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FORM 10-K/A

(Amendment No. 1)

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x ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008

OR

" TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (No Fee Required)

For the transition period from ______ to _____

Commission File Number 000-23039

CHINA PRECISION STEEL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 14-1623047 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

18th Floor, Teda Building 87 Wing Lok Street, Sheungwan, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

(Address of principal executive offices)

+1-852-2543-2290

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Title of Class Common Stock, par value \$0.001 Name of Exchange On Which Registered The NASDAQ Capital Market

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

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes "No \mathbf{x}

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes "No \mathbf{x}

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No "

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer o Accelerated filer x Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes "No \mathbf{x}

The aggregate market value of the 30,347,048 shares of voting stock and non-voting common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of December 31, 2007 was \$185,116,993, based upon the last sale price of the registrant's common stock on December 31, 2007 (the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter) of \$6.10 per share, as reported by the NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc. On September 30, 2008, there were 46,562,955 shares of common stock, par value \$.001 per share, issued and outstanding and no shares of preferred stock, par value \$.001 per share, issued and outstanding.

Annual Meeting and Record Dates

We have not yet determined the date and record date of our annual meeting of shareholders. We will announce these dates as soon as they have been determined.

Our Website

Our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d), as well as reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 16, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 are available through our website (<u>www.chinaprecisionsteelinc.com</u> under the "Investor Relations" caption) free of charge as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the Securities and Exchange Commission (" SEC ").

Information relating to corporate governance at China Precision Steel, Inc., including our Code of Conduct and information concerning our executive officers, directors and Board committees (including committee charters), and transactions in our securities by directors and officers, is available on or through our website at <u>www.chinaprecisionsteelinc.com</u> under the "Corporate Governance" caption in the "Investor Relations" section.

We are not including any information on our website as part of, or incorporating it by reference into, our Form 10-K.

CHINA PRECISION STEEL, INC.

FORM 10-K/A FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K/A amends the China Precision Steel, Inc. (the "Company") Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year June 30, 2008 (the "Annual Report") previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 15, 2008. This amendment is being filed solely to include the Part III Items that were to have been incorporated by reference to the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A with respect to its Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Since the Proxy Statement will not be filed by October 28, 2008, the Company is unable to incorporate such information into the Annual Report, and accordingly, is hereby amending the Annual Report to include such Part III information.

PART III

ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Set forth below are the names of our current directors, officers and significant employees, their ages, all positions and offices that they hold with us, the period during which they have served as such, and their business experience during at least the last five years.

Name	Age	Position with the Company	Term as Director of Company	Arrangements for Selection as Director
Wo Hing Li ⁽¹⁾	62	Director, Chief Executive Officer, President	December 28, 2006-present	None.
Tung Kuen Tsui	62	Director	December 28, 2006-present	None.
David Peter Wong	51	Director	December 28, 2006-present	None.
Che Kin Lui	45	Director	December 28, 2006-present	None.
Hai Sheng Chen	44	Director, Vice-President	December 28, 2006-present	None.
Leada Tak Tai Li	28	Chief Financial Officer	December 28, 2006-present	None.
Dan Carlson	41	Non-Executive Director	February 19, 2008 - present	None.

⁽¹⁾ Wo Hing Li is the father of Leada Tak Tai Li, the Company's Chief Financial Officer.

Name Wo Hing Li

Position with the Company and Principal Occupations

Mr. Wo Hing Li has been the Executive Director and President of the Company since December 28, 2006. In addition, he has been the Chairman and Executive Director of Partner Success Holdings Limited ("PSHL"), a British Virgin Islands Business Company and wholly-owned subsidiary of CPSL, and its subsidiaries since May 2002 and the Executive Director of Shanghai Chengtong Precision Strip Company Limited ("Chengtong"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of PSHL, since June 2004. From April 2004 until March 2006, Mr. Li served as a Non-Executive Director of China Petrotech Holdings Limited, an oil software and exploration company listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange. Since October 2001, Mr. Li has served as a director of Medical China Limited, a company listed on the GEM Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. From 1997 to 2001, Mr. Li served as a director of Teda (HK) Holdings Limited. Mr. Li served in various positions within the Grand Finance Group between 1984 and 1997, serving the last seven years as the General Manager of its subsidiary, Grand International (China) Investment Holding Co., Limited. Mr. Li has a Master's Degree in Business Administration from the Murdoch University of Australia, and a PhD in Management through a program co-organized by the University of International Business & Economics of China and the European University of Ireland.

