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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2001

OR

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

For the transition period from to

Commission file number 0-23827

PC CONNECTION, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

02-0513618
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

730 MILFORD ROAD,
MERRIMACK, NEW HAMPSHIRE
(Address of principal executive
offices)

03054
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number,
including area code

(603) 423-2000

Indicate by check mark (X) 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 X NO

APPLICABLE ONLY TO CORPORATE ISSUERS:

The number of shares outstanding of the issuer's Common Stock, \$.01 par
value, as of April 30, 2001 was 24,419,525.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of
PC Connection, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Merrimack, New Hampshire

We have reviewed the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet of PC Connection, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of March 31, 2001, and the related condensed consolidated statements of income and cash flows for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2001 and 2000 and the condensed statement

of changes in the stockholders' equity for the three month period ended March 31, 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management.

We conducted our review in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A review of interim financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures to financial data and of making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to such condensed consolidated financial statements for them to be in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We have previously audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the consolidated balance sheet of PC Connection, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2000, and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended (not presented herein); and in our report dated January 25, 2001, we expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements. In our opinion, the information set forth in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2000 is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated balance sheet from which it has been derived.

DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP
Boston, Massachusetts
April 18, 2001

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(amounts in thousands)

	March 31, 2001	December 31, 2000
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	(unaudited)	
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$ 49,394	\$ 7,363
Accounts receivable, net.....	116,577	139,644
Inventories--merchandise.....	65,786	54,679
Deferred income taxes.....	2,667	2,175
Income tax receivable.....	1,372	4,882
Prepaid expenses and other current assets.....	2,390	3,064
	-----	-----
Total current assets.....	238,186	211,807
Property and equipment, net.....	29,374	28,665
Goodwill, net.....	9,334	9,509
Other assets.....	281	432
	-----	-----
Total assets.....	\$277,175	\$250,413
	=====	=====
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities:		
Current maturities of capital lease obligation to affiliate.....	\$ 157	\$ 153
Current maturities of long-term debt.....	1,500	1,000
Accounts payable.....	112,436	86,216
Accrued expenses and other liabilities.....	10,267	12,769

Total current liabilities.....	124,360	100,138
Long-term debt, less current maturities.....	500	1,000
Capital lease obligation to affiliate, less current maturities.....	6,751	6,792
Deferred taxes.....	4,211	3,555
Other liabilities.....	197	241
Total liabilities.....	136,019	111,726
Stockholders' Equity:		
Common stock.....	244	244
Additional paid-in capital.....	71,578	71,542
Retained earnings.....	69,334	66,901
Total stockholders' equity.....	141,156	138,687
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity.....	\$277,175	\$250,413

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited)
(amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2001	2000
Net sales.....	\$301,775	\$333,799
Cost of sales	266,450	293,169
Gross profit.....	35,325	40,630
Selling, general and administrative expenses.....	30,463	29,007
Non-recurring charge.....	851	--
Income from operations.....	4,011	11,623
Interest expense.....	(377)	(340)
Other, net.....	288	204
Income before taxes.....	3,922	11,487
Income taxes.....	(1,489)	(4,368)
Net income.....	\$ 2,433	\$ 7,119
Earnings per common share:		
Basic.....	\$.10	\$ 0.30
Diluted.....	\$.10	\$ 0.29

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
(Unaudited)
(amounts in thousands)

	Common Stock		Additional	Retained	
	Shares	Amount	Paid In Capital	Earnings	Total
Balance, December 31, 2000.....	24,416	\$244	\$71,542	\$66,901	\$138,687
Exercise of stock options, including income tax benefits.....	3	--	36	--	36
Net income.....	--	--	--	2,433	2,433
Balance, March 31, 2001.....	24,419	\$244	\$71,578	\$69,334	\$141,156

