 maker of leather handbags. It was acquired by Sara Lee in 1985. 7,380,000 shares were issued to the public at $\$ 16.00$ a share in October, 2000. The transaction was led by Goldman Sachs \& Co., Morgan Stanley Dean Witter, and Prudential Securities. Sara Lee subsequently distributed the remaining stock to shareholders.
CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of $3 / 27 / 10$
Total Debt $\$ 25.0$ mill. Due in 5 Yrs $\$ 25.0$ mill. LT Debt $\$ 24.3$ mill. LT Interest $\$ 1.0$ mill. $\begin{array}{ll} & \\ \text { ( } 1 \% \text { of Cap'l) } \\ \text { Leases, Uncapitalized: } A n n ' I ~ r e n t a l s ~ \\ \$ 127.3 \text { mill. }\end{array}$
Pension Assets-6/09 $\$ 5.2$ mill. Oblig. $\$ 10.7$ mill.

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Past Est'd $077^{\circ} 09$ 5 Yrs. to '13-'15 27.0\% 13.0\% $\begin{array}{ll}33.5 \% & 10.0 \%\end{array}$ $34.0 \% \quad 10.0 \%$ $\begin{array}{rr}30.5 \% & 13.0 \%\end{array}$

| Fiscal | QUARTERLY SALES ( $\$$ mill.) |
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| 2007 | 529.5 | 805.6 | 625.3 | 652.1 | , |
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| 2008 | 676.7 | 978.1 | 744.5 | 781.5 | 3180.8 |
| 2009 | 752.5 | 960.3 | 740.0 | 777.7 | 3230.5 |
| 2010 | 761.4 | 1065.0 | 830.7 | 872.9 | 3530 |
| 2011 | 825 | 1150 | 900 | 950 | 3825 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Fiscal } \\ & \text { Year } \\ & \text { Year } \end{aligned}$ | EARNINGS PER SHARE A BSep.Per Dec.Per Mar.Per Jun.Per |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Full } \\ \text { Fiscal } \\ \text { Year } \end{gathered}$ |
| 2007 | . 31 | . 57 | . 39 | . 42 | 1.69 |
| 2008 | . 41 | . 69 | . 46 | . 50 | 2.06 |
| 2009 | . 44 | . 67 | . 38 | . 43 | 1.91 |
| 2010 | . 44 | . 75 | . 50 | . 54 | 2.23 |
| 2011 | . 51 | . 86 | . 56 | . 62 | 2.55 |
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| 2010 | . 075 |  | . 15 |  |  |


#### Abstract

BUSINESS: Coach, Inc. is a designer, producer, and marketer of high-quality modern American classic accessories. Primary product offerings include handbags, women's and men's accessories, business cases, luggage, leather outerwear, gloves, scarves, and personal planning products. Also licenses watches, footwear, and home and office furniture. Operates 441 North American stores (in-


The investment community was forced to take notice of Coach's most recent success. Although the handbag and accessories maker's strong secondquarter (fiscal year ends July 3rd) was largely ignored by most on Wall Street, the stock has surged nearly $25 \%$ since our February review, with the bulk of the upswing coming on the heels of the company's release of March-period results. It posted earnings of $\$ 0.50$ in the quarter, $32 \%$ better than the year before, with strength in the direct-to-consumer segment and in China fueling a 12\% top-line advance. Meanwhile, lower manufacturing costs and a more favorable product mix enabled the operating margin to climb a few hundred basis points.
We've raised our fourth-quarter estimates. Most of management's earlier initiatives are paying off. It has been able to lower the cost structure and better control inventory levels, specifically in indirect channels, while continuing to grow the top line at a healthy clip. The decision to introduce lower-price products to circumvent the shaky economy and get customers in the doors has done just that. Coach should
cluding 111 factory outlets). Direct-to-consumer channel accounted for nearly $84 \%$ of total net sales in fiscal 2009; Indirect channel, (16\%). Acquired remaining 50\% interest in Coach Japan, 7/05. Off./dir. own $5.1 \%$ of common shares (10/09 Proxy). Chairman and CEO: Lew Frankfort. Inc.: MD. Add.: 516 W. 34th St., New York, NY, 10001. Tel.: 212-594-1850. Internet: www.coach.com.
continue to gain traction in China, helping it earn $\$ 0.54$ a share in the J une quarter.
The company has its sights set on Western Europe now. Management has announced plans to launch at least 14 stores in France over the next three years with the first slated to open this summer. It also intends on breaking ground in the U.K., Ireland, Spain, and Portugal within the next year. This venture has prompted us to introduce a fiscal 2011 shareearnings estimate of $\$ 2.55$. Although the initiative will likely take a little while to turn profitable, an aggressive sharerepurchase plan should enable COH to maintain healthy bottom-line growth.
The stock is ranked 1 (Highest) for Timeliness. Coach is executing on all fronts and should continue to report healthy share-earnings advances for the foreseeable future. We've upped our Target Price Range to account for success overseas, and think the stock holds worthwhile 3- to 5-year appeal, despite the price run-up. The recent decision to double the quarterly dividend speaks volumes for the company's prognosis.
AndreJ. Costanza

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    beginning 2006 . Excludes $\$ 0.12$ of non-
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    recurring items in ' 08 . Next egs. report due late
    and China. (D) In mill., adj. for splits. (E) Initial (B) Diluted egs. Includes the expensing of recurring items in ' 08 . Next egs. report due late and China. (D) In mill., adj. for splits. (E) Initial stock options beginning in fiscal 2007. Reflects July. May not add due to rounding. (C) Store dividend paid on 6/29/09 to stockholders on discontinuation of corporate accounts business $\mid$ count only reflects North American retail and record as of 6/8/09.
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