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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2009

o 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: 001-13387

AeroCentury Corp. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 94-3263974 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1440 Chapin Avenue, Suite 310 Burlingame, California 94010 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(650) 340-1888 (Issuer's Telephone Number Including Area Code)

None

(Former Name, Former Address and Former Fiscal Year, if Changed Since Last Report)

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 x No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§

232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required submit and post such files). Yes o No o

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

Large accelerated filer o Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company x

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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date: As of November 16, 2009 the Issuer had 1,606,557 Shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, issued, of which 63,300 are held as Treasury Stock.

PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Forward-Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("the Exchange Act"). All statements in this Report other than statements of historical fact are "forward-looking statements" for purposes of these provisions, including any statements of plans and objectives for future operations and any statements of assumptions underlying any of the foregoing. Statements that include the use of terminology such as "may," "will," "expects," "plans," "anticipates," "estimates," "potential," or "continue," or the negative thereof, or other comparable terminology are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include: (i) in Item 1 "Financial Statements," the Company's statements regarding its expectation that a damaged spare turboprop engine will be replaced in the fourth quarter; and that the new lessee of a Fokker 50 aircraft will accept delivery in December 2009: (ii) in Item 2 "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Liquidity and Capital Resources," the Company's statements regarding its belief that it will remain in compliance with the covenants of its Credit Facility; that it will continue to be in compliance with all covenants of its Subordinated Notes agreement; that the Company will incur significant maintenance expense in order to prepare its off-lease aircraft for remarketing; that the Company will be successful in extending a majority of the aircraft leases that expire during the remainder of 2009; that the Company will receive insurance proceeds for a damaged spare engine and replace the spare engine in the fourth quarter of 2009; and that the Company will have adequate cash flow to meet its ongoing operational needs, including required repayments under its Credit Facility and Subordinated Notes financings; (iii) in Item 2 "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations -Outlook," the Company's statements regarding its belief that there will be few acquisition opportunities for the Company for the remainder of 2009 and into 2010; that the Company's asset portfolio will grow at a slower rate than in prior years; that the Company expects to deliver two off-lease Saab aircraft and a spare engine to a new lessee in early 2010; and that approximately \$625,000 in maintenance expense will be incurred in future periods to prepare off-lease aircraft for re-lease; and (iv) in Item 2 "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Factors that May Affect Future Results," the Company's statements regarding its belief that the Company will have sufficient cash funds to make any payment that arises due to borrowing base limitations caused by assets scheduled to come off lease in the near term; that the Company intends to focus on regional aircraft and engines; that JMC personnel's overall industry experience and its technical resources should permit the Company to effectively manage new aircraft types and engines; that the Company intends to focus on the regional air carrier market; that most of the Company's current and expected growth is outside of the United States; that certain factors are effective in mitigating against JMC taking undue compensation-incented risk-taking; that the Company is competitive because of JMC's experience and operational efficiency in identifying and obtaining financing for the transaction types desired by regional air carriers and that it benefits from JMC's reputation. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, and it is important to note that the Company's actual results could differ materially from those projected or assumed in such forward-looking statements. Among the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially are the factors detailed under the heading "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations -- Factors That May Affect Future Results," including the continued availability of Credit Facility financing at levels comparable to the current level; the compliance of the Company's lessees with obligations under their respective leases; a sudden worsening in demand for regional aircraft or severe reduction in regional airline capacity; general economic conditions, particularly those that affect the air travel industry; the Company's success in finding additional financing and appropriate assets to acquire with such financing; deviations from the assumption that future major maintenance expenses will be relatively evenly spaced over the entire portfolio; and future trends and results which cannot be predicted with certainty. The cautionary statements made in this Report should be read as being applicable to all related forward-looking statements wherever they appear herein. All forward-looking statements and risk factors included in this document are made as of the date hereof, based on

information available to the Company as of the date hereof, and the Company assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement or risk factor. You should consult the risk factors listed from time to time in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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Item 1. Financial Statements.

AeroCentury Corp. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets Unaudited

ASSETS		
	September 30, 2009	December 31, 2008
Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$2,838,600	\$2,169,700
Accounts receivable, including deferred rent of \$147,000 and \$244,100 at		
September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively	3,466,000	2,022,800
Aircraft and aircraft engines held for lease, net of accumulated depreciation of \$38,946,100 and \$33,385,300 at		
September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively	124,227,100	124,913,600
Taxes receivable	3,600	1,626,800
Prepaid expenses and other	581,700	1,000,600
Total assets	\$131,117,000	\$131,733,500

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$632,900	\$503,000
Notes payable and accrued interest	63,830,300	72,411,300
Maintenance reserves and accrued costs	10,694,600	8,190,700
Security deposits	5,409,300	5,498,800
Prepaid rent	948,600	1,072,900
Deferred income taxes	11,013,400	9,169,400
Taxes payable	1,300	52,300
Total liabilities	92,530,400	96,898,400
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 2,000,000 shares		
authorized, no shares issued and outstanding	-	-
Common stock, \$0.001 par value, 10,000,000 shares		
authorized, 1,606,557 shares issued and outstanding	1,600	1,600
Paid-in capital	14,780,100	14,780,100
Retained earnings	24,309,000	20,557,500
	39,090,700	35,339,200
Treasury stock at cost, 63,300 shares	(504,100)	(504,100
Total stockholders' equity	38,586,600	34,835,100

Total liabilities and stockholders' equity

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

AeroCentury Corp. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations Unaudited

For the Nine Months Ended September 30,									
		2009 2008							
Revenues and other income:									
Operating lease revenue Maintenance		\$ 1	9,762,600		\$	1	17,995,300)	\$
reserves income		2	4,708,200			4	5,534,000		
Other income		2	187,800			2	214,900		
		2	24,958,600			2	23,744,200)	
Expenses:									
Maintenance costs		4	5,917,300			2	4,555,500		
Depreciation			5,727,900				5,326,400		
Interest			1,066,800				4,979,900		
Management fees			2,758,500				2,730,000		
Professional fees and									2008 1,498
general and administrative	,415,89	2 9390,118	498,100 484,052	-0-	926,4743		585,500	Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim Senior Chairman of theBoard	l
Lonnie Ken	2008	496,326	-0-	-0-	278	47,473	544,07	7	
Pilgrim Chairman of the Board	2007	308,827	85,090105	5,578	473	88,919	588,88′	7	
J. Clinton Rivers(3)	2008 2007	907,491 669,125	-0- 184,362228		(135,857) 78,569	26,505 4,842	798,139 1,165,65		
Former President andChief Executive Officer									

