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FORM 10-QSB

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2002

[] TRANSITION REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE EXCHANGE ACT For the transition period

from _____

Commission File Number 1-13856

_____ to ___

SEL-LEB MARKETING, INC. (EXACT NAME OF SMALL BUSINESS ISSUER AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

NEW YORK (STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION OF INCORPORATION OR ORGANIZATION) 11-3180295 (I.R.S. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER)

495 River Street, Paterson, NJ 07524 (Address of principal executive offices)

973-225-9880 (Issuer's telephone number)

Check whether the issuer (1) filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act during the past 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such report(s)), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes [X] No []

State the number of shares outstanding for each of the issuer's classes of common equity, as of the latest practicable date: 2,325,527 shares of common stock as of November 14, 2002.

Transitional Small Business Disclosure Format (check one):

Yes [] No [X]

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS SEPTEMBER 30, 2002 AND DECEMBER 31, 2001

ASSETS	September 30, 2002	December 31, 2001
		(Note 1)
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 50,881	\$ 60,300
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful		
accounts of \$305,821 and \$266,120	4,298,057	9,163,755
Inventories	10,298,549	8,297,918
Deferred tax assets, net	317,959	297,545
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,277,084	832,460
Total current assets	16,242,530	18,651,978

Property and equipment, at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization of \$1,229,853 and \$1,153,237 Other assets	185,236 177,909	164,130 214,203
Totals	\$ 16,605,675	\$ 19,030,311 ======
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities: Note payable under line of credit Current portion of long-term debt Accounts payable Accrued expenses and other liabilities Total current liabilities Long-term debt, net of current portion	\$ 3,467,249 529,421 1,597,238 894,247 6,488,155 1,215,282	\$ 2,622,390 307,080 4,626,583 2,080,918 9,636,971 690,274
Total liabilities	7,703,437	
Commitments and contingencies		
<pre>Stockholders' equity: Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 10,000,000 shares authorized; none issued Common stock, \$.01 par value; 40,000,000 shares authorized; 2,325,527 and 2,261,018 shares issued and outstanding Additional paid-in capital Retained earnings Less receivable in connection with equity transactions</pre>	23,256 6,613,520 2,302,462 (37,000)	 22,611 6,496,359 2,223,096 (39,000
Total stockholders' equity	8,902,238	8,703,066
Totals	\$ 16,605,675	\$ 19,030,311 ======

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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SEL-LEB MARKETING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2002 AND 2001 (Unaudited)

2002 2001	
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\$ 14,268,267 \$ 15,584,778

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Operating expenses:		
Cost of sales	10,099,287	10,931,892
Selling, general and administrative expenses	3,851,375	3,506,409
Totals	13,950,662	14,438,301
Operating income	317,605	
Other income (expense):		
Interest expense	(185,329)	(311,829)
Income from litigation settlement		280,000
Gain on sales of property and equipment		18,950
Totals		(12,879)
Income before provision for income taxes	132.276	1,133,598
Provision for income taxes	52,910	466,292
Net income	\$	
Net earnings per share:		
Basic	\$.03	\$.30
	====	====
Diluted	\$.03	\$.29
	====	====
Weighted average shares outstanding:		
Basic	2,288,073	
Diluted	2,437,070	

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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SEL-LEB MARKETING, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2002 AND 2001 (Unaudited)

	2002	2001
Net sales	\$ 3,735,297	\$ 6,022,532
Operating expenses: Cost of sales Selling, general and administrative expenses	2,928,267 1,038,317	4,008,830 1,221,621

Totals	3,966,584	5,230,451
Operating income (loss)	(231,287)	792,081
Other income (expense): Interest expense Gain on sales of property and equipment	(54,807)	(85,383) 18,950
Totals		(66,433)
Income (loss) before provision (credit) for income taxes	(286,094)	725,648
Provision (credit) for income taxes		303,112
Net income (loss)	\$ (171,904)	\$ 422,536
Net earnings (loss) per share: Basic Diluted	\$(.07) =====	\$.19 ==== \$.18
Weighted average shares outstanding: Basic	2,325,199	
Diluted		2,322,071

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2002 (Unaudited)

