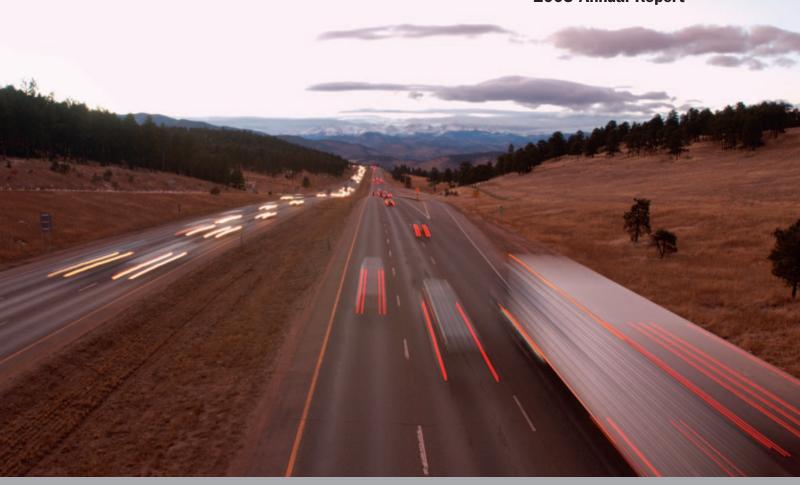
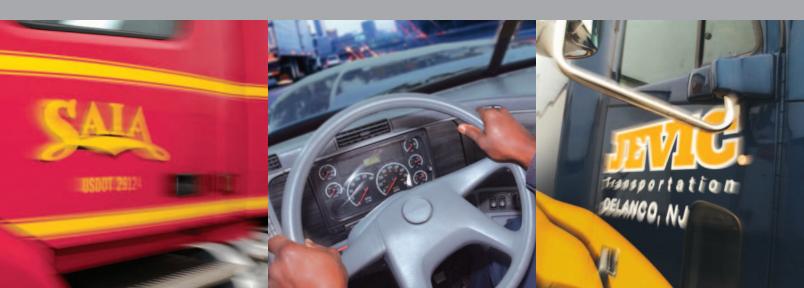
2003 Annual Report





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## scst at a glance



SCS TRANSPORTATION is one of the leading providers of transportation and supply chain solutions, serving a broad base of customers across North America. Our focus is on regional and interregional less-than-truckload shipments, selected truckload and other value-added services. Our common stock trades on NASDAQ under the ticker symbol SCST.



SAIA is a leading multi-regional less-than-truckload carrier, providing high-quality overnight and second-day delivery and a wide range of premium solutions. Saia serves customers in 29 states\* in the South, Southwest, Midwest,\* West and Pacific Northwest.

2003 Revenue .... \$521 million 2003 Shipments ... 4.6 million Employees ... 5,800\* Service Facilities ... 127\* Average Shipment . 1,300 pounds Average Length of Haul . 560 miles \*Includes February 2004 acquisition of Clark Bros. Transfer, Inc.



**JEVIC** offers hybrid less-thantruckload and selected truckload services through a nontraditional Breakbulk-Free® operating model, providing specialized care and flexible, high-quality service solutions. 2003 Revenue .... \$307 million 2003 Shipments .... 1.0 million Employees .... 2,500 Service Facilities .... 10 Average Shipment ... 4,400 pounds Average Length of Haul ... 750 miles

#### **Financial Highlights**

		Year Ended December 31,	
(Amounts in thousands)	<b>2003</b> 2002		2001
Statement of Operations			
Operating revenue	. \$827,359	\$ 775,436	\$ 771,582
Operating income (1)	. \$ 32,882	\$ 27,230	\$ 15,743
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	. \$ 14,933	\$ 12,058	\$ 771
Balance Sheet Data			
Cash and cash equivalents	. \$ 30,870	\$ 21,872	\$ 1,480
Total debt	. \$ 116,510	\$ 116,410	\$ 128,992
Total shareholders' equity	. \$ 189,582	\$ 174,277	\$ 229,649
Measurements			
Net cash provided by operating activities	. \$ 58,270	\$ 50,439	\$ 68,718
Operating ratio (2)	. 96.0%	96.5%	98.0%
Net debt/total capital (3)	. 31.1%	35.2%	35.7%

<sup>(1)</sup> Operating expenses in 2001 include integration charges of \$6.7 million.

 $<sup>^{</sup> ext{\tiny{(2)}}}$  The operating ratio is the calculation of operating expenses divided by operating revenue.

<sup>(3)</sup> The net debt to total capital ratio is the calculation of total debt less cash and cash equivalents divided by total shareholders' equity plus total debt minus total cash and cash equivalents. Due to the Company's significant cash balance, management believes net debt is a more meaningful measure of leverage to its investors than total debt.



**OUTSTANDING SERVICE CREATES VALUE** for the customers – and shareholders – of SCS Transportation. We recognize that satisfying shippers in today's competitive world demands a relentless pursuit of excellence. Yes, we drove approximately 294 million miles for our customers in 2003, but we understand that service is an individual experience, an interaction between one customer and one employee. The motivated people of Saia and Jevic, our trucking transportation companies, focus daily on delivering that kind of operational excellence. This annual report presents examples of the strategies, people and performance that are building value through service … one mile at a time.

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### chairman's letter

#### DEAR FELLOW SHAREHOLDER.

We are pleased to report SCS Transportation achieved solid results in our first full year as a publicly owned company, and we are excited about 2004. Our team is building an outstanding transportation business *one mile at a time*.

In 2003, revenues grew 7 percent to \$827 million. Operating income grew 21 percent, as our operating initiatives generated improvements in productivity, cost control and volumes. Earnings per share grew 21 percent to \$0.99 for 2003. We invested in our fleet and generated cash, strengthening our balance sheet and positioning the company for growth as the economy springs back.

The markets also began recognizing the value and prospects of SCS Transportation: Our stock price climbed 77 percent in 2003, more than twice the gain in the NASDAQ Transportation Index.

As we said in our initial report to shareholders, we will build value by excelling in the basics of service, safety and operational efficiency. Our results have proven the soundness of this approach. For 2004, our strategy continues to focus on operating disciplines and targeted growth.



**Bert Trucksess** 

#### **CREATING SOLUTIONS**

Service excellence, more than anything, builds value. Our priority for Saia and Jevic is creating superior solutions for our broad customer base. Shippers who receive timely, safe, helpful service keep coming back, rewarding us with growing, mutually profitable relationships.

For example, Saia continues to help shippers maximize the value of their transportation dollar with precise Customer Service Indicators® – a solution that helped Saia earn the "Quest for Quality" award in 2003









Expanding Saia into major Midwestern markets, in February 2004, we acquired Clark Bros., a less-than-truckload carrier with a track record of profitable growth. The integration of eight additional states into the Saia network extends our seamless LTL service to 29 states. This step in our growth strategy for Saia adds value for current and new customers in multiple regions by creating new lanes serving key markets.

from Logistics Management magazine. Specialized care for the supply chains of Jevic pharmaceutical and chemical customers includes Heat Fleet® trailers to protect shipments during cold weather and state-of-theart security protection.

By equipping motivated people with advanced tools and technologies, we are creating best-in-class solutions.

#### **IMPROVING PERFORMANCE**

Every day, the dedication and expertise of our employees fuel the performance of SCS Transportation – performance experienced by our customers through continual service enhancement, as well as by our shareholders through increased earnings and stock appreciation.

In this report, you will see some of the professionals whose skills and experience enable Saia and Jevic to build customer relationships, pick up and deliver on time, keep people and property safe, and improve productivity and profitability.

I want to thank each of our associates for contributing to the company's ongoing success.

#### **PICKING UP GROWTH**

As the economy gains strength, our strategy for growth focuses first on quality of service, then on building market share in current territories, as well as expanding into new markets and segments.

Saia and Jevic both added to their sales forces in targeted areas in 2003. Targeting faster-growing regional markets lends momentum to our efforts, and increasing our density in existing routes has a leveraged impact on improving profitability.

In February 2004, we acquired Clark Bros.

Transfer, Inc., and we are integrating its operations into Saia. By adding Midwestern and Great Plains

markets, Saia becomes a seamless 29-state network. The expanded geographic footprint provides growth opportunities with current and new customers.

#### **DELIVERING VALUE**

Each time we handle a shipment, we recognize that the value we deliver goes beyond the cargo itself to the efficiency and helpfulness of our service. Some changes our customers see – such as widespread transit time improvements by Saia in 2003. Other improvements are behind the scenes – such as more efficient linehaul planning by Jevic to further minimize handling while maintaining reliability.

We are also helping businesses get more value from their supply chains, as customers increasingly turn to time-definite services such as Saia Guaranteed Select® and Jevic 100% Guaranteed.

#### ONE MILE AT A TIME

When we tally all the shipments of 2003, SCS Transportation personnel drove approximately 294 million miles to deliver our customers' products. And we made good progress driving performance improvement at our own company.

For 2004, our goal remains to achieve superior shareholder returns through effective implementation of growth and profitability initiatives. We are carrying out an enduring commitment to step-by-step improvement.

We appreciate your continued support as SCS Transportation strives to excel – *one mile at a time*.

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Chairman, President and CEO

### solutions

Saia and Jevic each offer a wide array of services designed to meet the needs of their individual customer bases

Selected Services	Saia	Jevic
Regional LTL	•	
Interregional LTL	•	
Truckload (TL)	Selected TL	Backhaul & Partial TL
Time Definite/Expedited	•	
Canada		
Mexico	•	
Offshore (PR, AK, HI)	•	
Heated Trailer fleet		
Consolidation/Distribution	•	
Tradeshow services		
Product launch/window deliveries	•	
Chemical Services		

WE SEE SCS TRANSPORTATION AS MORE THAN JUST ANOTHER TRUCKING COMPANY. Going beyond just transporting freight, our business is to provide supply chain solutions. Our professionals deliver creative, valuable, flexible service to meet specific needs ... one customer at a time.

Our skill in meeting customers' scheduling and cargo handling needs can provide a real boost to their mission-critical business initiatives. Saia has built a reputation among movie distributors, for example, by delivering popular videos and DVDs to hundreds of retail stores, at the precise time for each feature's much-anticipated launch. And Jevic designed a customized transportation plan with its 100% Guaranteed® service to support a widely advertised rollout of the blockbuster drug Prilosec OTC™ onto retail shelves as an over-the-counter medication.

Developing expertise in our customers' businesses helps us create value-added solutions. Jevic and Saia have both worked hard to learn the needs of chemical and pharmaceutical manufacturers. As partners in the American Chemistry Council's *Responsible Care®* initiative, they are designing approaches to assure the safety, security and proper handling of high-value cargo. We also invest in process improvements and

technologies to enhance our innovative solutions.

In 2003, Saia streamlined linehaul operations to reduce shipping times between thousands of cities, involving 11 million regional and interregional ZIP code pairs. Saia also invested in 850 28-foot trailers with built-in load bars. These logistics post trailers provide greater flexibility to meet quicker transit times and enhance the protection of our customers' valuable cargo.

Saia backs up operational excellence with a unique system of quality measurements. A shipper can go online to track Saia's Customer Service Indicators® – systemwide and for his own freight.

Jevic added an innovative driver identification solution, SecurID, to security safeguards already in place in 2003. Working with Jevic's satellite tracking software, a customer electronically receives a name and photo showing which driver to expect – then verifies the driver's identity upon arrival from a badge showing name, photo and barcode. We introduced this one-of-a-kind system at the American Chemistry Council's 2003 Responsible Care® Conference, where safety and security issues were the overarching theme.

For our professionals, transportation is not just moving freight – it's delivering solutions.



Offering interactive solutions and shipping information via the Internet keeps customers connected and provides a competitive advantage for Saia and Jevic.



WHEN A PRESCRIPTION DRUG MOVES TO THE OVER-THE-COUNTER MARKET, it has a chance for a new beginning with consumers but the window is narrow, and manufacturers know success hinges on a successful launch. As Procter & Gamble prepared for the launch of Prilosec OTC™, a drug to provide relief for frequent heartburn, a key aspect of the rollout was making sure every retail outlet had the right amount of product on the day of launch. To provide "relief" despite this tight schedule, Procter & Gamble chose Jevic 100% Guaranteed® service to ensure deliveries were on time and intact. Jevic provides more than service – it offers creative solutions, tailored to meet the specific needs of customers.

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 customer at a time.

The linehaul management team at Saia, including Mark Abadie and Scott Ware, is always looking to improve service capabilities for customers. In 2003, Saia reduced transit times by at least a day in over 11 million ZIP code pairs.

Shipping chemicals requires specialized knowledge, and Jevic delivers that expertise. Mike Pacana. Director of Safety, is dedicated to driving process improvement in the American Chemistry Council's Responsible Care® initiative.

Saia has created a modified Customer Service Indicator® (CSI) program specifically to help chemical shippers. By focusing on specialized industry issues, Saia has grown substantially with major chemical producers.







SAFE DRIVING: A WINNING PROPOSITION FOR EVERYONE – our employees, customers, shareholders and the community. These eight drivers from Saia are indicative of what great people, along with a strong companywide safety program can accomplish – a combined 26 million miles without an accident. SCS Transportation knows safety is not a short-term initiative. It has to be part of the culture. Our operating companies are committed to hiring good people and then providing them the training and support needed to accomplish their jobs safely. Excellence in safety takes daily diligence. It's hard work. But these transportation professionals wouldn't have it any other way. From left: Joe Doucet, Larry Smith, Paul Roland, Cliff Sullivan, Kirk Guillotte, Ambrose Bolton, Wonest Decuir and Royce Johnson.

# o o o o o o o a employee at a time.

Professionals take pride in their work and appreciate opportunities to show their skill. Jevic driver Scott Stoudnour was a state driving champion in Pennsylvania and then 2003 National Champion in the 5-axle tractor division.

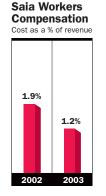
When increased volumes created inbound service issues for Saia in Dallas, dock employee Derriyun Jackson and his co-workers applied resource planning and process improvement to quickly restore service to over 98 percent on time.

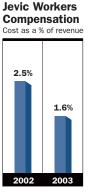
An urgent Saturday call from TWI asks Jevic to help solve an emergency by transporting trade show exhibits that must ship on Sunday. Tradeshow Solutions Director Curt Mason and Stephanie Scara jump right in – and win a customer.



# performance

Safety initiatives pay off by protecting our associates from injury, while reducing workers compensation costs and lost time.





# OUR PEOPLE ARE SERIOUS ABOUT IMPROVING PERFORMANCE, OPERATIONALLY AS WELL AS

**FINANCIALLY.** SCS Transportation is committed to developing a high-performance organization by enabling and rewarding our 8,300 brand ambassadors ... one employee at a time.

We are fortunate to have individuals – now 5,800 in Saia and 2,500 in Jevic – who are motivated and professional in serving our customers. They recognize the importance of on-time service, safety for people and freight, and smart resource management. Their energy and creativity are the keys to our success.

By tracking various measures of productivity and quality, our operating companies pursue an everyday campaign to improve performance on the basics. This sustained effort produced a 21 percent increase in SCS Transportation's operating income in 2003 – and we're not finished with profit improvement.

For example, dock productivity is one of those basics. Saia has cut costs and improved resource utilization in its network – now 127 terminals – by implementing new technologies and enhancing manpower planning.

We also remain focused on safety, investing in training and improving our processes to reduce the human and economic costs of accidents. In 2003, Saia and Jevic were able to reduce their preventable accidents by a combined 12 percent and lost-time injuries by 13 percent.

The pride and professionalism of our employees shine through many examples – a few of them recorded in these pages. Their dedication benefits customers directly, from answering the call quickly, to arranging pickup, to delivering the freight on time and intact as promised.

Saia and Jevic drivers and other employees compete and often excel in industry events. Both companies recognize and reward extraordinary effort, including safety and service records. In 2003, SCS Transportation initiated an annual "Chairman's Award" program to honor the best-of-the-best efforts by employees who serve both our company and their community.

Our people are working together to build the best team in the transportation business.

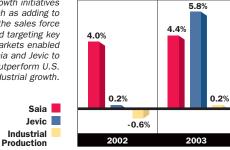
Six employees received the Chairman's Award in 2003, honoring outstanding performance and service. From left: Paul Karvois, president, Jevic; Kelly Maddox, Saia; Tamara Jones-Whitney, Jevic; Larry Regosch, Jevic; Bert Trucksess, chairman, SCST; Nate Chapman, Saia; Wonest Decuir, Saia; Phil Gould, Jevic; Rick O'Dell, president, Saia.



## growth

#### LTL Tons per Day vs. **Industrial Production Growth** Percent change

Growth initiatives such as adding to the sales force and targeting key markets enabled Saia and Jevic to outperform U.S. industrial growth.



**OUR GROWTH STRATEGY FOCUSES ON IDENTIFYING** MARKET NEEDS AND MEETING THEM WITH BEST-IN-

**CLASS SERVICE.** While we pursue opportunities to expand our geographic reach, our business is growing primarily by building our market share ... one pickup at a time.

SCS Transportation's growth in tonnage in 2003 exceeded the virtually flat performance of the U.S. industrial economy. The prospect of stronger economic growth offers new opportunities in 2004, and Saia and Jevic are positioned for an upturn. Operating leverage in our cost structure means that modest revenue growth can drive significant earnings improvement.

We are committed to increasing our presence within our business territory. Saia added a new terminal in northern California and two in Colorado in 2003. Jevic continued to develop the Western market, doubling the volumes from its Los Angeles regional facility, which opened in 2002. Both companies increased sales resources by about 15 percent, positioning new representatives in promising markets.

In early 2004, we took steps to expand the multiregional Saia service area into the Midwest and Great Plains. We acquired Clark Bros., a less-than-truckload carrier with 2003 revenues of \$66 million and a record of profitable growth. These operations will combine into Saia to provide customers with excellent service covering a 29-state territory.

