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

1934

for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2009.

OR

0 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 001-13543

# **ANGEION CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 350 Oak Grove Parkway, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55127-8599 41-1579150 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (651) 484-4874

(Address of principal executive offices)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Common Stock, \$0.10 Par Value

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Name of Exchange on Which Registered: NASDAQ Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act: Yes o No x

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act: Yes o No x

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 if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant s knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act:

Large Accelerated Filer o Accelerated Filer o Non-Accelerated Filer o Smaller Reporting Company x

The aggregate value of the Company s Common Stock held by non-affiliates of the Company was approximately \$9,338,000 as of the last day of the Company s most recently completed second fiscal quarter, when the last reported sales price was \$2.22 per share.

As of January 15, 2010, the Company had outstanding 4,157,066 shares of Common Stock, \$0.10 par value.

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## PART I

#### Item 1. Business.

Unless the context requires otherwise, references in this Form 10-K to Angeion or the Company means Angeion Corporation, while references to Medical Graphics refer to Medical Graphics Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Angeion. Angeion and Medical Graphics are collectively referred to as the Company.

### Overview

The Company is a medical device manufacturer with revenues of \$25.5 million for the year ended October 31, 2009. Domestic product sales and service revenue accounted for 78.6% of fiscal 2009 revenue while international product sales accounted for the remaining 21.4%. The Company, through its Medical Graphics Corporation subsidiary, designs and markets non-invasive cardio-respiratory diagnostic systems that are sold under the MedGraphics and New Leaf brand and trade names. These cardio-respiratory diagnostic systems have a wide range of applications in healthcare, wellness and health and fitness. Revenue consists of equipment and supply sales as well as service revenue. Equipment and supply sales reflect sales of non-invasive cardio-respiratory diagnostic equipment and aftermarket sales of peripherals and supplies. Service revenue consists of revenue from extended service contracts, non-warranty service visits and additional training.

### (a) General Development of Business.

Angeion Corporation was incorporated in Minnesota during May 1986 for the purpose of developing, manufacturing and selling medical products. In July 1988, Angeion merged with Verde Ventures Incorporated, a public company organized in March 1987 that had no operations at the time of the merger and the surviving legal entity changed its name to Angeion Corporation.

During the period from 1990 through March 2000, Angeion was engaged in the development and sale, directly and through joint ventures, of implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD) systems. During 1999 and 2000, the Company completed two restructurings, granted a series of non-exclusive licenses to its ICD technology and discontinued its ICD operations.

In December 1999, Angeion acquired Medical Graphics Corporation.

On June 17, 2002, Angeion filed a voluntary petition for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy laws (Chapter 11 or Bankruptcy Case) in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota and in the process converted \$20.0 million of convertible notes into 95% of the Company s common stock. Angeion emerged from Bankruptcy in October 2002.

### (b) Financial Information about Industry Segments.

The Company is a medical device manufacturer that designs and markets non-invasive cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems. All of the Company s cardiorespiratory diagnostic products are similar because they have a common functional testing platform the measurement of air flow and respiratory pressures and, in most cases, the analysis of inhaled and exhaled gases such as oxygen and carbon dioxide. Consequently, the Company operates in a single industry segment: the research, development, manufacture and marketing of non-invasive cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems.



## (c) Narrative Description of Business. General

Through its Medical Graphics Corporation subsidiary, Angeion designs and markets non-invasive cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems that are sold under both the MedGraphics and New Leaf brand and trade names. These cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems have a wide range of applications in healthcare, wellness, and health and fitness.

Healthcare professionals use these cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems to diagnose shortness of breath and lung diseases such as asthma, emphysema, or Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), and manage related treatment. Through breath-by-breath analysis, some of the Company s cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems measure disability as well as fitness or conditioning levels to help physicians diagnose and treat heart diseases such as heart failure and coronary disease. The Company also sells its cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems and services to clinical research customers for use in conducting safety and efficacy clinical trial studies both in the United States and internationally. Other health professionals use cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems to measure calorie consumption and to prescribe safe and effective exercise in rehabilitation, weight management, general fitness, and athletic performance. All of these applications are accomplished by measuring air flow and the concentrations of inhaled and exhaled gases such as oxygen and carbon dioxide while a person is at rest, or exercising on a bike or treadmill. Professionals use this same assessment of gases and air flow to determine nutritional requirements of critically-ill patients in a hospital or to design a weight loss program for health club members wishing to assess the number of calories they should consume and burn daily.

Primary MedGraphics brand products include pulmonary function (PFT) and cardiopulmonary gas exchange (GX) testing systems. All MedGraphics systems are designed to be simple and easy-to-use while at the same time provide the flexibility to address the specific needs of hospitals, clinics and physician offices. MedGraphics products, except for certain original equipment manufacturer (OEM) products, are generally sold with a personal computer, full color monitor, printer and other peripherals.

The Company also sells one of its cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems together with other consumable products under the New Leaf brand to consumers through health and fitness clubs, personal training studios, weight loss centers and other retail outlets. These fitness products provide the consumer with a personalized exercise plan based on an assessment of the individual s level of fitness and metabolism. The assessment is performed at a health club or personal training studio equipped with one of the Company s VQassessment systems. A New Leaf Assessment will measure the metabolism of an individual who is exercising and correlate that metabolism to the individual s heart rate. The participating consumer must purchase an assessment package containing the single user materials required for the VO<sub>2</sub> assessment and may also purchase a heart rate monitor and watch to help that consumer exercise at the correct intensity level to achieve the desired results for weight loss, general fitness improvement or athletic performance.

## **Pulmonary Function Systems**

Health care professionals use assessment of pulmonary function to diagnose lung diseases such as COPD, asthma and emphysema, and manage treatment of their patients. Pulmonary function applications include screening asthma patients, pre-operative and post-operative assessment of heart and lung surgery patients, evaluating lung damage from occupational exposures and documenting responses to therapy.



These pulmonary function systems fall into three major product categories: Spirometry, Complete Pulmonary Function and Body Plethysmography. These products are sold under the MedGraphics name.

*Spirometry*. Spirometry provides measurements of airflow, lung volume and elastic/mechanical properties. The CPF-S/D USB spirometer is comprised of a flow measurement module and a personal computer (PC). The spirometer can serve as a platform that can be upgraded to either a complete pulmonary function or cardiopulmonary exercise system.

**Complete Pulmonary Function Systems.** The Ultima/PF Series is MedGraphics complete pulmonary function system. The Ultima/PF is available as a desktop or cart-mounted module that performs rapid, non-invasive assessment of an individual s lung volumes, respiratory pressures and gas diffusion in addition to spirometry measurements.

**Body Plethysmograph Systems.** The Platinum Elite Series comprises MedGraphics body plethysmograph system. A body plethysmograph is an enclosed metal and clear acrylic chamber that offers the most sensitive method for measuring chest wall movement. The patient sits inside the chamber and undergoes diagnostic pulmonary function tests. MedGraphics medical design Platinum Elite Series minimizes patient anxiety and discomfort while maximizing accuracy. The system s design optimizes patient comfort with a clear-view acrylic enclosure and allows testing of a broad population including pediatric patients and individuals in wheelchairs.

The Platinum Elite Series is available in two configurations:

<u>Platinum Elite DL</u>. The Platinum Elite DL performs spirometry, measures the total volume of air in the lung and resistance to airflow in the airways of the person s lungs. It also performs the diffusion test in the same manner as the Ultima/PF.

<u>Platinum Elite DX</u>. The Platinum Elite DX performs all the same tests as a Platinum Elite DL, and adds an additional lung volume measurement.

All MedGraphics pulmonary function products use the patented preVent<sup>M</sup> pneumotach, a disposable/cleanable mouthpiece/flow measurement device that eliminates concern over the transmission of infectious diseases. The preVent pneumotach gives all MedGraphics products the capability to perform spirometry testing to measure the flow rates, volumes (capacities) and mechanical properties of the lung. MedGraphics pulmonary function products use a patented expert system, Pulmonary Consult, to assist physicians in the interpretation of test results.

Applications of MedGraphics pulmonary function products include enabling the early detection of lung disease, evaluating the effect of medication, monitoring patients with chronic disease, diagnosing lung diseases (i.e. COPD, asthma and emphysema), managing treatment, assessing the surgical risk of lung transplant and lung reduction candidates and evaluating the impact of diseases such as neuromuscular disease on breathing.

MedGraphics pulmonary function products ease of use, infection control features, compact, lightweight design, connectivity and mobility option attract a wide variety of customers, including pulmonary laboratories in hospitals, clinics, physician offices, occupational medicine clinics, asthma/allergy practices, and clinical research centers worldwide.

## **Cardiopulmonary Exercise Testing Systems**

MedGraphics cardiopulmonary exercise (CPX) testing systems measure functional capacity, fitness or conditioning levels, evaluate prognostic criteria for surgical procedures as well as help physicians diagnose heart and lung diseases. This is accomplished by measuring the volume of air and concentrations of oxygen and carbon dioxide as they enter and leave the lungs while a person exercises on a machine such as a bike or treadmill.

The Ultima/CPX systems measure each breath using a patented breath-by-breath methodology and the same patented preVent pneumotach as the pulmonary function systems. MedGraphics cardiopulmonary exercise systems include a patented oxygen analyzer, a carbon dioxide analyzer and gas sampling and data reporting, including a patented expert system, Exercise Consult, to assist physicians in the evaluation of the information obtained from cardiopulmonary exercise assessments.

MedGraphics systems can also perform measurements of individuals at rest to determine nutritional requirements of critically-ill patients or individuals wishing to assess the number of calories burned per day, which is termed energy expenditure. This measurement is known as a metabolic assessment and is marketed by Medical Graphics as the Ultima/CCM option. Configurations using both the CPX and CCM applications are marked as an Ultima/MAX system.

The Ultima Series is sold in the following different configurations:

<u>Ultima/CPX/D</u>. This is a basic exercise testing system that measures an individual s fitness level while exercising and measures the ability to perform work (functional capacity) or activities of daily living. The Ultima/CPX/D can also be used in conjunction with other manufacturers stand-alone ECG systems. The electrocardiogram, which measures heart functions, is generally referred to as an ECG.

<u>Ultima/CardiO<sub>2</sub></u>. This configuration adds an integrated 12-lead electrocardiogram stress option.

<u>Ultima/CCM/D</u>. This basic metabolic assessment system measures the nutritional requirements of a patient at rest and during mechanical ventilation in the critical care unit.

<u>CPX/Express</u>. This portable, self-contained exercise assessment system measures the functional capacity of a patient at rest and during exercise.

<u>CCM/Express</u>. This portable, self-contained metabolic assessment system measures the nutritional requirements of a patient at rest and during mechanical ventilation in the critical care unit.

<u>V02000.</u> The V02000 is a portable/ambulatory version that can transmit data via telemetry. In addition to uses for exercise and nutritional requirements, these portable and wearable products include assessment of work capacity in occupational medicine and physical therapy as well as field training of amateur and elite athletes during participation in their actual events. The V02000 technology platform, reconfigured as a V02PAS, is a key component of the Company s New Leaf Active Metabolic Training<sup>M</sup> System health and fitness product.

Applications for the Ultima and VO2000 exercise and metabolic systems include distinguishing between cardiovascular and pulmonary disease, screening for early signs of cardiac and pulmonary dysfunction, establishing exercise prescriptions and training programs and evaluating the efficacy of prescribed therapy and determining appropriate nutritional supports requirements. Customers include

hospital cardiopulmonary laboratories, cardiology and pulmonary office-based clinics, critical care units, cardiac rehabilitation units, weight loss clinics, human performance laboratories and health clubs.

## **Cycle Ergometers and Treadmills**

The Company offers several models of cycle ergometers providing healthcare professionals and patients a tool for more successful outcomes in clinical rehabilitation and athletic training. A cycle ergometer is a specially-designed stationary exercise bicycle that can operate at a broad spectrum of resistance levels while a treadmill is a motorized walking/running surface that can operate at different inclines to produce a range of work levels. Medical Graphics has cycle ergometers and treadmills that are used in diagnostic, rehabilitation, training and sports medicine applications. The ergometers and treadmills are used and controlled by the Company s cardiopulmonary exercise testing systems.

## Competition

The industry for companies selling cardiopulmonary diagnostic systems is competitive. There are a number of companies that currently offer, or are in the process of developing, products that compete with products offered by Medical Graphics. The Company s competitors include both large and small medical companies, some of which have greater financial and technical resources and broader product lines. CareFusion, Medisoft, Cosmed and nSpire Health are the principal competitors for the Company s MedGraphics branded products. The Company believes that the primary competitive factors in its markets are product features, customer service, price, quality, product performance, market reputation, breadth of product offerings and effectiveness of sales and marketing efforts. The Company believes its MedGraphics brand product quality, product performance, market reputation and customer service are true differentiators that will contribute to future growth.

The Company s New Leaf branded products for the health and fitness market have a few competitors, which include metabolic measurement systems (Korr Medical and Cosmed), nutrition education and lifestyle enhancement software (e-Diets) and weight loss programs (Jenny Craig and Weight Watchers). The Company believes that its proprietary technology, expert-designed exercise programs and its training and education service provide a notable and unique advantage in the weight loss, general fitness and athletic performance markets.

The Company believes competition based on price will continue to be an important factor in customer purchasing patterns as a result of healthcare cost containment pressures in the health care industry. Price competition may exert downward pressure on prices the Company is able to charge for its products. There can be no assurance that it will be able to offset any downward price pressure through corresponding cost reductions. Any failure to offset this pressure could have an adverse effect on the Company s business, results of operations or financial condition.

Any product developed by the Company that gains regulatory approval will have to compete for market acceptance and market share. The timing of market introduction of competitive products could adversely affect the competitiveness of Medical Graphics products. Accordingly, the relative speeds with which the Company can develop products, complete clinical testing and the regulatory approval process and supply commercial quantities of the product to the market are important competitive factors. The Company expects that competition will also be based on many factors, including device size and weight, longevity, ease of programmability, ability to provide diagnostic capability, product reliability, physician familiarity with the device, patent protection, sales and marketing capability, third-party reimbursement policies, reputation and price. The Company has protected its products with various patents and trademarks when possible.

## Manufacturing

Medical Graphics currently designs and assembles all major sensor components of its cardiopulmonary diagnostic systems including its data acquisition systems, flow measurement sensors, gas sample lines, gas chromatograph, nitrogen analyzer,  $CO_2$  analyzer and oxygen analyzers. Company-designed sheet metal, electrical components, printed circuit boards and some measurement devices are purchased from outside vendors and are tested, assembled and packaged by Medical Graphics personnel into fully integrated systems. Medical Graphics also acquires general-purpose computers, monitors and printers from a variety of sources and integrates its proprietary software modules into these systems. Medical Graphics acquires its cycle ergometers and treadmills from third parties.

Medical Graphics Quality Management System is certified to the requirements of ISO 13485:2003, Canadian Medical Device Regulations Part 1, and European Union Medical Device Directive Annex II regarding the Development and Production of Cardio Respiratory devices. See Regulation by Foreign Governments below for additional discussion of the Company s ISO 13485:2003 certification.

