

Charming Shoppes, Inc.

Additional Financial And Statistical Information

Reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP Financial Measures

The following reconciliations of GAAP to non-GAAP financial measures are provided as supporting information related to Charming Shoppes, Inc.'s Fourth Quarter Fiscal Year 2009 earnings results, which were provided on March 18, 2009.

Charming Shoppes, Inc. reports its financial results in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). However, management believes that certain non-GAAP performance measures, used in managing the Company's business, provide users of the Company's financial information with additional useful information. Non-GAAP financial measures should be viewed in addition to, and not as an alternative for, the Company's reported results prepared in accordance with GAAP. Certain items that may have a significant impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows must be considered when assessing actual financial condition and performance regardless of whether these items are included in these non-GAAP financial measures. Additionally, the methods used by the Company to calculate its non-GAAP financial measures may differ significantly from methods used by other companies to compute similar measures. As a result, the non-GAAP financial measures presented herein may not be comparable with similar measures provided by other companies.

Free Cash Flow (\$ in millions)	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>
	13 Weeks Ended January 31, 2009	13 Weeks Ended February 2, 2008
Most comparable GAAP measure:		
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$30.4	\$55.7
Non-GAAP measure:		
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$30.4	\$55.7
Investment in capital assets, including equipment acquired through capital leases	(\$6.3)	(\$28.9)
Capital lease financing	\$0.0	\$2.5
Long-term debt repayments	(\$1.9)	(\$2.8)
Free cash flow	\$22.3	\$26.6

Free Cash Flow (\$ in millions)	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>
	52 Weeks Ended January 31, 2009	52 Weeks Ended February 2, 2008
Most comparable GAAP measure:		
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$49.6	\$159.8
Non-GAAP measure:		
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$49.6	\$159.8
Investment in capital assets, including equipment acquired through capital leases	(\$55.8)	(\$137.7)
Capital lease financing	\$6.0	\$8.0
Long-term debt repayments	(\$8.7)	(\$11.8)
Free cash flow	(\$9.0)	\$18.4

Management believes that free cash flow is a useful measure in evaluating the Company's ability to generate cash.

This reconciliation contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 concerning appointments of executives, the Company's operations, performance, and financial condition. Such forward-looking statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated. Such risks and uncertainties may include, but are not limited to: the failure to consummate the sale of our non-core misses apparel catalogs to Orchard Brands, the failure to sell the misses apparel catalog credit card receivables to Alliance Data Systems, the failure to sell Figi's, the failure to find a suitable permanent replacement for the Company's former Chief Executive Officer within a reasonable time period, the failure to consummate our identified strategic solution for our other non-core assets, the failure to effectively implement our planned consolidation, cost and capital budget reduction plans, the failure to implement the Company's business plan for increased profitability and growth in the Company's retail stores and direct-to-consumer segments, the failure to effectively implement the Company's plans for consolidation of the Catherines Plus Sizes brand, a new organizational structure and enhancements in the Company's merchandise and marketing, the failure to generate a positive response to the Company's new Lane Bryant catalog and the Lane Bryant credit card program, the failure to successfully implement the Company's expansion of Cacique through new store formats, the failure to achieve improvement in the Company's competitive position, adverse changes in costs vital to catalog operations, such as postage, paper and acquisition of prospects, declining response rates to catalog offerings, the failure to maintain efficient and uninterrupted order-taking and fulfillment in our direct-to-consumer business, changes in or miscalculation of fashion trends, extreme or unseasonable weather conditions, economic downturns, escalation of energy costs, a weakness in overall consumer demand, the failure to find suitable store locations, increases in wage rates, the ability to hire and train associates, trade and security restrictions and political or financial instability in countries where goods are manufactured, the interruption of merchandise flow from the Company's centralized distribution facilities, competitive pressures, and the adverse effects of natural disasters, war, acts of terrorism or threats of either, or other armed conflict, on the United States and international economies. These, and other risks and uncertainties, are detailed in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 2, 2008, our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and other Company filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Charming Shoppes assumes no duty to update or revise its forward-looking statements even if experience or future changes make it clear that any projected results expressed or implied therein will not be realized.