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Dear Shareholders:



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Although Fiscal 2009 began as a promising year, it did not end as we originally planned. During the first three fiscal quarters, the vitamin, mineral and supplement category consistently exhibited monthly and quarterly growth. Comparatively, our products consistently outperformed this industry segment and exhibited strong sell-through during this same period.

However, beginning in the second half of the year we began to see a contraction in the category and felt the most impact in the fourth quarter. Plagued by a weakening economy, including rapidly rising unemployment, consumers began to directly experience tougher economic times. They began tightening their household budgets thereby reducing their overall expenditures including vitamins and supplements. Consequently, in addition to our Direct Response sales declining, our retailer customers began reducing inventories and new product commitments. The recession abruptly hit our company with full force in the fourth quarter. For the quarter we recorded a net loss of \$20.7 million, but that included a non-cash impairment charge for intangible assets of \$17.5 million.

Revenues for the year were down 16% to \$39.6 million versus \$47.1 million in 2008. We reduced our operating expenses for the year by 46% before the \$17.5 million impairment charge. Excluding the impairment charge, we had an operating profit of \$0.148 million, an improvement of \$13.6 million when compared to a fiscal year 2008 operating loss of \$13.4 million. Our net loss for the year was \$20.8 million or \$(0.31) per diluted common share, compared to a net loss of \$16.9 million or \$(0.27) per diluted share, in the previous year.

The fourth quarter loss caused us to breach a financial covenant with our lender. The lender waived this breach upon our agreement to repay our borrowings by November 15, 2009. We are now seeking a replacement loan facility, and are also negotiating to restructure \$2.5 million principal amount of notes plus interest that are past due and are secured by our Iceland Health trademark. We are focusing our main efforts on our most profitable and stable business segment, our ingredients business, and have signed a non-binding letter of intent for the sale of our retail and direct response businesses.

We continue to gain traction for use of our ingredients in nutritional supplements, and we continue to renew our commitment to the development of safe and efficacious science-based formulations.

We sell ingredients to more than 200 different customers in a variety of different industries - nutritional supplements, foods, animal nutrition products to name a few. And while our ingredient sales represent a relatively small percentage of the company's overall revenues, these sales are highly profitable.

We firmly believe that there are significant opportunities for our chromium picolinate products as they relate to livestock feed as well as companion animals. There is evidence that companion animals, in particular, are increasingly suffering from obesity and, in some cases, diabetes. The addition of our chromium picolinate to companion animals feed stock could represent large new

markets for Nutrition 21 in the coming years. We are aggressively working in these markets to establish the appropriate partnerships that will help us to develop those opportunities.

Another new and exciting application for our chromium picolinate is in human brain health. The brain utilizes more glucose than any other organ in the body and chromium picolinate is very effective in promoting healthy glucose metabolism. Based on strong research evidence we have shown our Chromax® brand product to be effective in improving cognitive function and alleviating some symptoms related to depression and stress. These are exciting new possibilities in our Ingredients segment that hold great promise going forward.

Additionally, we have patented products to enhance the effectiveness of certain drugs. These products can be included in prescription drug formulations nearing the ends of their patent protection periods and could provide those drug manufacturers with the ability to extend their patent protection on their new drug formulations for an additional number of years. There are many such prescription drugs that are nearing the end of their patent life that could be extended with the inclusion of our products. This is another important potential new market that we are working to develop in the coming years.

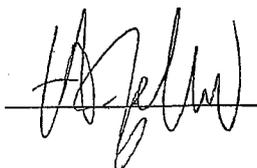
As we look ahead, we know that there is still much work to be done. We will continue to work at relieving our short-term liquidity shortage. Also, bringing operating expenses in line was a major initiative in fiscal 2009 and will continue to be a key objective in fiscal 2010 and beyond. By successfully managing operating costs we have built a significant amount of leverage into our model. This should translate into improved financial performance as the recession begins to loosen its grip on the economy.

There are many outstanding growth opportunities ahead of us that have the potential of delivering incremental revenues and profits. We will continue to be very aggressive in developing new market niches that our ingredients are uniquely qualified to fill. We plan to develop meaningful new veterinary food opportunities as well as continuing to develop and offer patented solutions for pharmaceutical and OTC drug companies. We will also continue to develop new business opportunities in our core, the growing nutraceutical and dietary supplement markets.

Despite the setbacks in Q4, the entire N21 team is dedicated to growing this company, achieving profitability, and driving shareholder value in the coming years. In all these areas and more, we will continue to work towards closing the gap between where we stand today and where we know we have to go. Our ultimate mission is to improve shareholder value. These are not merely words; they are the basis against which we measure our own performance and the viability of the company.

As we work through these times of unique economic challenges and opportunities, we appreciate your continued support of Nutrition 21.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Zeher", written over a horizontal line.

Michael A. Zeher
Chief Executive Officer
Nutrition 21, Inc.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 10-K/A

- ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2009
- TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____.

Commission File Number 0-14983

NUTRITION 21, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

New York

11-2653613

State or other jurisdiction of incorporation
or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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

Common Stock (par value \$.005 per share)

Nasdaq Capital Market

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 Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

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

Indicate by check mark 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 the registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K/A or any amendment to this form 10-K/A

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

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

As of December 31, 2008, the aggregate market value of the registrant's common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was \$8,817,038 based on the closing sale price as reported on the NASDAQ Capital Market System.

As of October 10, 2009, there were 75,181,383 shares of common stock outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the definitive Proxy Statement to be made available or delivered to shareholders in connection with the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on December 3, 2009 are incorporated by reference into Part III.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

We are filing this Amended Annual Report on Form 10-K/A to amend Part II, Item 5, Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities to reflect that effective as of October 20, 2009 the Company's Common Equity trades on the OTC Bulletin Board, and Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the Financial Statements to correct several inadvertent errors.

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Disclosures in this Form 10-K/A contain certain forward-looking statements, including without limitation, statements concerning the Company's operations, economic performance and financial condition. These forward-looking statements are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The words "believe," "expect," "anticipate" and other similar expressions generally identify forward-looking statements. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of their dates. These forward-looking statements are based largely on the Company's current expectations and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, including without limitation, changes in external market factors, changes in the Company's business or growth strategy or an inability to execute its strategy due to changes in its industry or the economy generally, the emergence of new or growing competitors, various other competitive factors and other risks and uncertainties indicated from time to time in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Actual results could differ materially from the results referred to in the forward-looking statements. In light of these risks and uncertainties, there can be no assurance that the results referred to in the forward-looking statements contained in this Form 10-K/A will in fact occur. The Company makes no commitment to revise or update any forward looking statements in order to reflect events or circumstances after the date any such statement is made.

PART I

Item 1. BUSINESS

We are a nutritional bioscience company and the marketer of Chromax[®] chromium picolinate products and Iceland Health[®] omega-3 fish oil-based supplements with health benefits substantiated by clinical research. Our current core business strategy is to develop and market proprietary ingredients to the vitamin and supplement market for both human and animal applications. We also create and develop nutritional supplement ingredients and formulations for sale and licensing to marketers of nutritional supplement products to be used in their finished products.

Our products are sold and distributed through two operating segments, Ingredients and Branded Products. We sometimes refer to our Branded Products segment as our "Consumer Health" segment.

The Ingredients segment markets and sells to other marketers and distributors of various nutritional supplement products in both the human and animal nutrition markets.

The Consumer Health segment develops, markets and sells finished nutritional supplement products directly to consumers and through mass retail channels. This segment also develops nutritional supplement products for distribution at retail under private label and exclusive brands owned by our retail customers.

Our Consumer Health products are distributed through major food, drug and super center stores, mass retailers and to a lesser extent direct to consumers via direct response marketing programs.

During the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2009, we incurred substantial losses in our branded products business, and we moved our primary focus to our Ingredients segment.

We hold more than 30 patents for nutrition products and their uses. Our portfolio of health and wellness brands include: Iceland Health[®] Maximum Strength Omega-3, Iceland Health[®] Joint Relief, Iceland Health[®] Advanced Memory Formula[™], Chromax[®] chromium picolinate, Prescriptix[™] Supplements and Diabetes Essentials[®]. We also make private label supplements and ingredients for third parties.

Our Internet address is www.nutrition21.com. There we make available, free of charge, our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and any amendments to those reports, as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with or furnish it to the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Our SEC reports can be accessed through the investor relations section of our Website.

History of the Company

The Company is a New York corporation that was incorporated on June 29, 1983 as Applied Microbiology, Inc. Prior to 1995 the Company focused on the development and commercialization of antibacterial technologies for new drugs. The Company subsequently licensed these technologies to third parties. Beginning in 1995, the Company shifted its focus to developing and marketing nutrition products and ingredients. In 1997 the Company acquired a comprehensive chromium-based patent portfolio based on a picolinate form of chromium that was invented and researched by the United States Department of Agriculture. In 1999, the Company acquired the Lite Bites consumer product line from Optimum Lifestyles, Inc. In August of 2003, the Company discontinued its investment in the Lite Bites product line. In August 2006, the Company acquired Iceland Health, Inc and its exclusive rights until 2015, to market and sell in the US omega-3 fatty acids produced with a proprietary distillation process by an Icelandic company. In the same year we embarked on a program of retail and direct response sales of our Iceland Health, Chromax and other branded products. During the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2009 , we incurred substantial losses in our consumer health segment, and we moved our primary focus to our ingredients segment.

The Company's Products

Background

The Company currently sells chromium picolinate under its Chromax ® trademark to vitamin supplement and food manufacturers and marketers as well as directly to retailers for its patented uses in human and animal nutrition products. Finished products that incorporate chromium picolinate are marketed to enable consumers to supplement their requirements for essential dietary chromium needs. Daily doses typically range between 50-1,000 mcg.

The function of insulin, the body's master metabolic hormone, is in part dependent on chromium that must be supplied through diet or supplementation. Recognizing that a number of the signs and symptoms of diabetes are shared in common with chromium deficiency, a 1999 Congressional mandate urged the National Institutes of Health's Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS) and the USDA to further evaluate the role of chromium in diabetes. An ODS November 1999 Chromium and Diabetes Workshop Summary prioritized the research questions that had to be resolved in order to evaluate chromium's potential role in preventing and/or mitigating diabetes management. In December 2004, Congress passed an Appropriations bill that included Report Language that "chromium picolinate can restore normal glucose metabolism by enhancing insulin sensitivity," and that encouraged the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM) to expand its chromium research.

According to the American Diabetes Association, 23.6 million people suffer from diabetes; it is the sixth leading cause of death in the U.S. and one of the most costly health problems. Insulin resistance is thought to be a precursor to diabetes and is estimated to affect one in five Americans according to the *Journal of American Dietetic Association, February 2004* .

Nutrition 21's core research and development program has followed the ODS research guidelines with the goal of further commercializing its chromium patent estate by expanding chromium use for therapeutic applications in diabetes and other health conditions linked to insulin resistance. On August 25, 2005, the U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA), through its Qualified Health Claim (QHC) process, acknowledged there is limited but credible evidence to suggest that chromium picolinate may reduce the risk of insulin resistance, and therefore may possibly reduce the risk of type 2 diabetes. The FDA ruling is the first QHC related to diabetes, and it relates only to chromium picolinate and not other forms of chromium. See "Governmental Regulation".

In collaboration with both independent and sponsored academic researchers at leading U.S. and international institutions and government agencies, the Company's research objectives have been to strengthen the substantiation for chromium picolinate and expand its patent estate by continuing to:

Firmly establish the safety of Chromax chromium picolinate. Chromax chromium picolinate has been affirmed as Generally Recognized as Safe (GRAS) for use in nutritional bars and beverages

- Firmly establish the mechanism of action of chromium picolinate as an insulin sensitizer in insulin mediated glucose metabolism
- Confirm a relationship between low chromium status and an increased risk of diabetes and other conditions linked to insulin resistance
- Use double-blind placebo-controlled trials to continue to demonstrate the potential of its chromium product(s) to safely prevent, mitigate or treat diabetes and other related conditions
- Explore chromium's potential role in mitigating or treating symptoms related to mental health issues, such as depression, Alzheimer's disease, and cognitive impairment
- Identify other opportunities to expand the therapeutic use of its chromium technology
- Communicate the cost and health benefits of chromium-based supplements to secure approval of its product(s) for use as a first line therapy in diabetes management

The Company will continue to publicize the outcomes of these and forthcoming studies in order to increase the demand for sales of stand-alone chromium picolinate and chromium combination products, as well as its use in foods and vitamins supplement formulas.

The Company must also continue to demonstrate the safety of this product. The following studies, in the Company's opinion, demonstrate that chromium picolinate is safe.

In 2009, the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) released its safety assessment supporting the safe use of chromium picolinate in food supplements in the European Union (EU).

The United States Government, acting through the National Institutes of Health-National Toxicology Program ("NTP"), has independently evaluated the safety of chromium picolinate with government approved tests. In 2002 and 2008, the NTP did not find any significant safety concerns related to chromium picolinate, even at high doses.

In 2002 a group of experts consisting of Richard Anderson, Ph.D. (senior scientist, USDA chromium expert), Walter Glinsman, MD (former director from the FDA), and Joseph Borzelleca, Ph.D. (professor emeritus of pharmacology and toxicology from Virginia Commonwealth University) reviewed all existing studies of chromium picolinate and found no safety concerns.

In 1997 United States Department of Agriculture ("USDA") researchers published results of a high dose chromium picolinate study, concluding that chromium picolinate is safe.

The United States Food & Drug Administration (FDA), the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) and the United Kingdom's Food Standards Agency (FSA) have announced that chromium picolinate is safe.

Several researchers have questioned the safety of chromium picolinate. In 1995 and 2002, a research group headed by Dianne Stearns, Ph.D. (Dartmouth College and Northern Arizona University) administered chromium picolinate in a laboratory to Chinese hamster ovary cell lines, and in 2003 another research group headed by John Vincent, Ph.D. (University of Alabama) administered chromium picolinate to fruit flies. Both reported safety concerns. The Company engaged an independent contract research organization, BioReliance Corporation, and replicated the studies conducted by Stearns using Chromax chromium picolinate following internationally accepted procedures. BioReliance Corporation found Chromax chromium picolinate to be safe. This study was published in Mutation Research, 2005.

