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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

Form 10-Q

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☑ QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarter period ended July 2, 2022

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from Commission File Number 0-01989 **Seneca Foods Corporation**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter) New York

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

16-0733425 (I. R. S. Employer Identification No.)

350 WillowBrook Office Park Fairport, New York

14450 (Zip code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

(585) 495-4100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

3736 South Main Street, Marion, New York 14505

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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

Title of Each Class Common Stock Class A, \$.25 Par Common Stock Class B, \$.25 Par **Trading Symbol** SENEA SENEB

Name of Exchange on Which Registered **NASDAO Global Select Market NASDAQ Global Select Market**

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 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 every Interactive Data File required to be submitted 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 such files). Yes 🗸 No 🗆

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer 🗹 Non-accelerated filer □ Smaller reporting company □ Emerging growth company \square

If an emerging growth company, indicate by checkmark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act

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

The number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant's classes of common stock at the latest practical date are:

Shares Outstanding at July 29, 2022 Common Stock Class A, \$.25 Par 6,224,160 1,705,249

Common Stock Class B, \$.25 Par

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SENECA FOODS CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Ţ	Unaudited Unaudited July 2, July 3, 2022 2021		July 3,	Ν	March 31, 2022
Assets		LOLL		2021	-	2022
Current assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	12,236	\$	59,834	\$	10,904
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for credit losses of \$44 and \$123		86,173		66,743		119,169
Assets held for sale		4,639		8,535		5,979
Inventories		523,402		414,690		410,331
Refundable income taxes		3,124		4,621		3,866
Other current assets		4,278		5,487		5,193
Total current assets		633,852	_	559,910		555,442
Property, plant and equipment, net		278,946		254,012		268,043
Right-of-use assets operating, net		31,543		45,935		34,008
Right-of-use assets financing, net		34,005		35,814		34,867
Pension assets		51,936		62,667		52,866
Other assets	Φ.	1,980	Φ.	9,938	φ.	1,804
Total assets	\$	1,032,262	\$	968,276	\$	947,030
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity						
Current liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$	142,244	\$	125,571	\$	87,602
Deferred revenue		3,906		3,079		7,655
Accrued vacation		11,791		11,879		11,611
Accrued payroll		9,530		8,346		16,998
Other accrued expenses		23,467		24,224		23,269
Current portion of long-term debt and lease obligations		25,016		28,558		26,020
Total current liabilities		215,954		201,657	_	173,155
Long-term debt, less current portion		167,089		93,092		109,624
Operating lease obligations, less current portion		19,452		30,035		22,533
Financing lease obligations, less current portion		18,422		23,046		19,942
Deferred income tax liability, net		33,446		28,803		32,944
Other long-term liabilities		4,784		4,231		4,995
Total liabilities		459,147		380,864		363,193
Commitments and contingencies						
Stockholders' equity:						
Preferred stock		644		663		644
Common stock, \$.25 par value per share		3,042		3,041		3,041
Additional paid-in capital		98,750		98,527		98,641
Treasury stock, at cost		(144,802)		(95,750)		(128,879)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(26,468)		(19,067)		(26,468)
Retained earnings		641,949		599,998		636,858
Total stockholders' equity	<u></u>	573,115	_	587,412	_	583,837
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	1,032,262	\$	968,276	\$	947,030

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SENECA FOODS CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF NET EARNINGS (In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	Thre	Three Months Ended				
	July 2, 2022		July 3, 2021			
Net sales	\$ 265	\$,193	235,042			
Costs and expenses:						
•	240	2,350	201.410			
Cost of product sold			201,419			
Selling, general and administrative		3,242	17,274			
Other operating income, net		,995)	(1,378)			
Total costs and expenses		3,597	217,315			
Operating income	(,596	17,727			
Other income and expenses:						
Loss from equity investment		-	156			
Other non-operating income	(1	,526)	(2,376)			
Interest expense, net	1	,390	1,342			
Earnings before income taxes	ϵ	5,732	18,605			
Income taxes	1	,629	4,469			
Net earnings	\$ 5	\$,103	14,136			
Earnings per share:						
Basic	\$	0.62 \$	1.56			
Diluted	\$	0.62 \$	1.55			
Weighted average common shares outstanding:						
Basic	3	3,155	9,025			
Diluted	8	3,227	9,097			

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SENECA FOODS CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (In thousands) (Unaudited)

		Three Mo	nths Ended
	- -	July 2, 2022	
Comprehensive income:			
Net earnings	\$	5,103	\$ 14,136
Total	\$	5,103	\$ 14,136

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SENECA FOODS CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (In thousands) (Unaudited)

		Three Months Ended				
		ily 2, 2022	July 3, 2021			
Cash flows from operating activities:						
Net earnings	\$	5,103	\$	14,136		
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash from operating activities:						
Depreciation & amortization		9,788		8,581		
Gain on the sale of assets		(2,109)		(1,166)		
Loss from equity investment		-		156		
Deferred income taxes		502		497		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:						
Accounts receivable		33,315		25,647		
Inventories		(113,071)		(71,546)		
Other current assets		1,096		(494)		
Income taxes		742		3,764		
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other		41,819		42,045		
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		(22,815)		21,620		
Cash flows from investing activities:						
Additions to property, plant and equipment		(19,234)		(13,221)		
Proceeds from the sale of assets		3,950		1,400		
Net cash used in investing activities		(15,284)		(11,821)		
Cash flows from financing activities:						
Long-term borrowing		209,505		21,539		
Payments on long-term debt		(152,040)		(22,532)		
Other assets		-		(2,500)		
Payments on financing leases		(2,099)		(1,745)		
Purchase of treasury stock		(15,923)		(4,552)		
Dividends		(12)		(12)		
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		39,431		(9,802)		
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		1,332		(3)		
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period		10,904		59.837		
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period	\$	12,236	\$	59,834		
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period	<u>· </u>		<u> </u>			
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:						
Noncash transactions:						
Property, plant and equipment purchased under lease obligations	\$	1.967	\$	14,550		
Property, plant and equipment purchased on account	\$	1,031	\$	382		
Sale of property, plant and equipment in exchange for note receivable	\$	750	\$	- 302		
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SENECA FOODS CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (Unaudited)