				Retained	С	eivabl onnect th Equ	
			Earnings				
Balance, January 1, 2002	2,261,018	\$	22,611	\$6,496,359	\$2,223,096	Ş	(39,
Partial payment of balance							

of receivable

2,

Exercise of stock options	64,509	645	90,731		
Effects of issuance of stock options in exchange for services			26,430		
Net income				79,366	
Balance, September 30, 2002	2,325,527 ======	\$ 23,256	\$6,613,520	\$2,302,462	\$ (37, ======

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2002 AND 2001 (Unaudited)

	2002	2
Operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 79,366	\$ 6
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash		
used in operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	76,616	1
Provision for doubtful accounts	219,500	1
Gain on sales of property and equipment		(
Deferred income taxes	(20,414)	(
Effects of issuance of stock options in exchange for		
services	26,430	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	4,646,198	(2,5
Inventories	(2,000,631)	(1
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(444,624)	(
Other assets	36,294	(
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other		
liabilities	(4,216,016)	1,8
Net cash used in operating activities	(1,597,281)	

Purchases of property and equipment Proceeds from sales of property and equipment	(97,722)	(
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(97,722)	
Financing activities:		
Net proceeds from (net repayments of) note payable under line of credit.	1,094,859	5
Proceeds from long-term debt	750,000	0
Repayments of long-term debt	(252,651)	(6
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	91,376	
Decrease in receivable in connection with equity transactions	2,000	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	1,685,584	(
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(9,419)	(1
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	60,300	2
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 50,881 ======	\$ =====

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

- Note 1 Organization and basis of presentation:
 - In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring accruals, necessary to present fairly the financial position of Sel-Leb Marketing, Inc. ("Sel-Leb") and its 80%-owned subsidiary, Ales Signature, Ltd. ("Ales"), as of September 30, 2002, their results of operations for the nine and three months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001, their changes in stockholders' equity for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and their cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001. Sel-Leb and Ales are referred to together herein as the "Company." Information included in the condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2001 has been derived from the audited consolidated balance sheet included in the Company's Form 10-KSB for the year ended December 31, 2001 (the "10-KSB") previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Pursuant to rules and regulations of the SEC, certain information and disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been condensed or omitted from these consolidated financial statements unless significant changes have taken place since the end of the most recent

fiscal year. Accordingly, these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements, notes to consolidated financial statements and the other information in the 10-KSB.

The consolidated results of operations for the nine and three months ended September 30, 2002 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year ending December 31, 2002.

Certain accounts in the 2001 condensed consolidated financial statements have been reclassified to conform with the 2002 presentations.

Note 2 - Earnings per share:

As further explained in Note 1 in the 10-KSB, the Company has adopted the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 128, "Earnings per Share" which require the presentation of "basic" earnings (loss) per common share and, if appropriate, "diluted" earnings per common share. Basic earnings (loss) per share is calculated by dividing net income (loss) by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during each period. The calculation of diluted earnings per share is similar to that of basic earnings per share, except that the denominator is increased to include the number of additional common shares that would have been outstanding if all potentially dilutive common shares, such as those issuable upon the exercise of stock options and warrants, were issued during the period.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

Note 2 - Earnings per share (concluded):

In computing diluted earnings per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001 and the three months ended September 30, 2001, the assumed exercise of all of the Company's outstanding stock options and warrants, adjusted for the application of the treasury stock method, would have increased the weighted average number of common shares outstanding as shown in the table below:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Three Month Ended September	
	2002	2001	30, 2001	
Basic weighted average shares outstanding Shares arising from assumed exercise of:	2,288,073	2,261,018	2,261,018	
Shales alising from assumed exercise of. Stock options Warrants (A)	136,928 12,069	58,810	61,053	

Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	2,437,070	2,319,828	2,322,071

(A) The warrants expired on April 15, 2002.

Since the Company had a net loss for the three months ended September 30, 2002, the assumed effects of the exercise of all of the Company's outstanding stock options and warrants and the application of the treasury stock method would have been anti-dilutive. Accordingly, the basic and diluted loss per share and weighted average share amounts are the same for that period.