## **Marketing and Distribution**

Medical Graphics markets its products in the United States through two direct sales forces that sell into hospitals, university-based medical centers, medical clinics and physician offices, and also into health and fitness clubs, weight loss clinics and personal training studios. The Company markets its products to a wide range of customers that utilize its non-invasive capabilities across a broad healthcare market continuum.

On the healthcare end of the continuum, the MedGraphics branded products are sold to hospitals, physician offices, clinics, pulmonary physicians, cardiologists, critical care physicians, rehabilitation professionals and physical therapy professionals. The Company also supplies medical equipment and support for clinical research trials. During 2008, the Company concluded its relationship with its largest clinical research customer.

On the fitness end of the continuum, the New Leaf branded products are sold to health and fitness clubs, corporations, weight loss centers, training studios, personal trainers and coaches. Each salesperson is responsible for a specific geographic area and is compensated with a base salary, expense reimbursement and a territory sales goal commission plan.

Outside the United States, Medical Graphics markets its products through a network of independent distributors. During fiscal 2009, Medical Graphics used approximately 63 distributors to sell its products into 60 countries. These distributors typically carry a select inventory of MedGraphics products and sell those products in specific geographic areas, generally on an exclusive basis. International revenues accounted for 21.4% and 20.6% of total revenue for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. All of Medical Graphics international sales are made on a United States dollar-denominated basis to distributors.

International sales involve certain risks not ordinarily associated with domestic business including fluctuations in the purchasing power of local currencies, reliance on distributors and country-specific policies and procedures. The Company does not have direct exposure to currency exchange rates as all sales are dollar-denominated.

Medical Graphics executes multiple sales and marketing strategies both domestically and internationally. The Company s most successful sales and marketing tactics include product

demonstrations that emphasize technological capabilities, breadth of services and unmatched customer service. In addition to onsite product demonstrations, the Company annually attends and hosts booth displays at various industry-specific conventions around the world. At these conventions, potential customers/clients have the ability to see and experience the unique features the products offer. Through these global conventions, the Company gains exposure to pulmonologists, respiratory therapists, allergy physicians, exercise physiologists, sports medicine professionals, personal trainers and exercise enthusiasts. Other marketing initiatives include educational seminars, print advertisements, direct mail campaigns and e-marketing campaigns through the (<u>www.medgraphics.com</u>) web site for MedGraphics branded products and (<u>www.newleaffitness.com</u>) for New Leaf branded products.

### **Research and Development**

In 2009, Medical Graphics continued to develop new products and implemented product improvements designed to enhance product reliability and improve margins. The Company s research and development initiatives are targeted for hospitals, clinics and physician s offices as well as the health and fitness club markets. An integral component of the Company s future growth strategies includes developing and introducing additional new products.

Research and development expenses were \$3.2 million and \$2.4 million for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

## **Intellectual Property**

Patents and trademarks are critical in the medical device industry. The Company believes strongly in protecting its intellectual property and has a long history of obtaining patents, when available, in connection with its research and product development programs. The Company also relies upon trade secrets and proprietary know-how.

The Company relies on a combination of patent, trademark and trade secret laws to establish proprietary rights in its products. Medical Graphics currently owns 25 United States patents and is actively developing and obtaining additional patents. These patents cover the various aspects of Medical Graphics core technologies, including gas analysis, pressure and flow measurement, breath-by-breath assessment of gas exchange data analysis and expert system software. The Company employs various Medical Graphics patents in its New Leaf business model. In addition, Medical Graphics has a number of foreign patents with respect to technologies covered by its United States patents.

Foreign patents generally expire 20 years after the date of original application, but vary from country to country. Medical Graphics intends to aggressively enforce its intellectual property rights and has successfully done so in the past. There can be no assurance, however, that these patents, or any patents that may be issued as a result of existing or future applications, will offer any degree of protection from competitors.

United States patents filed on or after June 8, 1995 have a term of 20 years from the date on which the application for the patent was filed. Domestic patents in force on June 8, 1995 and patents issued on applications filed prior to June 8, 1995 automatically have a term that is the greater of the 20 years from the date of filing or 17 years from the patent grant.

Medical Graphics also owns registered trademarks and has applied for other trademarks in the U.S. and certain foreign countries. Medical Graphics owns and actively enforces an array of related copyrights and trademarks. These include but are not limited to: MedGraphics, preVent Pneumotach, BreathPath, BreezeSuite, CPX/D, CCM/D, CardiO2, CPX/Express, CCM/Express, Ultima/PF,

Ultima/CPX, Ultima/CCM, Ultima/PFX, 1085/DX, Elite/Dx, Elite/DL, PF/Dx, Platinum Elite/Dx, Platinum Elite/DL, CPF-S/D, Pulmonary Consult, Exercise Consult, KnowledgeNet and various logos.

Similarly, Medical Graphics owns registered New Leaf trademarks and copyrights and has applied for others including, but not limited to: New Leaf, ExerSmart, ExerScript, PDC Personal Digital Coach, PAS Personal Assessment System, New Leaf Active Metabolic Training, EnergySmart and various logos.

Although patent and intellectual property disputes in the medical device area have often been settled through licensing agreements or similar arrangements, costs associated with these arrangements may be substantial, and there can be no assurance that necessary licenses would be available to the Company on satisfactory terms, if at all. Accordingly, an adverse determination in a judicial or administrative proceeding or failure to obtain necessary licenses could prevent the Company from manufacturing and selling its products, which would have a material adverse effect on the Company s business, financial condition and results of operations.

The Company seeks to protect its trade secrets and proprietary know-how, in part, through confidentiality agreements, non-compete agreements and assignment of invention provisions in agreements with employees, consultants and other parties, as well as through contractual exclusivity with certain suppliers. There can be no assurance, however, that these agreements will not be breached, that the Company would have adequate remedies for any breach, or that the Company s trade secrets will not otherwise become known to or independently developed by competitors.

The Company conducts ongoing evaluations of potential infringement of any proprietary rights of third parties by the products the Company intends to market. Regardless of the Company s efforts to evaluate the potential infringement of any proprietary rights of third parties, however, there can be no assurance that such infringements do not exist or may not arise in the future. There has been substantial litigation regarding patent and other intellectual property rights in the medical device industry. Litigation, which could result in substantial cost to and diversion of effort by the Company, may be necessary to enforce patents issued to or licensed by the Company, to protect trade secrets or know-how owned by the Company, to defend the Company against claimed infringement of the rights of others, and to determine the scope and validity of the proprietary rights of others. Adverse determinations in litigation could subject the Company to significant liabilities to third parties or could require the Company to seek licenses from third parties.

## **Government Regulation**

Most of the products manufactured by the Company are devices as defined in the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (the Act ) and are subject to the regulatory authority of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), which regulates the manufacture, distribution, related record keeping, labeling and advertising of such devices. The FDA classified medical devices in commercial distribution into one of three classes, Class I, II or III, following the enactment of the Medical Device Amendments to the Act in May 1976 (the Amendments). These classifications are based on the controls necessary to reasonably ensure the safety and efficacy of medical devices. The Company s New Leaf health and fitness products are not classified as medical devices as defined in the Act.

Many Class I devices have been exempted from pre-market notification requirements by the FDA. The same types of controls the FDA has used on devices since the passage of the Act in 1938 can adequately regulate these products. These general controls include provisions related to labeling, producer registration, defect notification, records and reports and good manufacturing practices. The more comprehensive Quality System Regulation (QSR) has replaced the good manufacturing practice

regulation. As noted below, QSRs include implementation of quality assurance programs, written manufacturing specifications and processing procedures, written distribution procedures and record keeping requirements.

Class II devices are products for which the general controls of Class I devices are deemed not sufficient to assure the safety and effectiveness of the device and thus require special controls. Special controls for Class II devices include performance standards, post-market surveillance, patient registries and the use of FDA guidelines. Standards may include both design and performance requirements. Class III devices have the most restrictive controls and require pre-market approval by the FDA. Generally, Class III devices are limited to life-sustaining, life-supporting or implantable devices. All of MedGraphics branded products are Class II devices.

If the Company does not comply with applicable regulatory requirements, including marketing products only for approved uses, it could be subject to fines, injunctions, civil penalties, recall or seizure of products, total or partial suspension of production, refusal of the government to grant pre-market clearance or pre-market approval for products, withdrawal of approvals and criminal prosecution. In addition, changes in existing regulations or adoption of new governmental regulations or policies could prevent or delay regulatory approval of the Company s products or result in increased regulatory costs. Furthermore, once clearance or approval is granted, subsequent modifications to the approved product or manufacturing process may require a new round of clearances or approvals that could require substantial additional clinical data and FDA review.

## **Class II Requirements**

Section 510(k) of the Act requires individuals or companies manufacturing medical devices intended for use with humans to file a notice with the FDA at least 90 days before introducing a product not exempted from notification requirements into the marketplace. The notice (a 510(k) Notification ) must state the class in which the device is classified and the action taken to comply with performance standards or pre-market approval that may be needed if the device is a Class II or Class III device, respectively. Under Section 510(k), a medical device can be marketed if the FDA determines that the device is substantially equivalent to similar devices marketed prior to May 28, 1976. In the past, Medical Graphics has filed notifications with the FDA of its intent to market its systems pursuant to Section 510(k) of the Amendments, the FDA subsequently cleared these systems for commercial sale and Medical Graphics is now marketing the devices under Section 510(k). The action of the FDA does not, however, constitute FDA approval of Medical Graphics products or pass upon their safety and effectiveness.

In addition to the requirements described above, the Act requires that all medical device manufacturers and distributors register with the FDA annually and provide the FDA with a list of those medical devices that they distribute commercially. The Act also requires that all manufacturers of medical devices comply with labeling requirements and manufacture devices in accordance with QSRs, which require that companies manufacture their products and maintain their documents in a prescribed manner with respect to manufacturing, testing and quality control. In addition, these manufacturers are subject to inspection on a routine basis for compliance with the QSRs. The FDA s Medical Device Reporting regulation requires that companies provide information to the FDA on death or serious injuries alleged to have been associated with the use of their products, as well as product malfunctions that would likely cause or contribute to death or serious injury if the malfunction were to recur. The FDA further requires that certain medical devices not cleared with the FDA for marketing in the United States meet specific requirements before they are exported. The FDA has authority to inspect the Company s facilities to ensure compliance with the Act and regulations thereunder. Failure to comply with these regulations could have a material adverse effect on the Company s business, financial condition and results of operations. Medical Graphics is registered as a manufacturer with the FDA and successfully

passed its most recent FDA audit in September 2008. Also, in October 2009, the Company successfully passed an FDA audit assessing the data management and quality assurance for recent clinical research trials.

## **Regulation by Foreign Governments**

The Company s products are also subject to regulation similar to that of the FDA in various foreign countries. ISO 13485:2003 certification indicates that a company s development and manufacturing processes comply with standards for quality assurance and manufacturing process control. ISO 13485:2003 certification evidences compliance with the requirements that enable a company to affix the CE Mark to its products. The CE Mark denotes conformity with European standards for safety and allows certified devices to be placed on the market in all European Union (EU) countries. Since June 1998, medical devices cannot be sold in EU countries unless they display the CE Mark. Medical Graphics received ISO 13485:2003 certification for its development and manufacturing processes in 1998 and has passed annual surveillance and recertification audits since 1998. Medical Graphics has achieved CE certification for its primary cardiopulmonary testing products. There can be no assurance, however, that Medical Graphics will be able to obtain regulatory approvals or clearances for its products in foreign countries. In addition to compliance with ISO 13485:2003 certification, the Company s products also meet Part I of the Medical Device Requirements for Canada and the Medical Device Directive 93/42/EEC Annex II.

## Employees

As of January 15, 2010, the Company had 129 full-time and 4 part-time employees. No employees are represented by a collective bargaining agreement and the Company has not experienced any work stoppage. Management believes that relations with its employees are good.

## **Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-looking Statements**

The discussions in this Form 10-K in Business and Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contain forward-looking statements about Angeion s future financial results and business prospects that by their nature involve substantial risks and uncertainties. You can identify these statements by the use of words such as anticipate, believe, estimate, expect, project. target, and other words and terms of similar meaning in connection with any discussion of future operating or financial intend, plan, will, performance or business plans or prospects. Our actual results may differ materially depending on a variety of factors including: (1) national and worldwide economic and capital market conditions; (2) continuing cost-containment efforts in our hospital, clinics, and office market; (3) any changes in the patterns of medical reimbursement that may result from national healthcare reform; (4) our ability to successfully operate our business, including successfully converting our increasing research and development expenditures into new and improved cardiorespiratory diagnostic products and services and selling these products and services under the MedGraphics and New Leaf brand names into existing and new markets; (5) our ability to maintain our cost structure at a level that is appropriate to our near to mid-term revenue expectations and that will enable us to increase revenues and profitability as opportunities develop; (6) our ability to achieve constant margins for our products and consistent and predictable operating expenses in light of variable revenues from our clinical research customers; (7) our ability to expand our international revenue through our distribution partners and our Milan, Italy representative branch office; (8) our ability to successfully defend ourselves from product liability claims related to our cardiorespiratory diagnostic products and claims associated with our prior cardiac stimulation products; (9) our ability to defend our existing intellectual property and obtain protection for intellectual property we develop in the future; (10) our ability to develop and maintain an effective system of internal controls and procedures and disclosure

controls and procedures; and (11) our dependence on third-party vendors. These and other factors are summarized below in this Form 10-K under Risk Factors.

## Item 1A. Risk Factors.

## The Company s results are affected by the changes in worldwide economic and capital markets conditions.

The Company derived 21.4% and 20.6% revenues in 2009 and 2008, respectively, from outside the United States. The Company s business may be adversely affected by factors in the United States and other countries that are beyond its control, such as downturns in economic activity or labor conditions in a specific country or region.

# The Company s success will depend on its ability to sell its MedGraphics cardiorespiratory products into its core hospital, clinics and physician office market.

The Company sells its MedGraphics brand cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems and services to hospitals, clinics and physician offices. As a result of the disruptive and uncertain economic conditions that emerged in the second half of calendar 2008, continued in 2009 and the related cost-containment measures initiated by these customers, the Company believes that it may encounter a challenging environment for the sale of its MedGraphics products in fiscal 2010.

# Healthcare policy changes, including legislation pending in Congress to reform the U.S. healthcare system, may have a material adverse effect on us.

In response to perceived increases in health care costs in recent years, there have been and continue to be proposals by the Obama administration, members of Congress, state governments, regulators and third-party payors to control these costs and, more generally, to reform the U.S. healthcare system. Some of these proposals would limit the prices we are able to charge for our products or the amounts of reimbursement available for our products, and could limit the acceptance and availability of our products. We cannot predict whether legislation will be enacted by the current Congress, the final form any legislation might take or the effects of such legislation. If legislation is enacted and depending on the form it takes, it could change the way healthcare is developed and delivered, and may affect numerous aspects of our business.

## If the Company is unable to regain profitability beyond 2010, its liquidity may be adversely affected.

Although it was profitable in fiscal 2006 and 2007, the Company was unprofitable in fiscal 2008 and 2009 and had an accumulated deficit of \$5.7 million as of October 31, 2009. While the Company believes that its existing cash balance of \$11.2 million at October 31, 2009 will be adequate to support operations for the next fiscal year or more, the Company must ultimately regain profitability or obtain additional financing to be able to meet its future cash flow requirements, and there can be no assurance that it will be able to do so.

