mature orchards. At full maturity under favorable growing conditions, a macadamia orchard can produce between 4,500 and 7,500 WIS pounds of macadamia nuts per acre each year at Ka'u and between 2,500 and 6,000 WIS pounds of macadamia nuts per acre each year at Keaau. All the trees have reached full maturity in the Mauna Kea area and it is expected that production will approximate Keaau levels.

#### ***Owned-Orchard Segment - Nut Revenue***

Macadamia nut revenues depend on the number of producing acres, yields per acre and the nut purchase price. The impact of these factors is summarized in the following table:

	2005	2004	2003	2005 vs 2004	2004 vs 2003
Trees acres harvested	4,169	4,169	4,169	-	-
Average yield (WIS lbs./acre)	5,207	4,541	5,084	+ 15%	- 11%
Nuts harvested (000's WIS lbs.)	21,707	18,933	21,196	+ 15%	- 11%
Nut price (\$/WIS lbs. @ 25%)	0.5550	0.4972	0.4857	+ 12%	+ 2%
Gross nut sales (\$000)	\$12,048	\$9,414	\$10,295	+ 28%	- 9%
Prior year nut price settlement	576	-	14		
2003 early harvest settlement	-	-	150		
2004 Mac Farms settlement	60	-	-		
Recorded nut sales (\$000s)	\$12,684	\$9,414	\$10,459		

Under three of the nut purchase contracts with Mauna Loa, the price for nuts delivered is based 50% on the two-year trailing average of USDA published macadamia nut prices and 50% on a "netback component". The netback component is determined by subtracting from Mauna Loa's gross revenues

from the sale of macadamia products (i) allocable processing, packaging, marketing, selling and advertising costs and (ii) a 20% capital charge on the difference between those aggregate gross revenues and aggregate allocable costs.

In mid-December 2004, Mauna Loa notified the Partnership that it would be unable to accept deliveries over a five-day period during the height of the harvest season. The Partnership advised Mauna Loa that this was unacceptable for both financial and operational reasons and arrangements would be made to deliver the nuts to another processor. After alternative deliveries had been committed to, Mauna Loa notified the Partnership that it was willing to accept delivery. As a result of the alternative commitment, the Partnership delivered approximately 240,000 pounds of nuts to Mac Farms of Hawaii at a price of 93 cents per pound over a two-day period. In late December, Mauna Loa notified the Partnership that it intended to deduct \$118,000 from future nut payments as damages. The Partnership notified Mauna Loa that the deduction was a violation of our various contracts and the Partnership would consider termination of the contracts if such deduction were made. Mauna Loa has since withdrawn their notice of deduction, but the Partnership reserved \$118,000 in 2004. A settlement was reached with Mauna Loa whereby the Partnership paid Mauna Loa approximately \$58,000. As a result the Partnership recorded \$60,000 of nut revenue in 2005 from the 2004 reserve.

The following table sets forth the manner in which the nut purchase price per pound was determined for 2005, 2004 and 2003 (\$/lb.):

	2005	2004	2003
USDA price - two years prior (a)	0.5391	0.5666	0.5601
USDA price - one year prior (a)	0.5769	0.5391	0.5666
USDA price - two year trailing average	0.5580	0.5528	0.5634
Gross revenues	2.1093	1.3929	1.4346
Less allocable processing, packaging, marketing, sales and advertising costs	1.4268	0.8515	0.9400
Less 20% capital charge	0.1365	0.1083	0.0996
Net-back component	0.5460	0.4331	0.3950
USDA price - two year trailing average	0.5580	0.5528	0.5634
Net-back component	0.5460	0.4331	0.3950
Average of USDA two year trailing average price and net-back component	0.5520	0.4929	0.4792
Plus Hawaii general excise tax (0.5%)	0.0028	0.0025	0.0024
Net purchase price (b) (c) (d) (e)	0.5548	0.4954	0.4816

- (a) Mauna Loa's own purchases comprise a substantial portion of nut purchases reported to the USDA. Therefore, the USDA price component of the purchase price is, to a substantial degree, the average price that Mauna Loa has paid to purchase macadamia nuts from the Partnership and from third parties during the previous two years.
- (b) The nut purchase price for the 1986 and 1989 orchards was the same for 1999 and all previous years. With the change of ownership of Mauna Loa in 2000, a quality conversion factor in the nut purchase contracts was initiated. The effect was to cause a slightly different price of \$0.4808 for the 1989 orchards in 2003, \$0.4951 in 2004 and \$0.5542 in 2005. An early harvest round was requested by

Mauna Loa in 2003 resulting in a payment of \$150,000 over the contract price. With this payment the 2003 price was \$0.4883.

- (c) The nut purchase contract covering nut production from the 78 acre Keaau Lot 10 orchard acquired in September 1991 defines the "two-year trailing average" provision slightly differently from the 1986 and 1989 nut purchase contracts, and thus results in a different nut price. This was in affect for the first six months of 2003. A new contract was negotiated with a fixed price for all nuts with unusables in a range of 10% to 13%. The nut price for this orchard was \$0.6000 in 2005, \$0.6000 in 2004, and \$0.5923 in 2003. This orchard accounts for less than 2% of the Partnership's macadamia nut production.
- (d) The nut purchase contract for the Ka'u O orchards purchased in May 2000 uses only the two-year trailing USDA average to determine its nut price, which was \$0.5610 in 2005, \$0.5560 in 2004 and \$0.5660 in 2003.
- (e) Mauna Loa has provided the final 2004 audited nut price to the Partnership resulting in an additional \$576,000 paid in 2005.
- (f) Mauna Loa has not provided the final 2005 audited nut price to the Partnership. The Partnership has not completed its internal review of the nut price calculation.

The 2005 average nut price from all orchards increased 12% from 2004 before 2004 adjustments realized in 2005. If the 2004 nut price was adjusted by those adjustments the average nut price increase for 2005 compared to 2004 would be 5%. The 2004 average nut price from all orchards increased 3% from 2003. The USDA portion increased 1% in 2005, decreased 2% in 2004 and decreased 5% in 2003. The netback increased 26% in 2005 compared to 2004 and increased 10% in 2004 compared to 2003. The current netback price reflects the operating performance of Mauna Loa.

The USDA published price for the 2004-2005 crop year was \$0.7018 per pound (WIS at 25% moisture), which is 22% higher than the 2003-2004 crop year of \$0.5769, and 30% higher than the 2002-2003 price of \$0.5391. The USDA two-year trailing average, which affects the Partnership's 2006 nut price, will be \$0.6394, a 15% increase over the 2005 two-year average.

#### ***Owned-Orchard Segment - Cost of Goods Sold***

Agricultural unit costs depend on the operating expenses required to maintain the orchards and to harvest the crop as well as on the quantity of nuts actually harvested.

The Partnership's unit costs (expressed in dollars per wet-in-shell pound at 25% moisture) are calculated by dividing all agricultural costs for each orchard (including lease rent, property tax, tree insurance and depreciation) by the number of pounds of macadamia nuts produced by that orchard and are summarized below (\$/lb.):

Orchard	Acquired	Cost per pound		
		2005	2004	2003
Keaau I	June 1986	0.5866	0.5767	0.5453
Keaau II	Oct. 1989	0.6501	0.5545	0.6179
Keaau Lot 10	Sept. 1991	0.3836	0.4491	0.3461
Ka'u I	June 1986	0.4289	0.5211	0.4611
Ka'u Green Shoe I	Dec. 1986	0.2769	0.3409	0.2533
Ka'u II	Oct. 1989	0.4112	0.3938	0.3822
Ka'u O	May 2000	0.3507	0.4226	0.3403
Mauna Kea	Oct. 1989	0.5984	0.7119	0.4976
All Orchards		0.4700	0.5062	0.4582

Cost of goods sold was \$535,000 higher in 2005 than in 2004, and \$255,000 lower in 2004 than in 2003, but the cost per pound was 7.2% lower in 2005 than 2004 and 2004 was 10.4% higher than 2003. The higher production costs in 2005 were the results of higher harvesting and husking costs because of more pounds handled. The lower production costs in 2004 were a result of lower harvesting and husking costs because of fewer pounds handled. The lower production costs in 2003 were the result of lower production costs in Ka'u and Mauna Kea.

#### ***Farming Segment - Farming Service Revenue***

As a result of the acquisition of the farming operation in 2000, the Partnership acquired approximately 20 farming contracts to farm macadamia orchards owned by other growers. These contracts cover macadamia orchards in the same three locations on the island of Hawaii where the Partnership owns orchards. The farming contracts provide the Partnership to be reimbursed for all direct farming costs (cultivation, irrigation and harvesting), collect a pro-rata share of indirect costs and overheads, and charge a management fee. The management fee is based on the number of acres farmed or on a percentage of total costs billed. Revenues from farming services were \$4.7 million in 2005, \$4.3 million in 2004, and \$5.0 million for 2003. The 2005 farming service revenues were less than anticipated because of a windstorm which destroyed a large percentage of trees in three contract orchards. The 2004 farming service revenues were less than expected because of the late drop of nuts in the fall crop. The 2003 farming service revenues were greater than anticipated because of the timing of harvesting. Three farming service contracts terminated on December 31, 2005 which reduces the number of farming service contracts to about seventeen totaling about 2,040 acres. The farming service revenue in 2005 for these three contracts was about \$492,000 with management fees of about \$70,000.

#### ***Farming Segment - Cost of Services Sold***

The cost of services sold relating to the farming contracts was \$4.3 million in 2005, \$3.9 million in 2004 and \$4.5 million for 2003. These costs were all reimbursed to the Partnership.

#### ***General and Administrative Costs***

General and administrative expenses are comprised of accounting and reporting costs, reimbursements to the Managing Partner for directors' fees, office expenses and liability insurance, and the management fee. In addition, general and administrative costs are also incurred in connection with the farming operations. Previous to the May 2000 acquisition, general and administration costs relating to the Partnership's orchards were included in the Partnership's farming expenses.

General and administrative costs for 2005 were \$48,000 lower than for 2004, which is attributed to lower legal costs, offset by higher costs associated with Sarbanes Oxley preparation, accounting and orchard operations. Total general and administrative costs for 2004 were \$482,000 higher than 2003, which is attributed to higher legal costs. In 2004 legal costs of \$464,000 were related to the lawsuit, initiated and settled, to prevent Mauna Loa from acquiring MacFarms of Hawaii, LLC.

A management fee based on Partnership cash flow is payable annually to the Managing Partner. The amount paid was \$9,000 in 2004, \$44,000 in 2003. There was no management fee in 2005 as the Partnership acquired MLR, the managing partner and the fees are eliminated in consolidation.

#### ***Interest Income and Expense***

The Partnership recorded interest expense of \$237,000 in 2005, \$182,000 in 2004, and \$203,000 in 2003. This was due to (1) the long-term loan used to acquire the farming operations, (2) the assumption of several capitalized equipment leases, and (3) interest expense on a revolving line of credit.

The Partnership funds its working capital needs through funds on hand and, when needed, from short-term borrowings, generating interest expense in the process. Net interest income or expense, therefore, is partly a function of any balance carried over from the prior year, the amount and timing of cash generated and distributions paid to investors in the current year, as well as the current level of interest rates. Interest was earned in the amount of \$5,000 in 2005, \$11,000 in 2004 and \$12,000 in 2003.

Other income of \$151,000 was recorded in 2005 of which \$147,000 was from crop insurance. Other income of \$32,000 was recorded in 2004 from crop insurance. Other income of \$260,000 was recorded in 2003 with \$206,000 from crop insurance and \$40,000 from the settlement of a written off receivable.

### ***Inflation and Taxes***

In general, prices paid to macadamia nut farmers fluctuate independently of inflation. Macadamia nut prices are influenced strongly by prices for finished macadamia products, which depend on competition and consumer acceptance. Farming costs, particularly labor and materials, and general and administrative costs do generally reflect inflationary trends.

The Partnership is subject to a gross income tax as a result of its election to continue to be taxed as a partnership rather than to be taxed as a corporation, as allowed by the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997. This tax is calculated at 3.5% on partnership gross income (net revenues less cost of goods sold) beginning in 1998. The gross income tax was \$129,000 in 2005, \$5,000 in 2004, and \$42,000 in 2003.

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

Net cash provided by operations was \$1.9 million in 2005 an increase of approximately \$1.6 million compared to 2004. Net cash provided by operations was \$368,000 in 2004 a decrease of approximately \$2.0 million compared to 2003. Net cash provided by operations was \$2.3 million in 2003.

