

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2023

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from _____ to _____.

Commission File Number: 001-34483



NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Utah

87-0327982

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

2901 Bluegrass Boulevard , Suite 100
Lehi , Utah 84043

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(801) 341-7900

(Registrant's telephone number including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, no par value	NATR	Nasdaq Capital Market

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 whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes No

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

The number of shares of Common Stock, no par value, outstanding on October 20, 2023, was 19,075,041 shares.

**NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS, INC.
FORM 10-Q**

For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2023

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CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain information included or incorporated herein by reference in this report may be deemed to be "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements may include, but are not limited to, statements relating to our objectives, plans, strategies and financial results, including expected improvement in gross profit and gross margin. All statements (other than statements of historical fact) that address activities, events or developments that we intend, expect, project, believe or anticipate will or may occur in the future are forward-looking statements. These statements are often characterized by terminology such as "believe," "hope," "may," "anticipate," "should," "intend," "plan," "will," "expect," "estimate," "project," "positioned," "strategy" and similar expressions, and are based on assumptions and assessments made in light of our experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors we believe to be appropriate. For example, information appearing under "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" includes forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks and uncertainties. Important factors that could cause actual results, developments and business decisions to differ materially from forward-looking statements are more fully described in this report, including the risks set forth under "Risk Factors" in Item 1A, and in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022, but include the following:

- extensive government regulations to which the Company's products, business practices and manufacturing activities are subject;
- registration of products for sale in foreign markets, or difficulty or increased cost of importing products into foreign markets;
- legal challenges to the Company's direct selling program or to the classification of its independent consultants;
- laws and regulations regarding direct selling may prohibit or restrict our ability to sell our products in some markets or require us to make changes to our business model in some markets;
- liabilities and obligations arising from improper activity by the Company's independent consultants;
- product liability claims;
- impact of anti-bribery laws, including the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act;
- the Company's ability to attract and retain independent consultants;
- the loss of one or more key independent consultants who have a significant sales network;
- the Company's joint venture for operations in China with Fosun Industrial Co., Ltd.;
- the effect of fluctuating foreign exchange rates;
- failure of the Company's independent consultants to comply with advertising laws;
- changes to the Company's independent consultants compensation plans;
- geopolitical issues and conflicts;
- adverse effects caused by the ongoing coronavirus pandemic;
- negative consequences resulting from difficult economic conditions, including the availability of liquidity or the willingness of the Company's customers to purchase products;
- risks associated with the manufacturing of the Company's products;
- supply chain disruptions, manufacturing interruptions or delays, or the failure to accurately forecast customer demand;
- failure to timely and effectively obtain shipments of products from our manufacturers and deliver products to our independent consultants and customers;
- world-wide slowdowns and delays related to supply chain, ingredient shortages and logistical challenges;
- uncertainties relating to the application of transfer pricing, duties, value-added taxes, and other tax regulations, and changes thereto;
- changes in tax laws, treaties or regulations, or their interpretation;
- failure to maintain an effective system of internal controls over financial reporting;
- cybersecurity threats and exposure to data loss;
- the storage, processing, and use of data, some of which contain personal information, are subject to complex and evolving privacy and data protection laws and regulations;
- reliance on information technology infrastructure; and
- the sufficiency of trademarks and other intellectual property rights.

All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this report and are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements included in or incorporated by reference into this report. Except as is required by law, we expressly disclaim any obligation to publicly release any revisions to forward-looking statements to reflect events after the date of this report. Throughout this report, we refer to Nature's Sunshine Products, Inc., together with our subsidiaries, as "we," "us," "our," "our Company" or "the Company."

PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION**Item 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Amounts in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	September 30, 2023	December 31, 2022
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 76,036	\$ 60,032
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$ 154 and \$ 120 , respectively	9,491	14,106
Inventories	66,287	67,949
Prepaid expenses and other	8,409	7,420
Total current assets	<u>160,223</u>	<u>149,507</u>
Property, plant and equipment, net	46,291	46,162
Operating lease right-of-use assets	14,109	16,145
Investment securities - trading	692	702
Deferred income tax assets	9,495	6,859
Other assets	9,103	10,403
Total assets	<u>\$ 239,913</u>	<u>\$ 229,778</u>
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 7,238	\$ 6,349
Accrued volume incentives and service fees	23,245	21,830
Accrued liabilities	32,096	25,591
Deferred revenue	1,337	2,255
Income taxes payable	4,675	4,117
Current portion of operating lease liabilities	4,505	4,266
Current portion of note payable	216	1,174
Total current liabilities	<u>73,312</u>	<u>65,582</u>
Liability related to unrecognized tax benefits	209	209
Long-term portion of operating lease liabilities	11,318	13,745
Deferred compensation payable	692	702
Deferred income tax liabilities	1,247	1,439
Other liabilities	1,124	1,054
Total liabilities	<u>87,902</u>	<u>82,731</u>
Shareholders' equity:		
Common stock, no par value, 50,000 shares authorized, 19,097 and 19,093 shares issued and outstanding, respectively	122,966	121,583
Retained earnings	40,749	34,635
Noncontrolling interest	5,100	4,142
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(16,804)	(13,313)
Total shareholders' equity	<u>152,011</u>	<u>147,047</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$ 239,913</u>	<u>\$ 229,778</u>

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
 (Amounts in thousands, except per share information)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2023	2022
Net sales	\$ 111,202	\$ 104,506
Cost of sales	29,964	29,632
Gross profit	81,238	74,874
 Operating expenses:		
Volume incentives	34,118	33,070
Selling, general and administrative	41,288	36,792
Operating income	5,832	5,012
Other loss, net	(927)	(2,281)
Income before provision for income taxes	4,905	2,731
Provision for income taxes	1,763	2,531
Net income	3,142	200
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	310	110
Net income attributable to common shareholders	<u><u>\$ 2,832</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 90</u></u>
 Basic and diluted net income per common share:		
Basic earnings per share attributable to common shareholders	<u><u>\$ 0.15</u></u>	<u><u>\$ —</u></u>
Diluted earnings per share attributable to common shareholders	<u><u>\$ 0.15</u></u>	<u><u>\$ —</u></u>
Weighted average basic common shares outstanding	<u><u>19,133</u></u>	<u><u>19,198</u></u>
Weighted average diluted common shares outstanding	<u><u>19,492</u></u>	<u><u>19,482</u></u>

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Amounts in thousands, except per share information)
(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2023	2022
Net sales	\$ 336,384	\$ 319,161
Cost of sales	93,580	93,563
Gross profit	242,804	225,598
Operating expenses:		
Volume incentives	102,560	99,241
Selling, general and administrative	127,203	114,281
Operating income	13,041	12,076
Other loss, net	(500)	(3,037)
Income before provision for income taxes	12,541	9,039
Provision for income taxes	5,469	10,573
Net income (loss)	7,072	(1,534)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	958	810
Net income (loss) attributable to common shareholders	<u><u>\$ 6,114</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (2,344)</u></u>
Basic and diluted net income per common share:		
Basic earnings (loss) per share attributable to common shareholders	\$ 0.32	\$ (0.12)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share attributable to common shareholders	\$ 0.31	\$ (0.12)
Weighted average basic common shares outstanding	<u><u>19,093</u></u>	<u><u>19,384</u></u>
Weighted average diluted common shares outstanding	<u><u>19,450</u></u>	<u><u>19,384</u></u>

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)
(Amounts in thousands)
(*Unaudited*)

	Three Months Ended	
	September 30,	2022
	2023	2022
Net income	\$ 3,142	\$ 200
Foreign currency translation loss (net of tax)	(593)	(2,544)
Total comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 2,549	\$ (2,344)

	Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,	2022
	2023	2022
Net income (loss)	\$ 7,072	\$ (1,534)
Foreign currency translation loss (net of tax)	(3,491)	(5,976)
Total comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 3,581	\$ (7,510)

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
(Amounts in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Common Stock		Retained Earnings	Noncontrolling Interest	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss		Total
	Shares	Amount					
Balance at December 31, 2022	19,093	\$ 121,583	\$ 34,635	\$ 4,142	\$ (13,313)	\$ 147,047	
Share-based compensation expense	—	1,058	—	—	—	—	1,058
Shares issued from the exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock units, net of shares exchanged for withholding tax	42	(165)	—	—	—	—	(165)
Repurchase of common stock	(90)	(823)	—	—	—	—	(823)
Net income	—	—	860	393	—	—	1,253
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	—	—	(1,653)	(1,653)	
Balance at March 31, 2023	19,045	\$ 121,653	\$ 35,495	\$ 4,535	\$ (14,966)	\$ 146,717	
Share-based compensation expense	—	1,437	—	—	—	—	1,437
Shares issued from the exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock units, net of shares exchanged for withholding tax	62	(91)	—	—	—	—	(91)
Repurchase of common stock	(9)	(97)	—	—	—	—	(97)
Net income	—	—	2,422	255	—	—	2,677
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	—	—	(1,245)	(1,245)	
Balance at June 30, 2023	19,098	\$ 122,902	\$ 37,917	\$ 4,790	\$ (16,211)	\$ 149,398	
Share-based compensation expense	—	1,295	—	—	—	—	1,295
Shares issued from the exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock units, net of shares exchanged for withholding tax	80	77	—	—	—	—	77
Repurchase of common stock	(81)	(1,308)	—	—	—	—	(1,308)
Net income	—	—	2,832	310	—	—	3,142
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	—	—	(593)	(593)	
Balance at September 30, 2023	19,097	\$ 122,966	\$ 40,749	\$ 5,100	\$ (16,804)	\$ 152,011	

