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Financial Highlights

Thousands of dollars, except per share amounts

	2007	2006	Change
Operating results			
Revenues	\$ 6,359,708	\$ 5,738,017	10.8%
Income from continuing operations	\$ 856,167	\$ 815,110	5.0%
Diluted earnings per share, from continuing operations	3.36	3.18	5.7%
Dividends per common share	.98	.86	14.0%