	Preferred Stock		Common Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital		Treasury Stock		Accumulated Other omprehensive Loss	 Retained Earnings
First Quarter FY 2023:										
Balances, March 31, 2022	\$ 644	\$	3,041	\$	98,641	\$	(128,879)	\$	(26,468)	\$ 636,858
Net earnings	-		-		-		-		-	5,103
Cash dividends declared on preferred stock	-		-		-		-		-	(12)
Issue stock for bonus program	-		1		76		-		-	-
Equity incentive program	-		-		33		-		-	-
Purchase treasury stock	-		-		-		(15,923)		-	-
Balances, July 2, 2022.	\$ 644	\$	3,042	\$	98,750	\$	(144,802)	\$	(26,468)	\$ 641,949
First Quarter FY 2022:										
Balances, March 31, 2021	\$ 663	\$	3,041	\$	98,502	\$	(91,198)	\$	(19,067)	\$ 585,874
Net earnings	-		-		-		-		-	14,136
Cash dividends declared on preferred stock	-		-		-		-		-	(12)
Equity incentive program	-		-		25		-		-	-
Purchase treasury stock	-		-		-		(4,552)		-	-
Balances, July 3, 2021	\$ 663	\$	3,041	\$	98,527	\$	(95,750)	\$	(19,067)	\$ 599,998
	6% Voting Cumulative Callable Par \$0.25	_	10% Voting Cumulative Convertible Par \$0.025		Participating Convertible Par \$0.025		2003 Series Participating Convertible Par \$0.025	_	Class A Common Par \$0.25	 Class B Common Par \$0.25
Shares authorized and designated:										
July 2, 2022	200,00	0	1,400,000)	32,256	,	500		20,000,000	10,000,000
Shares outstanding:										
July 2, 2022	200,00	0	807,240)	32,256	í	500		6,333,277	1,707,249

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

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SENECA FOODS CORPORATION NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

1. Basis of Preparation and Presentation

Seneca Foods Corporation (the "Company") is a leading provider of packaged fruits and vegetables with 26 facilities in eight states in support of its operations. The Company's principal products include canned vegetables, frozen vegetables, jarred fruit, and other food products. The products are sold nationwide by major grocery outlets, including supermarkets, mass merchandisers, limited assortment stores, club stores and dollar stores. Additionally, products are sold to food service distributors, restaurant chains, industrial markets, other food packagers, export customers in 80 countries, and federal, state and local governments for school and other feeding programs.

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") applicable to interim financial statements. While these statements reflect all adjustments (consisting of items of a normal recurring nature) that are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the results of the interim period, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by United States generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP") for complete financial statement presentation. The condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statement disclosures in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022.

Due to the seasonal nature of the business, quarterly operating results and cash flows are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for other interim periods or the full year. All references to years are fiscal years ended or ending March 31 unless otherwise indicated. Certain percentage tables may not foot due to rounding. Certain previously reported amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period classification.

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions. Such estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as well as disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the condensed consolidated financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates.

The Company uses the same accounting policies in preparing quarterly and annual financial statements. A summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Company are set forth in Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022.

New Accounting Pronouncements and Policies

Effective April 1, 2022, the Company adopted ASU 2016-13, Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments, which was subsequently amended in November 2018 through ASU No. 2018-19, Codification Improvements to Topic 326, Financial Instruments - Credit Losses. The amended guidance requires entities to estimate lifetime expected credit losses for trade and other receivables, including those that are current with respect to payment terms, along with other financial instruments which may result in earlier recognition of credit losses. The Company evaluated its existing methodology for estimating an allowance for doubtful accounts and the risk profile of its receivables portfolio and developed a model that includes the qualitative and forecasting aspects of the "expected loss" model under the amended guidance. In determining the Company's reserve for credit losses, receivables are assigned an expected loss based on historical information adjusted for forward-looking economic factors. The adoption of ASU 2016-13 did not have a material impact to the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

In March 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-04, Reference Rate Reform: Facilitation of the Effects of Reference Rate Reform on Financial Reporting which provides optional guidance for a limited time to ease the potential accounting burden associated with the expected market transition away from the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) and other interbank offered rates to alternative reference rates. LIBOR is used to determine interest expense related to the Company's Revolver, which matures in 2026. This update was effective starting March 12, 2020 and the Company may elect to apply the amendments prospectively through December 31, 2022. We are currently evaluating the effect that ASU 2020-04 will have on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

There were no other recently issued accounting pronouncements that impacted the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements. In addition, the Company did not adopt any other new accounting pronouncements during the three months ended July 2, 2022.

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2. Revenue Recognition

Revenue recognition is completed for most customers at a point in time when product control is transferred to the customer. In general, control transfers to the customer when the product is shipped or delivered to the customer based upon applicable shipping terms, as the customer can direct the use and obtain substantially all of the remaining benefits from the asset at this point in time. The Company does sell certain finished goods inventory for cash on a bill and hold basis. The terms of the bill and hold agreement provide that title to the specified inventory is transferred to the customer prior to shipment and the Company has the right to payment (prior to physical delivery) which results in recorded revenue as determined under the revenue recognition standard.