Experts have advised that fruit fly studies do not predict results in humans. The United States Government, acting through the National Institutes of Health-National Toxicology Program ("NTP"), has independently evaluated the safety of chromium picolinate with government approved tests. In 2002 and 2008, the NTP did not find any significant safety concerns related to chromium picolinate, even at high doses.

The Company's Ingredients Business

Chromax chromium picolinate is the Company's primary ingredients product which in various combinations is covered by both domestic and international composition of matter and use patents.

The Company's ingredient customers manufacture and distribute chromium picolinate as a stand-alone chromium supplement marketed either under their own private labels or for their vitamin, mineral and supplement lines.

The Company derives additional revenues from the sale and licensing of chromium picolinate to customers who incorporate it and other of the Company's ingredients into many other finished multi-ingredient nutritional supplement products. These include vitamin/mineral formulas, weight loss and sports nutrition supplements, bars, drink mixes, beverages and other products. These products are sold by the Company's customers under a variety of brands throughout the world through natural/health food stores, supermarkets, drug stores, and mass merchandisers, and also through direct sales and catalogue sales.

The Company is actively promoting its research findings, as well as the recent pronouncement surrounding the safety of chromium picolinate, to functional food manufacturers, including health and consumer product distributors in the U.S. as well as internationally. These provide new market opportunities for the Company's products.

The Company's chromium picolinate is also sold into the animal feed market for managing the health of breeding sows and their offspring, where it has been shown to improve glucose control in gestating swine. Research outcomes include improved fertility, productivity and recovery for the sows, and stronger and more resilient offspring.

The Company sells its products on terms that grant its customers a license under the Company's patents to sell the Company's chromium picolinate for the particular uses and nutrient combinations covered by its patents. The fee for this license is bundled on an unallocated basis with the price that the Company charges to its customers for products that the Company sells to them. See "Supply and Manufacturing" for information on manufacturing agreements between the Company and the manufacturers of its principal products.

During each of the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 respectively, ingredient sales of Chromax chromium picolinate accounted for more than 14%, 13% and 18% of the Company's total revenues.

In fiscal year 2009, one customer accounted for 24% of the Company's total revenues, while in fiscal year 2008, three customers accounted for 20% of the Company's total revenues. In fiscal year 2007, two customers accounted for 14% of the Company's total revenues.

Refer to Item 7 for a discussion of revenue, loss before income taxes and total assets for each of our ingredients and branded products segments.

The Company's Consumer Health Business

Beginning in late 2005, the Company entered into distribution agreements directly with leading national retail drug/pharmacy chains to sell its premium priced Chromax branded chromium picolinate mineral supplement. The Company's distribution agreements with retailers are terminable by either party on notice, and do not require any retailer to purchase any amount of product.

The Chromax brand is targeted to consumers interested in preventing health concerns resulting from increased age and obesity that can lead to insulin resistance, including pre-diabetes, diabetes, cardiovascular health, fighting weight gain and controlling carbohydrates.

The Company has the exclusive U.S. right until 2015 to market and sell fish oil manufactured by an Icelandic company to pharmaceutical standards utilizing a patented distillation process to remove toxins and dioxins. The Company primarily markets omega-3 products under its Iceland Health trademark through direct response channels including TV infomercials, radio, print, direct mail, and Internet e-commerce, and has also begun to market these products into the retail distribution channel.

The Company has also commercialized Diabetes Essentials® as a nutritional complement to medical treatment for people with type 2 diabetes. The lead product is Diachrome® specially formulated to provide advanced nutritional support for people with type 2 diabetes, offering a unique dual effect on blood sugar and heart health.

Under its Iceland Health brand the Company also sells Iceland Health® Omega-3 Cholesterol Health and Iceland Health® Joint Relief Plus SLEEP Support.

Primarily because of substantial losses that the Company incurred in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2009, in its Branded Products segment the Company is shifting its focus to its Ingredients segment.

The Company owns or has exclusive licenses to patents for pharmaceutical applications that relate to chromium's role in treating mental health conditions, such as depression and PMS/PMDD. The Company also has a patent pending related to chromium's role in mitigating the negative effects caused by drug induced insulin resistance. The Company will seek to out-license the development and marketing of these pharmaceutical products to pharmaceutical companies.

Pharmaceutical Products Licensed to Third Parties

In August 2000, the Company exclusively licensed to Biosynexus Incorporated certain rights to nisin and lysostaphin antibacterial technologies for development and marketing of new drugs for human uses. The licenses provide for milestone payments and royalties to the Company. To date, the Company has received only minimum royalties of \$200,000 annually under these licenses.

Based on a license agreement with ImmuCell Corporation, the Company as licensor may become entitled to royalty payments upon commercial sale by ImmuCell of certain skin and environment sanitizers and teat dips for the prevention of animal mastitis.

Research and Development

During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, the Company spent approximately \$0.4 million, \$0.9 million and \$1.2 million, respectively, on research and development. The Company's research and development program is based on chromium and seeks to discover and substantiate the efficacy and safety of ingredients and products that have a significant nutritional therapeutic value to consumers. The primary research focus over the past few years has been in the area of diabetes, cardiovascular health, and mental health.

This research effort enabled the Company to identify patentable new combinations of chromium and new uses for chromium, and new food systems that can be enhanced by the inclusion of its ingredient systems.

Clinical Studies, Presentations and Publications

The Company from time to time provides funding for clinical studies of its products to evaluate safety, efficacy and mechanism of action, and in other instances supplies chromium picolinate and other products for use in studies for which it provides no funding. The Company believes that positive results in these studies, whether or not funded by it, provide benefits to the Company by furthering acceptance of its products. The Company also makes presentations at various meetings to share research findings and to gain acceptance of its products. The following information summarizes some of the studies that tested product supplied by the Company. The information also summarizes selected recent presentations and publications that relate to the Company's products.

Studies in progress:

The Company has supplied its Chromax chromium picolinate to Griffin Hospital/Yale School of Medicine for a clinical study funded by the National Institutes of Health to evaluate "*Chromium Effects in Impaired Glucose Tolerance.*" The purpose of this study is to evaluate the effects of chromium picolinate on both measures of glucose tolerance and brachial artery endothelial function.

The Company has supplied its Chromax chromium picolinate to Pennington Biomedical Research Center for a clinical study funded by the National Institutes of Health to evaluate "*Chromium and Insulin Action.*" The purpose of this study is to evaluate the effects of chromium picolinate on glucose metabolism in people with newly diagnosed type 2 diabetes, and may provide data to generate recommendations for or against routine clinical use in this population .

The Company has supplied its Chromax chromium picolinate to the University of California, Davis for a clinical study funded by the National Institutes of Health to evaluate the "*Effects of Chromium on Progression of Insulin Resistance.*" The purpose of this study is to evaluate the bioavailability (tissue chromium status) and efficacy of chromium picolinate and chromium nicotinate in ameliorating diet-induced insulin resistance and dyslipidemia.

The Company has supplied its Chromax chromium picolinate to the State University of New York at Stony Brook for a clinical study funded by the National Institutes of Health to evaluate "*A Novel Therapy for Glucose Intolerance in HIV Disease.*" The purpose of this study is to evaluate the safety and efficacy of chromium picolinate in the treatment of insulin resistance in HIV disease.

The Company has supplied its Chromax chromium picolinate to the State University of New York at Stony Brook for a clinical study funded by the National Institutes of Health to evaluate "*Chromium Treatment of Obesity-Related Insulin Resistance.*" The purpose of this study is to evaluate the safety and efficacy of chromium picolinate in the treatment of obesity-related insulin resistance and may provide data to generate dietary chromium recommendations for reducing the risk of diabetes and associated diseases.

The Company has supplied its Chromax chromium picolinate to the University of California, San Francisco for a clinical study funded by the National Institutes of Health to evaluate "*Chromium and Insulin Resistance.*" The purpose of this study is to evaluate the safety and efficacy of chromium picolinate in the treatment of insulin resistance in non-obese, non-diabetic subjects.

Publications and Presentations in 2009:

A paper entitled "*Effects of chromium picolinate on food intake and satiety*" was published in *Diabetes Technology & Therapeutics*. This paper concluded that chromium picolinate reduced caloric intake and hunger levels, and increased satiety, in overweight women.

A paper entitled "*Effects of Chromium Histidinate on Renal Function, Oxidative Stress, and Heat-Shock Proteins in Fat-Fed and Streptozotocin-Treated Rats*" was published in *Journal of Renal Nutrition*. This paper concluded that chromium histidinate decreased lipid-peroxidation levels and heat-shock protein expression in an animal model of diabetes. These results suggest that chromium histidinate may prevent the renal impairment associated with diabetes.

A paper entitled “ *The Effects of Chromium Histidinate on Mineral Status of Serum and Tissue in Fat-Fed and Streptozotocin- Treated Type II Diabetic Rat* ” was published in Biological Trace Element Research. This paper concluded that chromium supplementation increases chromium issue levels and protects against stress-induced losses of zinc, iron, and manganese in liver and heart tissues.

An oral presentation entitled “ *Effect of Chromium Picolinate and Chromium Histidinate on Carbohydrate and Lipid Metabolism* ” was given at the American College of Nutrition. This presentation reported that the combination of chromium picolinate and chromium histidinate improved carbohydrate and lipid metabolism better than each used alone.

A poster presentation entitled “ *Chromium Histidinate Improves Serotonergic Properties and Carbohydrate Metabolism in Rat Models of Insulin Resistance and of Type 2 Diabetes* ” was given at the Experimental Biology Conference (FASEB). This presentation reported that chromium histidinate has a positive effect on glucose metabolism.

A poster presentation entitled “ *Chromium Histidinate Increases Brain Glut-1 and Glut-3 Levels Impaired by Insulin Resistance* ” was given at the Brain & Brain PET Conference. This presentation reported that chromium histidinate can enhance glucose transporters in the brain.

Governmental Regulation

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (“FDA”) regulates the labeling and marketing of the Company’s dietary supplements under the Dietary Supplement and Health Education Act (“DSHEA”). Under DSHEA, dietary supplements that were first marketed as dietary supplements after October 1994 require safety approval by the FDA. See “The Company’s Existing Ingredient Business” for further information on the safety of the Company’s products. Under DSHEA, the Company is required to submit for FDA approval claims regarding the effect of its dietary supplements on the structure or function of the body. DSHEA also requires an FDA approval for claims that relate dietary supplements to disease prevention (so-called “health claims”).

The Company received FDA approval for a qualified health claim. On August 25, 2005, the FDA recognized chromium picolinate as a safe nutritional supplement that may reduce the risk of insulin resistance and possibly type 2 diabetes. The FDA concluded:

“ One small study suggests that chromium picolinate may reduce the risk of insulin resistance, and therefore possibly may reduce the risk of type 2 diabetes. FDA concludes, however, that the existence of such a relationship between chromium picolinate and either insulin resistance or type 2 diabetes is highly uncertain.”

The FDA also concluded that chromium picolinate is safe stating the following:

“ FDA concludes at this time, under the preliminary requirements of 21 CFR 101.14(b)(3)(ii), that the use of chromium picolinate in dietary supplements as described in the [approved] qualified health claims discussed in section IV is safe and lawful under the applicable provisions of the Act.”

The Federal Trade Commission (“FTC”) regulates product-advertising claims and requires that claims be supported by competent and reliable scientific evidence. Prior to our acquisition of a California limited partnership called Nutrition 21 (“Nutrition 21 LP”), the FTC opened an inquiry into certain of the claims that Nutrition 21 LP was making for chromium picolinate. The inquiry was terminated by the FTC with Nutrition 21 LP entering into a consent agreement that requires Nutrition 21 LP to support its claims by competent and reliable scientific evidence. After we acquired Nutrition 21 LP in 1997, we undertook new clinical studies to support the claims we intended to make for our products. The FTC has subsequently audited our chromium picolinate advertising and has not found either a lack of competent and reliable scientific evidence or a failure to comply with the consent agreement. The FTC continues to monitor our advertising and could limit our advertising in ways that could make marketing our products more difficult or result in lost sales.

Proprietary Rights

Trademarks

Chromax, Diachrome, Iceland Health, Selenomax, SelenoPure, Zinmax, Zenergen, and Magnemax are among the more well known trademarks owned by Nutrition 21: Chromax for chromium picolinate; Diachrome for chromium picolinate and biotin; Iceland Health for Omega-3 supplements; Selenomax for high selenium yeast; SelenoPure for yeast-free selenium; Zinmax for zinc picolinate; Zenergen for chromium picolinate and conjugated linoleic acid; and Magnemax for manganese picolinate.

Patents

Nutritional Patents

Our significant patents consist of:

- one method of use patents that expire in December 2009 that covers the use of chromium picolinate for cholesterol maintenance,
- another method of use patent that expires in 2015 and covers the use of high doses of chromium picolinate for glucose stabilization,
- four patents that expire in 2017 and cover the use of chromium for relieving the symptoms of depression and pre-menstrual syndrome,
- two composition of matter patents that expire in 2017 and cover chromium picolinate and biotin compositions and their use for stabilizing serum glucose,
- one composition of matter patent that expires in 2017 and covers a composition of chromium picolinate and other ingredients and its use for improving body composition,
- twelve other chromium-based patents that expire in 2017, 2018 and 2021 that cover a range of compositions and uses for which we do not offer products, and
- one composition of matter patent that expires in 2019 that covers a composition of chromium histidinate.

We have also applied for 7 other United States patents relating to improving insulin sensitivity, improving cognitive function, improving immune function, reducing hyperglycemia, and treatment of diabetes, dyslipidemia, hypercholesterolemia and other diseases.