- Note 3 Note payable under line of credit:
 - As further explained in Note 3 in the 10-KSB, during December 1998, the Company entered into a loan agreement pursuant to which Merrill Lynch Business Financial Services, Inc. ("Merrill Lynch") is providing the Company with a credit facility (the "Facility"). Based on the terms of the loan agreement in effect as of September 30, 2002, the Facility consisted of a revolving line of credit, with maximum borrowings of \$3,800,000 (before adjustment as a result of the new term loan arrangement originating October 18, 2002) against the Company's eligible accounts receivable and inventories, and a term loan (see Note 4 herein). Borrowings under the revolving line of credit totaled \$3,717,249 at September 30, 2002, of which \$3,467,249 was classified as a current liability and, based on the terms of an agreement with Merrill Lynch on October 18, 2002 described in Note 8 herein, \$250,000 was classified as a noncurrent liability. Borrowings under the line of credit bear interest, which is payable monthly, at 2.75% above the 30-day London Interbank Offering Rate (an effective rate of 4.57% as of September 30, 2002). As of September 30, 2002, all remaining borrowings under the revolving line of credit were payable on October 31, 2002; however, the due date was subsequently extended to October 31, 2003 (see Note 8 herein). Borrowings from Merrill Lynch are secured by substantially all of the Company's assets.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

Note 4 - Long-term debt:

As explained in Note 4 in the 10-KSB, long-term debt at December 31, 2001 included three term loans with an aggregate principal balance of \$875,000 that were payable in monthly installments to Merrill Lynch under the Facility and due to mature at various dates through January 2006. Based on amendments to the loan agreement for the Facility, the Company received proceeds of \$1,498,808 from a new term loan (the "Amended Term Loan") in June 2002, of which \$748,808 was applied to the repayment of the remaining balances of the prior term loans and \$750,000 was applied to the reduction of the balance outstanding under the revolving line of credit (see Note 3 herein). The Amended Term

Loan, which had a balance of \$1,393,569 as of September 30, 2002, is payable in monthly installments of principal of \$41,634 through June 2005 plus interest at 2.75% above the 30-day London Interbank Offering Rate (an effective rate of 4.57% as of September 30, 2002).

Long-term debt as of September 30, 2002 includes \$250,000 that was reclassified from the balance payable under the revolving line of credit based on the agreement for the new term loan with Merrill Lynch dated October 18, 2002, described in Note 8, herein that extended the due date for borrowings in that amount from October 31, 2002 to October 31, 2004.

Borrowings from Merrill Lynch are secured by substantially all of the Company's assets.

Note 5 - Stock options and warrants:

Descriptions of the Company's stock option plans and other information related to stock options and warrants are included in Note 5 in the 10-KSB. Certain information related to options outstanding at September 30, 2002 and changes in options outstanding during the nine months ended September 30, 2002 are summarized below:

	Shares or Price	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Outstanding at January 1, 2002 Granted Exercised Canceled	650,008 37,500(A) (64,509) (111,400)	\$ 2.19 2.15 1.42 2.91
Outstanding at September 30, 2002	511,599 ======	\$ 2.13 =====
Options exercisable at September 30, 2002	403,633	

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

Note 5 - Stock options and warrants (concluded):

(A) Includes options to purchase 16,000 shares of common stock granted to nonemployees which had an aggregate fair value of \$26,430 as of the respective dates of grant. The fair value was recorded as a charge to compensation expense and an increase in additional paid-in capital in accordance with the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" ("SFAS 123").

Note 6 - Goodwill:

As of September 30, 2002, goodwill, which is comprised of costs in excess of net assets of acquired businesses, had an immaterial carrying value that was included in other assets. Through December 31, 2001, goodwill was being amortized on a straight-line basis over periods not exceeding ten years. Goodwill amortization totaled approximately \$25,500 and \$8,500 in the nine and three months ended September 30, 2001. In June 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" ("SFAS 142"). Under SFAS 142, goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite useful lives will no longer be systematically amortized. Instead such assets will be subject to reduction only when their carrying amounts exceed their estimated fair values based on impairment tests established by SFAS 142 that will be made at least annually. The Company was required to apply the provisions of SFAS 142 and discontinue amortization effective as of January 1, 2002. The Company will also be required to make its first impairment tests no later than December 31, 2002. Management expects that these tests will not have any significant effects on the Company's consolidated financial position and results of operations.