In the following table, revenue is disaggregated by product category groups (in thousands):

	Three Mor	nths Ei	nded
	 July 2,		July 3,
	 2022		2021
Canned vegetables	\$ 218,335	\$	187,944
Frozen vegetables	19,711		22,584
Fruit products	18,332		15,873
Snack products	2,980		3,412
Other	5,835		5,229
	\$ 265,193	\$	235,042

As a result of certain contracts with customers, the Company has contract asset balances of \$1.1 million, \$0.7 million, and \$0.9 million as of July 2, 2022, July 3, 2021, and March 31, 2022 respectively, which are included in other current assets on the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

3. Earnings per Common Share

Earnings per share for the three months ended July 2, 2022 and July 3, 2021 are as follows (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended				
	uly 2, 2022		July 3, 2021		
<u>Basic</u>					
Net earnings	\$ 5,103	\$	14,136		
Deduct preferred stock dividends paid	 6		6		
Undistributed net earnings	5,097		14,130		
Earnings attributable to participating preferred	 20		54		
Earnings attributable to common shareholders	\$ 5,077	\$	14,076		
Weighted average common shares outstanding	 8,155		9,025		
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.62	\$	1.56		
Diluted					
Earnings attributable to common shareholders	\$ 5,077	\$	14,076		
Add dividends on convertible preferred stock	 5		5		
Earnings attributable to common stock on a diluted basis	\$ 5,082	\$	14,081		
Weighted average common shares outstanding-basic	8,155		9,025		
Additional shares issued related to the equity compensation plan	5		5		
Additional shares to be issued under full conversion of preferred stock	67		67		
Total shares for diluted	 8,227		9,097		
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.62	\$	1.55		
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4. Inventories

The Company uses the last-in, first-out ("LIFO") method of valuing inventory. An actual valuation of inventory under the LIFO method is made at the end of each fiscal year based on the inventory levels and costs at that time. Accordingly, interim LIFO calculations are based on management's estimates of expected year-end inventory levels, production pack yields, sales and the expected rate of inflation or deflation for the year. The interim LIFO calculations are subject to adjustment in the final year-end LIFO inventory valuation.

As of July 2, 2022 and July 3, 2021, first-in, first-out ("FIFO") based inventory costs exceeded LIFO based inventory costs, resulting in a LIFO reserve of \$183.7 million and \$131.5 million, respectively. In order to state inventories at LIFO, the Company recorded an increase to cost of products sold of \$--19.2 million and \$2.8 million for the three months ended July 2, 2022 and July 3, 2021, respectively.

The following table shows inventory by category and the related LIFO reserve (in thousands):

			As of:	
	_	July 2, 2022	July 3, 2021	March 31, 2022
Finished products	\$	390,245	\$ 340,468	385,681
In process		24,356	17,070	23,652
Raw materials and supplies		292,517	188,661	165,491
		707,118	546,199	574,824
Less excess of FIFO cost over LIFO cost		183,716	131,509	164,493
Total inventories	\$	523,402	\$ 414,690	\$ 410,331

5. Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment is comprised of the following (in thousands):

			As of:	
		July 2, 2022	July 3, 2021	 March 31, 2022
Land and land improvements	\$	42,998	\$ 42,820	\$ 42,981
Buildings and improvements		202,874	189,614	202,444
Machinery & equipment		412,487	376,317	403,192
Office furniture, vehicles and computer software		10,005	9,733	10,003
Construction in progress		39,189	36,175	29,976
Property, plant and equipment, cost		707,553	654,659	688,596
Less: accumulated depreciation		(428,607)	(400,647)	(420,553)
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$	278,946	\$ 254,012	\$ 268,043

Depreciation expense totaled \$8.1 million and \$7.2 million for the three months ended July 2, 2022 and July 3, 2021, respectively.

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6. Assets Held For Sale

The Company classifies its assets as held for sale at the time management commits to a plan to sell the asset, the asset is actively marketed and available for immediate sale, and the sale is expected to be completed within one year. Due to market conditions, certain assets may be classified as held for sale for more than one year as the Company continues to actively market the assets. The Company has non-operating facilities and equipment that meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale and are recorded at the lower of carrying value or fair value less costs to sell. The following table presents information related to the major classes of assets that were classified as held for sale in the condensed consolidated balance sheets (in thousands):

			As of:	
	_	July 2, 2022	July 3, 2021	March 31, 2022
Property, plant and equipment (net)	\$	4,639	\$ 8,535	\$ 5,979
Current assets held for sale	\$	4,639	\$ 8,535	\$ 5,979

Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt is comprised of the following (in thousands):

			As of	
	_	July 2, 2022	July 3, 2021	March 31, 2022
Revolving credit facility	\$	78,965	\$ 1,000	\$ 20,508
Term loan		91,908	95,876	92,900
Other		216	216	216
Total long-term debt		171,089	97,092	113,624
Less current portion		4,000	4,000	4,000
Long-term debt, less current portion	\$	167,089	\$ 93,092	\$ 109,624

Revolving Credit Facility

On March 24, 2021, the Company entered into a Fourth Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement that provides for a senior revolving credit facility of up to \$400.0 million that is seasonally adjusted (the "Revolver"). Maximum borrowings under the Revolver total \$300.0 million from April through July and \$400.0 million from August through March. The Revolver balance is included in Long-Term Debt in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet due to the Revolver's March 24, 2026 maturity. In order to maintain availability of funds under the facility, the Company pays a commitment fee on the unused portion of the Revolver. The Revolver is secured by substantially all of the Company's accounts receivable and inventories and contains borrowing base requirements as well as a financial covenant, if certain circumstances apply. The Company utilizes its Revolver for general corporate purposes, including seasonal working capital needs, to pay debt principal and interest obligations, and to fund capital expenditures and acquisitions. Seasonal working capital needs are affected by the growing cycles of the vegetables the Company packages. The majority of vegetable inventories are produced during the months of June through November and are then sold over the following year. Payment terms for vegetable produce are generally three months but can vary from a few days to seven months. Accordingly, the Company's need to draw on the Revolver may fluctuate significantly throughout the year.

