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Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of October, 2005

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INTERTAPE POLMER GROUP INC.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

INTERTAPE POLYMER GROUP INC.

Date: October 17, 2005

By: /s/Andrew M. Archibald Andrew M. Archibald, C.A., CFO and Secretary

2005 THIRD QUARTERLY REPORT

Intertape Polymer Group Inc. Consolidated Quarterly Statements of Earnings Three months ended (In thousands of US dollars, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

		June 30, 2005	2005	December 31, 2004
	\$	\$	 \$	\$
Sales	201,177	190,282	187,697	180,744
Cost of sales	159,449	150,895	148,574	144,689
Gross profit		39,387		36,055
Selling, general and				
administrative expenses	25,970	24,844	23,917	25,799
Stock-based compensation expen	se 485	483	455	355
Research and development	1,233	1,224	1,011	997
Financial expenses	5,577	5 , 918	5,649	4,302
Refinancing expense				
Manufacturing facility closure				
and industrial accident cost		1,087		7,386
		33,556	31,751	38,839
Earnings (loss) before income taxes Income taxes (recovery)		5,831 399		(2,784) (20,455)
Net earnings (loss)		5,432	6,033	17,671
Earnings (loss) per share				
Cdn GAAP - Basic - US \$	0.16	0.13	0.15	0.43
Cdn GAAP - Diluted - US \$	0.16	0.13	0.15	0.43
US GAAP - Basic - US \$	0.16	0.13	0.15	0.43
US GAAP - Diluted - US \$	0.16	0.13	0.15	0.43
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding				

Cdn GAAP - Basic	41,205,555	41,214,969	41,237,461	41,273,840
Cdn GAAP - Diluted	41,337,378	41,550,160	41,444,870	41,468,992
U.S. GAAP - Basic	41,205,555	41,214,969	41,237,461	41,273,840
U.S. GAAP - Diluted	41,337,378	41,550,160	41,444,870	41,468,992

Sej	ptember 30, 2004	June 30, 2004	March 31, 2004	December 31, 2003
_	\$	\$	 \$	\$
Sales Cost of sales		171,934 134,097	162,100 129,986	122,975
Gross profit		37,837		34,707
Selling, general and administrative expenses Stock-based compensation expense Research and development Financial expenses Refinancing expense Manufacturing facility closure and industrial accident costs	23,327 e 270 1,121 5,948 30,444	22,793 351	22,307 70 962 6,768	24,843 130 212 5,587 3,005
Earnings (loss) before income taxes Income taxes (recovery)	(23,919) (9,664)	6,305 654	2,007 (284)	930 (4,244)
Net earnings (loss)	(14,255)		2,291	5,174
 Earnings (loss) per share Cdn GAAP - Basic - US \$ Cdn GAAP - Diluted - US \$ US GAAP - Basic - US \$ US GAAP - Diluted - US \$	(0.35) (0.35) (0.35) (0.35)		0.06 0.06 0.06 0.06	0.13
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding				
Cdn GAAP - Basic Cdn GAAP - Diluted U.S. GAAP - Basic U.S. GAAP - Diluted	41,285,161 41,285,161	41,215,111 41,396,403 41,215,111 41,396,403	40,971,739 41,528,581 40,971,739 41,528,581	40,870,426

October 17, 2005

This Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") supplements the consolidated financial statements and related notes for the three months and nine months

ended September 30, 2005. Except where otherwise indicated, all financial information reflected herein is prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and is expressed in US dollars.

OVERVIEW

Intertape Polymer Group Inc. ("the Company" or "IPG") experienced a 13.2% increase in sales for the three months ended September 30, 2005 as compared to the corresponding period in 2004. Sales increased 5.7% for the three months ended September 30, 2005 compared to the three months ended June 30, 2005.

Earnings for the three months ended September 30, 2005 were \$0.16 per share, both basic and diluted, as compared to a net loss of \$0.35 per share, both basic and diluted, for the same period in 2004.

Excluding non-recurring costs associated with manufacturing facility closures and the industrial accident in Columbia, South Carolina in March 2005 and the debt refinancing in 2004, adjusted net earnings for the third quarter of 2005 were \$0.17 per share, both basic and diluted, as compared to \$0.14 per share, both basic and diluted for the same period in 2004.

As discussed in note 10 to the consolidated financial statements, on October 5, 2005, the Company, through a wholly-owned Canadian subsidiary, acquired the outstanding capital stock of two Canadian companies, Flexia Corporation and Fib-Pak Industries, Inc. for an aggregate cash consideration of approximately \$28,810,000. Flexia Corporation and Fib-Pak Industries, Inc. produce a wide range of engineered coated products, polyethylene scrims and polypropylene fabrics.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

SALES

Sales for the third quarter of 2005 were \$201.2 million, an increase of 13.2% over the third quarter of 2004 sales of \$177.7 million. The increase is primarily due to sales price increases.

Sales for the first nine months of 2005 were \$579.2 million compared to \$511.7 million for the same period in 2004, an increase of 13.2%. The increase was primarily attributable to selling price increases as sales volumes for the first nine months of 2005 were comparable to the sales volumes for the same period in 2004.