Composition of matter patents protect the manufacture, sale or use of a product. Method of use patents cover the use of a product. Method of use patents are more difficult to enforce since the actual infringer is the person that takes the product for the patented use. In order to enforce a method of use patent against manufacturers or sellers, the patent owner must prove contributory or induced infringement, which is more difficult than enforcing a composition of matter patent.

The Company maintains non-disclosure safeguards, including confidentiality agreements, with employees and certain consultants. There can be no assurance, however, that others may not independently develop similar technology or that secrecy will not be breached despite any agreements that exist.

Although the Company holds six United States patents for chromium picolinate complexes and for nutritional uses for chromium picolinate complexes the Company is often faced with competition from companies, including importers that disregard its patent rights. These companies take calculated risks that the Company will not sue to enforce its patent rights against them. The Company determines whether to file suit against an infringer by taking into consideration an estimate of infringing sales and the cost of patent enforcement. While there is no guarantee that the Company will be able to successfully enforce its patent rights against these competitors, the Company continues to monitor industry practices.

Pharmaceutical Patents

The Company owns more than 100 patents relating to, among other things, the expression and production of proteins by recombinant *Bacillus* strains; plasmid vectors and methods of construction; recombinant lysostaphin complexes; novel bacteriocin compositions and their use as broad spectrum bactericides; the use of bacteriocin compositions to treat bovine mastitis; the use of bacteriocin compositions in oral healthcare; the use of bacteriocin compositions on skin for healthcare and hygiene; and the use of bacteriocin compositions in gastrointestinal healthcare. These patents are licensed to Biosynexus Incorporated and ImmuCell Corporation as set forth under "Pharmaceutical Products Licensed to Third Parties."

The Company maintains trade secret protection for bacterial strains, technical know-how, and other information it considers proprietary and beneficial for the manufacture, use, regulatory approval, and marketing of the Company's products.

Competition

Numerous manufacturers and retailers compete actively for consumers. In addition, nutritional supplements can be purchased in a wide variety of channels of distribution. These channels include mass market retail stores and the Internet. These markets generally have low barriers to entry. Private label products of our customers also provide competition to our products. Additional national or international companies may seek in the future to enter or to increase their presence in the health foods channel or the vitamin, mineral supplement market.

In our ingredients business, we believe that we have a relatively strong position for existing stand-alone chromium sales, and we have a relatively small market share for sales of chromium into multi-ingredient products. Our major competitor in this business is InterHealth Nutraceuticals Inc. which is a privately held company that markets chromium polynicotinate.

Our Consumer Health business is highly competitive and requires substantial marketing expenditures for significant success in this intensely competitive market. Our recent losses and our current financial position limit the marketing expenditures we can make and have moved our focus away from this business. Large established companies in this business include Nordic Naturals, which offers omega-3 fatty acids that have potency and purity similar to our products, as well as Bumble Bee Seafoods and Puritan's Pride.

Supply and Manufacturing

We rely on outside suppliers to formulate, manufacture and package our products. We do not have long-term agreements with any of our suppliers other than our manufacturer in Iceland. We acquire omega-3 fatty acids that are sold as Iceland Health Omega 3 from the manufacturer in Iceland under an agreement that gives us the exclusive right until 2015 to import omega-3 fatty acids from this manufacturer and to distribute this product in the United States. We plan to negotiate an extension of the exclusivity with the manufacturer beyond 2015. These products are identified on packaging as "coming from Iceland."

We purchase omega-3 fatty acids for our Iceland Health Joint Relief product from various suppliers in the United States, on a purchase order basis, for sale in packaging that does not identify the product as “coming from Iceland.” Should our manufacturer in Iceland fail to adequately supply us at any time, we believe that we can, with some disruption, purchase additional omega-3 fatty acids from our current or other suppliers in the US, but we may be adversely affected by our inability to identify these products as “coming from Iceland.”

We purchase our chromium and related compounds on a purchase order basis from several suppliers, but our business may nevertheless be disrupted if we are required to change a significant supplier.

All of the Company’s suppliers comply with GMPs (Good Manufacturing Practices) for nutritional supplements. GMP is a system of procedures and documentation written or analytical, to assure our products contain the appropriate strength, quality, composition and purity which they purport to have.

Employees

As of June 30, 2009, the Company had 20 full-time employees, of whom 3 were executive employees, 7 were administrative, 8 were engaged in marketing and sales, and 2 were involved in research, process and product development, and manufacturing. The Company does not have a collective bargaining agreement with any of its personnel and considers its relationship with its employees to be satisfactory.

Item 1A. RISK FACTORS

Not Applicable

Item 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

Item 2. PROPERTIES

The Company maintains its corporate headquarters at 4 Manhattanville Road, Purchase, New York 10577-2197 (Tel: 914-701-4500). The lease for this space covers approximately 10,000 square feet at an annual lease rental of \$250,000, and expires on June 30, 2010.

Item 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

U.S. Customs and Border Protection is claiming that Iceland Health underpaid duty on importation of fish oil from Iceland. The Company is contesting the determination.

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

No matters were submitted for a vote of the security holders during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2009.

PART II

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

Matters Relating to Common Stock

Effective October 20, 2009, the Company's Common Stock trades on the OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol "NXXI.OB".

The Company has not paid a cash dividend to its public shareholders on its Common Stock. The Company intends to retain all earnings, if any, for the foreseeable future for use in the operation and expansion of its business and, accordingly, the Company does not contemplate paying any cash dividends on its Common Stock in the foreseeable future. In addition, if dividends on the Company's Series J Preferred Stock are unpaid, the Company is precluded from paying dividends on its Common Stock and any other equity securities.

The following table sets forth the average high and low sales prices as reported by the Nasdaq Market for the Common Stock.

Fiscal Quarter Ended	Common Stock	
	High	Low
September 30, 2007	\$ 1.79	\$ 0.84
December 31, 2007	\$ 1.19	\$ 0.58
March 31, 2008	\$ 0.73	\$ 0.37
June 30, 2008	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.25
September 30, 2008	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.07
December 31, 2008	\$ 0.45	\$ 0.14
March 31, 2009	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.07
June 30, 2009	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.15

As of October 1, 2009, there were approximately 464 holders of record of the Common Stock. The Company believes that the number of beneficial owners is substantially greater than the number of record holders, because a large portion of its Common Stock is held of record in broker "street names."

Shareholder Rights Plan

Under a Shareholder Rights Plan, the Company has distributed, as a dividend, one preferred share purchase right for each share of Common Stock of the Company held by stockholders of record as of the close of business on September 25, 2002. The Rights Plan is designed to deter coercive takeover tactics, including the accumulation of shares in the open market or through private transactions, and to prevent an acquirer from gaining control of the Company without offering a fair price to all of the Company's stockholders. The Rights will expire on September 11, 2012.

Each Right entitles stockholders to buy one one-thousandth of a share of newly created Series H Participating Preferred Stock of the Company for \$3.00 per share. Each one one-thousandth of a share of the Series H Preferred Stock is designed to be the functional equivalent of one share of Common Stock. The Rights will be exercisable only if a person or group acquires beneficial ownership of 15% or more of the Company's Common Stock or commences a tender or exchange offer upon consummation of which such person or group would beneficially own 15% or more of the Company's Common Stock.

If any person or group (an "Acquiring Person") becomes the beneficial owner of 15% or more of the Company's Common Stock, then (1) the Rights become exercisable for Common Stock instead of Series H Preferred Stock, (2) the Rights held by the Acquiring Person and certain affiliated parties become void, and (3) the Rights held by others are converted into the right to acquire, at the purchase price specified in the Right, shares of Common Stock of the Company having a value equal to twice such purchase price. The Company will generally be entitled to redeem the Rights, at \$.001 per Right, until 10 days (subject to extension) following a public announcement that an Acquiring Person has acquired a 15% position.

Item 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

Not Applicable

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

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes thereto of the Company included elsewhere herein.

Overview

The Company's revenues are primarily derived from the sale of proprietary and clinically-substantiated nutritional supplements and the grant of patent licenses related to those ingredients to manufacturers and marketers of vitamin and mineral supplements. The fee for the licenses is bundled on an undifferentiated basis with the price that the Company charges for its ingredients.

Cost of goods sold includes both direct and indirect manufacturing costs. Research and development expenses include internal expenditures as well as expenses associated with third party providers. Selling, general and administrative expenses include salaries and overhead, third party fees and expenses, royalty expenses for licenses and trademarks, and costs associated with the selling of the Company's products. The Company capitalizes patent costs and intangible asset costs, and amortizes them over periods of one to seventeen years.

The following table sets forth items in the Consolidated Statements of Operations as a percent of revenues:

	Fiscal Year		
	Percent of Revenues		
	2009	2008	2007
Total Revenues	100%	100%	100%
Cost of revenues*	41.8	38.0	33.7
Advertising and promotion expenses	44.7	71.1	81.2
General and administrative expenses	9.8	13.2	15.2
Research and development expenses	0.9	2.0	3.0
Operating loss	(43.9)	(28.5)	(42.4)
Net loss	(52.5)	(36.0)	(46.5)

*As a percent of net sales

Results of Operations

1. Year ended June 30, 2009 vs. year ended June 30, 2008

Revenues

Net sales for the Ingredients Group were \$7.3 million in fiscal year 2009 compared to \$7.7 million in fiscal year 2008. A reduction in chromium picolinate and zinc picolinate orders was the primary reason for the decline.

Net sales for the Branded Products Group were \$31.9 million in fiscal year 2009 compared to \$38.6 million in fiscal year 2008. Net sales through the direct response channel were \$18.6 million in fiscal year 2009 compared to \$28.7 million in fiscal year 2008. Net sales to retailers was \$13.3 million in fiscal year 2009 compared to \$9.9 million in fiscal year 2008. While economic conditions adversely affected sales made through the direct response channel, net product sales through the retail channel improved, because of initial purchases of exclusive branded products by the retailers.

Cost of Revenues

Cost of revenues for the Ingredients Products Group was \$1.7 million in fiscal year 2009 compared to \$1.9 million in fiscal year 2008. Lower net product sales is the primary reason for the decline.

Cost of revenues for the Branded Products Group was \$14.7 million in fiscal year 2009 compared to \$15.7 million in fiscal year 2008. The cost of revenues for products sold through the direct response was lower due to lower sales volume. The cost of products sold through the retail channel was \$8.5 million, an increase of \$0.9 million when compared to fiscal year 2008. A decrease in our inventory provision (\$0.6 million) as well as a decrease in the cost of products associated with increased sales to retailers were the primary reasons.

Advertising and Promotion Expenses ("Advertising")

Advertising for the Ingredients Products Group was \$0.7 million for fiscal year 2009 compared to \$0.9 million in fiscal 2008. Advertising for the Branded Products Group was \$17.0 million in fiscal year 2009 compared to \$32.6 million in fiscal year 2008. Expenditures for Advertising in the direct response channel in fiscal year 2009 of \$12.8 million were \$6.2 million less than fiscal year 2008. Advertising expenditures for the retail group were \$4.1 million in fiscal year 2009 compared to \$13.6 million in fiscal year 2008. Continued refocusing and target-specific advertising were the primary reasons for the improvement.

Unallocated Corporate Expenses

Unallocated corporate expenses comprised of general and administrative expenses, research and development expenses, depreciation and amortization, impairment charges, interest expense, net and license fees for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 were \$27.3 million compared to \$12.9 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. An impairment charge of \$17.5 million was recognized in fiscal year 2009 relating to goodwill and other intangible assets associated with the Iceland Health acquisition. In addition, increases in interest expense, net of \$0.9 million in fiscal year 2009 relating to our financings were offset by lower amortization of intangibles (\$1.1 million), reduced spending for research and development (\$0.6 million), lower legal costs (\$0.6 million), absence of termination expenses (\$0.4 million) and reductions in general and administrative costs (\$1.0 million) in fiscal year 2009.

Operating Loss

Operating loss for the fiscal year 2009 was \$17.4 million compared to an operating loss in fiscal year 2008 of \$13.4 million. After excluding the \$17.5 million impairment charge in fiscal year 2009, there was an operating profit of \$0.148 million compared to an operating loss of \$13.4 million in fiscal year 2008. Reduced spending for Advertising (\$14.9 million) and general and administrative expenses (\$2.3 million); lower depreciation and amortization expenses (\$1.1 million), and lower research and development expense (\$0.6 million) in fiscal year 2009 were the primary reasons for the improvement.

Income Taxes (Benefits)

In fiscal year 2009 the Company recorded a \$0.9 million income tax benefit as a result of a tax benefit associated with the impairment of other intangibles with indefinite lives.

Net Loss

Net loss for the fiscal year 2009 was \$20.8 million compared to the fiscal year 2008 net loss of \$16.9 million. After excluding the \$17.5 million impairment charge, the net loss for fiscal year 2009 was \$3.2 million. Improvement in the operating profit discussed above was partially offset by increased interest expense, net of (\$0.9 million) related to our financings.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2009 were \$1.4 million compared to \$4.8 million at June 30, 2008.

During the year ended June 30, 2009, cash used in operating activities was \$1.3 million compared to \$14.8 million in the comparable period a year ago. Improved cash collections and reduced spending on advertising were the primary reasons for the improvement.

During the year ended June 30, 2009, cash provided by investing activities was \$4.3 million compared to cash used of \$4.2 million at June 30, 2008. In the year ended June 30, 2009, the Company sold \$4.0 million of its auction rate securities and reduced its restricted cash by \$1.0 million.

During the year ended June 30, 2009, net cash used in financing activities was \$6.4 million compared to cash provided of \$21.4 million in fiscal year 2008. In fiscal year 2009, the Company repaid a \$3.0 million short-term loan from JP Morgan Chase Bank ("Chase") and redeemed all outstanding Series I convertible preferred stock for \$3.6 million. At June 30, 2009, the Company had net borrowings of \$0.2 million from Gerber Finance Inc. in accordance with its loan and security agreement.

