
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

AUGUST 9, 2006 Date of report (Date of earliest event reported)

IMAX CORPORATION
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

CANADA 0-24216 98-0140269
(State or Other (Commission (I.R.S. Employer
Jurisdiction of Incorporation) File Number) Identification Number)

2525 SPEAKMAN DRIVE, MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO, CANADA, L5K 1B1 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Postal Code)

(905) 403-6500 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

 $$\operatorname{\text{N/A}}$$ (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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	(17 CFR 250.425)
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[]	Pre-commencement communication pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On August 9, 2006, IMAX Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the Company's financial and operating results for the quarter ended June 30, 2006, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this current report on Form 8-K, including the Exhibit attached hereto, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT

NO.
DESCRIPTION
-----99.1 Press
Release
dated
August 9,
2006

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 hereunto duly authorized.

IMAX CORPORATION
(Registrant)

Date: August 9, 2006 By: "Richard L. Gelfond"

Name: Richard L. Gelfond Title: Co-Chairman and

Co-Chief Executive Officer

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IMAX CORPORATION REPORTS SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL RESULTS

-- PROVIDES UPDATE ON EXPLORATION OF STRATEGIC ALTERNATIVES --

TORONTO -- August 9, 2006 -- IMAX Corporation (NASDAQ: IMAX; TSX: IMX) today reported net earnings of \$0.08 per diluted share for the quarter ended June 30, 2006, compared to net earnings of \$0.03 per diluted share reported for the three months ended June 30, 2005.

"We are pleased with our solid second quarter results, which reflect the ongoing success of our commercial strategy and the progress we are making executing our growth initiatives." said IMAX Co-Chief Executive Officers Richard L. Gelfond and Bradley J. Wechsler.

Separately, the Company provided an update regarding its exploration of strategic alternatives, including the possible sale or merger of the company. On March 9, the Company announced it had retained Allen & Company and UBS to explore strategic alternatives. Today the Company reported that while it received significant initial interest from multiple parties, its view is that there are presently no buyers who have indicated a willingness to acquire the Company at a valuation sought by the Board of Directors. Because interest remains from several parties at a lower valuation, however, the Board has authorized the Company's bankers to explore these opportunities. This process is ongoing.

"While we are surprised that the high level of interest we initially saw has yet to result in a partnership or acquisition, we are committed to fully exploring all options open to the Company, including those offers that did not meet the Board's original valuation parameters," said IMAX Co-Chief Executive Officers Richard L. Gelfond and Bradley J. Wechsler. "We remain committed to ensuring that any transaction is strategically or financially compelling and delivers the most value possible to our shareholders."

During the second quarter, the Company signed agreements for 12 IMAX theatre systems, including four subject to certain conditions. This brings total signings for the first half of 2006 to 20. The Company recognized revenue on 11 theatre systems which qualified as either sales or sales-type leases in the second quarter of 2006 compared to nine theatre systems in the second quarter of 2005. In addition, the Company installed and began recognizing revenue on one theatre system that qualified as an operating lease in the second quarter of 2006 versus two in the same period in 2005.

For the three months ended June 30, 2006, the Company's total revenues were \$41.4 million, as compared to \$30.9 million reported for the prior year period. Systems revenue was \$24.0 million versus \$20.3 million in the prior year period, when the company recognized revenue on 11 systems compared to nine in the second quarter of 2006. There were no revenues associated with consensual lease buyouts, terminations by default and MPX conversion agreements in the second quarter. This compares to \$3.9 million in settlement revenues in the second quarter of fiscal 2005.

For the second quarter of 2006, film revenues were \$12.2 million, as compared to \$5.3 million in the second quarter of 2005. This included IMAX DMR revenues of \$4.1 million. Theatre operations revenue was essentially flat at \$4.1 million in the second quarter of 2006 versus \$4.2 million in the second quarter of 2005. Other revenue was \$1.2 million in the second quarter of 2006 compared to \$1.1 million in the second quarter of 2004.