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General terms of the Revolver include payment of interest at LIBOR plus a defined spread. The following table illustrates certain quantitative data for Revolver borrowings during fiscal year 2023 and fiscal year 2022 (in thousands):

			As of:		
	July 2,		July 3,		March 31,
	2022		2021		2022
Outstanding borrowings	\$ 78,965	\$	1,000	\$	20,508
Weighted average interest rate	2.80%		1.35%		1.71%

	Three Months Ended:			
	 July 2,		July 3,	
	2022 2021			
Maximum amount of borrowings	\$ 78,965	\$	1,071	
Average outstanding borrowings	\$ 27,010	\$	938	
Weighted average interest rate	2.34%		1.35%	

Term Loan

On May 28, 2020 the Company entered into an Amended and Restated Loan and Guaranty Agreement that provides for a \$100.0 million unsecured term loan (the "Term Loan"). The amended and restated agreement has a maturity date of June 1, 2025 and converted the Term Loan to a fixed interest rate of 3.30% until maturity rather than a variable interest rate in addition to requiring quarterly principal payments of \$1.0 million, which commenced during fiscal year 2021. The Company incurred financing costs totaling \$0.2 million, which have been classified as a discount to the debt. This agreement contains certain covenants, including maintaining a minimum EBITDA and minimum tangible net worth.

8. Leases

The Company determines whether an arrangement is a lease at inception of the agreement. Presently, the Company leases land, machinery and equipment under various operating and financing leases.

Right-of-Use, or ROU, assets represent the Company's right to use the underlying assets for the lease term, and lease obligations represent the net present value of the Company's obligation to make payments arising from these leases. ROU assets and lease obligations are recognized at commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term using the implicit lease interest rate or, when unknown, an incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at commencement date or April 1, 2019 for leases that commenced prior to that date.

Lease terms may include options to extend or terminate the lease, and the impact of these options are included in the calculation of the ROU asset and lease obligation only when the exercise of the option is at the Company's sole discretion and it is reasonably certain that the Company will exercise that option. The Company will not separate lease and non-lease components for its leases when it is impractical to separate the two. In addition, the Company has certain leases that have variable payments based solely on output or usage of the leased asset. These variable operating lease assets are excluded from the Company's balance sheet presentation and expensed as incurred. Leases with an initial term of 12 months or less, or short-term leases, are not recorded on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets

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ROU assets and lease obligations for the Company's operating and financing leases are disclosed separately in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. The components of lease cost were as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		
	July 2, 2022		July 3, 2021
Lease cost:			
Amortization of right of use asset	\$ 1,589	\$	1,295
Interest on lease liabilities	 239		257
Finance lease cost	1,828		1,552
Operating lease cost	 4,227		5,000
Total lease cost	\$ 6,055	\$	6,552
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities			
Operating cash flows from finance leases	\$ 239	\$	257
Operating cash flows from operating leases	5,836		6,498
Financing cash flows from finance leases	 2,099		1,745
	\$ 8,174	\$	8,500
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for new finance lease liabilities	\$ 726	\$	6,498
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for new operating lease liabilities	\$ 1,241	\$	8,052
Weighted-average lease term (years):			
Financing leases	4.6		4.9
Operating leases	4.4		4.4
Weighted-average discount rate (percentage):			
Financing leases	3.4		3.5
Operating leases	4.2		4.3

Undiscounted future lease payments under non-cancelable operating and financing leases, along with a reconciliation of undiscounted cash flows to operating and financing lease obligations, respectively, as of July 2, 2022 were as follows (in thousands):

Years ending March 31:	Operating	Financing
Balance of 2023	\$ 9,240	\$ 7,024
2024	9,561	7,844
2025	5,441	4,480
2026	2,966	3,394
2027	2,510	2,336
2028-2033	5,059	4,115
Total minimum payment required	\$ 34,777	\$ 29,193
Less interest	2,882	2,198
Present value of minimum lease payments	31,895	26,995
Amount due within one year	 12,443	8,573
Long-term lease obligations	\$ 19,452	\$ 18,422

9. Income Taxes

The Company's effective tax rate was 24.2% and 24.0% for the three months ended July 2, 2022 and July 3, 2021 respectively. The effective tax rate was increased in the current interim period by 0.4% from state income tax rate changes, 0.2% for permanent differences and 0.2% for interest and penalties. These increases were partially offset by a 0.6% decrease in the rate impact of federal credits.

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10. Retirement Plans

The net periodic benefit cost for the Company's pension plan consisted of (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		
	 July 2,		July 3,
	2022		2021
Service cost including administration	\$ 2,435	\$	2,560
Interest cost	2,374		1,878
Expected return on plan assets	(4,025)		(4,276)
Amortization of prior service cost	23		23
Amortization of net loss	102		-
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 909	\$	185

There were no pension contributions made during the three months ended July 2, 2022 and July 3, 2021.

11. Stockholders' Equity

During the three month period ended July 2, 2022, the Company repurchased 294,041 shares of its Class A Common Stock at a cost of \$15.9 million, which are included in Treasury Stock. During the three month period ended July 3, 2021, the Company repurchased 88,813 shares of its Class A Common Stock at a cost of \$4.6 million. The Company did not repurchase any of its Class B Common Stock in either three month interim period. As of July 2, 2022, there are 4.1 million shares or \$144.8 million of repurchased stock being held as Treasury Stock. These shares are not considered outstanding.

12. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

On a quarterly basis, the Company estimates the fair values for financial instruments that are recorded at carrying value on the consolidated condensed balance sheets. The estimated fair value for long-term debt (classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy) is determined by the quoted market prices for similar debt (comparable to the Company's financial strength) or current rates offered to the Company for debt with the same maturities. The fair value and carrying value of the Company's long-term debt are as follows (in thousands):

		A	As of:	
	July 2, 2022		uly 3, 2021	March 31, 2022
Carrying value	\$ 171,089	\$	97,092	\$ 113,624
Fair value	\$ 165,108	\$	96,672	\$ 108,608

13. Other Operating Income and Expense

The Company had net other operating income of \$2.0 million during the three months ended July 2, 2022, which was driven primarily by the gain on the sale of various fixed assets. During the three months ended July 3, 2021, the Company had net other operating income of \$1.4 million, driven mostly by a gain from the sale of an aircraft from its Flight operation of \$1.2 million.