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Richard A. Cogdill C h i e f F i n a n c i a l Officer, Secretary and Treasurer	2008 2007	797,491 669,125	-0- 184,362228		156,358) 100,130	35,763 18,687	676,896 1,201,057
Robert A. Wright(4)	2008	547,776	-0-	-0-((342,967)	25,050	229,859
Former Chief Operating Officer							
Clifford E. Butler(5)	2008	137,183	-0-	-0-	391	5,692	143,266
Former Vice Chairman of the Board	2007	434,725	49,779148		917	17,388	721,428
O.B. Goolsby, Jr. (6)	2008	309,144	-0-	-0-	(1,345)	23,233	331,032
Former President and Chief Executive Officer (Deceased)	2007	875,010	241,088299	,139	123,186	48,508	1,586,931

(1) The amounts disclosed in the "Salary" column include amounts deferred under the Deferred Compensation Plan as disclosed in the Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Table.

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- 2) The "All Other Compensation" column includes the following items of compensation:
- a. Personal use of corporate aircraft by the named individual: Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, \$84,899, Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, \$43,475 and Clifford E. Butler \$1,394. During fiscal 2008, we owned and operated airplanes to facilitate business travel of certain of our employees in as safe a manner as possible with the best use of their time. Certain of the named executive officers use the corporate aircraft for business travel and on a limited basis for personal travel. The value of personal aircraft usage reported above is based on the direct operating cost to us. The methodology calculates our incremental cost based on the average weighted cost of fuel, aircraft maintenance, landing fees, trip-related hangar and parking costs, and smaller variable costs. Since the corporate aircraft is used primarily for business travel, the methodology excludes fixed costs, which do not change based on usage, such as pilots' and other employees' salaries, purchase cost of the aircraft and non-trip related hangar expenses. On certain occasions, an employee's spouse or other family member may accompany the employee on a flight. No additional direct operating cost is incurred in such situations under the foregoing methodology.
 - b. Our contributions to the named individual under our Employee Stock Investment Plan in the following amounts: Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, \$0; Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, \$0; J. Clinton Rivers, \$19,144; Richard A. Cogdill, \$30,253; Robert A. Wright, \$20,226; Clifford E. Butler, \$2,300 and O.B. Goolsby, Jr., \$21,128.
 - c. Our contributions to the named individual under our 401(k) Salary Deferral Plan in the following amounts: Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, \$0; Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, \$2,623; J. Clinton Rivers, \$3,926; Richard A. Cogdill, \$3,410; Robert A. Wright, \$2,782; Clifford E. Butler, \$130 and O.B. Goolsby, Jr., \$91.
 - d. Section 79 income to the named individual due to group term life insurance in the following amounts: Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, \$4,865; Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, \$1,035; J. Clinton Rivers, \$2,254; Richard A. Cogdill, \$1,209; Robert A. Wright, \$1,194; Clifford E. Butler, \$1,612 and O.B. Goolsby, Jr., \$1,546.
 - e. The Company reimburses employees for a portion of their long term disability premium cost. The named individual reimbursements for a portion their long term disability premium cost in the following amounts: Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, \$850; Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, \$69; J. Clinton Rivers, \$1,182; Richard A. Cogdill, \$890; Robert A. Wright, \$847; Clifford E. Butler, \$255 and O.B. Goolsby, Jr., \$469.
 - f. Certain members of the family of Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim are employed by us, including: his son, Pat Pilgrim, and his daughter, Greta Pilgrim-Owens, who received total compensation for fiscal 2008 of \$220,281 and \$227,669, respectively.
 - (3)Mr. Rivers was appointed President and Chief Executive Officer on March 4, 2008. In connection with our reorganization process, Mr. Rivers resigned from the Company on December 16, 2008.
 - (4)Mr. Wright was appointed Chief Operating Officer on March 26, 2008. in connection with our reorganization process, Mr. Rivers resigned from the Company on December 16, 2008.
 - (5)Mr. Butler retired from his position as Vice Chairman on December 31, 2007. Pursuant to a Retirement and Consulting Agreement, dated October 10, 2007, between Mr. Butler and the Company, Mr. Butler will continue to provide consulting services to the Company through December 31, 2010.
 - (6) Mr. Goolsby passed away on December 17, 2007.

Employee Stock Investment Plan

The Company has historically maintained an Employee Stock Investment (the "Investment Plan") to encourage our employees to invest in our common stock and to align our employees' interests with those of our stockholders. Our Board of Directors suspended the Employee Stock Investment Plan in October 2008.

The purpose of the Investment Plan was to provide our employees with a convenient method of investing in shares of our common stock through payroll deductions supplemented by our contributions. Any employee who had completed six months of continuous service with us was eligible to participate in the Investment Plan. For each participant in the Investment Plan, we made a matching contribution in an amount equal to 33 1/3% of the participant's payroll deductions that were invested in the Investment Plan, provided that we had sufficient current or accumulated net income to permit us to make such contributions under applicable law.

All contributions in the Investment Plan were invested by an investment banker and/or broker or successor administrator engaged by the Company. The Investment Plan is scheduled to continue until the earlier of December 18, 2013, or until terminated by our Board of Directors. Our contributions to the Investment Plan for each named executive officer are disclosed in the "All Other Compensation" column of the Summary Compensation Table. Each such officer's contributions to the Investment Plan are included in the "Salary" column of the Summary Compensation Table.

