

Coleco Industries, Inc. Interim Report

June 30, 1984





To Our Stockholders:

Sales for the three months ended June 30, 1984 set a second quarter record, totaling \$166.6 million, compared with sales of \$126.3 million for the year ago quarter. Earnings of \$5.1 million or \$.32 per share were lower than earnings of \$9.1 million or \$.56 per share for the comparable 1983 quarter.

Sales for the first half year totaled \$352.7 million, compared with 1983 first half sales of \$306.5 million. Earnings totaled \$9.6 million or \$.59 per share, compared with \$25.3 million or \$1.57 per share for the year ago period.

This strong sales performance was due primarily to the continuing success of the *Cabbage Patch Kids* product line. Approximately \$150 million in *Cabbage Patch Kids* products were shipped during the first six months of 1984, more than twice the amount for all of 1983. In addition to the 16" *Cabbage Patch Kids* dolls introduced last year, the 1984 product line includes *Preemies* (14" infant dolls), '*Koosas* (pets), 5" collectible *Pin-Ups*, a large variety of '*Kids* clothing and eight play accessories.

Sales of electronic products were significantly lower than those for the second quarter and first half of 1983, primarily due to decreased sales of the *ColecoVision* line and software for other video game systems. Ride-on vehicles, wading and splasher pools, children's backyard play and furniture items and other toys and games generated sales substantially greater than those for the comparable year ago periods.

During the second quarter, Coleco shipped seven new entertainment software titles for *ColecoVision*, including *Super Action* Football, *Tarzan* and *Star Trek*. Delivery has also begun of early learning software for *ColecoVision*, including the *Smurf Paint 'N Play* and *Telly Turtle* programs. The merchandising of *ColecoVision* both as an entertainment and an educational system, as well as the modular way to begin ownership of a complete *ADAM Family Computer System*, should generate increased sales of *ColecoVision* and related software products during the second half year.

To further stimulate *ColecoVision* sales, the Company recently initiated a *ColecoVision/Cabbage Patch Kids* promotion, through which consumers purchasing *ColecoVision* and any *ColecoVision* cartridge made by Coleco will receive a *Cabbage Patch Kids* doll as a bonus.

Coleco began shipments of a wide variety of software programs for *ADAM* during the second quarter, including *SmartLogo*, an enhanced version of the popular programming language; early learning software such as *Smurf Paint 'N Play* and *Telly Turtle*; educational programs including Electronic Flashcard Maker and three Flash Facts packages; home information management programs including *SmartFiler*, *Recipe Filer* and *SmartLetters & Forms*, and a wide variety of popular licensed entertainment titles. An increasing number of *ADAM* software programs will become available during the second half year from Coleco and other major software publishers. *ADAM* hardware peripherals, including a 51/4" disk drive, the *ADAMLink* telephone modem and the 64K memory expander, are scheduled for shipment during the third quarter.

Coleco has begun a new advertising campaign for the *ADAM Family Computer System* which stresses the reliability of *ADAM* and the increasing availability of *ADAM* software. Now reaching consumers through newspaper ads and radio commercials in a selected number of major markets, the promotion also offers a free *ADAM* Home Software Library of 32 programs to new *ADAM* purchasers.

We believe that *ADAM's* usefulness, ease of operation and intrinsic value should enable it to compete successfully in the home computer market. We will continue to support *ADAM* by expanding our trade orientation program, commencing an intensive TV advertising campaign in August and launching an unusual consumer program to encourage the purchase of *ADAM*.

We further strengthened the management of our consumer electronic group with the appointment earlier this month of Robert P. Baker as Vice President—Electronic Manufacturing at our upstate New York Computer Center. Baker comes to the Company from Apple Computer where he served as Manufacturing Operations Manager with responsibility for all domestic production of the APPLE IIe and APPLE IIc computers.

Coleco entered the third quarter with an unshipped order backlog in excess of \$350 million for the *Cabbage Patch Kids* product line. We expect that overall sales momentum will increase during the second half year due to the additional expansion of production capacity for the *Cabbage Patch Kids* product line and the anticipated positive results of our *ColecoVision* and *ADAM* promotions. This should enable the Company to achieve continuing improvement in both profitability and liquidity.

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July 19, 1984

(Unaudited)	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended		
	June 30 1984	July 2 1983	June 30 1984	July 2 1983	
		(In Thousands)			
Net Sales.		\$126,338	\$352,710	\$306,508	
Costs and Expenses:					
Cost of Goods Sold	109,523	65,933	237,234	167,529	
Selling and Administrative Expenses		39,944	83,728	85,284	
Interest Expense		4,327	17,654	7,538	
	157,648	110,204	338,616	260,351	
Earnings Before Income Taxes	8,958	16,134	14,094	46,157	
Income Tax Provision		7,069	4,515	20,882	
Net Earnings	\$ 5,138	\$ 9,065	\$ 9,579	\$ 25,275	
Net Earnings Per Share—Primary	\$	\$.56	\$.59	\$ 1.57	
—Fully Diluted	\$\$	\$.56	\$.59	\$ 1.57	

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET SUMMARY

(June 30, 1984 and July 2, 1983 are Unaudited)	June 30 1984	Dec. 31 1983	July 2 1983
		(In Thousands)	
Assets:			
Accounts Receivable	\$211,747	\$158,022	\$111,146
Inventories	161,566	164,664	150,704
Income Tax Refund	863	40,200	
Other Current Assets	43,891	44,204	41,870
Total Current Assets	418,067	407,090	303,720
Property, Plant and Equipment (Net).	60,790	58,183	40,598
Other Assets	13,040	12,259	2,992
Total Assets	\$491,897	\$477,532	\$347,310
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity:			
Notes Payable	\$154,730	\$166,420	\$ 86,150
Accounts Payable	54,818	81,385	27,018
Other Current Liabilities	55,552	51,508	40,838
Total Current Liabilities	265,100	299,313	154,006
Long-Term Debt	25,590	26,485	16,841
Other Liabilities	10,001	10,028	3,081
Subordinated Debentures	52,322	52,287	52,255
Convertible Subordinated Debentures	39,686		
Stockholders' Equity	99,198	89,419	121,127
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$491,897	\$477,532	\$347,310





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