## The financial soundness of the Company s vendors could affect its business and results of operations.

The Company relies on third party vendors for certain components used in the Company s products. A number of significant components, such as capacitors, batteries and integrated circuits, are purchased from sole source suppliers. Although the Company attempts to maintain sufficient quantities

of inventory of these components to minimize production delays or interruptions, there can be no assurance that the Company will find suitable alternatives at reasonable prices, if at all, or that any alternatives will remain available to the Company. The Company s inability to obtain acceptable components in a timely manner or find and maintain suitable replacement suppliers for components would have a material adverse effect on the Company, including its ability to manufacture its products. As a result of the disruptions in the financial markets and other macro-economic challenges currently affecting the economy of the United States and other parts of the world, the Company s vendors may experience cash flow concerns. As a result, vendors may increase their prices, reduce their output or change terms of sales. Any demands by vendors for different payment terms may adversely affect the Company s earnings and cash flow.

### Technology in the medical device industry changes rapidly.

Rapid technological change, changing customer needs and frequent new product introductions are all characteristics of the medical device industry. We face intense competition from other device manufacturers that may have access to greater resources. Our products may be rendered obsolete as a result of future innovations. Our competitors may succeed in obtaining regulatory approval and introducing products before we do. Any of these developments could have a significant negative impact on our business and results of operations.

### The Company s future operations are dependent upon variables outside of its control.

Successful implementation of the Company s business plan is dependent on the interaction of many variables, including the effects of changing industry conditions and new competition. While the Company believes that its business plan reflects reasonable judgments in assessing those risks, there can be no assurance that influences not foreseen by the Company will not adversely affect its ability to execute its business plan strategies. While the Company believes that its business plan projections are in line with achievable performance levels, there can be no assurance that the Company will be able to obtain, and sustain, projected sales revenue.

## Protection of Intellectual Property is critical to the Company s business.

Patents and trademarks are critical in the medical device industry. The Company believes strongly in protecting its intellectual property and has a long history of obtaining patents, when available, in connection with its research and product development programs. The Company owns a number of United States and foreign patents. The Company also owns certain registered trademarks, and has applied for other trademarks in the United States and certain foreign countries. There can be no assurance that patents and trademarks will be granted in the future, or that any patents and trademarks that the Company now holds or may be granted, or under which it has held license rights, will be valid or otherwise be of value to the Company. Even if the Company s patents and trademarks are valid, others may be able to introduce non-infringing products that are competitive with those of the Company. Competitors of the Company may also hold or be granted patents that are not licensed to the Company.

Although patent and intellectual property disputes in the medical device area have often been settled through licensing agreements or similar arrangements, costs associated with such arrangements may be substantial, and there can be no assurance that necessary licenses would be available to the Company on satisfactory terms or at all. Accordingly, an adverse determination in a judicial or administrative proceeding or failure to obtain necessary licenses could prevent the Company from manufacturing and selling its products, which would have a material adverse effect on the Company s business, financial condition and results of operations.

The Company seeks to protect its trade secrets and proprietary know-how, in part, through confidentiality agreements, non-compete agreements and assignment of invention provisions in agreements with employees, consultants and other parties, as well as through contractual exclusivity with certain suppliers. There can be no assurance, however, that these agreements will not be breached, that the Company would have adequate remedies for any breach, or that the Company s trade secrets will not otherwise become known to or independently developed by competitors.

### The Company is dependent upon its Senior Management and Other Key Personnel.

The Company s success depends largely on effective leadership from its senior management and other key personnel. Moreover, competition for qualified personnel with sufficient and relevant experience in the medical device industry is intense. Accordingly, the loss of the services of such individuals, or the inability to hire additional key individuals as required, could have a material adverse effect on the Company, including its current and future product development efforts.

## Anti-Takeover Provisions in Minnesota law may make a hostile takeover of the Company s business more difficult.

The Company is governed by the provisions of Sections 302A.671 and 302A.673 of the Minnesota Business Corporation Act. These anti-takeover provisions could potentially operate to deny shareholders the receipt of a premium on their common stock and may also have a depressive effect on the market price of the Company s common stock. Section 302A.671 generally provides that the shares of a corporation acquired in a control share acquisition have no voting rights unless voting rights are approved by the shareholders in a prescribed manner. A control share acquisition is generally defined as an acquisition of beneficial ownership of shares that would, when added to all other shares beneficially owned by the acquiring person, entitle the acquiring person to have voting power of 20% or more in the election of directors. Section 302A.673 prohibits a public corporation from engaging in a business combination with an interested shareholder for a period of four years after the date of the transaction in which the person became an interested shareholder, unless the business combination is approved in a prescribed manner. A business combination includes mergers, asset sales and other transactions. An interested shareholder is a person who is the beneficial owner of 10% or more of the corporation s voting stock. Reference is made to the detailed terms of Sections 302A.671 and 302A.673 of the Minnesota Business Corporation Act. The Company has also entered into agreements with certain executive officers that provide for certain benefits upon a change of control. These agreements would make any sale of the Company more expensive to a third party.

## Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.

None.

## Item 2. Properties.

The Company currently leases a 52,254 square foot building for its office, assembly and warehouse facilities located in suburban Saint Paul, Minnesota. The building is also the location of the Company s Medical Graphics subsidiary. The building lease for the Company s present office and manufacturing space, by its terms, will expire on December 31, 2011. The Company also leases 1,390 square feet of office space in Milan, Italy with the lease agreement expiring in December 2012. Annual rental costs of both facilities will be approximately \$333,000 for the year ending October 31, 2010. Rent expense for the Company s facilities was \$339,000 and \$317,000 for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

## Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

The Company is subject to claims and lawsuits that have been filed in the ordinary course of business. From time to time, the Company brings suit against others to enforce patent rights or to collect debts in the ordinary course of business. There are no known current lawsuits or other litigation that involve the Company. Therefore, management believes that the settlement of all litigation would not have a material effect on the results of operations or liquidity of the Company.

## Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

Not Applicable.

## PART II

## Item 5. Market for Registrant s Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.

The Company s common stock is traded on the Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol ANGN. The following table sets forth high and low sales prices as reported by the Nasdaq Capital Market for each quarter of fiscal year 2009 and 2008.

Angeion Common Stock Prices			
Fiscal Years	High	Low	N
2009			
Fourth Quarter	\$ 3.9	97 \$ 2	2.80
Third Quarter	3.3	36 2	2.19
Second Quarter	3.1	14 2	2.00
First Quarter	4.	18 2	2.45
2008			
Fourth Quarter	\$ 5.7	72 \$ 2	2.80
Third Quarter	7.	17 4	1.77
Second Quarter	8.3	33 6	5.51
First Quarter	9.7	77 5	5.95

As of January 15, 2010, approximately 330 shareholders of record held the Company s common stock. In addition, nominees for approximately 3,560 shareholders held shares in street name.

## Dividends

The Company has not paid any dividends on its common stock. The Company currently intends to retain any earnings for use in its operations and does not anticipate paying any cash dividends in the future.

### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

Under the Angeion Corporation 2002 Stock Option Plan (the 2002 Plan ), the Company had reserved 800,000 shares of its common stock for issuance upon exercise of stock options. As of October 31, 2009, options for 800,000 shares had been granted, 461,850 shares had been issued upon exercise of options, 950 had been forfeited and options to purchase 337,200 shares remained outstanding. In connection with the adoption of the 2007 Stock Incentive Plan described below, the 2002 Plan was amended to provide that no new options could be granted under the 2002 Plan.

At a Special Meeting of Shareholders held on August 22, 2007, the shareholders approved the Angeion Corporation 2007 Stock Incentive Plan (the 2007 Plan ) and reserved 250,000 shares of its common stock for issuance under the 2007 Plan. At the 2008 Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on May 20, 2008, the shareholders approved an amendment to the 2007 Plan that increased the authorized shares of common stock for issuance by 300,000 shares. At the 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on June 3, 2009, the shareholders approved an amendment to the 2007 Plan that increased the authorized shares of common stock for issuance by 100,000 to a total of 650,000 shares. As of October 31, 2009, stock options for 358,587 shares were outstanding, 24,891 shares had been issued pursuant to fully vested restricted stock awards, 230,444 shares were subject to unvested restricted stock awards and 36,078 shares were available for future grant.

The following table provides information as of October 31, 2009 with respect to the shares of the Company s common stock that may be issued under its 2002 Plan and 2007 Plan.

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	ed upon exercise exercise price of tanding options, outstanding options,		Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in first column)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	695,787	\$	6.13	36,078
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders				
Total	695,787			36,078

## Item 6. Selected Financial Data

In the table below, we have presented certain selected financial data as of and for each of the years in the five-year period ended October 31, 2009. The financial data has been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements. This data should be read in conjunction with Item 7, Management s Discussion and Analysis and Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

(In thousands, except per share data)		2009		Ye 2008	ars En	ded October 2007	31,	2006		2005
Statement of Operations Data:		2009		2008		2007		2000		2003
Revenues	\$	25,479	\$	30,011	\$	38,580	\$	33,651	\$	23,774
Cost of revenues		12,217		14,557		19,106		17,016		12,023
Gross margin		13,262		15,454		19,474		16,635		11,751
Operating expenses:										
Selling and marketing		6,964		8,646		10,107		8,148		7,192
General and administrative		3,996		4,390		4,220		3,209		2,402
Research and development		3,151		2,437		2,820		2,367		2,061
Amortization of intangibles		728		728		733		812		811
Total operating expenses		14,839		16,201		17,880		14,536		12,466
Operating income (loss)		(1,577)		(747)		1,594		2,099		(715)
Interest income		16		163		182		81		34
Income (loss) before taxes		(1,561)		(584)		1,776		2,180		(681)
Provision for taxes		32		102		719		914		9
Income (loss) from continuing operations, net of taxes		(1,593)		(686)		1,057		1,266		(690)
Gain (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes								171		(229)
Net income (loss)	\$	(1,593)	\$	(686)	\$	1,057	\$	1,437	\$	(919)
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Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding:										
Basic		4,121		4,090		3,987		3,634		3,606
Incremental effect of options and warrants						366		118		
Diluted		4,121		4,090		4,353		3,752		3,606
Net income (loss) per share - basic:										
Continuing operations	\$	(0.39)	\$	(0.17)	\$	0.27	\$	0.35	\$	(0.19)
Discontinued operations				( )				0.05		(0.06)
Net income (loss)	\$	(0.39)	\$	(0.17)	\$	0.27	\$	0.40	\$	(0.25)
Net income (loss) per share - diluted:										
Continuing operations	\$	(0.39)	\$	(0.17)	\$	0.24	\$	0.34	\$	(0.19)
Discontinued operations								0.04		(0.06)
Net income (loss)	\$	(0.39)	\$	(0.17)	\$	0.24	\$	0.38	\$	(0.25)
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		2009		2008	AS UI	2007		2006		2005
Balance Sheet Data:										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	11,219	\$	9,047	\$	6,908	\$	4,069	\$	1,072
Working capital		15,152		15,028		14,154		10,204		5,409
Total assets		22,463		22,965		24,533		21,753		16,868
Total current liabilities		5,191		4,900		6,361		6,686		4,598
Total liabilities		5,909		5,689		7,104		7,443		4,935
Total shareholders equity		16,554		17,276		17,429		14,310		11,933
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## Item 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. Overview

The Company is a medical device manufacturer with revenues of \$25.5 million for the year ended October 31, 2009. Domestic product sales and service revenue accounted for 78.6% of fiscal 2009 revenue while international product sales accounted for the remaining 21.4%.

The Company, through its Medical Graphics Corporation subsidiary, designs and markets non-invasive cardio-respiratory diagnostic systems that are sold under the MedGraphics and New Leaf brand and trade names. These cardio-respiratory diagnostic systems have a wide range of applications in healthcare, wellness and health and fitness. Revenue consists of equipment and supply sales as well as service revenue. Equipment and supply sales reflect sales of non-invasive cardio-respiratory diagnostic equipment and aftermarket sales of peripherals and supplies. Service revenue consists of revenue from extended service contracts, non-warranty service visits and additional training.

During the first quarter of fiscal 2009, the Company launched an all-new, updated CCM Express<sup>®</sup>, which provides accurate resting energy expenditure measurements ( REE ) for either ventilated or spontaneously breathing patients. The Company expects the added features of the CCM Express to expand the scope of use for this product and its REE function beyond critical care management into cardiology, rehabilitation medicine and other markets.

Revenue for fiscal 2009 decreased by 15.1% to \$25.5 million compared to \$30.0 million in 2008 while operating expense for fiscal 2009 was \$14.8 million, a decrease of 8.4% from \$16.2 million in 2008. Fiscal 2009 net loss was \$1.6 million, or \$0.39 per diluted share, compared to fiscal 2008 net loss of \$686,000, or \$0.17 per diluted share. During fiscal 2008, the Company concluded its clinical trial program with its largest clinical research customer. As a result of this event, year-over-year revenues were adversely impacted by \$1.2 million.

During the first half of fiscal 2008, the Company terminated the employment of 17 employees to allow better management of operating expense and, as a result, recorded severance charges of \$369,000. The Company estimates these actions decreased operating expenses for fiscal 2009 by \$1.5 million.

The following table contains selected information from our historical consolidated statements of operations, expressed as a percentage of revenue:

	2009	2008
Revenues	100.0%	100.0%
Cost of revenues	47.9	48.5
Gross margin	52.1	51.5
Selling and marketing expenses	27.3	28.8
General and administrative expenses	15.7	14.6
Research and development expenses	12.4	8.1
Amortization of intangibles	2.9	2.5
Total operating expenses	58.3	54.0
Operating loss	(6.2)	(2.5)
Interest income	0.0	0.5
Provision for taxes	0.1	0.3
Net loss	(6.3%)	(2.3%)
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The following paragraphs discuss the Company s performance for fiscal years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008.

## Revenues

Fiscal 2009 total revenues decreased 15.1% to \$25.5 million compared to \$30.0 million in fiscal 2008. Domestic product revenues decreased by 16.8% to \$16.7 in 2009 compared to 2008 revenues of \$20.1 million. International product revenue decreased 9.8% to \$5.5 million in 2009 compared to \$6.1 million in 2008. Service revenues decreased 14.3% to \$3.3 million in 2009 compared to \$3.9 million in 2008. The Company continues to face challenges from the adverse effects of the worldwide economic downturn s impact on capital spending by hospitals and clinics.

During 2008 and prior years, the Company sold cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems and services to a large clinical research customer that used the systems and services to conduct safety and efficacy clinical trials both in the United States and internationally. This customer accounted for 4.1% of revenues in fiscal 2008 and no revenue in fiscal 2009 as the Company completed its contract with this customer in the third quarter of 2008. If sales to this customer are excluded, revenue for 2009 decreased by \$3.3 million, or 11.5%, compared to 2008.

## **Gross Margin**

Gross margin percentage for 2009 increased to 52.1% of revenues compared to 51.5% in fiscal 2008. During fiscal 2008, due to a change in accounting estimate, the inventory obsolescence reserve increased by \$350,000 which negatively impacted gross margin. Excluding this impact, the Company s gross margin percentage for fiscal 2008 would have increased to 52.7%. See note 3, Inventories , in the consolidated financial statements for further discussion. In 2009, the Company s margins were adversely impacted by a decrease in higher margin service revenues in terms of total dollars as well as lower production volumes which caused fixed costs to be spread over fewer units.