Senior Executive Performance Bonus Plan

No bonuses were paid for fiscal 2008. According to its terms, the Bonus Plan awards annual cash bonuses to executive officers and other management personnel based on Company performance and profitability in the fiscal year with respect to which the bonus is awarded generally equal to (i) the sum of the amount of the Bonus Plan participant's base salary accrued with respect to the period commencing on the first day of such fiscal year and ending on the last day of such fiscal year divided by (ii) the sum of the amounts calculated in accordance with clause (i) immediately above for all of the participants multiplied by (iii) 5% of our pre-tax income from U.S. operations, excluding extraordinary charges, for the fiscal year with respect to which the bonus is being calculated (the "Bonus Pool Amount").

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) our Compensation Committee retains the right, in its sole discretion, to reduce, increase or eliminate, prior to the payment thereof, the amount of any bonus that would otherwise be due to a non-Section 162(m) participant and (ii) a special subcommittee of the Compensation Committee retains the right, in its sole discretion, to reduce or eliminate (but not increase), prior to the payment thereof, the amount of any bonus that would otherwise be due to a Section 162(m) participant, but under no circumstances may any such reduction or elimination under clause (i) or (ii) increase the bonus otherwise payable to a Section 162(m) participant or cause the aggregate amount of such bonuses to exceed the Bonus Pool Amount for any fiscal year.

If the Bonus Plan is assumed by the Company with the approval of the Bankruptcy Court, the persons eligible to participate in the Bonus Plan will include the Senior Chairman, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operating Officer and such other officers of the Company as may be specified by the independent subcommittee of the Compensation Committee. Participants must generally continue to be employed by Pilgrim's Pride or one of our subsidiaries on January 1 following the end of a fiscal year in order to be paid a bonus with respect to that year. Each bonus awarded to a participant under the Bonus Plan is payable no later than the end of the first quarter of the succeeding fiscal year upon certification from the Compensation Subcommittee that we achieved the amount of pre-tax income from U.S. operations, excluding extraordinary charges, used to calculate the Bonus Pool Amount and that the determination of the amount of bonus to be paid to each Participant is correct.

2008 NONQUALIFIED DEFERRED COMPENSATION TABLE

Our executive officers participate in the Deferred Compensation Plan and may elect to defer up to 80% of their base salary and/or up to 100% of their annual cash bonus. Executive officers who elect to defer compensation must do so annually prior to the beginning of each calendar year and may direct the investment of the amount deferred and retained by us. The Deferred Compensation Plan is administered by the administrative committee appointed by our Board of Directors. Deferred compensation may be invested in authorized funds as selected by the oversight committee appointed by the Board to oversee the Deferred Compensation Plan. The following table sets forth information regarding the activity in each named executive officer's Deferred Compensation Plan account for the year ended September 27, 2008:

Name		Registrant Contributions in Last Fiscal Year (\$)	Aggregate Earnings in Last Fiscal Year (\$) (2)		Aggregate Balance at Last Fiscal Year-End (\$)
Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim Senior Chairman of theBoard	-0-	-0-	-0-	0-	-0-
Lonnie Ken Pilgrim Chairman of the Board	-0-	-0-	278	-0-	11,156
J. Clinton Rivers President and ChiefExecutive Officer	246,171	-0-	(135,857)) -0-	592,989
Richard A. Cogdill Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer	144,898	-0-	(156,358)) 79,416	584,277
Robert A. Wright Chief Operating Officer	14,611	-0-	(342,967)	505,692	763,597
Clifford E. Butler Former Vice Chairman of the Board	-0-	-0-	391	21,758	-0-
	36,589	-0-	(1,345)	700,565	-0-

O.B. Goolsby, Jr. Former President and Chief Executive Officer (Deceased)

- (1) The amounts disclosed in this column are included in the amounts reported in the "Salary" column for each of the named executive officers in the Summary Compensation Table.
- (2) The amounts disclosed in this column represent earnings on invested funds in each individual Deferred Compensation Plan account.

2008 DIRECTOR COMPENSATION TABLE

		on-Equity						
	Fees Earned or Incentive PlanAll OtherPaid in CashCompensation CompensationTotal							
Name	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	Total (\$)				
Ivanie	(Ψ)	(Ψ)	(Ψ)	(Φ)				
Charles L. Black	70,000	-0-	-0-	70,000				
Linda Chavez	122,000	-0-	-0-	122,000				
S. Key Coker	76,000	-0-	-0-	76,000				
Keith W. Hughes	128,000	-0-	-0-	128,000				
Blake D. Lovette	76,000	-0-	132,350(1)	208,350				
Vance C. Miller	128,000	-0-	-0-	128,000				
James G. Vette	r 68,000	-0-	-0-	68,000				
Donald L. Wass	70,000	-0-	-0-	70,000				

(1) This amount represents compensation paid by the Company to Blake Lovette's son-in-law, Ted Lankford, our Complex Manager at Athens, AL, who was paid total compensation of \$132,350 in fiscal year 2008.

We pay our non-employee Directors \$9,000 per meeting they attend in person, plus expenses, and \$4,000 and \$2,000 per telephonic meeting that they participate in that lasts at least 45 minutes or less than 45 minutes, respectively. Additionally, we pay the members of the Audit Committee \$6,000 for each Audit Committee meeting they attend in person, plus expenses, and \$4,000 and \$2,000 per telephonic Audit Committee meeting that they participate in that lasts at least 45 minutes or less than 45 minutes or less than 45 minutes.

ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

SECURITY OWNERSHIP

The following table sets forth, as of January 20, 2009 (except as otherwise noted), certain information with respect to the beneficial ownership of our common stock by (i) each person known by us to own more than 5% of the outstanding shares of our common stock (the only class of voting securities outstanding); (ii) each of our Directors and nominees for Director, including employee Directors; (iii) our named executive officers; and (iv) all of our current Directors and executive officers as a group. Shares are beneficially owned when the person holding the shares has voting or investment power over the shares or the right to acquire voting or investment power within 60 days. Voting power is the power to vote the shares. Investment power is the power to direct the sale or other disposition of the shares.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Amount and Nature Of Beneficial Ownership of Common Stock	Percent of Outstanding Common Stock	Percent of Voting Power
Pilgrim Interests, Ltd.(a)	22,118,077	62.3%	
4845 U.S. Highway 271 N. Pittsburg, Texas 75686 Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim(a)(b)(c)(d)	25,351,225	34.2%	62.3%
4845 U.S. Highway 271 N. Pittsburg, Texas 75686 Lonnie Ken Pilgrim(a)(b)(c)(d)	22,878,898	62.3%	
4845 U.S. Highway 271 N. Pittsburg, Texas 75686 M&G Investment Management Limited (e)	7,513,690	1.32%	
Governor's House Laurence Pountney Hill London, EC4R OHH-United Kingdom Eastbourne Capital Management, L.L.C. (f) 1101 Fifth Avenue, Suite 370	4,593,207	6.20%	*
San Rafael, California 94901 Richard A. Cogdill(c)	48,241	*	*
J. Clinton Rivers(c)	21,195	*	*
Robert A. Wright(c)	16,136	*	*
Charles L Black	. 500	*	*