Premium product offerings are contributing to revenue and margin growth. Saia Guaranteed Select® service, a family of four time-specific options tailored to customers' needs, and Jevic 100% Guaranteed.® offering customized and time-definite solutions, are attracting a loyal base of customers.

We also target promising industries. Leveraging best practices of Jevic, Saia has developed services for chemical shipments that fit its operating model, including a modified Customer Service Indicator® program specifically for chemical shippers. Jevic has applied its claim-free handling expertise to successfully target the trade show segment, a business with high-value cargo and specialized needs. Jevic is also targeting selected retail accounts and meeting their highly coordinated delivery schedule needs.

Investing in technology can drive growth through value-added features. Jevic offers its web-based Small Business Solutions software to enable businesses to gather valuable management data and electronically manage billing and receivables processes.

We believe we are well-positioned for continued growth and profit improvement.

# Saia geographic territory ■ Now covering 29 states Network of more than 125 service centers

#### Jevic geographic territory





WHEN KELLI KUHN SAYS SHE WEARS A LOT OF HATS, she's not just talking about the chef's hats that Keystone Adjustable Cap manufactures and distributes. Kelli, a sales associate for Keystone, was losing valuable selling time because she also had to handle a number of administrative and customer service responsibilities in addition to making sales calls. Jevic Account Manager Bill Braille recognized a customer in need of a solution. Bill showed Kelli how she could dramatically reduce administrative burdens by using the Jevic Small Business Solutions software package. As a result, Kelli is making more sales calls, growing revenues for her company and, to "cap" it off, getting a bigger bonus, too.

# o o o o o o o l pickup at a time.

Reaching out to a growing number of small- and medium-sized companies in key markets, Saia and Jevic increased field sales staff by 15 percent in 2003. The sales teams are targeting profitable new business that will benefit the future.

The largest fleet of heated trailers in the industry helps Jevic protect valuable cargo from freezing temperatures. Responding to the needs of customers continues to drive growth in chemical business at Jevic.

Saia opened two new service centers in Colorado and one in California, allowing full-state coverage in both states. Increasing density in current geography has a dual benefit – increased revenue and improved efficiencies.









VALUE (val' u), n, 1. an exchange that provides benefit greater than the cost (e.g., getting the most for your money). Saia knew customers wanted "real-time" access to shipment information – 24/7 visibility for important cargo while it's on the road. But at what price? Saia is leveraging wireless technology to implement a hand-held communication system. The program provides a cost-effective method to transmit instant information on pickup and delivery status. But happy customers are not the only beneficiaries. Saia is using the enhanced information to improve dock and linehaul resource planning models, increase efficiency and lower overall costs. Now that's getting your money's worth!

# o o o o o o o a delivery at a time.

New drivers at Jevic gain the benefit of Jim Daulerio's extensive experience. The company's comprehensive driver training program is a key component that helped Jevic win a select safety award from the American Trucking Associations.

You have to invest money to make money – so Saia continues to invest in training future leaders. In 2003, Saia University provided more than 10,000 hours of training, especially for its operations and sales professionals.

Jim Segata knows pricing has to be win-win. When Cummins Printing had a distribution to 80 locations, Jim quickly put together a service and price package that won the business, while also providing a fair margin for Jevic and our shareholders.



### value

#### Our strategy for building value paid off for shareholders in 2003, with a 77 percent gain in the price of SCST stock to \$17.58 at yearend. This outpaced the returns for our industry and the broader stock market

### 2003 Stock Price \$20.00 \$18.00 \$16.00 \$14.00 \$12.00 \$10.00 \$8.00

#### **EVERY SHIPMENT WE HANDLE IS AN OPPORTUNITY**

TO CREATE VALUE. A customer receives value.

Employees receive value. And shareholders receive value. SCS Transportation moved 5.6 million shipments in 2003, and we are committed to adding value ... one delivery at a time.

Working smarter is a core strategy in our operating companies. We invest in technology and training to reduce costs and improve the way we run our business.

For example, Saia implemented wireless technology in its larger facilities in 2003, with the rest of the 127-terminal network to be equipped in 2004. A lowcapital and low-cost wireless communication system gathers real-time information from each step in the shipment movement process - from drivers to dockworkers - that provides full shipment visibility for our customers. This technology provides Saia customers added value through online access to up-to-the-minute status of shipments, simpler and quicker freight handling, and more accurate delivery and billing. Each of

these benefits translates into saving time and money for Saia - and our customers.

Training also is key. Safety instruction for Jevic employees helped reduce accidents and win recognition from the American Trucking Associations, which presented the company its 2003 National Truck Safety Improvement Award. Jevic also targeted drivers for hands-on training in practices to get the best fuel economy from modern truck engines. Saia's front-line supervisors, sales professionals and others benefited from more than 10,000 hours at Saia University.

We continue to focus on the pricing and yield of our service mix. Although pricing remains highly competitive in the trucking industry, we began to see some firming in the second half of 2003. We understand that each pricing decision must be a win-win interaction with the shipper. Saia and Jevic both work to identify segments where we can create benefits for our customers and shareholders.

Our goal is to deliver value every time one of our trucks pulls into a customer's business.





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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: None	
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ■ No □

Indicate by check mark 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 the 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.

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 12b-2). Yes ■ No □

The aggregate market value of the 14,653,786 shares of Common Stock of the registrant held by non-affiliates of the registrant (excluding, for this purpose, shares held by officers, directors or 10 percent stockholders) was \$310,806,801 based on the last sales price of the Common Stock on February 18, 2004, as reported on the Nasdaq National Market. The number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of February 18, 2004 was 14,776,160.

#### **Documents Incorporated by Reference**

Portions of the definitive Proxy Statement to be filed within 120 days of December 31, 2003, pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held April 21, 2004 have been incorporated by reference into Part III of this Form 10-K.

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#### PART I.

#### Item 1. Business

#### Overview

SCS Transportation, Inc. (SCST or the Company) is a leading transportation company that provides a variety of trucking transportation and supply chain solutions to a broad range of industries, including the retail, chemical and manufacturing industries. Through our operating subsidiaries, Saia Motor Freight Line, Inc. (Saia) and Jevic Transportation, Inc. (Jevic), we serve a wide variety of customers by offering regional, interregional and national less-than-truckload (LTL) services and selected truckload (TL) services across the United States. None of our approximately 7,700 employees is represented by a union.

We were organized in 2000 as a wholly owned subsidiary of Yellow Corporation (Yellow) to better manage its regional transportation business. We became an independent public company on September 30, 2002 as a result of a 100 percent tax-free distribution of shares to Yellow shareholders (the Spin-off). Each Yellow shareholder received one share of SCST stock for every two shares of Yellow stock held as of the September 3, 2002 record date. As a result of the Spin-off, Yellow does not own any shares of our capital stock.

We operate two business segments, Saia and Jevic. In 2003, Saia generated revenue of \$521 million and operating income of \$27.7 million. In 2002, Saia generated revenue of \$490 million and operating income of \$21.9 million. In 2003, Jevic generated revenue of \$307 million and operating income of \$9.4 million. In 2002, Jevic generated revenue of \$286 million and operating income of \$5.8 million. Information regarding revenues and operating income of Saia and Jevic are contained in the notes to our audited financial statements contained in this annual report.

#### **Operating Subsidiaries**

Saia Motor Freight Line, Inc.

Founded in 1924, Saia is a leading multi-regional LTL carrier that serves the South, Southwest, Pacific Northwest and the West. Saia specializes in offering its customers a range of regional and interregional LTL services including time-definite and expedited options. Saia primarily provides its customers with solutions to handle shipments between 100 and 10,000 pounds, but also provides selected truckload service.

Saia has invested substantially in technology to enhance its ability to monitor and manage customer service, operations and profitability. These data capabilities enable Saia to provide its trademarked Customer Service Indicators® program, allowing customers to monitor service performance on a wide array of attributes. Customers can access the information via the Internet to help manage their shipments. The Customer Service Indicators® measure the following: on-time pickup; on-time delivery; claims settled within 30 days; claim free shipments; proof of delivery request turnaround; and invoicing accuracy. The index provides both Saia and the customer with a report card of overall service levels.

As of December 31, 2003, Saia operated a network comprised of 112 service facilities. The average Saia shipment weighs approximately 1,300 pounds and travels an average distance of approximately 560 miles. In March 2001, Saia successfully integrated its WestEx and Action Express affiliates into its operations and expanded its geographic reach to 21 states. Saia had approximately 5,200 employees at December 31, 2003.

On February 16, 2004, we acquired Clark Bros. Transfer, Inc. (Clark Bros.), a Midwestern less-than-truckload carrier operating in ten states with approximately 600 employees. The operations of Clark Bros. are expected to be integrated into Saia in May 2004 bringing the benefits of Saia transportation service to major Midwestern markets including Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Louis and Kansas City. The expanded Saia now serves 29 states with 127 service facilities.

Jevic Transportation, Inc.

Founded in 1981, Jevic is a specialized LTL transportation services provider that also offers selected TL services throughout the continental United States and portions of Canada. Jevic specializes in offering its customers standard and customized regional transportation solutions based on its non-traditional Breakbulk-Free® operating model,

often eliminating the need to rehandle freight at interim and destination service facilities. The average shipment weight is approximately 4,400 pounds, and the average shipment distance is approximately 750 miles. Jevic has approximately 2,500 employees.

The Jevic approach offers customers a broad line of LTL and TL services that can accommodate a wider range of shipment sizes and trip lengths than traditional regional carriers. Jevic develops integrated solutions for customers designed to lower their overall supply chain costs, which can include direct-to-customer deliveries, multi-shipper order consolidation for their inbound supplies, and express and time-definite deliveries. Approximately half of the Jevic trailers are heated and service customers with temperature-sensitive requirements. Jevic is a partner with the American Chemical Council Responsible Care Program and derives over 50 percent of its revenue from chemical and chemical-related sectors.

The technology employed by Jevic is crucial to its Breakbulk-Free® LTL operating model. Jevic uses the Qualcomm OmniTRACS satellite-based communications system, facilitating the load planning and capacity management processes critical to its operating structure. To leverage this information, Jevic has developed a proprietary suite of programs called PreSys® (predictive systems) providing information to effectively anticipate volumes, optimize load planning and meet customer service expectations while minimizing cost. In addition to these items, Jevic has several initiatives in process to further enhance its technology applications.

#### **Industry**

According to an American Trucking Associations report, in 2002 the trucking industry accounted for 87 percent of total domestic freight revenue, or \$585 billion, and 68 percent of domestic freight volume. Trucks provide transportation services to virtually every industry operating in the United States and generally offer higher levels of reliability, shipment integrity and speed than other surface transportation options.

The trucking industry consists of three segments, including private fleets and two "for-hire" carrier groups. The private carrier segment consists of fleets owned and operated by shippers who move their own goods. The two "for-hire" groups, TL and LTL, are based on the typical shipment sizes handled by transportation service companies: TL refers to providers generally transporting shipments greater than 10,000 pounds and LTL refers to providers generally transporting shipments less than 10,000 pounds.

SCST is primarily an LTL carrier. The LTL segment accounted for approximately \$58 billion of revenue in 2002, or 10 percent of total trucking revenue according to the American Trucking Associations.

LTL transportation providers consolidate numerous orders, generally ranging from 100 to 10,000 pounds, from businesses in different locations. Orders are consolidated at individual locations within a certain radius from service facilities. As a result, LTL carriers require expansive networks of pickup and delivery operations around local service facilities and shipments are moved between origin and destination often through an intermediate distribution or "breakbulk" facility. Depending on the distance shipped, the LTL segment is typically classified into three subgroups:

- Regional Average distance is typically less than 500 miles with a focus on one- and two-day markets. Regional transportation companies can move shipments directly to their respective destination centers, which increase service reliability and avoid costs associated with intermediate handling.
- *Interregional* Average distance is usually between 500 and 1,000 miles with a focus on serving two- and three-day markets.
- National Average distance is typically in excess of 1,000 miles with focus on service in two- to five-day markets. National providers rely on intermediate shipment handling through hub and spoke networks, which require numerous satellite service facilities, multiple distribution facilities, and a relay network. To gain service and cost advantages, they occasionally ship directly between service facilities, reducing intermediate handling.

Over the last several years there has been a blurring of the above subgroups as individual companies are increasingly attempting to serve multiple subgroups.

Saia operates as a traditional LTL carrier with a primary focus on regional and interregional LTL lanes. Although Jevic focuses on the LTL sector, its non-traditional operating model allows it to provide high quality service across sector boundaries of weight (LTL and TL) and distance (regional, interregional and national).

The TL segment is the largest portion of the "for-hire" truck transportation market. In 2002 the TL segment generated approximately \$250 billion in revenue or 43 percent of total trucking revenue according to the American Trucking Associations. TL carriers primarily transport large shipments from origin to destination with no intermediate handling. Although a full truckload can weigh over 40,000 pounds, it is common for carriers to haul two or three shipments exceeding 10,000 pounds at one time, making multiple delivery stops.

Because TL carriers do not require an expansive network to provide point-to-point service, the overall cost structure of industry participants is typically low relative to LTL service providers. The segment is comprised of several major carriers and numerous small entrepreneurial players. At the most basic level, a TL company can be started with capital for rolling stock (a tractor and a trailer), insurance, a driver and little else. As size becomes a factor, capital is needed for technology infrastructure and some limited facilities. While Saia does not compete extensively in the TL sector, Jevic derives approximately one-third of its revenues from TL services.

Capital requirements are significantly different in the traditional LTL segment versus the TL segment. In the LTL sector, substantial amounts of capital are required for a network of service facilities, shipment handling equipment and revenue equipment (both for city pick-up, delivery and linehaul). In addition, investment in effective technology has become increasingly important in the LTL segment, largely due to the number of transactions and number of customers served on a daily basis. Saia, for example, picks up approximately 18,000 shipments per day, each of which has a shipper and consignee, and occasionally a third party, all of who need access to information in a timely manner. More importantly, technology plays a key role in improving customer service, operations efficiency, safety and yield management. Due to the significant infrastructure spending required, the cost structure is relatively prohibitive to new startup or small entrepreneurial operations. As a result, the LTL segment is more concentrated than the TL segment, with a few large national carriers and several large regional carriers.

#### **Business Strategy**

Saia has grown over the last decade through a combination of organic growth and the integration in 2001 with WestEx and Action Express, regional LTL companies which had been acquired by Yellow in 1994 and 1998, respectively. WestEx operated in California and the Southwest, and Action Express operated in the Pacific Northwest and Rocky Mountain states. Saia has successfully integrated these two companies, which had contiguous regional coverage with minimal overlap. All historical segment data for Saia has been restated to give effect to this integration.

Yellow recognized Jevic as an opportunity to acquire a complementary business that would offer additional growth potential to its more traditional LTL network service. Jevic was acquired by Yellow in July 1999.

Key elements of our business strategy include:

Continue to focus on operating safely.

Our most valuable resource is our employees. It is a corporate priority to continually emphasize the importance of safe operations and to reduce both the frequency and severity of injuries and accidents. This emphasis is not only appropriate to protect our employees and our communities, but with the continued escalation of commercial insurance and health care costs, is important to maintain and improve shareholder returns.

Continue focus on delivering best-in-class service.

The foundation of our growth and profitability strategy is consistently delivering high-quality service. Commitment to service quality is valued by customers and allows us to gain fair compensation for our services and positions us to improve market share.

Prepare the organization for future growth.

Our primary focus within organizational development is maintaining sound relationships with our current employees. We invest in thorough internal communications programs and are committed to providing competitive wages and benefits to our employees.

We believe it is also important to invest in the development of human resources, technology capabilities and strategic real estate that positions our Company for future growth and will allow the Company to meet the increasing demands of the marketplace.

Increase density in existing geographies.

We gain operating leverage by growing volume and density within existing geography. We estimate the potential incremental profitability on growth in current markets can be as much as 15 percent. This improves margins, asset turnover and return on capital. To support this initiative, sales staffing was increased by approximately 15 percent during the first half of 2003. The additional staffing was deployed in markets and towards customer segments that provide the greatest opportunities for profitable growth.

We actively monitor opportunities to add service facilities where we have sufficient density and we see potential for future volume growth. Both Saia and Jevic have added modest facility capacity, including Jevic's expansion to Los Angeles and capacity expansion in Houston in 2002, and in Saia's 2003 opening of three new service facilities in Colorado and California.

Continue focus on improving operating efficiencies.

As a result of aggressive management initiatives and ongoing establishment of comprehensive operating best practices, both Saia and Jevic continue to improve operating efficiency. This success helps offset a variety of structural cost increases like casualty insurance, wage rates and health care benefits. We believe our companies are well positioned to manage costs and asset utilization as the economy rebounds and we believe we will continue to see new opportunities for cost savings.

Manage yields and business mix.

This strategy involves managing both the pricing process and the mix of customers, in ways that allow our networks to operate more profitably. While regional pricing remains highly competitive, it appears to have improved relative to 2002 trends and should further benefit as the economy strengthens as expected.

Expand geographic footprint.

When the time is right, we plan to pursue geographic expansion because we believe it promotes earnings growth and improves our customer value proposition. We increased our borrowing availability under our revolver and increased cash balances during 2003. This increased financial capacity allows us to be more opportunistic with growth initiatives. On February 16, 2004, we acquired Clark Bros., a Midwestern less-than-truckload carrier operating in ten states. The operations of Clark Bros. are expected to be integrated into Saia in May 2004 bringing the benefits of Saia transportation service to major Midwestern markets including Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Louis and Kansas City.

Management may consider acquisitions from time to time to help expand geographic reach while gaining built-in customer volume. Management believes integration of acquisitions is a core competency and it has developed a repeatable blueprint from its successful experience in 2001 integrating WestEx and Action Express into Saia.