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	Common Stock			Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss		
	Shares	Amount	Retained Earnings	Noncontrolling Interest	Comprehensive Loss	Total
Balance at December 31, 2021	19,724	\$ 133,382	\$ 35,025	\$ 3,202	\$ (10,205)	\$ 161,404
Share-based compensation expense	—	801	—	—	—	801
Shares issued from the exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock units, net of shares exchanged for withholding tax	218	(795)	—	—	—	(795)
Repurchase of common stock	(451)	(7,971)	—	—	—	(7,971)
Net income (loss)	—	—	(2,950)	264	—	(2,686)
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	—	—	(975)	(975)
Balance at March 31, 2022	19,491	\$ 125,417	\$ 32,075	\$ 3,466	\$ (11,180)	\$ 149,778
Share-based compensation expense	—	540	—	—	—	540
Shares issued from the exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock units, net of shares exchanged for withholding tax	58	(334)	—	—	—	(334)
Repurchase of common stock	(290)	(4,000)	—	—	—	(4,000)
Net income	—	—	516	436	—	952
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	—	—	(2,457)	(2,457)
Balance at June 30, 2022	19,259	\$ 121,623	\$ 32,591	\$ 3,902	\$ (13,637)	\$ 144,479
Share-based compensation expense	—	593	—	—	—	593
Repurchase of common stock	(93)	(974)	—	—	—	(974)
Net income	—	—	90	110	—	200
Other comprehensive loss	—	—	—	—	(2,544)	(2,544)
Balance at September 30, 2022	19,166	\$ 121,242	\$ 32,681	\$ 4,012	\$ (16,181)	\$ 141,754

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Amounts in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2023	2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income (loss)	\$ 7,072	\$ (1,534)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Provision for doubtful accounts	45	1,017
Depreciation and amortization	8,763	8,112
Non-cash lease expense	3,290	3,859
Share-based compensation expense	3,790	1,934
Deferred income taxes	(2,986)	5,967
Purchase of trading investment securities	—	(26)
Proceeds from sale of trading investment securities	76	102
Realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investments	(66)	195
Foreign exchange losses	687	2,938
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	3,955	(3,233)
Inventories	423	(10,809)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(1,091)	(116)
Other assets	733	368
Accounts payable	917	(1,626)
Accrued volume incentives and service fees	2,102	(253)
Accrued liabilities	7,416	(5,172)
Deferred revenue	(877)	(2,040)
Lease liabilities	(3,414)	(3,692)
Income taxes payable	803	1,201
Liability related to unrecognized tax benefits	—	213
Deferred compensation payable	(10)	(271)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>31,628</u>	<u>(2,866)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(9,230)	(4,730)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(9,230)</u>	<u>(4,730)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Principal payments of long-term debt	(958)	(931)
Proceeds from revolving credit facility	13,503	31,538
Principal payments of revolving credit facility	(13,503)	(31,538)
Principal payments of related party borrowing	—	(300)
Payments related to tax withholding for net-share settled equity awards	(179)	(1,129)
Repurchase of common stock	(2,228)	(12,945)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(3,365)</u>	<u>(15,305)</u>
Effect of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents	(3,029)	(6,299)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	16,004	(29,200)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	60,032	86,184
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	<u>\$ 76,036</u>	<u>\$ 56,984</u>
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:		
Cash paid for income taxes, net of refunds	\$ 7,460	\$ 3,386
Cash paid for interest	124	195

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

NATURE'S SUNSHINE PRODUCTS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(*Unaudited*)

(1) Basis of Presentation

We are a natural health and wellness company primarily engaged in the manufacture and sale of nutritional and personal care products. We are a Utah corporation with our principal place of business in Lehi, Utah, and sell our products directly to customers and to a sales force of independent consultants who use the products themselves or resell them to consumers.

Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("U.S. GAAP") for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements. The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions are eliminated in consolidation. In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals), considered necessary for a fair presentation of our financial information as of September 30, 2023, and for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2023 and 2022. The results of operations of any interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations to be expected for the year ending December 31, 2023.

These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, in these financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from these estimates and those differences could have a material effect on our financial position and results of operations.

The significant accounting estimates inherent in the preparation of our financial statements include estimates associated with our determination of liabilities related to independent consultant incentives, the determination of income tax assets and liabilities, certain other non-income tax and value-added tax contingencies, and legal contingencies. In addition, significant estimates form the basis for allowances with respect to inventory valuations. Various assumptions and other factors enter into the determination of these significant estimates. The process of determining significant estimates takes into account historical experience and current and expected economic conditions.

Noncontrolling Interests

Noncontrolling interests changed as a result of the net income attributable to noncontrolling interests of \$ 0.3 million and \$ 1.0 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively. Net income attributable to the noncontrolling interests was \$ 0.1 million and \$ 0.8 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022, respectively. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, noncontrolling interests were \$ 5.1 million and \$ 4.1 million, respectively.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

No new accounting pronouncement issued or effective during the three months ended September 30, 2023, had, or is expected to have, a material impact on our condensed consolidated financial statements.

(2) Inventories

The composition of inventories is as follows (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2023	December 31, 2022
Raw materials	\$ 18,650	\$ 23,133
Work in progress	1,465	1,713
Finished goods	46,172	43,103
Total inventories	<u>\$ 66,287</u>	<u>\$ 67,949</u>

(3) Investment Securities - Trading

Our trading securities portfolio totaled \$ 0.7 million at September 30, 2023, and \$ 0.7 million at December 31, 2022, and generated losses of \$ 26,000 and \$ 25,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and gains of \$ 0.1 million and losses of \$ 0.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

(4) Revolving Credit Facility and Other Obligations

On July 11, 2017, we entered into a revolving credit agreement with Bank of America, N.A., with a borrowing limit of \$ 25.0 million (the "Credit Agreement"). On June 23, 2022 the Credit Agreement was amended to extend the term to mature on July 1, 2027 and allows for additional borrowings of \$ 25.0 million or up to three separate increases of no less than \$ 5.0 million each, subject to the lender's due diligence. The amendment to the Credit Agreement also modified the calculation of interest. Interest under the amended Credit Agreement is the greater of BSBY Daily Floating Rate or the Index Floor, plus 1.50 percent (6.89 percent as of September 30, 2023), and an annual commitment fee of 0.25 percent on the unused portion of the commitment. At September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, there was no outstanding balance under the Credit Agreement.

The Credit Agreement contains customary financial covenants, including financial covenants relating to our solvency and leverage. In addition, the Credit Agreement restricts certain capital expenditures, lease expenditures, other indebtedness, liens on assets, guarantees, loans and advances, dividends, mergers, consolidations and transfers of assets except as permitted in the Credit Agreement. The Credit Agreement is collateralized by our manufacturing facility, accounts receivable, inventories and other assets. As of September 30, 2023, we were in compliance with the debt covenants set forth in the Credit Agreement.

On April 21, 2020, we entered into a credit agreement with Banc of America Leasing and Capital, LLC, with a borrowing limit of \$ 6.0 million (the "Capital Credit Agreement"). On November 19, 2020, we executed on the Capital Credit Agreement and borrowed \$ 3.7 million. We pay interest on any borrowings under the Capital Credit Agreement at a fixed rate of 3.00 percent and are required to settle our borrowings under the Capital Credit Agreement in 36 monthly payments of \$ 0.1 million. The Capital Credit Agreement is collateralized by any new equipment purchased under the agreement. As of September 30, 2023, there was \$ 0.2 million outstanding balance under the Capital Credit Agreement, of which \$ 0.2 million was classified as current.

(5) Net Income Per Share

Basic net income per common share ("Basic EPS"), is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted net income per common share ("Diluted EPS") reflects the potential dilution that could occur if stock options or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock. The computation of Diluted EPS does not assume exercise or conversion of securities that would have an anti-dilutive effect on net income per common share.