At December 31, 2005 the Partnership's working capital was \$3.4 million and its current ratio was 1.59 to 1, compared to \$2.9 million and 1.63 to 1 in 2004. In 2004 the Partnership's working capital was \$2.9 million and its current ratio was 1.63 to 1, compared to \$4.2 million and 2.55 to 1 in 2003. In 2005 the increase in working capital compared to 2004 was result of higher revenue and lower general and administrative costs. In 2004 the decrease in working capital compared to 2003 was a result of lower revenue and higher general and administrative costs. In 2003 the increase in working capital compared to 2002 was a result of higher revenue, higher interest and other income, lower general and administrative costs, and lower interest costs.

The Partnership was in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement at December 31, 2004 except for its Debt Coverage Ratio. The lender has provided a waiver to the loan covenants for the fourth quarter 2004. The Partnership was in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement at December 31, 2005.

Capital expenditures in 2005, 2004 and 2003 were \$83,000, \$172,000 and \$20,000, respectively. The increase in 2005 was the result of computer purchases and modifications to farming equipment. The increase in 2004 was the result of purchases by the Partnership of expiring leases. Capital expenditures planned for 2006 are less than \$500,000 and are expected to be financed by way of new equipment leases, either capital or operating leases.

Macadamia nut farming is seasonal, with production peaking late in the fall. However, farming operations continue year round. As a result, additional working capital is required for much of the year. The Partnership meets its working capital needs with cash on hand, and when necessary, through short-term borrowings under a \$5.0 million revolving line of credit. The line of credit was obtained on May 2, 2000 and expires May 1, 2008. At December 31, 2005 the Partnership had a cash balance of \$378,000 and line of credit drawings outstanding of \$2,900,000. At December 31, 2004 the Partnership had a cash

balance of \$196,000 and line of credit drawings outstanding of \$2,200,000. The cash balance was \$36,000 at the end of 2003, and the line of credit drawings were \$400,000 at December 31, 2003.

As a Limited Partnership, we expect to pay regular cash distributions to the Partnership's unit holders if the cash flow from operations, as defined in the Management Agreement, exceeds the operating and capital resource needs of the Partnership, as determined by management. These cash distributions are expected to be paid from operating cash flow and / or other resources. The Partnership has declared and paid cash distributions for 79 consecutive quarters. In December, 2005, the Partnership declared a distribution of \$0.05 per Class A unit (a total of \$375,000), which was paid February 15, 2006 to the unit holders of record as of December 31, 2005.

It is the opinion of management that the Partnership has adequate cash on hand and borrowing capacity available to meet anticipated working capital needs for operations as presently conducted. However, with the September 2000 sale of Mauna Loa, the managing partner no longer has control over the timing of nut payments to the Partnership. The nut purchase contracts require Mauna Loa to make nut payments 30 days after the end of each quarter. During certain parts of the year, if payments are not received, as the contracts require, available cash resources could be depleted.

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

Management has identified the following critical accounting policies that affect the Partnership's more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of the Partnership's financial statements. The preparation of the Partnership's financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Partnership's management to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. On an on-going basis, management evaluates those estimates, including those related to asset impairment, accruals for self-insurance, compensation and related benefits, revenue recognition, allowance for doubtful accounts, contingencies and litigation. The Partnership states these accounting policies in the notes to the financial statements and in relevant sections in this discussion and analysis. These estimates are based on the information that is currently available to the Partnership and on various other assumptions that management believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could vary from those estimates.

The Partnership believes that the following critical accounting policies affect significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of its financial statements:

The Partnership maintains an allowance for doubtful accounts for estimated losses resulting from the failure of its customers to make required payments, which results in bad debt expense. Management determines the adequacy of this allowance by continually evaluating individual customer receivables, considering the customer's financial condition, credit history and current economic conditions. If the financial condition of customers were to deteriorate, or if a customer refuses to pay or disputes any such payment, additional allowances may be required.

The Partnership maintains an accrual for workers compensation claims to the extent that the Partnership's current insurance policies will not cover such claims. This accrual is included in other accrued liabilities in the accompanying balance sheet. Management determines the adequacy of the accrual by periodically evaluating the historical experience and projected trends related to outstanding and potential workers compensation claims. If such information indicates that the accrual is over or understated, the Partnership will adjust the assumptions utilized in the methodologies and reduce or provide for additional accrual as appropriate.

**Retirement Benefits:** The Partnership sponsors a non-contributory defined benefit pension plan for union employees. Several statistical and other factors which attempt to anticipate future events are used in calculating the expense and liabilities related to this plan. These factors include assumptions about the discount rate, expected return on plan assets, withdrawal and mortality rates and the rate of increase in compensation levels. The actuarial assumptions used by the Partnership may differ materially from actual results due to changing market and economic conditions, higher or lower withdrawal rates or longer or shorter mortality of participants. These differences may impact the amount of retirement benefit expense recorded by the Partnership in future periods.

The Partnership reviews long-lived assets held and used, or held for sale for impairment annually or whenever events or circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. If an evaluation is required, the estimated undiscounted future cash flows associated with the asset are compared to the asset's carrying amount to determine if an impairment charge is required. All long-lived assets for which management has committed to a plan of disposal are reported at the lower of carrying amount or fair value. Changes in projected cash flows generated by an asset based on new events or circumstances may indicate a change in fair value and require a new evaluation of recoverability of the asset.

The Partnership has five nut purchase contracts of which two have fixed prices and three have determinable prices to be paid for the nuts delivered to the buyer. There are two components to the three determinable price based contracts, first, a trailing two year average of the USDA nut price and second, a netback price determined from Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation's ("Mauna Loa") operating results for the calendar year. The USDA component is known prior to the start of each year. The Mauna Loa component is derived from Mauna Loa's production activity for the year, however the final amount related to this component does not become known to the Partnership until after Mauna Loa closes its accounting records for the year and undergoes an independent audit of the component's calculation. No element of this calculation is dependent on production or sales activity that occurs after the calendar year end. Upon receipt of the audited netback calculation, the Partnership has 120 days to accept or dispute the findings of the audit.

The Partnership recognizes revenue under these determinable price contracts using the best information available to the Partnership at the time it files its quarterly and annual financial statements. The Partnership relies to a large extent on the preliminary netback calculations provided to the Partnership by Mauna Loa. Management evaluates the reasonableness of this information based on a variety of factors including prior historical data and expectations for the current year's production. Once the final netback calculation has been reviewed and accepted by the Partnership, any incremental difference between the final calculation and the preliminary calculation is recognized as revenue. Historically in 17 of 20 years there have been no adjustments as the audit has been completed in a timely manner. In the remaining 3 years this adjustment has resulted in recording additional revenue in the period the calculation was accepted. In the rare event that the final netback calculation was expected to be below the preliminary calculation, management would accrue that downward revenue adjustment at the time it becomes known.

## **Legal Proceedings**

As reported on August 13, 2004, in the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of ML Macadamia Orchards, L.P. (the "Partnership") for its fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2004, the Partnership and several independent growers filed suit against Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation in the Circuit Court of the Third Judicial Circuit of the State of Hawaii in Hilo, alleging that the proposed acquisition by Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation ("Mauna Loa") of the assets of Mauna Loa's major competitor, Mac Farms of Hawaii, LLC ("Mac Farms"), would give Mauna Loa a monopoly over the supply and processing of wet-in-shell macadamia nuts on the Island of Hawaii, which in turn would give Mauna Loa monopoly



power over the growers and other processors on the Island of Hawaii and consumers of macadamia nuts in Hawaii and on the mainland United States. Hamakua Macadamia Nut Company, Inc. ("Hamakua") subsequently filed its own lawsuit against Mauna Loa, which was then consolidated with the Partnership's case.

On October 1, 2004, the Partnership, the independent growers and Hamakua entered into an agreement with Mauna Loa whereby Mauna Loa terminated its agreement to acquire the assets of Mac Farms, and the Partnership, the independent growers and Hamakua caused their lawsuits to be dismissed.

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

The Partnership is exposed to market risks resulting from changes in interest rates. The interest rates on the Partnership's Credit Agreement, which are based on LIBOR (Farm Credit Discount Note Rate and the Farm Credit Medium Term Note Rate), are adjusted periodically based on the Partnership's election to fix interest rates for periods ranging from between three months and five years. As of December 31, 2005, a one percent increase or decrease in the applicable rate under the Credit agreement will result in an interest expense fluctuation of approximately \$16,000.

## **ITEM 8. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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## **REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Partners  
ML Macadamia Orchards, L.P.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and the related consolidated statements of income, partners' capital, and cash flows, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of ML Macadamia Orchards, L.P. and its subsidiary at December 31, 2005 and 2004, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2005 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Partnership's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these statements 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, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Honolulu, Hawaii  
March 10, 2006

**ML Macadamia Orchards, L.P.**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheets**  
(in thousands)

	<b>December 31,</b>	
	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
<b><u>Assets</u></b>		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 378	\$ 196
Accounts receivable	8,433	7,092
Inventory of farming supplies	270	145
Other current assets	178	153
Total current assets	<u>9,259</u>	<u>7,586</u>
Land, orchards and equipment, net	48,722	50,810
Intangible assets, net	65	42
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 58,046</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 58,438</u></u>
<b><u>Liabilities and partners' capital</u></b>		
Current liabilities		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 434	\$ 435
Short-term borrowings	2,900	2,200
Accounts payable	770	738
Cash distributions payable	375	379
Accrued payroll and benefits	935	873
Other current liabilities	416	30
Total current liabilities	<u>5,830</u>	<u>4,655</u>
Long-term debt	1,600	2,034
Deferred income tax liability	1,227	1,207
Total liabilities	<u>8,657</u>	<u>7,896</u>
Commitments and contingencies		
Partners' capital		
General partner	81	505
Class A limited partners, no par or assigned value,		
7,500 units issued and outstanding	49,308	50,037
Total partners' capital	<u>49,389</u>	<u>50,542</u>
Total liabilities and partners' capital	<u><u>\$ 58,046</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 58,438</u></u>

*See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.*

**ML Macadamia Orchards, L.P.**  
**Consolidated Income Statements**  
(in thousands, except per unit data)

	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>
Macadamia nut sales	\$ 12,684	\$ 9,414	\$ 10,459
Contract farming revenue	4,694	4,251	4,967
Total revenues	<u>17,378</u>	<u>13,665</u>	<u>15,426</u>
Cost of goods and services sold			
Costs of macadamia nut sales	10,202	9,667	9,712
Costs of contract farming services	4,274	3,860	4,511
Total cost of goods and services sold	<u>14,476</u>	<u>13,527</u>	<u>14,223</u>
Gross income	<u>2,902</u>	<u>138</u>	<u>1,203</u>
General and administrative expenses			
Costs expensed under management agreement with related party	-	177	204
Legal fees paid to related party	32	495	33
Other	1,563	971	924
Total general and administrative expenses	<u>1,595</u>	<u>1,643</u>	<u>1,161</u>
Extinguishment of management agreement	<u>(326)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Operating income (loss)	981	(1,505)	42
Interest expense	(237)	(182)	(203)
Interest income	5	11	12
Other income	151	32	260
Income (loss) before tax	<u>900</u>	<u>(1,644)</u>	<u>111</u>
Income tax expense	<u>(129)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(42)</u>
Net income (loss)	<u><u>\$ 771</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (1,649)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 69</u></u>
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Net cash flow (as defined in the Partnership Agreement)	<u><u>\$ 2,501</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 466</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,157</u></u>
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Net income (loss) per Class A Unit	<u><u>\$ 0.10</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (0.22)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 0.01</u></u>
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Net cash flow per Class A Unit (as defined in the Partnership Agreement)	<u><u>\$ 0.33</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 0.06</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 0.28</u></u>
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Cash distributions per Class A Unit	<u><u>\$ 0.20</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 0.20</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 0.16</u></u>
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Class A Units outstanding	<u><u>7,500</u></u>	<u><u>7,500</u></u>	<u><u>7,500</u></u>

*See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.*

**ML Macadamia Orchards, L.P.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Partners' Capital**  
(in thousands)

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
Partners' capital at beginning of period:			
General partner	\$ 505	\$ 537	\$ 549
Class A limited partners	50,037	53,169	54,300
	<u>50,542</u>	<u>53,706</u>	<u>54,849</u>
Acquisition of ML Resources, Inc.	(424)	-	-
	<u>(424)</u>	<u>53,706</u>	<u>54,849</u>
Allocation of net income (loss):			
General partner	-	(17)	1
Class A limited partners	771	(1,632)	68
	<u>771</u>	<u>(1,649)</u>	<u>69</u>
Cash distributions:			
General partner	-	15	13
Class A limited partners	1,500	1,500	1,199
	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,515</u>	<u>1,212</u>
Partners' capital at end of period:			
General partner	81	505	537
Class A limited partners	49,308	50,037	53,169
	<u>\$ 49,389</u>	<u>\$ 50,542</u>	<u>\$ 53,706</u>