#### Seasonality

Our revenues are subject to seasonal variations. Customers tend to reduce shipments after the winter holiday season, and operating expenses tend to be higher as a percent of revenue in the winter months primarily due to lower capacity utilization and weather effects. Generally, the first quarter is the weakest while the third quarter is the strongest.

#### Labor

Most regional LTL companies, including Saia and Jevic, and virtually all TL companies are not subject to collective bargaining agreements. By contrast, the vast majority of employees in the national LTL sector are subject to collective bargaining agreements with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

In recent years, due to competition for quality employees, the compensation divide between union and non-union carriers has closed dramatically. However, there are still significant differences in benefit costs and work rule flexibility. Benefit costs for union carriers remain significantly above those paid by non-union carriers. In addition, non-union carriers have more work rule flexibility with respect to work schedules, routes and other similar items.

Work rule flexibility is a major issue in the regional LTL sector, as flexibility is required to meet the service levels required by customers.

Our employees are not represented by a collective bargaining unit allowing for better communications and employee relations, stronger future growth prospects, as well as improved efficiencies and customer service capabilities.

#### Competition

Shippers have an increasingly wide range of choices. We believe that service quality, variety of services offered, responsiveness and flexibility are the important competitive differentiators.

SCST focuses primarily on regional and interregional business and operates in a highly competitive environment against a wide range of transportation service providers. These competitors include a small number of large, national transportation service providers in the national and two-day markets and a large number of shorter-haul or regional transportation companies in the two-day and overnight markets. Since 2000, Jevic has faced additional competition in primarily Northeast markets from a recently established company that employs numerous former Jevic employees and that actively solicits business from Jevic customers. SCST also competes in and against several modes of transportation, including LTL, truckload and private fleets. The larger the service area, the greater the barriers to entry into the LTL trucking industry due to the need for broader geographic coverage and additional equipment and facility requirements associated with this coverage. The level of technology applications required and the ability to generate shipment densities that provide adequate labor and equipment utilization also make larger-scale entry into the market difficult.

#### Regulation

The trucking industry has been substantially deregulated and rates and services are now largely free of regulatory controls, although states retain the right to require compliance with safety and insurance requirements. The trucking industry remains subject to regulatory and legislative changes that can have a material adverse effect on our operations.

Key areas of regulatory activity include:

Department of Homeland Security.

The trucking industry is working closely with government agencies to define and implement improved security processes. The Transportation Security Administration is currently focusing on trailer security, driver identification, driver background checking processes and border-crossing procedures. Various measures are being implemented that could increase the cost of operations or reduce productivity.

Department of Transportation.

Within the Department of Transportation, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (the "FMCSA") finalized rules on motor carrier driver hours of service that require motor carriers to provide drivers with more opportunities to sleep by limiting the maximum number of hours a driver may be on duty between mandatory off-duty hours. This new regulation effects Jevic's operations and could increase its costs and decrease its productivity. In addition, we believe this regulation could further tighten the market for qualified drivers and put upward pressure on driver wages. However, the Company does not believe these new regulations will materially impact our operations. The new rules were made effective in January of 2004.

Environmental Protection Agency.

The Environmental Protection Agency is implementing regulations to reduce the amount of certain gases and particulate matter emissions from diesel trucks. The 2004 emission standards were advanced to October 1, 2002 under a consent decree. New engines purchased after this date must conform to the new standards. A more significant reduction in emissions is scheduled for 2006 and 2007, which includes both reductions in sulfur content of diesel fuel and further reductions in engine emissions. These regulations have the potential to increase the cost of replacing and maintaining trucks, increase fuel costs, reduce availability of fuel and reduce productivity.

Our motor carrier operations are also subject to environmental laws and regulations, including laws and regulations dealing with underground fuel storage tanks, the transportation of hazardous materials and other environmental matters. We maintain bulk fuel storage and fuel islands at several of our facilities. Our operations involve the risks of fuel spillage or seepage, environmental damage and hazardous waste disposal, among others. We have

established programs to monitor and control environmental risks and to comply with all applicable environmental regulations. As part of our safety and risk management program, we periodically perform internal environmental reviews to maintain environmental compliance and avoid environmental risk. We believe that we are currently in substantial compliance with applicable environmental laws and regulations and that the cost of compliance has not materially affected results of operations.

#### Food and Drug Administration.

The Food and Drug Administration has issued rules in support of the Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002 to provide security of food and foodstuffs throughout the supply chain. As transporters of food items, our companies will be required to track and maintain records of these items throughout their movement and provide access to government officials upon request. We do not believe these regulations will have a material impact on our operations.

#### **Trademarks and Patents**

We have registered several service marks and trademarks in the United States Patent and Trademark office, including Saia Guaranteed Select® and Jevic's Breakbulk-Free®. We believe that these service marks and trademarks are important components of our marketing strategy.

#### **Executive Officers of the Registrant**

Information regarding executive officers of SCST is as follows (included herein pursuant to Instruction 3 to Item 401(b) of Regulation S-K and General Instruction G (3) of Form 10-K):

Name	Age	Positions Held
Herbert A. Trucksess, III	54	Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, SCS Transportation, Inc. Mr. Trucksess was named President and Chief Executive Officer of the Yellow Regional Transportation Group (now SCS Transportation, Inc.) in February 2000. Mr. Trucksess had been Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Yellow Corporation since June 1994.
Richard D. O'Dell	42	President and Chief Executive Officer, Saia Motor Freight Line, Inc. since November 1999. Mr. O'Dell joined Saia in 1997 as Vice President of Finance and Administration.
Paul J. Karvois	49	President and Chief Executive Officer, Jevic Transportation, Inc. since January 2000, having served as President since March 1997.
James J. Bellinghausen	42	Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of SCS Transportation, Inc. (formerly Yellow Regional Transportation Group) since April 2000.  Mr. Bellinghausen joined Yellow Corporation in August 1998 as Director of Corporate Accounting. Prior to joining Yellow Corporation, Mr. Bellinghausen had 14 years of experience in public accounting.
John P. Burton	48	Vice President, Marketing and External Affairs, SCS Transportation, Inc. since January 2002 having previously served as Vice President of the Yellow Regional Transportation Group from November 2000 to December 2001. Mr. Burton was Senior Director of Sales Administration at Yellow Freight from 1997 to 1999 and was promoted to Vice President of Channel Marketing in July 1999.
David J. Letke	58	Vice President, Operations and Planning, SCS Transportation, Inc. since October 2002. Mr. Letke served as a consultant to the Yellow Regional Transportation Group from February 2000 through September 2002. From July 1998 until January 2000, Mr. Letke served as President and CEO of Preston Trucking Company.

Officers are elected by, and serve at the discretion of, the Board of Directors. There are no family relationships between any executive officer and any other executive officer or director of SCST or of any of its subsidiaries.

#### **Additional Information**

SCST has an Internet website that is located at www.scstransportation.com. SCST makes available free of charge through its Internet website all filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission as soon as reasonably practicable after making such filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. SCST has adopted a code of ethics that applies to its executive officers and is available free of charge through its Internet website.

#### Item 2. Properties

SCST is the corporate holding company for Saia and Jevic and has eight employees. SCST leases its corporate office space in Kansas City, Missouri.

Saia is headquartered in Duluth, Georgia. At December 31, 2003 Saia owned 36 service facilities and the Houma, Louisiana general office and leased 76 service facilities, the Duluth, Georgia corporate office and the Boise, Idaho general office. Although Saia owns only 32 percent of its service facility locations, these locations account for 53 percent of its door capacity. This follows the Saia strategy of owning strategically located facilities that are integral to its operations and leasing service facilities in smaller markets to allow for more flexibility. As of December 31, 2003, Saia owned all of its 2,268 tractors and 7,765 trailers.

Top 20 Saia Service Facilities by Number of Doors at December 31, 2003

Location	Own/lease	Doors	
Atlanta, GA	Own	224	
Dallas, TX	Own	174	
Memphis, TN	Own	124	
Houston, TX	Own	108	
Charlotte, NC	Own	107	
New Orleans, LA	Own	86	
Los Angeles, CA	Lease	80	
Miami, FL	Own	68	
Jacksonville, FL	Own	64	
Phoenix, AZ	Own	59	
Oklahoma City, OK	Own	55	
Denver, CO	Lease	54	
Tyler, TX	Lease	52	
Birmingham, AL	Own	51	
Tampa, FL	Own	51	
Greensboro, NC	Own	49	
Lafayette, LA	Own	48	
Little Rock, AR	Own	44	
Nashville, TN	Lease	44	
Sacramento, CA	Lease	44	
Seattle, WA	Lease	44	

Jevic is headquartered in Delanco, New Jersey and originates shipments primarily east of the Mississippi River, but provides services to customers throughout the continental United States and portions of Canada through ten origination facilities. As of December 31, 2003, Jevic owned all of its 1,272 tractors and 2,564 trailers.

#### Jevic Facilities

Location	Own/lease	Doors
Delanco, NJ	Own	108
Chicago, IL	Own	100
Charlotte, NC	Lease	100
Cleveland, OH	Lease	83
Oxford, MA	Own	80
Atlanta, GA	Lease	74
Cincinnati, OH	Lease	72
Newark, NJ	Lease	58
Houston, TX	Lease	50
Los Angeles, CA	Lease	32
Willingboro, NJ (maintenance facility)	Lease	N/A

#### Item 3. Legal Proceedings

Saia and Jevic are both subject to ordinary-course litigation arising out of personal injury, property damage, freight and employment claims. None of these legal actions separately or in the aggregate are viewed by management to be excessive compared to historical trends, nor are they expected to have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

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

There were no matters submitted to a vote of security holders during the fourth quarter of the year ended December 31, 2003.

#### PART II.

#### Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity and Related Stockholder Matters

#### **Stock Price Information**

SCST's common stock is listed on the NASDAQ National Market (NASDAQ) under the symbol "SCST." The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low sale prices per share for the common stock as reported on NASDAQ. SCST was spun-off from Yellow Corporation on September 30, 2002 and began "regular trading" on NASDAQ on October 1, 2002; therefore no additional historical quarterly information is available.

	Low	High
Year Ended December 31, 2003		
First Quarter	\$ 9.76	\$12.64
Second Quarter	\$10.15	\$13.40
Third Quarter	\$12.55	\$17.30
Fourth Quarter	\$13.49	\$18.79
Year Ended December 31, 2002		
Fourth Quarter	\$ 6.64	\$10.30

#### **Stockholders**

As of January 31, 2004, there were 2,029 holders of record of our common stock.

#### **Dividends**

We do not pay a dividend on our common stock. Any payment of dividends in the future is dependent upon our financial condition, capital requirements, earnings, cash flow and other factors.

Dividends are prohibited under our current debt agreements, which have been previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and are incorporated by reference herein. However, there are no material restrictions on the ability of our subsidiaries to transfer funds to us in the form of cash dividends, loans or advances. See Note 3 of the accompanying audited financial statements.

#### **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights			
	(a)	(b)	(c)		
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	1,109,509	\$ 5.09	229,093	(1)	
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	_	_			
Total	1,109,509	\$ 5.09	229,093		

<sup>(1)</sup> See note 8 to the consolidated financial statements for a description of the equity compensation plan for securities remaining available for future issuance. No more than 68,500 of the amount remaining available may be issued in the form of restricted stock under the SCS Transporation, Inc. 2003 Omnibus Incentive Plan.

#### Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following table shows summary historical financial data of SCST, which includes its wholly owned subsidiaries Saia and Jevic, and has been derived from, and should be read together with, the financial statements and accompanying notes and in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition". The summary financial information may not be indicative of the future performance of SCST.

	Year ended December 31					
	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999(1)	
	(In thousands except per share data and percentages)					
Statement of operations:						
Operating revenue	\$827,359	\$775,436	\$771,582	\$789,009	\$594,510	
Operating income (2)	32,882	27,230	15,743	21,661	28,678	
Income before cumulative effect						
of accounting change	14,933	12,058	771	1,698	9,789	
Net income (loss) (3)	14,933	(63,117)	771	1,698	9,789	
Diluted earnings per share before						
cumulative effect of accounting						
change (4)	0.99	0.82	0.05	0.12	0.67	
Diluted earnings (loss) per share (4)	0.99	(4.30)	0.05	0.12	0.67	
Other financial data:						
Net cash provided by operating						
activities	58,270	50,439	68,718	69,521	40,951	
Net cash used in investing						
activities (1)	(49,830)	(24,792)	(19,613)	(59,033)	(53,016)	
Depreciation and amortization	44,039	44,920	49,166	48,296	33,406	
Balance sheet data:						
Cash and cash equivalents	30,870	21,872	1,480	4,922	3,558	
Net property and equipment	292,393	287,158	306,041	334,427	319,635	
Total assets	464,066	444,343	511,946	551,667	536,461	
Total debt	116,510	116,410	128,992	206,884	218,899	
Total shareholders' equity	189,582	174,277	229,649	203,514	198,926	
Measurements:						
Operating ratio (5)	96.0%	96.5%	98.0%	97.3%	95.2%	

<sup>(1)</sup> On July 9, 1999, Jevic was acquired. The results of operations include the results of operations of Jevic from the date of the acquisition. Net cash used in investing activities in 1999 excludes \$164.5 million relating to the acquisition of Jevic.

<sup>(2)</sup> Operating expenses in 2001 and 2000 include integration charges of \$6.7 million and \$2.7 million, respectively, relating to the integration of WestEx and Action Express into Saia.

<sup>(3)</sup> Net loss for the year ended December 31, 2002 includes a non-cash charge of \$75.2 million recorded as a cumulative effect of change in accounting principle to reflect the impairment of goodwill at Jevic under new accounting standards adopted January 1, 2002.

<sup>(4)</sup> Earnings per share amounts for periods presented prior to the spin-off are based on 14,565,478 shares of common stock outstanding at the September 30, 2002 Spin-off date.

<sup>(5)</sup> The operating ratio is the calculation of operating expenses divided by operating revenue.

#### Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition

#### **Executive Overview**

The Company's business is highly correlated to the industrial economy. The Company is focused on increasing volume within existing geographies while managing both the mix and yield of business to achieve increased profitability. The Company's business is both labor intensive and capital intensive. The Company looks for opportunities to leverage technology, improve safety and achieve better asset utilization (primarily tractors and trailers) to improve cost and productivity. The Company grew year over year revenue by 7 percent in 2003 despite a flat economy as measured by Blue Chip Economic Indicators, which estimated 0.2 percent year over year growth in industrial production. Revenue growth was primarily attributable to the Company's growth in less-than-truckload (LTL) tonnage which management believes reflects market share gains due to various sales initiatives. The LTL pricing environment remained competitive and the Company saw only modest year over year improvement in LTL revenue per hundredweight, one measure of yield.

Incremental margins from increased tonnage volume within its existing network, along with cost and productivity improvements realized in 2003, more than offset structural cost increases in wages, health insurance claims, public company costs and other expense items. This resulted in an overall improvement in the Company's operating ratio (operating expenses divided by operating revenue) of 50 basis points to 96.0 percent in 2003.

The Company generated cash flows from operations of \$58.3 million in 2003. The Company improved its financial capacity to pursue opportunistic growth strategies by increasing its cash balance to \$30.9 million and availability under its revolving credit facility to \$35.2 million at December 31, 2003. There was no significant change in the Company's outstanding indebtedness during 2003.

#### General

The following management's discussion and analysis describes the principal factors affecting the results of operations, liquidity and capital resources, as well as the critical accounting policies, of SCS Transportation, Inc. (also referred to as "SCST"). This discussion should be read in conjunction with the accompanying audited consolidated financial statements, which include additional information about our significant accounting policies, practices and the transactions that underlie our financial results.

SCST is a leading transportation company providing regional and interregional LTL and selected truckload (TL) service solutions to more than 72,000 customers across the United States. Our operating subsidiaries are Saia Motor Freight Line, Inc. (Saia), based in Duluth, Georgia, and Jevic Transportation, Inc. (Jevic), based in Delanco, New Jersey. On September 30, 2002, Yellow Corporation (Yellow) completed a tax-free distribution to its shareholders of 100 percent of the outstanding common stock of SCST (the Spin-off).

Our business is highly correlated to the industrial economy and is impacted by a number of other external factors including the weather, price and availability of fuel and regulation. The key factors that affect our operating results are the volumes of shipments transported through our networks, as measured by our average daily shipments and tonnage; the prices we obtain for our services, as measured by revenue per hundredweight (yield) and revenue per shipment; our ability to manage our cost structure for capital expenditures and operating expenses such as salaries, wages and benefits, purchased transportation, claims and insurance expense, fuel and maintenance; and our ability to match operating costs to shifting volume levels.