The Company indicated that it is in the process of responding to an informal inquiry from the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission regarding the Company's timing of revenue recognition, including its application of multiple element arrangement accounting in its revenue recognition for theatre systems. Under multiple element arrangement accounting, the revenues associated with different elements of an IMAX theatre system contract are segregated and can be recognized in different periods. The Company recognized revenue in the fourth quarter of 2005 on 10 theatre installations in theatres which did not open in that quarter, and in seven of those cases, revenue associated with the screen element of the system was deferred until the final screen was installed. Of these seven installations, three theatres had their screens completed in the first quarter of 2006, two in the second quarter of 2006, and screens in the remaining two theatres have either since been completed or are expected to be completed over the remainder of 2006. The value associated with the elements other than the screen elements of those system installations was recognized in the fourth quarter when they were substantially completed. The Company believes its application of the above accounting policy is, and has historically been, in accordance with GAAP, and the Company's position is supported by its auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. This accounting policy has similarly been applied to one theatre installation in the second quarter of 2006, where revenue associated with the screen element has been deferred to a future period. The Company is cooperating in this inquiry.

On the film side, Superman Returns: An IMAX 3D Experience, the world's first live-action Hollywood feature to be converted from 2D to IMAX(R) 3D, has grossed approximately \$24.7 million to date. The IMAX DMR(R) version of Poseidon, which opened in May, grossed \$6.8 million. The Company released The Ant Bully: An IMAX 3D Experience, on July 28, which so far has grossed \$1.6 million.

"We have been pleased with the positive audience response to Superman Returns, which was our widest release ever. Importantly, the IMAX 3D version accounted for nearly 10% of the total domestic box office. We think this high percentage is a clear reflection of the differentiated experience IMAX offers -- particularly in our first foray into live action 3D -- and of moviegoers' appetite for a more immersive and thrilling film experience. While the IMAX DMR version of Poseidon was somewhat disappointing, this weakness was largely offset by the ongoing strength of Deep Sea 3D, which has grossed more than \$20.0 million to date," continued Messrs. Gelfond and Wechsler.

The remainder of IMAX's 2006 film slate includes Open Season: An IMAX 3D Experience, Sony Pictures Animation's first CGI animated picture, and, Happy Feet: An IMAX 3D Experience, a CGI animated musical-comedy. The Company recently announced two exciting additions to its 2007 film slate. Spider-Man 3: The IMAX Experience is scheduled for release in May of 2007, and the IMAX DMR version of Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix will be released in July of 2007.

"Our 2007 film slate is already shaping up exceptionally well. Spider-Man is one of the world's most popular motion picture franchises, and thanks to the ongoing expansion of our network we will be able to open the third instalment in the series on more than 100 screens in North America. We are also very excited to have our third film in the fantastic Harry Potter series back on IMAX screens. IMAX continues to demonstrate that it has become a key component of the Hollywood release platform, and we think that our ability to deliver outstanding event films to the expanding network of IMAX theatres positions us well for continued growth," concluded Messrs. Gelfond and Wechsler.

The Company indicated that as part of its quarterly certification under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, it has identified a material weakness in the internal controls surrounding the analysis and recording of a complex film accounting transaction in the second quarter of 2006. This control deficiency resulted in a negative adjustment of \$0.8 million to its Consolidated Statement of Operations for the three months ended June 30, 2006 prior to its release in the financial statements filed today. This \$0.8 million in film revenue is likely to instead be recognized in substantial part in the third quarter of 2006. The Company is implementing a new control to successfully remediate this area prior to the Company's annual 404 certification.

The Company will host a conference call to discuss today's announcements at 4:30 PM ET. To access the call interested parties should call (785) 832-2041 approximately 10 minutes before it begins. A recording of the call will be available by dialing (719) 457-0820. The code for both calls is 1480960.

ABOUT IMAX CORPORATION

Founded in 1967, IMAX Corporation is one of the world's leading entertainment technology companies and the newest distribution window for Hollywood films. IMAX delivers the world's best cinematic presentations using proprietary IMAX, IMAX 3D, and IMAX DMR technology. IMAX DMR (Digital Re-mastering) makes it possible for virtually any 35mm film to be transformed into the unparalleled image and sound quality of The IMAX Experience. The IMAX brand is recognized throughout the world for extraordinary and immersive entertainment experiences. As of June 30, 2006, there were 274 IMAX theatres operating in 38 countries.

IMAX(R), IMAX(R) 3D, IMAX DMR(R), IMAX(R) MPX(R), and The IMAX Experience(R) are trademarks of IMAX Corporation. More information on the Company can be found at www.imax.com.