Subsequent to our fiscal year end, Gerber Finance Inc. declared that our fourth quarter loss constituted a breach of a financial covenant. Gerber waived the breach and agreed to the Company repaying the borrowings by November 15, 2009. In addition we entered into negotiations to restructure the \$2.5 million principal amount of notes payable to the former owners of Iceland Health plus interest that are past due and are secured by our Iceland Health trademark. These negotiations have not been resolved as of October 22, 2009. We also seek a replacement loan facility.

Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming that we will continue as a going concern, which contemplates the realization of assets and the settlement of liabilities in the normal course of business. For several years we have incurred significant losses, and have relied on financing activities to supplement cash from operations. At June 30, 2009, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$1.4 million, a decrease of \$3.4 million from June 30, 2008, and we had a working capital deficiency of approximately \$2.5 million. Net cash used by operating activities for the year ended June 30, 2009 totaled \$1.3 million. We have incurred annual operating losses and, as a result, at June 30, 2009, we had an accumulated deficit of approximately \$129.2 million.

In addition, the current economic conditions which negatively impacted our revenues in fiscal year 2009 are expected to continue to negatively impact our ability to generate net income. Our continuation is based on our ability to generate or obtain sufficient cash to meet our obligations on a timely basis and ultimately to attain profitable operations.

The Company is considering all strategic options to improve its liquidity and provide it with working capital to fund its continuing operations including further reducing its expenditures, disposing of certain assets, attaining further operating efficiencies, restructuring debt financing, and ultimately generating additional high-margin revenues. While we continue to seek financing alternatives, there can be no assurance that we will be successful. If adequate funds are not available or are not available on acceptable terms, the Company will likely not be able to take advantage of unanticipated opportunities, develop or enhance services or products, respond to competitive pressures or continue as a going concern. There can be no assurance that in the future we can operate profitably or at all.

Results of Operations

2. Year ended June 30, 2008 vs. year ended June 30, 2007

Revenues

Net sales for the Ingredients Group of \$7.7 million in fiscal year 2008 were \$0.2 million greater when compared to \$7.5 million in fiscal year 2007.

Net sales for the Branded Products Group were \$38.6 million in fiscal year 2008 compared to \$33.1 million in fiscal year 2007. Net sales through the direct response channel were \$28.7 million in fiscal year 2008 compared to \$25.9 million in fiscal year 2007, which includes sales of Iceland Health since the acquisition in August 2006. Net sales to retailers were \$9.9 million in fiscal 2008 compared to \$7.2 million in fiscal year 2007. Sales of Omega-3 and Joint Relief products which were successfully introduced in the second quarter of fiscal year 2008 in the retail market was the primary reason for the improvement.

Cost of Revenues

Cost of revenues for the Ingredients Products Group were \$1.9 million in each of fiscal years 2008 and 2007.

Cost of revenues for the Branded Products Group were \$15.7 million in fiscal year 2008 compared to \$11.8 million in fiscal year 2007. While the cost of revenues sold through the direct response channel was \$8.6 million in each of fiscal years 2008 and 2007, cost of products sold through the retail channel was \$7.1 million, an increase of \$4.5 million when compared to fiscal year 2007. An increase in the inventory provision (1.6 million) as well as cost of products associated with increased sales to retailers were the primary reasons.

Advertising and Promotion Expenses ("Advertising")

Advertising for the Ingredients Products Group was \$0.9 million in fiscal years 2008 and 2007, respectively. Advertising for the Branded Products Group was \$32.6 million in fiscal year 2008 compared to \$32.5 million in fiscal year 2007. Expenditures for Advertising in the direct response channel in fiscal year 2008 of \$19.0 million were \$2.3 million less than fiscal year 2007. Increases in media spending for the retail channel partially offset the reduction.

Unallocated Corporate Expenses

Unallocated corporate expenses comprised of general and administrative expenses, research and development expenses, depreciation and amortization, impairment charges, interest expense, net and license fees for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008 were \$12.2 million compared to \$12.6 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. Increases in interest expense, net of \$1.8 million in fiscal year 2008 relating to our financings were offset by lower amortization of intangibles (\$1.0 million), no impairment charge for intangible assets in fiscal year 2008 (\$0.7 million) and reduced spending for research and development and general and administrative expenses (\$0.4 million).

Operating Loss

Operating loss for fiscal year 2008 of \$13.4 million was \$4.0 million less than the operating loss in fiscal year 2007 of \$17.4 million. Increase in sales to retailers, net of cost of \$2.1 million, lower depreciation and amortization expenses of \$1.0 million, lower research and development expense of \$0.3 million in fiscal year 2008 when compared to fiscal year 2007 and a non-recurring impairment charge in fiscal year 2007 for intangible assets of \$0.7 million were the primary reasons for the improvement.

Net Loss

Net loss for the fiscal year 2008 of \$16.9 million was \$2.2 million less than the fiscal year 2007 net loss of \$19.1 million. The improvement in the operating loss of \$4.0 million in fiscal year 2008 was partially offset by increased interest expense, net of (\$1.8 million) related to our financings.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires the Company to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and expenses. On an on-going basis, the Company evaluates its estimates, including those related to uncollectible accounts receivable, inventories, intangibles and other long-lived assets. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

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

- The Company maintains allowances for uncollectible accounts receivable for estimated losses resulting from the inability of its customers to make required payments. If the financial condition of the Company's customers were to deteriorate, resulting in an impairment of their ability to make payments, additional allowances may be required.
- The Company carries inventories at the lower of cost or estimated net realizable value. If actual market conditions are less favorable than those projected by management write-downs may be required.
- Property, plant and equipment, patents, trademarks and other intangible assets owned by the Company are depreciated or amortized, over their estimated useful lives. Useful lives are based on management's estimates over the period that such assets will generate revenue. Intangible assets with definite lives are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable. Future adverse changes in market conditions or poor operating results of underlying capital investments or intangible assets could result in losses or an inability to recover the carrying value of such assets, thereby possibly requiring an impairment charge in the future.
- When customers have guaranteed rights to return products, the Company defers revenue recognition until its customer sells the product to the end user. Upon shipment by the Company, amounts billed to customers with rights to product returns are included as accounts receivable, inventory is relieved, the sale is deferred and the gross profit is reflected as a current liability until the product is sold to the end user.

- The Company accounts for its stock-based compensation arrangements in accordance with the provisions of revised Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (“SFAS No. 123R”) “Share-Based Payments”. Stock-based employee compensation cost is measured at the grant date, based on the estimated fair value of the award, and is recognized as expense over the requisite service period. The Company has no awards with market or performance conditions. The valuation provisions of SFAS 123R apply to new awards and to awards that were outstanding on the effective date and subsequently modified or cancelled.

Item 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Not applicable.

Item 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

The financial statements are included herein commencing on page F-1.

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

Not applicable.

Item 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Disclosure controls and procedures are controls and other procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by Nutrition 21, Inc. in the reports it files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the Commission’s rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by Nutrition 21, Inc. in the reports it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Under the supervision and with the participation of management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, Nutrition 21, Inc. has evaluated the effectiveness of its disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of June 30, 2009, and based upon this evaluation the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that these controls and procedures are effective in providing reasonable assurance of compliance.

Management’s Annual Report On Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Nutrition 21, Inc.’s management is responsible for establishing and maintaining an adequate system of internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f). Our internal control system was designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of consolidated financial statements for external purposes, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with policies and procedures may deteriorate.

There were no significant changes in our internal controls over financial reporting or in other factors during the period ended June 30, 2009, which have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

Nutrition 21, Inc.'s management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2009, based on the framework in Internal Control – Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on that evaluation, management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of June 30, 2009.

This annual report does not include an attestation report of J.H. Cohn LLP, Nutrition 21, Inc.'s independent registered public accounting firm, regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by J.H. Cohn LLP pursuant to rules of the SEC that permit Nutrition 21, Inc. to provide only management's report in this annual report.

Item 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

The Company's Common Stock trades on the Nasdaq Capital Market System under the symbol "NXXI". On December 26, 2007, Nasdaq Staff notified the Company that the Company's bid price for its common stock has been less than \$1 for more than 30 consecutive days and, as a result, does not comply with Listing Rule 5550(a)(2) (the "Rule"). On October 9, 2009, Nasdaq Staff notified the Company that the period for the Company to regain compliance with the Rule expired October 7, 2009, and that unless the Company appeals the Staff's determination prior to October 16, 2009, trading in the Company's common stock on Nasdaq will be suspended at the opening of business on October 20, 2009 and the Stock will be delisted. If the Company does not appeal the Staff's determination, the Company's Common stock will be eligible to trade on the OTC Bulletin Board. The Company will either appeal or plans to take the steps necessary for its Common Stock to be quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board.

PART III

Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.

The information called for by Item 10 is incorporated by reference from the Company's definitive proxy statement for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act no later than 120 days after the end of the Company's 2009 fiscal year.

The Company has a code of ethics that applies to all of its employees, officers, and directors, including its principal executive officer, principal financial and accounting officer, and controller. The text of the Company's code of ethics is posted on its website at www.nutrition21.com. The Company intends to disclose future amendments to, or waivers from, certain provisions of the code of ethics for executive officers and directors in accordance with applicable NASDAQ and SEC requirements.

Item 11. Executive Compensation.

The information called for by Item 11 is incorporated by reference from the Company's definitive proxy statement for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act no later than 120 days after the end of the Company's 2009 fiscal year.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.

The information called for by Item 12 is incorporated by reference from the Company's definitive proxy statement for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act no later than 120 days after the end of the Company's 2009 fiscal year.

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.

The information called for by Item 13 is incorporated by reference from the Company's definitive proxy statement for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act no later than 120 days after the end of the Company's 2009 fiscal year.

Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services.

The information called for by Item 14 is incorporated by reference from the Company's definitive proxy statement for the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Exchange Act no later than 120 days after the end of the Company's 2009 fiscal year.

PART IV

Item 15. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) 1. Financial Statements

The financial statements are listed in the Index to Consolidated Financial Statements on page F-1 and are filed as part of this annual report.

2. Financial Statement Schedules

None

3. Exhibits

The Index to Exhibits following the Signature Page indicates the Exhibits, which are being filed herewith, and the Exhibits, which are incorporated herein by reference.

SIGNATURES

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

NUTRITION 21, INC.

By: /s/ Michael A. Zeher
Michael A. Zeher, President and
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: October 22, 2009

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this Report has been signed below, as of October 13, 2009, by the following persons on behalf of Registrant and in the capacities indicated.

/s/ Michael A. Zeher
Michael A. Zeher, President and
Chief Executive Officer

/s/ John H. Gutfreund
John H. Gutfreund,
Chairman of the Board

/s/ P. George Benson
P. George Benson, Director

/s/ John L. Cassis
John L. Cassis, Director

/s/ Warren D. Cooper
Warren D. Cooper Director

/s/ Peter Mann
Peter Mann, Director

/s/ Alan J. Kirschbaum
Chief Financial Officer, Vice
President Finance and Treasury
(Principal Financial Officer and
Principal Accounting Officer)

EXHIBITS

- 3.01 Certificate of Incorporation (1)
- 3.01a Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation (2)
- 3.01b Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation (3)
- 3.01c Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation (11)
- 3.01d Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation (11)
- 3.01e Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation (12)
- 3.01f Form of Certificate of Amendment of Series I 6% Convertible Preferred Stock, designated as Exhibit 4.2 in the related Form 8-K (24)
- 3.01g Form of Certificate of Amendment of Series J 8% Convertible Preferred Stock, designated as Exhibit 4.2 in the related Form 8-K (29)
- 4.1 Form of Securities Purchase Agreement dated March 31, 2005 between Nutrition 21, Inc. and various investors, designated as Exhibit 4.1 in the related Form 8-K (24)
- 4.2 Form of Registration Rights Agreement, designated as Exhibit 4.3 in the related Form 8-K (24)
- 4.3 Form of Common Stock Purchase Warrant, designated as Exhibit 4.4 in the related Form 8-K (24)
- 4.4 Letter Agreement dated March 9, 2005 with Bristol Investment Group, Inc., designated as Exhibit 4.5 in the related Form 8-K (24)
- 4.5 Form of Common Stock and Warrant Purchase Agreement May 19, 2006 by and among Nutrition 21, Inc. and investors signing on the signatory pages thereto, designated as Exhibit 4.1 in the related Form 8-K (26)
- 4.6 Form of Registration Rights Agreement by and among Nutrition 21, Inc. and investors signing on the signatory pages thereto, designated as Exhibit 4.2 in the related Form 8-K (26)
- 4.7 Form of Warrant issued to investors other than to CD Investment Partners, Ltd., designated as Exhibit 4.3 in the related Form 8-K (26)
- 4.8 Form of Common Stock and Warrant Purchase Agreement by and between Nutrition 21, Inc. and CD Investment Partners, Ltd., designated as Exhibit 4.4 in the related Form 8-K (26)
- 4.9 Form of Registration Rights Agreement entered into by and between Nutrition 21, Inc. and CD Investment Partners, Ltd., designated as Exhibit 4.5 in the related Form 8-K (26)
- 4.10 Form of Warrant issued to CD Investment Partners, Ltd., designated as Exhibit 4.6 in the related Form 8-K (26)