#### **Results of Operations**

#### SCS Transportation, Inc. and Subsidiaries Selected Results of Operations and Operating Statistics For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 (in thousands, except ratios and revenue per hundredweight)

				Percent '	Variance
	2003	2002	2001	'03 v. '02	'02 v. '01
Operating Revenue	\$ 827,359	\$ 775,436	\$ 771,582	6.7%	0.5%
Operating Expenses:					
Salaries, wages and employees' benefits	465,714	439,590	435,795	5.9	0.9
Purchased transportation	81,551	77,885	71,304	4.7	9.2
Depreciation and amortization	44,039	44,920	49,166	(2.0)	(8.6)
Other operating expenses	203,173	185,811	199,574	9.3	(6.9)
Operating Income	32,882	27,230	15,743	20.8	73.0
Nonoperating Expense	8,970	6,271	10,939	43.0	(42.7)
Operating Ratio	96.0%	96.5%	98.0%	(0.5)	(1.5)
Working Capital	68,519	54,928	21,300	24.7	157.9
Cash flow from operations	58,270	50,439	68,718	15.5	(26.6)
Net capital expenditures	49,830	24,792	19,613	101.0	26.4
Operating Statistics:	77,030	27,772	17,013	101.0	20.4
LTL Tonnage					
Saia	2,422	2,319	2,229	4.4	4.0
Jevic	1,053	995	994	5.8	0.2
Total Tonnage	,				
Saia	2,977	2,861	2,790	4.0	2.6
Jevic	2,209	2,235	2,252	(1.2)	(0.8)
LTL Shipments					
Saia	4,504	4,356	4,181	3.4	4.2
Jevic	877	833	815	5.3	2.2
Total Shipments	1 575	4 422	4 2 4 5	3.4	4.2
Saia Jevic	4,575 1,012	4,423 971	4,245 954	3.4 4.3	4.2 1.7
LTL Revenue per hundredweight	1,012	9/1	934	4.3	1./
excluding fuel surcharge					
Saia	9.54	9.52	9.72	0.2	(2.1)
Jevic	9.19	9.09	8.96	1.0	1.5
Total Revenue per hundred weight					
excluding fuel surcharge					
Saia	8.44	8.40	8.47	0.5	(0.9)
Jevic	6.44	6.15	6.08	4.8	1.2

#### Year ended December 31, 2003 vs. year ended December 31, 2002

#### Revenue and volume

The 6.7 percent increase in consolidated revenue to \$827.4 million was the result of volume increases in both shipments and LTL tonnage while year over year yield was relatively flat, as pricing remains very competitive. Fuel surcharge revenue, which was 3.6 percent of total revenue in 2003, is intended to reduce the Company's exposure to rising diesel prices and was higher by approximately \$14.7 million in 2003.

Saia had operating revenue of \$520.7 million in 2003, an increase of 6.3 percent over 2002 operating revenue of \$489.8 million. Saia's operating revenue excluding fuel surcharge was \$502.3 million in 2003, up 4.6 percent from \$480.3 million in 2002. Saia LTL revenue per hundredweight excluding fuel surcharge (a measure of yield) increased 0.2 percent to \$9.54 per hundredweight for 2003, while LTL tonnage was up 4.4 percent to 2.4 million

tons and LTL shipments were up 3.4 percent to 4.5 million shipments. The flat yield is a combination of freight mix and competitive pricing pressure in regional markets. Management believes that Saia continues to grow volume by providing high quality service for its customers and from sales initiatives in specific market segments. Saia has approximately 70 percent of revenue that is subject to individual customer price adjustment negotiations that occur intermittently throughout the year. The remaining 30 percent of revenue is subject to the annual general rate increase. On June 9, 2003, Saia implemented a 6.2 percent general rate increase for this smaller group of customers. Competitive factors, customer turnover and mix changes impact the extent to which customer rate increases are retained over time.

Jevic had operating revenue of \$306.7 million in 2003, a 7.4 percent increase over \$285.6 million in 2002. Jevic's operating revenue excluding fuel surcharge was \$295.5 million in 2003, up 5.5 percent from \$280.2 million in 2002. Jevic revenue per hundredweight excluding fuel surcharge increased 4.8 percent to \$6.44 per hundredweight, while tonnage was down 1.2 percent to 2.2 million tons and shipments were up 4.3 percent to 1.0 million shipments. Jevic's revenue increase is due to increased LTL volume, improved yields and increased brokerage revenue, partially offset by lower truckload volumes. The increase in yield is primarily a result of a planned mix shift toward higher yielding LTL business. Jevic has approximately 60 percent of revenue that is subject to individual customer price adjustment negotiations that occur intermittently throughout the year. The remaining 40 percent of revenue is subject to the annual general rate increase. On June 1, 2003, Jevic implemented a 5.9 percent general rate increase on LTL business and a 3.0 percent increase on truckload business for this smaller group of customers. Competitive factors, customer turnover and mix changes impact the extent to which customer rate increases are retained over time.

#### Operating expenses and margin

The 20.8 percent increase in consolidated operating income reflects higher margin contribution on year over year volume increases and cost and productivity improvements partially offset by structural cost increases. The 2003 operating ratio (operating expenses divided by operating revenue) was 96.0 compared to 96.5 in 2002. Both Saia and Jevic continued initiatives to improve productivity and control variable costs as monthly volumes fluctuated. These costs and productivity initiatives were partially offset by structural cost increases in wage rates, healthcare costs, casualty insurance premiums and other operating expenses. Higher fuel prices (exclusive of taxes), in conjunction with volume changes, caused \$10.6 million of the increase in operating expenses and supplies. These fuel price increases were more than offset by increased revenues from the fuel surcharge program.

Saia had operating income of \$27.7 million in 2003, compared to \$21.9 million in 2002. The operating ratio at Saia was 94.7 in 2003 compared to 95.5 in 2002. Despite the relatively flat yield discussed above, Saia improved its operating income through continued strong cost controls and productivity initiatives that improved performance metrics in pickup and delivery, linehaul and dock areas of the Company. These improvements in labor productivity, safety initiatives and other expense reductions offset higher healthcare costs, a general wage increase in August 2003 and other wage adjustments during the year. As of the end of 2003, Saia's wage rates were 4.5 percent higher than the end of 2002. Saia's overall increase in wage expense was partially offset by a decrease in purchased transportation, as Saia more efficiently utilized purchased transportation in meeting its peak capacity needs.

Jevic operating income was \$9.4 million in 2003, up from \$5.8 million in 2002. Jevic's revenue and yield improvement offset structural cost increases in 2003. The operating ratio at Jevic was 96.9 in 2003 compared to 98.0 in 2002. Jevic reduced its frequency rate for workers' compensation claims in 2003. Workers' compensation expense in 2002 included \$2.7 million higher than anticipated costs relating to unfavorable development in the severity of open claims and the implementation of a more conservative, actuarial estimate for establishing workers' compensation reserves. This level of profitability was obtained despite a 1.0 percent average wage increase over 2002. Jevic increased its use of purchased transportation to fill peak capacity needs during 2003 versus the prior year, principally due to operational challenges related to a continuing shortage of drivers throughout the year.

Holding company operating expenses for 2003 were \$4.3 million in excess of costs allocated to the operating companies. These holding company costs included a \$0.4 million charge related to the appreciation of SCST stock accounted for in the Capital Accumulation Plan, a \$0.9 million charge for the estimated payout of our long-term incentive plan related to the appreciation of SCST stock, \$1.1 million related to reserve increases on older casualty claims and \$0.2 million for a consulting project. These older casualty claims were incurred prior to our September 2002 spin-off, and had been subject to a deductible buy-down program with our former parent. The increase in reserves was appropriate to estimate the increased severity potential of these claims. The holding company had \$0.5

million in operating expenses in excess of costs allocated to the operating companies in 2002, which was not indicative of post spin-off operations.

#### Other

Substantially all SCST nonoperating expenses represent interest expense. The increase in interest cost is a result of the Company's post spin-off capital structure consisting of predominantly longer-term, higher fixed rate instruments versus the principally shorter term floating rate structure with the former parent company. The consolidated effective tax rate was 37.6 percent in 2003 compared to 42.5 percent in 2002. The decrease in the effective tax rate is due to the tax benefit for previously unrecognized state operating loss carryforwards of \$1.0 million, due to changes in state tax laws enacted in 2003, together with the reduced impact of nondeductible business expenses on higher income before income taxes. The 2002 results include a charge of \$75.2 million recorded in the first quarter of 2002 from the cumulative effect of a change in accounting for goodwill. The notes to the consolidated financial statements provide an analysis of the income tax provision and the effective tax rate and additional discussion on the charge for the cumulative effect of a change in accounting for goodwill.

#### Working capital/capital expenditures

The change in working capital is predominantly the result of a higher invested cash balance and increases in accounts receivable, due to higher revenues in December 2003 versus December 2002, offset by increases in wage and employee benefits accruals, primarily related to increased accruals for profit sharing and vacation. Restrictions on prepayment of long-term fixed rate debt resulted in a higher cash and cash equivalent balance from operations in 2003. The 2003 capital investments primarily represent replacement of revenue equipment and investment in technology equipment and software.

#### Year ended December 31, 2002 vs. year ended December 31, 2001

#### Revenue and volume

Revenue of \$775.4 million in 2002 reflected relatively flat year over year growth resulting from small volume increases and competitive pricing pressures brought on by the sluggish economy. In addition, fuel surcharge revenue was lower by approximately \$5.4 million in 2002.

Saia had operating revenue of \$489.8 million in 2002, an increase of 0.9 percent over 2001 operating revenue of \$485.4 million. Saia's operating revenue excluding fuel surcharge was \$480.3 million in 2002, up 1.6 percent from \$472.6 million in 2001. Saia LTL revenue per hundredweight excluding fuel surcharge (a measure of yield) decreased 2.1 percent to \$9.52 per hundredweight for 2002, while LTL tonnage was up 4.0 percent to 2.3 million tons and LTL shipments were up 4.2 percent to 4.4 million shipments. The decrease in yield is a combination of freight mix and competitive pricing pressure. Saia had approximately 60 percent of revenue that was subject to individual customer price adjustment negotiations that occur intermittently throughout the year. The remaining 40 percent of revenue was subject to the annual general rate increase. On July 15, 2002, Saia implemented a 5.9 percent general rate increase for this group of customers. Competitive factors, customer turnover and mix changes impact the extent to which customer rate increases are retained over time.

Jevic had operating revenue of \$286 million in 2002, consistent with \$286 million in 2001. Jevic's operating revenue excluding fuel surcharge was \$280.2 million in 2002, up 0.5 percent from \$278.6 million in 2001. Jevic yield excluding fuel surcharge increased 1.1 percent to \$6.15 per hundredweight, while tonnage was down 0.8 percent to 2.2 million tons and shipments were up 1.7 percent to 971,000 shipments. Jevic experienced improved quarter over quarter volume comparisons in the second half of 2002 after several quarters of declining trends due to the economic downturn and competition. The increase in yield was due to some firming in the pricing environment. Jevic had approximately 60 percent of revenue that was subject to individual customer price adjustment negotiations that occur intermittently throughout the year. The remaining 40 percent of revenue was subject to the annual general rate increase. On August 1, 2002, Jevic implemented a 5.9 percent general rate increase for this smaller group of customers. Competitive factors, customer turnover and mix changes impact the extent to which customer rate increases are retained over time.

#### Operating expenses and margin

The increase in 2002 operating income is a combination of cost management efforts, a modest increase in shipping volumes and the elimination of prior year integration charges and goodwill amortization. The operating income in 2001 included \$6.7 million of costs for the integration of WestEx and Action Express into Saia and goodwill

amortization of approximately \$3.0 million that was eliminated in 2002. Both Saia and Jevic continued initiatives to improve productivity and control variable costs as volumes fluctuated. However, these cost reduction and productivity initiatives were partially offset by increases in wage rates (total employees increased by only 1.0 percent to 7,500 at year end), casualty insurance premiums and other operating expenses. The Company had a \$3.5 million decrease in operating expense and supplies as a result of declines in fuel prices and volume changes which reduced total year over year fuel costs.

Saia had operating income of \$21.9 million in 2002, compared to \$9.7 million in 2001 (including integration charges of \$6.7 million). The operating ratio at Saia was 95.5 in 2002 compared to 98.0 in 2001. Despite the decrease in yield discussed above, Saia improved its operating income due to strong cost controls and improved operating efficiencies. Improvements in productivity offset higher workers' compensation costs and pay increases. Saia implemented a wage increase in August 2002, which was substantially offset by labor productivity gains and other expense reductions. As of the end of 2002, Saia's wage rates were 4 percent higher than the end of 2001 reflecting some changes in wage structure as well. Saia increased its use of purchased transportation to fill peak capacity needs during 2002 versus the prior year.

Jevic operating income was \$5.8 million in 2002, down from \$6.0 million in 2001. The operating ratio at Jevic was 98.0 in 2002 compared to 97.9 in 2001. Jevic's profitability benefited from the elimination of goodwill amortization of approximately \$2.0 million that was included in 2001. However, Jevic results for 2002 also include \$2.7 million higher than anticipated workers' compensation expense relating to unfavorable development in the severity of open claims and the implementation of a more conservative, actuarial estimate for establishing workers' compensation reserves. This level of profitability was obtained despite a 2.6 percent average wage increase over 2001. The wage increase was offset by a reduction in purchased transportation as Jevic more efficiently utilized purchased transportation in meeting its peak capacity needs.

#### Other

Borrowings for the first nine months of 2002 and full year 2001 reflect lower rate, shorter-term financing with Yellow, the former parent. However, the 2001 interest expense reflects higher average debt balances. The consolidated effective tax rate was 42.5 percent in 2002 compared to 84.0 percent in 2001. The decrease in effective tax rate is due to the lessened impact of nondeductible business expenses on higher income before income taxes along with the elimination of nondeductible goodwill amortization in 2002. The 2002 results include a charge of \$75.2 million in the first quarter of 2002 from the cumulative effect of a change in accounting for goodwill. The notes to the consolidated financial statements provide an analysis of the income tax provision and the effective tax rate and additional discussion on the charge for the cumulative effect of a change in accounting for goodwill.

#### Working capital/capital expenditures

The change in working capital is a result of increases in accounts receivable due to higher revenues in December 2002 versus December 2001. Working capital was further increased by a reduction of current maturities of long-term debt and a substantial increase in cash and cash equivalents in 2002. Cash from operations in 2002 was used to pay down short-term variable rate debt; however, restrictions on prepayment of long-term fixed rate debt resulted in a higher cash and cash equivalent balance. The 2002 capital investments primarily represent replacement of revenue equipment and the purchase of three service facilities for Saia, net of proceeds from the sale of an existing Saia service facility.

#### Outlook

Our business is highly correlated to the general economy, and in particular industrial production. However, in 2003, we achieved revenue growth and profitability improvement despite a relatively flat industrial economic environment. For 2004, we anticipate an improving economy that will allow continued growth in our existing geography and subsidiary-specific profit improvement initiatives, focused on cost management, productivity and asset utilization that will help offset anticipated structural cost increases in wages and healthcare claims. We also believe an improving economy will provide the opportunity for improved pricing and yield management.

Our priorities in 2004 include a continued focus on providing top quality service, improving safety performance and investing in management and infrastructure for future growth. Actual results for 2004 will depend upon a number of factors, including the timing, speed and magnitude of the economic recovery, our ability to match capacity with shifting volume levels, competitive pricing pressures, insurance claims and integration risks.

See "Forward-Looking Statements" for a more complete discussion of potential risks and uncertainties that could materially affect our future performance.

#### **New Accounting Pronouncements**

See Note 1 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements for further discussion of recent accounting pronouncements.

Effective January 1, 2003, the Company adopted the fair value method of recording stock option expense under SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" as amended by SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation – Transition and Disclosure, an amendment of FASB Statement No. 123". See Note 1 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements for further discussion.

Effective January 1, 2002, the Company adopted SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets". See Notes 1 and 5 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements for further discussion.

#### **Financial Condition**

SCST liquidity needs arise primarily from capital investment in new equipment, land and structures and information technology, as well as funding working capital requirements.

In connection with the Spin-off, SCST issued \$100 million in Senior Notes under a \$125 million Master Shelf Agreement with Prudential Investment Management, Inc. and certain of its affiliates. SCST also entered into a \$50 million Agented Revolving Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement) with Bank of Oklahoma, N.A., as agent, which has subsequently been increased to \$75 million. Proceeds from the Senior Notes and a portion of the Credit Agreement were used for payments due Yellow discussed below. SCST had approximately \$120.5 million outstanding under line-of-credit agreements with Yellow immediately prior to the Spin-off, of which \$113.6 million was repaid to Yellow under the terms of the Spin-off. The remaining \$6.9 million reduction in the line-of-credit with Yellow was a capital contribution to SCST from Yellow.

The Company's long-term debt at December 31, 2003 includes \$100 million in Senior Notes that are unsecured with a fixed interest rate of 7.38 percent and an average maturity of eight years. Payments due under the Senior Notes are interest only until June 30, 2006 and at that time semi-annual principal payments begin, with the final payment due December 2013. Under the terms of the Senior Notes, SCST must maintain several financial covenants including a maximum ratio of total indebtedness to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and rent (EBITDAR), a minimum interest coverage ratio and a minimum tangible net worth, among others. At December 31, 2003, SCST was in compliance with these covenants. In addition, SCST has third party borrowings of approximately \$16.5 million in subordinated notes.

On November 14, 2003, the Credit Agreement was amended to \$75 million to increase the Company's capacity for letters of credit in support of self-insured retentions for casualty and workers' compensation claims without diminishing its borrowing capacity. The amended \$75 million Credit Agreement is unsecured with an interest rate based on LIBOR or prime at the Company's option, plus an applicable spread, in certain instances, and matures in September 2006. The availability under the Credit Agreement is limited to SCST's qualified receivables (as defined in the Credit Agreement). At December 31, 2003, SCST had no borrowings under the Credit Agreement, \$35.3 million in letters of credit outstanding under the Credit Agreement and availability of \$35.2 million based on SCST's qualified receivables. The available portion of the Credit Agreement may be used for future capital expenditures, working capital and letter of credit requirements as needed. Under the terms of the Credit Agreement, SCST must maintain several financial covenants including a maximum ratio of total indebtedness to EBITDAR, a minimum interest coverage ratio and a minimum tangible net worth, among others. At December 31, 2003, SCST was in compliance with these covenants.

At December 31, 2003 Yellow provided on behalf of SCST approximately \$2.3 million in outstanding surety bonds. These bonds, issued by insurance companies, serve as collateral support primarily for workers' compensation programs in states where SCST is self-insured. The price and availability of surety bonds fluctuates over time with general conditions in the insurance market. A lack of availability of surety bonds could result in the need for Yellow to issue additional letters of credit. At December 31, 2003, Yellow has provided on behalf of SCST \$3.3 million in outstanding letters of credit under historical insurance programs, which Saia participated with other Yellow affiliates. The collateral support by Yellow is expected to remain in place until claims for these prior years are closed. Under the Master Separation and Distribution Agreement entered into in connection with the Spin-off,

SCST pays Yellow's actual cost of the collateral through October 2005 after which time it is cost plus 100 basis points through October 2007.

