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## Abercrombie & Fitch

**NEW YORK** 

**INVESTOR PRESENTATION** 

**2013 SECOND QUARTER** 

# SAFE HARBOR STATEMENT UNDER THE PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995

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#### OTHER INFORMATION

All dollar and share amounts are in 000's unless otherwise stated. Sub-totals and totals may not foot due to rounding.

Due to the fifty-third week in fiscal 2012, second quarter and year to date comparable sales are compared to the thirteen and twenty six week periods ended August 4, 2012.

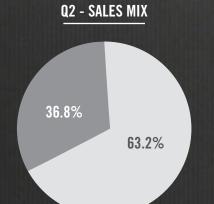
The Company changed its method of accounting for inventory from the retail method to the cost method effective February 2, 2013. Prior year figures have been restated to reflect the cost method of accounting for inventory.

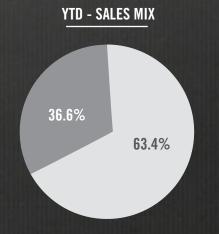
#### **Q2 P&L SUMMARY**

	UNA	UDITED	UNAUDITED (restated)		
CAR REAL CO.	2013(1)	% OF NET SALES	2012	% OF NET SALES	
NET SALES	\$945,698	100.0%	\$951,407	100.0%	
GROSS PROFIT	604,122	63.9%	592,451	62.3%	
OPERATING EXPENSE	589,368	62.3%	569,378	59.8%	
OTHER OPERATING INCOME, NET	(4,411)	-0.5%	(1,933)	-0.2%	
OPERATING INCOME	19,165	2.0%	25,006	2.6%	
INTEREST EXPENSE, NET	1,750	0.2%	1,546	0.2%	
INCOME BEFORE TAXES	17,415	1.8%	23,460	2.5%	
TAX EXPENSE	6,045	0.6%	6,409	0.7%	
NET INCOME	11,370	1.2%	17,051	1.8%	
NET INCOME PER SHARE BASIC DILUTED	\$ 0.15 \$ 0.14		\$ 0.21 \$ 0.20		
WEIGHTED-AVERAGE SHARES OUTSTANDING					
BASIC Diluted	77,382 79,267		82,555 83,441		

#### **Q2 COMPARABLE SALES**

	<u> Q2</u>		YTD
TOTAL COMPANY*	-10%	TOTAL COMPANY*	-12%
GEOGRAPHIC*:		GEOGRAPHIC*:	
US	-11%	US	-13%
INTERNATIONAL	-7%	INTERNATIONAL	-11%
BRAND*:		BRAND*:	
ABERCROMBIE & FITCH	-6%	ABERCROMBIE & FITCH	-10%
abercrombie kids	-3%	abercrombie kids	-4%
HOLLISTER Co.	-13%	HOLLISTER Co.	-15%





<sup>\*</sup> Includes comparable store and DTC sales.

#### **OPERATING EXPENSE**

SECOND QUARTER	2013	% OF NET SALES	2012	% OF NET SALES	$\triangle$ bps <sup>(4)</sup>
STORE OCCUPANCY(1)	\$192,449	20.3%	\$185,311	19.5%	90
ALL OTHER(2)	279,273	29.5%	272,774	28.7%	90
STORES AND DISTRIBUTION	471,722	49.9%	458,085	48.1%	180
MARKETING, GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE <sup>(3)</sup>	117,646	12.4%	111,293	11.7%	70
TOTAL	\$589,368	62.3%	\$569,378	59.8%	250

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes rent, other landlord charges, utilities, depreciation and other occupancy expense.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes selling payroll, store management and support, other store expense, DTC, and distribution center costs.

 $<sup>^{(3)}</sup>$  2013 includes \$2.6M of charges related to the implementation of profit improvement initiatives.

<sup>(4)</sup> Rounded based on reported percentages.

#### **Q2 ANALYSIS**

	SALES	2013 OPERATING Income	SALES	2012 OPERATING INCOME (RESTATED)
	SALLS	INCOME	SALLS	(NESTATED)
U.S. STORES(1)	\$504,674	\$58,973 11.7%	\$562,105	\$70,658 12.6%
INTERNATIONAL STORES(1)	286,727	69,359 24.2%	261,625	83,886 32.1%
DIRECT TO CONSUMER	154,297	55,008 35.7%	127,677	43,456 34.0%
MARKETING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES <sup>(2)</sup>		(117,646)		(111,293)
STORE PRE-OPENING COSTS(3)		(5,688)		(15,370)
ALL OTHER, NET <sup>(4)</sup>		(40,842)	II Harris	(46,330)
TOTAL	\$945,698	\$19,165	\$951,407	\$25,006

<sup>(1)</sup> Operating Income for U.S. Stores and International Stores is reported on an aggregate four-wall basis, and excludes pre-opening costs. Also includes third party sell-off of excess merchandise.