## Selling and Marketing

Selling and marketing expenses for fiscal 2009 decreased by 19.5% to \$7.0 million compared to \$8.6 million for fiscal 2008.

Selling and marketing expenses related to sales and sales support personnel, travel and customer support expenses decreased by 19.7%, or \$1.1 million, for 2009 compared to 2008. The change is a result of the Company decreasing the number of employees during fiscal 2008 as a response to the slowing sales environment. During fiscal 2008, the Company s operating expense was affected by the write off of \$123,000 of obsolete computer equipment and peripherals related to the sales and marketing function. Finally, commission expense decreased by \$307,000 in 2009 compared to 2008 corresponding to the previously mentioned decrease in revenue.

## **General and Administrative**

General and administrative expenses for 2009 decreased by 9.0%, or \$394,000, to \$4.0 million compared to \$4.4 million in 2008.

Costs associated with payroll and benefits decreased by \$201,000 in fiscal 2009 compared to 2008, mainly as a result of severance charges that were incurred in the first half of the 2008 fiscal year. Professional fees decreased by \$203,000 in 2009 compared to 2008 as costs related to SOX compliance declined and audit fees decreased. In addition, there was a \$247,000 decrease in general and

administrative expenses for 2009 as compared to 2008 due to changes in the allowance for doubtful accounts, collections that were made on some older accounts that were partially reserved for and decreases in general for receivable balances. This was partially offset by an increase of \$166,000 in non-cash stock-based compensation expense due to the issuance of restricted share grants and options on August 28, 2008 and June 3, 2009.

## **Research and Development**

Research and development expenses for 2009 increased by 29.3%, or \$714,000, to \$3.2 million compared to the same period in 2008.

Personnel-related costs increased by \$467,000, or 27.7%, in 2009, compared to the same period in 2008 as the Company expanded its investment in new product development and quality assurance. In addition, project expenses associated with new product development increased by \$198,000 for 2009 compared to 2008. The Company introduced the all-new, updated CCM Express<sup>®</sup>, which provides accurate resting energy expenditure measurements ( REE ) for either ventilated or spontaneously breathing patients during fiscal 2009. The Company s current new product development initiatives include products targeted for hospital intensive care units, cardiology, dietary, asthma, allergy and primary care physicians, health and fitness club professionals, as well as international markets. In addition, the Company is also developing new functionality and new technologies for use in existing products.

## **Amortization of Intangibles**

Amortization of developed technology was \$728,000 for the year ended October 31, 2009, which was flat compared to fiscal 2008.

## **Interest Income**

Interest income for the year ended October 31, 2009 decreased to \$16,000 from \$163,000 in 2008. The decrease in interest income is principally due to significantly lower market interest rates as the Company moved its invested cash and cash equivalents into investments where the main goal is preservation of capital. The Company is exploring alternatives to increase its interest income while maintaining the highest degree of safety in its investments.

## **Provision for Taxes**

The Company is required to present the provision for taxes as if it were fully taxable in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification 852-740. In prior years, the Company utilized its pre-emergence bankruptcy NOLs in the calculation of its income taxes payable although it is still required to pay U.S. and State alternative minimum taxes (AMT) in certain jurisdictions, even though it has substantial federal and state NOL carry forwards. Due to its loss before taxes in fiscal years 2009 and 2008, the Company did not use any net benefits related to these NOLs. See note 9 to the consolidated financial statements, Income Taxes, in this Form 10-K for additional discussion of the accounting for income taxes and the use of pre-emergence bankruptcy NOLs.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company has financed its liquidity needs over the last several years through revenue generated by the operations of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Medical Graphics Corporation.

The Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$11.2 million and working capital of \$15.2 million as of October 31, 2009. During 2009, the Company generated \$2.3 million in cash from operating activities, primarily from the change in accounts receivable that resulted in a cash inflow of \$1.1 million. The decrease in accounts receivable reflects a year-over-year revenue decline of over 15% for 2009. Days sales outstanding (DSO), which measures how quickly receivables are collected, decreased by 8 days between fiscal 2009 and 2008, improving cash flow. Cash flow was also improved by a decrease in inventory levels of \$724,000 as the Company s purchasing operations adjusted to the downturn in revenue. The payables balance also increased by \$227,000, which positively impacts cash flow, as the Company achieved extended payment terms with various vendors.

During 2009, the Company used \$234,000 in cash to purchase of property, equipment and intangible assets. The Company has no material commitments for capital expenditures for fiscal year 2010.

A small amount of cash was generated from financing activities in 2009 mostly related to the exercise of stock options.

The Company believes that its liquidity and capital resource needs for fiscal year 2010 will be met through its current cash and cash equivalents and cash flows from operations.

## **Critical Accounting Policies**

Significant accounting policies adopted and applied by the Company are summarized in note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, which is included in this Form 10-K. Some of the more critical policies include revenue recognition, reserve for inventory obsolescence, allowance for doubtful accounts, income taxes, and impairment of long-lived assets. The following accounting policies are considered by management to be the most critical to the presentation of the consolidated financial statements because they require the most difficult, subjective and complex judgments.

*Revenue Recognition.* The Company recognizes revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, transfer of title has occurred or services have been rendered, the selling price is fixed or determinable and collectability is reasonably assured. The Company s products are sold for cash or on credit terms requiring payment based on the shipment date. Credit terms can vary between customers due to many factors, but are generally 30-60 days. Revenue, net of discounts, is recognized upon shipment or delivery to customers in accordance with written sales terms. Standard sales terms do not include customer acceptance conditions, future credits, rebates, price protection or general rights of return. The terms of sales to both domestic customers and international distributors are identical. In instances when a customer order specifies final acceptance of the system, the Company defers recognition of revenue until all customer acceptance criteria have been met. Estimated warranty obligations are recorded upon shipment.

Service contract revenue is based on a stated contractual rate and is deferred and recognized ratably over the service period, which is typically from one to four years. Deferred income associated with service contracts and supplies was \$2,022,000 and \$2,005,000 as of October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Revenue from installation and training services provided to domestic customers is deferred until the service has been performed. In the fourth quarter of 2008, the Company changed its policy to recognize revenue related to installation and training if service was not performed within six months from equipment shipment date since the probability these services will be utilized by the customer after that

time is remote based on continued analysis of historical information. The amount of deferred installation and training revenue was \$131,000 and \$223,000 at October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

When a sale involves multiple deliverables, such as equipment, installation services and training, the amount of the consideration from an arrangement is allocated to each respective element based on the residual method and recognized as revenue when revenue recognition criteria for each element is met. Consideration allocated to delivered equipment is equal to the total arrangement consideration less the fair value of installation and training. The fair value of installation and training services is based on specific objective evidence, including third-party invoices. The assumptions used in allocating the amount of consideration to each deliverable represent management s best estimates, but these estimates involve inherent uncertainties and the application of management judgment.

**Reserve for Inventory Obsolescence.** We analyze the level of inventory on hand on a periodic basis in relation to estimated customer requirements to determine whether write-downs for excess, obsolete or slow-moving inventory are required. Any significant or unanticipated change in the factors noted above could have a significant impact on the value of our inventories and on our reported operating results.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts. The Company establishes estimates of the uncollectibility of accounts receivable. Management analyzes accounts receivable, historical write-offs of bad debts, customer concentrations, customer credit-worthiness, current economic trends and changes in customer payment terms when evaluating the adequacy of the allowance for doubtful accounts. The Company maintains an allowance for doubtful accounts at an amount that it estimates to be sufficient to provide adequate protection against losses resulting from collecting less than full payment on receivables. A considerable amount of judgment is required when assessing the realizability of receivables, including assessing the probability of collection and the current credit-worthiness of each customer. If the financial condition of the Company s customers were to deteriorate, resulting in an impairment of their ability to make payments, an additional provision for doubtful accounts might be required. For the year ended October 31, 2009, the allowance for doubtful accounts decreased by \$173,000 from the prior year end.

*Income Taxes.* The Company utilizes the asset and liability method of accounting for income taxes in accordance with FASB ASC 740, Income Taxes. The Company recognizes deferred tax assets or liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the book and tax bases of assets and liabilities. Each quarter, the Company assesses the likelihood that its deferred tax assets will be recovered from future taxable income. The analysis to determine the amount of the valuation allowance is highly judgmental and requires weighing positive and negative evidence including historical and projected future taxable income and ongoing tax planning strategies. While the Company was profitable for nine consecutive quarters through October 31, 2007, this performance was largely driven by revenues generated from one large, single clinical research customer. That revenue ended in fiscal 2008 and the Company sustained a loss in both fiscal 2009 and 2008.

The Company believes more consistent positive operating results are needed before the valuation allowance should be reduced. Based upon management s assessment of all available evidence, the Company determined that it is more likely than not as of October 31, 2009 that none of its deferred tax assets will be realized. Therefore, at October 31, 2009, a full valuation allowance of \$7.2 million has been established against the net deferred tax asset. If the Company determines that it has become more likely than not that part of or all its deferred tax assets will be realized, the Company will be required to partially or fully reduce this valuation allowance. If the Company reduces the valuation allowance, it will be required to allocate this reduction between pre-and post-bankruptcy deferred tax assets in the following manner:

Under the application of FASB ASC 852-740, *Reorganizations*, as amended by FASB ASC 805, *Business Combinations*, when the valuation allowance relating to pre-emergence bankruptcy net operating loss and other deferred tax assets is reversed, tax benefits will be recorded as a reduction to income tax expense. In prior years, the tax benefit from the valuation allowance release would have been credited to intangibles and then to additional paid-in-capital.

The valuation allowance related to post-bankruptcy net operating losses and other deferred tax assets would first affect earnings as a reduction in the provision for taxes and thereafter, the remaining \$0.8 million would increase additional paid-in capital as these deferred tax assets represent employee stock-based compensation tax deductions included in the Company s net operating losses. *Stock-Based Compensation.* The Company calculates stock-based compensation expense for stock option and restricted stock awards on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the underlying award.

Determining the appropriate fair value model and calculating the fair value of share-based payment awards requires the input of highly subjective assumptions, including the expected life of the share-based payment awards and stock price volatility. We use the Black-Scholes option-pricing model to value our stock option awards. The assumptions used in calculating the fair value of share-based payment awards represent management s best estimates, but these estimates involve inherent uncertainties and the application of management judgment. As a result, if factors change and management uses different assumptions, share-based compensation expense could be materially different in the future. We are required to estimate the expected term and forfeiture rate and only recognize expense for those shares expected to vest. If the actual forfeiture rate is materially different from the estimate, share-based compensation expense could be significantly different from what has been recorded in the current period.

*Impairment of Long-Lived Assets*. The Company assesses the recoverability of long-lived assets whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that expected future undiscounted cash flows might not be sufficient to support the carrying value of an asset. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying value of an asset to future net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If these assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured as the amount by which the carrying value of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell. To date, the Company has determined that no impairment of long-lived assets exists.

## Foreign Currency Exchange Risk

All sales made by the Company s Medical Graphics subsidiary are denominated in U.S. dollars. The Company does not currently and does not intend in the future to utilize derivative financial instruments for trading or hedging purposes.

The Company s foreign subsidiaries located in Germany are not operating currently and are being liquidated. Balances remaining with these subsidiaries are currently minimal and the corresponding exposure to foreign exchange rate fluctuations is likewise minimal.

### **Recently Issued Accounting Standards**

In June 2009, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 168, *the FASB Accounting Standards Codification and the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles*. This statement, which was adopted by the Company during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2009,



modified the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) hierarchy by establishing only two levels of GAAP, authoritative and non-authoritative accounting literature. The FASB Accounting Standards Codification (FASB ASC), also known collectively as the Codification, is considered the single source of authoritative U.S. accounting and reporting standards, except for additional authoritative rules and interpretive releases by the SEC. In accordance with this statement, all accounting references in our financial statements have been updated, replacing SFAS references with FASB ASC references.

During May 2009, FASB ASC 855, *Subsequent Events* was issued. This statement requires all entities to evaluate subsequent events through the date that the financial statements are available to be issued and disclose in the notes the date through which the company has evaluated subsequent events and whether the financial statements were issued or were available to be issued on the disclosed date. FASB ASC 855 defines two types of subsequent events, as follows: the first type consists of events or transactions that provide additional evidence about conditions that existed at the date of the balance sheet and the second type consists of events that provide evidence about conditions that did not exist at the date of the balance sheet but arose after that date. FASB ASC 855 was adopted in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 and did not have a material impact on the Company s consolidated financial statements. The Company has evaluated subsequent events occurring through January 29, 2010, the date on which this Annual Report on Form 10-K was issued.

## Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Our financial instruments consist exclusively of investments in money market funds. The value of these funds will fluctuate based on increases or decreases in prevailing market rates. The Company estimated market risk as the potential decrease in value from a hypothetical 0.5% change in interest rates, which did not cause a material change in the quarter end carrying value. As a result, we do not believe the Company has material market risk exposure.

The Company does transact business in international markets. However, as all foreign contracts are dollar-denominated, there is minimal exposure to the Company due to currency fluctuations.

The Company does not use derivative financial instruments nor do we enter into any futures or forward commodity contracts since we do not have significant market risk exposure with respect to commodity prices.

## Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data. Management s Report on Internal Controls over Financial Reporting

The Board of Directors and Shareholders Angeion Corporation St. Paul, MN

The Company s management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as that term is defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting based on the framework in *Internal Control Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on our evaluation under that framework, management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of October 31, 2009.

A control system, no matter how well-designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the control system s objectives will be met. Internal control over financial reporting is a process that involves human diligence and compliance and is subject to lapses in judgment and breakdowns resulting from human failures. In addition, the design of any system of controls is based in part on certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and controls may become inadequate if conditions change. There can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions.

This annual report does not include an attestation report of the Company s independent registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management s report was not subject to attestation by the Company s independent registered public accounting firm pursuant to temporary rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission that permit the Company to provide only management s report in this annual report.

## **Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

To the Shareholders, Audit Committee and Board of Directors Angeion Corporation and Subsidiaries St. Paul, MN

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Angeion Corporation and Subsidiaries as of October 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of operations, shareholders equity and cash flows for the years then ended. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of its internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management as well as evaluating the overall consolidated financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Angeion Corporation and Subsidiaries as of October 31, 2009 and 2008 and the results of their operations and cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

/s/ Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP (FKA: Virchow, Krause & Company, LLP)

Minneapolis, Minnesota January 29, 2010

# ANGEION CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Balance Sheets

# October 31, 2009 and October 31, 2008

(in thousands except share and per share data)

	Oc	tober 31, 2009	Oc	tober 31, 2008
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	11,219	\$	9,047
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$110 and \$283, respectively		4,510		5,446
Inventories, net of obsolescence reserve of \$645 and \$597, respectively		4,371		5,143
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		243		292
Total current assets		20,343		19,928
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$3,305 and \$2,897, respectively		698		937
Intangible assets, net		1,422		2,100
Total Assets	\$	22,463	\$	22,965
Liabilities and Shareholders Equity				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	1,771	\$	1,544
Employee compensation		1,375		1,288
Deferred income		1,579		1,531
Warranty reserve		143		157
Other current liabilities and accrued expenses		323		380
Total current liabilities		5,191		4,900
Long-term liabilities:				
Long-term deferred income		718		789
Total Liabilities		5,909		5,689
Shareholders equity:				
Common stock, \$0.10 par value, authorized 25,000,000 shares, 4,380,817 and 4,166,457 shares issued and				
4,150,371 and 4,091,790 shares outstanding in 2009 and 2008, respectively		415		409
Additional paid-in capital		21,821		20,956
Accumulated deficit		(5,682)		(4,089)
Total shareholders equity		16,554		17,276
Commitments and contingencies (Notes 8, 13, 15)				
Total Liabilities and Shareholders Equity	\$	22,463	\$	22,965
See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.				