Projected net capital expenditures for 2004 are approximately \$55 million, an approximately \$5 million increase from 2003 net capital expenditures. Approximately \$3 million of the 2004 capital budget was committed at December 31, 2003. Net capital expenditures pertain primarily to replacement of revenue equipment at both subsidiaries and additional investments in information technology, land and structures.

The Company has historically generated cash flows from operations that have funded its capital expenditure requirements. Cash flows from operations were \$58.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, which were \$8.4 million more than 2003 net capital expenditures. The timing of capital expenditures can largely be managed around the seasonal working capital requirements of the Company. However, the Company has adequate sources of capital to meet short-term liquidity needs through its cash (\$30.9 million at December 31, 2003) and availability under its revolving credit facility (\$35.2 million at December 31, 2003). In addition to these sources of liquidity, the Company has \$25 million under its long-term debt facilities, which is available to fund other longer-term strategic investments. The February 16, 2004 acquisition of Clark Bros. Transfer, Inc. utilized approximately \$25 million in cash. Future operating cash flows are primarily dependent upon the Company's profitability and its ability to manage its working capital requirements, primarily accounts receivable, accounts payable and wage and benefit accruals. The Company has the ability to adjust its capital expenditures in the event of a shortfall in anticipated operating cash flows. The Company believes its current capital structure and availability under its borrowing facilities along with anticipated cash flows from future operations will be sufficient to fund planned replacements of revenue equipment and investments in technology. Additional sources of capital may be needed to fund future long-term strategic growth initiatives.

Actual net capital expenditures are summarized in the following table (in millions):

		Year ended	
	2003	2002	2001
Land and structures:			
Additions	\$ 1.3	\$ 6.7	\$ 3.3
Sales	(0.4)	(1.8)	
Revenue equipment, net	42.5	12.6	8.6
Technology and other	6.4	7.3	7.7
Total	\$49.8	\$24.8	\$19.6

In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, our operating leases are not recorded in our balance sheet; however, the minimum lease payments related to these leases are disclosed in the notes to our audited consolidated financial statements included in this Form 10-K, and in "Contractual Cash Obligations" table below. In addition to the principal amounts disclosed in the tables below, the Company has interest obligations of approximately \$8.6 million for 2004 and decreasing for each year thereafter, based on borrowings outstanding at December 31, 2003.

#### **Contractual Cash Obligations**

The following tables set forth a summary of our contractual cash obligations and other commercial commitments as of December 31, 2003 (in millions):

	Payments due by year							
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Thereafter	Total	
Contractual cash obligations:		,						
Long-term debt obligations:								
Revolving line of credit (1)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	
Long-term debt (1)	_	1.3	6.4	11.4	11.4	86.0	116.5	
Operating leases	9.6	7.6	4.8	2.6	0.8	0.1	25.5	
Purchase obligations (2)	5.1	0.5	0.3				5.9	
Total contractual obligations	\$14.7	\$9.4	\$11.5	\$14.0	\$12.2	\$86.1	\$147.9	

(1) See Note 3 to the accompanying audited consolidated financial statements in this Form 10-K.

(2) Includes commitments of \$2.6 million for capital expenditures.

	Amount of commitment expiration by year							
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Thereafter	Total	
Other commercial commitments:								
Available line of credit	\$ —	\$ —	\$35.2	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$35.2	
Letters of credit	38.7	_	_	_	_	_	38.7	
Surety bonds	3.5	0.1					3.6	
Total commercial	<b>*</b> 42.2	00.1	#2.5.Q	Φ.		Φ.	Φ.σ.σ. σ.	
commitments	\$42.2	\$0.1	\$35.2	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	\$77.5	

#### **Critical Accounting Policies And Estimates**

SCST makes estimates and assumptions in preparing the consolidated financial statements that affect reported amounts and disclosures therein. In the opinion of management, the accounting policies that generally have the most significant impact on the financial position and results of operations of SCST include:

- Claims and Insurance Accruals. SCST has self-insured retention limits generally ranging from \$250,000 to \$2,000,000 per claim for medical, workers' compensation, auto liability, casualty and cargo claims. For the current policy year, the Company has an aggregate exposure limited to an additional \$2,000,000 above its \$1,000,000 per claim deductible under its auto liability program. The liabilities associated with the risk retained by SCST are estimated in part based on historical experience, third-party actuarial analysis, demographics, nature and severity, past experience and other assumptions. The liabilities for self-funded retention are included in claims and insurance reserves based on claims incurred, with liabilities for unsettled claims and claims incurred but not yet reported being actuarially determined with respect to workers' compensation claims and with respect to all other liabilities, estimated based on management's evaluation of the nature and severity of individual claims and historical experience. However, these estimated accruals could be significantly affected if the actual costs of SCST differ from these assumptions. These estimates tend to be historically accurate over time; however, assumptions regarding severity of claims, medical cost inflation, as well as specific case facts can create short-term volatility in estimates.
- Revenue Recognition and Related Allowances. Revenue is recognized on a percentage-of-completion basis for shipments in transit while expenses are recognized as incurred. In addition, estimates included in the recognition of revenue and accounts receivable include estimates of shipments in transit and estimates of future adjustments to revenue and accounts receivable for billing adjustments and collectibility.
  - Revenue is recognized in a systematic process whereby estimates of shipments in transit are based upon actual shipments picked up, scheduled day of delivery and current trend in average rates charged to customers. Since the cycle for pick up and delivery of shipments is generally 1-3 days, typically less than 5 percent of a total month's revenue is in transit at the end of any month. Estimates for credit losses and billing adjustments are based upon historical experience of credit losses, adjustments processed and trends of collections. Billing adjustments are primarily made for discounts and billing corrections. These estimates are continuously evaluated and updated; however, changes in economic conditions, pricing arrangements and other factors can significantly impact these estimates.
- <u>Depreciation and Capitalization of Assets</u>. Under the SCST accounting policy for property and equipment, management establishes appropriate depreciable lives and salvage values for SCST's revenue equipment (tractors and trailers) based on their estimated useful lives and estimated fair values to be received when the equipment is sold or traded in. These estimates are continuously evaluated and updated when circumstances warrant. However, actual depreciation and salvage values could differ from these assumptions based on market conditions and other factors.
- Recovery of Goodwill. Annually, SCST assesses goodwill impairment by applying a fair value based test. This fair value based test involves assumptions regarding the long-term future performance of the operating subsidiaries of SCST, fair value of the assets and liabilities of SCST, cost of capital rates and other assumptions. However, actual recovery of remaining goodwill could differ from these assumptions based on

market conditions and other factors. In the event remaining goodwill is determined to be impaired a charge to earnings would be required.

These accounting policies, and others, are described in further detail in the notes to our audited consolidated financial statements included in this Form 10-K.

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to adopt accounting policies and make significant judgments and estimates to develop amounts reflected and disclosed in the financial statements. In many cases, there are alternative policies or estimation techniques that could be used. We maintain a thorough process to review the application of our accounting policies and to evaluate the appropriateness of the many estimates that are required to prepare the financial statements. However, even under optimal circumstances, estimates routinely require adjustment based on changing circumstances and the receipt of new or better information.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Certain statements in this Report, including those contained in Item 1, "Outlook" and Item 7, "Financial Condition" are "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 with respect to the financial condition, results of operations, plans, objectives, future performance and business of SCST. Words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "project," "intend," "plan," "predict," "believe" and similar words or expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. We use such forward-looking statements regarding our future financial condition and results of operations and our business operations in this Report. All forward-looking statements reflect the present expectation of future events of our management and are subject to a number of important factors, risks, uncertainties and assumptions that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. These factors and risks include, but are not limited to, general economic conditions; labor relations; cost and availability of qualified drivers; governmental regulations, including but not limited to Hours of Service, engine emissions and Homeland Security; cost and availability of fuel; inclement weather; integration risks; competitive initiatives and pricing pressures; self-insurance claims and other expense volatility; and other financial, operational and legal risks and uncertainties detailed from time to time in the Company's SEC filings.

As a result of these and other factors, no assurance can be given as to our future results and achievements. Accordingly, a forward-looking statement is neither a prediction nor a guarantee of future events or circumstances, and those future events or circumstances may not occur. You should not place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this Report. We are under no obligation, and we expressly disclaim any obligation, to update or alter any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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

SCST is exposed to a variety of market risks, including the effects of interest rates and fuel prices. The detail of SCST's debt structure is more fully described in the notes to the consolidated financial statements. To mitigate our risk to rising fuel prices, Saia and Jevic each have implemented fuel surcharge programs. These programs are well established within the industry and customer acceptance of fuel surcharges remains high. Since the amount of fuel surcharge is based on average national diesel fuel prices and is reset weekly, exposure of SCST to fuel price volatility is significantly reduced.

The following table provides information about SCST third-party financial instruments as of December 31, 2003 with comparative information for December 31, 2002. The table presents principal cash flows (in millions) and related weighted average interest rates by contractual maturity dates. The fair value of the fixed rate debt was estimated based upon the borrowing rates currently available to the Company for debt with similar terms and remaining maturities.

	Expected maturity date						2003		2002	
_	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Thereafter	Total	Fair Value	Total	Fair Value
Fixed rate debt	s —	\$1.3	\$6.4	\$11.4	\$11.4	\$86.0	\$116.5	\$127.6	\$116.4	\$123.4
Average interest rate Variable rate debt	s —	7.00% \$ —	7.24% \$—	7.32% \$ —	7.33% \$ —	7.34% \$ —	s —	s —	s —	s —
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### Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

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## **Independent Auditors' Report**

The Board of Directors and Shareholders SCS Transportation, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of SCS Transportation, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and the related consolidated statements of operations, shareholders' equity, and cash flows for the two 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. The 2001 consolidated financial statements of SCS Transportation, Inc. were audited by other auditors who have ceased operations. Those auditors' report dated January 25, 2002, on those consolidated financial statements was unqualified and included an explanatory paragraph that described the relationship of SCS Transportation, Inc. and Yellow Corporation, before the revisions described in Notes 5 and 13.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the 2003 and 2002 consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of SCS Transportation, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the two years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed above, the 2001 consolidated financial statements of SCS Transportation, Inc. were audited by other auditors who have ceased operations. As described in Note 5, effective January 1, 2002, the Company changed its method of accounting for goodwill as required by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142 (SFAS No. 142), *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*, and these consolidated financial statements have been revised to include the required transitional disclosures. Additionally, as described in Note 13, these consolidated financial statements have been revised to include the required 2001 financial statement schedule information for valuation and qualifying accounts. In our opinion, the disclosures for 2001 in Notes 5 and 13 are appropriate and have been properly applied. However, we were not engaged to audit, review, or apply any procedures to the 2001 consolidated financial statements of SCS Transportation, Inc. other than with respect to such disclosures and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on the 2001 consolidated financial statements taken as a whole.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Kansas City, Missouri January 21, 2004, except for Note 14, which is as of February 16, 2004 This is a copy of the audit report previously issued by Arthur Andersen LLP in connection with SCS Transportation, Inc.'s 2001 consolidated financial statements previously filed on Form 10 and before certain limited revisions described in Notes 5 and 13. This report refers to periods not presented herein. This audit report has not been reissued by Arthur Andersen LLP in connection with this filing on Form 10-K.

#### Report of independent public accountants

To the Board of Directors of Yellow Corporation:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of SCS Transportation, Inc. and Subsidiaries (formerly Yellow Corporation's Regional Transportation Group as identified in Note 1) as of December 31, 2001 and 2000, and the related consolidated statements of income, the Parent company equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall 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 SCS Transportation, Inc. and Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2001 and 2000, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2001, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

SCS Transportation, Inc., is wholly owned by Yellow Corporation. As indicated in Note 1, SCS Transportation, Inc., relies on Yellow Corporation for administrative, cash management and other services. The financial position, results of operations and cash flows of SCS Transportation, Inc., could differ from those that would have resulted had SCS Transportation, Inc., operated autonomously or as an entity independent of Yellow Corporation.

/s/ Arthur Andersen LLP

Kansas City, Missouri, January 25, 2002

## SCS Transportation, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets December 31, 2003 and 2002 (in thousands, except share data)

Current Assets	(in thousands, except share data)	2002	2002
Cash and cash equivalents         \$ 30,870         \$ 21,872           Accounts receivable, less allowance of \$5,118 and \$6,878         93,283         86,908           Prepaid expenses         10,824         9,724           Deferred income taxes         15,714         16,681           Other current assets         154,514         139,489           Property and Equipment, at cost.         519,715         487,803           Less-accumulated depreciation         227,322         200,645           Net property and equipment         292,393         287,158           Goodwill and Other Intangibles, net.         15,420         15,683           Other Noncurrent Assets         1,739         2,013           Total assets         \$464,066         \$444,343           Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity         Eccess outstanding         \$ 7,844         \$ 5,495           Accounts payable         19,701         20,514           Wages, vacations and employees' benefits         30,779         27,870           Claims and insurance accruals         10,757         12,277           Accrued liabilities         16,914         18,405           Total current liabilities         85,995         84,561           Other Liabilities         116,510         116,41	Assets	2003	2002
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Prepaid expenses         10,824         9,724           Deferred income taxes         15,714         16,681           Other current assets         3,823         4,304           Total current assets         154,514         139,489           Property and Equipment, at cost.         519,715         487,803           Less-accumulated depreciation         227,322         200,645           Net property and equipment         292,393         287,158           Goodwill and Other Intangibles, net         15,420         15,683           Other Noncurrent Assets         31,739         2,013           Total assets         \$464,066         \$444,343           Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity         8464,066         \$444,343           Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity         19,701         20,13           Accounts payable         19,701         20,514           Wages, vacations and employees' benefits         30,779         27,870           Claims and insurance accruals         10,757         12,277           Accrued liabilities         16,914         18,405           Total current liabilities         85,995         84,561           Other Liabilities:           Long-term debt.         116,510         116,410		02.202	06.000
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Net property and equipment   15,420   15,683	Property and Equipment, at cost	519,715	487,803
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Other Noncurrent Assets         1,739         2,013           Total assets         \$464,066         \$444,343           Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity         Eurrent Liabilities:         \$7,844         \$5,495           Checks outstanding         \$7,844         \$5,495           Accounts payable         19,701         20,514           Wages, vacations and employees' benefits         30,779         27,870           Claims and insurance accruals         10,757         12,277           Accrued liabilities         85,995         84,561           Other Liabilities:           Long-term debt.         116,510         116,410           Deferred income taxes         53,504         54,087           Claims, insurance and other         18,475         15,008           Total other liabilities         188,489         185,505           Commitments and Contingencies           Shareholders' Equity:         -         -           Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 50,000 shares authorized, none issued and outstanding in 2003 and 2002, respectively         -         -           14,776,160 and 14,655,303 shares issued and outstanding in 2003 and 2002, respectively         15         15           Additional paid-in-capital         201,743         2	Net property and equipment	292,393	287,158
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Accounts payable		\$ 7,844	\$ 5,495
Wages, vacations and employees' benefits       30,779       27,870         Claims and insurance accruals       10,757       12,277         Accrued liabilities       16,914       18,405         Total current liabilities         Long-term debt       116,510       116,410         Deferred income taxes       53,504       54,087         Claims, insurance and other       18,475       15,008         Total other liabilities       188,489       185,505         Commitments and Contingencies       Shareholders' Equity:       -       -         Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 50,000 shares authorized, none issued and outstanding       -       -       -         Common stock, \$0.001 par value, 50,000,000 shares authorized, 14,776,160 and 14,655,303 shares issued and outstanding in 2003 and 2002, respectively       15       15       15         Additional paid-in-capital       201,743       200,611       201,743       200,611         Deferred compensation trust, 63,617 and zero shares of common stock at cost in 2003 and 2002, respectively       (760)       -         Retained earnings (deficit)       (11,416)       (26,349)         Total shareholders' equity       189,582       174,277			
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Other Liabilities:         85,995         84,561           Other Liabilities:         116,510         116,410           Deferred income taxes         53,504         54,087           Claims, insurance and other         18,475         15,008           Total other liabilities         188,489         185,505           Commitments and Contingencies         Shareholders' Equity:         -         -           Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 50,000 shares authorized, none issued and outstanding         -         -         -           Common stock, \$0.001 par value, 50,000,000 shares authorized, 14,776,160 and 14,655,303 shares issued and outstanding in 2003 and 2002, respectively         15         15           Additional paid-in-capital         201,743         200,611           Deferred compensation trust, 63,617 and zero shares of common stock at cost in 2003 and 2002, respectively         (760)         -           Retained earnings (deficit)         (11,416)         (26,349)           Total shareholders' equity         189,582         174,277			
Long-term debt	Total current liabilities	85,995	84,561
Long-term debt	Other Liabilities:		
Deferred income taxes		116 510	116 410
Claims, insurance and other	<del>-</del>		
Total other liabilities			
Commitments and Contingencies  Shareholders' Equity:  Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 50,000 shares authorized, none issued and outstanding			
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	Retained earnings (deficit)	(11,416)	(26,349)
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity \$464,066 \$444,343	Total shareholders' equity	189,582	174,277
	Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$464,066	\$444,343

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## SCS Transportation, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Operations For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 (in thousands, except share data)