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**ML Macadamia Orchards, L.P.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**  
(in thousands)

	2005	2004	2003
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Cash received for goods and services	\$ 16,795	\$ 13,947	\$ 15,433
Cash paid to suppliers and employees	(14,568)	(13,393)	(12,973)
Income tax paid	(82)	(15)	-
Interest received	5	11	5
Interest paid	(237)	(182)	(203)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>1,913</u>	<u>368</u>	<u>2,262</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Proceeds from sale of equipment	14	-	-
Capital expenditures	(83)	(172)	(20)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(69)</u>	<u>(20)</u>	<u>(20)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from drawings on line of credit	8,800	5,400	3,800
Repayment of long term debt	(400)	(400)	(400)
Repayment of line of credit	(8,100)	(3,600)	(4,200)
Loan cost	-	(20)	-
Acquisition of general partner's units	(424)	-	-
Capital lease payments	(35)	(52)	(73)
Cash distributions paid	(1,503)	(1,364)	(1,364)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<u>(1,662)</u>	<u>(36)</u>	<u>(2,237)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash	182	160	5
Cash at beginning of period	196	36	31
Cash at end of period	<u>\$ 378</u>	<u>\$ 196</u>	<u>\$ 36</u>
Reconciliation of net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Net income (loss)	\$ 771	\$ (1,649)	\$ 69
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	2,165	2,571	2,563
Increase in accounts receivable	(1,341)	(566)	(869)
(Increase) decrease in inventories	(125)	(4)	17
(Increase) decrease in other current assets	(25)	(10)	48
Increase in other assets	(32)	(7)	-
Increase in accounts payable	32	245	93
Increase in accrued payroll	62	26	105
Increase (decrease) in current liabilities	386	(231)	240
Deferred income tax expense (credit)	20	(7)	(4)
Total adjustments	<u>1,142</u>	<u>2,017</u>	<u>2,193</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$ 1,913</u>	<u>\$ 368</u>	<u>\$ 2,262</u>
Supplemental schedule of noncash financing activities			
Distributions declared but not paid	<u>\$ 375</u>	<u>\$ 379</u>	<u>\$ 227</u>

*See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.*

## **ML Macadamia Orchards, L.P.**

### **Notes to Financial Statements**

#### **(1) OPERATIONS AND OWNERSHIP**

ML Macadamia Orchards, L.P. (the "Partnership") owns and farms 4,169 tree acres of macadamia orchards on the island of Hawaii. Once the nuts are harvested, the Partnership sells them to another entity, which processes and markets the finished products. The Partnership farms approximately 2,505 additional acres of macadamia orchards on Hawaii for other orchard owners.

The Partnership is owned 99% by limited partners and 1% by the managing general partner, ML Resources, Inc. ("MLR"). On January 6, 2005, the stock of ML Resources, Inc. was purchased by the Partnership for \$750,000 in cash. The transaction was accounted for as an asset purchase as opposed to a business combination since MLR had no substantive operations and its principal purpose was to own and hold 75,757 general partner units of the Partnership. The acquisition of the general partner units held by MLR results in the Class A limited partners effectively owning 100% of the Partnership.

The purchase price was allocated between the acquired general partner units and the extinguishment of the management contract between MLR and the Partnership. The fair value of the general partner units at the date of acquisition was determined to be \$424,000 which was recorded as a reduction in partners' capital. The fair value of the general partner units was determined based on the quoted market value of Class A limited partner units. No discounts for lack of marketability or premiums for control preferences were applied in determining the fair value of the general partner units. The remaining \$326,000 representing the extinguishment of the management contract was charged to expense.

As a result of the transaction, MLR's operations have been included in the Partnership's consolidated financial statements beginning with the first quarter of 2005.

Limited partner interests are represented by Class A Units, which are evidenced by depositary receipts that trade publicly and are listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

#### **(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**(a) Cash and Cash Equivalents.** Cash and cash equivalents include unrestricted demand deposits with banks and all highly liquid deposits with an original maturity of less than three months. The cash equivalents are not protected by federal deposit insurance.

**(b) Financial Instruments.** The fair value of the line of credit and a portion of the long-term financial instruments is approximately the carrying value as they have variable interest rates. The remaining portion of the long-term financial instrument has a fixed rate and the fair value compared to carrying value is disclosed.

**(c) Consolidation.** The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Partnership and for 2005, ML Resources, Inc. All significant intercompany balances and transactions, including management fees and distributions, have been eliminated.

**(d) Farming Costs.** In accordance with industry practice in Hawaii, orchard maintenance and harvesting costs for commercially producing macadamia orchards are charged against earnings in the year that the costs are incurred.

**(e) Inventory.** Supplies inventory is relieved on an average cost basis to cost of farming expense as used.

**(f) Land, Orchards and Equipment.** Land, orchards and equipment are reported at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization. Net farming costs for any "developing" orchards are



capitalized on the balance sheet until revenues from that orchard exceed expenses for that orchard (or nine years after planting, if earlier).

Depreciation of orchards and other equipment is reported on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets (40 years for orchards and between 5 and 12 years for other equipment). A 5% residual value is assumed for orchards. The macadamia orchards acquired in 1986 situated on leased land are being amortized on a straight-line basis over the terms of the leases (approximately 33 years from the inception of the Partnership) with no residual value assumed. The macadamia orchards acquired in 1989 situated on leased land are being amortized on a straight-line basis over a 40 year period (the terms of these leases exceed 40 years) with no residual value assumed. For income tax reporting, depreciation is calculated under the straight line method over Alternative Depreciation System recovery periods.

Repairs and maintenance costs are expensed unless they exceed \$5,000 and extend the useful life beyond the depreciable life.

The Partnership reviews long-lived assets held and used, or held for sale for impairment annually or whenever events or circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. If an evaluation is required, the estimated undiscounted future cash flows associated with the asset are compared to the asset's carrying amount to determine if an impairment charge is required. If an impairment charge is required the Partnership would write the assets down to fair value. All long-lived assets for which management has committed to a plan of disposal are reported at the lower of carrying amount or fair value as determined by quoted market price or a present value technique. Changes in projected cash flows generated by an asset based on new events or circumstances may indicate a change in fair value and require a new evaluation of recoverability of the asset.

**(g) Income Taxes.** The accompanying income statements do not include a provision for corporate income taxes, as the income of the Partnership is not taxed directly; rather, the Partnership's tax attributes are included in the individual tax returns of its partners. Neither the Partnership's financial reporting income nor the cash distributions to unit holders can be used as a substitute for the detailed tax calculations which the Partnership must perform annually for its partners.

The Partnership is subject to a gross income tax as a result of its election to continue to be taxed as a partnership rather than to be taxed as a corporation, as allowed by the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997. This tax is calculated at 3.5% on partnership gross income (net revenues less cost of goods sold) beginning in 1998.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial reporting and tax reporting basis of assets and liabilities.

**(h) Revenue.** Macadamia nut sales are recognized when nuts are delivered to the buyer. Contract farming revenue and administrative services revenues are recognized in the period that such services are completed, that is upon the incurrence of direct labor or equipment hours incurred on behalf of an orchard owner. The Partnership is paid for its services based upon a "time and materials" basis plus a percentage fee based upon each farming contract's terms, as opposed to fixed price or multiple element arrangements. Contract farming includes the regular maintenance of the owners' orchards as well as harvesting of their nuts. The Partnership provides these services on a continuing basis throughout the year.

**(i) Pension Benefit Costs.** The actuarial method used for financial accounting purposes is the projected unit credit method.

**(j) Estimates.** The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial

statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**(k) Net Income Per Class A Unit.** Net income per Class A Unit is calculated by dividing 100% of Partnership net income by the average number of Class A Units outstanding for the period.

### **(3) SEGMENT INFORMATION**

The Partnership has two reportable segments, the owned-orchard segment and the farming segment, which are organized on the basis of revenues and assets. The owned-orchard segment derives its revenues from the sale of macadamia nuts grown in orchards owned or leased by the Partnership. The farming segment derives its revenues from the farming of macadamia orchards owned by other growers. It also farms those orchards owned by the Partnership.

Management evaluates the performance of each segment on the basis of operating income. The Partnership accounts for intersegment sales and transfers at cost and are eliminated in consolidation.

The Partnership's reportable segments are distinct business enterprises that offer different products or services.

**(1) Revenues from the owned-orchard segment** are subject to long-term nut purchase contracts and tend to vary from year to year due to changes in the calculated nut price per pound and pounds produced.

**(a) Nut Purchase Contracts.** The Partnership is a party to five nut purchase contracts with Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation ("Mauna Loa"). The five nut purchase contracts cover all nuts produced by the orchards acquired in June 1986, December 1986, October 1989, September 1991, and May 2000 respectively. The first two contracts terminate December 31, 2006, while the third contract terminates June 30, 2019 and also provides for the exclusion of unusable nuts from those purchased by Mauna Loa. The first three contracts are identical in all other material respects. The fourth contract was acquired by assignment with the purchase of the September 1991 orchard and expired June 30, 2003. A new contract was negotiated and replaces the fourth contract with a termination date of December 31, 2006. The new fourth contract has a fixed nut price of \$0.60 per wet in shell (WIS) @25% pound with adjustment if usable nuts deduction is less than 10% or greater than 13%. The fifth contract was acquired by assignment with the purchase of the May 2000 orchards and terminates December 31, 2006. The fifth contract is similar to the first three contracts and also provides for the exclusion of unusable nuts. The first three contracts use a pricing formula based 50% on a two-year trailing average of the macadamia nut price published annually by the U.S. Department of Agriculture ("USDA") and 50% on Mauna Loa's "netback component". The netback component is calculated by subtracting Mauna Loa's processing and marketing costs per pound and a "capital charge" of 20% from its nut revenues per pound. The fifth contract uses only the USDA two-year trailing average to determine its nut price. The nut price paid to the Partnership under the first two contracts was \$0.4816 in 2003, \$0.4954 in 2004, and \$0.5548 in 2005. The average nut price paid to the Partnership under the third contract was \$0.4789 in 2003, \$0.4945 in 2004, and \$0.5525 in 2005. The average nut price paid to the Partnership under the fourth nut price contract was \$0.6000 for 2003, \$0.6000 in 2004, and \$0.6000 in 2005. The nut price paid to the Partnership under the fifth contract was \$0.5660 for 2003, \$0.5560 in 2004, and \$0.5610 in 2005.

In 2005 the Partnership received payment for the difference between the 2004 audited nut price and estimated 2004 nut price in the amount of \$576,000. Mauna Loa and the Partnership reached agreement of the nuts the Partnership delivered to Mac Farms of Hawaii in 2004, which was reserved for in 2004 in the amount of \$118,000. The Partnership recorded \$60,000 of nut revenue in 2005 from the 2004 reserve.

On December 16, 2004, a new nut purchase contract was signed with Hamakua Macadamia Nut Company ("Hamakua") for the delivery of six million pounds, effective January 1, 2007. The contract

provides for a minimum price of 79 cents per pounds and a maximum of 99 cents per pound. The pricing formula includes a fixed component of 85 cents and a second component based on Hamakua's average selling price for bulk kernel. Refer to Exhibit 10.52 on page 59.

On January 5, 2006, a new nut purchase contract was signed with Purdyco International, Ltd. dba Island Princess for the delivery of approximately two million WIS pounds, effective January 1, 2007. The nut price will be determined every six months by mutual agreement based on prevailing market price for kernel from Hawaii and Australia. Refer to Exhibit 10.55 on page 59.

On January 6, 2006, a new nut purchase contract was signed with Mac Farms of Hawaii, LLC for the delivery of between four and one-half million and five and one-half million WIS pounds, effective January 1, 2007. The nut price will be determined every six months by mutual agreement based on prevailing market price for kernel from Hawaii and Australia. Refer to Exhibit 10.54 on page 59.

**(b) Husking Activities** Husking activities for the Keaau and Mauna Kea orchards are performed at Mauna Loa's Keaau facility. The Partnership has exercised its option to continue leasing the husking facility from Mauna Loa through December 31, 2006. Reimbursements made to Mauna Loa were \$522,000 in 2003, \$440,000 in 2004, and \$603,000 in 2005.

**(c) Stabilization Payments.** In December 1986, the Partnership acquired a 266-acre orchard that was several years younger than its other orchards. Because of the relative immaturity of the newer orchard, its productivity (and therefore its cash flow) was expected to be correspondingly lower for the first several years than for the other older orchards.

Accordingly, the seller of this orchard (KACI) agreed to make cash stabilization payments to the Partnership for each year through 1993 in which the cash flow (as defined) from this orchard fell short of a target cash flow level of \$507,000. Stabilization payments for a given year were limited to the lesser of the amount of the shortfall or a maximum payment amount.