Tung Kuen Tsui Tung Kuen Tsui has been retired since 1998. From 1995 to 1998, Mr. Tsui served as a Senior Credit Controller for PricewaterhouseCoopers. Prior to working as the Senior Credit Controller, Mr. Tsui held a variety of positions with PricewaterhouseCoopers since 1971, including Senior Manager, Information Systems. Mr. Tsui has a Master of Business Administration from the University of Macau. Mr. Tsui graduated as an Associate Member of Chartered Institute of Secretaries and Administrators in the United Kingdom.

- David Peter Wong David Peter Wong is the Chief Financial Officer of Private Wealth Partners, LLC, an SEC-registered investment adviser based in California, and has been since November 2005. Mr. Wong served as the Corporate Controller for H&Q Asia Pacific, an Asian private equity firm from November 2002 to October 2005. Mr. Wong was the Corporate Controller of Hellman & Friedman, a private equity firm from January 2002 to September 2002. Mr. Wong is a U.K. Chartered Accountant with six years of public accounting experience with Ernst & Young in London and PriceWaterhouseCoopers in Hong Kong. Mr. Wong has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics and Geography from the University of Leeds in the United Kingdom.
- Che Kin Lui Che Kin Lui has been the Chief Financial Officer of Mirach Energy Limite (formerly known as China Petrotech Holdings Limited), an oil software and exploration company listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange, since April 2007. Mr. Lui served as a consultant for Synthesis Consultancy Limited from July 2002 until March 2007. From June 1999 to July 2002, Mr. Lui served as a manager for MVP (HK) Industries Limited, a company engaged in manufacturing household tools. Mr. Lui has a Master's Degree in Business Administration from the University of Ballarat, Australia, and a diploma in Business Administration from Hong Kong Shue Yan College.
- Hai Sheng Chen
 Mr. Hai Sheng Chen is an Executive Director and General Manager of the Company. Mr. Chen has been the General Manager and an Executive Director of Chengtong since its formation in July 2002 as well as an Executive Director of Shanghai Tuorong Precision Strip Company, Limited since June 2001. From July 2001 to July 2002, Mr. Chen was the Managing Director of Shanghai Krupp Stainless Steel Co. Limited, a steel processing company. From August 1999 to May 2001, Mr. Chen was the Deputy General Manager of PuDong Steel Co. Limited, a subsidiary of the BaoSteel Group, a steel processing company. Mr. Chen has an Executive Master's Degree in Business Administration from China Europe International Business School and a Bachelors Degree in Metallic Pressure Processing from the Beijing University of Science and Technologies.
- Leada Tak Tai Li Ms. Leada Tak Tai Li has been the Chief Financial Officer of the Company since December 28, 2006. From October 2005 until December 28, 2006, Ms. Li was the Chief Financial Officer of PSHL. From June 2004 until October 2005, Ms. Li was an assistant to the Chairman of STAR Pharmaceutical Limited, a company engaged in the production and sales of pharmaceuticals, assisting with group activities and financial reporting. From November 2003 until May 2004, Ms. Li was an accountant with KPMG Hong Kong, a company engaged in audit, assurances and consulting services, conducting commercial due diligence on businesses in China. From January 2002 until September 2002, Ms. Li was an investment advisor conducting research and analysis with the private equity firm Suez Asia Holdings (Hong Kong) Ltd. In 2003, Ms. Li received her Master's Degree in Accounting and Finance from Napier University in the U.K.; she received a Bachelors Degree in Commerce from the University of Melbourne in 2001.
- Dan Carlson Mr. Carlson has served as a non-executive member of our Board of Directors since February 2008. He currently serves as a Co-manager and General Partner of Strategic Alliance Capital, a fund dedicated to Alternative Public Offerings and PIPE transactions. Prior to joining Strategic Alliance, Mr. Carlson has 18 years' experience working in various capacities in the money management industry. From 2001 to 2002 he served as the Head of Trading at Husic Capital Management, where he assisted in managing several billion dollars of pension fund assets and assisted in the management and risk management of hedge fund products. Prior to joining Husic Capital, Mr. Carlson served from served from July 2000 through December 2001 as an Analyst and Head of Trading at Azure Capital Partners, a Venture Capital/Crossover fund investing in

the technology industry. Mr. Carlson started in the asset management industry with RCM Capital Management, where he was a Senior Trader from 1995 to 2000. Mr. Carlson graduated in 1989 from Tufts University with a degree in Economics.

Committees of the Board of Directors

Meetings of the Board and Committees.