	2003	2002	2001
Operating Revenue	\$ 827,359	\$ 775,436	\$ 771,582
Operating Expenses:			
Salaries, wages and employees' benefits	465,714	439,590	435,795
Purchased transportation	81,551	77,885	71,304
Operating expenses and supplies	145,363	131,681	141,124
Operating taxes and licenses	32,431	30,754	31,521
Claims and insurance	25,391	22,781	20,251
Depreciation and amortization	44,039	44,920	49,166
Operating (gains) and losses	(12)	595	(27)
Integration charges			6,705
Total operating expenses	794,477	748,206	755,839
Operating Income	32,882	27,230	15,743
Nonoperating Expenses:			
Interest expense	9,460	6,192	10,942
Interest income	(217)	(23)	(6)
Other, net	(273)	102	3
Nonoperating expenses, net	8,970	6,271	10,939
Income Before Income Taxes and Cumulative Effect of			
Accounting Change	23,912	20,959	4,804
Income Tax Provision	8,979	8,901	4,033
Income Before Cumulative Effect of Accounting Change	14,933	12,058	771
Cumulative Effect of Change in Accounting for Goodwill		(75,175)	
Net Income (Loss)	\$14,933	\$ (63,117)	\$ 771
Average common shares outstanding – basic	14,687	14,585	14,565
Average common shares outstanding – diluted	15,129	14,671	14,565
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Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Share:			
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.83	\$ 0.05
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for goodwill		(5.16)	
Net income (loss)	\$ 1.02	\$ (4.33)	\$ 0.05
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share:			
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.82	\$ 0.05
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for goodwill	<del>-</del>	(5.12)	<del>-</del>
Net income (loss)	\$ 0.99	\$ (4.30)	\$ 0.05
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See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## SCS Transportation, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 (in thousands)

	Common Stock	Additional Paid-in Capital	Deferred Compensation Trust	Retained Earnings (Deficit)	Former Parent Company Equity	Total
Balance at December 31, 2000	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$203,514	\$203,514
Net income					25,695 771 (331)	25,695 771 (331) 440
Balance at December 31, 2001	_	_	_	_	229,649	229,649
Equity contribution by former Parent Stock distribution by former Parent Exercise of stock options, including	15	200,133		36,437	6,936 (236,585)	6,936
tax benefits of \$87	_	478	_		_	478
Net loss Accumulated other comprehensive income Total comprehensive loss				(63,117)		(63,117) 331 (62,786)
Balance at December 31, 2002	15	200,611	_	(26,349)	_	174,277
Shares issued for director compensation Stock compensation for director options	_	89 143			_	89 143
Exercise of stock options, including tax benefits of \$342	_	900	_	_	_	900
Net income			(760) —	14,933		(760) 14,933
Balance at December 31, 2003	\$15	\$201,743	\$ (760)	\$(11,416)	\$ —	\$189,582

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## SCS Transportation, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 (in thousands)

	2003	2002	2001
Operating Activities:			
Net income (loss)	\$14,933	\$(63,117)	\$ 771
Noncash items included in net income:			
Cumulative effect of change in accounting		75 175	
for goodwillDepreciation and amortization	44,039	75,175 44,920	49,166
Provision for doubtful accounts	2,051	3,924	4,118
Deferred income taxes	384	(3,918)	(883)
(Gain) losses from property disposals, net	(12)	595	52
Stock compensation for director options	143	_	
Shares issued for director compensation	89	_	
Changes in assets and liabilities, net:			
Accounts receivable	(7,707)	(6,903)	6,103
Accounts payable and checks outstanding	3,286	(6,084)	(509)
Other working capital items	(1,481)	968 6,649	5,477
Claims, insurance and otherOther, net	3,467 (922)	(1,770)	2,323 2,100
Net cash from operating activities	58,270	50,439	68,718
Investing Activities:			
Acquisition of property and equipment	(55,548)	(33,101)	(25,161)
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment	5,718	8,309	5,548
Net cash used in investing activities	(49,830)	(24,792)	(19,613)
Financing Activities:			
Proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt	_	110,820	
Repayment of long-term debt		(33,245)	(1,817)
Stock option exercises	558	391	1 097
Equity contribution from former Parent	_	(83,221)	1,087 (51,817)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	558	(5,255)	(52,547)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	8,998	20,392	(3,442)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	21,872	1,480	4,922
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 30,870	\$ 21,872	\$ 1,480
Noncash Transactions:	Ф	¢.	0 16 211
Assumption of subordinated debentures from former Parent Transfer of other assets from former Parent	<b>5</b> —	<b>5</b> —	\$ 16,311 (351)
Decrease in notes to former Parent	_	(6,936)	(40,568)
Equity contribution by former Parent	<u> </u>	6,936	24,608
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Supplemental Cash Flow Information: Income taxes paid, net	12,470	12,155	725
Interest paid	9,428	6,017	10,941
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SCS Transportation, Inc. and Subsidiaries Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001

## 1. Description of Business and Summary of Accounting Policies

## Description of Business

SCS Transportation, Inc. (SCST or the Company), headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri, is a leading transportation company providing regional and interregional less than truckload (LTL) and selected truckload (TL) service solutions to customers across the United States through its two wholly-owned regional transportation subsidiaries, Saia Motor Freight Line, Inc. and Jevic Transportation, Inc.

- Saia Motor Freight Line, Inc. (Saia) is a multi-regional LTL carrier providing overnight and second-day delivery in 21 states across the South, Southwest, West and Pacific Northwest United States. Saia employs approximately 5,200 employees and is headquartered in Duluth, Georgia. On March 5, 2001, Saia integrated two of its sister companies, WestEx and Action Express, into Saia, which was accounted for at historical cost as a combination between entities under common control. This expanded Saia's territory to include the West and the Pacific Northwest. The consolidated financial statements include the financial position and results of operations of WestEx and Action Express for all of the periods presented.
- **Jevic Transportation, Inc.** (Jevic) is a hybrid LTL and selected TL carrier providing regional and interregional delivery across the continental United States and portions of Canada. Jevic employs approximately 2,500 employees and is headquartered in Delanco, New Jersey.

## Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of SCST and its subsidiaries, all of which are wholly owned. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in the consolidated financial statements. In 2001, Yellow Corporation (Yellow), the former Parent, established SCST as a holding company for its two regional transportation subsidiaries, Saia and Jevic (the Regional Companies). In connection with the transfer of subsidiaries under SCST, the Company assumed a \$16.3 million subordinated debenture obligation from the former Parent and received a noncash equity contribution of \$24.6 million.

## The Spin-off

On July 19, 2002, the Yellow Board of Directors approved the spin-off of its 100 percent interest in SCST to Yellow shareholders (the Spin-off). On August 6, 2002, Yellow received a tax ruling from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) which states that for United States federal income tax purposes the Spin-off qualifies as a tax-free distribution under Section 355 of the Internal Revenue Code. SCST common stock is listed on the NASDAQ under the symbol "SCST". On September 30, 2002 the Spin-off was consummated and SCST paid \$110.6 million of \$113.6 million due in satisfaction of intercompany indebtedness to Yellow with the remaining \$3.0 million paid prior to December 31, 2002. These payments, in addition to the \$16.4 million in subordinated notes assumed by the Company, comprised the \$130 million dividend due Yellow under the Master Separation and Distribution Agreement. The remaining \$6.9 million reduction in the intercompany indebtedness to Yellow was a capital contribution from Yellow to SCST at the separation date. Immediately prior to the distribution, SCST and Yellow entered into the Master Separation and Distribution Agreement and the Tax Indemnification and Allocation Agreement to define their ongoing relationship after the distribution, the allocation of tax, employee benefits (including the adjustment of certain stock options outstanding under Yellow stock option plans), the satisfaction of intercompany debt and certain other liabilities and obligations arising from periods prior to the distribution date. SCST shares were distributed to Yellow shareholders on the basis of one SCST share for every two Yellow shares held on the record date of September 3, 2002. The total number of SCST shares distributed was 14,565,478. At the Spin-off, SCST's assets and liabilities have been presented at historical cost. Substantially all transaction costs associated with the Spin-off (including legal, accounting, investment banking and certain financing costs) were paid for by the former Parent under the terms of the Master Separation and Distribution Agreement.

## Use of Estimates

Management makes estimates and assumptions when preparing the consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. These estimates and assumptions affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and footnotes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## Summary of accounting policies

Major accounting policies and practices used in the preparation of the accompanying consolidated financial statements not covered in other notes to the consolidated financial statements are as follows:

Cash Equivalents: Cash equivalents in excess of current operating requirements are invested in short-term interest bearing instruments purchased with original maturities of three months or less and are stated at cost, which approximates market. Prior to the Spin-off, the Company participated in the former Parent's cash management program. Cash balances in excess of daily operating needs were transferred to and invested by the former Parent.

*Fuel*: Fuel is carried at average cost. To mitigate the Company's risk to rising fuel prices, the Company's operating subsidiaries each have implemented fuel surcharge programs. Since the amount of fuel surcharge billed to customers is based on average national diesel fuel prices and is reset weekly, exposure of SCST to fuel price volatility is significantly reduced.

Interest Rate Swap: The Company utilized interest rate swap contracts to hedge a portion of its LIBOR-based variable rate debt through September 30, 2002 at which time these obligations were settled by the former Parent in connection with the Spin-off. The Company had interest rate contracts with a notional amount totaling \$10.8 million and \$12.3 million at December 31, 2001. The differentials to be received or paid under contracts designated as hedges were recognized as adjustments to interest expense over the life of the contract. At December 31, 2001, the Company recorded \$0.3 million in unrealized loss on the interest rate contracts as a decrease to accumulated other comprehensive income included in parent company equity. The \$0.3 million unrealized loss was reversed in 2002 as a result of the settlement.

Property and Equipment Including Repairs and Maintenance: Property and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method based on the following service lives:

<u>-</u>	Years
Structures	20 to 25
Revenue equipment	5 to 13
Technology equipment and software	3 to 8
Other	3 to 15

At December 31, property and equipment consisted of the following (in thousands):

	2003	2002
Land	\$ 23,534	\$ 23,018
Structures	86,134	86,156
Revenue equipment	342,275	316,080
Technology equipment and software	39,251	34,989
Other	28,521	27,560
Total property and equipment, at cost	\$ 519,715	\$ 487,803

Maintenance and repairs are charged to operations currently; replacements and improvements that extend the asset's life are capitalized. The Company's investment in technology equipment and software consists primarily of advanced customer service and freight management communications equipment and related software.

Goodwill: Goodwill is recognized for the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of tangible and identifiable intangible net assets of businesses acquired. Prior to the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. ("SFAS") 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" in January 2002, goodwill was amortized

over the estimated period of benefit on a straight-line basis over periods generally ranging from 20 to 40 years, and was periodically reviewed for impairment based on undiscounted cash flows. Since adoption of SFAS 142 in January 2002, amortization of goodwill was discontinued and goodwill is reviewed at least annually for impairment based on fair value. Accumulated amortization of goodwill was \$7.4 million at December 31, 2003 and 2002. See also Note 5.

Computer Software Developed or Obtained for Internal Use: The Company capitalizes certain costs associated with developing or obtaining internal-use software. Capitalizable costs include external direct costs of materials and services utilized in developing or obtaining the software and payroll and payroll-related costs for employees directly associated with the project. For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, the Company capitalized \$1.2 million, \$1.7 million, and \$1.5 million, respectively, of primarily payroll-related costs.

Integration Charges: Integration charges were \$6.7 million in 2001 associated with the integration of WestEx and Action Express into Saia. Integration charges consisted of severance, costs associated with disposition of duplicate facilities, costs of relogoing the WestEx and Action Express fleet and losses on the liquidation of receivables of the merged entities.

Claims and Insurance Accruals: Claims and insurance accruals, both current and long-term, reflect the estimated cost of claims for workers' compensation (discounted to present value), cargo loss and damage, and bodily injury and property damage not covered by insurance. These costs are included in claims and insurance expense, except for workers' compensation, which is included in employees' benefits expense. The liabilities for self-funded retention are included in claims and insurance reserves based on claims incurred, with liabilities for unsettled claims and claims incurred but not yet reported being actuarially determined with respect to workers' compensation claims and with respect to all other liabilities, estimated based on management's evaluation of the nature and severity of individual claims and past experience. The former Parent provides guarantees for claims in certain self-insured states that arose prior to the Spin-off date.

Risk retention amounts per occurrence during the three years ended December 31, 2003, were as follows:

Workers' compensation	\$ 250,000 to 2,000,000
Bodily injury and property damage	1,000,000 to 2,000,000
Employee medical and hospitalization	250,000
Cargo loss and damage	250,000

For the current policy year, the Company has an aggregate exposure limited to an additional \$2,000,000 above its \$1,000,000 per claim deductible under its auto liability program.

The former Parent provided an intermediate layer of self-insurance behind the specific retention levels for bodily injury and property damage claims for the Company up to \$1.0 million per occurrence through September 30, 2002. The Company was assessed a premium from the former Parent. Premiums paid to the former Parent under these insurance arrangements were \$0.9 million in 2002 and \$1.8 million in 2001.

Included in the consolidated financial statements are costs incurred by the former Parent in excess of premiums received from the Company for the intermediate layer of self-insurance described above. The additional pretax costs were \$1.2 million in 2002 and \$1.6 million in 2001.

The Company assumed all open self-insurance claims of its operating subsidiaries from the former Parent in connection with the Spin-off. The estimated liability for open claims under the former Parent's self-insured retention at December 31, 2003 and 2002 was approximately \$4.7 million and \$5.1 million, respectively. The Company has also recorded a receivable for amounts previously paid to the former Parent toward settlement of these claims totaling approximately \$0.8 million and \$2.4 million at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. The Company incurred additional pretax costs of \$1.1 million in 2003 related to open claims under the former Parent's self-insured retention.

Revenue Recognition: Revenue is recognized on a percentage-of-completion basis for shipments in transit while expenses are recognized as incurred.

Stock-Based Compensation: For all stock option grants prior to January 1, 2003, stock-based compensation to employees is accounted for based on the intrinsic value method under Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25 "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees" and related interpretations, including Financial Accounting Standards

Board (FASB) Interpretation No. 44 "Accounting for Certain Transactions involving Stock Compensation". Accordingly, no stock-based compensation expense related to stock option awards was recorded in the year ended December 31, 2002 or 2001.

Effective January 1, 2003, the Company adopted the fair value method of recording stock option expense under SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" as amended by SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation – Transition and Disclosure, an amendment of FASB Statement No. 123". Under SFAS No. 123 the Company will recognize stock option expense prospectively for all stock awards granted after January 1, 2003. Stock option grants after January 1, 2003 are expensed over the vesting period based on the fair value at the date the options are granted.

In connection with the Spin-off effective October 1, 2002, all former parent company stock options issued and outstanding to employees of SCST were replaced with SCST stock options with equivalent vesting, contract terms and an intrinsic value identical to the value of the former parent company options being replaced.

There were no SCST stock options outstanding during the year ended December 31, 2001, and therefore, no comparative information is presented for 2001.

The following table illustrates the effect on net income and earnings per share during the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 if the Company had applied the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123 "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" for all stock option grants prior to January 1, 2003, the date the Company adopted SFAS No. 123 (in thousands, except per share data):

	2003	2002
Net income, as reportedAdd: Stock-based compensation expense included in	\$14,933	\$(63,117)
reported net income, net of tax  Deduct: Total stock-based compensation expense	88	_
determined using fair value based method for all awards, net of tax	(1,059) \$13,962	(2,411) \$(65,528)
Earnings per share: As reported – Basic earnings per share Pro forma – Basic earnings per share	\$ 1.02 \$ 0.95	\$ (4.33) \$ (4.49)
As reported – Diluted earnings per sharePro forma – Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.99 \$ 0.92	\$ (4.30) \$ (4.47)

Credit Risk: The Company routinely grants credit to its customers. The risk of significant loss in trade receivables is substantially mitigated by the Company's credit evaluation process, short collection terms, low revenue per transaction and services performed for a large number of customers with no single customer representing more than 3.0 percent of consolidated revenue. Allowances for potential credit losses are based on historical experience, current economic environment, expected trends and customer specific factors.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets: If facts and circumstances indicate that the carrying value of identifiable intangibles and long-lived assets may be impaired, the Company would perform an evaluation of recoverability. If an evaluation were required, the Company would compare the estimated future undiscounted cash flows associated with the asset to the asset's carrying amount to determine if a write-down is required.

*Reclassifications:* Certain inconsequential reclassifications have been made to the prior year consolidated financial statements to conform with current presentation.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2003, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 46 (revised December 2003), "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities", which addresses how a business enterprise should evaluate whether it has a controlling financial interest in an entity through a means other than voting rights and accordingly should consolidate the entity. The Company currently does not have any variable interests in VIEs.

FASB Statement No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity" (Statement No. 150) was issued in May 2003. This Statement establishes standards for the classification and measurement of certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. The Company currently does not have any financial instruments that are within the scope of Statement No. 150.

## 2. Related-Party Transactions

The Company has transactions with the former Parent as well as other affiliated companies. Through September 30, 2002, the former Parent provided services including legal, tax, internal audit, insurance administration, treasury and management for which the Company was assessed a management fee. The management fee consisted of direct charges incurred on behalf of the subsidiaries and an allocation of corporate services costs based on each subsidiary's revenue. The management fee was \$1.7 million in 2002 and \$3.1 million in 2001. Until November 2001, Yellow Technologies, Inc., an affiliated company of the former Parent, provided information technology support, limited purchasing and security services to the Company. The service fee paid by the Company to Yellow Technologies was \$0.3 million in 2001, and is included in operating expenses and supplies in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

The Company had working capital line-of-credit agreements with the former Parent totaling \$225 million through September 30, 2002. These line-of-credit agreements had interest cost of 50 basis points over the LIBOR rate, adjusted quarterly. The Company had borrowings under these agreements of \$90.2 million at December 31, 2001. The former Parent maintained \$5.6 million and \$18.6 million of letters of credit and surety bonds at December 31, 2003 and December 31, 2002, respectively, in connection with the Company's insurance programs for which the Company pays quarterly the former Parent's cost. The former Parent also provided guarantees of approximately \$5.9 million and \$8.2 million for Saia service facility leases at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Total interest expense under the borrowing arrangements with the former Parent was \$1.8 million in 2002 and \$9.1 million in 2001. Interest expense was settled monthly through the Company's borrowing arrangement with its former Parent.