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Following is a reconciliation of the numerator and denominator of Basic EPS to the numerator and denominator of Diluted EPS for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 (dollar and share amounts in thousands, except for per share information):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Net income (loss) attributable to common shareholders	2,832	90	6,114	(2,344)
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	19,133	19,198	19,093	19,384
Basic earnings (loss) per share attributable to common shareholders	0.15	—	0.32	(0.12)
Diluted shares outstanding:				
Basic weighted-average shares outstanding	19,133	19,198	19,093	19,384
Stock-based awards	359	284	357	—
Diluted weighted-average shares outstanding	19,492	19,482	19,450	19,384
Diluted earnings (loss) per share attributable to common shareholders	0.15	—	0.31	(0.12)
Dilutive shares excluded from diluted-per-share amounts:				
Share-based awards	735	576	735	—
Anti-dilutive shares excluded from diluted-per-share amounts:				
Share-based awards	25	25	50	576 (1)

(1) As a result of the net loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, no potentially dilutive securities are included in the calculation of diluted loss per share because such effect would be anti-dilutive. Potentially dilutive securities for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 include 576 restricted stock units.

Potentially dilutive shares excluded from diluted-per-share amounts include performance-based restricted stock units, for which certain metrics have not been achieved. Potentially anti-dilutive shares excluded from diluted-per-share amounts include both non-qualified stock options and unearned performance-based options to purchase shares of common stock with exercise prices greater than the weighted-average share price during the period and shares that would be anti-dilutive to the computation of diluted net income per share for each of the periods presented.

(6) Capital Transactions

Dividends

The declaration of future dividends is subject to the discretion of our Board of Directors and will depend upon various factors, including earnings, financial condition, restrictions imposed by any indebtedness that may be outstanding, cash requirements, future prospects and other factors deemed relevant by our Board of Directors.

Share Repurchase Program

On March 10, 2021, we announced a \$ 15.0 million common share repurchase program. On March 8, 2022 we announced an amendment to the share repurchase program allowing the repurchase of an additional \$ 30.0 million in common shares. The repurchases may be made from time to time as market conditions warrant and are subject to regulatory considerations. For the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, we repurchased 180,000 and 834,000 shares of our common stock for \$ 2.2 million and \$ 12.9 million, respectively. At September 30, 2023, the remaining balance available for repurchases under the program was \$ 21.8 million.

Share-Based Compensation

During the year ended December 31, 2012, our shareholders adopted and approved the Nature's Sunshine Products, Inc. 2012 Stock Incentive Plan ("2012 Incentive Plan"). The 2012 Incentive Plan provides for the grant of incentive stock options, non-statutory stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, dividend equivalent rights, performance awards, stock awards and other stock-based awards. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors has authority and discretion to determine the type of award, as well as the amount, terms and conditions of each award under the 2012 Incentive Plan, subject to the limitations of the 2012 Incentive Plan. A total of 1,500,000 shares of our common stock were originally authorized for the granting of awards under the 2012 Incentive Plan. In 2015, our shareholders approved an amendment to the 2012 Incentive Plan, to increase the number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance by 1,500,000 shares. On May 5, 2021, our shareholders approved the Amended and Restated 2012 Stock Incentive Plan, which among other amendments, increased the number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance by 2,000,000 shares. The number of shares available for awards, as well as the terms of outstanding awards, are subject to adjustment as provided in the Amended and Restated 2012 Incentive Plan for stock splits, stock dividends, recapitalizations and other similar events.

Stock Options

Our outstanding stock options include time-based stock options, which vest over differing periods of time ranging from the date of issuance to up to 48 months from the option grant date, and performance-based stock options, which have already vested upon achieving operating income margins of six, eight and ten percent as reported in four of five consecutive quarters over the term of the options.

Stock option activity for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2023, is as follows (amounts in thousands, except per share information):

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price Per Share	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Options outstanding at December 31, 2022	143	\$ 12.72	\$ 5.28
Granted	—	—	—
Forfeited or canceled	(41)	14.59	7.02
Exercised	(27)	13.88	6.53
Options outstanding at September 30, 2023	75	\$ 11.25	\$ 3.85

There was no share-based compensation expense for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2023 and 2022. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, there was no unrecognized share-based compensation expense related to the grants described above.

At September 30, 2023, the aggregate intrinsic value of outstanding and exercisable stock options to purchase 75,000 shares of common stock was \$ 399,000 . At December 31, 2022, the aggregate intrinsic value of outstanding and exercisable options to purchase 143,000 shares of common stock was \$ 0 .

For the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, we issued 27,000 and 29,000 shares of common stock upon the exercise of stock options at an average exercise price of \$ 13.88 and \$ 9.17 per share, respectively. The aggregate intrinsic value of options exercised during the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, was \$ 0.1 million and \$ 0.3 million, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, the Company recognized \$ 0.1 million and \$ 0.1 million of tax benefits from the exercise of stock options, respectively.

As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, we did not have any unvested stock options outstanding.

Restricted Stock Units

Our outstanding restricted stock units ("RSUs"), include time-based RSUs, which vest over differing periods of time ranging from 12 months to up to 36 months from the RSU grant date, as well as performance-based RSUs, which vest upon achieving targets relating to adjusted EBITDA growth, and/or stock price levels. RSUs granted to members of the Board of Directors contain a restriction period in which the shares are not issued until two years after vesting. At September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, there were 90,000 and 94,000 vested RSUs, respectively, granted to the Board of Directors with an accompanying restriction period.

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Restricted stock unit activity for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2023, is as follows (amounts in thousands, except per share information):

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Restricted Stock Units outstanding at December 31, 2022	1,091	\$ 10.76
Granted	533	10.71
Forfeited	(45)	2.80
Issued	(204)	10.32
Restricted Stock Units outstanding at September 30, 2023	<u>1,375</u>	<u>11.07</u>

During the nine-month period ended September 30, 2023, we granted 533,000 RSUs under the 2012 Incentive Plan to the Board of Directors, executive officers and other employees, which were comprised of time-based RSUs, and share-priced and adjusted EBITDA performance-based RSUs. The time-based RSUs were issued with a weighted-average grant date fair value of \$ 10.55 per share and vest in 12 monthly installments over a one year period from the grant date or in annual installments over a three-year period from the grant date. The adjusted EBITDA performance-based RSUs were issued with a weighted-average grant date fair value of \$ 10.74 per share and vest upon achieving adjusted EBITDA targets and maintaining those targets over a four-quarter period from the grant date.

Except for share-priced performance RSUs, RSUs are valued at market value on the date of grant, which is the grant date share price discounted for expected dividend payments during the vesting period. For RSUs with post-vesting restrictions, a Finnerty Model was utilized to calculate a valuation discount from the market value of common shares reflecting the restriction embedded in the RSUs preventing the sale of the underlying shares over a certain period of time. Using assumptions previously determined for the application of the option pricing model at the valuation date, the Finnerty Model discount for lack of marketability is approximately 11.9 percent for a common share.

Share-based compensation expense related to time-based RSUs for the three-month periods ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, was approximately \$ 1.0 million and \$ 0.3 million, respectively. Share-based compensation expense related to time-based RSUs for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, was approximately \$ 2.9 million and \$ 1.2 million, respectively. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the unrecognized share-based compensation expense related to the grants described above, excluding incentive awards discussed below, was \$ 3.5 million and \$ 3.0 million, respectively. The remaining compensation expense is expected to be recognized over the weighted average period of approximately 0.8 years.

Share-based compensation expense related to performance-based RSUs for the three-month periods ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, was \$ 0.3 million and \$ 0.2 million, respectively. Share-based compensation expense related to performance-based RSUs for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, was \$ 0.9 million and \$ 0.7 million, respectively. Should we attain all of the metrics related to performance-based RSU grants, we would recognize up to \$ 6.1 million of potential share-based compensation expense. We currently expect to recognize an additional \$ 3.1 million of that potential share-based compensation expense.

The number of shares issued upon vesting of RSUs granted pursuant to our share-based compensation plans is net of the minimum statutory withholding requirements that we pay on behalf of our employees, which was 48,000 and 80,000 shares for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. Although shares withheld are not issued, they are treated as common share repurchases for accounting purposes, as they reduce the number of shares that would have been issued upon vesting. These shares do not count against the authorized capacity under the repurchase program described above.

(7) Segment Information

We have four business segments (Asia, Europe, North America, and Latin America and Other) based primarily upon the geographic region where each segment operates, as well as the internal organization of our officers and their responsibilities. The geographic segments operate under the Nature's Sunshine Products and Synergy WorldWide® brands. The Latin America and Other segment includes our wholesale business in which we sell products to various locally-managed entities independent of the Company that we have granted distribution rights for the relevant market.

Net sales for each segment have been reduced by intercompany sales as they are not included in the measure of segment profit or loss reviewed by the chief executive officer. We evaluate performance based on contribution margin by segment before consideration of certain inter-segment transfers and expenses.

