# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

# QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For Quarter Ended March 31, 1997

Commission file number 0-5151

FLEXSTEEL INDUSTRIES, INC.

Incorporated in State of Minnesota

I.R.S. Identification No. 42-0442319

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

Common Stock - \$1.00 Par Value Shares Outstanding as of March 31, 1997

6,957,435

FLEXSTEEL INDUSTRIES, INC.
CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

	MARCH 31, 1997	JUNE 30, 1996
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents Temporary investments at fair value	\$ 2,990,130	\$ 3,867,742
based on quoted market price Trade receivables - Less allowance for doubtful accounts: March 31, 1997,	4,785,714	8,940,603
\$2,430,173; June 30, 1996, \$2,152,810	29,207,478	24,464,171
Inventories	26,833,169	26,082,857
Deferred income tax	2,010,000	2,010,000
Other assets	97,837	732,054
Total current assets  PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT - At cost less accumulated depreciation:	65,924,328	66,097,427
March 31, 1997, \$45,966,862;		
June 30, 1996, \$44,211,432	26,561,896	23,046,224
OTHER ASSETS	7,025,851	6,730,513
T0TAL	\$99,512,075 ======	\$95,874,164 =======

CURRENT LIABILITIES:  Accounts payable - trade  Dividends payable  Accrued liabilities  Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 5,072,733 834,892 13,468,883 2,635,000	\$ 3,574,232 850,274 11,662,410 2,635,000
Total current liabilities	22,011,508	18,721,916
LONG-TERM DEBT		35,000
DEFERRED COMPENSATION	3,015,247	2,969,847
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY: Common Stock - \$1 par value; authorized 15,000,000 shares; issued March 31, 1997, 6,957,435 shares; June 30, 1996,		
7,095,044 shares	6,957,435 7,310 67,170,787	7,095,044 556,632 66,266,325
Unrealized investment gain	349,788	229,400
Total	74,485,320	74,147,401
T0TAL	\$99,512,075 =======	\$95,874,164 =======

See accompanying Notes.

FLEXSTEEL INDUSTRIES, INC.
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months Ended March 31,		Nine Months Ended March 31,	
	1997	1996 	1997	1996
Net Sales	\$ 56,803,035	\$ 53,213,023	\$159,373,662	\$150,616,934
Operating Expenses: Cost of goods sold	45,000,753	41,524,012	125,422,072	119,384,052
Selling, general and administrative expenses	9,908,179	9,613,268	28,341,741	27,704,974
Total	54,908,932	51,137,280	153,763,813	147,089,026
Operating Income		2,075,743	5,609,849	3,527,908
Interest and Other: Income Expense		250,896 88,622	1,447,420 256,211	766,631 272,467
Net	727,080	162,274	1,191,209	494,164
Income Before Income Taxes Provision for Income Taxes	2,621,183 935,000	2,238,017 805,000	6,801,058 2,450,000	4,022,072 1,445,000
Net Income	\$ 1,686,183 =======	\$ 1,433,017 ========	\$ 4,351,058 ========	\$ 2,577,072 =======
Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding	6,979,450	7,169,878 =======	7,021,492	7,195,857
Per Share of Common Stock: Net Earnings Dividends	\$ .24 \$ .12	\$ .20 \$ .12	\$ .62 \$ .36	\$ .36 \$ .36

See accompanying Notes.

### Nine Months Ended March 31,

1996

1997	1990
\$ 4,351,058	\$ 2,577,072
4,859,318	2,861,218
9,210,376	5,438,290
(6,973,951) (974,935) 5,250,212 (3,220,788)	
(5,919,461)	(3,215,833)
(35,000) (2,520,126)	(35,000) (2,585,275)
119,099	279,562
(1,732,500)	
(4,168,527)	(3,318,566)
3,867,742	(1,096,109) 5,768,537
\$ 2,990,130 =======	
	\$ 4,351,058 4,859,318 

## See accompanying Notes.

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### NOTES (UNAUDITED)

- 1. The accompanying condensed financial statements, which are unaudited, have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis, which is consistent with those principles followed in the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 1996. The statements include all adjustments (comprising only normal recurring accruals) which are, in the opinion of management, necessary to a fair statement of the financial position and results of operations and cash flows, prepared on a summary basis, as of such dates and for the stated dates then ended. The results of operations for the nine month period ended March 31, 1997 are not necessarily indicative of the results which may be expected for the year ending June 30, 1997.
- 2. The earnings per share are based on the average number of common shares outstanding during each period.
- 3. The inventories are categorized as follows:

	March 31, 1997	June 30, 1996
Raw materials Work in process and finished parts Finished goods	\$13,208,106 7,659,707 5,965,356	\$12,936,114 7,594,621 5,552,122

Total..... \$26,833,169 \$26,082,857

4. Interest paid during the nine month period ended March 31, 1997 and 1996 was \$78,000 and \$96,000, respectively. Income taxes paid during the nine month period ended March 31, 1997 and 1996 were \$2,500,000 and \$1,061,000, respectively.