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persons)(a	ı)					26,023,80535.1%	62.3%

- (a)Pilgrim Interests, Ltd., Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim and Lonnie Ken Pilgrim own or control 22,118,077 (29.9%), 25,351,225 (34.2%) and 22,878,898 (30.9%) shares of our common stock, which represents 77.98%, 89.22% and 80.59%, respectively, of the voting power of our common stock. However, pursuant to a Voting Agreement, dated as of November 18, 2003, by and between Pilgrim Interests, Ltd., Pilgrim Family Trust I, Pilgrim Family Trust II, PFCP, Ltd., Lonnie Jaggers Pilgrim Minority Trust, Greta Gail Pilgrim Minority Trust, Lonnie A. Pilgrim, Patricia R. Pilgrim, Lonnie K. Pilgrim and Donna G. Pilgrim and the Company, whenever these stockholders directly or indirectly own or control (of record or beneficially) shares of our common stock that would provide for more than 62.25% of the Company's Total Voting Power they will vote their shares in excess of that percentage of the Total Voting Power in the same proportion as the votes cast by all other holders of our common stock. Total Voting Power means the total number of votes that may be cast in the election of Directors in respect of our common stock at any meeting of stockholders if all common stock of the Company entitled to vote thereat was represented and voted to the fullest extent possible at such meeting.
- (b)Includes 22,118,077 shares of common stock held of record by Pilgrim Interests, Ltd., a limited partnership formed by Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim's family, 68,013 shares of common stock held of record by PFCP, Ltd., another limited partnership formed by Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim's family, 90,580 shares of common stock held of record by Pilgrim Family Trust I, an irrevocable trust for the benefit of Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim's surviving spouse and children, of which Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, an officer and Director of the Company and the son of Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, and Patricia R. Pilgrim, Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim's wife, are co-trustees, and 90,579 shares of common stock held of record by Pilgrim Family Trust II, an irrevocable trust for the benefit of Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim and his children, of which Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim and Lonnie Ken Pilgrim are co-trustees. Pilgrim Interests, Ltd. is a limited partnership formed by Mr. Pilgrim's family of which the managing general partner is the Lonnie A. Pilgrim 1998 Revocable Trust and the other general partner is Lonnie Ken Pilgrim and the limited partners are Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, The Lonnie A. "Bo" Pilgrim Endowment Fund, The Lonnie Ken Pilgrim Issue Trust, The Greta Pilgrim Owens Issue Trust and The Pat Pilgrim Issue Trust. PFCP, Ltd. is a limited partnership formed by Mr. Pilgrim's family of which the managing general partner is the Lonnie A. Pilgrim 1998 Revocable Trust and the other general partner is Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, the class A limited partners are Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim and Patricia R. Pilgrim and the class B limited partners are Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, Patricia R. Pilgrim and Lonnie Ken Pilgrim. The agreement establishing the Lonnie A. Pilgrim 1998 Revocable Trust provides that Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim is the sole trustee during his life and, after his death, the trustee shall be a board of trustees currently comprised of Patricia R. Pilgrim and Lonnie Ken Pilgrim and S. Key Coker, Charles Black and Donald Wass, except for Patricia R. Pilgrim, all of which are Directors of the Company. The agreement establishing the Lonnie A. Pilgrim 1998 Revocable Trust provides that Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim as the sole trustee shall have sole voting and dispositive power over the shares of common stock and, after his death, most voting matters require a majority vote of the board of trustees except the direct or indirect sale of the shares of common stock requires a unanimous vote of the board of trustees. Additionally, Pilgrim Interests, Ltd. and PFCP, Ltd. have entered into a Voting Agreement, which may be terminated at any time by the unanimous action of Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, acting in his individual capacity and as trustee of the Lonnie A. Pilgrim 1998 Revocable Trust (acting as managing general partner of Pilgrim Interests, Ltd. and PFCP, Ltd.), Patricia R. Pilgrim and Lonnie Ken Pilgrim which provides that Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, Greta Pilgrim Owens, the daughter of Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, S. Key Coker, Charles L. Black and Donald L. Wass (the "Voting Representatives") shall have the sole power to vote the shares of common stock owned by Pilgrim Interests, Ltd. and PFCP, Ltd. All voting decisions require a majority of the Voting Representatives except that (i) the sale of substantially all of the assets of the Company, (ii) the sale or liquidation of the Company, or (iii) the merger of the Company requires a unanimous vote of the Voting Representatives. All other decisions regarding common stock held by Pilgrim Interests, Ltd. and PFCP, Ltd. will be made by the Lonnie A. Pilgrim 1998 Revocable Trust. Each of Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim and Lonnie Ken Pilgrim disclaim beneficial ownership of our common stock held, except to the extent of their actual pecuniary interest therein.

Includes shares held in trust by our 401(k) Salary Deferral Plan. The security ownership information for Mr. Rivers and Mr. Wright is as of December 16, 2008, the date they resigned their positions as officers of the Company.

- (d) Includes 13,697 shares of common stock held by his wife. Also includes 53,510 shares of common stock held in two irrevocable trusts dated December 15, 1994 and October 31, 1989, of which Lonnie Ken Pilgrim is a co-trustee for the benefit of his children. Lonnie Ken Pilgrim disclaims any beneficial interest in the foregoing shares.
- (e) Based on Schedule 13G filed by the named beneficial owner on October 20, 2008.
- (f) Based on Schedule 13G filed by the named beneficial owner on February 12, 2008.
 - * Less than 1%.

ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

Related Party Transactions Policy

In accordance with our Audit Committee Charter, our Audit Committee or another independent body of the Board is responsible for reviewing and approving the terms and conditions of all proposed transactions between us and any of our officers or Directors, or relatives or affiliates of any such officers or Directors. Any Audit Committee or other independent body member who is not independent with respect to a related party transaction under review must disclose his or her lack of independence to the remaining committee members and abstain from the review and approval of that transaction. See "Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation" and "Certain Transactions" for the description of the related party transactions in effect during the fiscal year ended September 27, 2008.

Certain Transactions

We have been and continue to be a party to certain transactions with Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, our Senior Chairman, Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, our Chairman, Clifford E. Butler, our former Vice Chairman, who continues to serve as a consultant to the Company, a law firm affiliated with James G. Vetter, Jr., one of our Directors, and Blake D. Lovette, one of our Directors. These transactions, along with all other transactions between us and affiliated persons, require the prior approval of the Audit Committee or another independent body of the Board, and the Audit Committee has approved each of these transactions. See "Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation," which is incorporated herein by reference, for a discussion of our transactions with Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, Lonnie Ken Pilgrim, James G. Vetter, Jr. and Blake D. Lovette.

We have entered into chicken grower contracts involving farms owned by certain of our officers, providing the placement of flocks owned by us on their farms during the grow-out phase of production. These contracts are on terms substantially the same as contracts we enter into with unaffiliated parties and can be terminated by either party upon completion of the grow-out of each flock. In fiscal 2008, we paid Clifford E. Butler \$341,795 under such a grower contact.

We also employ Clifford E. Butler's son, Shane Butler, our Senior Vice President Prepared Foods Regional Operations, who was paid total compensation of \$240,967 in fiscal 2008. In addition, we employ O.B. Goolsby's daughter, Melissa Goolsby-Cooney, Sales Field Representative, who was paid total compensation of \$53,766 in fiscal 2008, and son-in-law Scott Cooney, Director HACCP/Regulatory Compliance, who was paid total compensation of \$86,606 in fiscal 2008, and purchased landscape services from Mr. Goolsby's son, Greg Goolsby, who was paid a total amount of \$6,615 in fiscal 2008.

Board of Directors Independence

Our Board of Directors has affirmatively determined that each of the current Directors, except for Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, Lonnie Ken Pilgrim and Richard A. Cogdill, has no material relationship with our Company (either directly or as a partner, stockholder or officer of an organization that has a relationship with us) and is independent within the meaning of our Corporate Governance Policy's categorical independence standards and the NYSE listing standards.

ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Fee Information

Audit Fees

Fees for audit services totaled approximately \$2,550,119 in fiscal 2008 and approximately \$2,578,888 in fiscal 2007, including fees associated with the annual audit, the audit of internal controls over financial reporting (i.e., the Sec. 404 Audit), the reviews of our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, statutory audits required in Mexico and assistance with registration statements and accounting consultations.

Audit-Related Fees

Fees for audit-related services totaled approximately \$515,862 in fiscal 2008 and \$309,943 in fiscal 2007. Audit-related services principally include transaction assistance, Sarbanes-Oxley 404 assistance and employee benefit plan audits.

Tax Fees

Fees for tax services, including tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning, totaled approximately \$320,924 in fiscal 2008 and \$150,292 in fiscal 2007.

All Other Fees

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Fees for all other services not included above totaled approximately \$0 in fiscal 2008 and \$5,000 in fiscal 2007, principally for a subscription to an online research database.

The Audit Committee has pre-approved all audit and non-audit fees of the independent registered public accounting firm during fiscal 2008 and 2007.

Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures

In accordance with the Audit Committee Charter, our Audit Committee has established policies and procedures by which it approves in advance any audit and permissible non-audit services to be provided by our independent registered public accounting firm. Under these procedures, prior to the engagement of the independent registered public accounting firm for pre-approved services, requests or applications for the auditors to provide services must be submitted to our Chief Financial Officer or his designee and the Audit Committee and must include a detailed description of the services to be rendered. The Chief Financial Officer or his designee and the independent registered public accounting firm must ensure that the independent registered public accounting firm is not engaged to perform the proposed services unless those services are within the list of services that have received the Audit Committee's pre-approval and must cause the Audit Committee to be informed in a timely manner of all services rendered by the independent registered public accounting firm and the related fees.

Requests or applications for the independent registered public accounting firm to provide services that require additions or revisions to the fiscal 2009 pre-approval will be submitted to the Audit Committee (or any Audit Committee members who have been delegated pre-approval authority) by the Chief Financial Officer or his designee. Each request or application must include:

a recommendation by the Chief Financial Officer (or designee) as to whether the Audit Committee should approve the request or application; and

a joint statement of the Chief Financial Officer (or designee) and the independent registered public accounting

• firm as to whether, in their view, the request or application is consistent with the SEC's regulations and the requirements for auditor independence of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board.

The Audit Committee also will not permit the engagement to provide any services to the extent that the SEC has prohibited the provision of those services by independent registered public accounting firms.

The Audit Committee delegated authority to the Chairman of the Audit Committee to:

pre-approve any services proposed to be provided by the independent registered public accounting firm and not already pre-approved or prohibited by this policy;

increase any authorized fee limit for pre-approved services (but not by more than 30% of the initial amount that was pre-approved) before we or our subsidiaries engage the auditors to perform services for any amount in excess of the fee limit; and

investigate further the scope, necessity or advisability of any services as to which pre-approval is sought.

The Chairman of the Audit Committee is required to report any pre-approval or fee increase decisions to the Audit Committee at the next committee meeting. The Audit Committee did not delegate to management any of the Audit Committee's authority or responsibilities concerning the services of the independent registered public accounting firm.

PART IV

ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

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1. and 2. No financial statements or schedules are filed with this report on Form 10-K/A.

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10.4 Broiler Grower Contract dated May 6, 1997 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim (Farm 30) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.49 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 29, 1997).