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Seneca Foods Corporation is a leading provider of packaged fruits and vegetables, with facilities located throughout the United States. Our product offerings include canned, frozen and jarred produce and snack chips that are sold under private label as well as national and regional brands that the Company owns or licenses, including Seneca®, Libby's®, Aunt Nellie's®, Cherryman®, Green Valley® and READ®. Canned fruits and vegetables are sold nationwide by major grocery outlets, including supermarkets, mass merchandisers, limited assortment stores, club stores and dollar stores. We also sell products to foodservice distributors, restaurant chains, industrial markets, other food processors, export customers in over 80 countries and federal, state and local governments for school and other food programs. Additionally, the Company packs canned and frozen vegetables under contract packing agreements.

Business Trends

We purchase raw materials, including raw produce, steel, ingredients and packaging materials from growers, commodity processors, steel producers and packaging suppliers. Raw materials and other input costs, such as labor, fuel, utilities and transportation, are subject to fluctuations in price attributable to a number of factors. Fluctuations in commodity prices can lead to retail price volatility and can influence consumer and trade buying patterns. The cost of raw materials, fuel, labor, distribution and other costs related to our operations can increase from time to time significantly and unexpectedly.

We continue to experience material cost inflation for many of our raw materials and other input costs attributable to a number of factors, including but not limited to, the COVID-19 pandemic, the war in Ukraine, supply chain disruptions (including raw material shortages) and labor shortages. While we have no direct exposure to Russia and Ukraine, we have experienced increased costs for transportation, energy and raw materials due in part to the negative impact of the Russia-Ukraine conflict on the global economy. We attempt to manage cost inflation risks by locking in prices through short-term supply contracts, advance grower purchase agreements, and by implementing cost saving measures. We also attempt to offset rising input costs by raising sales prices to our customers. However, increases in the prices we charge our customers may lag behind rising input costs. Competitive pressures also may limit our ability to quickly raise prices in response to rising costs. To the extent we are unable to avoid or offset any present or future cost increases our operating results could be materially adversely affected.

There still remains uncertainty around the COVID-19 pandemic. The ultimate impact depends on the severity and duration of the pandemic, including the emergence and spread of new COVID-19 variants and resurgences, the continued availability and effectiveness of vaccines and actions taken by government authorities and other third parties in response to the pandemic. We will continue to evaluate the extent to which the COVID-19 pandemic will impact our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Results of Operations

Net Sales:

The following table presents net sales by product category (in thousands):

		Three Months Ended		
	_	July 2, 2022		July 3, 2021
Canned vegetables	\$	218,335	\$	187,944
Frozen vegetables		19,711		22,584
Fruit products		18,332		15,873
Snack products		2,980		3,412
Other		5,835		5,229
	\$	265,193	\$	235,042

Net sales totaled \$265.2 million for the three months ended July 2, 2022 as compared with \$235.0 million for the three months ended July 3, 2021. The overall net sales increase of \$30.2 million, or 12.9%, was due to higher selling prices and increased sales volumes, generating a favorable impact of \$21.2 million and \$9.0 million to net sales, respectively, over the prior year quarter.

Canned vegetables were the main driver of the overall increase in net sales, increasing \$30.4 million over the prior year quarter due to higher pricing necessitated by the material cost increases that the Company is experiencing along with increased sales volumes. Fruit products also increased over the prior year quarter by \$2.5 million due to higher pricing. These increases were partially offset by a decrease of \$2.9 million in frozen vegetables resulting from lower sales volumes as compared to the prior year quarter.

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Operating and Non-Operating Income:

The following table presents components of operating and non-operating income as a percentage of net sales (percentages are shown on an absolute basis):

	Three Month	s Ended
	July 2,	July 3,
	2022	2021
Gross margin	8.6%	14.3%
Selling, general, and administative expense	6.9%	7.3%
Other operating income, net	0.8%	0.6%
Loss from equity investment	0.0%	0.1%
Other non-operating income	0.6%	1.0%
Interest expense, net	0.5%	0.6%
Income taxes	0.6%	1.7%

<u>Gross margin</u>: Gross margin for the three months ended July 2, 2022 was 8.6% as compared with 14.3% for the three months ended July 3, 2021. The decrease in gross margin for the three months ended July 2, 2022 was due primarily to a larger LIFO charge in fiscal year 2023. The Company's LIFO charge for the three months ended July 2, 2022 was \$19.2 million as compared to a charge of \$2.8 million for the three months ended July 3, 2021. The increase in the LIFO reserve over the three months ended July 2, 2022 reflects the projected impact of expected cost increases throughout fiscal year 2023.

<u>Selling, General, and Administrative</u>: Selling, general, and administrative costs as a percentage of net sales for the three months ended July 2, 2022 were 6.9% as compared with 7.3% for the prior year quarter. The decrease in selling, general, and administrative costs as a percentage of net sales was due to the increase in net sales and the fixed nature of certain expenses.

Other Operating Income. net: The Company had net other operating income of \$2.0 million during the three months ended July 2, 2022, which was driven primarily by the gain on the sale of various fixed assets. During the three months ended July 3, 2021, the Company had net other operating income of \$1.4 million, driven mostly by a gain from the sale of an aircraft from its Flight operation of \$1.2 million.

<u>Loss from Equity Investment</u>: The Company's equity investment was written down to \$0 in fiscal year 2022 as a result of an other-than-temporary impairment charge as the investment was determined to not be recoverable.

Other Non-Operating Income: Other non-operating income totaled \$1.5 million and \$2.4 million for the three months ended July 2, 2022 and July 3, 2021, respectively, and is comprised of the non-service related pension amounts that are actuarially determined.

<u>Interest Expense</u>: Interest expense as a percentage of net sales was 0.5% for the three months ended July 2, 2022 as compared to 0.6% for the pair year quarter. Interest expense remained relatively flat quarter over quarter.

<u>Income Taxes</u>: The Company's effective tax rate was 24.2% and 24.0% for the three months ended July 2, 2022 and July 3, 2021 respectively. The effective tax rate was increased in the current interim period by 0.4% from state income tax rate changes, 0.2% for permanent differences and 0.2% for interest and penalties. These increases were partially offset by a 0.6% decrease in the rate impact of federal credits.