- 5. During the quarter ended September 30, 1995, the Company recorded charges associated with the closing of its manufacturing facility in Sweetwater, TN, and production consolidation of Charisma Chairs in Starkville, MS. The charges recorded and estimated to be incurred are \$470,000, and are included in cost of goods sold for the nine months ended March 31, 1996. The net, after tax, charge to earnings is \$300,000, or \$.04 per share.
- 6. During the quarter ended March 31, 1997, the Company completed the sale of its former production facility located in Sweetwater, Tennessee. This sale resulted in a gain of approximately \$550,000, and is reported as other income for the quarter and nine month period ended March 31, 1997. The net, after tax, credit to earnings is approximately \$350,000, or \$.05 per share.

FLEXSTEEL INDUSTRIES, INC.
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF THE CONDENSED STATEMENT
OF EARNINGS

Financial Condition - On March 18, 1997 the Company announced the completion of the acquisition of the assets of Dygert Seating, Inc. and the related production facilities in Elkhart, Indiana for approximately \$7,000,000. The purchase was financed internally by liquidating temporary investments. The purchase included accounts receivable \$1,600,000, inventory \$1,500,000, and fixed assets of \$3,900,000.

Additionally, during March the Company completed a sale of its idle production facility in Sweetwater, Tennessee for \$1,000,000. The sale resulted in a gain of approximately \$550,000 before income taxes and is reported as other income.

Excluding the transactions outlined above, the operations of the Company produced a net cash and temporary investment increase of \$968,000. Accounts receivable increased \$3,143,000 and inventories declined \$750,000 compared to June 30, 1996. Capital expenditures were \$3,777,000 for manufacturing and delivery equipment. In the next three months approximately \$1,000,000 will be spent for production related equipment.

The Company has repurchased 250,045 shares of its common stock for \$2,710,353 as authorized by the Board of Directors and announced through a release dated February 1, 1996. Approximately 44% of the 500,000 shares of Company stock authorized for purchase on the open market are still available for purchase by the Company.

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS - The Company anticipates the demand for its seating products will continue at current moderate levels over the remainder of the fiscal year. In addition, sales attributable to the Dygert acquisition should approximate \$6,000,000, over the next three months. Management continues to focus on internal improvements in the areas of product line simplification, cost savings identification and implementation, and manufacturing process efficiencies. Operating profits should improve as a result of these strategies.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE QUARTER - Sales for the current quarter increased by approximately \$3,590,000 (6.7%), compared to the prior year quarter. Sales increased \$2,569,000 (7.7%) in Home Furnishings, Recreational Vehicle increased \$636,000 (4.2%), and Commercial Seating increased \$385,000 (8.1%). Cost of goods sold increased by \$3,477,000 due to the increased volume, and approximately \$650,000 of additional costs associated with increased costs for labor and materials, margin erosion, and start up of Dygert operations.

Selling, general, and administrative costs increased by \$296,000 due to volume. Other income increased by \$550,000 due mainly to the gain on sale of the Sweetwater, Tennessee production facility. The aforementioned changes resulted in an increase in net income after taxes of \$253,000, or \$.04 per share, compared to the quarter ended March 31, 1996.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE LAST NINE MONTHS - Sales increased by \$8,757,000 (5.8%) compared to the nine month period ended March 31, 1996. Sales increased \$4,835,000 (5.0%) in Home Furnishings, \$1,347,000 (3.2%) in Recreational Vehicle Products and by \$2,575,000 (20.1%) in Commercial Seating. Cost of goods sold

increased by \$6,038,000 due primarily to the volume increase, however, prior year results include \$470,000 associated with closing the Sweetwater, Tennessee production facility.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased by \$637,000. The Company was able to absorb approximately \$975,000 of volume related increases through lower bad debt provision and fixed cost control. Interest and other income increased by \$681,000 primarily due to the gain on the sale of the Tennessee facility. The aforementioned changes resulted in an increase in net income after taxes of \$1,774,000, or \$.26 per share, compared to the nine month period ended March 31, 1996.

The statements included in this report which are not historical or current facts are "forward-looking statements" made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. There are certain important factors that could cause results to differ materially from those anticipated by some of the statements made herein. Investors are cautioned that all forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainty. Some of the factors that could affect results are the effectiveness of new product introductions, the product mix of our sales, the amount of sales generated and the profit margins thereon or volatility in the major markets, competition and general economic conditions.

#### PART II OTHER INFORMATION

The registrant did not file a report on Form 8-K during the quarter for which this report is filed.

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 officer thereunto duly authorized.

FLEXSTEEL INDUSTRIES, INC.

Date: May 1, 1997

By: /s/ R. J. Klosterman

R. J. Klosterman Financial Vice President and Principal Financial Officer

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