# ANGEION CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Operations

(in thousands except per share amounts)

	Year Ended 2009	l October 31, 2008		
Revenues				
Equipment and supply sales	\$ 22,173	\$	26,154	
Service revenue	3,306		3,857	
	25,479		30,011	
Cost of revenues				
Cost of equipment and supplies	11,832		14,064	
Cost of service revenue	385		493	
	12,217		14,557	
Gross margin	13,262		15,454	
Operating expenses:				
Selling and marketing	6,964		8,646	
General and administrative	3,996		4,390	
Research and development	3,151		2,437	
Amortization of intangibles	728		728	
	14,839		16,201	
Operating loss	(1,577)		(747)	
Interest income	16		163	
interest income	10		105	
Loss before income taxes	(1,561)		(584)	
Provision for taxes	32		102	
Net loss	\$ (1,593)	\$	(686)	
Loss per share - basic				
Net loss per share	\$ (0.39)	\$	(0.17)	
Loss per share - diluted				
Net loss per share	\$ (0.39)	\$	(0.17)	
Weichted eveness common shows outstanding				
Weighted average common shares outstanding Basic	4,121		4,090	
Diluted	/			
	4,121		4,090	
See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.				

# ANGEION CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows** 

(in thousands)

	Year Ended 2009	Octol	ber 31, 2008
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:			
Net loss	\$ (1,593)	\$	(686)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation	410		456
Amortization	728		728
Stock-based compensation	790		513
Increase in inventory obsolescence reserve	48		499
Increase/(decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts	(173)		198
Loss on disposal of equipment	13		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable	1,109		2,306
Inventories	724		(332)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	49		55
Accounts payable	227		(314)
Employee compensation	87		(753)
Deferred income	(23)		(262)
Warranty reserve	(14)		(96)
Other current liabilities and accrued expenses	(57)		10
Net cash provided by operating activities	2,325		2,322
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:			
Purchases of property and equipment and intangible assets	(234)		(203)
Net cash used in investing activities	(234)		(203)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:			
Proceeds from issuance of common stock under employee stock purchase plan	20		20
Proceeds from the exercise of stock options	88		
Repurchase of common stock upon vesting of restricted common shares	(27)		
Net cash provided by financing activities	81		20
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	2,172		2,139
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	9.047		6,908
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 11,219	\$	9,047
Cash paid for taxes	\$ 27	\$	31
See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.			

## ANGEION CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES Consolidated Statements of Shareholders Equity

# Years Ended October 31, 2009 and 2008

(in thousands)

	Common stock Number			Additional paid-in		Accumulated		
	of shares	Р	ar value		capital		deficit	Total
Balances at October 31, 2007	4,088	\$	409	\$	20,423	\$	(3,403)	\$ 17,429
Employee stock purchase plan	4				20			20
Stock-based compensation					513			513
Net loss							(686)	(686)
Balances at October 31, 2008	4,092		409		20,956		(4,089)	17,276
Employee stock purchase plan	6		1		19			20
Exercise of stock options	35		4		84			88
Vesting of restricted stock awards	25		2		(2)			
Repurchase of common stock upon vesting of restricted								
common shares	(8)		(1)		(26)			(27)
Stock-based compensation					790			790
Net loss							(1,593)	(1,593)
<b>Balances at October 31, 2009</b> See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.	4,150	\$	415	\$	21,821	\$	(5,682)	\$ 16,554

## (1) Description of Business

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Angeion Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Medical Graphics Corporation. All inter-company transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

Angeion Corporation (the Company ) through its Medical Graphics Corporation subsidiary, designs and markets non-invasive cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems that are sold under the MedGraphics and New Leaf brand and trade names. These cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems have a wide range of applications in healthcare, wellness and health and fitness.

Revenue consists of equipment and supply sales and service revenues. Equipment and supply sales reflect sales of Medical Graphics non-invasive cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems, New Leaf health and fitness products and aftermarket sales of peripherals and supplies. Service revenues reflect contract revenues from extended warranties, non-warranty service visits and training.

### (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies Basis of Presentation

The consolidated financial statements contained in this report reflect the accounting principles set forth in FASB ASC 852, *Reorganizations*. On June 17, 2002, the Company filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota. On October 24, 2002, the Court entered an order confirming the Joint Modified Plan of Reorganization dated September 4, 2002 (Reorganization Plan). The Reorganization Plan became effective on October 25, 2002. For accounting purposes, the Company adopted fresh-start reporting in accordance with FASB ASC 852 as of October 31, 2002. In accordance with fresh-start reporting, all assets and liabilities were recorded at their respective fair values. Goodwill and intangible assets recorded upon the Company s emergence from bankruptcy have subsequently been reduced by the use of pre-emergence bankruptcy net operating loss carry forwards (NOLs).

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents consist of temporary cash investments with maturities of three months or less from the date of purchase. As of October 31, 2009 and 2008, cash equivalents consisted of investments in money market funds. The Company has determined that the fair value of the money market funds fall within Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy. The Company deposits its cash in high credit quality financial institutions. The balance, at times, may exceed federally insured limits.

## Trade receivables

We carry unsecured trade receivables at original invoice amount less an estimate made for doubtful receivables based on a monthly review of all outstanding amounts. Management determines the allowance for doubtful accounts by regularly evaluating individual customer receivables and considering a customer s financial condition, credit history and current economic conditions. We write off trade receivables when we deem them uncollectible and record recoveries of trade receivables previously written off when we receive them. When accounts receivable are considered past due, we do not charge interest on the balance. As of October 31, 2009 and 2008, the allowance for doubtful accounts was \$110,000 and \$283,000, respectively.

## Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. Cost is determined on a first in, first out basis.

### **Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment acquired subsequent to October 31, 2002 are carried at cost. Upon the adoption of fresh-start accounting, the basis for property and equipment at October 31, 2002 was adjusted to reflect fair values of the assets. Equipment, computers and furniture and fixtures are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets that range from three to ten years. Leasehold improvements are depreciated using the straight-line method over the shorter of the lease term or the estimated useful life of the asset. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred.

## Intangible Assets

Definite-lived intangible assets consist of developed technology that is amortized on a straight-line basis over seven and ten years.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying amount for cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable, and accrued expenses approximates fair value due to the immediate or short-term maturity of these financial instruments. The Company has no long-term debt.

#### Advertising expense

Advertising is expensed as incurred and was \$9,000 and \$29,000 for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

### Income Taxes

The Company utilizes the asset and liability method of accounting for income taxes in accordance with FASB ASC 740, Income Taxes. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax basis. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which the Company expects these temporary differences to be recovered or settled. See note 9 to the consolidated financial statements, Income Taxes, for discussion of the Company s valuation allowance.

On January 1, 2007, the Company adopted the provisions of FASB ASC 740-10, Income Taxes related to accounting for income tax uncertainties. In accounting for uncertainty in income taxes, we recognize the financial statement benefit of a tax position only after determining that the relevant tax authority would more likely than not sustain the position following an audit. For tax positions meeting the more likely than not threshold, the amount recognized in the consolidated financial statements is the largest benefit that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with the relevant tax authority. The Company recognizes interest and penalties on any unrecognized tax benefits as a component of income tax expense. As a result of the adoption, the Company recognized a \$27,000 increase to reserves for uncertain tax positions. This amount was recognized as tax expense during the

period ended January 31, 2008. For additional information, see note 9 to the consolidated financial statements, Income Taxes .

## **Revenue Recognition**

The Company recognizes revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, transfer of title has occurred or services have been rendered, the selling price is fixed or determinable and collectability is reasonably assured. The Company s products are sold for cash or on credit terms requiring payment based on the shipment date. Credit terms can vary between customers due to many factors, but are generally 30 to 60 days. Revenue, net of discounts, is recognized upon shipment or delivery to customers in accordance with written sales terms. Standard sales terms do not include customer acceptance conditions, future credits, rebates, price protection or general rights of return. The terms of sales to both domestic customers and international distributors are identical. In instances when a customer order specifies final acceptance of the system, the Company defers recognition of revenue until all customer acceptance criteria have been met. Estimated warranty obligations are recorded upon shipment. Sales and use taxes are reported on a net basis, excluding them from revenues and cost of revenues.

Service contract revenue is based on a stated contractual rate and is deferred and recognized ratably over the service period, which is typically from one to four years. Deferred income associated with service contracts and supplies was \$2,022,000 and \$2,005,000 as of October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Revenue from installation and training services provided to customers is deferred until the service has been performed or no further obligations to perform the service exist. The amount of deferred installation and training revenue was \$131,000 and \$223,000 at October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. In the fourth quarter of 2008, the Company changed its policy to recognize revenue related to installation and training if service was not performed within six months from equipment shipment date since the probability these services will be utilized by the customer after that time is remote based on continued analysis of historical information. Previously, the Company had waited three years until recognizing unused installation and training services. As a result of this change in estimate, the Company recognized \$219,000 in additional revenue, an impact of \$0.05 on basic and diluted earnings per share, during the quarter.

When a sale involves multiple deliverables, such as equipment, installation services and training, the amount of the consideration from an arrangement is allocated to each respective element based on the residual method and recognized as revenue when revenue recognition criteria for each element is met. Consideration allocated to delivered equipment is equal to the total arrangement consideration less the fair value of installation and training services is based on specific objective evidence, including third-party invoices.

No customer accounted for more than 10% of revenue in the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008.

#### Advance Payments from Customers

The Company typically does not receive advance payments from its customers in connection with the sale of its products. The Company occasionally enters into an arrangement under which a customer agrees to purchase a large quantity of product that is to be delivered over a period of time. Depending on the size of these arrangements, the Company may negotiate an advance payment from these customers. At October 31, 2009, advance payments from customers aggregated \$144,000, of which \$81,000 was from a single customer, and at October 31, 2008, advance payments from customers aggregated \$92,000,

of which \$24,000 was from a single customer. Revenue recognition for customer orders that include advance payments is consistent with the Company s revenue recognition policy described above.

#### **Research and Development Costs**

All research and development costs are charged to operations as incurred.

#### Shipping and Handling Costs

The Company includes shipping and handling revenues in net sales and shipping and handling costs in cost of revenue.

#### Net Loss per Share

Basic loss per share is computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average shares outstanding during the reporting period. Diluted loss per share is computed similarly to basic loss per share except that the weighted average shares outstanding are increased to include additional shares from the assumed exercise of stock options, if dilutive, as well as the dilutive effect of any unvested restricted shares. The number of additional shares is calculated by assuming that outstanding stock options were exercised and that the proceeds from the exercise were used to acquire shares of common stock at the average market price during the reporting period.

Due to the net loss for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008, stock options and unvested restricted shares were not dilutive.

Shares used in the loss per share computations for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008 are as follows:

(In thousands)	2009	2008
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic	4,121	4,090
Dilutive effect of stock options and unvested restricted shares	0	0
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted	4,121	4,090
Concentrations of Credit Risk		

Financial instruments that subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash investments and trade accounts receivable. The Company invests cash in excess of current operating needs in accordance with its investment policy, which emphasizes principal preservation.

#### Stock-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for stock-based compensation using the modified-prospective method. Under this method, the Company recognizes stock-based compensation cost at the grant date based on the fair value of the award and recognizes the compensation expense straight-line over the requisite service period, which is generally the vesting period. Total stock-based compensation expense included in the Company s statements of operations for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008 was \$790,000 and

\$513,000, respectively. For additional information, see Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements, Shareholder s equity .

#### Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

The Company assesses the recoverability of long-lived assets annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that expected future undiscounted cash flows might not be sufficient to support the carrying value of an asset. The Company measures the recoverability of assets to be held and used by comparing the carrying value of an asset to future net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If the assets are considered to be impaired, the Company recognizes the impairment as the amount by which the carrying value of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell. The Company has determined that no impairment of long-lived assets existed as of October 31, 2009.

#### Use of Estimates

Preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### New Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2009, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 168, *the FASB Accounting Standards Codification and the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles*. This statement, which was adopted by the Company during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2009, modified the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) hierarchy by establishing only two levels of GAAP, authoritative and non-authoritative accounting literature. The FASB Accounting Standards Codification (FASB ASC), also known collectively as the Codification, is considered the single source of authoritative U.S. accounting and reporting standards, except for additional authoritative rules and interpretive releases by the SEC. In accordance with this statement, all accounting references in these financial statements have been updated, replacing SFAS references with FASB ASC references.

During May 2009, FASB ASC 855, *Subsequent Events* was issued. This statement requires all entities to evaluate subsequent events through the date that the financial statements are available to be issued and disclose in the notes the date through which the Company has evaluated subsequent events and whether the financial statements were issued or were available to be issued on the disclosed date. FASB ASC 855 defines two types of subsequent events. The first type consists of events or transactions that provide additional evidence about conditions that existed at the date of the balance sheet and the second type consists of events that provide evidence about conditions that did not exist at the date of the balance sheet but arose after that date. FASB ASC 855 was adopted in the third quarter of fiscal 2009 and did not have a material impact on the Company s consolidated financial statements. The Company has evaluated subsequent events occurring through January 29, 2010, the date on which the consolidated financial statements were issued.



#### (3) Inventories

Inventories consisted of the following at October 31, 2009 and 2008:

(In thousands)	2009	2008		
Raw materials	\$ 1,602	\$	2,035	
Work-in-Process	163		156	
Finished goods	2,606		2,952	
	\$ 4,371	\$	5,143	

During the year ended October 31, 2008, the Company changed its estimates for the reserve for obsolescence related to inventory used in sales and customer demonstrations due to changing economic conditions and aging related to these inventory items. In addition, the Company wrote off \$149,000 of obsolete inventory related to computers and peripherals. The following table illustrates the effect on pretax loss and loss per share for the year ended October 31, 2008:

	Pretax Loss			per Share		
(In thousands, except per share data)	Effect		Effect		I	Effect
Write off of obsolete computers and peripherals	\$	149	\$	(0.04)		
Increase in obsolescence reserve for sales and customer demonstration inventory		350		(0.08)		
Total effect	\$	499	\$	(0.12)		

#### (4) **Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment consisted of the following at October 31, 2009 and 2008:

(In thousands)	2	2009		2008
Furniture and fixtures	\$	2,233	\$	2,118
Equipment		1,049		1,034
Leasehold improvements		721		682
		4,003		3,834
Less: accumulated depreciation		(3,305)		(2,897)
	\$	698	\$	937
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Depreciation expense for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008 was \$410,000 and \$456,000, respectively.