- 10.5 Commercial Egg Grower Contract dated May 7, 1997 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pilgrim Poultry G.P. (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.50 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 29, 1997).
- 10.6 Agreement dated October 15, 1996 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pilgrim Poultry G.P. (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.23 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended January 2, 1999).
- 10.7 Heavy Breeder Contract dated May 7, 1997 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim (Farms 44, 45 & 46) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.51 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 29, 1997).
- 10.8 Broiler Grower Contract dated January 9, 1997 by and between Pilgrim's Pride and O.B. Goolsby, Jr. (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.25 of the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 333-29163) effective June 27, 1997).
- 10.9 Broiler Grower Contract dated January 15, 1997 by and between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and B.J.M. Farms (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.26 of the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 333-29163) effective June 27, 1997).
- 10.10 Broiler Grower Agreement dated January 29, 1997 by and between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Clifford E. Butler (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.27 of the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 333-29163) effective June 27, 1997).
- 10.11 Purchase and Contribution Agreement dated as of June 26, 1998 between Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation and Pilgrim's Pride Corporation (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.34 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended June 27, 1998).
- 10.12 Guaranty Fee Agreement between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pilgrim Interests, Ltd., dated June 11, 1999 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.24 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended October 2, 1999).
- 10.13 Commercial Property Lease dated December 29, 2000 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pilgrim Poultry G.P. (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.30 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended December 30, 2000).
- 10.14 Amendment No. 1 dated as of December 31, 2003 to Purchase and Contribution Agreement dated as of June 26, 1998, between Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation and Pilgrim's Pride Corporation (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.5 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed February 4, 2004).
- 10.15 Employee Stock Investment Plan of the Company (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.1 of the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (No. 333-111929) filed on January 15, 2004). ...
- 10.16 2005 Deferred Compensation Plan of the Company (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 27, 2004). ...
- 10.17 Vendor Service Agreement dated effective December 28, 2005 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pat Pilgrim (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K

dated January 6, 2006).

10.18 Transportation Agreement dated effective December 28, 2005 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pat Pilgrim (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 6, 2006).

- 10.19 Credit Agreement by and among the Avícola Pilgrim's Pride de México, S. de R.L. de C.V. (the "Borrower"), Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, certain Mexico subsidiaries of the Borrower, ING Capital LLC, and the lenders signatory thereto dated as of September 25, 2006 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 28, 2006).
- 10.20 2006 Amended and Restated Credit Agreement by and among CoBank, ACB, Agriland, FCS and the Company dated as of September 21, 2006 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 28, 2006).
- 10.21 First Amendment to the Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Amended and Restated 2005 Deferred Compensation Plan Trust, dated as of November 29, 2006 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.03 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 05, 2006). ...
- 10.22 Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of December 3, 2006, by and among the Company, Protein Acquisition Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, and Gold Kist Inc. (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 99.(D)(1) to Amendment No. 11 to the Company's Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed on December 5, 2006).
- 10.23 First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of December 13, 2006, by and among the Company, as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as lead arranger and co-syndication agent, and sole book runner, and as administrative, documentation and collateral agent, Agriland, FCS, as co-syndication agent, and as a syndication party, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.01 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 19, 2006).
- 10.24 Second Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of January 4, 2007, by and among the Company, as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as lead arranger and co-syndication agent, and sole book runner, and as administrative, documentation and collateral agent, Agriland, FCS, as co-syndication agent, and as a syndication party, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.01 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 9, 2007).
- 10.25 Fourth Amended and Restated Secured Credit Agreement, dated as of February 8, 2007, by and among the Company, To-Ricos, Ltd., To-Ricos Distribution, Ltd., Bank of Montreal, as agent, SunTrust Bank, as syndication agent, U.S. Bank National Association and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as co-documentation agents, BMO Capital Market, as lead arranger, and the other lenders signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.01 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 12, 2007).
- 10.26 Third Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of February 7, 2007, by and among the Company as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as lead arranger and co-syndication agent, and the sole book runner, and as administrative, documentation and collateral agent, Agriland, FCS, as co-syndication agent, and as a syndication party, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.02 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 12, 2007).
- 10.27 First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of March 15, 2007, by and among the Borrower, the Company, the Subsidiary Guarantors, ING Capital LLC, and the Lenders (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.01 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 20, 2007).
- 10.28 Fourth Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of July 3, 2007, by and among the Company as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as lead arranger and co-syndication agent, and the sole book runner, and as

administrative, documentation and collateral agent, Agriland, FCS, as co-syndication agent, and as syndication party, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed July 31, 2007).

- 10.29 Retirement and Consulting Agreement dated as of October 10, 2007, between the Company and Clifford E. Butler (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 10, 2007). ...
- 10.30 Fifth Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of August 7, 2007, by and among the Company as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as lead arranger and co-syndication agent, and the sole book runner, and as administrative, documentation and collateral agent, Agriland, FCS, as co-syndication agent, and as syndication party, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.39 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on November 19, 2007).
- 10.31 Sixth Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of November 7, 2007, by and among the Company as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as administrative agent, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 13, 2007).
- 10.32 Ground Lease Agreement effective February 1, 2008 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pat Pilgrim (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 1, 2008).
- 10.33 Seventh Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of March 10, 2008, by and among the Company as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as administrative agent, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 20, 2008).
- 10.34 First Amendment to the Fourth Amended and Restated Secured Credit Agreement, dated as of March 11, 2008, by and among the Company, To-Ricos, Ltd., To-Ricos Distribution, Ltd., Bank of Montreal, as administrative agent, and the other lenders signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 20, 2008).
- 10.35 Eighth Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of April 30, 2008, by and among the Company as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as administrative agent, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 5, 2008).
- 10.36 Second Amendment to the Fourth Amended and Restated Secured Credit Agreement, dated as of April 30, 2008, by and among the Company, To-Ricos, Ltd., To-Ricos Distribution, Ltd., Bank of Montreal, as administrative agent, and the other lenders signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 5, 2008).
- 10.37 Change to Company Contribution Amount Under the Amended and Restated 2005 Deferred Compensation Plan of the Company (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed July 30, 2008). ...
- 10.38 Limited Duration Waiver of Potential Defaults and Events of Default under Credit Agreement dated September 26, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as administrative agent, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 29, 2008).