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Reportable business segment information is as follows (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Net sales:				
Asia	\$ 52,218	\$ 47,878	\$ 153,438	\$ 141,370
Europe	18,769	19,328	61,410	58,204
North America	34,792	31,504	104,098	101,567
Latin America and Other	5,423	5,796	17,438	18,020
Total net sales	111,202	104,506	336,384	319,161
Contribution margin (1):				
Asia	24,861	21,268	73,711	64,639
Europe	5,993	7,189	18,659	18,157
North America	14,222	10,839	40,985	35,858
Latin America and Other	2,044	2,508	6,889	7,703
Total contribution margin	47,120	41,804	140,244	126,357
Selling, general and administrative expenses (2)	41,288	36,792	127,203	114,281
Operating income	5,832	5,012	13,041	12,076
Other income (loss), net	(927)	(2,281)	(500)	(3,037)
Income before provision for income taxes	\$ 4,905	\$ 2,731	\$ 12,541	\$ 9,039

(1) Contribution margin consists of net sales less cost of sales and volume incentives expense.

(2) Service fees in China totaled \$ 4.0 million and \$ 12.9 million for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to \$ 2.5 million and \$ 11.3 million for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2022. These service fees are included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

From an individual country/region perspective, the United States, South Korea and Taiwan comprise 10 percent or more of consolidated net sales for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, as follows (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Net sales:				
United States	\$ 32,240	\$ 29,077	\$ 96,314	\$ 93,789
South Korea	13,921	14,967	38,993	43,085
Taiwan	15,598	13,465	45,814	35,148
Other	49,443	46,997	155,263	147,139
	111,202	104,506	336,384	319,161
	\$	\$	\$	\$

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Net sales generated by each of our product lines is set forth below (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2023		2022	2023		2022
	General health	Immune	Cardiovascular	Digestive	Personal care	Weight management
Asia						
General health	\$ 16,937	\$ 14,705	\$ 48,859	\$ 40,010		
Immune	1,964	654	3,738	2,779		
Cardiovascular	14,963	14,626	44,698	41,498		
Digestive	9,186	8,599	30,172	28,625		
Personal care	1,376	2,758	4,159	7,384		
Weight management	7,792	6,536	21,812	21,074		
	52,218	47,878	153,438	141,370		
Europe						
General health	\$ 8,034	\$ 8,638	\$ 25,823	\$ 25,162		
Immune	1,563	1,899	5,988	5,973		
Cardiovascular	2,264	2,385	7,085	7,168		
Digestive	5,087	4,849	17,156	14,921		
Personal care	1,348	1,087	3,779	3,529		
Weight management	473	470	1,579	1,451		
	18,769	19,328	61,410	58,204		
North America						
General health	\$ 16,334	\$ 14,241	\$ 47,725	\$ 44,509		
Immune	3,641	3,546	11,693	12,479		
Cardiovascular	3,634	3,427	10,983	11,162		
Digestive	8,577	8,096	26,069	25,734		
Personal care	1,720	1,397	4,818	4,961		
Weight management	886	797	2,810	2,722		
	34,792	31,504	104,098	101,567		
Latin America and Other						
General health	\$ 1,480	\$ 1,597	\$ 4,717	\$ 5,012		
Immune	611	709	2,023	2,225		
Cardiovascular	392	438	1,291	1,250		
Digestive	2,560	2,569	8,030	7,961		
Personal care	284	329	976	1,050		
Weight management	96	154	401	522		
	5,423	5,796	17,438	18,020		
	\$ 111,202	\$ 104,506	\$ 336,384	\$ 319,161		

From an individual country perspective, only the United States comprised 10 percent or more of consolidated property, plant and equipment as follows (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30,		December 31,
	2023	2022	2022
Property, plant and equipment:			
United States	\$ 41,941	\$ 42,389	
Other	4,350	3,773	
Total property, plant and equipment, net	\$ 46,291	\$ 46,162	

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Total assets per segment is set forth below (dollar amounts in thousands):

	September 30, 2023	December 31, 2022
Assets:		
Asia	\$ 100,458	\$ 95,362
Europe	21,829	15,773
North America	110,480	112,319
Latin America and Other	7,146	6,324
Total assets	\$ 239,913	\$ 229,778

(8) Income Taxes

For the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, our provision for income taxes, as a percentage of income before income taxes was 35.9 percent and 92.7 percent, respectively, compared with a U.S. federal statutory rate of 21.0 percent. For the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, our provision for income taxes, as a percentage of income before income taxes was 43.6 percent and 117.0 percent, respectively, compared with a U.S. federal statutory rate of 21.0 percent.

The difference between the effective tax rate and the U.S. federal statutory tax rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, was primarily attributed to adjustments relating to operations in foreign countries which are treated as a branch for US tax purposes as well as recording a valuation allowance against deferred tax assets which are expected to expire before utilization.

The difference between the effective tax rate and the U.S. federal statutory tax rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022, was primarily attributed to recording a valuation allowance against deferred tax assets which were expected to expire before utilization.

The difference between the effective tax rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 compared to September 30, 2022 is primarily caused by recording more valuation allowance in the prior period against deferred tax assets which were not expected to provide a benefit.

Our U.S. federal income tax returns for 2019 through 2021 are open to examination for federal tax purposes. We have several foreign tax jurisdictions with open tax years from 2017 through 2022.

As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, we have accrued \$ 0.2 million and \$ 0.2 million, respectively, related to unrecognized tax positions.

Interim income taxes are based on an estimated annualized effective tax rate applied to the respective quarterly periods, adjusted for discrete tax items in the period in which they occur. Although we believe our tax estimates are reasonable, we can make no assurance that the final tax outcome of these matters will not be different from that which we have reflected in our historical income tax provisions and accruals. Such differences could have a material impact on our income tax provision and operating results in the period in which we make such determination.

(9) Commitments and Contingencies

Legal Proceedings

We are party to various legal proceedings and disputes. Management cannot predict the ultimate outcome of these matters, individually or in the aggregate, or their resulting effect on our business, financial position, results of operations or cash flows as litigation and related matters are subject to inherent uncertainties, and unfavorable rulings could occur. Were an unfavorable outcome to occur, there exists the possibility of a material adverse impact on our business, financial position, results of operations, or cash flows for the period in which the ruling occurs and/or future periods. We maintain product liability, general liability and excess liability insurance coverage. However, insurance may not continue to be available at an acceptable cost to us, such coverage may not be sufficient to cover one or more large claims, or the insurers may successfully disclaim coverage as to a pending or future claim.

Non-Income Tax Contingencies

We have reserved for certain state sales and use tax and foreign non-income tax contingencies based on the likelihood of an obligation in accordance with accounting guidance for probable loss contingencies. Loss contingency provisions are recorded for probable losses at management's best estimate of a loss, or when a best estimate cannot be made, a minimum loss contingency amount is recorded. We provide provisions for potential payments of tax to various tax authorities for contingencies related to non-income tax matters, including value-added taxes and sales tax. We provide provisions for U.S. state sales taxes in each of the states where we have nexus. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, accrued liabilities were \$ 0.3 million and \$ 0.3 million, respectively, related to non-income tax contingencies. While we believe that the assumptions and estimates used to determine contingent liabilities are reasonable, the ultimate outcome of these matters cannot presently be determined. We believe future payments related to these matters could range from \$ 0 to approximately \$ 2.9 million.

Other Litigation

We are a party to various other legal proceedings and disputes in the United States and foreign jurisdictions. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, accrued liabilities were \$ 0.5 million and \$ 0.6 million, respectively, related to the estimated outcome of these proceedings. In addition, we are a party to other litigation where there is a reasonable possibility that a loss may be incurred, but either the losses are not considered to be probable or we cannot at this time estimate the loss, if any; therefore, no provision for losses has been provided. We believe future payments related to these matters could range from \$ 0 to approximately \$ 0.3 million.

(10) Fair Value Measurements

The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount that could be received upon the sale of an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Financial assets are marked to bid prices and financial liabilities are marked to offer prices. Fair value measurements do not include transaction costs. A fair value hierarchy is used to prioritize the quality and reliability of the information used to determine fair values of each financial instrument. Categorization within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The fair value hierarchy is defined into the following three categories:

Level 1: Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2: Observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data.

The following table presents our hierarchy for our assets, measured at fair value on a recurring basis, as of September 30, 2023 (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets	Significant Other Observable Inputs	Significant Unobservable Inputs	Significant Unobservable Inputs	Significant Unobservable Inputs	Significant Unobservable Inputs	
Investment securities - trading	\$ 692	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 692
Total assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis	\$ 692	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 692

The following table presents our hierarchy for our assets, measured at fair value on a recurring basis, as of December 31, 2022 (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets	Significant Other Observable Inputs	Significant Unobservable Inputs	Significant Unobservable Inputs	Significant Unobservable Inputs	Significant Unobservable Inputs	
Investment securities - trading	\$ 702	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 702
Total assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis	\$ 702	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 702

Investment securities - trading — Our trading portfolio consists of various marketable securities that are valued using quoted prices in active markets.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and for the year ended December 31, 2022, there were no fair value measurements using significant other observable inputs (Level 2) or significant unobservable inputs (Level 3).