Note 7 - Segment information:

The Company has adopted the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 131, "Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information" ("SFAS 131"). Pursuant to the provisions of SFAS 131, the Company is reporting segment sales and gross margins in the same format reviewed by the Company's management (the "management approach"). The Company has two reportable segments: "Opportunity" and "Cosmetics". The Opportunity segment is comprised of the operations connected with the acquisition, sale and distribution of name-brand and off-brand products which are purchased from manufacturers, wholesalers or retailers as a result of close-outs, overstocks and/or changes in the packaging of brand name items. The Cosmetics segment is comprised of the acquisition, sale and distribution of all other products, including "celebrity endorsed" and "tie-in" and branded cosmetics and health and beauty aid products and designer and all other fragrances.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

Note 7 - Segment information (concluded): Net sales, cost of sales and other related segment information for the nine and three months ended September 30, 2002 and 2001 follows:

Nine Mc	nths Ended	Three Months	Ended
Sept	ember 30,	Septembe	r 30,
2002	2001	2002	2001

Net sales:				
	¢ 6 052 560	¢ 6 001 017	¢ 1 750 1 <i>11</i>	¢ 2 600
Opportunity Cognotics			\$ 1,758,144	
Cosmetics	8,215,707	8,689,931	1,977,153	3,324,
Totals	14,268,267		3,735,297	6,022,
Cost of sales:				
Opportunity	4,540,788	4,155,837	1,422,198	1,520,
Cosmetics	5,558,499	6,776,055	1,506,069	2,488,
Totals	10,099,287	10,931,892	2,928,267	4,008,
Selling, general and administrative				
expenses	3,851,375	3,506,409	1,038,317	1,221,
Total operating expenses	13,950,662	14,438,301	3,966,584	5,230,
Operating income (loss)	317,605	1,146,477	(231,287)	792 ,
Other income (expense):				
Interest expense, net	(185,329)	(311,829)	(54,807)	(85,
Income from litigation settlement		280,000		
Gain on sales of property and		10 050		1.0
equipment		18,950		18,
Totals	(185,329)	(12,879)		(66,
Income (loss) before provision for				
income taxes		\$ 1,133,598		

Note 8 - Subsequent events:

As a result of agreements with Merrill Lynch on October 18, 2002, the maximum amount of borrowings under the revolving line of credit (see Note 3 herein) was reduced by \$250,000 from \$3,800,000 to \$3,550,000 and the due date for the payment of all remaining balances was extended from October 31, 2002 to October 31, 2003. Concurrently, Merrill Lynch agreed to provide the Company with a new term loan (the "New Term Loan") in the principal amount of \$500,000 comprised of new borrowings of \$250,000 and, effectively, the transfer of \$250,000 from the balance that had been outstanding under the revolving line of credit. The New Term Loan is payable in monthly installments of principal of \$20,833 through October 31, 2004 plus interest at 2.75% above the 30-day London Interbank Offering Rate. Borrowings from Merrill Lynch under the revolving line of credit, the term loans outstanding at September 30, 2002 (see Note 4 herein) and the New Term Loan are secured by substantially all of the Company's assets.

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ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OR PLAN OF OPERATION

The following discussion and analysis of the Company's results of operations, liquidity and financial condition should be read in conjunction with the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company and related notes thereto. This Quarterly Report on Form 10-QSB contains certain forward-looking statements. Actual results could differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements due to a number of factors, including but not limited to general trends in the retail industry (both general as well as electronic outlets), the ability of the Company to maintain its financing arrangements (or obtain satisfactory alternative financing) on favorable terms, or at all, the ability of the Company to successfully implement any future expansion plans, consumer acceptance of any products developed and sold by the Company, the ability of the Company to develop its "celebrity" product business, the ability of the Company to sell its specially purchased merchandise at favorable prices, on a timely basis or at all, the ability of the Company to adequately source products that it sells to its customers, and other factors set forth herein or in reports and other documents filed by the Company with the SEC. In addition, quarterly results in the Company's two business segments do not necessarily indicate trends in the Company's overall business operations, due to the timing of special purchases, special sales and large sales to any one particular customer.

SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The preparation of these consolidated financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an on-going basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to accounts receivable, inventories, property and equipment, stock based compensation, income taxes and contingencies. 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 may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Except as related to accounting for Goodwill, which is described below, the accounting policies and estimates used as of December 31, 2001 and as outlined in the Company's previously filed Form 10-KSB, have been applied consistently for the nine and three months ended September 30, 2002.

Goodwill is comprised of costs in excess of net assets of acquired businesses that were being amortized on a straight line basis over periods not exceeding ten years. In June 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" ("SFAS 142"). Under SFAS 142, goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite useful lives will no longer be systematically amortized. Instead such assets will be subject to reduction only when their carrying amounts exceed their estimated fair values based on impairment tests established by SFAS 142 that will be made at least annually. The Company began to apply the provisions of SFAS 142 effective January 1, 2002, and discontinued amortization effective as of that date. During the nine months and three months ended September 30, 2001, Goodwill amortization totaled approximately \$25,500 and \$8,500, respectively. The Company will also be required to make its first impairment tests no later than December 31, 2002. The effects of these tests on the Company's consolidated financial position and results of operations have not been determined. As of September 30, 2002, goodwill had an immaterial carrying value that was included in other assets.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS: Nine Months Ended September 30, 2002

Compared to the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2001

The Company has two principal business segments (see Note 7 to the Company's Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements - Unaudited) - Opportunity and Cosmetics.

		SEPTEMBER 30, 2001	\$ CHANGE
Net sales:			
Opportunity			\$ (842,287)(A)
Cosmetics	8,215,707	8,689,931	(474,224)(B)
Total net sales	14,268,267	15,584,778	(1,316,511)
Cost of sales:			
Opportunity	4,540,788	4,155,837	384,951(C)
Cosmetics	5,558,499	6,776,055	(1,217,556)(D)
Total cost of sales	10,099,287	10,931,892	(832,605)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	3,851,375	3,506,409	344,966(E)
Total operating expenses	13,950,662	14,438,301	(487,639)
Operating income		1,146,477	
Other Income	0		(298,950)(F)
Interest expense, net	(185,329)	(311,829)	126,500(G)
Total Other Income (Expense)	(185,329)	(12,879)	(172,450)
Income before income taxes	· ·	\$ 1,133,598	

- (A) The decrease in sales in this segment of our business in the nine months ended September 30, 2002 resulted primarily from a decline in sales of a line of specially purchased merchandise that neared complete sell-off in the fourth quarter of 2001 (approximately \$300,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 versus approximately \$1,700,000 for the same period in 2001). The Company anticipated mitigating this decline with sales to new customers. However, one of the major new customers placed significant Christmas orders for delivery in the fourth quarter, rather than third quarter, of 2002. The Company's historical experience with other retailers has been that goods for the Christmas holiday season typically ship in the third quarter.
- (B) During the nine months ended September 30, 2002, as compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2001, sales for this segment of our business

decreased primarily as a result of a decline in sales through electronic media (a decrease for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 of approximately \$751,000 for this segment versus the same period in 2001), partially offset by the growth in the branded cosmetics and designer fragrances portion of our business.

- (C) Cost of sales for the "Opportunity" segment of our business increased to approximately 75% of sales in the nine months ended September 30, 2002 from approximately 60% of sales in the nine months ended September 30, 2001. The increased cost resulted primarily from reduced sales of the line of specially purchased merchandise as referred to in (A) above, that had yielded higher margins.
- (D) Cost of sales for the "Cosmetic" segment of our business decreased to approximately 68% of sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2002 as compared to approximately 78% of sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2001. This resulted primarily from higher sales of branded cosmetics and designer fragrances, which typically yield higher margins.
- (E) Selling, general and administrative expenses consist principally of payroll, rent, commissions, royalties, insurance, professional fees, and travel and promotional expenses. The increase during the nine months ended September 30, 2002 as compared with the nine months ended September 30, 2001 is primarily the result of higher costs due to more sales being made through outside sales agencies and the electronic media, which have higher associated selling expenses (an increase of approximately \$415,000 in 2002 over 2001 for these expenses).
- (F) Other income for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 primarily represents proceeds from the settlement of a legal action brought against one of the Company's licensors for an alleged breach of contract, in the amount of \$280,000. The balance of Other income was gains from the sale of certain equipment which was no longer being used.
- (G) The decrease in interest expense during the nine month period ended September 30, 2002 versus the nine month period ended September 30, 2001 resulted primarily from reductions in the borrowing rate.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS: Three Months Ended September 30, 2002 Compared to the Three Months Ended September 30, 2001