- 10.39 Limited Duration Waiver Agreement dated as of September 26, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, as borrower, Bank of Montreal, as administrative agent, and certain other bank parties thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 29, 2008).
- 10.40 Limited Duration Waiver Agreement dated as of September 26, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation, BMO Capital Markets Corp., as administrator, and Fairway Finance Company, LLC (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 29, 2008).
- 10.41 Amended and Restated Receivables Purchase Agreement dated as of September 26, 2008 among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation, BMO Capital Markets Corp., as administrator, and the various purchasers and purchaser agents from time to time parties thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 29, 2008).
- 10.42 Amendment No. 1 dated as of October 10, 2008 to Amended and Restated Receivables Purchase Agreement, dated as of September 26, 2008 among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation, BMO Capital Markets Corp., as administrator, and the various purchasers and purchaser agents from time to time parties thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.42 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
- 10.43 Amendment No. 2 to Purchase and Contribution Agreement dated as of September 26, 2008 among Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation and Pilgrim's Pride Corporation (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 29, 2008).
- 10.44 Limited Duration Waiver of Potential Defaults and Events of Default under Credit Agreement dated October 26, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as administrative agent, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 27, 2008).
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- 10.47 Form of Change in Control Agreement dated as of October 21, 2008 between the Company and certain of its executive officers (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 27, 2008). ...
- 10.48 First Amendment to Limited Duration Waiver of Potential Defaults and Events of Default under Credit Agreement dated November 25, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as administrative agent, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.48 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11,

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- 10.51 Waiver Agreement and Second Amendment to Credit Agreement dated November 30, 2008, by and among the Company and certain non-debtor Mexico subsidiaries of the Company, ING Capital LLC, as agent, and the lenders signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.51 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
- 10.52 Post-Petition Credit Agreement dated December 2, 2008 by and among the Company, as borrower, certain subsidiaries of the Company, as guarantors, Bank of Montreal, as agent, and the lenders party thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.52 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
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- 12 Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges for the years ended September 27, 2008, September 29, 2007, September 30, 2006, October 1, 2005, October 2, 2004, and September 27, 2003 (filed as Exhibit 12 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
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- 23 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP (filed as Exhibit 23 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
- 31.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.*
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*Filed herewith

...Represents a management contract or compensation plan arrangement

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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, on January 26, 2009.

PILGRIM'S PRIDE CORPORATION

By:/s/ Richard A. Cogdill Richard A. Cogdill Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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- 10.5 Commercial Egg Grower Contract dated May 7, 1997 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pilgrim Poultry G.P. (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.50 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 29, 1997).
- 10.6 Agreement dated October 15, 1996 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pilgrim Poultry G.P. (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.23 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended January 2, 1999).
- 10.7 Heavy Breeder Contract dated May 7, 1997 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim (Farms 44, 45 & 46) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.51 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 29, 1997).
- 10.8 Broiler Grower Contract dated January 9, 1997 by and between Pilgrim's Pride and O.B. Goolsby, Jr. (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.25 of the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 333-29163) effective June 27, 1997).
- 10.9 Broiler Grower Contract dated January 15, 1997 by and between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and B.J.M. Farms (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.26 of the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 333-29163) effective June 27, 1997).
- 10.10 Broiler Grower Agreement dated January 29, 1997 by and between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Clifford E. Butler (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.27 of the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 333-29163) effective June 27, 1997).
- 10.11 Purchase and Contribution Agreement dated as of June 26, 1998 between Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation and Pilgrim's Pride Corporation (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.34 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended June 27, 1998).
- 10.12 Guaranty Fee Agreement between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pilgrim Interests, Ltd., dated June 11, 1999 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.24 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended October 2, 1999).

10.13 Commercial Property Lease dated December 29, 2000 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pilgrim Poultry G.P. (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.30 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended December 30, 2000).

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- 10.14 Amendment No. 1 dated as of December 31, 2003 to Purchase and Contribution Agreement dated as of June 26, 1998, between Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation and Pilgrim's Pride Corporation (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.5 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed February 4, 2004).
- 10.15 Employee Stock Investment Plan of the Company (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 4.1 of the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (No. 333-111929) filed on January 15, 2004). ...
- 10.16 2005 Deferred Compensation Plan of the Company (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 27, 2004). ...
- 10.17 Vendor Service Agreement dated effective December 28, 2005 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pat Pilgrim (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 6, 2006).
- 10.18 Transportation Agreement dated effective December 28, 2005 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pat Pilgrim (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 6, 2006).
- 10.19 Credit Agreement by and among the Avícola Pilgrim's Pride de México, S. de R.L. de C.V. (the "Borrower"), Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, certain Mexico subsidiaries of the Borrower, ING Capital LLC, and the lenders signatory thereto dated as of September 25, 2006 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 28, 2006).
- 10.20 2006 Amended and Restated Credit Agreement by and among CoBank, ACB, Agriland, FCS and the Company dated as of September 21, 2006 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 28, 2006).
- 10.21 First Amendment to the Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Amended and Restated 2005 Deferred Compensation Plan Trust, dated as of November 29, 2006 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.03 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 05, 2006). ...
- 10.22 Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of December 3, 2006, by and among the Company, Protein Acquisition Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, and Gold Kist Inc. (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 99.(D)(1) to Amendment No. 11 to the Company's Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed on December 5, 2006).
- 10.23 First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of December 13, 2006, by and among the Company, as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as lead arranger and co-syndication agent, and sole book runner, and as administrative, documentation and collateral agent, Agriland, FCS, as co-syndication agent, and as a syndication party, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.01 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 19, 2006).
- 10.24 Second Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of January 4, 2007, by and among the Company, as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as lead arranger and co-syndication agent, and sole book runner, and as administrative, documentation and collateral agent, Agriland, FCS, as co-syndication agent, and as a syndication party, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.01 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 9, 2007).

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Fourth Amended and Restated Secured Credit Agreement, dated as of February 8, 2007, by and among the Company, To-Ricos, Ltd., To-Ricos Distribution, Ltd., Bank of Montreal, as agent, SunTrust Bank, as syndication agent, U.S. Bank National Association and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as co-documentation agents, BMO Capital Market, as lead arranger, and the other lenders signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.01 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 12, 2007).