Our board of directors (the <u>"Board</u>") took action 7 times during the last fiscal year, with 6 being at regular or special meetings attended by the members of the Board either personally or telephonically. There was only 1 unanimous written consent in the year ending June 30, 2008. The Board of Directors of the Company also operates through standing Nominating and Governance, Audit, and Compensation Committees. Each current director attended, in the last fiscal year, at least 75% of the meetings of the Board, and the committee meetings of the committees of which he was a member.

The Board of Directors has determined that the members of the Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee are "independent" as required by applicable laws and regulations, and The NASDAQTM Stock Market LLC.

Nominations and Governance Committee.

Our Nominations and Governance Committee is comprised of Tung Kuen Tsui, Che Kin Lui and David Peter Wong. Each member of the Nominations and Governance Committee is independent within the meaning of Rule 4200(a)(15) of the Marketplace Rules of The NASDAQTM Stock Market, Inc., or the NASDAQTM Marketplace Rules, and Securities Exchange Act Rule 10A-3. The committee is required to maintain two or three members. On June 22, 2007, the Board of Directors adopted and approved a charter for the Nominations and Governance Committee, which is available via our website at *http://www.chinaprecisionsteelinc.com*. Our Nominations and Governance Committee either personally or telephonically. The meetings were held to review the size and structure of the Board and review progress of the internal control audit.

The Nominations and Governance Committee has the responsibility to identify, evaluate, recruit, and recommend qualified candidates to our board of directors for nomination or election. Each of the director nominees included in this Annual Report is recommended by the Nominations and Governance Committee. In addition, it is the responsibility of the committee to make recommendations to the Board regarding the size and composition of the board of directors or any committee thereof, identify individuals believed to be qualified to become Board members or fill vacancies on committees of the Board, consistent with criteria approved by the Board, and to select, or recommend to the Board, the nominees to stand for election as directors at the annual meeting of stockholders, monitor our performance in meeting our obligations of fairness in internal and external matters and our principles of corporate governance, and such other matters that are specifically delegated to the committee by our board of directors from time to time or which are otherwise included in the committee's charter.

The Board has an objective that its membership be composed of experienced and dedicated individuals with diversity of backgrounds, perspectives, and skills relevant to our business. The Nominations and Governance Committee selects candidates for director based on their character, judgment, diversity of experience relevant to our business, business acumen, and ability to act on behalf of all stockholders. Each director nominee is selected by the nominating and corporate governance committee based on his/her experience in management or accounting and finance, or industry and technology knowledge, personal and professional ethics, and the willingness and ability to devote sufficient time to effectively carry out his/her duties as a director.

Any stockholder who desires to recommend a nominee for director must submit a letter, addressed to the Corporate Secretary, China Precision Steel, Inc., 18th Floor, Teda Building, 87 Wing Lok Street, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China, which is clearly identified as a "Director Nominee Recommendation." All recommendation letters must identify the author as a stockholder and provide a brief summary of the candidate's qualifications, as well as contact information for both the candidate and the stockholder, to enable the committee to contact the nominee for additional information to evaluate the person's qualifications. Any such nominee will be required to meet the criteria established by the committee and may be interviewed by at least one member of the committee. If the nominee is found to be eligible during the initial interview, the nominee will then be invited to meet with the full committee or the Board for further evaluation. The committee will consider all proposed nominees whose names are submitted in accordance with the above-stated requirements. We have never received a stockholder nominee for director, but if we do, we would evaluate him or her based on the same standards used for other candidates.

Audit Committee.

We have a standing audit committee comprised of Tung Kuen Tsui, Che Kin Lui and David Peter Wong, all of whom are independent within the meaning of the NASDAQTM Marketplace Rules and the SEC rules. Each Audit Committee member meets the NASDAQTM's financial literacy requirements. The Board has named Mr. David Peter Wong, who meets the NASDAQTM's professional experience requirements, as its audit committee financial expert as such term is defined in Item 401(h) of Regulation S-K promulgated by the SEC. Mr. Wong's professional experience is detailed above. On June 22, 2007, the Board of Directors adopted and approved a charter for the Audit Committee, which is available via our website at http://www.chinaprecisionsteelinc.com. The purpose of the Audit Committee is to oversee the accounting and financial reporting processes of the Company and the audits of the financial statements of the Company. The primary function of the Audit Committee is to oversee the Board by reviewing the financial information that will be provided to the stockholders and others, the preparation of our internal financial statements, and our audit and financial reporting process, including internal control over financial reporting. In addition, our audit committee is responsible for maintaining free and open lines of communication among the committee, the independent auditors and management. Our audit committee consults with our management and independent auditors before the presentation of financial statements to stockholders and, as appropriate, initiates inquiries into various aspects of our financial affairs. The committee is also responsible for considering, appointing, and establishing fee arrangements with our independent auditors and, if necessary, dismissing them. It is not responsible for preparing our financial statements or for planning or conducting the audits.