- 4.11 Form of Letter Agreement by and among Nutrition 21, Inc., C.E. Unterberg, Towbin, LLC and Dresdner Kleinwort Wasserstein Securities LLC, designated as Exhibit 4.7 in the related Form 8-K (26)
- 4.12 Form of Warrant issued to each of C.E. Unterberg, Towbin, LLC and Dresdner Kleinwort Wasserstein Securities LLC, designated as Exhibit 4.8 in the related Form 8-K (26)
- 4.13 Form of Securities Purchase Agreement dated September 10, 2007 between Nutrition 21, Inc. and various investors, designated as Exhibit 4.1 in the related Form 8-K (29)
- 4.14 Form of Registration Rights Agreement, designated as Exhibit 4.3 in the related Form 8-K (29)
- 4.15 Form of Common Stock Purchase Warrant, designated as Exhibit 4.4 in the related Form 8-K (29)
- 4.16 Letter Agreement dated August 9, 2007 with CE Unterberg, Towbin (now called Collins Stewart LLC) designated as Exhibit 4.5 in the related Form 8-K (29)
- 4.17 Form of Common Stock Purchase Warrant with Collins Stewart LLC and Life Science Group, Inc., designated as Exhibit 4.6 in the related Form 8-K (29)
- 10.01 Form of Incentive Stock Option Plan (8)
- 10.02 Form of Non-qualified Stock Option Plan (8)
- 10.02a Form of 1989 Stock Option Plan (1)
- 10.02b Form of 1991 Stock Option Plan (1)
- 10.02c Form of 1998 Stock Option Plan (15)
- 10.24 Exclusive Option and Collaborative Research Agreement dated July 1, 1988 between the Company and the University of Maryland (4)
- 10.25 Lease dated as of February 7, 1995, between the Company and Keren Limited Partnership (7)
- 10.26 License Agreement dated as of December 12, 1996 between Licensee Applied Microbiology, Inc. and Licensor Aplin & Barrett Limited. (9)
- 10.27 License Agreement dated as of December 12, 1996 between Licensee Aplin & Barrett Limited and Licensor Applied Microbiology, Inc. (9)
- 10.28 Supply Agreement dated as of December 12, 1996 between Aplin & Barrett Limited and Applied Microbiology, Inc. (9)
- 10.29 Stock and Partnership Interest Purchase Agreement dated as of August 11, 1997, for the purchase of Nutrition 21. (10)
- 10.30 Sublease dated as of September 18, 1998, between the Company and Abitibi Consolidated Sales Corporation (12)

- 10.31 Strategic Alliance Agreement dated as of August 13, 1999 between AMBI Inc. and QVC, Inc. (15)*
- 10.32 Asset Purchase Agreement made as of December 30, 1999, by and between ImmuCell Corporation and AMBI Inc. (16)
- 10.33 License Agreement entered into as of August 2, 2000 between AMBI Inc. and Biosynexus Incorporated. (17)*
- 10.34 License and Sublicense Agreement entered into as of August 2, 2000 between AMBI Inc. and Biosynexus Incorporated. (17)*
- 10.35 Amended and Restated By-laws, and Rights Agreement adopted September 12, 2002 (20)
- 10.36 Amendment No. 1 to the Amended and Restated By-laws (27)
- 10.37 Nutrition 21, Inc. 2001 Stock Option Plan. (21)
- 10.38 Nutrition 21, Inc. 2002 Inducement Stock Option Plan. (21)
- 10.39 Nutrition 21, Inc. Change of Control Policy adopted September 12, 2002. (21)
- 10.40 Nutrition 21, Inc. 2005 Stock Plan (23)
- 10.41 Agreement and General Release and Waiver entered into as of November 30, 2005 between Nutrition 21, Inc. and Gail Montgomery (25)
- 10.42 Loan and Security Agreement between Gerber Finance, Inc. as Lender and Nutrition 21, LLC and Iceland Health, LLC as Co-Borrowers (28)
- 10.43 Nutrition 21, Inc. Guarantee (28)
- 10.44 Nutrition 21, LLC Guarantee (28)
- 10.45 Iceland Health, LLC Guarantee (28)
- 10.46 Amended and Restated Merger Agreement for the purchase of Iceland Health, Inc. dated as of August 25, 2006 (30)
- 10.47 Agreement and General Release and Waiver entered into as of April 28, 2008 between Nutrition 21, Inc. and Paul Intlekofer (31)
- 10.48 Employment Agreement entered into as of July 14, 2008 between Nutrition 21, Inc. and Michael A. Zeher (32)
- 10.49 Confidentiality and Non-Compete Agreement entered into as of July 14, 2008 between Nutrition 21, Inc. and Michael A. Zeher (32)
- 10.50 Resignation Agreement and General Release and Waiver dated September 19, 2009 between Nutrition 21, Inc. and Mark Stenberg (33)

- 10.51 Consulting Agreement dated September 19, 2009 between Nutrition 21, Inc. and Mark Stenberg (33)
- 10.52 Forbearance Agreement dated August 18, 2009 among Nutrition 21, inc. and certain of its subsidiaries and Gerber Finance Inc. (34)
- 23.1 Consent of J.H. Cohn LLP (35)
- 31.1 Certification of President and Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (35)
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (35)
- 32.1 Certification of President and Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (35)
- 32.2 Certification of Chief financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (35)
- (1) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-K for 1991.
- (2) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated September 4, 1992.
- (3) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 dated August 8, 1996, file No. 333-09801.
- (4) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-K for 1988.
- (5) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal period January 31, 1992 through August 31, 1992.
- (6) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-K for 1994.
- (7) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-K for 1995.
- (8) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 originally filed April 15, 1986, file No. 33-4822.
- (9) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated December 27, 1996.
- (10) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated August 25, 1997.
- (11) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-K/A2 for 1997.
- (12) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-K/A for 1998.
- (13) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 1998.
- (14) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated February 3, 1999.
- (15) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-K for 1999.

- (16) Incorporated by reference to ImmuCell Corporation's Report on Form 8-K dated January 13, 2000.
- (17) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-K for 2000.
- (18) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2000.
- (19) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-K for 2001.
- (20) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated September 18, 2002.
- (21) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-K for 2002.
- (22) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 10-K/A for 2003.
- (23) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K for 2005.
- (24) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated April 4, 2005.
- (25) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated December 15, 2005.
- (26) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated May 23, 2006.
- (27) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated April 30, 2007.
- (28) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on form 8-K dated July 31, 2007.
- (29) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on form 8-K dated September 12, 2007.
- (30) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on form 8-K dated April 29, 2006.
- (31) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on form 8-K dated April 29, 2008.
- (31) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on form 8-K dated April 29, 2009
- (32) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated July 15, 2008
- (33) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated September 25, 2008
- (34) Incorporated by reference to the Company's Report on Form 8-K dated August 19, 2009
- (35) Filed herewith.

* Subject to an order by the Securities and Exchange Commission granting confidential treatment. Specific portions of the document for which confidential treatment has been granted have been blacked out. Such portions have been filed separately with the Commission pursuant to the application for confidential treatment.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Stockholders and Board of Directors
Nutrition 21, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Nutrition 21, Inc. and subsidiaries as of June 30, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity (deficit) and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended June 30, 2009. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Nutrition 21, Inc. and subsidiaries as of June 30, 2009 and 2008, and their consolidated results of operations and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended June 30, 2009, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern. As discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company has incurred significant losses for several years and has relied on financing activities to supplement cash from operations and is past due or in forbearance agreement for \$4.4 million of debt at June 30, 2009. In addition, the Company has a working capital deficiency of approximately \$2.5 million and an accumulated deficit of \$129.2 million at June 30, 2009. These factors raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Management's plans in regard to these matters are also described in Note 2. The consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

/s/ J.H. Cohn LLP
Roseland, New Jersey
October 13, 2009

NUTRITION 21, INC.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(in thousands)

	<u>June 30,</u> 2009	<u>June 30,</u> 2008
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,373	\$ 4,817
Accounts receivable (less allowances for doubtful accounts and returns of \$1,459 and \$827 at June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively)	2,752	2,922
Other receivables	516	286
Inventories, net	3,878	1,014
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	467	1,483
Total current assets	8,986	10,522
Property and equipment, net	46	69
Patents, trademarks and other amortizable intangibles (net of accumulated amortization of \$26,643 and \$25,568 at June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively)	766	1,540
Goodwill	636	15,395
Other intangibles with indefinite lives	3,000	5,379
Other assets	1,389	2,981
Investments	—	3,740
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 14,823	\$ 39,626

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements .

NUTRITION 21, INC.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(in thousands, except share and per share data)

	<u>June 30,</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>June 30,</u> <u>2008</u>
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)		
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities:		
Short-term borrowings	\$ -	\$ 3,000
Accounts payable	4,439	4,221
Accrued expenses	2,218	2,575
Deferred income	361	1,228
Current portion of long-term debt	4,457	-
6% Series I convertible preferred stock subject to mandatory redemption (redemption value \$3,594 at June 30, 2008)	-	3,270
Total current liabilities	<u>11,475</u>	<u>14,294</u>
Long-term debt	-	4,185
Deferred income taxes	1,200	2,152
3% Series J convertible preferred stock subject to mandatory redemption (redemption value \$17,750 at June 30, 2009 and 2008)	<u>13,218</u>	<u>11,594</u>
Total liabilities	<u>25,893</u>	<u>32,225</u>
Commitments and contingencies		
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT):		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, authorized 5,000,000 shares, 100,000 shares designated as Series H, none issued and outstanding, 9,600 shares designated as Series I convertible preferred stock, 9,600 shares issued and 3,594 shares outstanding at June 30, 2008, (see liabilities above); 17,750 shares designated as Series J convertible preferred stock, 17,750 issued and outstanding at June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively (see liabilities above)	—	—
Common stock, \$0.005 par value, authorized 150,000,000 shares; 71,231,450 and 63,583,205 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively	353	315
Additional paid-in capital	117,761	115,721
Accumulated deficit	(129,184)	(108,375)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	-	(260)
Total stockholders' equity (deficit)	<u>(11,070)</u>	<u>7,401</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)	<u><u>\$ 14,823</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 39,626</u></u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements .

NUTRITION 21, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(in thousands, except share and per share data)

	YEAR ENDED		
	JUNE 30,		
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Net sales	\$ 39,257	\$ 46,363	\$ 40,651
Other revenues	348	708	526
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>39,605</u>	<u>47,071</u>	<u>41,177</u>
COSTS AND EXPENSES			
Cost of revenues	16,397	17,609	13,718
Advertising and promotion expenses	17,707	33,478	33,448
General and administrative expenses	3,883	6,197	6,274
Research and development expenses	364	954	1,241
Depreciation and amortization	1,106	2,259	3,257
Impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives	17,539	—	678
TOTAL COSTS AND EXPENSES	<u>56,996</u>	<u>60,497</u>	<u>58,616</u>
OPERATING LOSS	(17,391)	(13,426)	(17,439)
Interest income	93	315	440
Interest expense	(4,463)	(3,817)	(2,135)
LOSS BEFORE INCOME TAXES (BENEFIT)	(21,761)	(16,928)	(19,134)
Income taxes (benefit)	(952)	14	14
NET LOSS	<u>\$ (20,809)</u>	<u>\$ (16,942)</u>	<u>\$ (19,148)</u>
Basic and diluted loss per common share	<u>\$ (0.31)</u>	<u>\$ (0.27)</u>	<u>\$ (0.33)</u>
Weighted average number of common shares – basic and diluted	<u>67,195,724</u>	<u>61,796,508</u>	<u>57,462,944</u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

NUTRITION 21, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)
(in thousands, except share data)

	Common Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total
	Shares	Amount				
Balance at June 30, 2006	48,783,220	\$ 243	\$ 86,582	\$ (72,285)	\$ 0	\$ 14,540
Conversion of 2,992 shares of Series I convertible preferred stock to shares of common stock	2,386,915	12	2,980	—	—	2,992
Issuance of common stock for dividends on Series I preferred stock	196,249	1	321	—	—	322
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	615	—	—	615
Exercise of stock options and warrants	1,079,309	5	1,139	—	—	1,144
Issuance of common stock for the purchase of Celand Health, Inc.	8,000,000	40	15,432	—	—	15,472
Issuance of restricted shares, net of forfeitures	500,750	—	—	—	—	—
Net loss for the year	—	—	—	(19,148)	—	(19,148)
Balance at June 30, 2007	60,946,443	301	107,069	(91,433)	0	15,937
Issuance of warrants and beneficial conversion features related to 8% Series J convertible preferred stock	—	—	7,330	—	—	7,330
Issuance of common stock for dividends on Series I preferred stock	373,677	2	214	—	—	216
Issuance of common stock for dividends on Series J preferred stock	847,540	4	351	—	—	355
Issuance of common stock for the purchase of Celand Health, Inc.	1,500,000	8	(8)	—	—	—
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	717	—	—	717
Exercise of stock options and warrants	87,755	—	48	—	—	48
Temporary impairment on investments in auction rate securities	—	—	—	—	(260)	(260)
Cancellations of restricted stock	(172,210)	—	—	—	—	—
Net loss for the year	—	—	—	(16,942)	—	(16,942)
Balance at June 30, 2008	63,583,205	315	115,721	(108,375)	(260)	7,401
Issuance of common stock for dividends on Series I preferred stock	842,907	4	175	—	—	179
Issuance of common stock for dividends on Series J preferred stock	6,795,338	34	1,387	—	—	1,421
Exercise of stock options	10,000	—	4	—	—	4
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	474	—	—	474
Reversal of temporary impairment on investments in auction rate securities	—	—	—	—	260	260
Net loss for the year	—	—	—	(20,809)	—	(20,809)
Balance at June 30, 2009	71,231,450	\$ 353	\$ 117,761	\$ (129,184)	\$ —	\$ (11,070)

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

NUTRITION 21, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(in thousands)

	YEAR ENDED JUNE 30,		
	2009	2008	2007
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net loss	\$ (20,809)	\$ (16,942)	\$ (19,148)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:			
Depreciation of property and equipment	30	37	59
Deferred income taxes	(952)	—	—
Amortization of intangibles	1,076	2,180	3,198
Accretion of preferred stock and amortization of deferred financing costs	2,300	1,806	1,609
Accretion on note payable to Iceland Health	64	58	165
Convertible preferred stock dividend paid in common stock charged as interest expense	1,600	571	322
Stock-based compensation expense	474	717	615
Increase to provision for doubtful accounts and returns	—	321	300
Impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives	17,539	—	678
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable	170	(1,325)	402
Other receivables	(230)	58	(140)
Inventories	(2,864)	2,931	(2,515)
Prepaid expenses, other current assets and other assets	1,265	(1,863)	(716)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(134)	(1,668)	3,664
Deferred income	(867)	(1,701)	1,220
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(1,338)</u>	<u>(14,820)</u>	<u>(10,287)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Contingent payments for acquisitions allocated to goodwill, patents and trademarks	(556)	(981)	(223)
Purchases of property and equipment	(10)	(42)	(7)
Payments for patents and trademarks	(149)	(180)	(252)
Redemption of investments available for sale	—	1,000	15,500
Purchase of investments available for sale	—	(4,000)	(5,000)
Decrease in restricted cash	1,000	—	—
Proceeds from sale of auction rate securities	4,000	—	(872)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	<u>4,285</u>	<u>(4,203)</u>	<u>9,146</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from stock option exercises	4	50	1,144
Proceeds from private placement of 8% Series J convertible preferred stock, net of issuance costs	—	16,603	—
Proceeds from long-term debt, net	199	1,770	—
Repayment of short-term borrowings	(3,000)	3,000	—
Redemption of 6% Series I convertible preferred stock	(3,594)	—	—
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	<u>(6,391)</u>	<u>21,423</u>	<u>1,144</u>
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(3,444)	2,400	3
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	4,817	2,417	2,414
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>\$ 1,373</u>	<u>\$ 4,817</u>	<u>\$ 2,417</u>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