#### (5) Intangible Assets

Intangible assets consisted of the following at October 31, 2009 and 2008:

(In thousands)		2009		2008
Intangible assets:				
Developed technology		\$ 6,764	\$	6,722
Trademarks (unamortized)		59		53
		6,823		6,775
Amortization developed technology		(5,401)		(4,675)
		\$ 1,422	\$	2,100
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Gross intangible assets increased by \$48,000 for the year ended October 31, 2009. This increase consisted of \$6,000 classified as trademarks and \$42,000 related to patents.

The intangible assets related to developed technology are being amortized using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets that range from seven to ten years. Amortization expense was \$728,000 for each of the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008. Estimated amortization expense for each of the succeeding fiscal years based on the intangible assets as of October 31, 2009 is as follows:

(In thousands)	Amortization
2010	420
2011	421
2012	420
	\$ 1,261

The above table does not include estimated amortization expense for patents of \$102,000, included in developed technology, that are not yet placed in service.

#### (6) Warranty Reserve

Sales of the Company s equipment are subject to a warranty obligation. Equipment warranties typically extend for a period of twelve months from the date of installation. Standard warranty terms are included in customer contracts. Under the terms of these warranties, the Company is obligated to repair or replace any components or assemblies that it deems defective in workmanship or materials. The Company reserves the right to reject warranty claims where it determines that failure is due to normal wear, customer modifications, improper maintenance or misuse. The Company maintains a warranty reserve that reflects the estimated expenses that it will incur to honor the warranties on its products. The Company adjusts the warranty reserve based on the number and type of equipment that is subject to warranty, adjusted for the remaining months of warranty coverage. The warranty reserve adjustment reflects the Company s historical warranty experience based on the type of equipment.

Warranty provisions and claims for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008 were as follows:

(In thousands)	2	009	2008
Balance, beginning of year	\$	157	\$ 253
Warranty provisions		238	257
Warranty claims		(252)	(353)
Balance, end of year	\$	143	\$ 157

#### (7) Shareholders Equity Stock Options and Restricted Stock Awards

Under the Angeion Corporation 2002 Stock Option Plan (the 2002 Plan ), the Company had reserved 800,000 shares of its common stock for issuance upon exercise of stock options. As of October 31, 2009, options for 800,000 shares had been granted, 461,850 shares had been issued upon exercise of options, 950 were forfeited and options to purchase 337,200 shares remained outstanding. In connection with the adoption of the 2007 Stock Incentive Plan described below, the 2002 Plan was amended to provide that no new options could be granted under the 2002 Plan.

At a Special Meeting of Shareholders held on August 22, 2007, the shareholders approved the Angeion Corporation 2007 Stock Incentive Plan (the 2007 Plan ) and reserved 250,000 shares of its common stock for issuance under the 2007 Plan. At the 2008 Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on May 20, 2008, the shareholders approved an amendment to the 2007 Plan that increased the authorized shares of common stock for issuance by 300,000 shares. At the 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on June 3, 2009, the shareholders approved an amendment to the 2007 Plan that increased the authorized shares of common stock for issuance by 100,000 to a total of 650,000 shares. As of October 31, 2009, stock options for 358,587 shares were outstanding, 24,891 shares had been issued pursuant to fully vested restricted stock awards, 230,444 shares were subject to unvested restricted stock awards and 36,078 shares were available for future grant.

The 2007 Plan and 2002 Plan both provide that incentive stock options and nonqualified stock options to purchase shares of common stock may be granted at prices determined by the Compensation Committee, except that the purchase price of incentive stock options may not be less than the fair market value of the stock at date of grant. Under the 2007 Plan, all options expire no later than seven years from the grant date while under the 2002 Plan, all options expire no later than ten years from the grant date. Options under both plans are subject to various vesting schedules. In addition, the 2007 Plan allows the granting of restricted stock awards, stock appreciation rights and performance stock.

#### Stock Options

	For the year ended							
	October 31, 2009 October 31, 2					: 31, 2008		
	Weighted					Weighted		
	Average					Average		
	<b>C1</b>		Exercise			Exercise		
	Shares		Price	Shares		Price		
Outstanding at beginning of year	730,953	\$	5.96	611,120	\$	6.12		
Granted				161,000		5.62		
Exercised	(35,000)		2.53					
Expired or cancelled	(166)		5.16	(41,167)		7.09		
Outstanding at end of year	695,787	\$	6.13	730,953	\$	5.96		
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The following table summarizes information concerning stock options outstanding as of October 31, 2009:

Exercise Prices	Number Outstanding	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life	Number Subject to Exercise
\$ 2.00	11,650	2.99	11,650
2.53	62,000	5.13	62,000
5.08	84,000	5.40	84,000
5.16	48,834	5.82	16,347
5.66	90,000	5.55	30,003
6.23	84,500	3.47	84,500
6.60	71,583	4.66	48,842
7.08	10,000	5.42	3,334
7.79	86,800	3.41	86,800
7.81	2,000	5.01	667
7.86	144,420	5.00	96,290
Total	695,787	4.68	524,433

The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the year ended October 31, 2009 was \$28,000. No options were exercised during the year ended October 31, 2008. The total intrinsic value of options outstanding and exercisable at October 31, 2009 was \$89,000, which was calculated using the closing stock price at the end of the fiscal year less the option price of in-the-money options. The Company issues new shares when stock options are exercised. The Company received \$88,000 of cash from the exercise of stock options for the year ended October 31, 2009. Unrecognized compensation expense related to outstanding stock options as of October 31, 2009 was \$645,000 and is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.29 years.

#### Valuation Assumptions

The Company uses the Black-Scholes option-pricing model ( Black-Scholes model ) to determine the fair value of stock options as of the grant date. The fair value of stock options under the Black-Scholes model requires management to make assumptions regarding projected employee stock option exercise behaviors, risk-free interest rates, volatility of the Company s stock price and expected dividends. No stock options were granted for the year ended October 31, 2009.

The expense recognized for options granted under the 2002 Plan and 2007 Plan is equal to the fair value of stock options as of the grant date. The following table presents the range of the weighted average fair value of options granted to directors and employees and the related assumptions used in the Black-Scholes model for stock option grants made during the year ended October 31, 2008:

	2008
Range of fair value of options granted	\$3.56 - \$5.64
Assumptions used:	
Expected life (years) <sup>(a)</sup>	4.50
Risk free interest rate <sup>(b)</sup>	2.72% - 4.10%
Volatility <sup>(c)</sup>	91.4% - 96.6%
Dividend yield <sup>(d)</sup>	0.00%
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- a) *Expected life*: For employee grants, the expected term of options granted is determined using the shortcut method. Under this approach, the expected term is presumed to be the mid-point between the vesting date and the end of the contractual term. For director grants, the Company s estimate is based upon historical data, the contractual terms of the options granted and other factors.
- b) *Risk-free interest rate*: The rate is based on the U.S. Treasury zero-coupon yield curve on the grant date for a maturity similar to the expected life of the options.
- c) *Volatility:* The expected volatility of the Company s common stock is calculated by using the historical daily volatility of the Company s stock price calculated over a period of time representative of the expected life of the options.
- d) *Dividend yield*: The dividend yield rate is not considered in the model, as the Company has not established a dividend policy for the stock.

#### **Restricted Stock Awards**

On June 3, 2009, the Board of Directors authorized the issuance of 180,668 restricted shares of the Company s common stock. Restricted stock awards are awards of common stock that are subject to restrictions on transfer and to a risk of forfeiture if the awardee leaves the Company before the restrictions lapse. The holder of a restricted stock award is generally entitled at all times on and after the date of issuance of the restricted shares to exercise the rights of a shareholder of the Company, including the right to vote the shares. The value of the restricted stock award was established by the market price on the date of grant which was \$2.62 per share. The restricted stock awards will vest over a three-year period and are included in common stock issued as of the grant date.

On August 28, 2008, the Board of Directors authorized the issuance of 74,667 restricted shares of the Company s common stock when the market price of the common stock was \$5.16.

A summary of the Company s restricted stock activity for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008 is presented in the following table:

	For the year ended						
October	October 31, 2009 October				er 31, 2008		
	Weighted Average Grant Date			Av Gra	ighted erage nt Date		
Shares	Fair Value		Shares	Fair	Value		
74,667	\$	5.16					
180,668		2.62	74,667	\$	5.16		
(24,891)		5.16					
230,444	\$	3.17	74,667	\$	5.16		
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Unrecognized compensation expense related to outstanding restricted stock awards as of October 31, 2009 was \$643,000 and is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.34 years. There were no restricted stock awards granted prior to the year ended October 31, 2008.

The following table presents the statement of operations classification of pre-tax stock-based compensation expense recognized for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008:

(In thousands)	20	2009		2008
Cost of revenue	\$	58	\$	36
Selling and marketing		153		118
General and administrative		491		327
Research and development		88		32
Stock-based compensation expense	\$	790	\$	513
Employee Stock Purchase Plan				

The Angeion Corporation 2003 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (Stock Plan) allows participating employees to purchase shares of the Company's common stock at a discount through payroll deductions. The Stock Plan is available to all employees subject to certain eligibility requirements. Terms of the Stock Plan provide that participating employees may purchase the Company's common stock on a voluntary after tax basis. Historically, employees could purchase the Company's common stock at a price that is no less than the lower of 85% of the fair market value of one share of common stock at the beginning or end of each stock purchase period or phase. The Company increased the price at which common stock may be purchased to 95% of the market value effective January 1, 2007. The Stock Plan is carried out in six-month phases, with phases beginning on January 1 and July 1 of each calendar year. For the phases that ended on December 31, 2008 and June 30, 2009, employees purchased 3,621 and 3,127 shares, respectively at a price of \$2.99 and \$2.85 per share, respectively. As of October 31, 2009, the Company has withheld approximately \$7,000 from employees participating in the phase that began on July 1, 2009. At October 31, 2009, approximately 60,350 shares of common stock were available for future purchase under the Stock Plan.

#### Tax Impacts of Stock-Based Compensation

The Company reports the benefits of tax deductions in excess of recognized share-based compensation expense on the consolidated statement of cash flows as financing cash flows. For the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008, there were no excess tax benefits.

#### (8) Leases

The Company leases office and manufacturing space, and various office accessories. The building lease for the Company s present office and manufacturing space expires on December 31, 2011. The Company also leases office space in Milan, Italy that expires in December 2012. Total lease expenses, including office and manufacturing space, were \$470,000 and \$442,000 for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Future minimum lease payments under operating leases in effect at October 31, 2009 are as follows:

Year Ended October 31, (in thousands)		Ar	nount
2010		\$	442
2011			408
2012			147
2013			78
2014			19
		\$	1,094
	43		

#### (9) Income Taxes

The total provision for income taxes relates to current tax expense and was \$32,000 and \$102,000 for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

The Company has federal net operating loss and general business tax credit carryforwards; however, the utilization of these tax loss and tax credit carry forwards is limited under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) §382 and §383, respectively, as a result of a significant change in ownership that occurred in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2006. The Company estimates that the amount of federal net operating loss carry forward that is not limited is approximately \$17.8 million. These loss carryforwards will expire in years 2010 through 2025. Additionally, the Company has concluded that all general business credit carry forwards are limited and not available for use in future years. The Company also has \$109,000 of alternative minimum tax credit carry forwards that do not have expiration dates. The alternative minimum tax credit carry forwards are limited by IRC §383 but their ultimate use is not affected since they never expire. The following table summarizes the expiration of federal net operating loss carry forwards over the next five years, after considering the statutory limitations described above:

(In thousands)	Net Operati Losses	ing
2010		534
2011	1,1	172 491
2012	1,4	491
2013		
2014		
Total	\$ 4,1	197

The actual tax expense attributable to loss from continuing operations differs from the expected tax benefit computed by applying the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate of 34% to the loss from continuing operations as follows:

	2009	2008
Federal statutory rate	(34.0)%	(34.0)%
State taxes, net of federal benefit	2.2	5.3
Change in federal valuation allowance	(40.2)	12.6
Impact of expiration of net operating losses	61.1	
Non-deductible meals and entertainment	1.7	6.2
Stock-based compensation	8.6	19.2
Increase in reserve for tax uncertainties		6.0
Other	2.6	2.2
Effective income tax rate	2.0%	17.5%
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The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred tax assets and liabilities are presented below:

(In thousands)	2009	2008
Deferred tax assets:		
Net operating loss carry forwards	\$ 6,336	\$ 7,185
Tax credit carry forwards	109	113
Deferred revenue	267	292
Inventory reserve	240	221
Stock-based compensation	172	85
Other	234	324
Valuation allowance	(7,209)	(7,836)
Total deferred tax assets	149	384
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Intangible assets	(138)	(360)
Fixed assets	(11)	(24)
Total deferred tax liabilities	(149)	(384)
Net deferred income tax asset/(liability)	\$	\$

The valuation allowance for deferred tax assets as of October 31, 2009 and 2008 was \$7,209,000 and \$7,836,000, respectively. The total valuation allowance decreased by \$627,000 for the year ended October 31, 2009 and increased \$72,000 for the year ended October 31, 2008. In assessing the need for a valuation allowance, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which those temporary differences become deductible. Management considers the scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income and tax planning strategies in making this assessment. Based on the Company s assessment of these factors, the net deferred tax assets as of October 31, 2009 and 2008 have been fully reduced by the valuation allowance.

Under the application of fresh-start accounting, as amended by ASC 805 Business Combinations, when the valuation allowance relating to pre-emergence bankruptcy net operating loss and other deferred tax assets is reversed, tax benefits will be recorded as a reduction to income tax expense. In prior years, the tax benefit from the valuation allowance release would have been credited to intangibles and then to additional paid-in-capital.

Any reduction of the valuation allowance related to post-bankruptcy net operating losses and other deferred tax assets would (i) first affect earnings as a reduction in the provision for taxes and (ii) thereafter, the remaining \$0.8 million would increase additional paid-in capital as these deferred tax assets represent employee stock-based compensation tax deductions included in the Company s net operating losses.

On January 1, 2007, the Company adopted the provisions of ASC 740-10, Income Taxes related to accounting for uncertainties in income taxes. In accounting for uncertainty in income taxes we recognize the financial statement benefit of a tax position only after determining that the relevant tax authority would more likely than not sustain the position following an audit. For tax positions meeting the more likely than not threshold, the amount recognized in the financial statements is the largest benefit that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with the relevant tax authority. The Company recognizes interest and penalties on any unrecognized tax benefits as a

component of income tax expense. As a result of the adoption, the Company recognized a \$27,000 increase to reserves for uncertain tax positions. This amount was recognized as tax expense during the period ended January 31, 2008. During the period ended October 31, 2008, the Company recognized an additional \$8,200 of interest and penalties related to the unrecognized tax benefits for a total of \$35,200. For the current year ended October 31, 2009, there was no change in the liability for unrecognized tax benefits as any liability change or accrual for additional interest or penalties was determined by the Company to be immaterial.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of unrecognized tax benefits at October 31, 2009 follows:

(In thousands)	
Balance as of November 1, 2007	\$ 27,000
Additions during year ended October 31, 2008	8,200
Additions during year ended October 31, 2009	
Balance as of October 31, 2009	\$ 35,200

If recognized, these benefits would favorably impact the effective tax rate. The increase in tax liabilities is due to the Company s decision to not file income tax returns in certain states where income tax nexus may ultimately be asserted by the state. Included in the ending liability for unrecognized tax benefits is an estimate for interest and penalties totaling \$10,300.