The Company's sales volumes in the third quarter of 2005 improved compared to sales volumes in the second quarter of 2005. Selling prices were steady in the first half of the third quarter, a period when raw material prices were flat to declining. Prices for petroleum-based resins, which are key raw material components for many of the Company's products, began to rise rapidly in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. Additionally, resin price increases accelerated as a result of Hurricane Rita, which has temporarily reduced U.S.-based petroleum refining and petrochemical plant capacity. As a result of Hurricane Rita, many of the refineries and petrochemical plants located along the Gulf Coast of Texas and Louisiana were either closed or operating at reduced levels. While capacity is coming back on-line, it is expected to be several months before refineries and petrochemical plants return to normal operating levels.

In light of the developments described above, the Company has announced several price increases in the weeks since the hurricanes first struck the Gulf Coast. The Company believes that the selling price increases it has announced should be sufficient to cover the raw material cost increases it has incurred. The market appears to have accepted the price increases as there has not been a

drop off in sales orders.

More problematic than the rising cost of resins is the tightness of supply. Several resin suppliers have placed their customers, including the Company, on allocation and in some instances have declared force majeure. A resin supplier's declaration of force majeure is the invoking of a contract clause that frees the resin supplier from liability under its contracts due to an extraordinary event beyond its control. It is an explicit acknowledgement that it can not meet its contractual obligations. In turn, several companies in the packaging industry, some of whom the Company competes against in specific products and markets have declared force majeure as well. Due to its global sourcing efforts, which have allowed the Company to maintain adequate supplies of resin from multiple sources, pre-buying of raw material inventories prior to the supply constraints occurring and product adhesive reformulations, the Company anticipates being able to continue satisfying its customers' needs. However, the circumstances are very dynamic and the Company's situation could change at any time. Declines in resin supply could not only affect Company sales levels but also force temporary slowdowns or shutdowns of some of its manufacturing facilities.

The Company's most recent sales guidance for 2005 was in the range of \$755 million to \$775 million. The Company should be at the high end of the range if current raw material supplies are not disrupted. This is excluding the additional fourth quarter 2005 sales resulting from the October 5, 2005 acquisition. The acquisition is expected to increase sales approximately \$20.0 million per quarter.

GROSS PROFIT AND GROSS MARGIN

Gross profit for the third quarter of 2005 totaled \$41.7 million at a gross margin of 20.7%, as compared to gross profit of \$37.2 million for the third quarter of 2004 at a gross margin of 20.9%.

The gross profit and gross margin for the first nine months of 2005 were \$120.2 million and 20.8% compared to \$107.1 million and 20.9% for the first nine months of 2004.

Gross margins frequently decline in periods of rising raw material costs, but the Company has been able to consistently increase gross profit dollars each quarter in 2005 compared to the corresponding period in the prior year. The improvement is due to a combination of higher selling prices and improved efficiencies, including the benefits of the plant closures announced in the fourth quarter of 2004.

SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$26.0 million for the third quarter of 2005 (12.9% of sales), compared to \$23.3 million for the third quarter of 2004 (13.1% of sales). The selling, general and administrative expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 were \$74.7 million (12.9% of sales) compared to \$68.4 million (13.4% of sales) for the same period in 2004.

The selling, general and administrative expenses of \$26.0 million for the third quarter of 2005 represent an increase of \$1.1 million over the expense level for the second quarter of 2005 and \$2.1 million over the expense level for the first quarter of 2005. Some of this increase, as discussed in the Company's Second Quarterly Report, is because the Company began increasing its staffing level during the first quarter of 2005 in order to support the smaller business teams established at the beginning of the year. Additional staffing was put in place over the course of the first quarter and was substantially in place for all of the second and third quarters. In addition

to the staffing adjustments, the new, smaller business teams increased business travel in a proactive effort to seek out new business. The Company has started to see the benefits of smaller business teams in selected product and market groups. One of the most immediate benefits has been the Company's enhanced ability to quickly secure price increases in the marketplace.

The additional cost increases in selling, general and administrative expenses are primarily in selling expenses. A significant portion of the Company's selling expenses are variable in nature including external sales commissions and internal sales staff incentives as well as customer incentives. External sales commissions are typically a straight percentage of sales and internal sales staff incentives are largely driven by margin improvements. Many customer incentives are based on sales dollar growth, without regard to sales volumes, thus the continued increase in selling prices may increase the Company's selling expenses.

STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION EXPENSE

Stock-based compensation expense for the third quarter of 2005 was \$0.5 million compared to \$0.3 million in the third quarter of 2004. For the first nine months of 2005, stock-based compensation expense was \$1.4 million compared to \$0.7 million for the comparable period in 2004. The increase in stock-based compensation expense was attributable to the larger number of stock option grants being expensed in accordance with the fair value method of accounting adopted by the Company in 2003.

OPERATING PROFIT

Operating profit is not a financial measure under GAAP in Canada or the United States. The Company's Management uses operating profit to measure and evaluate the profit contributions of the Company's product offerings as well as the contribution by channel of distribution.

Because "operating profit" is a non-GAAP financial measure, other companies may present similar titled items determined with differing adjustments. Presented below is a table reconciling this non-GAAP financial measure with the most comparable GAAP measurement. The reader is encouraged to review this reconciliation. Operating profit is defined by the Company as gross profit less selling, general and administrative expenses and stock-based compensation expense.