The Partnership accounted for the \$1.2 million in stabilization payments (net of general excise tax) as a reduction in the cost basis of this orchard. As a result, the payments will be reflected in the Partnership's net income ratably through 2019 as a reduction to depreciation for this orchard.

In return, the Partnership is obligated to pay KACI 100% of any year's cash flow from this orchard in excess of the target cash flow as additional percentage rent until the aggregate amount of additional percentage rent equals 150% of the total amount of stabilization payments previously received. Thereafter, the Partnership is obligated to pay KACI 50% of this orchard's cash flow in excess of the target cash flow as additional incentive rent. No additional rent was due in 2003, 2004, or 2005.

**(d) Cash Flow Warranty Payments.** In October 1989, the Partnership acquired 1,040 acres of orchards that were several years younger on average than the Partnership's other orchards. Their productivity (and therefore their cash flow) was expected to be lower for the first several years than for the Partnership's older orchards.

Accordingly, the sellers of these orchards (subsidiaries of CBCL) agreed to make cash flow warranty payments to the Partnership for each year through 1994 in which the cash flow (as defined) from these orchards fell short of a cash flow target level. Warranty payments for any year were limited to the lesser of the amount of the shortfall or a maximum payment amount.

The Partnership accounted for the \$13.8 million received in cash flow warranty payments as reductions in the cost basis of the orchards. As a result, these payments will be reflected in the Partnership's net income ratably through 2030 as reductions to depreciation for these orchards.

(2) **The farming segment's revenues** are based on long-term farming contracts which generate a farming profit based on a percentage of farming cost or based on a fixed fee per acre and tend to be less variable than revenues from the owned-orchard segment.

The following is a summary of each reportable segment's operating income and the segment's assets as of and for the period ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003.

Segment Reporting for the Year ended December 31, 2005 (in thousands)

	<u>Owne Orchards</u>	<u>Contract Farming</u>	<u>Intersegment Elimination</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenues	\$ 12,684	\$ 12,131	\$ (7,437)	\$ 17,378
Composition of				
Intersegment revenues	-	7,437	-	7,437
Operating income (loss)	377	604	-	981
Depreciation expense	1,949	216	-	2,165
Segment assets	52,206	5,840	-	58,046
Expenditures for property and equipment	51	32	-	83

Segment Reporting for the Year ended December 31, 2004 (in thousands)

	<u>Owne Orchards</u>	<u>Contract Farming</u>	<u>Intersegment Elimination</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenues	\$ 9,414	\$ 9,502	\$ (5,251)	\$ 13,665
Composition of				
Intersegment revenues	-	5,251	-	5,251
Operating income (loss)	(1,684)	179	-	(1,505)
Depreciation expense	1,671	900	-	2,571
Segment assets	52,984	5,454	-	58,438
Expenditures for property and equipment	76	96	-	172

Segment Reporting for the Year ended December 31, 2003 (in thousands)

	Owned Orchards	Contract Farming	Intersegment Elimination	Total
Revenues	\$ 10,459	\$ 10,778	\$ (5,811)	\$ 15,426
Composition of				
Intersegment revenues	-	5,811	-	5,811
Operating income (loss)	(156)	198	-	42
Depreciation expense	1,644	919	-	2,563
Segment assets	55,070	4,999	-	60,069
Expenditures for property and equipment	-	20	-	20

**(4) RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

**(a) Management Costs and Fee.** On January 6, 2005 the Partnership purchased the stock of the managing partner MLR. As a result of the transaction, MLR's operations have been included in the Partnership's consolidated financial statements beginning with the first quarter of 2005. The Partnership Agreement provides the managing general partner reimbursement of administrative costs (which consist primarily of compensation costs, board of directors fees, insurance costs and office expenses) incurred under the agreement as well as a management fee equal to two percent of the Partnership's operating cash flow (as defined) in 2003 and 2004. The management fee is eliminated in consolidation in 2005. Those reimbursable costs totaled \$160,000 in 2003 and \$168,000 in 2004. The managing general partner earned a management fee of \$44,000 in 2003 and \$9,000 in 2004.

In addition to a management fee, the managing general partner is entitled, under the existing Partnership Agreement, to receive an annual incentive fee equal to 0.5% of the aggregate fair market value (as defined) of the Class A Units for the preceding calendar year provided that net cash flow (as defined) for the preceding calendar year exceeds specified levels. The incentive fee would be eliminated in consolidation in 2005. No incentive fee was earned in 2003, 2004 or 2005.

**(b) Legal Services.** The Partnership paid \$134,000, \$495,000 and \$33,000 in legal fees in 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively. A Director of the Partnership is a former partner and currently of counsel to one of the law firms used by the Partnership. The Partnership paid said law firm \$32,000 of the \$134,000 in 2005, \$495,000 in 2004 and \$33,000 in 2003.

**(c) Management Services Contract.** The Partnership provides administrative services to D. Buyers Enterprises, LLC ("DBE") for which it was compensated \$98,000 in 2003, \$104,000 in 2004 and \$102,000 in 2005. DBE owned the stock of the Partnership's general partner until January 2005.

**(d) Office Lease.** Since September 2001, the Partnership has leased approximately 4000 square feet of office space in Hilo for its accounting staff from DBE, which was the owner of the General Partner until January 2005. The lease amount was \$90,000 in 2005, 2004 and 2003.

## (5) CASH FLOW PERFORMANCE

Cash flow performance (based on definitions used in the Partnership Agreement) for the past three years is shown below (000's):

	2005	2004	2003
Gross revenues	\$ 17,534	\$ 13,708	\$ 15,698
Less:			
Farming costs	12,311	10,951	11,618
Administrative costs	1,595	1,643	1,161
Extinguishment of management agreement	326	-	-
Income tax	129	5	42
Payments of principal and interest	672	634	676
Operating cash flow	2,501	475	2,201
Less:			
Management fee	0	9	44
Net cash flow (as defined in the Partnership Agreement)	\$ 2,501	\$ 466	\$ 2,157

This cash flow measure is used to determine the management fee paid annually to the general partner and forms the basis of distributable cash per unit. No management fee is recorded in 2005 as the Partnership purchased the stock of the managing partner MLR in January 2005 and the management fee is eliminated in consolidation.

## (6) LAND, ORCHARDS AND EQUIPMENT

Land, orchards and equipment, stated at cost, consisted of the following at December 31, 2005 and 2004 (000's):

	2005	2004
Land	\$ 8,168	\$ 8,168
Improvements	1,074	1,074
Machinery and equipment	5,107	5,156
Irrigation well and equipment	1,155	1,155
Producing orchards	67,267	67,267
Capital leases	161	161
Land, orchards and equipment (gross)	82,932	82,981
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	34,210	32,171
Land, orchards and equipment (net)	\$ 48,722	\$ 50,810

The Partnership's interest in trees situated on certain leased macadamia orchard properties are subject to repurchase at the option of the lessors. Such repurchase options grant the lessors the right to purchase all or a portion of these trees after June 30, 2019, at fair market value, as defined in the respective farming lease agreements. If the repurchase options are not exercised prior to expiration of the lease agreements and the lessors do not offer to extend the lease agreements at the then current market lease rates, the lessors are required to repurchase these trees at fair market value at lease expiration. The lessors will be

released from their repurchase obligation in the event that the Partnership declines to accept an extension offer from the lessors at fair market lease rates.

## (7) SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM CREDIT

At December 31, 2005 and 2004, the Partnership's long-term debt comprises (000's):

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Term debt	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,400
Other	<u>34</u>	<u>69</u>
	2,034	2,469
Current portion	<u>434</u>	<u>435</u>
	<u>\$ 1,600</u>	<u>\$ 2,034</u>

On May 2, 2000 the Partnership entered into a new credit agreement with Pacific Coast Farm Credit Services, ACA (currently American AgCredit Capital Markets) comprised of a \$5 million revolving line of credit and a \$4 million promissory note.

The line of credit expires on May 1, 2008. Drawings on the line of credit bear interest at the prime lending rate. From and after the first anniversary date, the Partnership is required to pay a facility fee of 0.30% to 0.375% per annum, depending on certain financial ratios on the daily unused portion of credit. The Partnership, at its option, may make prepayments without penalty.

Drawings outstanding on the line of credit at December 31, 2005 amounted to \$2,900,000, with interest at 7.50% and drawings outstanding at December 31, 2004 amounted to \$2,200,000, with interest at 5.25%.

At December 31, 2005, the outstanding balance on the promissory note amounted to \$2.0 million. The note is scheduled to mature in 2010 and bears interest at rates ranging from 6.37% to 7.77%. Principal payments are due annually on May 2 in the amount of \$400,000.

The estimated fair values of the Partnership's financial instrument has been determined by estimated market price of 6.75% using a life equal to that remaining on the current financial instrument. The Partnership has not considered the lender fees in determining the estimated fair value.

The estimated fair values of the Partnership's financial instrument are as follows (000's):

	<u>2005</u>		<u>2004</u>	
	<u>Carrying</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Carrying</u>	<u>Fair</u>
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Value</u>
Long-term debt	\$1,150	\$1,004	\$1,350	\$1,127

Of the total \$2.0 million in 2005 and \$2.4 million in 2004 the long-term debt of \$850,000 and \$1,050,000 in 2005 and 2004, respectively have short-term fixed rates that approximate fair value. The \$1,150,000 and \$1,350,000 in 2005 and 2004, respectively, have interest rates that are fixed over the remaining life of the debt.

Both the revolving credit loan and the term debt are collateralized by all personal property assets of the Partnership. The credit agreement contains certain restrictions associated with partner distributions,

further indebtedness, sales of assets, and maintenance of certain financial minimums. Significant restrictive financial covenants consist of the following:

1. Minimum working capital of \$2.5 million.
2. Minimum current ratio of 1.5 to 1.
3. Cumulative cash distributions beginning January 1, 2000 cannot exceed the total of cumulative net cash flow beginning January 1, 2004 plus a base amount of \$3.3 million.
4. Minimum tangible net worth of \$49.9 million (reduced by the amount of allowed cash distributions over net income).
5. Maximum ratio of funded debt to capitalization of 20%.
6. Minimum debt coverage ratio of 2.5 to 1.

At December 31, 2005, the Partnership's working capital was \$3.4 million and its current ratio 1.59 to 1. The Partnership was in compliance with all covenants of the Credit Agreement at December 31, 2004 except the debt coverage ratio which was waived by the lender for the fourth quarter 2004. Had the lender not waived the restriction the Partnership would have been restricted in its ability to pay distributions to the limited partners. The Partnership was in compliance with all covenants of the Credit Agreement at December 31, 2005.

**Capital and Operating Leases.** The Partnership has capital and operating leases for equipment and operating leases for land. The capital and operating leases for equipment are four to five year leases.

**Land Leases.** The partnership leases the land underlying 1,948 acres of its orchards under long-term operating leases which expire through dates ending 2045. Operating leases provide for changes in minimum rent based on fair value at certain points in time. Each of the land leases provides for additional lease payments based on USDA-reported macadamia nut price levels. Those contingent lease payments totaled \$14,000 in 2003, \$18,000 in 2004, and \$19,000 in 2005. Total lease rent for all operating leases was \$157,000 in 2003, \$150,000 in 2004, and \$147,000 in 2005.

**Equipment Operating Leases.** The Partnership leases equipment for the farming operation to include vehicles, blower sweepers and harvester. The operating lease cost was \$249,000, \$285,000 and \$214,000 in 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

Contractual obligations for the Partnership are detailed in the following(000's):

Contractual Obligations	Total	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Remaining
Long-Term Debt	\$2,000	\$ 400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$ -
Capital Lease Obligations	34	34	-	-	-	-	-
Operating Leases	3,809	375	331	270	184	146	2,503
LOC Debt	2,900	2,900					
Purchase Obligations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Long-Term Liabilities off The Registrant's Balance Sheet under GAAP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$8,743	\$3,709	\$731	\$670	\$584	\$546	\$2,503



## (8) INCOME TAXES

The components of income tax expense for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 were as follows (000's):

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
Currently payable	\$ 109	\$ 12	\$ 46
Deferred	20	(7)	(4)
	<u>\$ 129</u>	<u>\$ 5</u>	<u>\$ 42</u>

The provision for income taxes equates to the 3.5% federal tax rate applied to gross income for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003.

The components of the net deferred tax liability reported on the balance sheet as of December 31, 2005 and 2004 are as follows (000's):

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Financial statement bases of land, orchards, inventory and equipment is greater than tax bases	\$ 717	\$ 658
Financial statement bases of capitalized leases, long-term debt on capitalized leases and interest expense on capitalized leases is greater than tax bases	(4)	38
Excess of tax depreciation over financial statement depreciation	514	511
	<u>\$ 1,227</u>	<u>\$ 1,207</u>

## (9) PENSION PLAN

The Company established a defined benefit pension plan in conjunction with the acquisition of farming operations on May 1, 2000. The plan covers employees that are members of a union bargaining unit. The projected benefit obligation includes the obligation for the employees of their previous employer that became Company employees.