The carrying amounts reflected on the condensed consolidated balance sheets for cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and accounts payable approximate fair value due to their short-term nature. The carrying value of our debt approximates fair value due to its recent acquisition and short maturity. During the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, we did not have any re-measurements of non-financial assets at fair value on a nonrecurring basis subsequent to their initial recognition.

(11) Revenue Recognition

Revenue Recognition

Net sales include sales of products and shipping and handling charges, net of estimates for product returns and any related sales incentives or rebates based upon historical information and current trends. Revenue is measured as the amount of consideration we expect to receive in exchange for transferring products. All revenue is recognized when we satisfy our performance obligations under the contract. We recognize revenue by transferring the promised products to the customer, with revenue recognized at shipping point, the point in time the customer obtains control of the products. The majority of our contracts have a single performance obligation and are short term in nature. Contracts with multiple performance obligations are insignificant. Sales taxes and value-added taxes in the United States and foreign jurisdictions that are collected from customers and remitted to governmental authorities are accounted for on a net basis and therefore are excluded from net sales. Amounts received for unshipped merchandise are recorded as deferred revenue. Amounts for membership fees are deferred and amortized as revenue over the life of the membership, primarily one year.

A reserve for product returns is recorded based upon historical experience and current trends. We allow independent consultants to return the unused portion of products within ninety days of purchase if they are not satisfied with the product. In some of our markets, the requirements to return product are more restrictive.

Amounts billed to customers for shipping and handling are reported as a component of net sales.

Volume incentives and other sales incentives or rebates are a significant part of our direct sales marketing program and represent commission payments made to independent consultants. These payments are designed to provide incentives for reaching higher sales levels. The amount of volume incentive expense recognized is determined based upon the amount of qualifying purchases in a given month and recorded as volume incentive expense. Payments to independent consultants for sales incentives or rebates related to their own purchases are recorded as a reduction of revenue. Some payments for sales incentives are processed daily; while others, including rebates, are calculated monthly based upon qualifying sales.

Disaggregation of Revenue

Our products are grouped into six principal categories: general health, immune, cardiovascular, digestive, personal care and weight management. We have four business segments that are based primarily upon the geographic region where each segment operates. Each of the geographic segments operate under the Nature's Sunshine Products and Synergy WorldWide® brands. See Note 7, Segment Information, for further information on our reportable segments and presentation of disaggregated revenue by reportable segment and product category.

Practical Expedients and Exemptions

We have made the accounting policy election to treat shipping and handling as a fulfillment activity rather than a promised service under Topic 606.

(12) Synergy Japan Loss

On February 17, 2023, we became aware that Synergy Worldwide Japan G.K., a Japan entity and wholly owned subsidiary of the Company ("Synergy Japan"), was the victim of a criminal scheme involving employee impersonation and fraudulent requests targeting Synergy Japan. The criminal scheme resulted in a series of fraudulently induced wire transfers between February 1, 2023, and February 17, 2023 totaling \$ 4.8 million. We promptly launched an investigation, led by an independent third party, to determine the full extent of the fraud scheme and related potential exposure. We self-discovered this fraudulent activity and promptly initiated contact with our bank as well as appropriate law enforcement authorities in an effort

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to, among other things, recover the transferred funds. To date, we have not found any evidence of additional fraudulent activity and do not believe the incident resulted in any unauthorized access to confidential consumer information or other data maintained by the Company.

As a result of this matter, we incurred investigation and other professional fees of \$ 1.0 million, which along with the initial \$ 4.8 million loss, were recorded in Selling, General and Administrative expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2023. We do not expect this incident to otherwise have a material impact on our business.

Item 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in this report, as well as the consolidated financial statements, the notes thereto, and management's discussion and analysis included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022, and our other reports filed since the date of such Form 10-K.

OVERVIEW

We are a natural health and wellness company primarily engaged in the manufacture and sale of nutritional and personal care products. We are a Utah corporation with our principal place of business in Lehi, Utah, and sell our products directly to customers and to a sales force of independent consultants who resell our products to consumers.

Our independent consultants market and sell our products to customers and sponsor other independent consultants who also market our products to customers. Because a significant amount of revenue is generated through the sales of our independent consultants, our revenue can be impacted by the number and productivity of our independent consultants. We seek to motivate and provide incentives to our independent consultants by offering high quality products, product support, training seminars, and financial incentives, among other considerations.

COVID-19

In or about December 2019, a novel strain of coronavirus, SARS-CoV-2 "COVID-19", began aggressively spreading throughout the world, including all the primary markets where we conduct business. As COVID-19 has spread throughout the world, it has impacted our markets differently. At various times during the course of the pandemic and throughout our markets, governments have issued orders and restrictions that have limited the ability of our consultants to meet with consumers, put downward pressure on our sales in many of our markets and added substantial uncertainties to our global supply chain. Different variants of COVID-19 continue to arise and spread in various places around the world. We continue to take actions to mitigate the effects COVID-19 may have on our business, such actions may ultimately be insufficient to avoid substantial impact on the consolidated financial statement or material health of the Company. At this time, the duration of any business disruption and related financial impact cannot be reasonably estimated.

Eastern Europe

On February 24, 2022, Russian forces launched significant military action against Ukraine. There continues to be sustained conflict and disruption in the region, which is expected to endure for the foreseeable future. Our consultants in our Russia and Other market, a market within our Europe business segment that includes Russia, Ukraine, Belarus and other Common Independent States in the region, continue to operate their independent businesses, albeit at a reduced level than prior to the start of the conflict. For the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, we have recorded a pretax charge of \$0 and \$2.3 million, respectively, primarily related to the impairment of inventory, as well as accruals for contractual obligations related to Russian operations. We expect that this will continue to impact our business for the foreseeable future. We will continue monitoring the social, political, regulatory and economic environment in Ukraine and Russia, and will consider further actions as appropriate.

Net sales related to Eastern Europe for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, were \$12.1 million and \$41.3 million, respectively, compared to \$13.3 million and \$38.9 million for the same periods in 2022. Operating income related to Eastern Europe for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, was \$0.8 million and \$1.6 million, respectively, prior to the charges noted above, compared to \$1.0 million and \$3.2 million for the same periods in 2022. As of September 30, 2023, Eastern Europe had assets of \$8.7 million.

More broadly, there could be additional negative impacts to our net sales, earnings and cash flows should the situation escalate beyond its current scope, including, among other potential impacts, economic recessions in certain neighboring countries or globally due to inflationary pressures and supply chain cost increases or the geographic proximity of the war relative to the rest of Europe.

Inflation

Like many other companies, we are facing significant inflationary pressures in the global economy. Our operations have been, and may continue to be, adversely impacted by inflation, primarily from higher costs of raw materials, labor, production, distribution and transportation costs.

Third Quarter Performance

In the third quarter of 2023, we experienced an increase in our consolidated net sales of 6.4 percent (or 7.1 percent in local currencies) compared to the same period in 2022. Asia net sales increased approximately 9.1 percent (or 12.4 percent in local currencies) compared to the same period in 2022. Europe net sales decreased approximately 2.9 percent (or 6.5 percent in local currencies) compared to the same period in 2022. North America net sales increased approximately 10.4 percent (or 10.7 percent in local currencies) compared to the same period in 2022. Latin America and Other net sales decreased approximately 6.4 percent (or 10.5 percent in local currencies) compared to the same period in 2022. The strengthening of the U.S. dollar versus the local currencies, primarily in our Asian markets, resulted in an approximate 0.7 percent, or \$0.7 million, decrease of our net sales during the quarter.

Cost of sales increased \$0.3 million during the three months ended September 30, 2023, compared to the same period in 2022, and as a percentage of net sales were 26.9 percent and 28.4 percent for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. The decrease in cost of sales percentage is primarily due to improvements in market mix, sales price increases, and contribution margin improvement initiatives, partially offset by increases related to inflation and unfavorable foreign currency exchange. Part of the decrease also relates to prior-year inventory valuation reserves taken as a result of the conflict between Russia and Ukraine.

In absolute terms, selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$4.5 million during the three months ended September 30, 2023, compared to the same period in 2022, and as a percentage of net sales were 37.1 percent and 35.2 percent for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. The increase was primarily related to compensation, marketing, and variable costs as a result of sales growth.