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)
(amounts in thousands)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2001	2000
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Net income.....	\$ 2,433	\$ 7,119
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization.....	1,909	1,479
Deferred income taxes.....	164	(297)
Compensation under nonstatutory stock option agreements.	--	48
Provision for doubtful accounts.....	2,994	2,457
Gain on disposal of fixed assets.....	(20)	(21)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable.....	20,073	(11,018)
Inventories.....	(11,107)	2,874
Prepaid expenses and other current assets.....	4,184	1,198
Other non-current assets.....	151	(354)
Accounts payable.....	26,220	6,648
Income tax benefits from exercise of stock options.....	2	156
Accrued expenses and other liabilities.....	(2,502)	183
Net cash provided by operating activities.....	44,501	10,472
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment.....	(2,467)	(1,976)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment.....	--	74
Payment for acquisitions, net of cash acquired.....	--	(2,158)
Net cash used for investing activities.....	(2,467)	(4,060)

Cash Flows from Financing Activities:		
Proceeds from short-term borrowings.....	45,385	77,741
Repayment of short-term borrowings.....	(45,385)	(77,741)
Repayment of capital lease obligation to affiliate.....	(37)	(33)
Issuance of stock upon exercise of nonstatutory stock options.....	34	228
Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities....	(3)	195
Increase in cash and cash equivalents.....	42,031	6,607
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period.....	7,363	20,416
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period.....	\$ 49,394	\$ 27,023
Supplemental Cash Flow Information:		
Interest paid.....	\$ 434	\$ 181
Income taxes paid.....	240	4,197

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

Note 1--Basis of Presentation

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements of PC Connection, Inc. and Subsidiaries ("PCC" or the "Company") have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Such principles were applied on a basis consistent with those of the financial statements contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K. In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) necessary for a fair presentation. The operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2001 may not be indicative of the results expected for any succeeding quarter or the entire year ending December 31, 2001.

Certain amounts in the prior year financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation. This includes a reclassification made to the March 31, 2000 income statement to effect the December, 2000 adoption by the Company of Emerging Issues Task Force Issue 00-10, "Accounting for Shipping and Handling Fees and Costs". The Consensus specifically stated that all amounts billed to a customer in a sale transaction related to shipping and handling, if any, represent revenues earned for the goods provided and should be classified as revenue. It was previously the Company's policy to record such revenues as a reduction of cost of goods sold. All net sales amounts and gross margin percentages reflect the reclassification of amounts billed to customers in sales transactions related to shipping and handling as revenue.

The Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 133 "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," effective January 1, 2001. The adoption of SFAS No. 133 did not have any impact on either the financial position or results of operations of the Company.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue on product sales is recognized at the point in time when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, the price is fixed and final, delivery has occurred and there is a reasonable assurance of collection of the sales proceeds. The Company generally obtains oral or written purchase authorizations from its customers for a specified amount of product at a specified price and considers delivery to have occurred at the point of shipment. The Company

provides its customers with a limited thirty day right of return only for defective merchandise. Revenue is recognized at shipment and a reserve for sales returns is recorded. The Company has demonstrated the ability to make reasonable and reliable estimates of product returns in accordance with SFAS No. 48 based on significant historical experience.

Inventories--Merchandise

Inventories (all finished goods) consisting of software packages, computer systems and peripheral equipment, are stated at cost (determined under the first-in, first-out method) or market, whichever is lower. Provisions are made currently for obsolete, slow moving and nonsalable inventory.

Note 2--Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per common share is computed using the weighted average number of shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per common share is computed using the weighted average number of shares outstanding adjusted for the incremental shares attributed to options outstanding to purchase common stock.

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(Unaudited)

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2001	2000
(amounts in thousands, except per share data)	-----	-----
Numerator:		
Net income.....	\$2,433	\$7,119
	=====	=====
Denominator:		
Denominator for basic earnings per share:		
Weighted average shares.....	24,417	23,676
Dilutive effect of unexercised employee stock options:.....	514	1,203
	-----	-----
Denominator for diluted earnings per share.....	24,931	24,879
	=====	=====
Earnings per share:		
Basic.....	\$.10	\$.30
	=====	=====
Diluted.....	\$.10	\$.29
	=====	=====

The following unexercised stock options were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share for the three months ended March 31, 2001 and 2000 because the effect of the options on the calculation would have been anti-dilutive:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2001	2000
(amounts in thousands)	-----	-----
Anti-dilutive stock options.....	685	267

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Note 3--Reporting Comprehensive Income

The Company has no other comprehensive income in any of the periods presented. Accordingly, a separate statement of comprehensive income is not presented.