The Company's funding policy is to contribute an amount to the plan sufficient to meet the minimum funding requirements set forth by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

The components of net pension cost for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003 were as follows (000's):

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
Service cost	\$ 57	\$ 56	\$ 61
Interest cost	23	21	16
Expected return on assets	(19)	(15)	(12)
Amortization of unrecognized losses and prior service costs	7	7	7
	<u>\$ 68</u>	<u>\$ 69</u>	<u>\$ 72</u>

The following reconciles the changes in the pension benefit obligation and plan assets for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, 2003 to the funded status of the plan and the amounts recognized in the balance sheets at December 31, 2005, 2004, 2003.

	2005	(000's) 2004	2003
Change in projected benefit obligation:			
Projected benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 411	\$ 357	\$ 277
Service cost	57	56	61
Interest cost	23	21	16
Actuarial (gain) or loss	35	(12)	11
Benefits paid	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(11)</u>	<u>(8)</u>
Projected benefit obligation at end of year	<u>518</u>	<u>411</u>	<u>357</u>
Change in plan assets:			
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	205	169	122
Actual return on plan assets	10	3	13
Employer contribution	51	44	42
Benefits paid	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(11)</u>	<u>(8)</u>
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	<u>258</u>	<u>205</u>	<u>169</u>
Funded status	(261)	(206)	(188)
Unrecognized prior service cost	62	69	75
Unrecognized net loss	<u>89</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>45</u>
Net amount recognized	<u>\$ (110)</u>	<u>\$ (93)</u>	<u>\$ (68)</u>
Amounts recognized in the balance sheets consist of:			
Accrued pension liability	(152)	(103)	(72)
Intangible asset	<u>42</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>4</u>
Net amount recognized	<u>\$ (110)</u>	<u>\$ (93)</u>	<u>\$ (68)</u>

The accumulated benefit obligation at December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003 amounted to \$410,000, \$308,000 and \$241,000, respectively. During 2005, the projected benefit obligation increased by \$107,000 and the accumulated benefit obligation increased by \$102,000. At December 31, 2005 the accumulated benefit obligation related to the Partnership's pension plan exceeded the fair value of the pension plan assets by \$152,000.

U.S. pension accounting standards require the recognition of a minimum liability equal to the excess, if any, of the accumulated benefit obligation over plan assets. The computation of the required minimum liability and the additional minimum liability at December 31, 2005 and 2004 is shown below:

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$ 410	\$ 308
Fair value of plan assets	<u>258</u>	<u>205</u>
Required minimum liability	152	103
Liability recognized for accrued benefit cost	<u>(110)</u>	<u>93</u>
Additional minimum liability	<u>\$ 42</u>	<u>\$ 10</u>

The additional minimum liability at December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2004 was \$42,000 and \$10,000, respectively. The additional minimum liability was recognized by the establishment of an intangible asset.

Experience gains and losses are amortized over the average future service period of employees.

The weighted average actuarial assumptions used to determine the pension benefit obligations at December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 and the net periodic pension cost for the years then ended are as follows:

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
<u>Pension benefit obligation:</u>			
Discount rate	5.50%	5.75%	6.00%
Compensation increases	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%
<u>Net periodic pension cost:</u>			
Discount rate	5.75%	6.00%	6.50%
Compensation increases	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%
Return on assets for the year	8.50%	8.50%	8.50%

The expected long-term rate of return on plan assets was based primarily on historical returns as adjusted for the plan's current investment allocation strategy.

The Partnership employs an investment strategy whereby the assets in our portfolio are evaluated to maintain the desired target asset mix. The funds are invested in stock mutual funds, fixed income mutual funds and money market funds. Evaluation of the actual asset mix is evaluated on a quarterly basis and adjusted if required to maintain the desired target mix. Therefore, the actual asset allocation does not vary significantly from the targeted asset allocation.

The plan's asset allocation percentages at December 31, 2005 and 2004 were as follows:

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Pooled fixed income funds	21.00%	20.00%
Money market funds	16.00%	20.00%
Stock mutual funds	<u>63.00%</u>	<u>60.00%</u>
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

The Partnership expects to contribute approximately \$49,000 to the plan in 2006.

The following pension benefit payments, which reflect expected future services, as appropriate, are expected to be paid:

Years Ending December 31,

2006	\$ 5,400
2007	8,156
2008	8,020
2009	11,130
2010	16,461
2011-2015	113,235

#### (10) EMPLOYEES SAVINGS PLAN

The Partnership sponsors a 401(k) plan, which allows participating employees to contribute up to 25% of their salary, subject to annual limits. The plan provides for the Partnership to make matching contributions up to 50% of the first 4% of salary deferred by employees. During the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003, Partnership matching contributions were \$29,000, \$27,000 and \$26,000, respectively.

#### (11) SALARIED DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN

The Partnership sponsors a defined contribution plan for its non-bargaining unit employees. This plan provides for the Partnership to make annual contributions to the 401(k) plan on behalf of participating employees. Contributions are based upon age, length of service, and other criteria on an annual basis, subject to annual limits. During the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003 defined contributions were \$96,000, \$98,000 and \$77,000, respectively.

#### (12) QUARTERLY OPERATING RESULTS (Unaudited)

The following chart summarizes unaudited quarterly operating results for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003 (000's omitted except per unit data):

	Revenues	Gross Income (Loss)	Net Income (Loss)	Net Income (Loss) per Class A Unit
2005				
1st Quarter	\$ 3,056	\$ 627	\$ (27)	\$ (0.00)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	1,501	218	26	0.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	3,737	608	118	0.02
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	9,084	1,449	654	0.09
2004				
1st Quarter	\$ 2,052	\$ 208	\$ (95)	\$ (0.01)
2nd Quarter	787	140	(161)	(0.02)
3rd Quarter	3,275	(67)	(817)	(0.11)
4th Quarter	7,551	(143)	(576)	(0.08)

2003

1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	\$	2,305	\$	215	\$	(143)	\$	(0.02)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter		1,108		68		(185)		(0.02)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter		5,176		100		(9)		0.00
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter		6,837		820		406		0.05

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

None

**ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

- (a) As of the end of the period covered by this report (the "Evaluation Date"), the Partnership carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Partnership's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Exchange Act). Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of the Evaluation Date, the Partnership's disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Partnership in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is (i) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in applicable rules and forms, and (ii) accumulated and communicated to the Partnership's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.
- (b) There have been no changes during the quarter ended December 31, 2005 in the Partnership's internal controls over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f)) that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Partnership's internal controls over financial reporting.

### PART III

#### ITEM 10. DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF REGISTRANT

The Partnership presently has no officers or directors. Instead, the officers and directors of the Managing Partner perform all management functions for the Partnership. Each director of the Managing Partner is appointed for a term of one year and until his successor is duly appointed and qualified. Each officer of the Managing Partner is elected by the Board of Directors of the Managing Partner and is subject to removal by that board at any time.

##### A. Identification of Directors

*James H. Case.* 85 years old; director of Managing Partner since 1986; member of the Audit Committee until March 2005; member of Nominating, Compensation and Corporate Governance Committees since March 2005; of counsel to the law firm of Carlsmith Ball; not an employee, officer, or director of any CBCL or DBE affiliate.

*John K. Kai.* 40 years old; director of the Managing Partner since June 2004; member of the Audit, Nominating, Compensation and Corporate Governance Committees since March 2005; president of Pinnacle Investment Group, LLC; president of Pinnacle Media Group, LLC; branch manager and investment representative of Linsco / Private Ledger; not an employee, officer, or director of any CBCL or DBE affiliate.

*James S. Kendrick.* 58 years old; director of Managing Partner since June 2005; Executive at Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation from 1991 to 1998.

*E. Alan Kennett.* 62 years old; director of Managing Partner since June 2005; President and CEO of Gay and Robinson Sugar Company, Inc.

*Jeffrey M. Kissel.* 56 years old; director of Managing Partner since June 2005; member of the Audit Committee since June 2005; CFO for Earth Tech, Inc.; held various positions during 1997 until 2003 with URS Corporation including vice president of budgeting and planning and CFO.

*David McClain.* 59 years old; director since September 2000 and member of the Audit, Nominating, Compensation and Corporate Governance Committees of Managing Partner; chairman of the Audit Committee since March 2005; not an employee, officer, or director of any CBCL or DBE affiliate.

*Dennis J. Simonis.* 49 years old; director of Managing Partner since August 2002; President and Chief Operating Officer of Managing Partner from August 2001 until December 2004, Chief Financial Officer from June 2001 to August 2001, and Chief Executive Officer since December 2004. Chief Financial Officer of DBE from August 2001, and President of DBE from October, 2005.

##### B. Identification of Executive Officers of the Managing Partner

*Dennis J. Simonis.* 49 years old; president of Managing Partner since August 2001; and chief executive officer since December 2004; president of D. Buyers Enterprises, LLC; not otherwise an employee, officer, or director of any CBCL affiliate. Formerly executive vice president and chief operating officer of Mauna Loa.

*Randolph H. Cabral.* 53 years old; senior vice president and orchard manager of Managing Partner since May 2000; not otherwise an employee, officer, or director of any CBCL affiliate. Formerly senior vice president and orchard manager of KACI.

*Wayne W. Roumagoux.* 59 years old; chief financial officer of Managing Partner since August 2001; controller of DBE; not otherwise an employee, officer, or director of any CBCL affiliate.

### **C. Identification of Certain Significant Employees**

Not applicable

### **D. Family Relationships**

Not applicable

### **E. Business Experience of Current Directors and Executive Officers**

#### ***Current Directors of the Managing Partner.***

*James H. Case.* Mr. Case is of counsel to the Hawaii law firm of Carlsmith Ball. Mr. Case graduated with an A.B. from Williams College and received a J.D. from Harvard Law School. He became associated with the Carlsmith law firm in 1951 and became a partner in 1959. He has served on the boards of directors of Hamakua Sugar Company, Inc., InterIsland Resorts, Ltd., Pacific Club, Central Union Church, Hanahauoli School, and Arcadia Retirement Residence. He resides in Honolulu, Hawaii.

*John K. Kai.* Mr. Kai has served as a director since June 2004. Mr. Kai is president of Pinnacle Investment Group, LLC and Pinnacle Media Group, LLC, and branch manager and investment representative of Linsco / Private Ledger. Mr. Kai was the resident manager of the Hilo office of Paine Webber, Inc. and was with Merrill Lynch prior. Mr. Kai is a graduate of Sacramento City College and attended the University of the Pacific from 1983 to 1985. Mr. Kai served on the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii and was a director of the Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii, the Hawaii Island Portuguese Chamber of Commerce and has served on several nonprofit boards in Hawaii. He resides in Hilo, Hawaii.

*James S. Kendrick.* Mr. Kendrick has over 36 years of experience in the food processing industry and is currently a consultant to various food companies. Mr. Kendrick held executive positions at Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation from 1991 to 1998, including Executive Vice President of Operations and President. Between 1978 and 1983, he was the Manager of the Honolulu Dole Pineapple cannery. Mr. Kendrick worked for Kraft Foods as an engineer. He is a graduate of Northern Illinois University and Cornell's Executive Development Program. He has been active in the Hawaii Macadamia Nut Association and currently resides in Naples, Florida.

*E. Alan Kennett.* Mr. Kennett has worked in various executive capacities in the agriculture sector for over 40 years and currently is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Gay and Robinson Sugar Company, Inc. on Kauai, Hawaii. He held various positions in the Hawaii sugar industry with C. Brewer and Co., Ltd. Between 1976 and 1994. Prior to 1976, Mr. Kennett managed sugar operations in Africa, the United Kingdom and the West Indies. He is a graduate of Walton Technical College and the Liverpool College of Technology and Completed Cornell's Executive Development Program. Mr. Kennett has been active in numerous Hawaii non-profit organizations and written several technical papers. He currently resides in Kaunakani, Kauai, Hawaii.

*Jeffrey M. Kissel.* Mr. Kissel is the Vice Chairman and Chief Strategy Officer of Primoris Corporation, a \$350 million specialty contractor. He was the Chief Financial Officer for Earth Tech Inc. from 2003 to 2005, a \$1.5 billion global engineering and construction company specializing in water treatment, and has held various financial executive positions in publicly traded companies since 1974. From 1997 to 2003, Mr. Kissel was employed by URS Corporation as a vice president of planning and budgeting, and served as Chief Financial Officer for several URS Corporation divisions. Mr. Kissel was President and principal shareholder of Hawaiian Communications between 1992 and 1997. Prior to 1992 he worked with Tesoro, AON and Challenger Petroleum in the energy industry. He has a B.B.A. and M.B.A. from the University of Hawaii and currently resides in California and Hawaii.