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Earnings per Share:

A summary of the Company's earnings per common share is as follows:

		Three Mon	nths Ended	
	_	July 2, Ju 2022 2		_
Basic earnings per common share	\$	0.62	\$ 1.50	6
Diluted earnings per common share:	\$	0.62	\$ 1.5	5

For details of the calculation of these amounts, refer to footnote 3 of the Notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The financial condition of the Company is summarized in the following table and explanatory review (dollar amounts in thousands, except per share data):

	July 2, 2022	July 3, 2021	March 31, 2022	March 31, 2021
Working capital:				
Balance	\$ 417,898	\$ 358,253	\$ 382,287	\$ 358,169
Change in quarter	\$ 35,611	\$ 84		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,500
Long-term debt, less current portion	\$ 167,089	\$ 93,092	\$ 109,624	\$ 94,085
Operating lease obligations, less current portion	\$ 19,452	\$ 30,035	\$ 22,533	\$ 27,769
Financing lease obligations, less current portion	\$ 18,422	\$ 23,046	\$ 19,942	\$ 19,232
Total stockholders' equity per equivalent common share (1)	\$ 70.40	\$ 64.72	\$ 69.23	\$ 63.05
Stockholders' equity per common share	\$ 71.20	\$ 65.38	\$ 69.98	\$ 63.68
Current ratio	2.94	2.78	3.21	3.27

Note: Equivalent common shares are either common shares or, for convertible preferred shares, the number of common shares that the preferred shares are convertible into. See Note 11 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company's 2021 Annual Report on Form 10-K for conversion details.

As shown in the condensed consolidated statements of cash flows, net cash used in operating activities was \$22.8 million for the three months ended July 2, 2022, compared to \$21.6 million provided by operating activities for the same period of the prior year, a change of \$44.4 million. The reduction in cash provided by operating activities is primarily comprised of an increase in inventories of \$41.5 million, a decrease in net earnings of \$9.0 million, and a decrease in refundable income taxes of \$3.0 million. The increases in cash provided by accounts receivable of \$7.7 million for the first three months of fiscal year 2023 as compared to the first three months of fiscal year 2022 partially offset the aforementioned decreases to operating cash flows.

Cash used in investing activities was \$15.3 million for the three months ended July 2, 2022 as compared to \$11.8 million for the three months ended July 3, 2021, an increase of \$3.5 million. Additions to property, plant and equipment increased \$6.0 million during the first three months of fiscal 2023 compared to the same period of fiscal 2022, partially offset by increased proceeds received from the sale of assets of \$2.6 million over the same time period.

Cash provided by financing activities was \$49.4 million for the three months ended July 2, 2022, an increase of \$49.2 million compared to cash used in financing activities for the three months ended July 3, 2021 of \$9.8 million. Entering fiscal year 2022, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$59.8 million on hand to use for seasonal pack needs prior to borrowing on the Revolver as compared to cash and cash equivalents of \$10.9 million entering fiscal year 2023. Additionally, cost inflation in fiscal year 2023 is higher than the prior year driving seasonal borrowings for the pack higher as compared to the prior year. During the three months ended July 2, 2022, the Company borrowed \$209.5 million and paid down \$152.0 million, providing net cash of \$57.5 million, which was a change of \$58.5 million compared to the prior year quarter. Other than borrowings under the Revolver, there was no new long-term debt during the first three months of fiscal year 2023. Additionally, during the first three months of fiscal year 2023, the Company repurchased \$15.9 million of its common stock under a stock repurchase program that was authorized in the first quarter of fiscal year 2022. By comparison, the Company repurchased \$4.6 million during the three months ended July 3, 2021, an increase in cash used in financing activities of \$11.3 million over the prior year quarter.

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On March 24, 2021, the Company entered into a Fourth Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement that provides for a senior revolving credit facility of up to \$400.0 million that is seasonally adjusted (the "Revolver"). Maximum borrowings under the Revolver total \$300.0 million from April through July and \$400.0 million from August through March. The Revolver balance is included in Long-Term Debt in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet due to the Revolver's March 24, 2026 maturity. In order to maintain availability of funds under the facility, the Company pays a commitment fee on the unused portion of the Revolver. The Revolver is secured by substantially all of the Company's accounts receivable and inventories and contains borrowing base requirements as well as a financial covenant, if certain circumstances apply. The Company utilizes its Revolver for general corporate purposes, including seasonal working capital needs, to pay debt principal and interest obligations, and to fund capital expenditures and acquisitions. Seasonal working capital needs are affected by the growing cycles of the vegetables the Company packages. The majority of vegetable inventories are produced during the months of June through November and are then sold over the following year. Payment terms for vegetable produce are generally three months but can vary from a few days to seven months. Accordingly, the Company's need to draw on the Revolver may fluctuate significantly throughout the year.

The Company's credit facilities contain standard representations and warranties, events of default, and certain affirmative and negative covenants, including various financial covenants. At July 2, 2022, the Company was in compliance with all such covenants.

Impact of Seasonality on Financial Position and Results of Operations:

While individual vegetables have seasonal cycles of peak production and sales, the different cycles are somewhat offsetting. Minimal food packaging occurs in the Company's last fiscal quarter ending March 31, which is the optimal time for maintenance, repairs and equipment changes in its packaging plants. The supply of commodities, current pricing, and expected new crop quantity and quality affect the timing and amount of the Company's sales and earnings. When the seasonal harvesting periods of the Company's major vegetables are newly completed, inventories for these packaged vegetables are at their highest levels. For peas, the peak inventory time is mid-summer and for corn and green beans, the Company's highest volume vegetables, the peak inventory is in mid-autumn. The seasonal nature of the Company's production cycle results in inventory and accounts payable reaching their lowest point late in the fourth quarter/early in the first quarter prior to the new seasonal pack commencing. As the seasonal pack progresses, these components of working capital both increase until the pack is complete. Given the material cost increases incurred to date in fiscal year 2023, both inventory and accounts payable are higher than prior year levels as of July 2, 2022.