Our Federal income tax returns are closed for all tax years up to and including 2005. The expiration of the statute of limitations related to the various state income tax returns that the Company file varies by state.

#### (10) 401(k) Savings Plan

Substantially all employees are eligible to participate in the 401(k) Savings Plan (Savings Plan). Employees may make pre-tax voluntary contributions to their individual accounts up to a maximum of 50% of their aggregate compensation, but not more than currently allowable Internal Revenue Service limitations. The Savings Plan permits matching and discretionary employer contributions. The Company matches 25% of the first 4% of an employee s annual compensation. Company contributions to the Savings Plan were \$50,000 and \$77,000 for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Employee participants in the Savings Plan may allocate their account balances among 22 different funds available through a third party custodian.

#### (11) Reporting Comprehensive Loss

The Company s net loss and comprehensive loss are equivalent and therefore are not presented separately.

#### (12) Segment Reporting

The Company operates in a single industry segment, the manufacture and sale of cardiorespiratory diagnostic products. The Company sells its products into many countries throughout the world. Net sales by geographic area are shown in the following table.

(In thousands)	Y	lear Ended 2009	Octo	ber 31, 2008
Revenues from unaffiliated customers:				
United States	\$	20,019	\$	23,817
Foreign countries		5,460		6,194
	\$	25,479	\$	30,011

#### (13) Royalty Commitments

In June of 1984, the Company entered into a Technology Transfer Agreement with a third party under which the Company obtained all rights to use concepts, ideas, designs and know-how related to a software expert system platform that interprets pulmonary function test data. In return for this technology transfer, the Company agreed to pay \$100 for each unit it sells that utilizes this technology. The Company incurred \$0 and \$25,000 in royalty expenses for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, related to this commitment. The Company terminated this agreement on October 31, 2008.

#### (14) Severance

During the year ended October 31, 2009, the Company incurred \$18,000 of severance costs related to the termination of 3 employees.

On January 31, 2008, the Company implemented a Reduction-In-Force that terminated the employment of eight employees to allow better management of operating expenses. On the same date, the Company s then Chief Financial Officer retired. As a result of these actions, the Company accrued a total of \$194,000 in severance costs.

On April 30, 2008, the Company implemented a second Reduction-In-Force that terminated the employment of nine employees. In the second quarter 2008, the Company also terminated a relationship with a foreign distributor. As a result of these actions, the Company accrued a total of \$172,000 in severance costs.

An immaterial amount of severance expense was recorded in the fourth quarter of 2008. For the year ended October 31, 2008, total severance costs of \$369,000 were incurred.

The following table reconciles activity for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008 for accrued severance expenses:

(In thousands)	2009		2008
Balance, beginning of year	\$	6 \$	0
Severance payments	(1	4)	(363)
Severance incurred during the year	1	8	369
Balance, end of year	\$ 1	0 \$	6
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#### 15) Litigation

The Company is also subject to certain claims and lawsuits that have been filed in the ordinary course of business. From time to time, the Company initiates lawsuits against others to enforce patents or to seek collection of debts in the ordinary course of business. There are no known current lawsuits or other litigation that involve the Company. It is management s opinion that the settlement of all litigation arising in the ordinary course of business would not have a material effect on the financial position, results of operations or liquidity of the Company.

#### Item 9. Changes In and Disagreements With Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.

During the two most recent fiscal years, there were no disagreements between us and our accountants on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedure, which would have caused them to make reference thereto in their report on the financial statements for such fiscal years.

#### Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.

#### (a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Company maintains disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is (i) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms and (ii) accumulated and communicated to the Company s management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Our management does not expect that our disclosure controls or our internal control over financial reporting will prevent or detect all errors and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the control system s objectives will be met. Internal control over financial reporting is a process that involves human diligence and compliance and is subject to lapses in judgment and breakdowns resulting from human failures. In addition, the design of any system of controls is based in part on certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and controls may become inadequate if conditions change. There can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions.

In connection with the filing of this Form 10-K, management evaluated, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company s Chief Executive Officer, Rodney A. Young, and Chief Financial Officer, William J. Kullback, the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company s disclosure controls and procedures as of October 31, 2009. Based upon that evaluation, the Company s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company s disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of October 31, 2009.

#### (b) Changes in Internal Controls.

There have been no significant changes in internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the fourth fiscal quarter of 2009 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant s internal control over financial reporting.

The Company s internal control report is included in this report in Item 8, under the heading Management s Report on Internal Controls over Financial Reporting.

Item 9B. Other Information.

None.

#### PART III

#### Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.

The following table sets forth certain information regarding the Company s directors and executive officers as of January 15, 2010:

Name of Director or Executive Officer	Age	Principal Occupation	Director of Angeion Since
John R. Baudhuin	47	President and Chief Executive Officer of Mad Dogg Athletics	2007
K. James Ehlen, M.D.	65	Chair of Angeion Corporation and Chief Executive Officer of Respirtech Medical	2005
Terrance J. Kapsen	59	Executive Vice President, Angeion Corporation	
William J. Kullback	50	Chief Financial Officer, Angeion Corporation	
John C. Penn	70	Chairman of Intek Plastics, Inc.	2000
Paula R. Skjefte	51	President and Chief Executive Officer of Waterford Consulting, Inc.	2008
Philip I. Smith	42	President and CEO of DGIMed Ortho	2006
Rodney A. Young	54	President and Chief Executive Officer, Angeion Corporation	2004

#### **Other Information about Directors**

*John R. Baudhuin* is the founder and Chief Executive Officer of California-based Mad Dogg Athletics Inc. (MDA), an international health and fitness company. The company manufactures, distributes and develops fitness products and related educational programs through its offices in the United States, Italy and the Netherlands. With over 175,000 certified instructors and 35,000 licensed facilities, the company s SPINNING® and Peak Pilates® brands have a presence in 80 countries worldwide. Prior to founding MDA in 1994, Mr. Baudhuin worked as a Certified Public Accountant for Los Angeles-based Duitch, Franklin & Company, where he provided a variety of consulting and strategic planning services. An active member of the Young Presidents Organization, Baudhuin received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the University of California, Santa Barbara and his MBA from Loyola Marymount University.

*K. James Ehlen, M.D.* serves as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Respirtech, Inc., a manufacturer of high-frequency chest compression (HFCC) medical equipment. Prior to joining Respirtech in 2008, Dr. Ehlen was Chief Executive Officer of Minnesota-based EPIEN Medical, a privately held medical device company whose primary mission is to develop innovative topical products that enhance the repair of damaged epithelial tissue. Dr. Ehlen has also served as Chair of Halleland Health Consulting Group, a Minneapolis-based health consulting firm focusing on health and wellness, improving governance in health-care organizations, and assisting early stage organizations to move forward successfully. From February 2001 to February 2003, Dr. Ehlen served as Chief, Clinical Leadership for Humana Inc., a national managed care organization. He was Executive Leader of the Health Care Practice for Halleland Health Consulting Group from May 2000 to February 2001 and was a self-employed health care consultant from June 1999 to May 2000. Beginning in 1988, Dr. Ehlen served in a series of executive roles beginning with CEO of Medica Health Plans through March of 1994. He then became founder and co-CEO of Allina Health System in 1994 and served through June 1999. He is currently serving on the board of several organizations including Health Fitness Corporation, Augustana Health Services and Union Health Services. He is a long-standing member of the American College of Physician Executives.

*Terrance J. Kapsen* was named Angeion s Executive Vice President on December 10, 2009. Prior to his promotion to Executive Vice President, Mr. Kapsen s role within the Company spanned nearly three decades throughout which time he served in a number of executive positions with the company in areas including product development, technical services, marketing, and both domestic and international sales management. Mr. Kapsen was instrumental in the formation of Angeion s New Leaf health and fitness business and most recently has been responsible for marketing and corporate business development as Senior Vice President for both the MedGraphics and New Leaf product lines. Mr. Kapsen received his Bachelor of Science from St. John s University in Collegeville, Minnesota.

*William J. Kullback* was appointed Angeion s Chief Financial Officer and Senior Vice President on March 17, 2008. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Kullback served as co-founder and CFO of Flex Fund Financial, a private financial services firm. From April 2005 to May 2006, Kullback served as CFO for IntriCon Corporation, a publicly traded manufacturer that specializes in the high technology medical device and communications industries. Kullback also served as Senior Vice President and CFO at MedSource Technologies, Inc., a medical device outsourcer, from November 2002 until its sale in September 2004, and as Executive Vice President and CFO at PEMSTAR, Inc., a public engineering and manufacturing service corporation. Mr. Kullback previously held a variety of financial and accounting positions at Crenlo, Inc., the Stant Corporation, and at PriceWaterhouse. Mr. Kullback also served as a director of Reptron Electronics where he was chairman of the audit committee and involved in the sale of this publicly traded manufacturing firm. Mr. Kullback received his M.B.A. and his B.A. from the State University of New York at Buffalo.

*John C. Penn* is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Intek Plastics, Inc., a privately owned plastic extruder located in Hastings, Minnesota. He has served as Chairman since 1988 and as CEO intermittently since 2003. Mr. Penn also served as Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Satellite Companies from 1998 to March 2003. From 1990 to 1997, Mr. Penn was the President and Chief Executive Officer of Centers for Diagnostic Imaging. Previously, he served in a senior management capacity in various manufacturing companies. Mr. Penn serves and has served on the Board of Directors of several private and public corporations. Mr. Penn currently serves on the Board of Directors of Health Fitness Corporation, a public corporation. He also served as a director of Medical Graphics from December 1996 to December 1999.

*Paula R Skjefte* has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Waterford Consulting, Inc., a strategic consulting firm for growing medical device companies since 2003. Prior to founding Waterford Consulting, Ms. Skjefte served in a variety of executive positions at Medtronic, Inc. for 16 years, serving most recently as the Vice President of Consumer Business for Medtronic Physio-Control, and Vice President of Strategic and Product Planning, and Chair of the Product Planning Council for the Cardiac Rhythm Management Division. Her prior roles at Medtronic include leadership of worldwide marketing, market development, business development; and participation in the Medtronic Foundation Board, Japan and European Operating Boards. She is a frequent speaker on the topics of new product innovation and commercialization. Ms. Skjefte holds a Masters in Business Administration from the University of Minnesota, and a Bachelors of Science in Nursing from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. Ms. Skjefte also currently serves on the boards of Cardialen and Taylor Technologies.

*Philip I. Smith* was named President and CEO of DGIMed Ortho, an early-stage medical device company in December of 2008. Prior to that, Mr. Smith served as Executive Vice President Corporate Development for Vital Images, Inc. from September 2005 until August 2008.. He served as Vital Images, Inc. Vice President-Marketing and Corporate Development from January 2004 until September 2005 and its Vice President-Corporate Development from February 2003 until January 2004. From April 2002 to November 2002, Mr. Smith served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Thermonix, a medical technology company. From April 2000 until April 2002, Mr. Smith was Vice President, Marketing and Corporate Development of Image-Guided Neurologics, Inc., a medical technology company. From August 1997 to February 2000, Mr. Smith was an investment banker with the medical technology group at US Bancorp Piper Jaffray. Before August 1997, Mr. Smith held senior sales positions at GE Medical Systems. Mr. Smith holds a bachelor of science in electrical engineering from the University of Florida, and a master of business administration from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

*Rodney A. Young* has over 25 years in the medical device, manufacturing and pharmaceutical fields. Prior to joining Angeion Corporation as Executive Vice President in July 2004, Mr. Young had served as a consultant. Prior to consulting, Mr. Young was a director, Chief Executive Officer and President of LecTec Corporation from August 1996 until July 2003 and Chair of LecTec from November 1996 until July 2003. Prior to his employment at LecTec, Mr. Young served Baxter International, Inc. in various management roles, most recently as Vice President and General Manager of the Specialized Distribution Division. Mr. Young previously held a variety of sales and marketing positions at 3M Company and Upjohn. Mr. Young also serves as a director of Delta Dental of Minnesota, Allina Health Systems and Health Fitness Corporation. Mr. Young was appointed as a director, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company effective November 1, 2004.

#### Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance.

To the Company s knowledge, based solely on a review of the copies of such reports furnished to the Company and written representations that no other reports were required, during the year ended October 31, 2009, all Section 16(a) filing requirements applicable to its officers, directors and greater than ten percent beneficial owners were complied with.

#### **Code of Ethics**

The Company has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics Policy that applies to all directors and employees, including the Company s principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, and persons performing similar functions. A copy of the Code of Ethics and Business Conduct is available on the Company s web site, www.angeion.com, or may be obtained upon request from the Company.

# Item 11.Executive Compensation.Summary of Cash and Certain Other Compensation

The following table shows information concerning compensation earned for services in all capacities during the fiscal year for (i) Rodney A. Young, our President and Chief Executive Officer and (ii) William J. Kullback, our Chief Financial Officer (together referred to as our Named Executive Officers) for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2009.

### SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	Bonus (\$)	Stock Awards (\$) <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	Option Awards (\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$) <sup>(4)</sup>	Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings(\$) <sup>(5)</sup>	All Other Compensation (\$)	Total (\$)
Rodney A. Young President									
and Chief Executive Officer	2009	314,600		57,910	75,241	43,258		16,584	507,593
	2008	316,346	15,000	8,168	75,654			18,435	433,603
William J. Kullback Chief									
Financial Officer	2009	200,000		20,986	56,300	19,375		19,313	315,974
	2008	119,231		2,450	27,660	5,320		6,332	160,993

1. The amounts in this column reflect the dollar value of base salary paid during the fiscal year.

- 2. Rodney A. Young and William J. Kullback were awarded restricted stock awards in 2009 in the amount of 33,333 and 20,000 shares, respectively, and 26,667 and 8,000 shares in 2008, respectively, vesting over a three-year period.
- 3. This amount represents the stock-based compensation expense recognized in the fiscal year in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
- 4. Represents payments under the 2008 and 2009 Bonus Plans.
- 5. The Company does not have a Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan.

## Outstanding Equity Awards as of October 31, 2009

The following table sets forth certain information concerning stock option awards outstanding to the Named Executive Officers at October 31, 2009:

			Option Awards Equity Incentive Plan			Stock Awards		
Name	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#) Unexercisable	Awards: Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Unearned Options (#)	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	Number of shares or units of stock that have not vested (#)	Market value of shares or units of stock that have not vested (\$)	
Mr. Young	24,000			6.23	10/6/2013	51,111	187,066	
-	33,000			7.79	10/6/2013			
	35,000			2.53	9/14/2015			
	12,000			5.08	5/25/2016			
	26,667	13,333		7.86	10/30/2014			
Mr. Kullback	3,334	6,666		7.08	4/1/2015	25,333	92,719	
	10,000	20,000		5.66	5/19/2015			

The first two columns represent the total number of securities underlying unexercised options, both exercisable and unexercisable, that were outstanding as of October 31, 2009.

Mr. Young s 13,333 unvested options vest on October 31, 2010.

Mr. Kullback s unvested 6,666 option tranche vests as follows: one-half on April 1, 2010 and one-half on April 1, 2011.

Mr. Kullback s unvested 20,000 option tranche vests as follows: one-half on May 19, 2010 and one-half on May 19, 2011. **Director Compensation** 

The following table sets forth certain information regarding the compensation the Company paid to its non-employee directors during the fiscal year ended October 31, 2009.