- 10.26 Third Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of February 7, 2007, by and among the Company as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as lead arranger and co-syndication agent, and the sole book runner, and as administrative, documentation and collateral agent, Agriland, FCS, as co-syndication agent, and as a syndication party, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.02 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 12, 2007).
- 10.27 First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of March 15, 2007, by and among the Borrower, the Company, the Subsidiary Guarantors, ING Capital LLC, and the Lenders (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.01 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 20, 2007).
- 10.28 Fourth Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of July 3, 2007, by and among the Company as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as lead arranger and co-syndication agent, and the sole book runner, and as administrative, documentation and collateral agent, Agriland, FCS, as co-syndication agent, and as syndication party, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed July 31, 2007).
- 10.29 Retirement and Consulting Agreement dated as of October 10, 2007, between the Company and Clifford E. Butler (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 10, 2007). ...
- 10.30 Fifth Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of August 7, 2007, by and among the Company as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as lead arranger and co-syndication agent, and the sole book runner, and as administrative, documentation and collateral agent, Agriland, FCS, as co-syndication agent, and as syndication party, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.39 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on November 19, 2007).
- 10.31 Sixth Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of November 7, 2007, by and among the Company as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as administrative agent, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 13, 2007).
- 10.32 Ground Lease Agreement effective February 1, 2008 between Pilgrim's Pride Corporation and Pat Pilgrim (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 1, 2008).
- 10.33 Seventh Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of March 10, 2008, by and among the Company as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as administrative agent, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 20, 2008).
- 10.34 First Amendment to the Fourth Amended and Restated Secured Credit Agreement, dated as of March 11, 2008, by and among the Company, To-Ricos, Ltd., To-Ricos Distribution, Ltd., Bank of Montreal, as administrative agent, and the other lenders signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 20, 2008).
- 10.35 Eighth Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of April 30, 2008, by and among the Company as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as administrative agent, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 5, 2008).

- 10.36 Second Amendment to the Fourth Amended and Restated Secured Credit Agreement, dated as of April 30, 2008, by and among the Company, To-Ricos, Ltd., To-Ricos Distribution, Ltd., Bank of Montreal, as administrative agent, and the other lenders signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 5, 2008).
- 10.37 Change to Company Contribution Amount Under the Amended and Restated 2005 Deferred Compensation Plan of the Company (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed July 30, 2008). ...
- 10.38 Limited Duration Waiver of Potential Defaults and Events of Default under Credit Agreement dated September 26, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as administrative agent, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 29, 2008).
- 10.39 Limited Duration Waiver Agreement dated as of September 26, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, as borrower, Bank of Montreal, as administrative agent, and certain other bank parties thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 29, 2008).
- 10.40 Limited Duration Waiver Agreement dated as of September 26, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation, BMO Capital Markets Corp., as administrator, and Fairway Finance Company, LLC (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 29, 2008).
- 10.41 Amended and Restated Receivables Purchase Agreement dated as of September 26, 2008 among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation, BMO Capital Markets Corp., as administrator, and the various purchasers and purchaser agents from time to time parties thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 29, 2008).
- 10.42 Amendment No. 1 dated as of October 10, 2008 to Amended and Restated Receivables Purchase Agreement, dated as of September 26, 2008 among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation, BMO Capital Markets Corp., as administrator, and the various purchasers and purchaser agents from time to time parties thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.42 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
- 10.43 Amendment No. 2 to Purchase and Contribution Agreement dated as of September 26, 2008 among Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation and Pilgrim's Pride Corporation (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 29, 2008).
- 10.44 Limited Duration Waiver of Potential Defaults and Events of Default under Credit Agreement dated October 26, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as administrative agent, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 27, 2008).
- 10.45 Limited Duration Waiver Agreement dated as of October 26, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, as borrower, Bank of Montreal, as administrative agent, and certain other bank parties thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 27, 2008).

- 10.46 Limited Duration Waiver Agreement dated as of October 26, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation, BMO Capital Markets Corp., as administrator, and Fairway Finance Company, LLC (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 27, 2008).
- 10.47 Form of Change in Control Agreement dated as of October 21, 2008 between the Company and certain of its executive officers (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 27, 2008). ...
- 10.48 First Amendment to Limited Duration Waiver of Potential Defaults and Events of Default under Credit Agreement dated November 25, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, as borrower, CoBank, ACB, as administrative agent, and the other syndication parties signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.48 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
- 10.49 First Amendment to Limited Duration Waiver Agreement dated as of November 25, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, as borrower, Bank of Montreal, as administrative agent, and certain other bank parties thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.49 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
- 10.50 First Amendment to Limited Duration Waiver Agreement dated as of November 25, 2008 by and among Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, Pilgrim's Pride Funding Corporation, BMO Capital Markets Corp., as administrator, and Fairway Finance Company, LLC (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.50 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
- 10.51 Waiver Agreement and Second Amendment to Credit Agreement dated November 30, 2008, by and among the Company and certain non-debtor Mexico subsidiaries of the Company, ING Capital LLC, as agent, and the lenders signatory thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.51 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
- 10.52 Post-Petition Credit Agreement dated December 2, 2008 by and among the Company, as borrower, certain subsidiaries of the Company, as guarantors, Bank of Montreal, as agent, and the lenders party thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.52 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
- 10.53 Amended and Restated Post-Petition Credit Agreement dated December 31, 2008, among the Company, as borrower, certain subsidiaries of the Company, as guarantors, Bank of Montreal, as agent, and the lenders party thereto (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 6, 2009).
- 12 Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges for the years ended September 27, 2008, September 29, 2007, September 30, 2006, October 1, 2005, October 2, 2004, and September 27, 2003 (filed as Exhibit 12 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
- 21 Subsidiaries of Registrant (filed as Exhibit 21 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).
- 23 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP (filed as Exhibit 23 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on December 11, 2008).

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31.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.*

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- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.*
- 32.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.*
- 32.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer of Pilgrim's Pride Corporation pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.*

*Filed herewith

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