The Company's fruit and vegetable sales exhibit seasonal increases in the third and fourth fiscal quarters due to increased retail demand during the holiday seasons. In addition, the Company sells canned and frozen vegetables to a co-pack customer on a bill and hold basis at the end of each pack cycle, which typically occurs during the second and third quarters. The seasonal nature of the Company's sales, particularly holiday driven retail sales, result in the accounts receivable balance reaching its highest point at the end of the third and fourth fiscal quarters, while typically being the lowest at the end of the first quarter. One of the ways we attempt to offset material cost increases incurred is to increase selling prices, which resulted in a higher accounts receivable balance as compared to the prior year as of July 2, 2022.

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Non-GAAP Financial Measures:

Certain disclosures in this report include non-GAAP financial measures. A non-GAAP financial measure is defined as a numerical measure of our financial performance that excludes or includes amounts so as to be different from the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP in our condensed consolidated balance sheets and related condensed consolidated statements of net earnings, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity and cash flows.

Adjusted net earnings is calculated on a FIFO basis and excludes the impact of the Company's loss on equity investment. The Company believes this non-GAAP financial measure provides for a better comparison of year over year operating performance. The Company does not intend for this information to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for other measures prepared in accordance with GAAP. Set forth below is a reconciliation of reported net earnings to adjusted net earnings (in thousands):

		Three Months Ended		
	July	2, 2022	Jul	y 3, 2021
		(In thousands)		
Earnings before income taxes, as reported	\$	6,732	\$	18,605
LIFO charge		19,223		2,837
Loss on equity investment		-		156
Adjusted earnings before income taxes	<u> </u>	25,955		21,598
Income taxes at effective tax rates		6,281		5,184
Adjusted net earnings	\$	19,674	\$	16,414

New Accounting Standards

Refer to footnote 1 of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Revenue Recognition and Trade Promotion Expenses: Revenue recognition is completed for most customers at a point in time basis when product control is transferred to the customer. In general, control transfers to the customer when the product is shipped or delivered to the customer based upon applicable shipping terms, as the customer can direct the use and obtain substantially all of the remaining benefits from the asset at this point in time. The Company sells certain finished goods inventory for cash on a bill and hold basis. The terms of the bill and hold agreement provide that title to the specified inventory is transferred to the customer prior to shipment and the Company has the right to payment (prior to physical delivery) which results in recorded revenue as determined under the revenue recognition standard.

Trade promotions are an important component of the sales and marketing of the Company's branded products and are critical to the support of the business. Trade promotion costs, which are recorded as a reduction of net sales, include amounts paid to encourage retailers to offer temporary price reductions for the sale of the Company's products to consumers, amounts paid to obtain favorable display positions in retail stores, and amounts paid to retailers for shelf space in retail stores. Accruals for trade promotions are recorded primarily at the time of sale of product to the retailer based on expected levels of performance. Settlement of these liabilities typically occurs in subsequent periods primarily through an authorized process for deductions taken by a retailer from amounts otherwise due to the Company. As a result, the ultimate cost of a trade promotion program is dependent on the relative success of the events and the actions and level of deductions taken by retailers for amounts they consider due to them. Final determination of the permissible deductions may take extended periods of time.

Inventories: The Company uses the lower of cost, determined under the LIFO (last-in, first-out) method, or market, to value substantially all of its inventories. In the high inflation environment that the Company is experiencing, the Company believes that the LIFO method was preferable over the FIFO method because it better matches the cost of current production to current revenue. An actual valuation of inventory under the LIFO method is made at the end of each fiscal year based on the inventory levels and costs at that time. In contrast, interim LIFO calculations are based on management's estimates of expected year-end inventory levels, production pack yields, sales and the expected rate of inflation or deflation for the year. The interim LIFO calculations are subject to adjustment in the final year-end LIFO inventory valuation.

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Long-Lived Assets: The Company assesses its long-lived assets for impairment whenever there is an indicator of impairment. Property, plant, and equipment are depreciated over their assigned lives. The assigned lives and the projected cash flows used to test impairment are subjective. If actual lives are shorter than anticipated or if future cash flows are less than anticipated, a future impairment charge or a loss on disposal of the assets could be incurred. Impairment losses are evaluated if the estimated undiscounted value of the cash flows is less than the carrying value. If such is the case, a loss is recognized when the carrying value of an asset exceeds its fair value.

<u>Income Taxes</u>: As part of the income tax provision process of preparing the consolidated financial statements, the Company estimates income taxes. This process involves estimating current tax expenses together with assessing temporary differences resulting from differing treatment of items for tax and accounting purposes. These differences result in deferred tax assets and liabilities. The Company then assesses the likelihood that any deferred tax assets will be recovered from future taxable income and to the extent it is believed the recovery is not likely, a valuation allowance is established.

<u>Pension Expense</u>: The Company has a defined benefit plan which is subject to certain actuarial assumptions. The funded status of the pension plan is dependent upon many factors, including returns on invested assets and the level of certain market interest rates, employee-related demographic factors, such as turnover, retirement age and mortality, and the rate of salary increases. Certain assumptions reflect the Company's historical experience and management's best judgment regarding future expectations.