Operating Profit Reconciliation (In millions of US dollars)

	Three m	onths	Nine mo	onths
For the periods ended September 30,	2005	2004	2005	2004
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gross Profit	41.7	37.2	120.2	107.1
Less: SG&A Expense	26.0	23.3	74.7	68.4
Less: Stock-Based Compensation				
Expense	0.5	0.3	1.4	0.7
Operating Profit	15.2	13.6	44.1	38.0

Operating profit was \$15.2 million for the third quarter of 2005, compared to \$13.6 million for the third quarter of 2004. The increase was primarily attributable to higher gross profits in 2005, offset somewhat by increased selling, general and administrative expenses. Operating profit for the nine

months ended September 30, 2005 totaled \$44.1 million compared to \$38.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. The increase in operating profits for the first nine months of 2005 compared to the first nine months of 2004 is due to the improvement in gross profits, driven by higher selling prices.

FINANCIAL EXPENSES

Financial expenses for the third quarter of 2005 were \$5.6 million compared to \$5.9 million in the third quarter of 2004, a 6.2% reduction. Financial expenses for the first nine months of 2005 were \$17.1 million compared to \$20.0 million for the same period in 2004. The decrease in financial expenses was the result of refinancing substantially all of the Company's indebtedness in August 2004. The refinancing resulted in lower interest costs (at current interest rate levels) despite increasing the Company's indebtedness. The Company increased its indebtedness in part to pay the costs of the refinancing and in part to provide cash for general corporate purposes.

Financial expenses decreased from \$5.9 million in the second quarter of 2005 to \$5.6 million in the third quarter of 2005. The decrease is primarily due to decreased utilization of the Company's revolving line of credit. The large revolver balance at the end of the quarter was due to a \$23.5 million borrowing on the last business day of the quarter to fund an acquisition on October 5, 2005. Additionally, the Company, entered into an interest-rate swap agreement in June 2005 with a notional amount of \$50.0 million and a term of five years. The interest-rate swap has the effect of fixing the interest cost on \$50.0 million of bank debt at 6.52%. The Company entered into a similar swap transaction in July 2005, fixing the interest rate on an additional \$25.0 million of floating rate bank debt at 6.54% for a period of five years.

FACILITY RATIONALIZATIONS

In the fourth quarter of 2004, as part of the Company's on-going review of the efficiency and effectiveness of its production and distribution network, the Company announced and substantially completed the closure of two of its manufacturing facilities located in Cumming, Georgia and Montreal, Quebec, as well as its distribution center located in Cumming, Georgia. The total estimated cost for these closures is \$9.3 million, of which \$7.4 million was recorded in the fourth quarter of 2004. The Company estimates total one-time charges for facility closures to be approximately \$1.9 million during 2005, of which \$0.6 million was incurred during the three months ended March 31, 2005, \$0.1 million was incurred in the three months ended June 30, 2005 and \$0.4 million was incurred in the three months ended September 30, 2005.

EBITDA

A reconciliation of the Company's EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA, non-GAAP financial measures, to GAAP net earnings is set out in the EBITDA reconciliation table below. EBITDA should not be construed as earnings before income taxes, net earnings or cash from operating activities as determined by GAAP. The Company defines EBITDA as net income before (i) income taxes; (ii) financial expenses, net of amortization; (iii) refinancing expense; (iv) amortization of other intangibles and capitalized software costs; and (v) depreciation. Adjusted EBITDA is defined as EBITDA before manufacturing facility closure and industrial accident costs. Other companies in our industry may calculate EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA differently than we do.

EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are not measurements of financial performance under GAAP and should not be considered as alternatives to cash flow from

operating activities or as alternatives to net income as indicators of our operating performance or any other measures of performance derived in accordance with GAAP. The Company has included these non-GAAP financial measures because it believes that it permits investors to make a more meaningful comparison of IPG's performance between periods presented. In addition, the Company's covenants contained in the loan agreement with its lenders require certain debt to Adjusted EBITDA ratios be maintained, thus EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are used by Management and the Company's lenders in evaluating the Company's performance.

EBITDA Reconciliation to Net Earnings (In millions of US dollars)

	Three	months	Nine r	nonths
For the periods ended September 30,	2005	2004	2005	2004
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Net earnings (loss) Add back Financial expenses,	6.6	(14.3)	18.1	(6.3)
net of amortization Refinancing expense	5.3	5.7 30.4	16.1	19.0 30.4
Income taxes	1.5	(9.7)	3.2	(9.3)
Depreciation and amortization	7.5	7.5	23.6	22.1
EBITDA Manufacturing facility closure and	20.9	19.6	61.0	55.9
industrial accident costs	0.4		2.2	
Adjusted EBITDA	21.3	19.6	63.2	55.9

INCOME TAXES

The Company is subject to income taxation in multiple tax jurisdictions around the world. As a result, the Company's effective income tax rate fluctuates depending upon the geographic source of its earnings. The Company's effective income tax rate is also impacted by tax planning strategies that the Company implements. The Company estimates its annual effective income tax rate and utilizes that rate in its quarterly financial statements. For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, the Company has an estimated effective income tax rate of approximately 15.1% compared to an estimated effective income tax rate of approximately 59.6% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

The effective income tax rate for the first nine months of 2005 increased from the 13.2% rate estimated in the first six months of 2005. The rate change is due to changes in the Company's profitability among its various taxing jurisdictions and the relative impact of permanent tax differences as profitability increases or decreases.

NET EARNINGS

Net earnings for the third quarter of 2005 were 6.6 million or 0.16 per share, both basic and diluted, compared to a net loss of 14.3 million or 0.35 per share, both basic and diluted for the third quarter of 2004.

Excluding manufacturing facility closure and industrial accident costs and related taxes, adjusted net earnings for the three months ended September

30, 2005 were \$6.8 million or \$0.17 per share, both basic and diluted and \$19.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 or \$0.47 per share, both basic and diluted. Excluding refinancing expense and related taxes, adjusted net earnings for the three months ended September 30, 2004 were \$5.6 million or \$0.14 per share both basic and diluted and \$13.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 or \$0.33 per share both basic and diluted. A reconciliation of the Company's adjusted net earnings is set out in the following table:

Reconciliation of Net Earnings to Adjusted Net Earnings (In millions of US dollars)

For the periods ended September 30,	Three 2005	months 2004	Nine r 2005	months 2004
	Ş	\$	Ş	Ş
Net earnings (loss) - as reported Add back:	6.6	(14.3)	18.1	(6.3)
Refinancing expense (after tax) Manufacturing facility closure and industrial accident costs		19.9		19.9
(after tax)	0.2	_	1.3	-
Adjusted net earnings	6.8	5.6	19.4	13.6

FINANCIAL POSITION

Trade receivables increased \$20.6 million between December 31, 2004 and September 30, 2005. The increase was primarily due to the higher level of sales as well as higher selling prices for the month of September 2005 compared to the month of December 2004. Aside from the trade receivables, other receivables were the only other current asset to change substantially between December 31, 2004 and September 30, 2005. Other receivables decreased from December 31, 2004 due to the collection of certain income and other tax assets as well as sales tax receivables. Current liabilities increased by \$19.8 million between December 31, 2004 and September 30, 2005. The increase was due to \$28.5 million in borrowings under the Company's revolving credit facilities offset by decreases in other current liabilities of \$8.7 million. Included in the increased borrowings under the revolving credit facilities is \$23.5 million borrowed on the last business day of the quarter to fund a business acquisition on October 5, 2005.

Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, decreased by \$7.2 million in the first nine months of 2005 primarily due to depreciation and amortization in excess of capital expenditures for the period.

OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company is not a party to any material related party transactions. Except for the interest rate swap contracts discussed in the section entitled "Bank Indebtedness and Credit Facilities" and in note 9 to the financial statements, the Company maintains no material off-balance sheet arrangements.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Cash from (required for) operations before changes in non-cash working capital items was 15.7 million for the third quarter of 2005 compared to (4.9)

million for the third quarter of 2004. Changes in non-cash working capital items required \$5.1 million in cash flows for the three months ended September 30, 2005 compared to using \$6.6 million in cash during the same three month period in 2004.

The improved cash flows from operating activities before changes in non-cash working capital items in the third quarter of 2005 compared to the third quarter of 2004 is the result of improved profitability and the payment of a make-whole payment in connection with the Company's debt refinancing in the third quarter of 2004. Excluding the make-whole payment and related tax benefit, cash flows from operating activities before changes in non-cash working capital items were \$13.1 million for the three months ended September 20, 2004. The improved cash flows from changes in non-cash working capital items in the third quarter of 2005 compared to the third quarter of 2004 was the result of improved inventory utilization in the third quarter of 2005, which was partially offset by the increase in trade accounts receivable and the decrease in accounts payable and accrued liabilities. The improved inventory utilization was due in part to the decrease in pre-bought raw materials. Lower resin prices in the first half of the third quarter resulted in the Company discontinuing its pre-buying. When raw material prices increased during the last half of the third quarter, supply constrictions limited the Company's ability to pre-buy.

Cash from operations before changes in non-cash working capital items was \$45.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and \$17.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. Changes in non-cash working capital items required \$25.2 million in cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 compared to using \$23.3 million in cash during the same nine month period in 2004. For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, the cash from operations before changes in non-cash working capital items includes the \$21.9 million make-whole payment. Cash from operations before changes in non-cash working capital items for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, exclusive of the make-whole payment and the related tax effect, totaled \$35.5 million. In 2005, the change in non-cash working capital items for the nine month period was principally due to an increase in trade receivables and a decrease in accounts payable and accrued liabilities. In 2004, the change in non-cash working capital items was principally impacted by increasing investments in trade receivables and inventories, reflective of the rising cost of raw materials and the related impact on sales prices to customers.

Cash flows used in investing activities were \$8.3 million in the third quarter of 2005 and \$19.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. This compares to \$14.4 million and \$30.9 million, respectively, in cash flows used in investing activities in the third quarter of 2004 and the nine months ended September 30, 2004. The decrease in cash flows used in investing activities for the nine month period in 2005 compared to the nine month period in 2004 was due to the \$5.5 million used to acquire the duct and masking tape operations of tesa tape, inc. during the first quarter of 2004 as part of the Company's debt refinancing.

The Company increased total indebtedness during the three months ended September 30, 2005 by \$22.9 million compared to increasing total indebtedness by \$42.4 million during the three months ended September 30, 2004. The increase in total indebtedness in 2005 was due to the fact that the Company borrowed \$23.5 million on the last business day of the quarter in order to finance the acquisition that closed on October 5, 2005. The increase in total indebtedness for the three months ended September 30, 2004 was due to the refinancing of substantially all of the Company's indebtedness. Total indebtedness increased during the nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 by \$26.2 million and \$61.6 million, respectively. The increase in 2005

was due to the \$23.5 million borrowed at the end of September 2005 as discussed above. The increase in 2004 was due to the refinancing described above, the tesa tape, inc. acquisition in the first quarter of 2004 and the increase in cash used in non-cash working capital items.

BANK INDEBTEDNESS AND CREDIT FACILITIES

The Company maintains a US\$65.0 million five-year revolving credit facility available in US dollars and a US\$10.0 million five-year revolving credit facility available in Canadian dollars. At September 30, 2005, the Company had borrowed \$23.7 million under its US\$65.0 million revolving credit facility, including \$3.7 million in letters of credit and \$8.5 million (CDN\$10.0 million) under its US\$10.0 million revolving credit facility. No amounts were borrowed under the revolving credit facilities at December 31, 2004 except for \$3.8 million in letters of credit. When combined with the cash on-hand, cash equivalents and temporary investments, the Company's cash and credit availability, subject to covenant restrictions, totaled \$91.6 million at September 30, 2005 compared to \$93.6 million at December 31, 2004.

In June 2005, the Company entered into a \$50.0 million five year interest-rate swap contract requiring quarterly settlements. The contract effectively fixes \$50.0 million of the Company's floating rate bank debt at 6.52% (including loan premium). In July 2005, the Company entered into a \$25.0 million five year interest-rate swap contract requiring quarterly settlements. The contract effectively fixes an additional \$25.0 million of the Company's floating rate bank debt at 6.54% (including loan premium).

CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

At September 30, 2005, there were no material changes in the contractual obligations set forth in the Company's 2004 Annual Report that were outside the ordinary course of the Company's business except the interest-rate swap contracts described in the section entitled "Bank Indebtedness and Credit Facilities" and in note 9 to the financial statements.

CAPITAL STOCK

As at September 30, 2005 there were 41,205,911 common shares of the Company outstanding.

During the first nine months of 2005, employees exercised 15,250 stock options with an aggregate exercise price of \$74,836. During the first nine months of 2004, employees exercised 115,125 stock options with an aggregate exercise price of \$970,000.

During November 2004, the Company announced that it had registered a Normal Course Issuer Bid in Canada, under which the Company is authorized to repurchase for cancellation up to 5.0% of its outstanding common shares. No shares have been repurchased in 2005 except in the second quarter, when 46,300 shares were purchased for cancellation at a cost of \$340,000.

CURRENCY RISK

The Company is subject to currency risks through its Canadian and European operations. Changes in the exchange rates may result in decreases or increases in the foreign exchange gains or losses. The Company does not use derivative instruments to reduce its exposure to foreign currency risk, as historically these risks have not been significant.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the recorded amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the recorded amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. On an on-going basis, management reviews its estimates, including those relating to the allowance for doubtful accounts, reserve for slow moving and unmarketable inventories and income taxes based on currently available information. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

The discussion on the methodology and assumptions underlying these critical accounting estimates, their effect on the Company's results of operations and financial position for the year ended December 31, 2004 can be found in the Company's 2004 Annual Report and have not materially changed since that date.

NEW ACCOUNTING POLICY

Derivative financial instruments are utilized by the Company to reduce interest rate risk on its debt. The Company does not enter into financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

The Company's policy is to formally designate each derivative financial instrument as a hedge of a specifically identified debt instrument. The Company believes the derivative financial instruments are effective as hedges, both at inception and over the term of the instrument, as the term to maturity, the principal amount and the interest rate basis in the instruments all match the terms of the debt instrument being hedged.

Interest rate swap agreements are used as part of the Company's program to manage the floating interest rate mix of the Company's total debt portfolio and related overall cost of borrowing. The interest rate swap agreements involve the periodic exchange of payments without the exchange of the notional principal amount upon which the payments are based, and are recorded as an adjustment of interest expense on the hedged debt instrument. The related amount payable to or receivable from counterparties is included as an adjustment to accrued interest.

Gains and losses on terminations of interest rate swap agreements are deferred under other current, or non-current, assets or liabilities on the balance sheet and amortized as an adjustment to interest expense related to the obligation over the remaining term of the original contract life of the terminated swap agreement. In the event of early extinguishment of the debt obligation, any realized or unrealized gain or loss from the swap would be recognized in the consolidated statement of earnings at the time of extinguishment.

SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY RESULTS

A table of Consolidated Quarterly Statements of Earnings for the eight most recent quarters can be found at the beginning of this report.

DISCLOSURE REQUIRED BY THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

A summary of the significant ways that the governance of the Company differs from that of a US listed company is available on the Company's website at www.intertapepolymer.com under "Investor Relations."

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information relating to IPG, including its Annual Information Form, is filed on SEDAR at www.sedar.com in Canada and on EDGAR at www.sec.gov in the U.S.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements and information set forth in this Quarterly Report, including statements regarding the business and anticipated financial performance of the Company, constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Federal Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied in such forwardlooking statements. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the Company's cost savings from its consolidation efforts, projected sales and earnings, the success of new products, the Company's product mix, and future financing plans.

Forward-looking statements can be identified in some cases by terms such as "may", "should", "could", "intends", "anticipates", "potential", and similar expressions intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements, which reflect our current views regarding future events, are based on assumptions and subject to risks and uncertainties.

Among the factors that could cause actual results to differ from the forwardlooking statements include, but are not limited to, inflation and general economic conditions, changes in the level of demand for the Company's products, competitive pricing pressures, general market trends, failure to achieve planned cost savings associated with consolidation, restrictions and limitations placed on the Company by its debt instruments, international risks including exchange rate fluctuations, trade disruptions, and political instability in foreign markets in which the Company operates or acquires raw materials, and the availability and price of raw materials.

This Quarterly Report contains certain non-GAAP financial measures as defined under SEC rules, including operating profit, EBITDA, and adjusted EBITDA. The Company believes such non-GAAP financial measures improve the transparency of the Company's disclosure, provide a meaningful presentation of the Company's results from its core business operations, excluding the impact of items not related to the Company's ongoing core business operations, and improve the period-to-period comparability of the Company's results from its core business operations.

As required by SEC rules, the Company has provided reconciliations of those measures to the most directly comparable GAAP measures.

Additional discussion of factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from management's projections, estimates and expectations is contained in the Company's SEC filings. These and other factors should be considered carefully and undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements. The Company undertakes no duty to update its forward-looking statements, including its sales and earnings outlook, other than as required under applicable law.

Intertape Polymer Group Inc. Consolidated Earnings Periods ended September 30, (In thousands of US dollars, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Three months Nine		Nine m	onths
			2005	2004
	\$	\$	 \$	\$
Sales		177,671	579 , 156	
Cost of sales	159,449	140,480	458,918	404,563
Gross profit	41,728	37,191	120,238	,
Selling, general and				
administrative expenses	25,970	23,327	74,731	68,427
Stock-based compensation	485	270	1,423	
Research and development	1,233	1,121	3,468	
Financial expenses		5,948	17,144	
Refinancing expense	·	30,444		30,444
Manufacturing facility closure		·		
and industrial accident costs			2,191	
	•	61,110	98,957	
Earnings (loss) before				
income taxes	8,078	(23,919)	21,281	(15,607)
	1,479	(9,664)	3,217	(9,294
Net earnings (loss)		(14,255)	18,064	(6,313)
 Earnings (loss) per share Basic		(0.35)	0.44	(0.15
Diluted	0.16	(0.35)	0.44	(0.15)

Consolidated Retained Earnings Periods ended September 30, (In thousands of US dollars) (Unaudited)

	Three m	onths	Nine	months
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	 \$	 \$	 \$	 \$
Balance, beginning of period Net earnings (loss)	91,058 6,599	76,233 (14,255)	79,609 18,064	68,291 (6,313)
	97,657	61,978	97,673	61,978

Premium on purchase for

cancellation of common sh	nares		16	
Balance, end of period	97,657	61,978	97,657	61,978

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Intertape Polymer Group Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets As at (In thousands of US dollars)

-	tember 30, 2005 Unaudited)	September 30, 2004 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2004 (Audited)
	\$	\$	\$
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash	48,759	27,868	21,882
Temporary investment			497
Trade receivables, net of allowance for			
doubtful accounts of \$4,211			
(\$3,959 in September 2004,			
\$4,065 in December 2004)	122,217	106,436	101,628
Other receivables	10,008	12,764	13,381
Inventories	92,297	78,451	90,677
Parts and supplies	14,271	13,641	13,618
Prepaid expenses	5,444	4,013	7,788
Future income taxes	1,509	2,682	1,509
	294,505	245,855	250,980
Property, plant and equipment	345,417	356 , 680	352 , 610
Other assets	18,815	15,341	16,474
Future income taxes	35,323	11 , 593	36,689
Goodwill	181,117	177,780	179,958
	875,177	807,249	836,711
LIABILITIES Current liabilities			
Bank indebtedness	28,529	179	
Accounts payable and	20, 323	115	
accrued liabilities	89,340	94,591	97,849
Instalments on long-term debt	2,781	2,700	3,032
	120,650	97,470	100,881
Long-term debt	328,898	332,539	331,095
Other liabilities	435	530	435
	449,983	430,539	432,411
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			

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Capital stock	288 , 930	289,538	289,180
Contributed surplus	5,749	3,971	4,326
Retained earnings	97,657	61,978	79 , 609
Accumulated currency			
translation adjustments	32,858	21,223	31,185
	425,194	376,710	404,300
	875 , 177	807,249	836 , 711

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Intertape Polymer Group Inc. Consolidated Cash Flows Periods ended September 30, (In thousands of US dollars) (Unaudited)

	Three mon		Nine m	e months	
	2005	2004		2004	
	\$	\$	\$	\$ \$	
OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Net earnings (loss) Non-cash items	6,599	(14,255)	18,064	(6,313)	
Depreciation and amortization Write-off of deferred debt	7,496	7,482	23,638	22,119	
issue expenses Other non-cash charges in connection with facility		8,482		8,482	
closures	73		200		
Future income taxes	1,020	(6,879)	2,392	(7,465)	
Stock-based compensation expense	485	270	1,423	691	
Cash flows from operations before changes in non-cash					
working capital items	15,673	(4,900)	45,717	17,514	
Changes in non-cash working capital items					
Trade receivables	(11,524)	(4,599)	(20,624)	(16,847)	
Other receivables	1,274	(1,351)	3,291	(864)	
Inventories	8,544	(4,125)	(991)	(8,003)	
Parts and supplies	(190)	(340)	(599)	(488)	
Prepaid expenses	2,236	1,772	2,368	3,912	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(5,400)	2,007	(8,685)	(990)	
	(5,060)	(6,636)	(25,240)	(23,280)	

 Cash flows from operating				
activities	10,613	(11,536)	20,477	(5,766)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Temporary investment	489		489	
Property, plant and equipment	(6,887)	(3,664)	(15,945)	
Business acquisition				(5,500)
Other assets	(1,921)	(10,786)	(3,642)	(11,850)
Goodwill		58	(300)	
Cash flows from investing				
activities			(19,398)	
 FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Net change in bank indebtedness	23,529	(34,509)	28,529	(13,669)
Issue of long-term debt		325,000		325,787
Repayment of long-term debt			(2,364)	
Issue of common shares Common shares purchased for	4	319	75	2,697
cancellation			(340)	
 Cash flows from financing				
activities		42,759	25,900	64,287
Net increase in cash position Effect of currency translation		16,831	26,979	27,632
adjustments	346	1,549	(102)	236
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	23,247	9,488	21,882	
Cash and cash oquivalonts				
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period		27,868	48,759	27,868

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 1.

Basis of Presentation

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited interim consolidated financial statements, prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles, contain all adjustments necessary to present fairly Intertape Polymer Group Inc.'s ("IPG" or the "Company") financial position as at September 30, 2005 and 2004 as well as its results of operations and its cash flows for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004.

These unaudited interim consolidated financial statements and notes should be read in conjunction with IPG's annual consolidated financial statements.

These unaudited interim consolidated financial statements and notes follow the same accounting policies as the most recent annual

consolidated financial statements. A new accounting policy on derivative financial instruments is described in Note 9 to reflect the use of derivative financial instruments by the Company.

NOTE 2.

Earnings per Share

The following table provides a reconciliation between basic and diluted earnings per share:

In thousands of US dollars (Except per share amounts)

	Three	Months	Nine	Months
Periods ended September 30,	2005	2004	2005	2004
Net earnings (loss) applicable	\$	\$	\$	\$
to common shares	6,599	(14,255)	18,064	(6,313)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding (000's)	41,206	41,285	41,219	41 , 157
Effect of dilutive stock options (000's) (a)	131	0	143	0
Weighted average number of diluted common shares				
outstanding (000's)	41,337	41,285	41,362	41,157
Basic earnings (loss) per share	0.16	(0.35)	0.44	(0.15)
Diluted earnings (loss) per shar	e 0.16	(0.35)	0.44	(0.15)

(a) Diluted earnings per share is calculated by adjusting outstanding shares, assuming any dilutive effects of stock options.

NOTE 3.

Accounting for Compensation Programs

As at September 30, 2005, the Company had a stock-based compensation plan, which is described in the Company's 2004 Annual Report. Under the transitional provisions prescribed by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants ("CICA"), the Company is prospectively applying the recognition provisions to stock options issued in 2003 and thereafter. The transitional provisions of the CICA are similar to those of the US Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB"). To determine the compensation cost, the fair value of stock options is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting periods. For stock options granted during the year ended December 31, 2002, the Company is required to make pro forma disclosures of net earnings and basic and diluted earnings per share as if the fair value based method of accounting had been applied.

Accordingly, the Company's net earnings (loss) and basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share for the periods ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 would have decreased or increased to the pro forma amounts

indicated in the following table:

In	thous	sands	of	US	dollars
(E>	cept	per	shai	ce	amounts)

Periods ended September 30,	Three 2005	e Months 2004	Nine 1 2005	Months 2004
Net earnings (loss) as reported	\$ 6,599	\$ (14,255)	\$ 18,064	\$ (6,313)
Add: Stock-based employee compensation expense included in reported net earnings (loss)	485	270	1,423	691
Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value based method	(702)	(469)	(1,961)	(1,254)
Pro forma net earnings (loss)	6,382	(14,454)	17,526	(6,876)
Earnings (loss) per share: Basic - as reported Basic - pro forma Diluted - as reported Diluted - pro forma	0.16 0.15 0.16 0.15	(0.35) (0.35) (0.35) (0.35)	0.44 0.43 0.44 0.42	(0.15) (0.17) (0.15) (0.17)
NOTE 4.				
Pension and Post-Retirement Benefit	. Plans			
In thousands of US dollars				
Periods ended September 30,	Three 2005	Months 2004	Nine 1 2005	Months 2004
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Net periodic benefit cost for defined benefit pension plans	519	419	1,468	1,321
NOTE 5.				

Information Included in the Interim Consolidated Statements of Earnings

In thousands of US dollars

	Three	Months	Nine	Months
Periods ended September 30,	2005	2004	2005	2004
	\$	\$	Ş	\$
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	7,162	7,208	22,612	21,197
Amortization of other deferred charges			5	3

Amortization of debt issue expenses included in financial expenses below	334	274	1,021	919
Financial expenses				
Interest on long-term debt	4,967	5,627	15,673	17,448
Interest on credit facilities	96	122	303	1,193
Other	889	349	1,843	1,760
Interest capitalized to property, plant and equipment	(375)	(150)	(675)	(450)
	5,577	5,948	17,144	19,951
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	25	244	(292)	(178)
Investment tax credits recorded as a reduction of research and development expenses	22	41	62	263

NOTE 6.

Manufacturing Facility Closure and Industrial Accident Costs

The Company incurred one-time costs associated with facility closures of \$0.4 million and \$1.1 million during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2005, respectively. There were no costs associated with facility closures during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2004.

The Company incurred one-time costs associated with an industrial accident of \$1.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2005. There were no costs associated with industrial accidents during the three months ended September 30, 2005 and 2004 and the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

NOTE 7.

Capital Stock

During the three months ended September 30, 2005, 1,000 shares with an aggregate exercise price of \$3,900 were issued to employees who exercised stock options.

During the three months ended June 30, 2005, 13,500 shares with an aggregate exercise price of \$68,011 were issued to employees who exercised stock options.

During the three months ended March 31, 2005, 750 shares with an aggregate exercise price of \$2,925 were issued to employees who exercised stock options.