*David McClain.* Dr. McClain was appointed as the President of the 10-campus University of Hawai'i System effective March 2006, having served as Interim President from August 15, 2004, and Vice President for Academic Affairs of the UH System from July 1, 2003. From 2000 until 2003 he was the Dean of the College of Business Administration at the University of Hawaii at Mānoa, as well as First Hawaiian Bank Distinguished Professor of Leadership and Management; he was also Interim Vice President for Research of the University of Hawaii System from February to September 2003. Dr. McClain joined the University of Hawaii at Manoa in 1991 as the Henry A. Walker, Jr. Distinguished Professor of Business Enterprise and Professor of Financial Economics and Institutions. Dr. McClain is a director of First Insurance Company, and serves as a member of several nonprofit boards in Hawaii. He earned a Ph.D. in Economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1974 and a BA in Economics and Mathematics from the University of Kansas in 1968. Dr. McClain has taught at Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Sloan School of Management and at Boston University, where he chaired the Department of Finance and Economics. He also served as Senior Staff Economist, Council of Economic Advisors to President Jimmy Carter, and headed international economic information services for Data Resources, Inc. He resides in Honolulu, Hawaii.

*Dennis J. Simonis.* Mr. Simonis has served as a director since August 2002, president of the Managing Partner since August 2001, chief executive officer since December 2004, and was formerly the executive vice president and chief financial officer. From 1993 to 2001, Mr. Simonis served in various capacities at Mauna Loa, including executive vice president and chief operating officer. He serves as an officer of the Hawaii Macadamia Nut Association and has served on several nonprofit boards in Hawaii. He served from 1985-1993 as a vice president of Theo H. Davies & Co., Ltd. and worked as a senior auditor for Price Waterhouse between 1979 and 1985. Mr. Simonis graduated magna cum laude with a B.S. in Accounting from Carroll College in Waukesha, Wisconsin and earned his C.P.A. certificate in 1983. He resides in Hilo, Hawaii.

***Executive Officers Who Do Not Serve as Directors.***

*Randolph H. Cabral.* Mr. Cabral has served as senior vice president and orchard manager of the Managing Partner since May 2000. Mr. Cabral was previously employed at Ka'u Agribusiness Company, Inc., from 1989 until the Partnership's acquisition of Ka'u Agribusiness' macadamia business in 2000. He served as senior vice president from 1998 to 2000, as vice president from 1996 to 1998, and as orchard manager from 1989. From 1983 to 1989, Mr. Cabral served as orchard manager with Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation. Mr. Cabral has an AS in General Agriculture from the University of Hawaii. He resides in Hilo, Hawaii.

*Wayne W. Roumagoux.* Mr. Roumagoux has served as chief financial officer of the Managing Partner since August 2001. Mr. Roumagoux has been controller of the Partnership since May 2001. From 1989 to 2001 Mr. Roumagoux was controller for Inlet Fisheries, Inc. He was controller for NBI, Inc's Alaska operation and for Sheffield Hotels, Inc. during the late 1970's and 1980's. Mr. Roumagoux worked as a senior auditor for KPMG between 1976 and 1978. He has a M.S. in accounting from Eastern Washington State University in Cheney, Washington. He resides in Volcano, Hawaii.

**Executive Session.** The executive session, a meeting of non-management directors, is presided over by James Case who can be communicated with by e-mail at [jcase@carlsmith.com](mailto:jcase@carlsmith.com).

**Audit Committee.** Effective March 7, 2005, James Case resigned from the Audit Committee. At the March 9, 2005 Board of Directors meeting Dr. David McClain was appointed chairman and John Kai was appointed a member of the Audit Committee. At the June 5, 2005 Board of Directors meeting Mr. Jeffrey Kissel was appointed to the Audit Committee and replaced Dr. Hook. The Audit Committee of ML Resources, Inc. is currently comprised of three members, Chairman Dr. David McClain, Jeffrey Kissel and John Kai. The members of the Compensation Committee, Nominating Committee and Corporate



Governance Committee are James Case, Dr. David McClain, Jeffrey Kissel and John Kai. The Board of Directors has determined that each member of the Audit Committee is independent in accordance with SEC Rule 10-A-3 and New York Stock Exchange independence standards, and each member is financially literate, and Mr. Kissel qualifies as a financial expert. The Audit Committee met four times in 2005 to review and approve accounting, internal control and reporting issues, related party transactions and other matters that could involve a conflict of interest. All members were in attendance at each quarterly meeting.

**Audit Committee Charter.** The Audit Committee Charter is available by request or on the Partnership's website at [www.mlmacadamia.com](http://www.mlmacadamia.com).

**Audit Committee Pre-Approval Policy.** The Audit Committee Pre-Approval Policy is available by request or on the Partnership's website.

**Ethics.** The "Code of Business Conduct and Ethics" is available by request or on the Partnership's website.

**Corporate Governance Guidelines.** The Corporate Governance Guidelines are available by request or on the Partnership's website.

**Nominating Committee.** The Partnership formed a Nominating Committee and the charter was adopted in May 2005. The members of the Nominating Committee are independent under Section 15A(a) of the Exchange Act. Unit Holders may recommend candidates for the Board of Directors by submitting such recommendation in writing to Partnership. The minimum qualifications required for a Director of the Partnership, whether submitted by the Nominating Committee or a Unit Holder, are (1) professional qualification, (2) number of other boards on which the candidate serves, (3) other business and professional commitments, (4) the need of the Board of Directors for having certain skills and experience, and (5) the diversity of the directors then comprising the Board. The Nominating Committee shall evaluate a candidate based upon the qualifications described above, based upon a written resume and then the CEO and Nominating Committee will interview the candidate. The Nominating Committee shall determine whether or not to recommend the candidate to the Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee Charter is available by request or on the Partnership's website.

**Compensation Committee.** The Partnership formed a Compensation Committee and the charter was adopted in May 2005. The Compensation Committee Charter is available by request or on the Partnership's website.

## **F. Section 16 Disclosure**

Under Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), each director and certain officers of ML Resources, Inc., the managing general partner of Registrant (a "Reporting Person"), are required to report their ownership and changes in ownership of Class A Depositary Units to the Securities and Exchange commission, the New York Stock Exchange and Registrant. Based on reporting forms submitted to Registrant, no Reporting Person has failed to file on a timely basis reports required by Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act during 2005.

## **ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

### **A. Summary Compensation Table**

The Partnership is managed by the managing general partner. All costs of managing the Partnership are reimbursed by the Partnership, as provided in Section 4.5 of the Partnership Agreement. The following table reflects the aggregate compensation for services in all capacities paid by the Managing Partner to its

executive officers for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and, 2003. There were no long-term compensation awards or payouts during those years.

<u>Name and Principal Position</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Annual Compensation</u>		
		<u>Salary</u>	<u>Bonus</u>	<u>Other</u>
Dennis J. Simonis President and chief executive officer	2005	225,000	134,800	19,000
	2004	171,000	-	15,750
	2003	164,000	91,400	15,000
Randolph H. Cabral Senior vice president	2005	125,000	53,500	-
	2004	111,000	-	-
	2003	106,250	42,300	-
Wayne W. Roumagoux Chief financial officer	2005	110,000	37,700	-
	2004	92,000	-	-
	2003	82,000	26,100	-

#### **B. No Option, SAR, Long-term Incentive or Pension Plans**

Neither the Managing Partner nor the Partnership presently has option plans, SAR plans, or long-term incentive plans. All salaried employees participate in defined contribution plan and other benefit plans administered by the Partnership. The officers of the Managing Partner are employees of the Partnership, which does not have a defined benefit plan for non-bargaining employees. As such, neither the Managing Partner nor the Partnership are responsible for making any payments on the retirement of any of its present executive officers.

#### **C. No Employment Contracts or Termination Agreements**

The Managing Partner does not have any employment or severance agreements with any of its present executive officers. The president of the Partnership has an agreement, which provides for twelve months of severance pay in the event of termination without just cause.

#### **D. Compensation of Executive Officers**

Executive compensation is reviewed and determined by the Compensation Committee and recommended to the Board of Directors which has approval responsibility. Mr. Simonis has served as its chief executive officer and president since December 2004, president since August 2001 and chief financial officer from May 2001 until August of 2001; Mr. Cabral, who has served as senior vice president and orchard manager since May 2000 and Mr. Roumagoux, who has served as chief financial officer since August of 2001. These officers' salary and guideline bonus percentage are administered under the salary policies established and approved by the Board. Any bonus payments are approved by the Managing Partner's Board of Directors annually, based on the overall performance of the Partnership as evidenced by its net income and cash flow for the year. Performance in both categories is measured relative to the original Partnership operating budget approved by the Managing Partner's Board of Directors at the beginning of each year.

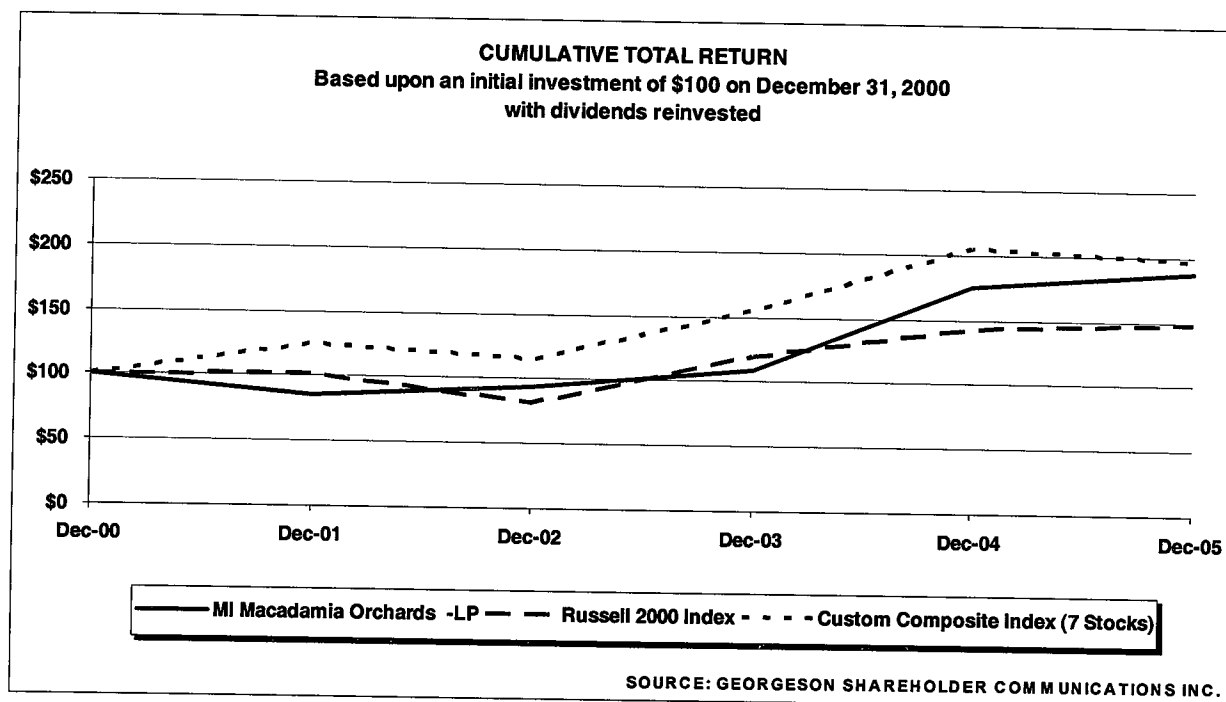
#### **E. Director Compensation**

Directors of the Managing Partner presently receive a quarterly retainer of \$3,750 and a meeting fee of \$1,000 per meeting. Members of the Managing Partner's Audit and Conflicts Committee receive a

meeting fee of \$1,000 per meeting with the chairman of the Audit Committee receiving an additional \$750 per meeting. There are no other agreements or arrangements between the Managing Partner and its directors.

#### F. Stock Performance Chart

The following chart compares the Partnership's total return to (i) the Russell 2000 (a small business index) and (ii) a peer group index composed of publicly traded limited partnerships with either similar capitalization or in commodity based markets (other than gas and oil) or both.



#### ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

As of December 31, 2005, and subsequent to that date to the date of this report, (i) one person (including any "group" as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) is known by the Partnership or the Managing Partner to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of the Class A Units; (ii) the Managing Partner did not own any Class A Units; and (iii) no director or executive officer of the Managing Partner owned more than 1% of the Class A Units.