NUTRITION 21, INC.
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(in thousands)

Note 1: NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Nature of Operations

Nutrition 21, Inc. (“Nutrition 21”, or together with its subsidiaries, the “Company”) is a nutritional bioscience company and a supplier of chromium picolinate-based, and omega-3 fish oil-based supplements. The Company markets Chromax[®] chromium picolinate products. Another chromium picolinate-based supplement developed and marketed by Nutrition 21 is Diabetes Essentials[®] a proprietary, non-prescription, insulin sensitizer for people with type 2 diabetes. It is sold in select drug retailers nationwide. As a result of the acquisition of Iceland Health, Inc. (“IH”) in August 2006, the Company is the exclusive importer of Icelandic fish oils, including omega-3 fatty acids sold under the Iceland Health[®] brand. Accordingly, the Company operates in two business segments; ingredients group and branded products group.

b) Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Nutrition 21, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiaries. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

c) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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. Estimates also affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

d) Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all interest-earning liquid investments with a maturity of less than three months when acquired to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents included in the accompanying financial statements include money market accounts, bank overnight investments and commercial paper.

e) Inventories

Inventories, which consist primarily of finished goods, are carried at the lower of cost (on a first-in, first-out method) or estimated net realizable value. The Company’s allowance for inventory obsolescence was \$0.3 million and \$1.4 million as of June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

NUTRITION 21, INC.
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(in thousands)

Note 1: NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

f) Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation and amortization is provided using the straight-line method over the related assets' estimated useful lives or the term of the lease, if shorter. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Leasehold improvements	—	Term of lease
Furniture and fixtures	—	7 years
Machinery and equipment	—	5 to 7 years
Office equipment	—	3 to 5 years
Computer equipment	—	3 to 5 years

g) Patents and Trademarks

The Company capitalizes certain patent and trademark costs. Patent and trademark costs are amortized over their estimated useful lives, ranging from 3 to 15 years.

h) Investments

Investments held at June 30, 2008 were classified as available for sale and were recorded at market value in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 115, "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities" ("SFAS 115"). Realized gains and losses are determined using the specific identification method. Unrealized gains and losses are reflected in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss.

Impairments were reviewed in accordance with SFAS 115, and related guidance issued by the FASB and SEC in order to determine the classification of the impairment as "temporary" or "other-than-temporary." A temporary impairment charge would result in an unrealized loss being recorded in the other comprehensive income component of stockholders' equity (deficit). Such an unrealized loss would not affect net income for the applicable accounting period. An other-than-temporary impairment charge would be recorded as a realized loss in the consolidated statement of operations and reduces net income for the applicable accounting period. The differentiating factors between temporary and other-than-temporary impairment are primarily the length of the time and the extent to which the market value has been less than cost, the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer and our intent and ability to retain our investment in the issuer for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in market value.

i) Revenue Recognition

Sales revenue, net of allowances, is recognized when title transfers either upon delivery at the customer site or at the factory. There are no customer acceptance provisions to be met before the recognition of any product revenue. Revenue is recognized only where collectability of accounts receivable is reasonably assured. Other revenues are comprised primarily of license and royalty fees recognized as earned in accordance with agreements entered into by the Company when there is no further involvement required by the Company. The Company accrues for related product returns based on historical activity.

NUTRITION 21, INC.
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(in thousands)

Note 1 NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

i) Revenue Recognition (continued)

When customers have a guaranteed right to return products, the Company defers revenue recognition until its customers sell the product to the end user. Upon shipment by the Company, amounts billed to customers with a guaranteed right to return products are included as accounts receivable, inventory is relieved, the sale is deferred and the gross profit is reflected as a current liability until the product is sold to the end user.

j) Research and Development

Research and development costs are expensed as incurred.

k) Income Taxes

Income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for future tax consequences attributable to the temporary differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in the period that includes the enactment date. Deferred tax assets are reduced by a valuation allowance when, in the opinion of management, it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized.

l) Accounting For Warrants Issued With Convertible Securities

The Company accounts for the intrinsic value of beneficial conversion rights arising from the issuance of convertible securities with non-detachable conversion rights that are in-the-money at the commitment date pursuant to the consensuses of EITF Issue No. 98-5 and EITF Issue No. 00-27. Such value is determined after first allocating an appropriate portion of the proceeds received to warrants or any other detachable instruments included in the exchange.

m) Impairment of Amortizable Long-Lived Assets

The Company reviews long-lived tangible assets and certain intangible assets with finite useful lives for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to future undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value.

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Note 1 NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

n) Goodwill and Other Intangibles with Indefinite Lives

Goodwill consists principally of the excess of cost over the fair value of net assets acquired. Other intangibles with indefinite lives are the registered tradenames acquired with the acquisition of IH. Such assets are not amortized. Instead they are tested annually for impairment.

Goodwill and intangible assets deemed to have indefinite lives are not amortized but instead are tested for impairment at least annually and more frequently upon the occurrence of certain events. We review the carrying value of our intangible assets and goodwill for impairment whenever events or circumstances indicate that their carrying amount may not be recoverable. Significant negative industry or economic trends, including a lack of recovery in the market price of our common stock, disruptions to our business, unexpected significant changes or planned changes in the use of the intangible assets, and mergers and acquisitions could result in the need to reassess the fair value of our assets and liabilities which could lead to an impairment charge for any of our intangible assets or goodwill. The value of our indefinite lived intangible assets and goodwill could also be impacted by future adverse changes such as: (i) any future declines in our operating results, (ii) a significant slowdown in the economy or (iii) any failure to meet the performance projections included in our forecasts of future operating results. We evaluate these assets, including purchased intangible assets deemed to have indefinite lives, on an annual bases or more frequently, if indicators of impairment exist.

Evaluations of impairment involve management estimates of asset useful lives and future cash flows. Significant management judgment is required in the forecasts of future operating results that are used in the evaluations. It is possible, however, that the plans and estimates used may prove to be inaccurate. If our actual results, or the plans and estimates used in future impairment analysis, are lower than the original estimates used to assess the recoverability of these assets, we could incur additional impairment charges in a future period.

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Note 1 NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

o) Advertising Costs

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred. The amount charged to expense during fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007 was \$17.7 million, \$33.5 million and \$33.4 million, respectively.

p) Subsequent Events

We evaluated events occurring between the end of the Company's most recent fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 and October 22, 2009, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and there were no subsequent events to disclose.

q) Stock-based Compensation

The Company accounts for its stock-based compensation arrangements in accordance with the provisions of revised SFAS No. 123 ("SFAS No. 123R") "Share-Based Payments". Stock-based employee compensation cost is measured at the grant date, based on the estimated fair value of the award, and is recognized as expense over the requisite service period. The Company has no awards with market or performance conditions. The valuation provisions of SFAS 123R apply to new awards and to awards that were outstanding on the effective date and subsequently modified or cancelled.

Note 2 LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Continued operations are dependent on the Company's ability to improve its profitability, liquidity and to restructure debt financing. The Company's financial statements do not include any adjustments that may result from the outcome of this uncertainty. For several years the Company has incurred significant losses, has not generated sufficient cash to sustain our operations, and has relied on financing activities to supplement cash from operations. At June 30, 2009, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$1.4 million, a decrease of \$3.4 million from June 30, 2008, and we had a working capital deficiency of approximately \$2.5 million and are past due or in forbearance agreements on \$4.4 million of debt. Net cash used by operating activities for the year ended June 30, 2009 totaled \$1.3 million. The Company has incurred annual operating losses and, as a result, at June 30, 2009, we had an accumulated deficit of approximately \$129.2 million.

In addition, the current economic conditions which have negatively impacted our revenues in fiscal year 2009 are expected to continue to negatively impact our ability to generate net income. Our continuation is based on the Company's ability to generate or obtain sufficient cash to meet our obligations on a timely basis and ultimately to attain profitable operations.

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Note 2 LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES (CONTINUED)

The Company is considering all strategic options to improve its liquidity and provide it with working capital to fund its operations including further reducing its expenditures, disposal of selective assets, attaining further operating efficiencies, restructuring debt financing, and ultimately generating additional high-margin revenues. While we continue to seek financing alternatives, there can be no assurance that we will be successful. If adequate funds are not available or are not available on acceptable terms, the Company will likely not be able to take advantage of unanticipated opportunities, develop or enhance services or products, respond to competitive pressures or continue as a going concern. There can be no assurance that we can operate profitably in the future.

Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming that we will continue as a going concern, which contemplates the realization of assets and the settlement of liabilities in the normal course of business and accordingly no adjustments have been made to recorded amounts to reflect the outcome of this uncertainty.

Note 3 RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141 (revised 2007), "Business Combinations", ("SFAS 141R") SFAS 141R replaces SFAS 141. SFAS 141R establishes principles and requirements for how an acquirer recognizes and measures in its financial statements the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed, any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the goodwill acquired. SFAS 141R also establishes disclosure requirements which will enable users to evaluate the nature and financial effects of the business combination. SFAS 141R is effective for business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after December 15, 2008. SFAS 141R will have an impact on future acquisitions.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, "Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements – an Amendment of Accounting Research bulleting No. 51." SFAS No. 160 establishes accounting and reporting standards for ownership interests in subsidiaries held by parties other than the parent, the amount of consolidated net income attributable to the parent and to the noncontrolling interest, changes in a parent's ownership interest and the valuation of retained noncontrolling equity investments when a subsidiary is deconsolidated. This Statement also establishes reporting requirements that provide sufficient disclosures that clearly identify and distinguish between the interests of the parent and the interests of the noncontrolling owners. This Statement is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning on or after December 15, 2008. The Company does not expect the adoption of this Statement to have a material impact, if any, on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In April 2009, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1, "Interim Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments" ("FSP FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1"). FSP FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1 extends the disclosure requirements of SFAS No. 107, "Disclosures About Fair Value of Financial Instruments" ("SFAS 107"), to interim period financial statements, in addition to the existing requirements for annual periods and reiterates SFAS 107's requirement to disclose the methods and significant assumptions used to estimate fair value. This FSP is effective for interim reporting periods ending after June 15, 2009, with early adoption permitted for periods ending after March 15, 2009.

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Note 3 RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS (continued)

In May 2009, the FASB issued SFAS 165, "Subsequent Event". SFAS 165 establishes general standards for accounting for and disclosure of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued or are available to be issued. In particular, SFAS 165 sets forth the period after the balance sheet date during which management of a reporting entity should evaluate events or transactions that may occur for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements; the circumstances under which an entity should recognize events or transactions occurring after the balance sheet date in its financial statements and the disclosures that an entity should make about events or transactions that occurred after the balance sheet date. SFAS 165 is effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2009.

In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 168, "The FASB Accounting Standards Codification and the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles – a Replacement of FASB Statement No. 162". This Statement identifies the sources of accounting principles and the framework for selecting the principles used in the preparation of financial statements of nongovernmental entities that are presented in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) in the United States (the GAAP hierarchy). This Statement establishes the Codification as the source of authoritative GAAP recognized by the FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities. Rules and interpretive releases of the SEC under federal securities laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC registrants. All guidance contained in the Codification carries an equal level of authority. This Statement is effective for financial statements issued for interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009.

Note 4 INVESTMENTS

At June 30, 2008, the Company reported its investments consisting of auction rate securities ("ARS") at fair value. All of the Company's ARS were collateralized by student loan portfolios (substantially all of which were guaranteed by the United States Government). During the quarter ended December 31, 2008, the Company's ARS were sold at their face value of \$4.0 million plus accrued and unpaid interest.

Note 5 STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

The Company has adopted seven stock option plans which permit the grant of share options and shares to its employees for up to 16.2 million shares of common stock. The Company believes that such awards better align the interests of the employees with those of its stockholders. Option awards are generally granted with an exercise price equal to the market price of the Company's stock at the date of grant; those options generally vest ratably over several years from the date of grant and expire ten years from the date of grant. Approximately 3.7 million options remain available for grant under these plans at June 30, 2009.

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Note 5 STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION (continued)

Share-Based Compensation Information under SFAS 123R

The Company granted 1.8 million stock options in the year ended June 30, 2009 with an exercise price equal to the market price at a date of grant and a fair market value of \$0.4 million based on Black – Scholes option pricing model.

The weighted average assumptions used in the Company’s Black-Scholes option pricing model related to stock option grants during the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 were as follows:

	2009	June 30, 2008	2007
Expected option lives	5.0-10.0 years	3.2-5.0 years	3.0-4.5 years
Volatility	99.13%	99.16%	95.5%
Risk-free interest rate	1.48%	3.23%	5.1%
Dividend yield	0%	0%	0%
Forfeiture rate	10%	16%	5%

The Company has not paid nor does it contemplate paying a dividend in the near future. As such a 0% dividend yield was used. The years of expected lives are based on the Company’s historical employee exercise information. Expected volatilities are based on historical volatility. The risk-free interest rate is based on the U.S. Treasury yield in effect at the time of the grant.