Name	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	Stock Awards (\$) <sup>(2)</sup>	Option Awards (\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$) <sup>(4)</sup>	Change in Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Examings (\$) (5)	All Other Compensation	Total
	()			(\$)	Earnings(\$) <sup>(5)</sup>	(\$)	(\$)
Mr. Baudhuin	27,000	2,393	49,209				78,602
Dr. Ehlen	41,000	2,393	30,326				73,719
Mr. Penn	35,000	2,393	30,326				67,719
Ms. Skjefte	37,000	2,393	26,333				65,726
Mr. Smith	37,000	2,393	52,217				91,610

- 1. Each non-employee director receives an annual retainer of \$16,000 (\$4,000 per quarter) and a meeting fee of \$1,500 for each board meeting attended and \$1,000 for each committee meeting attended. Committee chairs are paid annual retainers as follows: Board chair, \$10,000; all other committee chairs, \$7,000.
- Each director was awarded 6,667 restricted stock awards on June 3, 2009, vesting over a three-year period. 2.
- 3. The option awards dollar amount refers to what is recognized by the Company as stock-based compensation expense for the fiscal year in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
- The Company does not provide non-equity incentive plans for non-employee directors. 4.

The Company does not provide nonqualified deferred compensation plans or a pension plan for non-employee directors. 5. **Compensation of Officers** 

#### Rodney A. Young Employment Agreement and Change In Control Agreement

On October 31, 2007, the Company entered into an Amended Employment Agreement and Change in Control Agreement with Mr. Young. In fiscal 2008, the Company increased Mr. Young s salary to \$314,600 and his salary was unchanged in fiscal 2009. Under the Amended Employment Agreement, Mr. Young receives an annual salary of \$314,600 and is entitled to earn an annual cash bonus ranging from 22.5% to 100% of his annual salary, based upon achievement of certain objectives in a bonus plan established by the Board of Directors. Mr. Young s Employment Agreement may be terminated upon 60 days written notice by either party, upon notice by the Company of termination

for cause or upon the event of Mr. Young s death or disability. The Agreement also contains a non-compete provision for one year after the termination of Mr. Young s employment. The Amended Employment Agreement also provides that in the event that Mr. Young s employment is terminated without cause, other than in a change-in-control situation, Mr. Young would be entitled to a lump sum payment of one-year base salary, plus an annual incentive bonus for that fiscal year at target performance on a pro rata basis, if and when other senior management of the Company are paid a bonus based on achievement of goals at or above target for that year, or if the termination occurs in the second half of the

fiscal year and if other senior executives receive a bonus for over-target performance for the fiscal year, then Mr. Young would receive a pro rata portion of the comparable CEO-level bonus specified for over-target performance for the fiscal year.

The Company and Mr. Young also entered into a new Change-in-Control Agreement dated as of October 31, 2007. Under this agreement, if Mr. Young s employment is terminated during a period of twenty-four months following a Change-in-Control of the Company (i) by the Company other than for Cause or death, or (ii) by Mr. Young for Good Reason (as these terms are defined in the Agreements), then he will be entitled to a lump-sum payment equal to two times his base salary plus a one year bonus at target. In addition to these amounts, Mr. Young would be entitled to a fee for out-placement services in an amount equal to ten percent of his salary or \$31,460 and the Company would continue to pay its portion of his health insurance for 18 months as if he were still employed. Had this termination without cause occurred at October 31, 2009, the amount payable to Mr. Young pursuant to his Change-in-Control Agreement would be approximately \$794,000.

Potential Payments under Rodney A. Young Employment Agreement and Change in Control Agreement:

	or Resign Reason Pri	Termination Without Cause or Resignation For Good Reason Prior to a Change in Control		Termination Without Cause or Resignation For Good Reason Within 24 Months of a Change in Control	
Salary Continuation/Severance Payments	\$	314,600	\$	660,660	
Bonus		*		133,705	
Accelerated Vesting of Stock Options		**		**	

\*Bonus would be payable on a pro rata basis only if paid to other members of senior management.

\*\*Acceleration of stock option vesting is addressed in the 2007 Stock Incentive Plan William J. Kullback Employment Agreement and Change in Control Agreement

Effective March 17, 2008, the Company entered into an Employment Agreement with Mr. Kullback. Under the Employment Agreement, Mr. Kullback receives an annual salary of \$200,000 and is entitled to earn an annual cash bonus ranging from 17.5% to 50% of his annual salary, based upon achievement of certain objectives in a bonus plan established by the Board of Directors. Mr. Kullback s Employment Agreement may be terminated upon 60 days written notice by either party, upon notice by the Company of termination for cause or upon the event of Mr. Kullback s death or disability. The Agreement also contains a non-compete provision for one year after the terminated without cause, other than in a change-in-control situation, Mr. Kullback would be entitled to a lump sum payment of nine months base salary, plus an annual incentive bonus for that fiscal year at target performance on a pro rata basis, if and when other senior management of the Company are paid a bonus based on achievement of goals at or above target for that year, or if the termination occurs in the second half of the fiscal year and if other senior executives receive a bonus for over-target performance for the fiscal year.

The Company and Mr. Kullback also agreed to enter into a Change-in-Control Agreement dated as of June 15, 2008. Under this agreement, if Mr. Kullback s employment is terminated during a period of eighteen months following a Change-in-Control of the Company (i) by the Company other than for Cause or death, or (ii) by Mr. Kullback for Good Reason (as these terms are defined in the Agreements), then he will be entitled to a lump-sum payment equal to one and a half times his base salary. In addition to these amounts, Mr. Kullback would be entitled to a fee for out-placement services in an amount equal

to ten percent of his salary or \$20,000 and the Company would continue to pay its portion of his health insurance for 12 months as if he were still employed. Had this termination without cause occurred at October 31, 2009, the amount payable to Mr. Kullback pursuant to his Change-in-Control Agreement would be approximately \$320,000.

Potential Payments under William J. Kullback Employment Agreement and Change in Control Agreement:

	or Resignati Reason Prior	Without Cause on For Good to a Change in ntrol	or Re Reaso	nation Without Cause signation For Good n Within 18 Months Change in Control
Salary Continuation/Severance Payments	\$	150,000	\$	320,000
Bonus		*		
Accelerated Vesting of Stock Options		**		**

\*Bonus would be payable on a pro rata basis only if paid to other members of senior management.

#### \*\*Acceleration of stock option vesting is addressed in the 2007 Stock Incentive Plan Bonuses for Executive Officers

Under the 2009 Bonus Plan, the Company established two separate categories: (i) Pre-tax income before equity-based compensation (PEBC Income), that is net pre-tax income prior to any stock-based compensation expense incurred for equity grants (50% weighting); and (ii) total Angeion revenue (50% weighting). The payouts to Mr. Young and Mr. Kullback were made for achievement by the Company of threshold with respect to the Company s revenue of \$25.5 million. The Company did not achieve threshold for PEBC Income and no payment was made for this element of the plan.

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

The following table sets forth information regarding the beneficial ownership of the common stock as of January 8, 2010 by (i) each Named Executive Officer and director of the Company; and (ii) all directors and current executive officers of the Company as a group. Shares covered by stock option are included in the table below only to the extent that these options were exercisable within 60 days of January 15, 2010.

Shareholder	Shares Directly Owned	Options Exercisable within 60 days	Number of Shares	Percent of Class
Norman H. and Sandra F. Pessin				
366 Madison Avenue -14 <sup>th</sup> floor				
New York, New York 10017	341,124		341,124	7.8%
Renaissance Technologies LLC 800 Third Avenue				
	267 000		267,000	6.1%
New York, New York 10022	267,000		267,000	0.1%
BlueLine Partners, LLC				
402 Railroad Avenue, Suite 201	016 475		216 475	5.007
Danville, CA 94526	216,475	100 ((7	216,475	5.0%
Rodney A. Young	71,495	130,667	202,162	4.7%
Terrance J. Kapsen	27,127	30,001	58,001	1.3%
John C. Penn	9,772	39,001	48,773	1.1%
William J. Kullback	32,127	13,334	45,461	1.0%
K. James Ehlen, M.D.	6,667	29,001	35,668	0.8%
John R. Baudhuin	7,267	16,668	23,935	0.6%
Philip I. Smith	6,667	16,668	23,335	0.5%
Paula R. Skjefte	6,667	6,667	13,334	0.3%
All directors/current executive officers as a group				
(8 persons)	168,662	282,007	450,669	9.0%

#### Securities Authorized for Issuance under Equity Compensation Plans.

See Item 5 of this Form 10-K filing under Market for Registrant s Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities --Equity Compensation Plan Information.

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

Not Applicable.

#### **Director Independence**

The Board of Directors has reviewed director independence guidelines in a manner consistent with the definitions of independence set forth in SEC Rule 10A-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market. In accordance with these guidelines, the Board of Directors has reviewed and considered facts and circumstances relevant to the independence of each director and has determined that Messrs. Baudhuin, Ehlen, Penn and Smith and Ms. Skjefte are each independent under SEC Rule 10A-3 and an independent director under the rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market.

#### Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services. Independent Registered Public Accountants

Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP (Baker Tilly), formerly Virchow, Krause & Company, LLP, has served as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Company since May 1, 2008. Prior to May 1, 2008, KPMG LLP served as the Company since may 1, 2008. Prior to May 1, 2008, KPMG LLP served as the Company since May 1, 2008.

#### **Audit Fees**

The following table presents fees for professional audit services and all other fees rendered by Baker Tilly and KPMG LLP for the audits of the Company s consolidated financial statements for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively:

	Year Ended October 31, 2009	Year Ended October 31, 2008	
Audit fees	\$ 130,000	\$ 186,000	
Tax compliance fees	21,000		
All other fees		5,500	
	\$ 151,000	\$ 191,500	

The audit fees consisted of fees for the annual audit of the Company s consolidated financial statements and reviews of consolidated financial statements included in quarterly reports on Form 10-Q.

During fiscal 2009 and 2008, respectively, the Company paid fees of \$130,000 and \$116,000 to Baker Tilly related to the audit of the Company s consolidated financial statements and reviews of quarterly information.

The \$21,000 paid for tax compliance fees is related to tax compliance services provided by Baker Tilly.

During fiscal 2008, the Company paid \$75,500 to KPMG LLP, which consisted of \$51,500 related to 2007 audit overruns and \$18,500 related to the first quarter 2008 review. Other fees consisted of \$5,500 primarily for transition costs to the new audit firm.

The Audit Committee pre-approves all audit and permissible non-audit services provided by the independent auditors on a case-by-case basis. In connection with the approval of the annual audit services and related fees, the Audit Committee also pre-approves certain audit related fees for the independent auditor responding to and researching technical accounting questions and other matters related to the financial statements under audit. All of the services provided by the independent auditors during 2009 and 2008 have been approved by the Audit Committee under its pre-approval process.

#### PART IV

#### Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

(a) 1. Financial Statements of Registrant

The following consolidated financial statements of Angeion Corporation and Subsidiaries are set forth in Item 8 of this Form 10-K:

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm, Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP (formerly Virchow, Krause & Company, LLP).

Consolidated Balance Sheets as of October 31, 2009 and 2008.

Consolidated Statements of Operations for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008.

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008.

Consolidated Statements of Shareholders Equity for the years ended October 31, 2009 and 2008.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

(a) 2. Financial Statement Schedules

None.

#### 2. Exhibits

- 3.1 Angeion Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 contained in the Company s Form 8-K as filed on August 28, 2007).
- 3.2 Angeion Amended and Restated Bylaws (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 contained in the Company s Form 8-K as filed on August 28, 2007).
- 10.1 \*Angeion Corporation 2002 Stock Option Plan, as amended through July 21, 2005 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 contained in the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 0-9899) filed on July 27, 2005).
- 10.2 \*Angeion Corporation 2003 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended through May 14, 2003 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 contained in the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-105387) filed on May 19, 2003).
- 10.3 \*Angeion Corporation 2007 Stock Incentive Plan, incorporated by reference from Exhibit A to the definite proxy statement dated April 14, 2009 for the annual meeting of shareholders held June 3, 2009.
- \*Angeion Form of Change in Control Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 contained in the Company s Form 10-QSB for the quarterly period ended January 31, 2005 (File No. 0-9899)).

- 10.5 Lease dated December 31, 2003 between Vadnais Heights Investment Company, MCHA Capital, LLC., Robert Tipler and Richard K. Mathews (collectively Lessor) and Angeion Corporation and Medical Graphics Corporation, (collectively Lessee), for 350 Oak Grove Parkway, St. Paul, Minnesota (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 contained in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-KSB for the year ended October 31, 2004).
- 10.5.1 Lease amendment dated December 21, 2008 between Vadnais Heights Investment Company, MCHA Capital, LLC., Robert Tipler and Richard K. Mathews (collectively Lessor) and Angeion Corporation and Medical Graphics Corporation, (collectively Lessee), for 350 Oak Grove Parkway, St. Paul, Minnesota (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5.1 to Form 10-K for the year ended October 31, 2008).
- 10.5.2 Lease amendment dated January 15, 2009 between Vadnais Heights Investment Company, MCHA Capital, LLC., Robert Tipler and Richard K. Mathews (collectively Lessor ) and Angeion Corporation and Medical Graphics Corporation, (collectively Lessee ), for 350 Oak Grove Parkway, St. Paul, Minnesota.
- 10.6 \*Employment agreement dated as of October 31, 2007 between Angeion Corporation and Rodney A. Young, (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to Form 10-K for year ended October 31, 2007).
- 10.7 \*Change in control agreement dated as of October 31, 2007 between Angeion Corporation and Rodney A. Young, (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to Form 10-K for year ended October 31, 2007).
- 10.8 \*Employment agreement dated as of March 17, 2008 between Angeion Corporation and William J. Kullback, (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 10-Q for the quarter ended April 30, 2008).
- 10.9 \*Change in control agreement dated as of June 15, 2008 between Angeion Corporation and William J. Kullback, (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Form 10-Q for the quarter ended April 30, 2008).
- 22.1 List of Subsidiaries.
- 23.1 Consent of Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP, (formerly Virchow, Krause & Company, LLP) Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
- 31.1 Certifications of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 13a-14 and 15d-14 of the Exchange Act.
- 31.2 Certifications of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 13a-14 and 15d-14 of the Exchange Act.
- 32. Certifications pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350.
- \* Management contract, compensatory plan or arrangement required to be filed as an exhibit to this Form 10-K.

#### SIGNATURES

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

ANGEION CORPORATION (Registrant)

January 29, 2010

By /s/ Rodney A. Young Rodney A. Young President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Each of the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Rodney A. Young and William J. Kullback as the undersigned s true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, each acting alone, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for the undersigned and in the undersigned s name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this Annual Report on Form 10-K and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, each acting alone, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all said attorneys-in-fact and agents, each acting alone, or may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

Name	Title	Date
/s/ Rodney A. Young Rodney A. Young	President & Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	January 29, 2010
/s/ William J. Kullback William J. Kullback	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	January 29, 2010
/s/ John R. Baudhuin John R. Baudhuin	Director	January 29, 2010
/s/ K. James Ehlen, M.D. K. James Ehlen, M.D.	Director	January 29, 2010
/s/ John C. Penn John C. Penn	Director	January 29, 2010
/s/ Philip I. Smith Philip I. Smith	Director	January 29, 2010
/s/ Paula R. Skjefte	Director	January 29, 2010
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