All members of the audit committee met by telephone or in person at the end of each fiscal quarter during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008.

Compensation Committee.

We have a standing compensation committee comprised of Tung Kuen Tsui, Che Kin Lui and David Peter Wong. Each member of the compensation committee is independent within the meaning of the listing standards of The NASDAQTM Stock Market LLC and SEC rules. On June 22, 2007, the Board of Directors adopted and approved a charter for the Compensation Committee, which is available via our website at *http://www.chinaprecisionsteelinc.com*. The compensation committee is responsible for: (a) reviewing the Company's compensation programs to determine that they effectively and appropriately motivate performance that is consistent with the Company's business goals and tie executives' financial interests to those of the stockholders; (b) assure that the Chief Executive Officer's annual objectives are consistent with the Company's business goals, are explicit, and that performance against these objectives is reviewed annually; (c) define, oversee and ensure that the Company develops and maintains a program of management succession planning, particularly with respect to the position of Chief Executive Officer; and (d) such other matters as are specifically delegated to the compensation committee by our board of directors from time to time or which are otherwise included in the committee's charter. According to the charter of the Compensation Committee, the Chief Executive Officer shall be an advisor to the committee and may be

delegated such responsibilities as the committee deems appropriate. In addition, the committee may, in its discretion, delegate all or a portion of its duties and responsibilities to a subcommittee of the Compensation Committee. The committee also has the authority to select, retain, terminate, and approve the fees and other retention terms of special counsel or other experts or consultants, as it deems appropriate, without seeking approval of the Board or management. With respect to consultants or search firms used to identify director candidates, this authority is vested solely in the committee.

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Our compensation committee took action twice during the last fiscal year, at a regular meeting attended by all of the members of the committee either personally or telephonically.

Stockholder Communication with the Board of Directors.

Stockholders may communicate with the Board, including non-management directors, by sending a letter to our board of directors, c/o Corporate Secretary, China Precision Steel, Inc., 8th Floor, Teda Building, 87 Wing Lok Street, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China for submission to the board or committee or to any specific director to whom the correspondence is directed. Stockholders communicating through this means should include with the correspondence evidence, such as documentation from a brokerage firm, that the sender is a current record or beneficial stockholder of the Company. All communications received as set forth above will be opened by the Corporate Secretary or his designee for the sole purpose of determining whether the contents contain a message to one or more of our directors. Any contents that are not advertising materials, promotions of a product or service, patently offensive materials or matters deemed, using reasonable judgment, inappropriate for the Board will be forwarded promptly to the chairman of the Board, the appropriate committee or the specific director, as applicable.

Independence of Directors.

Our Board has determined that the majority of the Board is comprised of "independent directors" within the meaning of applicable NASDAQTM listing standards relating to Board composition and Section 301 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Our independent directors are: Mr. Tsui, Mr. Wong and Mr. Lui. Our Chairman, Mr. Li, is the father of Ms. Leada Tak Tai Li, the Company's Chief Financial Officer.

Company Code of Conduct and Ethics.

The Board has adopted a Code of Conduct and Ethics that applies to the Company's directors, officers and employees. A copy of this policy is available via our website at <u>http://www.chinaprecisionsteelinc.com</u>.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

Compensation Discussion and Analysis

Overview

The compensation of the Company's executive officers is determined by the Compensation Committee of the Board (referred to in this section entitled "Compensation Discussion and Analysis" as the "Committee"). The Committee has three members, each of whom is independent of management. None of the members of the Committee has any insider or interlocking relationship with the Company, and each of them is a non-employee director, as these terms are defined in applicable rules and regulations of the SEC.

The Board seeks to ensure that the total compensation paid to our named executive officers is fair, reasonable and competitive. The Committee is responsible for establishing, implementing and monitoring our executive compensation program philosophy and practices. Generally, the types of compensation and benefits provided to named executive officers are similar to those provided to our other officers. The Committee annually reviews the performance of each named executive officer. The conclusions reached and recommendations based on these reviews, including with respect to salary adjustments and annual award amounts, are presented to the Committee. The Committee can exercise its discretion in modifying any recommended adjustments or awards to executives.

Throughout this Annual Report, the individuals who served as our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer during fiscal 2008, and who are included in the Summary Compensation Table are referred to as the "Named Executive Officers."

Compensation Philosophy

The Company's executive compensation philosophy is to provide compensation necessary to attract and retain the talent needed to ensure the Company's success and the achievement of long-range strategic goals and growth in total stockholder value. Because the Named Executive Officers already own a considerable number of shares of the Company's Common Stock, the Committee has determined that equity compensation is not necessary at this time. The core element of executive compensation is competitive base salary.