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Forward-Looking Information

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains "forward-looking statements" as that term is used in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements can be identified by the fact that they address future events, developments, and results and do not relate strictly to historical facts. Any statements contained herein that are not statements of historical fact may be deemed to be forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, any statement that may predict, forecast, indicate, or imply future results, performance, or achievements, and may contain the words "will," "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "project," "intend," "plan," "believe," "seeks," "should," "likely," "targets," "may", "can" and variations thereof and similar expressions. Forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed. We believe important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations include, but are not limited to, the following:

- the effects of rising costs and availability of raw fruit and vegetables, steel, ingredients, packaging, other raw materials, distribution and labor;
- crude oil prices and their impact on distribution, packaging and energy costs;
- an overall labor shortage, ability to retain a sufficient seasonal workforce, lack of skilled labor, labor inflation or increased turnover impacting our ability to recruit and retain employees;
- climate and weather affecting growing conditions and crop yields;
- our ability to successfully implement sales price increases and cost saving measures to offset cost increases;
- the loss of significant customers or a substantial reduction in orders from these customers;
- effectiveness of our marketing and trade promotion programs;
- competition, changes in consumer preferences, demand for our products and local economic and market conditions;
- the impact of a pandemic on our business, suppliers, customers, consumers and employees;
- unanticipated expenses, including, without limitation, litigation or legal settlement expenses;
- product liability claims;
- the anticipated needs for, and the availability of, cash;
- the availability of financing;
- leverage and the ability to service and reduce debt;
- foreign currency exchange and interest rate fluctuations;
- the risks associated with the expansion of our business;
- the ability to successfully integrate acquisitions into our operations;
- our ability to protect information systems against, or effectively respond to, a cybersecurity incident or other disruption;
- other factors that affect the food industry generally, including:
 - o recalls if products become adulterated or misbranded, liability if product consumption causes injury, ingredient disclosure and labeling laws and regulations and the possibility that consumers could lose confidence in the safety and quality of certain food products;
 - o competitors' pricing practices and promotional spending levels;
 - o fluctuations in the level of our customers' inventories and credit and other business risks related to our customers operating in a challenging economic and competitive environment; and
 - o the risks associated with third-party suppliers, including the risk that any failure by one or more of our third-party suppliers to comply with food safety or other laws and regulations may disrupt our supply of raw materials or certain finished goods products or injure our reputation; and
- changes in, or the failure or inability to comply with, U.S., foreign and local governmental regulations, including health, environmental, and safety regulations.

Any of these factors, as well as such other factors as discussed in our other periodic filings with the SEC, could cause our actual results to differ materially from our anticipated results. The information provided in this Form 10-Q is based upon the facts and circumstances known as of the date of this report, and any forward-looking statements made by us in this Form 10-Q speak only as of the date on which they are made. Except as required by law, we undertake no obligation to update these forward-looking statements after the date of this Form 10-Q to reflect events or circumstances after such date, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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ITEM 3 QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

In the ordinary course of business, the Company is exposed to various market risk factors, including changes in general economic conditions, competition and raw material pricing and availability. In addition, the Company is exposed to fluctuations in interest rates, primarily related to its revolving credit facility. To manage interest rate risk, the Company uses both fixed and variable interest rate debt plus fixed interest rate lease obligations. There have been no material changes to the Company's exposure to market risk since March 31, 2022.

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ITEM 4 CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

The Company maintains a system of internal and disclosure controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in reports filed or submitted under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported on a timely basis. The Company's Board of Directors, operating through its Audit Committee, which is composed entirely of independent outside directors, provides oversight to the financial reporting process.

An evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of July 2, 2022, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective. The Company continues to examine, refine and formalize its disclosure controls and procedures and to monitor ongoing developments in this area.

There have been no changes during the period covered by this report to the Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Refer to footnote 15 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Part II Item 8 of the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes to the risk factors disclosed in the Company's Annual Report Form 10-K for the period ended March 31, 2022 except to the extent factual information disclosed elsewhere in this Form 10-Q relates to such risk factors.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

	Total Nu	umber of		Averag	ge Price		
	Shares P	urchased		Paid pe	r Share		Maximum Number
						Total Number of Shares	(or Approximate Dollar Value) of
	Class A	Class B	С	lass A	Class B	Purchased as Part of Publicly	Shares that May Yet Be Purchased
Period	Common	Common	Co	ommon	Common	Announced Plans or Programs	Under the Plans or Programs
4/01/2022 - 4/30/2022	81,480	-	\$	54.26	-	81,480	
05/01/2022 - 05/31/2022 (1)	81,135	-	\$	54.52	-	70,018	
06/1/2022 06/30/2022	124,384	-	\$	53.69	-	124,384	
Total	286,999	-	\$	54.19	-	275,882	506,399

⁽¹⁾ Includes 11,117 shares that were purchased in open market transactions by the trustees under the Seneca Foods Corporation Employees' Savings Plan to provide employee matching contributions under the plan.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

None.

Item 5. Other Information

None.

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Item 6. Exhibits

- 31.1 Certification of Paul L. Palmby pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith)
- 31.2 Certification of Timothy J. Benjamin pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith)
- 32 <u>Certifications pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith)</u>

101.INS Inline XBRL Instance Document (filed herewith).

101.1.SCH Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Schema Document (filed herewith).

101.2.CAL Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document (filed herewith).

101.3.DEF Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document (filed herewith).

101.4.LAB Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document (filed herewith).

101.5.PRE Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document (filed herewith).

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SIGNATURES

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

SENECA FOODS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Paul L. Palmby

Paul L. Palmby
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

August 11, 2022

By: /s/ Timothy J. Benjamin

Timothy J. Benjamin Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

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EXHIBIT 31.1

CERTIFICATION

I, Paul L. Palmby, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Seneca Foods Corporation;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the Registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (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(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the Registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Paul L. Palmby
Paul L. Palmby
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

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EXHIBIT 31.2

CERTIFICATION

I, Timothy J. Benjamin, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Seneca Foods Corporation;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the Registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (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(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the Registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Timothy J. Benjamin
Timothy J. Benjamin
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

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EXHIBIT 32

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

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Seneca Foods Corporation (the "Registrant") on Form 10-Q for the period ended July 2, 2022 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), we, Paul L. Palmby, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Timothy J. Benjamin, Chief Financial Officer of the Registrant, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350, as adopted pursuant to 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to our knowledge:

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

/s/ Paul L. Palmby
Paul L. Palmby
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

August 11, 2022

/s/ Timothy J. Benjamin
Timothy J. Benjamin
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)