compared to the fiftee Month's Ended September 50, 2001

The Company has two principal business segments (see Note 7 to the Company's Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements - Unaudited) - Opportunity and Cosmetics.

	SEPTEMBER 30, 2002	SEPTEMBER 30, 2001	\$ CHANGE
Net sales:			
Opportunity	\$ 1,758,144	\$ 2,698,086	\$ (939,942)(A)
Cosmetics	1,977,153	3,324,446	(1,347,293)(B)

Total net sales	3,735,297	6,022,532	(2,287,235)
Cost of sales: Opportunity Cosmetics		1,520,053 2,488,777	(97,855)(C) (982,708)(D)
Total cost of sales	2,928,267	4,008,830	(1,080,563)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	1,038,317	1,221,621	(183,304)(E)
Total operating expenses	3,966,584	5,230,451	(1,263,867)
Operating income (loss)	(231,287)	792,081	(1,023,368)
Other Income Interest expense, net	0 (54,807)	18,950 (85,383)	(18,950)(F) 30,576(G)
Total Other Income (Expense)	(54,807)	(66,433)	(11,626)
Income before income taxes	\$ (286,094) =======	\$ 725,648	\$(1,011,742)

- (A) The decrease in sales in this segment of our business in the three months ended September 30, 2002 resulted primarily from a decline in sales of a line of specially purchased merchandise that neared complete sell-off in the fourth quarter of 2001. The Company anticipated mitigating this decline with sales to new customers. However, one of the major new customers placed significant Christmas orders for delivery in the fourth quarter, rather than the third quarter, of 2002. The Company's historical experience with other retailers has been that goods for the Christmas holiday season typically ship in the third quarter.
- (B) During the three months ended September 30, 2002, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2001, sales for this segment of our business decreased primarily as a result of declines in sales through electronic media and reduced sales of fragrances due to the sale of the fragrance line in August 2001.
- (C) Cost of sales for the "Opportunity" segment of our business increased to 81% of sales in the third quarter of 2002 from approximately 56% of sales in the third quarter of 2001. The increased cost resulted primarily from a change in the sales mix whereby sales of the line of specially purchased merchandise, which had yielded higher than normal margins, were significantly lower in the third quarter of 2002 as compared with 2001.
- (D) Cost of sales for the "Cosmetic" segment of our business increased to approximately 76% of sales for the third quarter of 2002 from approximately 75% of sales for the third quarter of 2001. This resulted primarily from reduced sales in the electronic media portion of our business, which typically yield higher margins.
- (E) Selling, general and administrative expenses consist principally of payroll, rent, commissions, royalties, insurance, professional fees, and travel and promotional expenses. The decrease during the three months ended September 30, 2002 as compared with the three months ended September 30, 2001 is primarily the result of reduced sales for the third quarter of 2002 as compared with the same period in 2001, being made through outside sales agencies and the electronic media, which generally have higher associated selling expenses and vary in direct relation to sales.
- (F) Other income for the three months ended September 30, 2001 represents gains

from the sale of certain equipment which is no longer being used in our operations.

(G) The decrease in interest expense during the three month period ended September 30, 2002 as compared with the three month period ended September 30, 2001 resulted primarily from reductions in the borrowing rate.

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Liquidity and Capital Resources

At September 30, 2002 we had working capital of approximately \$9,754,000. This balance included cash and cash equivalents, which decreased during the nine months ended September 30, 2002 from approximately \$60,000 to \$51,000, resulting from our operating, investing and financing activities, as more fully discussed below.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2002, our operating activities used cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$1,597,000. This consisted primarily of paying down accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities of approximately \$4,216,000, the acquisition of additional inventories of approximately \$2,001,000 in anticipation of increased fourth quarter sales, and increases to Prepaid expenses and other assets of approximately \$445,000 (primarily consisting of advance payments to key suppliers for the purchase of inventory to be received in the fourth quarter), offset by net income of approximately \$79,000 and net collections of accounts receivable of approximately \$4,646,000. In addition, we wrote-off approximately \$220,000 of doubtful accounts and recognized depreciation and amortization expense of approximately \$80,000, both non-cash expenses.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2002, our investing activities used cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$98,000 for the acquisition of property and equipment.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2002, our financing activities provided cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$1,686,000. This consisted primarily of increased borrowings under our credit line of approximately \$1,095,000 and proceeds from new long-term debt of \$750,000, more fully discussed in Notes 3 and 4 of the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements at September 30, 2002. These additional borrowings were partially offset by payments of principal on long-term debt of approximately \$253,000. In addition, we received proceeds from issuance of shares in connection with the exercise of options of approximately \$91,000.

In December, 1998 we entered into a credit facility ("Facility") with Merrill Lynch Business Financial Services, Inc. ("Merrill Lynch"), as more fully described in Notes 3 and 4 to the annual report which has been previously filed on Form 10-KSB, and in Notes 3 and 4 of the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements at September 30, 2002. At September 30, 2002, the credit facility provided for the following:

 A revolving line of credit through October 31, 2002 with maximum borrowings of \$3,550,000 against the Company's eligible accounts receivable and inventories through October 31, 2002 (as adjusted for the new term loan arrangement, originating October 18, 2002, described below). At September 30, 2002 we had approximately \$3,467,000 outstanding under the revolving line of credit (as adjusted for the new term loan arrangement, originating October 18, 2002, described

below and in Note 8 of the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements at September 30, 2002), representing a net increase in our borrowings under the revolving line of credit of approximately \$845,000 from December 31, 2001. As of November 14, 2002 the outstanding balance under the revolving line of credit was \$3,384,829. A standby letter of credit previously issued in the amount of \$350,000 on behalf of one of our suppliers, as discussed in the Company's Form 10-QSB dated June 30, 2002, was cancelled during the third quarter. No drawings had been made against the standby letter of credit.

2) A \$1,498,808 term loan originated in June, 2002. The loan is payable in monthly installments of \$41,634 plus interest through July 2005. The loan had an outstanding balance of approximately \$1,394,000 as of September 30, 2002.

On October 18, 2002, the Company and Merrill Lynch amended the credit facility to provide a second term loan in the amount of \$500,000. This loan is payable in monthly installments of \$20,833 plus interest through October 2004. Simultaneously, the maximum borrowings under the revolving credit line were reduced by \$250,000 to \$3,550,000. As a result of these transactions, \$250,000 of the credit line balance has been reclassified from current to long term debt in the Financial Statements, footnotes and other discussions in this Form 10-QSB.

The Facility requires interest to be paid monthly at 2.75% above the 30 day London Interbank Offering (LIBOR) rate (an effective rate of 4.57% at September 30, 2002).

In addition to the Merrill Lynch credit facility, on September 26, 1997 and December 28, 1999, the Company entered into two other 6% term loans in the amount of \$100,000 each. As of September 30, 2002, \$34,343 and \$66,790 were outstanding under the 1997 loan and 1999 loan, respectively.

As of November 14, 2002, the outstanding balance under all term loans was \$1,906,588.

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The tables below summarize our long term debt and our lease commitments as of September 30, 2002:

PAYMENTS DUE BY PERIOD

Long term Obligations	Total	Up to	1-3	4-5
As of September 30, 2002		1 year	years	years
Merrill Lynch, originated June, 2002 Merrill Lynch, originated October, 2002(A) Other	\$1,394,000 \$250,000 \$101,000	\$500,000 \$ 30,000	\$894,000 \$250,000 \$ 49,000	 \$ 22,000

(A) See Notes 3 and 4 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

AMOUNT OF COMMITMENT EXPIRATION PER PERIOD

	Total			
Total Lease Commitments	Amounts	Up to	1-3	4-5
As of September 30, 2002	Committed	1 year	years	years
	t			
495 River Street	\$ 447,000	\$298 , 000	\$149 , 000	

The Company anticipates that its working capital, together with anticipated cash flow from the Company's operations, will be sufficient to satisfy the Company's cash requirements for at least twelve months since the Company's Facility was recently extended. In the event the Company's plans change, due to unanticipated expenses or difficulties or otherwise, or if the working capital and projected cash flow otherwise are insufficient to fund operations, or if the Company's Facility is not extended beyond its current expiration date of October 31, 2003, on satisfactory terms, or at all, the Company could be required to seek financing sooner than currently anticipated. Except for the revolving credit portion of the Facility, which expires on October 31, 2003, and the various term loans, the Company has no current arrangements with respect to, or sources of, financing. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that financing will be available to the Company when needed, on commercially reasonable terms, or at all. The Company's inability to obtain adequate financing when needed would have a material adverse effect on the Company. In addition, any equity financing obtained by the Company could involve substantial dilution to the interests of the Company's stockholders.

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ITEM 3. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

a) DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES. Within 90 days before filing this report, the Company evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of its disclosure controls and procedures. The Company's disclosure controls and procedures are the controls and other procedures that it designed to ensure that it records, processes, summarizes and reports in a timely manner the information it must disclose in reports that it files with or submits to the Securities and Exchange Commission. Paul Sharp, the Company's President and CEO and George Fischer, our Principal Accounting Officer and CFO, supervised and participated in this evaluation. Based on this evaluation, Messrs. Sharp and Fischer concluded that, as of the date of their evaluation, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

b) INTERNAL CONTROLS. Since the date of the evaluation described above, there have not been any significant changes in the Company's internal accounting controls or in other factors that could significantly affect those controls.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

1. Effective November 15, 2002, Mr. Jack Koegel resigned as the Chief

Operating Officer of the Company. He will continue to serve as a member of the Company's Board of Directors.

- The Company's Audit Committee has approved the following non-audit services provided by the Company's external auditor, JH Cohn:
 -- the rendering of tax advice
 - -- non design/implementation computer support services

This disclosure is made pursuant to Section 10A(i)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act, as added by Section 202 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

A. Exhibits

10.1a Merrill Lynch letter re: Amendment to Loan Documents

- 10.1b Merrill Lynch WCMA(R) Reducing Revolver(SM) Loan and Security Agreement
- 10.1c Merrill Lynch Unconditional Guaranty
- 10.1d Merrill Lynch Security Agreement
- 10.2 Merrill Lynch letter re: Loan Documents Amendment and Extension
- 99.1 Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350

B. Reports on Form 8-K

No reports on Form 8-K were filed by the registrant during the three month period ended September 30, 2002.

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Signatures

In accordance with the requirements of the Exchange Act, the registrant caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

SEL-LEB MARKETING, INC.

George Fischer Chief Financial Officer As both duly authorized officer of the registrant and as principal financial officer of registrant

November 14, 2002

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CERTIFICATION

I, Paul Sharp, certify that:

- I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Sel-Leb Marketing, Inc.;
- Based on my knowledge, this quarterly 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 quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly 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 quarterly 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-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and we have:
- a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures 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 quarterly report is being prepared;
- evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this quarterly report (the "Evaluation Date"), and
- c) presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directions (or persons performing the equivalent function):

 all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and

- any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and
- 6. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have indicated in this quarterly report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Dated: November 14, 2002

/s/ Paul Sharp

Paul Sharp President and Chief Executive Officer

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CERTIFICATION

- I, George Fischer, certify that:
- I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Sel-Leb Marketing, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly 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 quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly 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 quarterly report;
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- a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures 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 quarterly report is being prepared;
- evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this quarterly report (the "Evaluation Date"), and
- c) presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;

5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directions (or persons performing the equivalent function):

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- a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
- any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and
- 6. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have indicated in this quarterly report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Dated: November 14, 2002

/s/ George Fischer

George Fischer Chief Financial Officer

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