Share-based compensation expense recognized in the consolidated statement of operations for the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 is based on awards ultimately expected to vest, it is reduced for estimated forfeitures. SFAS 123R requires forfeitures to be estimated at the time of grant and revised, if necessary, in subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates. Pre-vesting forfeitures are estimated to be approximately 10% based on historical experience.

The Company recorded \$0.5 million, \$0.7 million and \$0.6 million in share-based compensation expense in the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. Share-based compensation expense is recorded in selling, general and administrative expenses.

The following is a summary of option activity for the year ended June 30, 2009.

OPTIONS	Shares	Weighted-Average Exercise Price	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Term (Yrs.)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (\$000)
Outstanding at July 1, 2008	3,511	\$ 0.91		
Granted	1,778	\$ 0.28		
Exercised	(10)	\$ 0.38		
Forfeited or expired	(480)	\$ 0.94		
Outstanding at June 30, 2009	<u>4,799</u>	<u>\$ 0.67</u>	<u>6.5</u>	<u>\$ 60</u>
Exercisable at June 30, 2009	<u>2,843</u>	<u>\$ 0.86</u>	<u>4.8</u>	<u>\$ 5</u>

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Note 5 STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION (continued)

The weighted-average grant-date fair value of options granted during the fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007 was \$0.28, \$0.44 and \$1.56 per share, respectively. The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2008 and 2007 was \$37 thousand and \$0.7 million, respectively.

A summary of the status of the Company's nonvested options as of June 30, 2009 and changes during the year ended June 30, 2009 is presented below:

<u>NONVESTED OPTIONS</u>	<u>Options</u>	<u>Weighted – Average Grant-Date Fair Value</u>
Nonvested at July 1, 2008	1,172	\$ 0.67
Granted	1,653	\$ 0.29
Vested	(662)	\$ 0.50
Forfeited	(207)	\$ 0.94
Nonvested at June 30, 2009	<u>1,956</u>	<u>\$ 0.37</u>

At June 30, 2009, there was \$0.6 million of unrecognized compensation costs related to non-vested, restricted options. The costs are expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2 years.

The total fair value of shares vested during the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 was \$0.4 million, \$0.2 million and \$0.6 million, respectively.

During the year ended June 30, 2009, the Company did not grant any shares of restricted stock.

The following is a summary of restricted stock award activity for the year ended June 30, 2009.

<u>RESTRICTED STOCK</u>	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Weighted- Average Exercise Price</u>	<u>Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Term (Yrs.)</u>	<u>Aggregate Intrinsic Value</u>
Outstanding at July 1, 2008	183	\$ 1.57		
Granted	—			
Exercised				
Forfeited or expired	(14)			
Outstanding at June 30, 2009	<u>169</u>	<u>\$ 1.57</u>	<u>2.0</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Exercisable at June 30, 2009	<u>113</u>	<u>\$ 1.57</u>	<u>2.0</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

At June 30, 2009, there was \$0.2 million of unrecognized compensation costs related to non-vested, restricted awards. The costs are expected to be recognized in fiscal year 2010.

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Note 6 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND MAJOR CUSTOMERS

The fair value of cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, accounts receivable and accounts payable approximate carrying amounts due to the short maturities of these instruments. The fair value of long-term debt approximates the carrying amounts since the interest rate approximates the current available interest rate.

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to significant concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable. Concentrations of credit risk with respect to accounts receivable are limited as the Company performs on-going credit evaluations of its customers. On a periodic basis, the Company evaluates its accounts receivable and establishes an allowance for doubtful accounts, based on a history of past write-offs and collections and current credit considerations. Management does not believe that significant credit risk exists at June 30, 2009.

The Company places its cash equivalents with financial institutions and brokerage houses. The Company has substantially all of its cash in three bank accounts. The balances are insured by FDIC up to \$250,000. Such cash balances may exceed FDIC limits. At June 30, 2009, the Company had \$1.1 million in excess of FDIC limits.

The Company sells its products to customers in the Americas. The Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its customer's financial condition and limits the amount of credit extended as deemed appropriate, but generally requires no collateral. The Company maintains reserves for credit losses based on past write-offs, collections and current credit evaluations and, through June 30, 2009, such losses have been within management's expectations.

In fiscal year 2009, one customer accounted for 24% of total revenues. In fiscal year 2008, no customer accounted for 10% of total revenues. For fiscal year 2009, two customers accounted for more than 56% of accounts receivable, net, while in fiscal year 2008, three customers accounted for more than 54% of accounts receivable, net.

Note 7 PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET

The components of property and equipment, net, at June 30, 2009 and 2008 are as follows:

	2009	2008
Furniture and fixtures	\$ 498	\$ 498
Machinery and equipment	176	175
Office equipment and leasehold improvements	544	544
Computer equipment	844	838
	2,062	2,055
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	(2,016)	(1,986)
Property and equipment, net	\$ 46	\$ 69

Depreciation expense was \$30 thousand, \$37 thousand and \$59 thousand for the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

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Note 8 PATENTS TRADEMARKS AND OTHER AMORTIZABLE INTANGIBLES

During fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007, changes in patents, trademarks and other amortizable intangibles relate to the investment of \$0.2 million, in each of the respective years, in existing patents, which will be amortized over the remaining life of the patents. No significant residual value is estimated for these intangible assets. Intangible asset amortization expense was \$1.1 million for fiscal year 2009, \$2.2 million for fiscal year 2008 and \$3.2 million for fiscal year 2007. The components of intangible assets are as follows:

	June 30,			
	2009		2008	
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization
Patents and licenses	\$ 9,582	\$ (9,582)	\$ 9,406	\$ (9,406)
Trademarks, trade names and other amortizable intangible assets	17,827	(17,061)	17,702	(16,162)
	\$ 27,409	\$ (26,643)	\$ 27,108	\$ (25,568)

Amortization expense for the net carrying amount of intangible assets at June 30, 2009 is estimated to be approximately \$0.7 million in fiscal year 2010.

Note 9 GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLES WITH INDEFINITE LIVES

The majority of our goodwill and the trade name Iceland Health were recorded in connection with the acquisition of IH in August 2006. In June 2009, we determined that based on our current economic environment, the decline of our market capitalization, and disruptions to our business, it was likely that an indicator of goodwill impairment existed as of the end of the fiscal year.

To test for potential impairment, we determined the fair value of each of our reporting segments based on projected discounted cash flows and market-based multiples applied to sales and earnings. The results indicated an impairment, because the current carrying value exceeded their fair value. We then determined the implied fair value, and accordingly recorded an impairment charge of \$14.8 million against goodwill and \$2.7 million against other intangibles with indefinite lives.

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Note 10 ACCRUED EXPENSES

The following items are included in accrued expenses at June 30, 2009 and 2008:

	2009	2008
Consulting and professional fees payable	\$ 181	\$ 848
Accrued compensation and related expense	89	245
Accrued expenses related to branded products	726	430
Accrued financing costs	744	622
Other accrued expenses	478	430
	<u>\$ 2,218</u>	<u>\$ 2,575</u>

Note 11 6% SERIES I CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK

The Company redeemed its 6% Series I convertible preferred stock at the original issue price on March 31, 2009 for \$3.6 million. For the nine month period ended March 31, 2009, the Company issued 706,894 shares of common stock with a fair value of \$0.2 million in lieu of a cash dividend.

Note 12 8% SERIES J CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK

On September 10, 2007, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement under which the Company for \$17,750,000 sold to private investors 17,750 shares of 8% Series J Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Preferred Stock") and warrants to purchase 6,715,218 shares of common stock .

Each share of Preferred Stock has a stated value of \$1,000 per share. The Preferred Stock is convertible into common stock at the option of the holders at \$1.2158 per share (a total of 14,599,441 shares of common stock at June 30, 2009), subject to anti-dilution provisions and other limitations. The Company's stockholders approved the transaction at the Company's annual meeting on November 29, 2007. Subject to certain conditions, the Company can force conversion of the Preferred Stock if the 20 consecutive trading day volume weighted average price of the common stock is at least \$3.6474.

The Preferred Stock pays cumulative dividends at the annual rate of 8%. Dividends are payable in cash, provided that in certain circumstances the Company may elect to pay dividends in shares of common stock valued at 90% of the then 20 day consecutive trading day volume weighted average price. The Company must redeem the Preferred Stock at the original issue price plus accrued dividends on September 11, 2011, or earlier on the occurrence of certain default events. Accordingly, the carrying value of the preferred stock is included in noncurrent liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets. The Securities Purchase Agreement among other things also limits borrowings by the Company and the issuance of additional series of preferred stock by the Company.

The warrants are exercisable commencing March 11, 2008 and ending on March 11, 2013 at \$1.2158 per share subject to anti-dilution provisions and other limitations. The warrants may in certain circumstances be exercised on a cashless basis, i.e., by deducting from the number of shares otherwise issuable on exercise a number of shares that have a then market value equal to the exercise price.

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Note 12 8% SERIES J CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK (continued)

The Company, based on relative fair value, initially recorded additional paid-in capital of \$7.2 million relating to a beneficial conversion feature of the Preferred Stock and the fair value of the warrants with the remaining \$10.5 million of the proceeds recorded as a long-term liability. As a result, dividends on the Preferred Stock are charged as interest expense. Related issuance costs of \$1.1 million, classified as other assets on the consolidated balance sheets, are amortized over the term of the Preferred Stock using the effective interest rate method. In addition, debt discount is being accreted based on the redemption price and charged to interest expense over the term of the Preferred Stock.

In fiscal year 2009, \$1.6 million was charged to interest expense for accretion. For the year ended June 30, 2009, the Company issued 6,795,338 shares of common stock with a fair value of \$1.4 million in lieu of a cash dividend.

The Company has filed a registration statement to register certain shares of common stock issuable as dividends and upon conversion of the Preferred Stock. The registration statement was declared effective on January 8, 2008. The Company is required, no later than the earliest practical date on which the Company is permitted by SEC Guidance, to file a registration statement for the balance of the shares of common stock issuable as dividends, upon conversion of the Preferred Stock and upon exercise of the warrants.

Note 13 SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS AND LONG-TERM DEBT

On July 27, 2007, the Company entered into a loan and security agreement (“Agreement”) with Gerber Finance Inc. (“Lender”). Under the Agreement, the Company may, on a revolving basis and at Lender’s discretion, borrow from Lender, against eligible receivables and eligible inventory under a formula set forth in the Agreement amended February 8, 2008, up to a maximum of \$2,000,000 at any time. Borrowings bear interest at the prime rate plus 3% (6.75% and 8.00% at June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively) and are secured by a security interest in all of the assets of the Company. The Agreement also provides for various fees and expenses payable by the Company to Lender. The terms of the Agreement were extended until June 30, 2010. The termination date shall be automatically extended for successive periods of one (1) year each unless the Company has provided Lender with written notice of termination at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the termination date.

In the Agreement, the Company covenanted among other things that without Lender’s consent it will not (i) borrow (other than from Lender) more than \$3 million at any time outstanding, (ii) declare or pay dividends on its common stock or repurchase its common stock, (iii) enter into any merger or purchase or sale of stock or assets or joint venture transaction, or into any similar transaction, unless the effective purchase price or capital or other contribution is valued at not more than \$15 million, or (iv) incur a net loss in a fiscal year quarter. As of June 30, 2009 and 2008, the Company had borrowed \$1.9 million and \$1.8 million, respectively from the Lender.

Subsequent to our fiscal year end, Gerber Finance Inc. declared that our fourth quarter loss constituted a breach of a financial covenant. Gerber waived the breach and agreed to the Company repaying the borrowings by November 15, 2009.

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Note 13 SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS AND LONG-TERM DEBT (continued)

The Company and JP Morgan Chase Bank, NA ("Chase") entered into a loan agreement that expired on January 7, 2009 whereby the Company borrowed \$3.0 million at LIBOR +0.500 percentage points. During the quarter ended March 31, 2009, the Company repaid the loan and the loan agreement was cancelled.

Note 14 STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)

On May 19, 2006, the Company completed separate private placements of 5,555,557 shares of common stock at \$1.80 per share for aggregate gross proceeds of \$10.0 million. The Company also issued to the investors 2,222,222 five year warrants that are exercisable at \$2.20 per share. At June 30, 2008, all of these warrants remain outstanding. The Company adopted a Shareholder Rights Plan on September 12, 2002. Under this plan, the Company distributed, as a dividend, one preferred share purchase right for each share of Common Stock of the Company held by stockholders of record as of the close of business on September 25, 2002. The Rights Plan is designed to deter coercive takeover tactics, including the accumulation of shares in the open market or through private transactions, and to prevent an acquirer from gaining control of the Company without offering a fair price to all of the Company's stockholders. The Rights will expire on September 11, 2012. Each Right entitles stockholders to buy one one-thousandth of a share of newly created Series H Participating Preferred Stock of the Company for \$3.00 per share. Each one one-thousandth of a share of the Series H Preferred Stock is designed to be the functional equivalent of one share of Common Stock.

The Rights will be exercisable only if a person or group acquires beneficial ownership of 15% or more of the Company's Common Stock or commences a tender or exchange offer upon consummation of which such person or group would beneficially own 15% or more the Company's Common Stock.

If any person or group (an "Acquiring Person") becomes the beneficial owner of 15% or more of the Company's Common Stock then (1) the Rights become exercisable for Common Stock instead of Preferred Stock, (2) the Rights held by the Acquiring Person and certain affiliated parties become void, and (3) the Rights held by others are converted into the right to acquire, at the purchase price specified in the Right, shares of Common Stock of the Company having a value equal to twice such purchase price. The Company will generally be entitled to redeem the Rights, at \$.001 per right, until 10 days (subject to extension) following a public announcement that an Acquiring Person has acquired a 15 % position.