The table below sets forth certain information as to the Class A Units beneficially owned by the beneficial owner of more than 5% of the Class A Units as of December 31, 2005.

<u>Name of Beneficial Owner</u>	<u>Class A Units Owned</u>	<u>Percent of Class A Units</u>
Ebrahimi Family Group	918,200	12%

The table below sets forth certain information as to the Class A Units beneficially owned by the directors of the Managing Partner, and all directors and executive officers of the Managing Partner as a group, as of December 31, 2005.

<u>Name of Beneficial Owner</u>	<u>Class A Units Owned</u>	<u>Percent of Class A Units</u>
Randolph H. Cabral	100	*
James H. Case (1)	8,000	*
John K. Kai	100	*
James S. Kendrick	-	*
E. Alan Kennett	-	*
Jeffrey M. Kissel	1,016	*
David McClain	-	*
Dennis J. Simonis	-	*
Wayne W. Roumagoux	-	*
All directors and executive officers as a group (9 persons)	9,216	0.1%

\*Less than 1%

- (1) Beneficially owned by James H. Case pursuant to a self-directed retirement plan sponsored by Carlsmith Ball, a law firm in which Mr. Case is of counsel, and administered by Bank of Hawaii Trust.

## **ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS**

### **1. General**

The Managing Partner makes all decisions relating to the management of the Partnership. The Managing Partner, as such, has the duty to act in good faith and to manage the Partnership in a manner that is fair and reasonable to all unit holders. CBCL owned all of the capital stock of the Managing Partner until August 1, 2001, at which point the stock was sold to D. Buyers Enterprises, LLC (DBE). The Partnership purchased the Managing Partner interest from DBE in January, 2005.

### **2. Farming Leases**

At the time of the Partnership's acquisition of the interests in the October 1989 Orchards, MLO assigned to the Partnership all of MLO's rights and obligations under three 45-year farming leases relating to 327 tree acres of the Ka'u II Orchards and all of the Mauna Kea Orchards. The farming leases permit the Partnership to conduct macadamia nut farming operations on such macadamia orchard properties. The farming leases provide for fixed minimum annual lease payments to be paid to either KACI or MKACI (collectively, the "Agribusiness Companies"), as the case may be. Such annual rental payments are subject to increase after ten years, twenty years and thirty years based on then current fair market lease rates. The then current fair market lease rate will be determined by mutual agreement between the Partnership, on the one hand, and either KACI or MKACI, as the case may be, on the other hand. If mutual agreement cannot be reached, the then current fair market lease rate will be determined by appraisal. Whether determined by mutual agreement or by appraisal, the then current fair market lease rate will be determined as a fair market lease rate for use of such premises as macadamia orchards.

The Partnership acquired its interests in the trees situated on such leased macadamia orchard properties subject to repurchase options retained by the Agribusiness Companies. The repurchase options grant the Agribusiness Companies the continuing right to repurchase all or any portion of such trees after June 30, 2019 at a price equal to the then current fair market value of the trees, according to their value as producing macadamia nut trees, as determined by mutual agreement between the Partnership, on the one hand, and either KACI or MKACI, as the case may be, on the other hand. If mutual agreement cannot be reached, the then current fair market value will be determined by appraisal. Whether determined by mutual agreement or by appraisal, the fair market value of such trees will be determined according to their value as producing macadamia nut trees, assuming that the owner thereof has rights to farm and harvest such trees and has ongoing arrangements with respect to land leases, farming and nut purchases of the same type as the Partnership has immediately prior to such time.

At the end of the 45-year lease terms of such leases, the Agribusiness Companies will be required to repurchase such trees at their then current fair market value as orchards if such entities do not offer to extend such farming leases at the then current fair market lease rates. The then current fair market lease rate and the then current market value of the trees for such purposes will be determined through mutual agreement between the Partnership, on the one hand, and either KACI or MKACI, as the case may be, on the other hand or, if mutual agreement cannot be obtained, by appraisal, in each case in the manner described above. Such repurchase obligations will apply with respect to the expiration of each extension of the lease terms of such leases until such leases have been in effect for a total of 99 years, at which time the leases will expire and the ownership interests in such trees will revert back to the Agribusiness Companies.

In the event that the Partnership decides not to accept an offer to extend the leases at the then current fair lease rates upon the expiration of the leases or any extension thereof (or does not assign the leases to a third party who elects to accept such offer), the leases will expire, the Agribusiness Companies will not be required to repurchase the trees covered thereby and ownership of such trees will revert back to the Agribusiness Companies (and in any event ownership of such trees will revert back to the Agribusiness Companies after 99 years).

As described above, the farming leases provide for determinations of the fair market lease rate to be paid by the Partnership under the farming leases and the fair market value of the Partnership's trees situated on property covered by such leases by mutual agreement between the Partnership, on the one hand, and with KACI or MKACI, as the case may be, on the other hand, or, if mutual agreement cannot be reached, by appraisal.

### ***3. Nut Purchase Contracts***

The Partnership is a party to five nut purchase contracts with Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation ("Mauna Loa"). The five nut purchase contracts cover all nuts produced by the orchards acquired in June 1986, December 1986, October 1989, September 1991, and May 2000 respectively. The first two contracts run for 20 years, while the third contract runs for 30 years and also provides for the exclusion of unusable nuts from those purchased by Mauna Loa. The first three contracts are identical in all other material respects. The fourth contract was acquired by assignment with the purchase of the September 1991 orchard and expired in June 2003. The fourth contract was renegotiated with a fixed price adjusted for unusables outside the range of 10% to 13%. The fourth contract expires December 31, 2006. The fifth contract was acquired by assignment with the purchase of the May 2000 orchards and expires in 2006. The fifth contract is similar to the first three contracts and also provides for the exclusion of unusable nuts. The first four contracts use a pricing formula based 50% on a two-year trailing average of the macadamia nut price published annually by the U.S. Department of Agriculture ("USDA") and 50% on Mauna Loa's "netback component". The netback component is calculated by subtracting Mauna Loa's processing and marketing costs per pound and a "capital charge" of 20% from its nut revenues per pound.

The fifth contract uses only the USDA two-year trailing average to determine its nut price. The nut price paid to the Partnership under the first two contracts was \$0.4816 for 2003, \$0.4954 in 2004, and \$0.5548 in 2005. The average nut price paid to the Partnership under the third contract was \$0.4789 for 2003, \$0.4945 in 2004 and \$0.5525 in 2005. The average nut price paid to the Partnership under the fourth nut price contract was \$0.5923 for 2003, \$0.6000 in 2004, and was \$0.6000 in 2005. The nut price paid to the Partnership under the fifth contract was \$0.5660 for 2003, \$0.5560 in 2004, and was \$0.5610 in 2005.

On December 16, 2004, a new nut purchase contract was signed with Hamakua Macadamia Nut Company ("Hamakua") for the delivery of six million pounds, effective January 1, 2007. The contract provides for a minimum price of 79 cents per pounds and a maximum of 99 cents per pound. The pricing formula includes a fixed component of 85 cents and a second component based on Hamakua's average selling price for bulk kernel. Refer to Exhibit 10.52 on page 59.

On January 5, 2006, a new nut purchase contract was signed with Purdyco International, Ltd. dba Island Princess for the delivery of approximately two million WIS pounds, effective January 1, 2007. The nut price will be determined every six months by mutual agreement based on prevailing market price for kernel from Hawaii and Australia. Refer to Exhibit 10.55 on page 59.

On January 6, 2006, a new nut purchase contract was signed with Mac Farms of Hawaii, LLC for the delivery of between four and one-half million and five and one-half million WIS pounds, effective January 1, 2007. The nut price will be determined every six months by mutual agreement based on prevailing market price for kernel from Hawaii and Australia. Refer to Exhibit 10.54 on page 59.

#### **4. Farming Contracts**

Prior to the Partnership's acquisition of the macadamia farming operations on May 1, 2000, the Partnership was a party to four farming contracts with the Ka'u and Mauna Kea Agribusiness Companies ("Agribusiness Companies"), that together covered all farming, harvesting and husking activities for the orchards acquired in June 1986, December 1986, October 1989 and September 1991, respectively. On May 1, 2000, the Partnership acquired the macadamia farming operations from the Agribusiness Companies.

The contracts provided the Agribusiness Companies with reimbursement of their direct and indirect costs incurred under these contracts. Husking activities for the Keaau and Mauna Kea orchards are performed at Mauna Loa's Keaau facility. Reimbursements made to Mauna Loa were \$522,000 in 2003, \$440,000 in 2004, and \$603,000 in 2005.

#### **5. Legal Fees**

The Partnership paid \$134,000, \$495,000 and \$33,000 in legal fees in 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively. A Director of the Partnership is a former partner and currently of counsel to one of the law firms used by the Partnership and said firm was paid \$32,000 in legal fees in 2005, \$495,000 in 2004 and \$33,000 in 2003. The additional legal fees were for services related to the legal suit to prevent Mauna Loa from acquiring the assets of MacFarms of Hawaii, LLC.

#### **6. Management Fee**

Under the terms of the Partnership Agreement, the Partnership reimburses the Managing Partner for all expenses incurred by it in the conduct of Partnership business, including any expenses reasonably allocated to the Managing Partner or to the Partnership as well as a management fee equal to 2% of the Partnership's operating cash flow (as defined in the Partnership Agreement). Management cost reimbursements under the Partnership Agreement were \$160,000 in 2003, and \$168,000 in 2004. The management fee was \$44,000 in 2003, and \$9,000 in 2004. There was no management fee in 2005 as it is eliminated in consolidation.

## **7. Relationships with CBCL and DBE**

Since September 2001, the Partnership has leased approximately 4,000 s.f. of office space in Hilo for its executive and accounting staff through the General Partner, which was owned by DBE until January 2005. The Partnership Agreement requires that the price and terms of any such transactions be no less favorable than those available in comparable transactions between unrelated parties. The Partnership provides administrative services to DBE for which it was compensated \$98,000 in 2003, \$104,000 in 2004, and \$102,000 in 2005.

Mr. Case performs legal work for CBCL, and some of its subsidiaries. He is also a director of ML Resources, Inc. and performs legal work for the Partnership.

Mr. Simonis, President of ML Resources, Inc., an officer of the Partnership, and a director of ML Resources, Inc., and is a stockholder of CBCL.

The Partnership performs farming for a DBE company. This farming is treated in the same manner as all other farming contracts. In 2004 the amount billed was \$15,000 of which \$9,000 was due at December 31, 2004. In 2005 the amount billed was \$16,000 of which \$3,000 was due at December 31, 2005.

## **ITEM 14. INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FEES AND SERVICES**

**Audit Fees.** Fees paid to the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm during 2005, 2004 and 2003 for the audit of the Partnership's annual financial statements and review of financial statements included in the Partnership's Form 10-Q amounted to \$64,000, \$68,000 and \$56,000, respectively. The audit fees for the audit of the Partnership's annual financial statements and review of financial statements included in the Partnership's Form 10-Q for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003, which were approved by Partnership's audit committee amounted to \$65,200, \$61,000 and \$58,000, respectively.

**Audit Related Fees.** Audit related fees paid to the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm during 2005, 2004 and 2003 amounted to \$10,000, \$11,000 and \$6,000, respectively.

**Tax Fees.** Fees paid to the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm during 2005, 2004 and 2003 for tax preparation and related support services amounted to \$250,000, \$256,000 and \$229,000, respectively.

**All Other Fees.** MLR acquisition costs of \$13,000 and 10-K/A review costs of \$30,000.

## PART IV

### ITEM 15. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

#### A. List of Documents Filed as a Part of this Report

1. *Financial Statements.* See Index to Financial Statements at page 21 of this Form 10-K.
2. *Financial Statement Schedules.* None required.
3. *Exhibits.* See Exhibit Index at page 56 of this Form 10-K.

#### B. Reports on Form 8-K

On October 20, 2000, the Partnership filed a report on Form 8-K announcing that on September 29, 2000, CBCL had sold all its stock in Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation to The Shansby Group, a San Francisco based equity partnership.

On May 13, 2003, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the results of operations for the quarter ended March 31, 2003.

On February 17, 2004, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the results of operations for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2003.

On February 17, 2004, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the results of operations for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2003.

On March 9, 2004, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2003.

On May 11, 2004, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the results of operations for the quarter ended March 31, 2004.

On June 7, 2004, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the second quarter distribution and appointment of John Kai as Director.

On August 11, 2004, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the results of operations for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2004.

On August 12, 2004, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the results of operations for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2004 and the potential of a lawsuit against Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation and MacFarms of Hawaii, LLC.



On October 7, 2004, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership announcing the settlement of the lawsuit against Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Corporation and MacFarms of Hawaii, LLC.