As an international business, we have significant sales and costs denominated in currencies other than the U.S. Dollar. We expect foreign markets with functional currencies other than the U.S. Dollar will continue to represent a substantial portion of our overall sales and related operating expenses. Accordingly, changes in foreign currency exchange rates could materially affect sales and costs or the comparability of sales and costs from period to period as a result of translating foreign markets financial statements into our reporting currency.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following table summarizes our unaudited consolidated operating results from continuing operations in U.S. dollars and as a percentage of net sales for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Three Months Ended		Change	
	September 30, 2023		September 30, 2022			
	Total dollars	Percent of net sales	Total dollars	Percent of net sales	Total dollars	Percentage
Net sales	\$ 111,202	100.0 %	\$ 104,506	100.0 %	\$ 6,696	6.4 %
Cost of sales	29,964	26.9	29,632	28.4	332	1.1
Gross profit	81,238	73.1	74,874	71.6	6,364	8.5
Volume incentives	34,118	30.7	33,070	31.6	1,048	3.2
SG&A expenses	41,288	37.1	36,792	35.2	4,496	12.2
Operating income	5,832	5.2	5,012	4.8	820	16.4
Other loss, net	(927)	(0.8)	(2,281)	(2.2)	1,354	59.4
Income before income taxes	4,905	4.4	2,731	2.6	2,174	79.6
Provision for income taxes	1,763	1.6	2,531	2.4	(768)	(30.3)
Net income	\$ 3,142	2.8 %	\$ 200	0.2 %	\$ 2,942	1,471.0 %

The following table summarizes our unaudited consolidated operating results from continuing operations in U.S. dollars and as a percentage of net sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended		Nine Months Ended		Change	
	September 30, 2023		September 30, 2022			
	Total dollars	Percent of net sales	Total dollars	Percent of net sales	Total dollars	Percentage
Net sales	\$ 336,384	100.0 %	\$ 319,161	100.0 %	\$ 17,223	5.4 %
Cost of sales	93,580	27.8	93,563	29.3	17	—
Gross profit	242,804	72.2	225,598	70.7	17,206	7.6
Volume incentives	102,560	30.5	99,241	31.1	3,319	3.3
SG&A expenses	127,203	37.8	114,281	35.8	12,922	11.3
Operating income	13,041	3.9	12,076	3.8	965	8.0
Other income (loss), net	(500)	(0.1)	(3,037)	(1.0)	2,537	83.5
Income before income taxes	12,541	3.7	9,039	2.8	3,502	38.7
Provision for income taxes	5,469	1.6	10,573	3.3	(5,104)	(48.3)
Net income (loss)	\$ 7,072	2.1 %	\$ (1,534)	(0.5) %	\$ 8,606	561.0 %

Net Sales

International operations have provided, and are expected to continue to provide, a significant portion of our total net sales. As a result, total net sales will continue to be affected by fluctuations in the U.S. dollar against foreign currencies. In order to provide a framework for assessing how our underlying businesses performed excluding the effect of foreign currency fluctuations, in addition to comparing the percent change in net sales from one period to another in U.S. dollars, we present net sales excluding the impact of foreign exchange fluctuations. We compare the percentage change in net sales from one period to another period by excluding the effects of foreign currency exchange as shown below. Net sales excluding the impact of foreign exchange fluctuations is not a U.S. GAAP financial measure and removes from net sales in U.S. dollars the impact of changes in exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and the functional currencies of our foreign subsidiaries, by translating the current period net sales into U.S. dollars using the same foreign currency exchange rates that were used to translate the net sales for the previous comparable period. We believe presenting the impact of foreign currency fluctuations is useful to investors because it allows a more meaningful comparison of net sales of our foreign operations from period to period. However, net sales excluding the impact of foreign currency fluctuations should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to net sales in U.S. dollar measures that reflect current period exchange rates, or to other financial measures calculated and presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Throughout the last five years, foreign currency exchange rates have fluctuated significantly. See Item 3. *Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk*.

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The following table summarizes the changes in net sales by operating segment with a reconciliation to net sales excluding the impact of currency fluctuations for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Net Sales by Operating Segment					Percent Change Excluding Currency	
	Three Months Ended		Three Months Ended		Impact of Currency Exchange		
	September 30, 2023	September 30, 2022	Percent Change				
	\$ 52,218	\$ 47,878	9.1 %	\$ (1,578)			
Asia	\$ 52,218	\$ 47,878	9.1 %	\$ (1,578)	12.4 %		
Europe	18,769	19,328	(2.9)	692	(6.5)		
North America	34,792	31,504	10.4	(71)	10.7		
Latin America and Other	5,423	5,796	(6.4)	237	(10.5)		
	<u>\$ 111,202</u>	<u>\$ 104,506</u>	6.4 %	<u>\$ (720)</u>	7.1 %		

The following table summarizes the changes in net sales by operating segment with a reconciliation to net sales excluding the impact of currency fluctuations for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 (dollar amounts in thousands):

	Net Sales by Operating Segment					Percent Change Excluding Currency	
	Nine Months Ended		Nine Months Ended		Impact of Currency Exchange		
	September 30, 2023	September 30, 2022	Percent Change				
	\$ 153,438	\$ 141,370	8.5 %	\$ (8,352)			
Asia	\$ 153,438	\$ 141,370	8.5 %	\$ (8,352)	14.4 %		
Europe	61,410	58,204	5.5	470	4.7		
North America	104,098	101,567	2.5	(385)	2.9		
Latin America and Other	17,438	18,020	(3.2)	371	(5.3)		
	<u>\$ 336,384</u>	<u>\$ 319,161</u>	5.4 %	<u>\$ (7,896)</u>	7.9 %		

Consolidated net sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, were \$111.2 million and \$336.4 million, respectively, compared to \$104.5 million and \$319.2 million for the same period in 2022, which represents increases of 6.4 percent and 5.4 percent, respectively. The increase was primarily related to product sales improvements in our Asia and North America operating segments. Excluding the impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations, consolidated net sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, increased 7.1 percent and 7.9 percent, respectively, from the same periods in 2022.

Asia

Net sales related to Asia for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, were \$52.2 million and \$153.4 million, respectively, compared to \$47.9 million and \$141.4 million for the same periods in 2022, or increases of 9.1 percent and 8.5 percent, respectively. In local currency, net sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, increased 12.4 percent and 14.4 percent, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. Notable activity in the following markets contributed to the results of Asia:

In our South Korea market, net sales decreased \$1.0 million and \$4.1 million, or 7.0 percent and 9.5 percent, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. In local currency, net sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, decreased 8.2 percent and 6.9 percent, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. The decrease in net sales was primarily the result of customer sensitivity due to inflationary pressures, among other factors.

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In our Taiwan market, net sales increased \$2.1 million and \$10.7 million, or 15.8 percent and 30.3 percent, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, compared to the same periods in 2022. In local currencies, net sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, increased 21.0 percent and 37.9 percent, compared to the same periods in 2022. We attribute the growth in net sales primarily to effective execution of fundamentals within our sales force with a strong focus on leadership development and incentives intended to stimulate sales activity.

In our Japan market, net sales increased \$0.3 million and \$1.8 million, or increased 3.1 percent and 6.0 percent, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. In local currencies, net sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, increased 8.1 percent and 14.9 percent, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. We attribute the growth in net sales primarily to effective execution of fundamentals within our sales force with a strong focus on product resale and leadership development in our key demographic to stimulate sales activity.

In our China market, net sales increased \$2.5 million and \$2.8 million, or increased 30.7 percent and 9.1 percent, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. In local currencies, net sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, increased 37.7 percent and 15.5 percent, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. The increase in net sales was primarily the result of the expiration of COVID-19 related government restrictions in the market, and product promotions intended to stimulate sales activity.

Europe

Net sales related to Europe for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, were \$18.8 million and \$61.4 million, respectively, compared to \$19.3 million and \$58.2 million for the same periods in 2022, or a decrease of 2.9 percent and an increase of 5.5 percent, respectively. In local currency, net sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, decreased 6.5 percent and increased 4.7 percent, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. The functional currency for many of these markets is the U.S. Dollar which reduces the effect from foreign currency fluctuations. Fluctuations in foreign exchange rates had favorable impacts on net sales of \$0.7 million and \$0.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively. The decrease in sales for the three months ended September 30, 2023 was due primarily to a reduction in the average order size attributed to customer sensitivity due to inflationary pressures, among other factors. The increase for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 was primarily the result of customers' relative acclimation to the conflict between Russia and Ukraine, as well as product promotions intended to stimulate sales activity.

North America

Net sales related to North America for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, were \$34.8 million and \$104.1 million, respectively, compared to \$31.5 million and \$101.6 million for the same periods in 2022, or an increase of 10.4 percent and an increase of 2.5 percent, respectively. In local currency, net sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, increased 10.7 percent and 2.9 percent, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022.

In the United States, net sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, increased \$3.2 million and \$2.5 million, or 10.9 percent and 2.7 percent, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. The increase was primarily due to recruiting and product promotions intended to stimulate sales activity.

Latin America and Other

Net sales related to Latin America and Other markets for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, were \$5.4 million and \$17.4 million, respectively, compared to \$5.8 million and \$18.0 million for the same periods in 2022, or decreases of 6.4 percent and 3.2 percent, respectively. In local currency, net sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, decreased 10.5 percent and decreased 5.3 percent, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. Fluctuations in foreign currency had favorable impacts on net sales of \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively.