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Warrants Issued for Services

In addition to the warrants issued to the private investors, the Company, from time to time, has issued warrants to purchase Common Stock to non-employees for services rendered. Warrants are granted to purchase the Company's Common Stock with exercise prices set at fair market value on the date of grant. The terms of the warrants vary depending on the circumstances, but generally expire in three to five years. The Company had outstanding warrants issued to non-employees for services as follows:

WARRANTS	Number	Wtd-Avg Exercise Price	Wtd-Avg Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding at July 1, 2008	97,222	\$ 1.80		
Granted	—	—		
Exercised	—	—		
Forfeited or expired	—	—		
Outstanding at June 30, 2009	<u>97,222</u>	<u>\$ 1.80</u>	<u>1.9</u>	<u>—</u>
Exercisable at June 30, 2009	<u>97,222</u>	<u>\$ 1.80</u>	<u>1.9</u>	<u>—</u>

The total intrinsic value of warrants exercised during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 was \$60 thousand. The warrants expire between 2008 and 2011.

The Company recorded compensation expense associated with warrants issued to non-employees for services rendered of \$14 thousand during fiscal year 2009.

Note 15 LOSS PER COMMON SHARE

Diluted loss per common share for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, does not reflect the total of any of the incremental shares related to the assumed conversion or exercise of preferred stock, stock options and warrants (31,249,775, 33,063,355 and 10,822,510 shares, respectively) as the effect of such inclusion would be anti-dilutive because of the reported net loss.

Note 16 BENEFIT PLANS

Through September 19, 2004, eligible employees of the Company were entitled to participate and to accrue benefits in the AB Mauri Food Inc. Retirement Plan, a non-contributory defined benefit pension plan (the "Pension Plan") maintained by AB Mauri Food Inc. No additional pension benefits accrue under the Pension Plan for services performed or compensation paid on or after September 19, 2004. Service with the Company after September 19, 2004 will be considered solely for purposes of vesting and for determining eligibility for early retirement benefits.

During fiscal years 2008 and 2007, the Company made contributions to the Pension Plan of \$0.2 in each of the respective years. The Company made its final payment of \$0.2 million in fiscal year 2008.

In addition, the Company also maintains a 401(k) defined contribution plan. Contributions to the plan for the fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007 were \$0.1 million each year.

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Note 17 INCOME TAXES

The provisions for income taxes (benefits) for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 consist of the following (in thousands):

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Current state taxes	\$ 0	\$ 14	\$ 14
Deferred	(952)	—	—
	<u>\$ (952)</u>	<u>\$ 14</u>	<u>\$ 14</u>

Income taxes attributed to the pre-tax loss differed from the amounts computed by applying the US federal statutory tax rate to the pre-tax loss as a result of the following (in thousands):

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Income benefit at U.S. statutory rate	\$ (7,396)	\$ (5,760)	\$ (6,506)
Increase/ (reduction) in income taxes resulting from:			
Change in valuation allowance	127	4,560	5,292
True up of deferred tax asset	(7)	660	1,669
Non deductible interest and dividends	1,327	1,323	729
State tax (benefits), net of federal	(157)	(775)	(1,134)
Impairment of goodwill	5,154	-	-
Other items	—	6	(36)
Total income tax (benefit) provision	<u>\$ (952)</u>	<u>\$ 14</u>	<u>\$ 14</u>

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Note 17 INCOME TAXES (continued)

The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to deferred taxes and deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities at June 30, 2009, and 2008 are presented below:

	2009	2008
Deferred tax assets:		
Net operating loss carryforwards	\$ 19,984	\$ 18,446
Accrued expenses	746	464
Allowance for doubtful accounts and returns	130	459
Inventory reserve	116	618
Intangible and fixed assets	4,616	5,478
Other	1	1
Total gross deferred tax assets	25,593	25,466
Less valuation allowance	(25,593)	(25,466)
Net deferred tax assets	-	-
Deferred tax liabilities:	\$	\$
Tradenames	\$ (1,200)	\$ (2,152)
	\$ (1,200)	\$ (2,152)

At June 30, 2009, the Company has available, for Federal and state income tax purposes, net operating loss carry forwards of approximately \$49.7 million expiring through 2029. A valuation allowance is provided when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. Ultimate utilization/availability of such net operating losses and credits is dependent upon the Company's ability to generate taxable income in future periods and may be significantly curtailed if a significant change in ownership occurs in accordance with the provisions of the Tax Reform Act of 1986 as amended.

Note 18 COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

Comprehensive loss includes unrealized gains (losses) on the auction rate securities that are classified as investments. The differences between net loss and comprehensive loss for each of these periods are as follows:

	Year Ended		
	June 30,		
	2009	2008	2007
Net loss	\$ (20,809)	\$ (16,942)	\$ (19,148)
Other comprehensive loss:			
Change in unrealized losses on available-for-sale securities	260	(260)	—
Comprehensive loss	\$ (20,549)	\$ (17,202)	\$ (19,148)

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Note 19 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

On March 24, 2004, the FTC sued QVC in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for claims made on QVC for the Company's Lite Bites products and other products. QVC has in the same lawsuit filed on April 14, 2004, Third-Party Complaints for damages against six parties including the Company (Third-Party Defendants). The Company discontinued the Lite Bites product line in fiscal year 2003. QVC has reached a settlement with the FTC staff that requires FTC Commissioners' approval. The Third-Party Defendants have reached a settlement with QVC that will become effective upon FTC Commissioners' approval of the QVC settlement. During the quarter ended March 31, 2009, the FTC Commissioners approved the QVC settlement. As of June 30, 2008, the Company established a \$0.8 million provision. The Company agreed to pay to QVC \$405,000 in six installments of \$67,500 plus interest at LIBOR plus 0.75%.

The Company leases certain office space in the United States. The lease expires in the year 2010. Future non-cancelable minimum payments under this lease are \$0.2 million.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection is claiming that IH underpaid duty on importation of fish oil from Iceland. The Company is contesting the determination.

The Company has entered into various research and license agreements with certain universities to supplement the Company's research activities and to obtain for the Company rights to certain technology. The agreements generally require the Company to fund the research and to pay royalties based upon a percentage of product sales.

In connection with the Company's purchase agreement for Nutrition 21 on August 11, 1997, the Company made cash payments of \$0.2 million for each of the fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

Note 20 ACQUISITION OF ICELAND HEALTH, INC.

In accordance with SFAS No. 141, "Business Combinations", acquisitions are accounted for under the purchase method of accounting. Under the purchase method of accounting, identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed are recorded at their estimated fair values. Goodwill is recorded to the extent the purchase price consideration, including certain acquisition and closing costs, exceeds the fair value of the net identifiable tangible and intangible assets acquired at the date of the acquisition. The results of operations of the acquired company are consolidated beginning as of the date of acquisition.

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Note 20 ACQUISITION OF ICELAND HEALTH, INC. (continued)

Effective August 26, 2006, the Company acquired all of the issued and outstanding common stock of Iceland Health, Inc. ("IH"). The Company delivered or paid to the former stockholders 8.0 million shares of the Company's common stock with a fair value of \$15.5 million; \$1.0 million in cash; and \$2.5 million in 5% notes that were due on August 25, 2009. The notes have been discounted based on a market interest rate and are secured with IH's trade names and trademarks with respect to these names and marks. On September 1, 2009, the former stockholders extended the maturity date of these respective notes to September 14, 2009. As of October 13, 2009, the notes are past due and are reflected in current portion of long term debt. The Company also agreed to pay to the former stockholders up to \$2.5 million in earn out payments based on 3% of the amount by which Net Sales of Eligible Products (each as defined) in successive one-year periods after the closing exceed \$10.0 million. Any earn-out payments disbursed in future periods will be recorded as an additional element of the cost of the acquisition, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In fiscal year 2007, \$0.4 million was recorded as an additional element of the cost of the acquisition. In September 2007, the Company issued to the former stockholders, in accordance with the acquisition agreement, an additional 1.5 million shares of the Company's common stock as the volume weighted average price of the Company's common stock during the 30 trading days immediately preceding the first anniversary of the closing was less than \$2 per share. The fair value of the shares was recorded as an additional element of the cost of the acquisition.

Of the \$21.4 million of acquired intangible assets, Goodwill, which is not deductible for tax purposes was \$15.8 million and \$5.4 million was assigned to registered trademarks, which were determined to have indefinite useful lives. Of the remaining balance of intangible assets acquired, \$0.9 million was assigned to customer relationships which are being amortized over a 7.5 month period, and \$0.4 million was assigned to non-compete agreements which are being amortized over 3 years.

The shares issued and issuable to the stockholders at the closing were restricted, but the Company filed a registration statement for these shares within 90 days of the closing, which is now effective and as a result, the shares are no longer restricted.

The purchase price allocation has been determined as follows:

Assets purchased:

Net identifiable tangible assets	\$ 181
Other intangibles with indefinite lives	5,379
Customer relationships	924
Non-compete agreements	375
Goodwill	15,792
Deferred tax liability	<u>(2,152)</u>
 Purchase Price	 <u><u>\$ 20,499</u></u>

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Note 21 SEGMENT REPORTING

The Company's business segments are based on the organization structure used by the Company's chief operating decision maker for making operating and investment decisions and for assessing performance. As a result, the Company operates in two business segments: as a supplier of essential minerals, most notably chromium picolinate (Ingredients Products Group), and as a supplier of finished goods to food, drug and mass retailers, and directly to consumers (Branded Products Group).

The Company evaluates the performance of its operating segments based solely on its operating results before income taxes; therefore assets of the Company are not allocated by segment. Unallocated corporate expenses include executive salaries, research and development expenditures, depreciation, amortization, interest expense, net and external professional fees, such as accounting, legal and investor relations costs.

Financial data by segment was as follows:

	Year Ended		
	June 30, 2009	June 30, 2008	June 30, 2007
Net sales			
Ingredients Group	\$ 7,336	\$ 7,749	\$ 7,528
Branded Products Group	31,921	38,614	33,123
Sales to external customers	39,257	46,363	40,651
Other revenues	348	708	526
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 39,605</u>	<u>\$ 47,071</u>	<u>\$ 41,177</u>
Income (loss) before income taxes			
Ingredients Group	\$ 4,332	\$ 4,351	\$ 4,142
Branded Products Group	821	(9,075)	(10,656)
Unallocated corporate expenses	(26,914)	(12,204)	(12,620)
Loss before income taxes	<u>\$ (21,761)</u>	<u>\$ (16,928)</u>	<u>\$ (19,134)</u>
Unallocated corporate assets	<u>\$ 14,823</u>	<u>\$ 39,626</u>	<u>\$ 34,694</u>

Substantially all of the Company's revenues are generated in the United States.

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Note 22 SETTLEMENT OF PATENT LAWSUIT

On December 18, 2006, the Company and General Nutrition Corporation (“GNC”) entered into a settlement agreement to settle patent litigation brought by the Company against GNC for infringement of certain U.S. patents owned by the Company. As part of the settlement, GNC acknowledged the validity of the patents. Additionally, the Company received \$2.6 million in cash in partial settlement of the lawsuit, which is included in deferred income and is being recognized ratably over 36 months beginning in December 2006, as well as commitments by GNC to purchase chromium picolinate and products made with chromium picolinate from Nutrition 21.

Note 23 SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

	Year ended June 30,		
	2009	2008	2007
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:			
Cash paid for interest	\$ 365	\$ 111	\$ —
Cash paid for income taxes	—	14	14
Supplemental schedule of non cash investing and financing activities:			
Increase in obligation for Nutrition 21 contingent payment	153	268	83
Issuance of common stock for conversion of Series I preferred stock	—	—	2,992
Issuance of common stock for purchase of Iceland Health, Inc.	—	—	15,472
Issuance of note payable for purchase of Iceland Health, Inc.	—	—	2,342
Issuance of common stock for dividends on Series I preferred stock	179	216	322
Issuance of common stock for dividends on Series J preferred stock	1,421	355	—

Exhibit 23.1

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements (Form S-3, File Nos. 333-33980, 333-73397, 333-69969, 333-02507, 333-29829, 333-35897, 333-110335, 333-122880, 333-124429, 333-132199, 333-135040, 333-138936, 333-144260, and 133-146450, and Form S-8, File Nos. 33-73332, 333-09801, 333-56966, 333-122878, and 333-132408), of Nutrition 21, Inc. of our report dated October 13, 2009, which report includes an explanatory paragraph regarding an uncertainty as to the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Nutrition 21, Inc., included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended June 30, 2009.

/s/ J.H. Cohn LLP

Roseland, New Jersey
October 21, 2009

EXHIBIT-31.1 CERTIFICATION OF PRESIDENT & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE
SARBANES-OXLEY ACT

I, Michael A. Zeher, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K/A of Nutrition 21, Inc.;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

October 22, 2009

/s/ Michael A. Zeher

Michael A. Zeher

President & Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT-31.2 CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT

I, Alan J. Kirschbaum, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K/A of Nutrition 21, Inc.;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

October 22, 2009

/s/ Alan J. Kirschbaum

Alan J. Kirschbaum
Chief Financial Officer

**CERTIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002
(18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350)**

In connection with the Annual Report of Nutrition 21, Inc., a New York corporation (the "Company"), on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), Michael A. Zeher, President & Chief Executive Officer of the Company, does hereby certify, pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. § 1350), that to his knowledge:

(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and

(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and result of operations of the Company.

/s/ Michael A. Zeher

Michael A. Zeher

President & Chief Executive Officer

October 22, 2009

[A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to Nutrition 21, Inc. and will be retained by Nutrition 21, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.]

**CERTIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002
(18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350)**

In connection with the Annual Report of Nutrition 21, Inc., a New York corporation (the "Company"), on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), Alan J. Kirschbaum, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, does hereby certify, pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. § 1350), that to his knowledge:

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

/s/ Alan J. Kirschbaum
Alan J. Kirschbaum,
Chief Financial Officer
October 22, 2009

[A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to Nutrition 21, Inc. and will be retained by Nutrition 21, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.]

CORPORATE INFORMATION

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Peter C. Mann
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Michael A. Zeher
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Stock Listing

OTC Bulletin Board under symbol "NXXI.OB"

SEC Form 10-K/A

A copy of the Company's annual report to the
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