

# The Cartwright Lumber Company

CASE STUDY 1

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#### The Situation

- Mark Cartwright is looking for a loan to satisfy the needs of the Cartwright Lumber Company
- interested in a line of credit from Northrop National Bank (maximum loan: \$465.000)
- currently, business relations with Suburban National Bank (maximum loan: \$250.000)
- rapid growth and shortage of cash, lack of sales staff => problem: SNB constraints



**Solution:** take the line of credit from NNB

#### Attractiveness of the loan to the bank

The 5 C's of credit

Character
hard working
business man

Capital \$348,000 worth of net capital

Capacity

generates more than double of its interest commitments

Collateral

use personal guarantee of his wife for taking a bank loan

**Conditions** 

growing market, favorable sales forecast

## Ratio Analysis

| Cartwright Lumber Company Financial Ratios |       |       |       |
|--|-------|-------|-------|
|  | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  |
| Profitability Ratios                       |       |       |       |
| Return on Invested Capital                 | 0,10  | 0,11  | 0,12  |
| Return on Equity                           | 0,11  | 0,11  | 0,13  |
|  |       |       |       |
| Activity Ratios                            |       |       |       |
| Total Asset Turnover                       | 2,86  | 2,74  | 2,89  |
| Average Sales per Day                      | 4,65  | 5,52  | 7,38  |
| Nr of days sales are unpaid                | 36,77 | 40,22 | 42,95 |
| Inventory Turnover                         | 5,11  | 4,41  | 4,67  |
| Fixed Asset Turnover                       | 13,47 | 14,38 | 17,16 |
|  |       |       |       |
| Leverage Ratio                             |       |       |       |
| Debt Ratio                                 | 0,55  | 0,59  | 0,63  |
| Interest Earned                            | 3,85  | 3,05  | 2,61  |
| Average Purchases per Day                  | 35,43 | 45,93 | 45,80 |
| Accounts Payable Turnover                  | 0,10  | 0,13  | 0,13  |
|  |       |       |       |
| Liquidity Ratios                           |       |       |       |
| Current Ratio                              | 1,80  | 1,59  | 1,45  |
| Quick Ratio                                | 0,88  | 0,72  | 0,67  |

### **Income Statement**

| Net sales                  | \$1,697 | \$2,013 | \$2,694 | \$718   | 3,600   |  |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| Cost of goods sold         |         |         |         |         |         |  |
| Beginning inventory        | 183     | 239     | 326     | 418     | 418     |  |
| Purchases                  | 1,278   | 1,524   | 2,042   | 660     | 2736    |  |
|                            | \$1,461 | \$1,763 | \$2,368 | \$1,078 | \$3,154 |  |
| Ending inventory           | 239     | 326     | 418     | 556     | 562     |  |
| Total cost of goods sold   | \$1,222 | \$1,437 | \$1,950 | \$522   | \$2,592 |  |
| GROSS PROFIT               | 475     | 576     | 744     | 196     | \$1,008 |  |
| Operating expense (b)      | 425     | 515     | 658     | 175     | 900     |  |
| Interest expense           | 13      | 20      | 33      | 10      | 75      |  |
| Net income before taxes    | \$37    | \$41    | \$53    | \$11    | 97      |  |
| Provision for income taxes | 6       | 7       | 9       | 2       | 21      |  |
| Net income                 | \$31    | \$34    | \$44    | \$9     | \$76    |  |
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<sup>(</sup>a) In the first quarter of 1990 sales were \$698,000 and net income was \$7,000.

<sup>(</sup>b) Operating expenses include a cash salary for Mr. Butler of \$75,000 in 1988, \$85,000 in 1989, \$95,000 in 1990, and \$22,000 in the 1st quarter of 1991. Mr. Butler also received some of the perquisites commonly taken by owners of privately held businesses.

### Financial Forecasting

Balance Sheets at December 31, 2001 - 2003 and March 31, 2004 (thousand of dollars)

|                                 |      |      |      | 1st Qtr. | Year End |
|---------------------------------|------|------|------|----------|----------|
|                                 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004     | 2004     |
| Cash                            | 58   | 49   | 41   | 31       | 54       |
| Accounts receivable, net        | 171  | 222  | 317  | 345      | 432      |
| Inventory                       | 239  | 325  | 418  | 556      | 562      |
| Current assets                  | 468  | 596  | 776  | 932      | 1048     |
| Property, net                   | 126  | 140  | 157  | 162      | 216      |
| Total assets                    | 594  | 736  | 933  | 1094     | 1264     |
|                                 |      |      |      |          |          |
| Notes payable, bank             |      | 146  | 233  | 247      | 661      |
| Notes payable, Mr. Stark        | 105  |      |      |          |          |
|                                 |      |      |      |          |          |
| Notes payable, trade            |      |      |      | 157      |          |
| Accounts payable                | 124  | 192  | 256  | 243      | 75       |
| Accrued expenses                | 24   | 30   | 39   | 36       | 54       |
| Long-term debt, current portion | 7    | 7    | 7    | 7        | 7        |
| Current liabilities             | 260  | 375  | 535  | 690      | 797      |
| Long-term debt                  | 64   | 57   | 50   | 47       | 43       |
| Total liabilities               | 324  | 432  | 585  | 737      | 840      |
| Net worth                       | 270  | 304  | 348  | 357      | 424      |
| Total liabilities and net worth | 594  | 736  | 933  | 1094     | 1264     |