During the three months ended September 30, 2004, there were no options exercised.

During the three months ended March 31, 2004, 115,125 common shares at a value of \$970,000 were issued to employees who exercised stock options.

During the three months ended June 30, 2005, the Company redeemed 46,300 common shares for a cash consideration of \$340,000. An amount of \$324,000 was accounted for as a reduction of the capital stock and an amount of \$16,000 was accounted for as a decrease of retained earnings as a premium on purchase for cancellation of common shares.

In May 2004, the Company issued 225,160 common shares to the USA Employees Stock Ownership and Retirement Savings Plan at a value of \$1,408,000.

The Company's shares outstanding as at September 30, 2005, December 31, 2004 and September 30, 2004 were 41,205,911, 41,236,961 and 41,285,161, respectively.

Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:

	Three Months		Nine Months	
Periods ended September 30,	2005	2004	2005	2004
CDN GAAP - Basic CDN GAAP - Diluted U.S. GAAP - Basic U.S. GAAP - Diluted	41,205,555 41,337,378 41,205,555 41,337,378	41,285,161 41,285,161 41,285,161 41,285,161	41,219,329 41,362,491 41,219,329 41,362,491	41,156,911 41,156,911 41,156,911 41,156,911 41,156,911

The Company did not declare or pay dividends during the nine months ended September 30, 2005 or the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

NOTE 8.

Business Acquisition

In February 2004, the Company purchased for a cash consideration of \$5.5 million plus contingent consideration (dependent on business retention), assets relating to the masking and duct tape operations of tesa tape, inc. ("tesa tape"). At the same time, the Company finalized its three-year agreement to supply duct tape and masking tape to tesa tape.

The purchase was accounted for as a business combination and, accordingly, the purchase method of accounting was used. The purchase price was allocated to the assets purchased based on their estimated fair values as at the date of acquisition and included \$0.9 million of equipment and \$4.6 million of goodwill. The goodwill is deductible over 15 years for income tax purposes. Any contingent consideration paid will be recorded as an increase in goodwill. During the three months ended March 31, 2005, the Company recorded \$0.3 million of contingent consideration.

NOTE 9. Derivative Financial Instruments

Derivative financial instruments are utilized by the Company to reduce

interest rate risk on its debt. The Company does not enter into financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

The Company's policy is to formally designate each derivative financial instrument as a hedge of a specifically identified debt instrument. The Company believes the derivative financial instruments are effective as hedges, both at inception and over the term of the instrument, as the term to maturity, the principal amount and the interest rate basis in the instruments all match the terms of the debt instrument being hedged.

Interest rate swap agreements are used as part of the Company's program to manage the floating interest rate mix of the Company's total debt portfolio and related overall cost of borrowing. The interest rate swap agreements involve the periodic exchange of payments without the exchange of the notional principal amount upon which the payments are based, and are recorded as an adjustment of interest expense on the hedged debt instrument. The related amount payable to or receivable from counterparties is included as an adjustment to accrued interest.

Gains and losses on terminations of interest rate swap agreements are deferred under other current, or non-current, assets or liabilities on the balance sheet and amortized as an adjustment to interest expense related to the obligation over the remaining term of the original contract life of the terminated swap agreement. In the event of early extinguishment of the debt obligation, any realized or unrealized gain or loss from the swap would be recognized in the consolidated statement of earnings at the time of extinguishment.

In June 2005, the Company entered into an interest rate swap agreement for a notional principal amount of \$50.0 million maturing in June 2010. In July 2005, the Company entered into a second interest swap agreement for a notional principal amount of \$25.0 million maturing in July 2010. Under the terms of these interest rate swap agreements, the Company receives, on a quarterly basis, a variable interest rate and pays a fixed interest rate of 4.27% and 4.29% respectively, plus the premium applicable on its term loan.

NOTE 10.

Subsequent Event

On October 5, 2005, Intertape Polymer Inc., a wholly owned Canadian subsidiary of the Company, acquired all of the outstanding capital stock of Flexia Corporation and Fib-Pak Industries, Inc. for an aggregate cash consideration of approximately \$28,810,000 (CDN \$33,500,000) subject to adjustments based on the level of working capital, indebtedness and other items related to the acquired companies at the time of the closing.

Flexia Corporation and Fib-Pak Industries, Inc. produce a wide range of engineered coated products, polyethylene scrims and polypropylene fabrics. The Company is presently performing the purchase price allocation of this acquisition.

Information Request Form

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Form 52-109FT2 - Certification of Interim Filings during Transition Period

I, Melbourne F. Yull, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of INTERTAPE POLYMER GROUP INC./LE GROUPE INTERTAPE POLYMER INC. certify that:

- I have reviewed the interim filings (as this term is defined in Multilateral Instrument 52-109 Certification of Disclosure in Issuers' Annual and Interim Filings) of INTERTAPE POLYMER GROUP INC./LE GROUPE INTERTAPE POLYMER INC., (the "issuer") for the interim period ending September 30, 2005;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, the interim filings do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated or that is necessary to make a statement not misleading in light of the circumstances under which it was made, with respect to the period covered by the interim filings; and
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the interim financial statements together with the other financial information included in the interim filings fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the issuer, as of the date and for the periods presented in the interim filings.

Date: October 18, 2005

/s/Melbourne F. Yull Melbourne F. Yull Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

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Date: October 18, 2005

/s/Andrew M. Archibald Andrew M. Archibald Chief Financial Officer and Secretary