The Committee believes that an effective executive compensation program should provide base annual compensation that is reasonable in relation to individual executive's job responsibilities and reward the achievement of our annual and long-term strategic goals. The Committee evaluates both performance and compensation to maintain our ability to attract and retain excellent employees in key positions and to assure that compensation provided to key employees remains competitive relative to the compensation paid to similarly situated executives of comparable companies.

Because of our size, the small number of our executive officers, and our financial priorities, the Committee has decided not to implement or offer any awards under its 2006 Omnibus Long Term Incentive Plan, which provides for issuances of options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, unrestricted stock and cash awards, or to offer any retirement plans, pension benefits, or other similar plans for our executive officers. Furthermore, given the proportion of the Company's issued and outstanding shares beneficially held by certain Named Executive Officers, and therefore the preexisting alignment of such executive officers' interests with the longer-term interests of the Company's stockholders, the Committee has decided not to currently grant stock options to the Named Executive Officers. Accordingly, the components of the executive compensation in fiscal year 2008 consist solely of a base salary and cash bonus.

The Committee also takes our financial and working capital condition into account in its compensation decisions. Accordingly, from time to time we may defer payment of cash compensation, although this did not occur in fiscal 2008. The Committee may reassess the proper weighting of equity and cash compensation in light of our improved working capital situation.

Setting Executive Compensation

Based on the foregoing objectives, the Committee has structured our annual cash and non-cash executive compensation to motivate executives to achieve our business goals, to reward the executives for achieving such goals, and to retain the executives. In doing so, the Committee historically has not employed outside compensation consultants. The Committee set compensation for our executive officers at levels targeted at or around the average of the compensation amounts provided to executives at comparable companies considering, for each individual, their individual experience level related to their position with us. There is no pre-established policy or target for the allocation between cash and non-cash incentive compensation.

Base Salary

Base salary levels for executive officers are determined not only on the basis of the Committee's assessment of individual performance, but also on the total compensation, including salaries, paid by companies engaged in similar businesses, to persons 0holding equivalent positions. The Compensation Committee believes that any increases in base salary should be based upon a favorable evaluation of individual performance relative to individual goals, the functioning of the executive's team within the corporate structure, success in furthering the corporate strategy and goals, and individual management skills, responsibilities and anticipated workload.

The Compensation Committee also considers demonstrated loyalty and commitment and the competitive salaries offered by similar companies to attract and retain executives. Merit increases for executives are to be subject to the same budgetary guidelines as apply to any other employees.

Annual Incentive Compensation

Bonuses

We may pay bonuses to provide incentives to executives and to reward executives based on our overall performance, as well as on the performance of each executive officer's area of responsibility or operating group. Measures of performance are both financial and strategic. Financial elements are based on achieving quarterly and annual EBITDA targets and strategic elements include, but are not limited to technological or quality improvements, improvements in operations and contributions to business success. The goals are also structured to provide the kinds of objectivity and checks and balances required to ensure compliance with SEC regulations and the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

Equity Awards

Executives are eligible for equity awards in the form of stock options, restricted stock units, unrestricted stock units and stock appreciation rights under the Company's 2006 Omnibus Long Term Incentive Plan. Awards are made at the discretion of the Compensation Committee. The number of shares awarded to any individual depends on individual performance, salary level and competitive data, and the impact that such employee's productivity may make to stockholder value over time. In addition, in determining the number of stock options, restricted stock units, unrestricted stock units or stock appreciation rights to grant to each executive, the Compensation Committee reviews the unvested options and units of each executive to determine the future benefits potentially available to the executive. The number of options or units granted will depend in part on the total number of unvested options and units deemed necessary to provide an incentive to that individual to make a long term commitment to remain with the Company. By giving executives an equity interest in the Company, the value of which depends upon stock performance, the policies seek to further align management and stockholder interests. However, in the year ended June 30, 2008, the Committee found it was not necessary at the time to grant options or units to its executives to provide an incentive for long term commitment to the Company because the Named Executive Officers held a number of shares of the Company's Stockholders.

Tax and Accounting Implications

As part of its role, the Committee reviews and considers the deductibility of executive compensation under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, which provides that corporations may not deduct compensation of more than \$1,000,000 that is paid to certain individuals. We believe that compensation paid to our executive officers generally is fully deductible for federal income tax purposes. The Committee takes into consideration the tax consequences of compensation to the Named Executive Officers, but tax considerations are not a significant part of our compensation policy.