<sup>(2) 2013</sup> includes \$2.6M of charges related to the implementation of the profit improvement initiatives.

<sup>(3)</sup> Store Pre-Opening Costs include pre-opening rent, payroll, travel and other expenses.

<sup>(4)</sup> All other includes Store Management Support, DC and Other Expense, net of Other Income.

### **SHARE REPURCHASES**

	FY 2013			FY 2012		
	SHARES Repurchased	COST	AVERAGE Cost	SHARES Repurchased	COST	AVERAGE Cost
FIRST QUARTER	349.7	\$16,305	\$46.63	3,300.0	\$161,215	\$48.85
SECOND QUARTER	2,033.0	\$99,501	\$48.94		- 3	
THIRD QUARTER		-		3,025.2	\$104,283	\$34.47
FOURTH QUARTER				1,222.7	\$56,166	\$45.94
TOTAL	2,382.7	\$115,806	\$48.60	7,547.9	\$321,664	\$42.62

# INTERNATIONAL HOLLISTER STORE COUNT - CUMULATIVE

YEAR END -

HOLLISTER	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
CANADA	3	6	6	9	12	12	12
UK		3	10	19	26	29	31
GERMANY			1	4	11	17	18
ITALY			1	3	5	8	9
SPAIN				3	8	12	12
IRELAND					1	1	1
SWEDEN					2	3	3
HONG KONG					1	2	2
BELGIUM					2	2	2
FRANCE					4	7	8
AUSTRIA					3	6	6
CHINA	1000				2	4	6
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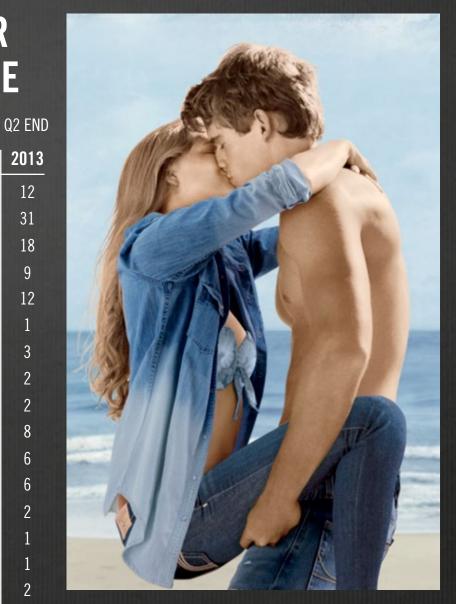
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**NETHERLANDS** 

**POLAND** 

TOTAL

**AUSTRALIA** 



## **Q2 STORE OPENINGS**

BRAND	CENTER	CITY	DATE
A&F / kids	ASHFORD DESIGNER OUTLET	ASHFORD, UK	5/9/13
A&F / kids	PRESTIGE OUTLET CHESTERFIELD	CHESTERFIELD, MO	8/2/13
HOLLISTER	BONDI JUNCTION	SYDNEY, AUS	5/9/13
HOLLISTER	LE BEFANE	RIMINI, IT	5/23/13
HOLLISTER	TAIKOO LI SANLITUN	BEIJING, CN	6/29/13
HOLLISTER	MIXC HANGZHOU	HANGZHOU, CN	8/1/13



#### **GUIDANCE UPDATES**

#### THIRD QUARTER:

COMPARABLE SALES DOWN SLIGHTLY MORE THAN SECOND QUARTER

DILUTED EPS IN THE RANGE OF \$0.40 - \$0.45\*

<sup>\*</sup> EPS estimate does not reflect the impact of potential impairment and store closure charges, or additional charges related to the implementation of the Company's profit improvement initiatives.

#### **Q2 STORE COUNT ACTIVITY**

ALL BRANDS*	TOTAL	U.S.	CANADA	EUROPE	ASIA*
START OF Q2 2013	1,053	909	18	113	13
OPENINGS	8	2		3	3
CLOSINGS	(4)	(4)		111-111	10.5
END OF Q2 2013	1,057	907	18	116	16
ABERCROMBIE & F	ITCH				
START OF Q2 2013	283	264	4	11	4
OPENINGS	2	1		1	10 - 10
CLOSINGS	1 3 3	1111-111			
END OF Q2 2013	285	265	4	12	4
abercrombie kids		1550	Jan I		
START OF Q2 2013	149	144	2	3	<b>13 13 3</b>
OPENINGS	2	1	1 7 1	1	- 19
CLOSINGS	(1)	(1)	1111		100-10
END OF Q2 2013	150	144	2	4	
HOLLISTER CO.					
START OF Q2 2013	593	481	12	91	9
OPENINGS	4			1	3
CLOSINGS	(3)	(3)			
END OF Q2 2013	594	478	12	92	12

 $<sup>\</sup>mbox{\ensuremath{^{\star}}}$  End of Q2 2013 includes 28 Gilly Hicks stores, 20 in the U.S. and eight in Europe.

<sup>\*</sup> Asia includes Australia.