Note 4--Segment and Related Disclosures

SFAS No. 131, "Disclosures About Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information," requires that public companies report profits and losses and certain other information on its "reportable operating segments" in its annual and interim financial statements.

Management has determined that the Company has only one "reportable operating segment," given the financial information provided to and used by the "chief decision maker" of the Company to allocate resources and assess the Company's performance. However, senior management does monitor revenue by platform (PC vs. Mac), sales channel (Corporate Outbound, Inbound Telesales and On-line Internet), and product mix (Notebooks, Desktops and Servers, Storage Devices, Software, Networking Communications, Printers, Video and Monitors, Memory, and Accessories and Other).

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Net sales by platform, sales channel and product mix are presented below:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2001	2000
	(amounts in thousands)	
Platform		
PC and Multi Platform.....	\$273,424	\$293,634
Mac.....	28,351	40,165
	-----	-----
Total.....	\$301,775	\$333,799
	=====	=====
Sales Channel		
Corporate Outbound.....	\$233,216	\$240,719
Inbound Telesales.....	40,161	67,933
On-Line Internet.....	28,398	25,147
	-----	-----
Total.....	\$301,775	\$333,799
	=====	=====
Product Mix		
Notebooks.....	\$ 70,721	\$ 90,915
Desktop/Servers.....	38,829	48,705
Storage Devices.....	29,964	29,695
Software.....	37,018	35,889
Networking Communications.....	26,985	23,953
Printers.....	23,910	24,565
Videos & Monitors.....	24,608	24,927
Memory.....	10,092	12,274
Accessories/Other.....	39,648	42,876
	-----	-----
Total.....	\$301,775	\$333,799
	=====	=====

Substantially all of the Company's net sales for the quarters ended March 31, 2001 and 2000 were made to customers located in the United States. Shipments to customers located in foreign countries aggregated less than 2% in those respective quarters. All of the Company's assets at March 31, 2001 and December 31, 2000 were located in the United States. The Company's primary target customers are small- to medium-size businesses ("SMBs") comprised of 20 to 1,000 employees, although its customers also include individual consumers, larger companies, federal, state and local governmental agencies and educational institutions. Except for the federal government, no single customer accounted for more than 3% of total net sales in the three months ended March 31, 2001 and 2000. Sales to the federal government accounted for \$24.1 million, or 8.0% of total net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2001, and \$24.7 million, or 7.4% of total net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2000.

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Note 5--Non-recurring charge

On March 28, 2001, the Company announced the planned reduction of non-sales staff by approximately 125 individuals, or 7.5% of the Company's work force. This staff reduction was completed in early April 2001. The Company took a one-time charge of approximately \$851,000 in the first quarter to cover costs related to this staff reduction. This is reflected under the caption "non-recurring charge" on the condensed consolidated statements of income.

Note 6--Share Repurchase Authorization

The Company announced on March 28, 2001 that its Board of Directors authorized the spending of up to \$15.0 million to repurchase the Company's common stock. Share purchases will be made in the open market from time to time depending on market conditions. No shares had been repurchased as of the end of the quarter ended March 31, 2001.

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Item 2--MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Overview

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contains forward-looking statements based on management's current expectations, estimates and projections about the Company's industry, management's beliefs and certain assumptions made by management. All statements, trends, analyses and other information contained in this report relative to trends in net sales, gross margin and anticipated expense levels, as well as other statements, including words such as "anticipate," "believe," "plan," "estimate," "expect," and "intend" and other similar expressions, constitute forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, and actual results may differ materially from those anticipated or expressed in such statements. Potential risks and uncertainties include, among others, those set forth in Item 7 under the caption "Factors That May Affect Future Results and Financial Condition" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000 filed with the SEC, which is incorporated by reference herein. Particular attention should be paid to the cautionary statements involving the industry's rapid technological change and exposure to inventory obsolescence, availability and allocation of goods, reliance on vendor support and relationships, competitive risks, pricing risks, and the overall level of economic activity and or level of business investment in information technology products. Except as required by law, the Company undertakes no obligation to

update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Readers, however, should carefully review the factors set forth in other reports or documents that the Company files from time to time with the SEC.

General

The Company was founded in 1982 as a mail-order business offering a broad range of software and accessories for IBM and IBM-compatible personal computers ("PCs"). The founders' goal was to provide consumers with superior service and high quality branded products at competitive prices. The Company initially sought customers through advertising in selected computer industry publications and the use of inbound toll free telemarketing. Currently, the Company seeks to generate sales through (i) outbound telemarketing by account managers focused on the business, education and government markets, (ii) inbound calls from customers responding to the Company's catalogs and other advertising and (iii) the Company's Internet web site.

The Company offers both PC compatible products and Mac compatible products. Reliance on Mac product sales has decreased over the last four years, from 23% of net sales for the year ended December 31, 1996 to 9% of net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2001. The Company believes that sales attributable to Mac products will continue to decrease as a percentage of net sales and may decline in absolute dollar volume in 2001 and future years.

The weakness in demand for information technology products experienced by the Company in the fourth quarter of 2000 continued through the first quarter of 2001 resulting in overall conservative buying patterns, order deferrals and longer sales cycles.

The Company has taken a number of actions to bring costs in line with the lower sales volumes. Early in the quarter, restrictions on discretionary spending were instituted. In addition, on March 28, 2001, the Company announced the planned reduction of non-sales staff by approximately 125 individuals, or 7.5% of the Company's work force. This staff reduction was completed in early April 2001. The Company took a one-time charge of approximately \$851,000 in the first quarter to cover costs related to this staff reduction.

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The Company also announced on March 28, 2001 that its Board of Directors authorized the spending of up to \$15.0 million to repurchase the Company's common stock. Share purchases will be made in the open market from time to time depending on market conditions.

Results of Operations

Three Months Ended March 31, 2001 Compared with the Three Months Ended March 31, 2000.

The following table sets forth for the periods indicated information derived from the Company's statements of income expressed as a percentage of net sales.

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2001	2000
Net sales (in millions).....	\$ 301.8	\$ 333.8
Net sales.....	100.0%	100.0%
Gross profit.....	11.7	12.2
Selling, general and administrative expenses.....	10.1	8.7
Non-recurring charge.....	0.3	--
Income from operations.....	1.3	3.5
Interest expense.....	(0.1)	(0.1)

Income before income taxes.....	1.3	3.4
Income taxes.....	(0.5)	(1.3)
Net income.....	0.8	2.1

The following table sets forth the Company's percentage of net sales by platform, sales channel, and product mix:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2001	2000
Platform		
PC and Multi Platform.....	91%	88%
Mac.....	9	12
	-----	-----
Total.....	100%	100%
Sales Channel		
Corporate Outbound.....	77%	72%
Inbound Telesales.....	13	20
On-Line Internet.....	10	8
	-----	-----
Total.....	100%	100%
Product Mix		
Notebooks.....	24%	27%
Desktop/Servers.....	13	15
Storage Devices.....	10	9
Software.....	12	11
Networking Communications.....	9	7
Printers.....	8	7
Videos & Monitors.....	8	7
Memory.....	3	4
Accessories/Other.....	13	13
	-----	-----
Total.....	100%	100%
	=====	=====

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Sales of enterprise server and networking products (included in the above product mix) were 19.4% and 14.4% of net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2001 and March 31, 2000, respectively.

Net sales decreased \$32.0 million, or 9.6%, to \$301.8 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001 from \$333.8 million for the comparable period in 2000 due to the recent weakness in demand for information technology products. Outbound sales decreased by \$7.5 million, or 3.1%, to \$233.2 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001 from \$240.7 million for the comparable period in 2000. On-line Internet sales increased by \$3.3 million, or 13.1%, to \$28.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2001 from \$25.1 million for the same period in 2000. Inbound sales, which primarily serve the Company's consumer and very small business customers, decreased by \$27.7 million, or 40.8%, to \$40.2 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001 from \$67.9 million for the comparable period in 2000. The Company's sales to consumers and small businesses have been more negatively impacted during the recent spending slow down than have sales to its larger business customers, who generally purchase through either the outbound or Internet channels. All product categories were affected by the recent economic uncertainty, with first quarter 2001 sales of notebooks declining by 22.2% to \$70.7 million from \$90.9 million for the comparable period in 2000. Desktop/server sales declined by 20.3% to \$38.8 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001 from \$48.7 million for the comparable period in 2000.

Net sales of enterprise server and networking products increased 22.0% to

\$58.7 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001 from \$48.1 million for the comparable period in 2000. Management believes that while in the comparative periods sales declined, these product categories will eventually grow substantially as its customers further upgrade their network and communication infrastructure. Enterprise server and networking products represented 19.4% of overall net sales for the first quarter in 2001, up from 14.4% of net sales for the comparable period in 2000. General economic conditions are likely to be the key influencer of when such growth recommences.

Average order size rose \$114, or 12.3%, to \$1,040 for the quarter ended March 31, 2001 from \$926 in the first quarter of 2000. Average order size through all channels were up year over year. However, sequentially, average order size declined 5.6% from the \$1,102 reported for the quarter ended December 31, 2000.

Gross profit decreased \$5.3 million, or 13.1%, to \$35.3 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001 from \$40.6 million for the comparable period in 2000, primarily due to the decrease in sales noted above. Gross profit margin as a percentage of sales decreased to 11.7% of net sales in the first quarter of 2001 from 12.2% for the comparable period in 2000. A more competitive pricing environment and other market conditions during the first quarter of 2001 negatively impacted the Company's gross margin percentage. The Company's profit margins are also influenced by the relative mix of inbound, outbound and on-line Internet sales. Since outbound sales are typically to corporate accounts that purchase at volume discounts, the gross margin percentage of such sales is generally lower than inbound sales. However, the gross profit dollar contribution per outbound sales order is generally higher as average order sizes are usually larger. The Company expects that its gross margin, as a percentage of sales, may vary by quarter based upon vendor support programs, product mix, pricing strategies, market conditions and other factors.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$1.5 million, or 5.2%, to \$30.5 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001 from \$29.0 million for the first quarter in 2000. Selling, general and administrative expenses (SG&A), as a percentage of sales, were 10.1% of net sales in the first quarter of 2001, compared to 8.7% in the comparable period a year ago. Although volume sensitive costs were lower than planned levels due to the decreased sales volumes, increases related to the Company's continued recruitment of

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outbound sales account managers, more than offset these savings. The Company expects that its SG&A as a percentage of net sales may vary by quarter depending on changes in sales volume, as well as the levels of continued investments in key growth initiatives such as increases in the number of outbound sales account managers.

Non-recurring charge was a one-time charge of \$0.9 million, or \$0.02 per share in the first quarter related to the staffing reduction previously discussed. This staff reduction will result in quarterly payroll savings of \$1.7 million.

Income from operations decreased \$7.6 million, or 65.5%, to \$4.0 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001, from \$11.6 million for the comparable period in 2000. Income from operations as a percentage of sales decreased from 3.5% in the three months ended March 31, 2000 to 1.3% for the comparable period in 2001 for the reasons discussed above.

Interest expense increased \$0.04 million, or 11.8%, to \$0.38 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2001 from \$0.34 million for the comparable quarter in 2000.

Other, net, which is essentially comprised of interest income increased \$0.09 million, or 45%, to \$0.29 million in the quarter ended March 31, 2001 from \$0.20 million for the comparable period in 2000. This increase was due primarily to higher interest income from investments.

Income taxes for the quarter ended March 31, 2001 were \$1.5 million compared to \$4.4 million for the comparable quarter in 2000. The effective tax rate was

38% for both periods.

Net income for the quarter ended March 31, 2001 decreased \$4.7 million, or 66.2%, to \$2.4 million from \$7.1 million for the comparable quarter in 2000, as a result of the decrease in operating income.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company has historically financed its operations and capital expenditures through cash flow from operations and bank borrowings. The Company believes that funds generated from operations, together with available credit under its bank line of credit, will be sufficient to finance its working capital and capital expenditure requirements at least through 2001. The Company's ability to continue funding its planned growth is dependent upon its ability to generate sufficient cash flow from operations or to obtain additional funds through equity or debt financing, or from other sources of financing, as may be required.

At March 31, 2001, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$49.4 million and working capital of \$113.8 million. At December 31, 2000, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$7.4 million and working capital of \$111.7 million.

The Company has an unsecured credit agreement with a bank providing for short-term borrowings up to \$70.0 million, which bears interest at various rates ranging from the prime rate (8.00% at March 31, 2001) to prime less 1%, depending on the ratio of senior debt to EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization). The credit agreement includes various customary financial and operating covenants, including restrictions on the payment of dividends, none of which the Company believes significantly restricts its operations. No borrowings were outstanding at March 31, 2001.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$44.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2001, as compared to \$10.5 million provided by operating activities in the comparable period in 2000. The primary factors historically affecting cash flows from operations are the Company's net income and changes in the levels of accounts receivable, inventories and accounts payable.

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PC CONNECTION, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES Part I--Financial Information

Item 2--MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS--(Continued)

Capital expenditures were \$2.5 million in the three months ended March 31, 2001 as compared to \$2.0 million in the comparable period in 2000. The majority of the capital expenditures for the respective 2001 and 2000 periods relate to computer hardware and software for the Company's information systems. Total capital expenditures for the year ending December 31, 2001 are estimated to be \$8.7 million.

Inflation

The Company has historically offset any inflation in operating costs by a combination of increased productivity and price increases, where appropriate. The Company does not expect inflation to have a significant impact on its business in the future.

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PC CONNECTION, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES Part I--Financial Information

Item 3--QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The Company invests cash balances in excess of operating requirements in short-term securities, generally with maturities of 90 days or less. In addition, the Company's unsecured credit agreement provides for borrowings which bear interest at variable rates based on the prime rate. The Company had no borrowings outstanding pursuant to its credit agreement as of March 31, 2001. The Company believes that the effect, if any, of reasonably possible near-term changes in interest rates on the Company's financial position,

results of operations and cash flows should not be material.

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PC CONNECTION, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
Part II--Other Information

Item 1--Legal Proceedings

Not applicable.

Item 2--Changes in Securities and Use of Proceeds

Not applicable.

Item 3--Defaults Upon Senior Securities

Not applicable.

Item 4--Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

Not applicable.

Item 5--Other Information

Not applicable.

Item 6--Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

(a) Exhibits

Exhibit Number -----	Description -----
15	Letter on unaudited interim financial information

(b) Reports on Form 8-K

None

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PC CONNECTION, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
March 31, 2001

SIGNATURES

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

PC Connection, Inc. and Subsidiaries

May 4, 2001

By: /s/ Wayne L. Wilson

Wayne L. Wilson
President and Chief Operating
Officer

May 4, 2001

By: /s/ Mark A. Gavin

Mark A. Gavin
Senior Vice President of Finance
and Chief Financial Officer

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May 1, 2001

PC Connection Inc. and Subsidiaries
Merrimack, New Hampshire

We have made a review, in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, of the unaudited interim financial information of PC Connection, Inc. and subsidiaries for the periods ended March 31, 2001 and 2000, as indicated in our report dated April 18, 2001; because we did not perform an audit, we expressed no opinion on that information.

We are aware that our report referred to above, which will be included in your Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, will be incorporated by reference in Registration Statement Nos. 333-40172, 333-69981, 333-50847, 333-50845, and 333-83943 of PC Connection, Inc. on Form S-8.

We also are aware that the aforementioned report, pursuant to Rule 436(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, are not considered a part of the Registration Statement prepared or certified by an accountant or a report prepared or certified by an accountant within the meaning of Sections 7 and 11 of that Act.

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