This press release contains forward looking statements that are based on management's assumptions and existing information and involve certain risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ materially from future results expressed or implied by such forward looking statements. Important factors that could affect these statements include the timing of theatre system deliveries, the mix of theatre systems shipped, the timing of the recognition of revenues and expenses on film production and distribution agreements, the performance of films, the viability of new businesses and products, and fluctuations in foreign currency and in the large format and general commercial exhibition market. These factors and other risks and uncertainties are discussed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005 and in the subsequent reports filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission including the Company's 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2006, scheduled to be filed on August 9, 2006.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNITED STATES GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES (in thousands of U.S. dollars, except per share amounts)

(UNAUDITED)

THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, -----2006 2005 2006 2005 -------- ------REVENUE IMAX systems \$ 23,952 \$ 20,308 \$ 33,350 \$ 42,421 Films 12,171 5,301 18,692 10,248 Theater operations 4,051 4,198 7,708 8,014 Other 1,224 1,071 2,066 1,563 ----------- -------41,398 30,878 61,816 62,246 COSTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES 23,538 15,009 37,931 30,232 ------ GROSS MARGIN 17,860 15,869 23,885 32,014 Selling, general and administrative expenses 9,451 9,812 19,956 20,055 Research and development 664 886 1,579 1,539 Amortization of intangibles 132 160 324 317 Receivable provisions, net of (recoveries) (252) (370) (109) (158) ---------------------------- EARNINGS FROM OPERATIONS 7,865 5,381 2,135 10,261 Interest income 280 284 533 498 Interest expense (4,231)

(4,202) (8,405) (8,399) -----

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-- NET EARNINGS
  (LOSS) FROM
  CONTINUING
  OPERATIONS
 BEFORE INCOME
 TAXES 3,914
1,463 (5,737)
2,360 Recovery
of (provision
 for) income
  taxes (380)
  (538) 1,150
(479) -----
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 NET EARNINGS
  (LOSS) FROM
  CONTINUING
  OPERATIONS
  3,534 925
 (4,587) 1,881
 Net earnings
     from
 discontinued
 operations --
186 2,300 426 -
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 ----- NET
EARNINGS (LOSS)
$ 3,534 $ 1,111
 $ (2,287) $
    2,307
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EARNINGS (LOSS)
  PER SHARE:
Earnings (loss)
 per share --
  basic: Net
earnings (loss)
from continuing
 operations $
 0.09 $ 0.02 $
 (0.11) $ 0.05
 Net earnings
     from
 discontinued
operations $ --
$ 0.01 $ 0.05 $
0.01 -----
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 Net earnings
(loss) $ 0.09 $
0.03 $ (0.06) $
     0.06
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Earnings (loss)
 per share --
 diluted: Net
earnings (loss)
from continuing
 operations $
 0.08 $ 0.02 $
 (0.11) $ 0.05
 Net earnings
     from
 discontinued
operations $ --
$ 0.01 $ 0.05 $
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(1) Includes \$0.3 million and \$0.6 million in amortization of deferred financing costs charged to interest expense for the three and six months ended June 30, 2006 (2005 - \$0.3 million, \$0.6 million)

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNITED STATES GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES (in thousands of U.S. dollars)

JUNE 30, 2006 DECEMBER 31, (UNAUDITED) 2005 --------- ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents \$ 21,574 \$ 24,324 Short-term investments 8,351 8,171 Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$6,598 (2005 --\$5,892) 27,314 26,165 Financing receivables 65,355 63,006 **Inventories** 29,680 28,294 Prepaid expenses 4,159 3,825 Film assets 4,597 3,329 Fixed assets 25,797 26,780 Other assets 7,943 11,618 Deferred income taxes 7,775 6,171 Goodwill 39,027 39,027 Other intangible assets 2,686 2,701 --------------- Total assets \$ 244,258 \$ 243,411 ========= ========== LIABILITIES Accounts payable \$ 7,024 \$ 6,935 Accrued liabilities 51,329 55,122 Deferred revenue 47,147 44,397 Senior Notes due 2010 160,000 160,000 -----Total liabilities 265,500 266,454 -----SHAREHOLDERS' **EQUITY** (DEFICIT) Capital stock Common shares -- no par value. Authorized --

unlimited

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number. Issued
and outstanding
 -- 40,285,574
   (2005 --
  40, 213, 542)
121,960 121,674
Other equity
2,808 1,758
    Deficit
   (146,634)
(144,347)
  Accumulated
    other
 comprehensive
 income (loss)
624 (2,128) ---
    Total
 shareholders'
    deficit
    (21, 242)
(23,043) -----
----- Total
liabilities and
 shareholders'
    equity
  (deficit) $
   244,258 $
    243,411
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