## 3. Debt and Financing Arrangements

At December 31, debt consisted of the following (in thousands):

	2003	2002
Credit agreement with Banks, described below	\$ —	\$ —
Senior Notes under a Master Shelf Agreement, described below	100,000	100,000
Subordinated debentures, interest rate of 7.0%, installment payments due from 2005 to 2011	16,510	16,410
Total debt	116,510	116,410
Current maturities		
Long-term debt	\$ 116,510	\$ 116,410

On September 20, 2002, SCST issued \$100 million in Senior Notes under a \$125 million Master Shelf Agreement with Prudential Investment Management, Inc. and certain of its affiliates and entered into a \$50 million Agented Revolving Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement) with Bank of Oklahoma, N.A., as agent. Proceeds from the Senior Notes and a portion of the Credit Agreement were used for payments due Yellow in connection with the completion of the Spin-off on September 30, 2002.

The \$100 million Senior Notes are unsecured, have a fixed interest rate of 7.38 percent and have an average maturity of eight years. Payments due under the Senior Notes are interest only until June 30, 2006 and at that time semi-

annual principal payments begin with the final payment due December 2013. Under the terms of the Senior Notes, SCST must maintain certain financial covenants including a maximum ratio of total indebtedness to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and rent (EBITDAR), a minimum interest coverage ratio and a minimum tangible net worth, among others. At December 31, 2003 and 2002, the Company was in compliance with these covenants.

The \$50 million Credit Agreement is unsecured with an interest rate based on LIBOR or prime at the Company's option, plus an applicable spread, in certain instances, and matures in September 2005. On November 14, 2003, the Company amended the Credit Agreement to increase the availability to \$75 million to increase its capacity for letters of credit in support of self-insured retentions for casualty and workers' compensation claims without diminishing its borrowing capacity. The amended \$75 million Credit Agreement now expires in September 2006. The availability under the Credit Agreement remains limited to SCST's qualified receivables (as defined in the Credit Agreement). At December 31, 2003, SCST had no borrowings under the Credit Agreement, \$35.3 million in letters of credit outstanding under the Credit Agreement and remaining availability of \$35.2 million. At December 31, 2002, SCST had no borrowings under the Credit Agreement, \$15.0 million in letters of credit outstanding under the Credit Agreement and remaining availability of \$35.0 million. Under the terms of the Credit Agreement, SCST must maintain certain financial covenants including a maximum ratio of total indebtedness to EBITDAR, a minimum interest coverage ratio and a minimum tangible net worth, among others. The Amended \$75 million Credit Agreement maintains the same financial covenants as the original agreement. At December 31, 2003 and 2002, the Company was in compliance with these covenants.

Certain of SCST's long-term debt is guaranteed by its subsidiaries. The guarantees are full and unconditional, joint and several, and any subsidiaries that are not guarantors are minor as defined by Securities and Exchange Commission regulations. SCST, as the parent company issuer of this debt, has no independent assets or operations. There are no significant restrictions on the Company's ability or the ability of any guarantor to obtain funds from its subsidiaries by such means as a dividend or loan.

Based on the borrowing rates currently available to the Company for debt with similar terms and remaining maturities, the estimated fair value of total debt at December 31, 2003 and 2002 is \$127.6 million and \$123.4 million, respectively.

The principal maturities of long-term debt for the next five years (in thousands) are as follows:

	Amount
2004	\$ —
2005	1,263
2006	6,438
2007	11,438
2008	11,438
Thereafter	85,933

## 4. Commitments, contingencies and uncertainties

The Company leases certain service facilities and equipment. Rent expense was \$10.8 million, \$10.8 million and \$11.8 million for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

At December 31, 2003, the Company was committed under noncancellable lease agreements requiring minimum annual rentals payable as follows (in thousands):

	Amount
2004	Φ 0.545
2004	\$ 9,545
2005	7,637
2006	4,819
2007	2,579
2008	826
Thereafter	126

Management expects that in the normal course of business leases will be renewed or replaced as they expire.

Capital expenditures of approximately \$3 million were committed at December 31, 2003.

The Company is subject to legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of its business. In the opinion of management, the aggregate liability, if any, with respect to these actions will not materially adversely affect our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

## 5. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

On June 30, 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets", which was adopted by the Company on January 1, 2002. SFAS No. 142 requires that upon adoption and at least annually thereafter, the Company assess goodwill impairment by applying a fair value based test. With the adoption of Statement No. 142, goodwill is no longer subject to amortization, resulting in an increase in annualized operating income and net income of \$3.0 million effective January 1, 2002.

At December 31, 2001 the Company had \$90 million of goodwill on its consolidated balance sheet, consisting primarily of \$75.2 million remaining from the acquisition of Jevic. In valuing the goodwill of Jevic, the Company used an estimate of Jevic's discounted cash flows in measuring whether goodwill was recoverable. Based on this estimate, the Company determined that 100 percent of the Jevic goodwill was impaired due to lower business volumes, compounded by a weak economy, and an increasingly competitive business environment. As a result, the Company recorded a non-cash charge of \$75.2 million in the first quarter 2002, which was reflected as a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle.

The net carrying amount of goodwill attributed to each reportable operating segment with goodwill balances and adjustments follows (in thousands):

	December 31, 2001	Impairment adjustment	December 31, 2002
Saia Jevic	\$ 14,796 75,175	\$ — (75,175)	\$ 14,796 
	\$ 89,971	\$ (75,175)	\$ 14,796

There were no changes to the net carrying amount of goodwill during 2003.

In connection with adopting SFAS No. 142, the Company also reassessed the useful lives and the classification of its identifiable intangible assets other than goodwill and determined that they continue to be appropriate. The Company's intangible assets subject to amortization consist of contract based assets totaling \$1.9 million in gross carrying amount at December 31, 2003 and 2002 and accumulated amortization of \$1.3 million and \$1.1 million at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Amortization expense for intangible assets other than goodwill was \$0.3 million for 2003, \$0.3 million for 2002 and \$0.3 million for 2001. Estimated amortization expense for the five succeeding years follows (in thousands):

	Amount
2004	\$ 263
2005	263
2006	97
2007	<del>_</del>
2008	_

Actual results of operations before cumulative effect of accounting change had the Company applied the nonamortization provisions of SFAS No. 142 in those periods follow (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Year	ended Decemb	oer 31,
	2003	2002	2001
Reported income before cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ 14,933	\$ 12,058	\$ 771
Goodwill amortization	_	_	3,006
Adjusted income before cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ 14,933	\$ 12,058	\$ 3,777
Basic earnings per share:			
Reported income before cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.83	\$ 0.05
Goodwill amortization	_	_	0.21
Adjusted income before cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.83	\$ 0.26
Diluted earnings per share:			
Reported income before cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.82	\$ 0.05
Goodwill amortization			0.21
Adjusted income before cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.82	\$ 0.26

## 6. Computation of Earnings Per Share

The calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share for the year ended December 31, 2001 and all prior periods was based upon the shares outstanding as of the date of the Spin-off from Yellow, which was September 30, 2002. Effective October 1, 2002, diluted earnings per share includes the dilutive impact of outstanding stock options as shown below.

The calculation of basic earnings per common share and diluted earnings per common share was as follows (in thousands except per share amounts):

	Year ended December 31,		
	2003	2002	2001
Numerator:			
Net income (loss)	\$ 14,933	\$ (63,117)	\$ 771
Denominator:			
Denominator for basic earnings per share-			
weighted average common shares	14,687	14,585	14,565
Effect of dilutive stock options	442	86	
Denominator for diluted earnings per share—			
adjusted weighted average common shares	15,129	14,671	14,565
Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Share:	¢ 1.00	Φ 0.02	¢ 0.05
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.83	\$ 0.05
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for goodwill	Ф 102	(5.16)	
Net income (loss)	\$ 1.02	\$ (4.33)	\$ 0.05
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share:			
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.82	\$ 0.05
Cumulative effect of change in accounting for goodwill		(5.12)	
Net income (loss)	\$ 0.99	\$ (4.30)	\$ 0.05

## 7. Shareholders' Equity

Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock

As of December 31, 2003 and 2002, the Company has 5,000 shares of preferred stock that are designated "Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock" and are reserved for issuance upon exercise of the preferred stock rights under the rights agreement described below. Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock is nonredeemable and subordinate to any other series of the Company's preferred stock, unless otherwise provided for in the terms of the preferred stock; has a preferential dividend in an amount equal to 10,000 times any dividend declared on each share of common stock; has 10,000 votes per share, voting together with the Company's common stock; and in the event of liquidation, entitles its holder to receive a preferred liquidation payment equal to the greater of \$10,000 or 10,000 times the payment made per share of common stock. As of December 31, 2003 and 2002, none of these shares have been issued.

## Preferred Stock Rights

Each issued and outstanding share of common stock has associated with it one right to purchase shares of SCS Transportation, Inc. Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, no par value, pursuant to a Rights Agreement dated September 30, 2002 between the Company and Mellon Investor Services LLC. The Company will issue one right to purchase one one-ten-thousandth share of its Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock as a dividend on each share of common stock. The rights initially are attached to and trade with the shares of common stock. Value attributable to these rights, if any, is reflected in the market price of the common stock. The rights are not currently exercisable, but could become exercisable if certain events occur, including the acquisition of 15 percent or more of the outstanding common stock of the Company by an acquiring person in a non-permitted transaction. Under certain conditions, the rights will entitle holders, other than an acquirer in a non-permitted transaction, to purchase shares of common stock with a market value of two times the exercise price of the right. The rights will expire in 2012 unless extended.

## Deferred Compensation Trust

On March 6, 2003, the SCST Executive Capital Accumulation Plan (the Capital Accumulation Plan) was amended to allow for the plan participants to invest in the Company's common stock. The Company's Rabbi Trust, which holds the investments for the Capital Accumulation Plan, purchased 63,617 shares of the Company's common stock at an aggregate purchase price of \$760,000 during the year ended December 31, 2003. The Rabbi Trust shares are recorded by the Company in a manner similar to treasury stock at cost until either a change in investment election by a plan participant or a participant's withdrawal from the Capital Accumulation Plan. Changes in the value of shares held in the Rabbi Trust are recorded in net income and \$0.4 million of expense was included in the 2003 operating results.

## 8. Stock Options

The Company has reserved and made stock option grants for 1,280,742 shares of its common stock to certain management personnel of the Company and its operating subsidiaries under the "2002 Substitute Stock Option Plan". As a result of the Spin-off, on October 1, 2002, all Yellow stock options (Old Yellow Options) issued and outstanding to employees of SCST were replaced with SCST stock options (New SCST Options) with an intrinsic value identical to the value of the Old Yellow Options being replaced. The number of New SCST Options and their exercise price was determined based on the relationship of the SCST stock price immediately after the Spin-off and the Yellow Stock price immediately prior to the Spin-off. The New SCST Options expire ten years from the date the Old Yellow Options were originally issued by Yellow. The New SCST Options continue to vest ratably over the original four-year vesting period of the Old Yellow Options.

In April 2003, the shareholders of the Company approved the 2003 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the 2003 Omnibus Plan) to allow the Company the ability to attract and retain outstanding executive, managerial, supervisory or professional employees and non-employee directors. The Company has reserved 274,000 shares of its common stock under the 2003 Omnibus Plan. The 2003 Omnibus Plan provides for the grant or award of stock options; stock appreciation rights; restricted stock; and cash performance unit awards. In addition, the 2003 Omnibus Plan provides for the grant of shares of common stock to non-employee directors in lieu of at least 50 percent of annual cash retainers and provides for an annual grant to each non-employee director of options for 5,000 shares of common stock. During 2003, 7,407 shares were issued to non-employee directors in lieu of at least 50 percent of their annual cash retainers and 37,500 options were issued to non-employee directors in accordance with the 2003 Omnibus Plan. The non-employee director stock options issued under the 2003 Omnibus Plan expire ten years from the date of

grant; became exercisable six months after the date of grant; have an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the date of grant. Operating results included \$0.1 million in 2003 for stock options issued after January 1, 2003.

The following table summarizes the activity of stock options for the years ended December 31:

	2003		2002	
		Weighted		Weighted
		average		average
	<b>Options</b>	exercise price	<b>Options</b>	exercise price
Outstanding at beginning of year	1,190,917	\$4.85		\$ —
Converted from Old Yellow Options	_	_	1,280,742	4.81
Granted	37,500	12.05	_	
Exercised	(113,450)	4.92	(89,825)	4.35
Forfeited	(5,458)	4.36		
Outstanding at end of year	1,109,509	\$5.09	1,190,917	\$4.85
Options exercisable at end of year	913,031	\$5.24	636,505	\$5.22
Weighted average fair value of options converted from Old Yellow Options during the year			\$4.52	
Weighted average fair value of options granted during the year	\$3.79			

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding at December 31, 2003:

	Opti	ions Outstandin	Options Ex	ercisable	
Range of Exercise Prices	Number of options outstanding at December 31, 2003	Weighted average remaining contractual life (years)	Weighted average exercise price	Exercisable as of December 31, 2003	Weighted average exercise price
\$3.99 - \$4.82	887,811	6.00	\$4.48	691,333	\$4.51
\$4.82 - \$6.03	2,274	4.30	5.43	2,274	5.43
\$6.03 - \$7.23	181,924	3.50	6.61	181,924	6.61
\$12.05	37,500	9.30	12.05	37,500	12.05
	1,109,509	5.70	\$5.09	913,031	\$5.24

Under the Master Separation and Distribution Agreement, SCST replaced existing Old Yellow Options with New SCST Options of identical intrinsic value. All options awarded at October 1, 2002 were in the money and substantially vested at the date of grant. This resulted in a significant amount of SFAS No. 123 pro forma compensation expense for 2002, as the option exercise price was less than the market price of the underlying stock. The fair value of each option converted from an Old Yellow Option was estimated on the date of conversion from the Old Yellow Option using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions used for conversions in 2002, risk free interest rate of 4.06 percent, expected life of 4 years, expected volatility of 40 percent, expected dividend rate of zero and expected forfeitures of zero. The fair value of each option granted during 2003 was estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions, risk free interest rate of 3.92 percent, expected life of 3 years, expected volatility of 40 percent, expected dividend rate of zero and expected forfeitures of zero.

## 9. Employee Benefits

## Defined Contribution Plans

The Company sponsors defined contribution plans. The plans principally consist of contributory 401(k) savings plans and noncontributory profit sharing plans. The Company's contributions to the 401(k) savings plans consist of a fixed matching percentage. The nondiscretionary Company match was increased from 25 to 50 percent of the first six percent of an eligible employee's contributions in 2001. The Company's total contributions for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001, were \$5.7 million, \$5.7 million and \$3.5 million, respectively.

## Deferred Compensation Plan

The SCST Executive Capital Accumulation Plan (the Capital Accumulation Plan) is a nonqualified deferred compensation plan. The plan participants in the Capital Accumulation Plan are certain executives within the Company. On March 6, 2003, the Capital Accumulation Plan was amended to allow for the plan participants to invest in the Company's common stock. At December 31, 2003, the Company's Rabbi Trust, which holds the investments for the Capital Accumulation Plan, held 63,617 shares of the Company's common stock, all of which were purchased on the open market. The shares held by the Capital Accumulation Plan were excluded from the calculation of basic shares outstanding for purposes of calculating earnings per share.

#### Annual Incentive Awards

The Company provides annual cash performance incentive awards to employees, which are based primarily on actual operating results achieved compared to targeted operating results. Operating results include performance incentive accruals for substantially all salaried employees and certain hourly employees of \$5.9 million, \$6.1 million and \$4.6 million in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. Performance incentive awards for a year are primarily paid in the first quarter of the following year.

## Employee Stock Purchase Plan

In January 2003, the Company adopted the Employee Stock Purchase Plan of SCS Transportation, Inc. (ESPP) allowing all eligible employees to purchase common stock of the Company at current market prices through payroll deductions of up to 10 percent of annual wages. The custodian uses the funds to purchase the Company's common stock at current market prices. The custodian purchased 3,370 shares in the open market during 2003.

#### Performance Unit Awards

Under the 2003 Omnibus Plan, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors approved performance unit awards to a total of 19 management and executive employees. The performance period for these awards will be three years from the date of issuance of these awards. The criteria for payout of the awards is based on a comparison over the performance period of the total shareholder return of the Company's common stock compared to the total shareholder return of the companies in the peer group set forth by the Compensation Committee. The Company accrues amounts for such payments over the performance period and at each reporting date adjusts the accrual based upon the performance criteria set forth in the plan through the reporting date. Operating results include accruals for the performance unit awards of \$0.9 million in 2003. The performance unit awards will be paid in the first quarter of the year following the end of the performance period.

#### 10. Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with the liability method and under the Tax Indemnification and Allocation Agreement with the former Parent. The Company's income taxes are determined in accordance with the pro rata method. The Company is included through September 30, 2002 in the consolidated federal income tax return filed by the former Parent.

Deferred income taxes are determined based upon the difference between the book and the tax basis of the Company's assets and liabilities. Deferred taxes are provided at the enacted tax rates expected to be in effect when these differences reverse.

Deferred tax liabilities (assets) are comprised of the following at December 31, (in thousands):

	2003	2002
Depreciation	\$ 59,892	\$ 54,471
Other	7,476	11,532
Revenue	2,423	1,945
Gross tax liabilities	69,791	67,948
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(1,947)	(2,632)
Employee benefits	(5,666)	(4,609)
Claims and insurance	(15,552)	(14,163)
Other	(7,020)	(7,365)
Revenue	(1,816)	(1,773)
Gross tax assets	(32,001)	(30,542)
Net tax liability	\$ 37,790	\$ 37,406

The Company has determined a valuation allowance related to deferred tax assets was not necessary at December 31, 2003.

The income tax provision consists of the following (in thousands):

	2003	2002	2001
Current:			
U.S. federal	\$ 7,348	\$ 11,626	\$ 4,182
State	1,247	1,193	\$ 4,182 734
Total current	8,595	12,819	4,916
Deferred:			
U.S. federal	354	(3,578)	(756)
State	30	(340)	(127)
Total deferred	384	(3,918)	(883)
Total provision	\$ 8,979	\$ 8,901	\$ 4,033

A reconciliation between income taxes at the federal statutory rate (35 percent) and the provision follows:

	2003	2002	2001
Provision at federal statutory rate	\$ 8,369	\$ 7,336	\$ 1,682
State income taxes, net	727	697	364
Nondeductible goodwill			1,052
Nondeductible business expenses	895	868	860
Net operating loss carryforwards	(956)		_
Other, net	(56)		75
Total provision	\$ 8,979	\$ 8,901	\$ 4,033

In 2003, the Company recorded a tax benefit for previously unrecognized state operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$1.0 million due to changes in state tax laws enacted in 2003.

## 11. Business Segments

The Company has two operating subsidiaries (Saia and Jevic) that are reportable segments. Each of these segments is a strategic business unit offering different products and services.

The segments are managed separately because each requires different operating, technology and marketing strategies. The segment's performance is evaluated primarily on operating income and return on capital.

The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies. Interest and intersegment transactions are recorded at current market rates. Management fees and other corporate services are charged to the segments based on direct benefit received or allocated based on revenue.

The following table summarizes the Company's operations by business segment (in thousands).

			Corporate	
	Saia*	Jevic	and Other	Consolidated
2003				
Operating revenue	\$520,668	\$306,691	\$ —	\$827,359
Operating income	27,710	9,434	(4,262)	32,882
Identifiable assets	286,899	146,895	30,272	464,066
Capital expenditures, net	31,506	18,227	97	49,830
Depreciation and amortization	23,946	20,053	40	44,039
2002				
Operating revenue	\$489,832	\$285,604	\$ —	\$775,436
Operating income	21,922	5,793	(485)	27,230
Identifiable assets	274,403	148,851	21,089	444,343
Capital expenditures, net	23,108	1,484	200	24,792
Depreciation and amortization	23,716	21,189	15	44,920
2001				
Operating revenue	\$485,379	\$286,203	\$ —	\$771,582
Operating income	9,731	6,012	·	15,743
Identifiable assets	280,427	231,519		511,946
Capital expenditures, net	13,578	6,035		19,613
Depreciation and amortization	25,269	23,897	_	49,166

<sup>\*</sup> Saia data represents the combined financial results of Saia, WestEx and Action Express due to the integration of these companies.

## 12. Summary of Quarterly Operating Results (unaudited)

(Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

Three months ended, 2003	March 31	June 30	September 30	December 31
Operating income	\$200,110 4,516	\$208,263 8,905	\$211,530 11,158	\$207,456 8,303
Income before cumulative effect of accounting change Cumulative effect of change in	1,326	3,923	5,130	4,554
accounting for goodwill				
Net income	\$ 1,326	\$ 3,923	\$ 5,130	\$ 4,554
Basic earnings per share: Income before cumulative effect of accounting change Cumulative effect of change in accounting for goodwill	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.31
Net income	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.31
Diluted earnings per share: Income before cumulative effect of accounting change Cumulative effect of change in accounting for goodwill	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.30
Net income	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.30
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Three months ended, 2002	March 31	June 30	September 30	December 31
Three months ended, 2002	March 31			
Three months ended, 2002  Operating revenue  Operating income		June 30 \$ 196,487 6,763	September 30 \$ 201,155 8,096	December 31 \$ 194,255 7,486
Three months ended, 2002	March 31 \$ 183,538	\$ 196,487	\$ 201,155	\$ 194,255
Three months ended, 2002  Operating revenue	March 31 \$ 183,538 4,885 1,927 (75,175)	\$ 196,487 6,763 3,094	\$ 201,155 8,096 4,005	\$ 194,255 7,486 3,032
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Three months ended, 2002  Operating revenue Operating income Income before cumulative effect of accounting change Cumulative effect of change in accounting for goodwill Net income (loss) Basic earnings (loss) per share: Income before cumulative effect of accounting change	March 31 \$ 183,538 4,885 1,927 (75,175)	\$ 196,487 6,763 3,094	\$ 201,155 8,096 4,005	\$ 194,255 7,486 3,032
Operating revenue Operating income Income before cumulative effect of accounting change Cumulative effect of change in accounting for goodwill Net income (loss) Basic earnings (loss) per share: Income before cumulative effect of accounting change Cumulative effect of change in accounting change Cumulative effect of change in accounting for goodwill	March 31 \$ 183,538 4,885 1,927 (75,175) \$ (73,248) \$ 0.13 (5.16)	\$ 196,487 6,763 3,094 — \$ 3,094 \$ 0.21	\$ 201,155 8,096 4,005 ———————————————————————————————————	\$ 194,255 7,486 3,032 \$ 3,032 \$ 0.21
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## 13. Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

For the Years Ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 (in thousands)

Col. A	Col. B		l. C	Col. D	Col. E
Description	Balance, beginning of period	-1- Charged to costs and expenses	-2- Charged to other accounts	Deductions- describe (1)	Balance, end of period
Year ended December 31, 2003:  Deducted from asset account –  Allowance for uncollectible accounts	\$6,878	2,051	_	(3,811)	\$5,118
Year ended December 31, 2002: Deducted from asset account – Allowance for uncollectible accounts.	\$6,809	3,924	_	(3,855)	\$6,878
Year ended December 31, 2001:  Deducted from asset account –  Allowance for uncollectible accounts.	\$5,244	4,118	_	(2,553)	\$6,809

<sup>(1)</sup> Primarily uncollectible accounts written off – net of recoveries.

## 14. Subsequent Event

On February 16, 2004, the Company acquired 100 percent of the outstanding stock of Clark Bros. Transfer, Inc. (Clark Bros.). The base consideration paid for Clark Bros. was \$27.7 million including the assumption of \$6.0 million in debt. The Company paid an additional \$2.8 million to the Clark Bros. shareholders to structure the transaction as an asset sale for tax purposes, allowing the Company future deductibility of tax goodwill and basis step-up in deductible assets. The transaction was financed from existing cash balances and capacity under the Credit Agreement, as well as a \$6.2 million seller note.

## Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

On May 17, 2002, SCST's former Parent, Yellow Corporation, dismissed its independent auditors, Arthur Andersen LLP, and engaged the services of KPMG LLP as its new independent auditors. The change in auditors became effective on May 17, 2002. Following the October 1, 2002 Spin-off of SCST, the audit committee of SCST recommended and the Board of Directors approved the retention of KPMG LLP as independent auditors for SCST's 2002 audit. The audit committee of SCST also retained KPMG LLP as independent auditors for SCST's 2003 audit.

#### Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

Annual Controls Evaluation and Related CEO and CFO Certifications

As of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K, the Company conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of its "disclosure controls and procedures" (Disclosure Controls). The controls evaluation was done under the supervision and with the participation of management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Chief Financial Officer (CFO).

Based upon the controls evaluation, the Company's CEO and CFO have concluded that, subject to the limitations noted below, as of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K, the Company's Disclosure Controls were effective to provide reasonable assurance that material information relating to SCST and its consolidated subsidiaries is made known to management, including the CEO and CFO, particularly during the period when SCST's periodic reports are being prepared.

During the period covered by this Annual Report, there have been no significant changes in internal control over financial reporting or in other factors that could significantly affect internal control over financial reporting, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Attached as Exhibits 31.1 and 31.2 to this Annual Report are certifications of the CEO and the CFO, which are required in accord with Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act). This Controls and Procedures section includes the information concerning the controls evaluation referred to in the certifications and it should be read in conjunction with the certifications.

## Definition of Disclosure Controls

Disclosure Controls are controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the Company's reports filed under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported timely. Disclosure Controls are also designed to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including the CEO and CFO, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. The Company's Disclosure Controls include components of its internal control over financial reporting, which consists of control processes designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of SCST's financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

## Limitations on the Effectiveness of Controls

The Company's management, including the CEO and CFO, does not expect that its Disclosure Controls or its internal control over financial reporting will prevent 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. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the Company have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty, and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Controls can also be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management override of the controls. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

#### PART III.

## Item 10. Directors and Executive Officers of the Registrant

Information regarding members of the Board of Directors will be presented in SCST's definitive proxy statement for its annual meeting of stockholders, which will be held on April 21, 2004, and is incorporated herein by reference. Information regarding executive officers of SCST is included above in Part I of this Form 10-K under the caption "Executive Officers of the Registrant" pursuant to Instruction 3 to Item 401(b) of Regulation S-K and General Instruction G (3) of Form 10-K.

#### Item 11. Executive Compensation

Information regarding executive compensation will be presented in SCST's definitive proxy statement for its annual meeting of stockholders, which will be held on April 21, 2004, and is incorporated herein by reference.

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

Information regarding security ownership of certain beneficial owners and management and related stockholder matters will be presented in SCST's definitive proxy statement for its annual meeting of stockholders, which will be held on April 21, 2004, and is incorporated herein by reference.

## Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions

Information regarding certain relationships and related party transactions will be presented in SCST's definitive proxy statement for its annual meeting of stockholders, which will be held on April 21, 2004, and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

Information regarding accountant fees and services will be presented in SCST's definitive proxy statement for its annual meeting of stockholders, which will be held on April 21, 2004, and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### PART IV.

## Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules and Reports on Form 8-K

#### (a) 1. Financial Statements

The consolidated financial statements required by this item are included in Item 8, "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" herein.

#### 2. Financial Statement Schedules

The Schedule II—Valuation and Qualifying Accounts financial statement schedule is included in Note 13 to the consolidated financial statements contained herein. All other financial statement schedules have been omitted because they are not applicable.

#### 3. Exhibits

Exhibits 3.1, 3.2, 4.1, 10.1 through 10.15, 21, 23.1, 23.2, 31.1, 31.2, 32.1 and 32.2 are being filed in connection with this Report or incorporated herein by reference. The Exhibit Index on page E-1 is incorporated herein by reference.

## (b) Reports on Form 8-K

The following Current Reports on Form 8-K were filed during the fourth quarter of the year ended December 31, 2003: (i) Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 16, 2003 (announcing third quarter results); and (ii) Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 14, 2003 (announcing terms of an amendment to the Credit Agreement).

## **SIGNATURE**

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.

## SCS TRANSPORTATION, INC.

Date: February 25, 2004 By: /s/ James J. Bellinghausen

James J. Bellinghausen Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial 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 in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Herbert A. Trucksess, III	Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, SCS Transportation, Inc.	February 25, 2004
Herbert A. Trucksess, III		
/s/ James J. Bellinghausen	Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, SCS Transportation, Inc.	February 25, 2004
James J. Bellinghausen		
/s/ Klaus E. Agthe	Director	February 25, 2004
Klaus E. Agthe		
/s/ Mark A. Ernst	Director	February 25, 2004
Mark A. Ernst		
/s/ John J. Holland	Director	February 25, 2004
John J. Holland		
/s/ James A. Olson	Director	February 25, 2004
James A. Olson		
/s/ Douglas W. Rockel	Director	February 25, 2004
Douglas W. Rockel		

## EXHIBIT INDEX

## Exhibit Number

## **Description of Exhibit**

- 3.1 Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of SCS Transportation, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 10-Q (File No. 0-49983) for the quarter ended September 30, 2002).
- 3.2 Amended and Restated By-laws of SCS Transportation, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 10-Q (File No. 0-49983) for the quarter ended September 30, 2002).
- 4.1 Rights Agreement between SCS Transportation, Inc. and Mellon Investor Services LLC dated as of September 30, 2002 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 10-Q (File No. 0-49983) for the quarter ended September 30, 2002).
- 10.1 Agented Revolving Credit Agreement dated as of September 20, 2002, among SCS Transportation, Inc. and Bank of Oklahoma, N.A., U.S. Bank National Association, Bank One, NA, and Harris Trust and Savings Bank, and Bank of Oklahoma, N.A., as agent for the Banks (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 8-K (File No. 0-49983) filed on October 2, 2002).
- 10.2 Amendment One to Agented Revolving Credit Agreement dated as of November 14, 2003, among SCS Transportation, Inc. and Bank of Oklahoma, N.A., U.S. Bank National Association, Bank One, NA, and Harris Trust and Savings Bank, and Bank of Oklahoma, N.A., as agent for the Banks (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 8-K (File No. 0-49983) filed on November 17, 2003).
- 10.3 Senior Notes Master Shelf Agreement dated as of September 20, 2002 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 8-K (File No. 0-49983) filed on October 2, 2002).
- 10.4 Master Separation and Distribution Agreement between Yellow Corporation and SCS Transportation, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 10-Q (File No. 0-49983) for the quarter ended September 30, 2002).
- 10.5 Tax Indemnification and Allocation Agreement between Yellow Corporation and SCS Transportation, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.4 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 10-Q (File No. 0-49983) for the quarter ended September 30, 2002).
- 10.6 Employment Agreement between SCS Transportation, Inc. and Herbert A. Trucksess, III dated as of November 20, 2002 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.5 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 10-K (File No. 0-49983) for the year ended December 31, 2002).
- 10.7 Employment Agreement between SCS Transportation, Inc., Saia Motor Freight Line, Inc. and Richard D. O'Dell dated as of November 20, 2002 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.6 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 10-K (File No. 0-49983) for the year ended December 31, 2002).
- 10.8 Employment Agreement between SCS Transportation, Inc., Jevic Transportation, Inc. and Paul J. Karvois dated as of November 20, 2002 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.7 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 10-K (File No. 0-49983) for the year ended December 31, 2002).
- 10.9 Executive Severance Agreement between SCS Transportation, Inc. and Herbert A. Trucksess, III dated as of September 28, 2002 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.8 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 10-K (File No. 0-49983) for the year ended December 31, 2002).
- 10.10 Form of Executive Severance Agreement dated as of September 28, 2002 entered into between SCS Transportation, Inc. and Richard D. O'Dell, Paul J. Karvois, James J. Bellinghausen, John P. Burton and David J. Letke (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.9 of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Form 10-K (File No. 0-49983) for the year ended December 31, 2002).
- 10.11 Amendment to Employment Agreement between SCS Transportation, Inc. and Herbert A. Trucksess, III dated as of December 4, 2003.
- 10.12 Stock Purchase Agreement dated February 16, 2004, by and among Saia Motor Freight Line, Inc. and James D. Clark, Janice A. Clark, Amy L. Hunt, G.J. Deyonge, and Stuart W. Kutler Trust Under Trust Agreement Dated January 28,1998.

## **EXHIBIT INDEX (continued)**

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
10.13	SCS Transportation, Inc. 2003 Omnibus Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit B of SCS Transportation, Inc.'s Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A (File No. 0-49983) filed on March 14, 2003).

- 10.14 First Amendment to the SCS Transportation, Inc. 2003 Omnibus Incentive Plan.
- 10.15 SCS Transportation, Inc. Directors' Deferred Fee Plan as adopted December 11, 2003.
  - 21 Subsidiaries of Registrant.
- 23.1 Consent of KPMG LLP, Independent Auditors.
- 23.2 Information Regarding Consent of Arthur Andersen LLP.
- 31.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e).
- 31.2 Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e).
- 32.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.2 Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

# glossary of terms

Bills per Hour – A productivity measurement used to express the degree of efficiency in terms of shipments (bills) per paid employee hour. It is used when referencing dock bills per hour and P&D bills per hour.

**Breakbulk** – A facility that in addition to local pickup and delivery operations also performs transfer service. It may also be referred to as a hub or distribution and consolidation center.

**Dock** – The loading and unloading area within a terminal usually ringed with doors against which trailers are parked for processing. The number of loading and unloading doors generally equates to the capacity of a terminal.

Fuel Surcharge – Program in place with virtually all LTL carriers and most TL carriers to adjust the base price by a percentage to offset the impact of rising (or falling) fuel prices. Percentage adjustment usually changes weekly and is based on a government index of prices at the pump.

**Length of Haul –** The average distance traveled by all shipments.

**Linehaul** – Denotes those operations that are associated with the movement of freight between terminals or those operations that extend beyond the geography of a terminal area.

Load Average – A linehaul trailer capacity measurement that takes into account the number of loaded trailers, miles and weight. It is the standard efficiency benchmark for linehaul operations.

Logistics Post Trailers – Trailers equipped with slotted interior walls and support bars that allow for multiple "floors" to be constructed within the trailer. These "floors" optimize weight capacity and reduce claims from damage in transit.

LTL – Less than Truckload. Generally refers to those shipments that have individual weights of less than 10,000 lbs.

**Operating Ratio** – Ratio of operating expenses divided by operating revenue.

**P&D** – Pickup and Delivery. Denotes those operations that are associated with freight movement within a local terminal area.

Purchased Transportation – The use of other motor carriers to provide linehaul services, but can include local pickup and delivery in certain circumstances. The service is usually contracted on a single load transaction and may be mileage-based compensation.

**Terminal** – A facility or service center that conducts local pickup and delivery operations and may also be referred to as a satellite, end-of-line or origination facility.

**TL** – Truckload. Generally refers to those shipments that have individual weights exceeding 10,000 lbs, including those single shipments that completely fill a 48' or 53' trailer.

**Yield** – A measurement of the pricing quality of shipments. It is usually expressed as revenue per hundredweight.



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