On November 10, 2004, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the results of operations for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2004.

On December 20, 2004, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership announcing the resignation of Mr. John W. A. Buyers as Chief Executive Officer of the general partner of the Partnership, ML Resources, Inc.; the agreement by the Partnership to purchase ML Resources, Inc.; the appointment of Dennis J. Simonis as Chief Executive Officer of the general partner of the Partnership; and the agreement with Hamakua Macadamia Nut Company, Inc. with the Partnership to purchase 6,000,000 pounds of nuts per year starting in 2007 and ending in 2012.

On March 16, 2005, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2005 distribution.

On March 16, 2005, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K/A, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the corrections to the press release for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter distribution.

On May 6, 2005, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the results of operations for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter ended March 31, 2005.

On August 10, 2005, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the results of operations for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2005.

On November 7, 2005, the Partnership filed a "Regulation FD Disclosure" on Form 8-K, which included a copy of a press release issued by the Partnership setting forth the results of operations for the quarter and nine months ended September 30, 2005.

## 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.

**ML MACADAMIA ORCHARDS, L.P.**  
(Registrant)

By: **ML RESOURCES, INC.**  
(Managing General Partner)

By: /s/ Dennis J. Simonis  
Dennis J. Simonis  
Principal Executive Officer

Dated : October 16, 2006

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 indicated and on the date set forth above.

### ML RESOURCES, INC.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>
<u>s/s Dennis J. Simonis</u> Dennis J. Simonis	President and Chief Executive Officer Principal Executive Officer Director
<u>s/s Wayne W. Roumagoux</u> Wayne W. Roumagoux	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)
<u>s/s James H. Case</u> James H. Case	Director
<u>s/s John Kai</u> John Kai	Director
<u>s/s James S. Kendrick</u> James S. Kendrick	Director
<u>s/s E. Alan Kennett</u> E. Alan Kennett	Director
<u>s/s Jeffrey M. Kissel</u> Jeffrey M. Kissel	Director
<u>s/s Dr. David McClain</u> Dr. David McClain	Director

## EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
2.1	Amended and Restated Agreement and Plan of Merger, effective as of December 18, 1997, between Registrant and C. Brewer Homes, Inc. (a)
2.2	Asset Purchase Agreement including Exhibits dated March 14, 2000 (g)
3.2	Form of Class A Certificate of Limited Partnership as filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware. (c)
3.3	Certificate of Limited Partnership of Registrant as filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware. (c)
4.1	Depository Agreement between Registrant, Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company as Depository and Mauna Loa Resources Inc. as attorney-in-fact of the limited partners of Registrant. (c)
4.2	Form of Depository Receipt. (c)
5.1	Legal Opinion of Counsel dated May 1, 2000 (g)
10.2	Macadamia Nut Purchase Contract between Mauna Loa and Registrant dated December 22, 1986. (b)
10.3	Macadamia Nut Purchase Contract between Mauna Loa and Registrant dated as of October 1, 1989. (b)
10.4	Contribution Agreement among Mauna Loa Orchards, L.P. ("MLO"), Ka'u Agribusiness Co., Inc. ("KACI"), Mauna Kea Agribusiness Co., Inc. ("MKACI"), Mauna Kea Macadamia Orchards, Inc. ("MKMO") and Mauna Loa dated as of July 1, 1989. (b)
10.5	Lease between the Trustees of the Estate of Bernice Pauahi Bishop ("Trustees of the Bishop Estate") and Mauna Loa. (c)
10.6	Lease between KACI and Registrant. (d)
10.7	MLO/MLMO Conveyance Agreement between MLO and Registrant dated as of October 1, 1989. (b)
10.8	Butcher/MLMO Contribution Agreement between Howard Butcher III ("Butcher") and Registrant dated as of October 1, 1989. (b)
10.9	Farming Lease between KACI and MLO dated as of July 1, 1989. (b)
10.10	Farming Lease between MKACI and MKMO dated as of July 1, 1989. (b)
10.11	Farming Lease between MKACI and MLO dated as of July 1, 1989. (b)
10.12	Water Agreement, as amended, between KACI and Registrant dated as of October 1, 1989. (b)

<b><u>Exhibit Number</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
10.13	Cash Flow Warranty Agreement among KACI, MKACI and Registrant dated as of July 1, 1989. (b)
10.14	Guarantee Agreement between Mauna Loa and Registrant dated as of October 1, 1989. (b)
10.15	Agreement of Indemnification between CBCL and each director of the Managing Partner. (b)
10.16	Indemnification Agreement (Title) among Mauna Loa, KACI and MKACI in favor of Registrant. (b)
10.17	Indemnification Agreement (Subdivision) among Mauna Loa, KACI and MKACI in favor of Registrant. (b)
10.18	Deed between MLO and Registrant relating to 14% undivided interest in 220 tree acres of macadamia orchard properties located in the Keaau area of the island of Hawaii ("Keaau II Orchards"). (b)
10.19	Bill of Sale between MLO and Registrant relating to 14% undivided interest in Keaau II Orchards. (b)
10.20	Deed between Butcher and Registrant relating to 86% undivided interest in Keaau II Orchards. (b)
10.21	Bill of Sale between Butcher and Registrant relating to 86% undivided interest in Keaau II Orchards. (b)
10.22	Assignment of Partial Interest in Lease No. 15,020 and consent from MLO to Registrant. (b)
10.23	Assignment of Partial Interest in Lease No. 16,859 and consent from MLO to Registrant. (b)
10.24	Assignment of Partial Interest in Lease No. 20,397 and consent from MLO to Registrant. (b)
10.25	Assignment of Lease from MLO to Registrant relating to Lease from the Trustees of the Bishop Estate. (b)
10.26	Assignment from MLO to Registrant relating to certain orchards. (b)
10.27	Lease from the Trustees of the Bishop Estate to MLO. (b)
10.28	Lease No. 15,020 from the Trustees of the Bishop Estate to MLO. (b)
10.29	Form of Amendments to Lease No. 15,020 from the Trustees of the Bishop Estate. (b)
10.30	Lease No. 16,859 from the Trustees of the Bishop Estate to the Hawaiian Agricultural Company (a predecessor of KACI). (b)

<b><u>Exhibit Number</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
10.31	Form of Amendments to Lease No. 16,859 from the Trustees of the Bishop Estate. (b)
10.32	Lease No. 20,397 from the Trustees of the Bishop Estate to CBCL. (b)
10.33	Form of Amendments to Lease No. 20,397 from the Trustees of the Bishop Estate to CBCL. (b)
10.34	Lease from Richard L. Hughes to Mauna Loa. (b)
10.35	Lease from the Trustees of the Bishop Estate to Mauna Loa. (b)
10.36	Co-ownership and Partition Agreement between KACI and MLO. (b)
10.37	Co-ownership and Partition Agreement among Mauna Loa, KACI and MLO. (b)
10.38	Co-ownership and Partition Agreement between KACI and MLO relating to Lease Nos. 15,020 and 16,859. (b)
10.39	Co-ownership and Partition Agreement between MKACI and MLO. (b)
10.40	Macadamia Nut Purchase Contract between Mauna Loa and Keaau Macadamia X Corporation ("Keaau Lot 10") dated September 15, 1983. (e)
10.41	Assignment of Owner's Interest in Macadamia Nut Purchase Contract and Farming Contract between Keaau Lot 10 and Registrant. (e)
10.42	Warranty Deed between Keaau Lot 10 and Registrant. (e)
10.43	Amended and Restated June 1986 Farming Contract, effective January 1, 1998, between Registrant and KACI. (f)
10.44	Amended and Restated December 1986 Farming Contract, effective January 1, 1998, between Registrant and KACI. (f)
10.45	Amended and Restated 1989 Farming Contract, effective January 1, 1998, among Registrant, KACI and MKACI. (f)
10.46	Amended and Restated Farming Contract for the Keaau Lot 10 Orchard, effective January 1, 1998, between Registrant and KACI. (f)
10.47	Restated Kaiwiki Orchards Farming lease between Registrant and MKACI dated February 26, 1997. (f)
10.48	Credit Agreement between Registrant and Pacific Coast Farm Credit Services, PCA dated May 1, 2000 (g)
10.49	Security Agreement between Registrant and Pacific Coast Farm Credit Services, PCA dated May 1, 2000 (g)
10.50	Orchards Farming Lease between Registrant and Ka'u Agribusiness Co., Inc. (g)
10.51	Macadamia Nut Purchase Contract between Mauna Loa and the Partnership dated July 1, 2003 for Keaau Lot X nuts. (h)

<b><u>Exhibit Number</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
10.52	Macadamia Nut Purchase Contract between Hamakua Macadamia Nut Company, Inc. and the Partnership dated December 16, 2004 effective January 1, 2007. (i)
10.53	Jim Case resignation letter from Audit Committee dated March 7, 2005. (i)
10.54	Macadamia Nut Purchase Contract between Purdyco International, Ltd. and the Partnership dated January 5, 2006 effective January 1, 2007. (j)
10.55	Macadamia Nut Purchase Contract between Mac Farms of Hawaii, LLC and the Partnership dated January 6, 2006 effective January 1, 2007. (j)
11.1	Statement re: Computation of Net Income per Class A Unit.
31.1	Form of Rule 13a-14(a) [Section 302] Certification – Chief Executive Officer
31.2	Form of Rule 13a-14(a) [Section 302] Certification – Chief Financial Officer
32.1	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 As adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 – Chief Executive Officer
32.2	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 As adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 – Chief Financial Officer
(a)	Incorporated by reference to Appendix A of Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act on Form S-4, Registration Statement No. 333-46271, filed February 13, 1998.
(b)	Incorporated by reference to the corresponding Exhibit previously filed as an Exhibit to Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act on Form S-1, Registration Statement No. 33-30659, filed October 20, 1989.
(c)	Incorporated by reference to the corresponding Exhibit previously filed as an Exhibit to Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act on Form S-1, Registration Statement No. 33-4903, filed June 5, 1986.
(d)	Incorporated by reference to the corresponding Exhibit previously filed as an Exhibit to Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K, Commission filed No. 1-9145, for the year ended December 31, 1986, filed March 27, 1987.
(e)	Incorporated by reference to the corresponding Exhibit previously filed as an Exhibit to Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K, Commission filed No. 1-9145, for the year ended December 31, 1991, filed March 27, 1992.
(f)	Incorporated by reference to the corresponding Exhibit previously filed as an Exhibit to Registrant's Registration Statement under the Securities Act on Form S-4, Registration Statement No. 333-46271, filed February 13, 1998.
(g)	Incorporated by reference to the corresponding Exhibit previously filed as an Exhibit to Registrant's Form 8-K, Commission filed No. 001-09145, filed May 8, 2000.
(h)	Incorporated by reference to the corresponding Exhibit previously filed as an Exhibit to Registrant's Form 10-K, Commission filed No. 001-09145, filed March 17, 2004.
(i)	Incorporated by reference to the corresponding Exhibit previously filed as an Exhibit to Registrant's Form 10-K/A, Commission filed No. 001-9145, filed June 1, 2005.
(j)	Incorporated by reference to the corresponding Exhibit previously filed as an Exhibit to Registrant's Form 8-K, Commission filed No. 0011-09145, filed January 9, 2006.

**Exhibit 11.1**

**ML Macadamia Orchards, L.P.**  
**Computation of Net Income (Loss) per Class A Unit**  
(in thousands, except per unit data)

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
Net income (loss)	\$ 771	\$ (1,649)	\$ 69
Class A Unitholders (ownership percentage)	<u>x 100%</u>	<u>x 99%</u>	<u>X 99%</u>
Net income (loss) allocable to Class A Unitholders	<u>\$ 771</u>	<u>\$ (1,632)</u>	<u>\$ 68</u>
Class A Units outstanding	<u>7,500</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>7,500</u>
Net income (loss) per Class A Unit	<u>\$ 0.10</u>	<u>\$ (0.22)</u>	<u>\$ 0.01</u>

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

Exhibit 31.1

I, Dennis J. Simonis, certify that:

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

Date: October 16, 2006

/s/ Dennis J. Simonis

Dennis J. Simonis  
President and Chief Executive Officer



I, Wayne W. Roumagoux, certify that:

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

Date: October 16, 2006

/s/ Wayne W. Roumagoux

Wayne W. Roumagoux  
Chief Financial Officer

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

In connection with the Annual Report of M.L. Macadamia Orchards, L.P. (the "Company") on Form 10-K/A for the period ended December 31, 2005 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), we, the undersigned management 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.

/s/ Dennis J. Simonis

Dennis J. Simonis  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
October 16, 2006

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

/s/ Wayne W. Roumagoux

Wayne W. Roumagoux  
Chief Financial Officer  
October 16, 2006