Further information related to our Asia, Europe, North America, and Latin America and Other business segments is set forth in Note 7 to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in Part 1, Item 1 of this report.

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Cost of Sales

Cost of sales as a percent of net sales was 26.9 percent and 27.8 percent for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, compared to 28.4 percent and 29.3 percent for the same periods in 2022. The decrease in cost of sales percentage is primarily due to improvements in market mix, sales price increases, and contribution margin improvement initiatives, partially offset by increases related to inflation and unfavorable foreign currency exchange. Part of the decrease also relates to prior-year inventory valuation reserves taken as a result of the conflict between Russia and Ukraine..

Volume Incentives

Volume incentives expense as a percent of net sales was 30.7 percent and 30.5 percent for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to 31.6 percent and 31.1 percent for the same periods in 2022. These payments are designed to provide incentives for reaching certain sales levels. Volume incentives vary slightly, on a percentage basis, by product due to pricing policies and commission plans in place in our various operations. We do not pay volume incentives in China, instead we pay independent service fees which are included in selling, general and administrative expenses. Volume incentives as a percentage of net sales can fluctuate based on promotional activity and mix of sales by market.

Selling, General and Administrative

Selling, general and administrative expenses represent operating expenses, components of which include labor and benefits, sales events, professional fees, travel and entertainment, marketing, occupancy costs, communications costs, bank fees, depreciation and amortization, independent services fees paid in China, and other miscellaneous operating expenses.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased by \$4.5 million and \$12.9 million, respectively, to \$41.3 million and \$127.2 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2022. Selling, general and administrative expenses were 37.1 percent and 37.8 percent of net sales for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, compared to 35.2 percent and 35.8 percent for the same periods in 2022. The increase for the three months ended September 30, 2023, was primarily related to increased service fees in China, compensation, variable costs related to sales growth, and investments to drive digital growth and strategic initiatives. In addition to service fees, compensation, and variable costs, the increase for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 was also driven by a one-time pre-tax charge of \$5.8 million related to a criminal scheme directed at one of our wholly owned subsidiaries and related investigation costs. See further discussion in Note 12, "Synergy Japan Loss," to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 1, Part 1 of this report.

Other Loss, Net

Other loss, net, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, were losses of \$0.9 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, compared to losses of \$2.3 million and \$3.0 million during the same periods in 2022, respectively. Other loss, net for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 primarily consisted of foreign exchange losses as a result of net changes in foreign currencies primarily in Asia.

Income Taxes

For the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, our provision for income taxes, as a percentage of income before income taxes was 35.9 percent and 92.7 percent, respectively, compared with a U.S. federal statutory rate of 21.0 percent. For the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, our provision for income taxes, as a percentage of income before income taxes was 43.6 percent and 117.0 percent, respectively, compared with a U.S. federal statutory rate of 21.0 percent.

The difference between the effective tax rate and the U.S. federal statutory tax rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, was primarily attributed to adjustments relating to operations in foreign countries which are treated as a branch for US tax purposes as well as recording a valuation allowance against deferred tax assets which are expected to expire before utilization.

The difference between the effective tax rate and the U.S. federal statutory tax rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022, was primarily attributed to recording a valuation allowance against deferred tax assets which were expected to expire before utilization.

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The difference between the effective tax rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 compared to September 30, 2022 is primarily caused by recording more valuation allowance in the previous period against deferred tax assets which were not expected to provide a benefit.

Our U.S. federal income tax returns for 2019 through 2021 are open to examination for federal tax purposes. We have several foreign tax jurisdictions that have open tax years from 2017 through 2022.

As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, we have accrued \$0.2 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, related to unrecognized tax positions.

Product Categories

Our line of over 800 products includes several different product classifications, such as immune, cardiovascular, digestive, personal care, weight management and other general health products. We purchase herbs and other raw materials in bulk and, after quality control testing, we formulate, encapsulate, tablet or concentrate them, label and package them for shipment. Most of our products are manufactured at our facility in Spanish Fork, Utah. Contract manufacturers produce some of our products in accordance with our specifications and standards. We have implemented quality control procedures to verify that our contract manufacturers have complied with our specifications and standards.

See Note 7, Segment Information, for a summary of the U.S. dollar amounts from the sale of general health, immune, cardiovascular, digestive, personal care and weight management products for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, by business segment.

Distribution and Marketing

We market our products primarily through our network of independent consultants, who market our products to customers through direct selling techniques. We seek to motivate and provide incentives to our independent consultants by offering high quality products and providing independent consultants with product support, training seminars, sales conventions, travel programs and financial incentives.

Our products sold in the United States are shipped directly from our manufacturing and warehouse facilities located in Spanish Fork, Utah, as well as from our regional warehouses located in Georgia, Ohio, and Texas. Many of our international operations maintain warehouse facilities and inventory to supply their independent consultants. However, in foreign markets where we do not maintain warehouse facilities, we have contracted with third-parties to distribute our products and provide support services to our force of independent consultants.

In the United States, we generally sell our products on a cash or credit card basis. From time to time, our U.S. operations extend short-term credit associated with product promotions. For certain of our international operations, we use independent distribution centers and offer credit terms that are generally consistent with industry standards within each respective country.

We pay sales commissions, or "volume incentives" to our independent consultants based upon their own product sales and the product sales of their sales organization. As an exception, in China, we do not pay volume incentives; rather, we pay independent service fees, which are included in selling, general and administrative expenses. These volume incentives are recorded as an expense in the year earned. The amounts of volume incentives that we expensed during the quarters ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, are set forth in the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 1 of this report. In addition to the opportunity to receive volume incentives, independent consultants who attain certain levels of monthly product sales are eligible for additional incentive programs including automobile allowances, sales convention privileges and travel awards.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our principal use of cash is to pay for operating expenses, including volume incentives, inventory and raw material purchases, capital assets and funding of international expansion. As of September 30, 2023, working capital was \$86.9 million, compared to \$83.9 million as of December 31, 2022. At September 30, 2023, we had \$76.0 million in cash, of which \$9.3 million was held in the U.S. and \$66.7 million was held in foreign markets and may be subject to various withholding taxes and other restrictions related to repatriation before becoming available to be used along with the normal cash flows from operations to fund any unanticipated shortfalls in future cash flows.

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Our net consolidated cash inflows (outflows) are as follows (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2023	2022
Operating activities	\$ 31,628	\$ (2,866)
Investing activities	(9,230)	(4,730)
Financing activities	(3,365)	(15,305)

Operating Activities

For the nine months ended September 30, 2023, operating activities provided cash of \$31.6 million, compared to using cash of \$2.9 million in the same period in 2022. Operating cash flows increased primarily due to improved net income, the timing of payments for accrued liabilities, reduced inventory purchases, and timing of receipts of accounts receivable.

Investing Activities

For the nine months ended September 30, 2023, investing activities used \$9.2 million, compared to \$4.7 million for the same period in 2022, which consisted of capital expenditures related to the purchase of equipment, computer systems and software.

Financing Activities

For the nine months ended September 30, 2023, financing activities used \$3.4 million, compared to \$15.3 million in cash for the same period in 2022.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, we used cash to repurchase 180,000 shares of our common stock under the share repurchase program for \$2.2 million. At September 30, 2023, the remaining balance available for repurchases under the program was \$21.8 million.

We maintain a revolving credit agreement with Bank of America, N.A (the "Credit Agreement"), as well as a credit agreement with Banc of America Leasing and Capital, LLC (the "Capital Credit Agreement"). At September 30, 2023, there was no outstanding balance under the Credit Agreement. During the nine months ended September 30, 2023 we made monthly payments of \$0.1 million pursuant to the Capital Credit Agreement. As of September 30, 2023, there was \$0.2 million outstanding balance under the Capital Credit Agreement, \$0.2 million of which was classified as current. Our debt obligations are discussed in greater detail in Note 4, "Revolving Credit Facility and Other Obligations," to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 1, Part 1 of this report.

We believe that cash generated from operations, along with available cash and cash equivalents, will be sufficient to fund our normal operating needs, including capital expenditures, on both a short- and long-term basis.

In addition, other things such as a prolonged economic downturn, a decrease in demand for our products, an unfavorable settlement of our unrecognized tax positions or non-income tax contingencies could adversely affect our long-term liquidity.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP and form the basis for the following discussion and analysis on critical accounting policies and estimates. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On a regular basis, we evaluate our estimates and assumptions. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results could differ from these estimates and those differences could have a material effect on our financial position and results of operations. We have discussed the development, selection and disclosure of these estimates with the Board of Directors and our Audit Committee.

A summary of our significant accounting policies is provided in Note 1 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 8 of the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022. We believe the critical accounting policies and estimates described below reflect our more significant estimates and assumptions used in the

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preparation of the consolidated financial statements. The impact and any associated risks on our business that are related to these policies are also discussed throughout this "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" where such policies affect reported and expected financial results.

Revenue Recognition

Our revenue recognition practices are discussed in Note 11, "Revenue Recognition," to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 1, Part 1 of this report.

Inventories

Inventories are adjusted to lower of cost and net realizable value, using the first-in, first-out method. The components of inventory cost include raw materials, labor and overhead. To estimate any necessary adjustments, various assumptions are made in regard to excess or slow-moving inventories, non-conforming inventories, expiration dates, current and future product demand, production planning and market conditions. If future demand and market conditions are less favorable than our assumptions, additional inventory adjustments could be required.

Incentive Trip Accrual

We accrue for expenses associated with our direct sales program, which rewards independent consultants with paid attendance for incentive trips, including our conventions and meetings. Expenses associated with incentive trips are accrued over qualification periods as they are earned. We specifically analyze incentive trip accruals based on historical and current sales trends as well as contractual obligations when evaluating the adequacy of the incentive trip accrual. Actual results could generate liabilities more or less than the amounts recorded.

Contingencies

We are involved in certain legal proceedings and disputes. When a loss is considered probable in connection with litigation or non-income tax contingencies and when such loss can be reasonably estimated with a range, we record our best estimate within the range related to the contingency. If there is no best estimate, we record the minimum of the range. As additional information becomes available, we assess the potential liability related to the contingency and revise the estimates. Revision in estimates of the potential liabilities could materially affect our results of operations in the period of adjustment. Our contingencies are discussed in further detail in Note 9, "Commitments and Contingencies", to the Notes of our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, of Item 1, Part 1 of this report.

Income Taxes

Our provision for income taxes, deferred tax assets and liabilities and contingent reserves reflect management's best assessment of estimated future taxes to be paid. We are subject to income taxes in both the United States and numerous foreign jurisdictions. Significant judgments and estimates are required in determining our consolidated provision for income taxes.

Deferred income taxes arise from temporary differences between the tax and financial statement recognition of revenue and expense. In evaluating our ability to recover our deferred tax assets, management considers all available positive and negative evidence, including scheduled reversals of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income, tax planning strategies and recent financial operations. In projecting future taxable income, we develop assumptions including the amount of future state, federal and foreign pretax operating income, the reversal of temporary differences, and the implementation of feasible and prudent tax planning strategies. These assumptions require significant judgment about the forecasts of future taxable income, and are consistent with the plans and estimates that we are using to manage the underlying businesses. Valuation allowances are recorded as reserves against net deferred tax assets by us when it is determined that net deferred tax assets are not likely to be realized in the foreseeable future.

Changes in tax laws and rates could also affect recorded deferred tax assets and liabilities in the future. Management is not aware of any such changes that would have a material effect on our results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

The calculation of our tax liabilities involves dealing with uncertainties in the application of complex tax laws and regulations in a multitude of jurisdictions across our global operations. Income tax positions must meet a more-likely-than-not recognition threshold to be recognized.

Item 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We conduct business in several countries and intend to grow our international operations. Net sales, operating income and net income are affected by fluctuations in currency exchange rates, interest rates and other uncertainties inherent in doing business and selling product in more than one currency. In addition, our operations are exposed to risks associated with changes in social, political and economic conditions inherent in international operations, including changes in the laws and policies that govern international investment in countries where we have operations, as well as, to a lesser extent, changes in U.S. laws and regulations relating to international trade and investment. For further information, see Part II, Item 7A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Item 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act) are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the information required to be disclosed in reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in rules and forms adopted by the SEC, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

Our management, under the supervision and with the participation of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of September 30, 2023. Based on this evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective as of September 30, 2023, due to the material weakness in internal controls over financial reporting described below.

Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting based on the framework set forth in *"Internal Control—Integrated Framework (2013)"* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on management's assessment under this framework, management has concluded that our internal control over financial reporting were not effective as of September 30, 2023, due to the material weakness in internal controls over financial reporting described below.

Material Weakness

As previously disclosed in our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 24, 2023, we determined that Synergy Worldwide Japan G.K., a Japan entity and wholly owned subsidiary of the Company ("Synergy Japan"), was the victim of a criminal scheme involving employee impersonation and fraudulent requests targeting Synergy Japan. The criminal scheme resulted in a series of fraudulently induced unauthorized wire transfers between February 1, 2023, and February 17, 2023, totaling \$4.8 million. We determined that our internal controls were not properly designed to prevent or timely detect unauthorized wire transfers by Synergy Japan. This material weakness in our controls resulted in the inability to prevent and timely detect this misappropriation of our cash assets in Synergy Japan.

The Company's independent registered public accounting firm, Deloitte & Touche LLP, has audited the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2022 and expressed an adverse opinion, which is disclosed in Item 9A of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 16, 2023.

Plan of Remediation of Material Weakness

Immediately following the incident, we initiated a reassessment of our processes and controls related to wire transfers and developed an action plan to remediate this matter, which included the following control enhancements:

- enhancing the design of approval requirements for wire transfers;
- enhancing the design of controls within online banking platforms;
- increasing the centralization and review processes associated with cash management; and

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- increasing internal communication to heighten awareness and emphasize the importance of exercising professional skepticism and judgment.

These remediation efforts are still in process and significant work has been completed. We continue to test and evaluate the effectiveness of our treasury control and reporting environment.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Other than the ongoing remediation efforts related to the material weakness described above, there were no changes in our internal controls over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act) during the quarter ended September 30, 2023, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

None.

Item 1A. RISK FACTORS

In addition to the information set forth in this report, you should carefully consider the risks discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022, which could have a material adverse effect on our business or consolidated financial statements, results of operations, and cash flows. Additional risks not currently known, or risks that are currently believed to be not material, may also impair business operations. There have been no material changes to our risk factors since the filing of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022, or Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2023, except as set forth below.

Item 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES, USE OF PROCEEDS, AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

The following table summarizes the purchases of our common stock during the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2023:

Periods	Total Number of Shares Purchased (in thousands)	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs (in thousands)	Maximum Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs ⁽¹⁾ (in thousands)
July 1, 2023 to July 31, 2023	—	\$ —	—	—
August 1, 2023 to August 31, 2023	—	—	—	—
September 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023	81	\$ 16.10	81	81
Total	81		81	\$ 21,776

(1) On March 10, 2021, we announced a \$15.0 million common share repurchase program. On March 8, 2022 we announced an amendment to the share repurchase program allowing the repurchase of an additional \$30.0 million shares. The repurchases may be made from time to time as market conditions warrant and are subject to regulatory considerations. We purchased 81,000 shares of our common stock during the quarter ended September 30, 2023 under the terms of this Board approved plan.

The actual timing, number, and value of common shares repurchased under our board-approved plan will be determined at our discretion and will depend on a number of factors, including, among others, general market and business conditions, the trading price of common shares, and applicable legal requirements. We have no obligation to repurchase any common shares under the authorization, and the repurchase plan may be suspended, discontinued, or modified at any time for any reason.

Item 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

Item 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

Item 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

Item 6. EXHIBITS

a) Index to Exhibits

Item No.	Exhibit
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101.SCH	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
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104	Cover page Interactive Data File (the cover page XBRL tags are embedded within iXBRL (Inline Extensible Business Reporting Language) document)

(1) Filed currently herewith.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements 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.

Nature's Sunshine Products, Inc.

Date: November 7, 2023

/s/ Terrence O. Moorehead

Terrence O. Moorehead,
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: November 7, 2023

/s/ L. Shane Jones

L. Shane Jones,
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(Principal Financial Officer)

Date: November 7, 2023

/s/ Jonathan D. Lanoy

Jonathan D. Lanoy,
Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer
(Principal Accounting Officer)

CERTIFICATIONS

I, Terrence O. Moorehead, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Nature's Sunshine Products, Inc. ("the registrant");
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 7, 2023

/s/ Terrence O. Moorehead

Terrence O. Moorehead

President and Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATIONS

I, L. Shane Jones, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Nature's Sunshine Products, Inc. (the "Registrant");
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The Registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the Registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the Registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the Registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The Registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the Registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 7, 2023

/s/ L. Shane Jones

L. Shane Jones

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

CERTIFICATIONS

I, Jonathan D. Lanoy, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Nature's Sunshine Products, Inc. (the "Registrant");
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the Registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The Registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the Registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the Registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the Registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The Registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the Registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 7, 2023

/s/ Jonathan D. Lanoy

Jonathan D. Lanoy

Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Nature's Sunshine Products, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2023 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Terrence O. Moorehead, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18.U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, based on my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 7, 2023

/s/ Terrence O. Moorehead

Terrence O. Moorehead

President and Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Nature's Sunshine Products, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2023 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, L. Shane Jones, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18.U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, based on my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 7, 2023

/s/ L. Shane Jones

L. Shane Jones

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Nature's Sunshine Products, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2023 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Jonathan D. Lanoy, Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18.U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, based on my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 7, 2023

/s/ Jonathan D. Lanoy

Jonathan D. Lanoy

Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer