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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 6, 2006

HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **1-8551** (Commission File Number)

22-1851059 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

110 West Front Street P.O. Box 500 Red Bank, New Jersey 07701

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(732) 747-7800

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(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):

- [] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- [] Pre-commencement communications 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 September 6, 2006, Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. issued a press release announcing its preliminary financial results for the fiscal third quarter ended July 31, 2006. A copy of the Earnings Press Release is attached as Exhibit 99.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K and the Exhibit attached hereto is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

The Earnings Press Release contains information about EBITDA, a non-GAAP financial measure. The most directly comparable GAAP financial measure to EBITDA is net income. A reconciliation of EBITDA to net income is contained in the Earnings Press Release.

Management believes EBITDA to be relevant and useful information as EBITDA is a standard measure commonly reported and widely used by analysts, investors and others to measure our financial performance and our ability to service our debt obligations. EBITDA is also one of several metrics used by our management to measure the cash generated from our operations. EBITDA does not take into account substantial costs of doing business, such as income taxes and interest expense. While many in the financial community consider EBITDA to be an important measure of comparative operating performance, it should be considered in addition to, but not as a substitute for, income before income taxes, net income, cash flow provided by operating activities and other measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States that are presented on the financial statements included in the Company's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Additionally, our calculation of EBITDA may be different than the calculation used by other companies, and, therefore, comparability may be affected.

Item 9.01.

Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99

Earnings Press Release - Fiscal Third Quarter Ended July 31, 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.

HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES, INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ J. Larry Sorsby
Name: J. Larry Sorsby

Title: Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 6, 2006

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Exhibit
Exhibit 99	Earnings Press Release - Fiscal Third Quarter Ended July 31, 2006.

News Release

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HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES REPORTS FISCAL 2006 THIRD QUARTER RESULTS; MAINTAINS FISCAL 2006 EPS PROJECTION

Highlights for the Quarter Ended July 31, 2006

- Net income available to common stockholders was \$74.4 million for the third quarter, or \$1.15 per fully diluted common share, compared with \$116.1 million, or \$1.76 per fully diluted common share, in the same quarter last year. Total revenues increased 18% over the prior year's third quarter, to \$1.6 billion.
- Management is reaffirming its earnings projection for the fiscal year ending October 31, 2006 of between \$5.00 and \$5.75 per fully diluted common share, compared to fiscal 2005 earnings of \$7.16 per fully diluted common share.
- Earnings for the trailing twelve months ended July 31, 2006 represent a return on beginning common equity (ROE) of 28.3%, and a 17.5% after-tax return on beginning capital (ROC).
- Contract backlog as of July 31, 2006, excluding unconsolidated joint ventures, was 10,313 homes with a
 sales value of \$3.6 billion, a 12.5% increase from the sales value of contract backlog at the end of last year's
 third quarter.
- The number of net contracts for the third quarter of 2006, excluding unconsolidated joint ventures, declined 19.2% to 3,349 contracts. The dollar value of net contracts for the third quarter of 2006, excluding unconsolidated joint ventures, decreased 23.5% to \$1.1 billion, compared to \$1.4 billion in last year's third quarter. The Company's contract cancellation rate for the quarter was 33%, compared with 32% in the second quarter of 2006 and 24% in last year's third quarter.
- Excluding unconsolidated joint ventures, the Company delivered 4,623 homes with an aggregate sales value of \$1.5 billion in the third quarter of fiscal 2006, up 16.5% compared to deliveries of 3,967 homes with an aggregate sales value of \$1.3 billion in the third quarter of fiscal 2005. In the third quarter of fiscal 2006, the Company delivered 498 homes in unconsolidated joint ventures, compared with 571 homes in last year's third quarter.
- The Company was operating 436 active selling communities on July 31, 2006, excluding unconsolidated joint ventures, compared with 323 at the end of last year's third quarter.

RED BANK, NJ, September 6, 2006 – Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. (NYSE: HOV), a leading national homebuilder, reported net income available to common stockholders of \$74.4 million, or \$1.15 per fully diluted common share, on \$1.6 billion in total revenues for the quarter ended July 31, 2006. For the nine-month period

ended July 31, 2006, revenues reached \$4.4 billion, a 23% increase from \$3.6 billion in revenues in the year earlier period. Net income available to common stockholders for the first nine months of fiscal 2006 was \$256.8 million, or \$3.95 per fully diluted common share, compared to \$303.7 million, or \$4.63 per fully diluted common share, in the same period a year ago. Common stockholders' equity grew to \$1.9 billion, or \$31.07 per common share, at July 31, 2006, a 29% increase from \$1.5 billion, or \$24.16 per common share, on July 31, 2005.

Comments From Management

"Since the end of last summer, we have experienced a deteriorating environment for new home sales in many of our more regulated markets," said Ara K. Hovnanian, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. "This current market slowdown is unique, because the economy is relatively strong – jobs are being created and interest rates remain at levels that are low on a historical basis. Under similar economic circumstances, the homebuilding market historically performed well. We believe the current slower housing market has resulted from the sudden and substantial increase in the inventory of homes offered for resale, combined with mounting negative sentiment among homebuyers that has caused many to postpone their purchase decisions."

"We do not know how long the elevated levels of resale listings will persist and it is equally difficult to predict what events might cause a reversal in buyers' sentiment. Thus, we are making decisions today with the assumption that current conditions will persist for the foreseeable future. We remain focused on competitively pricing our homes on a community-by-community basis to balance our margins and sales pace at an optimal level relative to market conditions," Mr. Hovnanian continued.

"We continue to take down land and open new communities where the economic returns achieve acceptable returns under today's sales pace and pricing assumptions. Conversely, we attempt to renegotiate option contracts when current conditions yield a lower than acceptable return on our investment," Mr. Hovnanian said. "In situations where we have been unsuccessful in renegotiating, we believe the walk-away costs we have incurred are preferable to investing a much larger dollar amount to own land that would generate a sub-par return on capital. The flexibility we gain through the use of options allows us to maximize returns on capital over the long-term," Mr. Hovnanian concluded.

"Our profits have been negatively impacted by the increased use of incentives and concessions, as well as expenses related to walking away from option deposits," said J. Larry Sorsby, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. "We incurred \$11.4 million of charge-offs associated with walk-away costs and an additional \$0.8 million in land write-downs in the third quarter. We continue to renegotiate a significant number of our land contracts, and are likely to incur additional walk-away costs in conjunction with some of these situations. Although a certain number of such costs are factored into our guidance for the fourth quarter, we cannot quantify the exact amount or reserve for them until each contract renegotiation is finalized, thus creating an additional variable in our forecast. Based on current market conditions, we anticipate fully diluted earnings per common share in a range of \$1.05 to \$1.80 in our fourth quarter," Mr. Sorsby continued. "Our balance sheet remains strong. We expect to achieve an average ratio of net recourse debt to capital at or below 50% for fiscal 2006."

In Closing

"Our targeted hurdle rate on all new land acquisitions, combined with our discipline in evaluating such acquisitions on the basis of current sales absorption and pricing, acts as a self regulating mechanism in less robust markets by naturally slowing our acquisitions as sales conditions deteriorate. Despite the current slowdown, including deliveries from unconsolidated joint ventures, we still expect to deliver more than 20,000 homes and generate pretax income in the range of \$535 million to \$610 million, and net income in a range of \$325 million to \$375 million on revenues of greater than \$6 billion in fiscal 2006. At the same time, during the current slowdown, our associates are working hard to maximize our homebuyers' satisfaction through processes

and initiatives that we have implemented over the past few years, keeping us focused on our goal of delivering quality and value to each of our homebuyers," Mr. Hovnanian concluded.

Hovnanian Enterprises will webcast its third quarter earnings conference call at 11:00 a.m. E.T. on Thursday, September 7, 2006, hosted by Ara K. Hovnanian, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. The webcast can be accessed live through the "Investor Relations" section of Hovnanian Enterprises' Web site at http://www.khov.com. For those who are not available to listen to the live webcast, an archive of the broadcast will be available under the "Audio Archives" section of the Investor Relations page on the Hovnanian Web site at http://www.khov.com. The archive will be available for 12 months.

The Company's summary projection for the fiscal year ending October 31, 2006 is available on the "Company Projections" section of the "Investor Relations" section of the Company's website at http://www.khov.com.

About Hovnanian Enterprises

Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc., founded in 1959 by Kevork S. Hovnanian, Chairman, is headquartered in Red Bank, New Jersey. The Company is one of the nation's largest homebuilders with operations in Arizona, California, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia. The Company's homes are marketed and sold under the trade names K. Hovnanian Homes, Matzel & Mumford, Forecast Homes, Parkside Homes, Brighton Homes, Parkwood Builders, Windward Homes, Cambridge Homes, Town & Country Homes, Oster Homes, First Home Builders of Florida and CraftBuilt Homes. As the developer of K. Hovnanian's Four Seasons communities, the Company is also one of the nation's largest builders of active adult homes.

Additional information on Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc., including a summary investment profile and the Company's 2005 annual report, can be accessed through the "Investor Relations" section of Hovnanian Enterprises' website at http://www.khov.com. To be added to Hovnanian's investor e-mail or fax lists, please send an e-mail to IR@khov.com or sign up at http://www.khov.com.

Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. is a member of the Public Home Builders Council of America ("PHBCA") (http://www.phbca.org), a nonprofit group devoted to improving understanding of the business practices of America's largest publicly-traded home building companies, the competitive advantages they bring to the home building market, and their commitment to creating value for their home buyers and stockholders. The PHBCA's 14 member companies build one out of every five homes in the United States.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures:

Consolidated earnings before interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA") is not a generally accepted accounting principle (GAAP) financial measure. The most directly comparable GAAP financial measure is net income. The reconciliation of EBITDA to net income is presented in a table attached to this earnings release.

Note: All statements in this Press Release that are not historical facts should be considered as "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Such risks, uncertainties and other factors include, but are not limited to, (1) changes in general and local economic and business conditions, (2) adverse weather conditions and natural disasters, (3) changes in market conditions, (4) changes in home prices and sales activity in the markets where the Company builds homes, (5) government regulation, including regulations concerning development of land, the home building, sales and customer financing processes and the environment, (6) fluctuations in interest rates and the availability of mortgage financing, (7) shortages in, and price fluctuations of, raw materials and labor, (8) the availability and cost of suitable land and improved lots, (9) levels of competition, (10) availability of financing to the Company, (11) utility shortages and outages or rate fluctuations, (12) geopolitical risks, terrorist acts and other acts of war and (13) other factors described in detail in the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended October 31, 2005.

(Financial Tables Follow)

Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. July 31, 2006

Statements of Consolidated Income (Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share)

	Three Months Ended, July 31,				Nine Months Ended, July 31,			
		2006		2005		2006		2005
		(Unau	dited)		(Una	udited	l)
Total Revenues	\$ 1,	550,519	\$	1,312,726	\$	4,402,632	\$	3,576,756
Costs and Expenses	1,	426,403		1,131,742		3,997,814		3,097,914
Income/(Loss) From Unconsolidated Joint								
Ventures		(3,239)		13,907		13,833		22,482
Income Before Income Taxes		120,877	_	194,891	_	418,651	_	501,324
Provision for Taxes		43,830		78,797		153,859		197,612
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Net Income		77,047		116,094		264,792		303,712
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Less: Preferred Stock Dividends		2,668		_		8,006		_
Net Income Available to Common Stockholders	\$	74,379	\$	116,094	\$	256,786	\$	303,712
	_							
Per Share Data:								
Basic:								
Income per common share	\$	1.18	\$	1.85	\$	4.09	\$	4.87
Weighted Average Number of Common								
Shares Outstanding		62,804		62,754		62,843		62,412
Assuming Dilution:								
Income per common share	\$	1.15	\$	1.76	\$	3.95	\$	4.63
Weighted Average Number of Common								
Shares Outstanding		64,460		65,796		64,989		65,574
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Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. July 31, 2006

Gross Margin

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Homebuilding Gross Margin Three Months Ended July 31,					Homebuilding Gross Margin Nine Months Ended July 31,					
		2006		2005	2006		2005				
		(Unau	- ıdite	d)		(Unau	_ idite	ed)			
Sale of Homes	\$	1,499,826	\$	1,289,373	\$	4,225,571	\$	3,495,014			
Cost of Sales, excluding interest ^(a)	_	1,148,530	_	939,815	_	3,203,882	_	2,571,916			
Homebuilding Gross Margin, excluding interest	\$	351,296	\$	349,558	\$	1,021,689	\$	923,098			
Homebuilding Cost of Sales interest	_	25,551	_	22,304	_	61,523	_	58,324			
Homebuilding Gross Margin, including interest	\$	325,745	\$	327,254	\$	960,166	\$	864,774			
	_		-		_		-				
Gross Margin Percentage, excluding interest		23.4%		27.1%		24.2%	,	26.4%			
Gross Margin Percentage, including interest		21.7%)	25.4%		22.7%		24.7%			
	Land Sales Gross Margin Three Months Ended July 31,					Land Sales Gross Margin Nine Months Ended July 31,					
		2006		2005		2006		2005			
		(Una	udite	ed)	_	(Una	- udit	ed)			
Land Sales	\$	23,045	\$	441	\$	103,838	9	24,618			
Cost of Sales, excluding interest ^(a)	_	21,742	_	387	_	81,376	_	16,369			
Land Sales Gross Margin, excluding interest	\$	1,303	\$	54	\$	22,462	9	8,249			
Land Sales interest	_	50	_	28	_	930	_	239			
Land Sales Gross Margin, including interest	\$	1,253	\$	26	\$	21,532	9	8,010			
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 $^{^{(}a)}$ Does not include costs associated with walking away from land options which are recorded as inventory impairment losses in the income statement.

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Reconciliation of EBITDA to Net Income (Dollars in Thousands)

	Three Months Ended July 31,				Nine Months Ended July 31,			
	2006		2005		2006		2005	
		(Una	audited)		(Una		udited)	
Net Income	\$	77,047	\$	116,094	\$	264,792	\$	303,712
Income Taxes		43,830		78,797		153,859		197,612
Interest expense		26,250		23,481		64,622		60,406
_	_		_		_		_	
EBIT ¹	\$	147,127	\$	218,372	\$	483,273	\$	561,730
Depreciation		4,269		2,400		10,588		5,913
Amortization of Debt Costs		644		377		1,653		1,086
Amortization of Intangibles		13,331		11,781		38,391		32,255
Other Amortization								528
Other Amortization			_		_		_	
EBITDA ²	\$	165,371	\$	232,930	\$	533,905	\$	601,512
	_		_		_		_	
INTEREST INCURRED	\$	41,515	\$	27,991	\$	108,569	\$	71,939
EBITDA TO INTEREST INCURRED		3.98		8.32		4.92		8.36

- (1) EBIT is a non-GAAP financial measure. The comparable GAAP financial measure is net income. EBIT represents earnings before interest expense and income taxes.
- (2) EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure. The comparable GAAP financial measure is net income. EBITDA represents earnings before interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization.

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Interest Incurred, Expensed and Capitalized (Dollars in Thousands)

	Three Months Ended July 31,				Nine Months Ended July 31,			
	2006		2006 2005		2006		2005	
				(Unai	udited)		
Interest Capitalized at Beginning of Period	\$	77,048	\$	44,488	\$	48,366	\$	37,465
Plus Interest Incurred		41,515		27,991		108,569		71,939
Less Interest Expensed		26,250		23,481		64,622		60,406
			_		_		_	
Interest Capitalized at End of Period	\$	92,313	\$	48,998	\$	92,313	\$	48,998
			_		_			

Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc.

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Summary Financial Projection

(Dollars in Millions, except per share or where noted) (Unaudited)

Trailing 12 Months Projection Fiscal Yr. 10/31/06*⁽¹⁾ Fiscal Yr. 10/31/03 Fiscal Yr. Fiscal Yr. 10/31/05(1) 07/31/06⁽¹⁾ 10/31/04 Total Revenues (\$ Billion) 3.20 \$ 4.15 \$ 5.35 \$ 6.17 \$6.1 - \$6.3 549.8 Income Before Income Taxes 411.5 \$ \$ 780.6 \$ 697.9 \$535 - \$610 Pre-tax Margin 12.9% 13.2% 14.6% 11.3% 8.8% - 9.7% Net Income Available to Common Stockholders 348.7 \$ 469.1 \$ 422.2 \$325 - \$375 \$ 257.4 \$ Earnings Per Common Share (fully diluted) \$ 3.93 \$ 5.35 \$ 7.16 \$ 6.48 \$5.00 - \$5.75

^{* 2006} Projection is based on one quarter of projected results and three quarters of actual data.

 $^{^{(1)}}$ Net Income less preferred dividends paid.

HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In Thousands Except Share Amounts)

	July 31, 2006	October 31, 2005
	(unaudited)	
ASSETS		
Homebuilding:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 36,787	\$ 201,641
Restricted cash	9,500	17,189
Inventories - At the lower of cost or fair value: Sold and unsold homes and lots under development	3,589,248	2,459,431
Land and land options held for future development or sale	501,059	595,806
Consolidated Inventory Not Owned:		
Sold and unsold homes and lots under development		
Specific performance options	12,872	9,289
Variable interest entities	369,705	242,825
Other options	175,021	129,269
Total Consolidated Inventory Not Owned	557,598	381,383
Total Inventories	4,647,905	3,436,620
Investments in and advances to unconsolidated joint ventures	217,153	187,205
Receivables, deposits, and notes	103,102	125,388
Property, plant, and equipment – net	111,542	96,891
Prepaid expenses and other assets	182,964	131,845
Goodwill	32,658	32,658
Definite life intangibles	200,525	249,506
Total Homebuilding	5,542,136	4,478,943
Financial Services:		
Cash and cash equivalents	11,015	9,632
Restricted cash Mortgage loans held for sale	1,285 174,747	1,037 211,248
Other assets	8,722	15,375
Total Financial Services	195,769	237,292
Income Taxes Receivable – Including Deferred		
Tax Benefits	150,795	9,903
Total Assets	\$ 5,888,700	\$ 4,726,138

HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In Thousands Except Share Amounts)

	July 31, 2006	October 31, 2005
	(unaudited)	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Homebuilding:		
Nonrecourse land mortgages	\$ 33,046	\$ 48,67
Accounts payable and other liabilities	546,668	510,52
Customers' deposits	205,721	259,93
Nonrecourse mortgages secured by operating properties	23,852	24,33
Liabilities from inventory not owned	283,905	177,01
Total Homebuilding	1,093,192	1,020,48
Financial Services:		
Accounts payable and other liabilities	8,666	8,46
Mortgage warehouse line of credit	166,923	198,85
wortgage warehouse line of credit	100,923	190,00
Total Financial Services	175,589	207,31
Notes Payable:		
Revolving credit agreement	273,225	
Senior notes	1,649,510	1,098,73
Senior subordinated notes	400,000	400,00
Accrued interest	30,762	26,99
Total Notes Payable	2,353,497	1,525,73
Total Liabilities	3,622,278	2,753,53
Minority interest from inventory not owned	208,542	180,17
Minority interest from consolidated joint ventures	3,563	1,07
Stockholders' Equity: Preferred Stock, \$.01 par value-authorized 100,000 shares; issued 5,600 shares at July 31, 2006 and at October 31, 2005 with a liquidation		
preference of \$140,000 Common Stock, Class A, \$.01 par value-authorized 200,000,000 shares; issued 58,593,879 shares at July 31, 2006 and 57,976,455 shares at October 31, 2005 (including 11,494,720 shares at July 31, 2006 and 10,995,656 shares	135,299	135,38
at October 31, 2005 held in Treasury)	586	58
Common Stock, Class B, \$.01 par value (convertible to Class A at time of sale) authorized 30,000,000 shares; issued 15,360,360 shares at July 31, 2006 and 15,370,250 shares at October 31, 2005 (including 691,748 shares at July 31, 2006 and October 31, 2005 held in		
Treasury)	154	15
Paid in Capital – Common Stock	247,488	236,00
Retained Earnings	1,779,738	1,522,95
Deferred Compensation	1,770,700	(19,64
Treasury Stock - at cost	(108,948)	(84,07
Total Stockholders' Equity	2,054,317	1,791,35
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 5,888,700	\$ 4,726,13

HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(In Thousands Except Per Share Data) (Unaudited)

		onths Ended ly 31,	Nine Months Ended July 31,			
	2006	2005	2006	2005		
Revenues:						
Homebuilding:						
Sale of homes	\$1,499,826	\$1,289,373	\$4,225,571	\$3,495,014		
Land sales and other revenues	28,032	4,820	113,947	32,747		
Total Homebuilding	1,527,858	1,294,193	4,339,518	3,527,761		
Financial Services	22,661	18,533	63,114	48,995		
Total Revenues	1,550,519	1,312,726	4,402,632	3,576,756		
Expenses:						
Homebuilding:						
Cost of sales, excluding interest	1,170,272	940,202	3,285,258	2,588,285		
Cost of sales interest	25,601	22,332	62,453	58,563		
Total Cost of Sales	1,195,873	962,534	3,347,711	2,646,848		
Selling, general and administrative	154,050	116,388	441,137	319,680		
Inventory impairment and land option deposit	•	,	,	ŕ		
Write-offs	12,274	1,354	20,978	3,352		
Total Homebuilding	1,362,197	1,080,276	3,809,826	2,969,880		
Financial Services	15,127	12,296	43,174	33,683		
Corporate General and Administrative	26,744	18,884	80,377	49,678		
Other Interest	649	1,149	2,169	1,843		
Other Operations	8,355	7,356	23,877	10,575		
Intangible Amortization	13,331	11,781	38,391	32,255		
Total Expenses	1,426,403	1,131,742	3,997,814	3,097,914		
Income (loss) from unconsolidated joint ventures	(3,239)	13,907	13,833	22,482		
Income Before Income Taxes	120,877	194,891	418,651	501,324		
State and Federal Income Taxes: State	(3,897)	10,535	7,212	26,299		
Federal	47,727	68,262	146,647	171,313		
Total Taxes	43,830	78,797	153,859	197,612		
Net Income	77,047	116,094	264,792	303,712		
Less: Preferred Stock Dividends	2,668		8,006			
Net Income Available to Common Stockholders	\$ 74,379	\$ 116,094	\$ 256,786	\$ 303,712		
Per Share Data: Basic:						
Income per common share	\$ 1.18	\$ 1.85	\$ 4.09	\$ 4.87		
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding	62,804	62,754	62,843	62,412		
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Assuming dilution:						
Assuming dilution: Income per common share	\$ 1.15	\$ 1.76	\$ 3.95	\$ 4.63		

HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES, INC.

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS EXCEPT AVG. PRICE)

(UNAUDITED)

Communities Under Development Three Months - 7/31/06

		Net Contracts (1)			Deliveries				
	T	hree Months End July 31,	led	Т	hree Months End July 31,	led		Contract Backlo July 31,	g
	2006	2005	% Change	2006	2005	% Change	2006	2005	% Change
NorthEast Region ⁽²⁾				ļ					
Homes Dollars Avg. Price	695 252,873 363,846	725 286,296 394,891	(4.1%) (11.7%) (7.9%)	721 286,250 397,018	644 244,973 380,393	12.0% 16.8% 4.4%	2,249 862,227 383,382	798,113	3.1% 8.0% 4.8%
SouthEast Region (3)	ŕ	ŕ	, i		•		,	,	
Homes Dollars Avg. Price	1,058 370,753 350,429	1,263 485,785 384,628	(16.2%) (23.7%) (8.9%)	2,030 617,412 304,144	1,212 405,467 334,544	67.5% 52.3% (9.1%)	5,772 1,950,945 338,060	1,232,152	74.6% 58.3% (9.3%)
SouthWest Region			ì		,	` '		ŕ	, ,
Homes Dollars Avg. Price	945 199,492 211,103	1,201 247,439 206,027	(21.3%) (19.4%) 2.5%	1,022 220,211 215,471	1,021 189,766 185,862	0.1% 16.0% 15.9%	1,329 300,379 226,019	333,875	(17.4%) (10.0%) 8.9%
West Region	ŕ	ŕ		ŕ	ŕ		ŕ	ŕ	
Homes Dollars Avg. Price	651 271,904 417,671	954 411,976 431,841	(31.8%) (34.0%) (3.3%)	850 375,953 442,298	1,090 449,167 412,080	(22.0%) (16.3%) 7.3%	964 490,893 509,225	840,758	(50.2%) (41.6%) 17.3%
Consolidated Total	ŕ	ŕ	ì	ŕ	ŕ		ŕ	ŕ	
Homes Dollars Avg. Price	3,349 1,095,022 326,970	4,143 1,431,496 345,522	(19.2%) (23.5%) (5.4%)	4,623 1,499,826 324,427	3,967 1,289,373 325,025	16.5% 16.3% (0.2%)	10,313 3,604,440 349,504	3,204,898	14.2% 12.5% (1.5%)
Unconsolidated Joint Ventures	,	ŕ	ì	ŕ	ŕ	` '	ŕ	ŕ	, ,
Homes Dollars Avg. Price	249 85,228 342,282	722 309,494 428,663	(65.5%) (72.5%) (20.2%)	498 189,287 380,094	571 195,716 342,759	(12.8%) (3.3%) 10.9%	1,548 706,053 456,109	993,259	(32.7%) (28.9%) 5.7%
Total Homes	3,598	4,865	(26.0%)	5,121	4,538	12.8%	11,86	11,331	4.7%
Dollars Avg. Price DELIVERIES INCLUDE EXTRAS	1,180,250 328,030	1,740,990 357,860	(32.2%) (8.3%)	1,689,113 329,840	1,485,089 327,256	13.7% 0.8%	4,310,497 363,418	4,198,157	2.7% (1.9%)

Notes:

- (1) Net contracts are defined as new contracts signed during the period for the purchase of homes, less cancellations of prior contracts.
- (2) The number and the dollar amount of net contracts in the Northeast in the 2006 third quarter include the effect of the Oster Homes acquisition, which closed in August 2005.
- (3) The number and the dollar amount of net contracts in the Southeast in the 2006 third quarter include the effects of the First Home Builders of Florida and CraftBuilt Homes acquisitions, which closed in August 2005 and April 2006, respectively.

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NorthEast Region (2) Homes 2,064 1,981 4.2% 1,979 2,056 (3.7%) 2,249 2,181 Dollars 754,855 729,637 3.5% 744,704 750,679 (0.8%) 862,227 798,113 Avg, Price 365,725 368,317 (0.7%) 376,303 365,116 3.1% 383,382 365,939	3.1% 8.0% 4.8%
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SouthEast Region (3)	
Homes 3,673 3,630 1.2% 5,364 3,232 66,0% 5,771 3,305	74.6%
Dollars 1,371,689 1,308,952 4.8% 1,647,282 1,004,201 64.0% 1,950,945 1,232,152	58.3%
Avg. Price 373,452 360,593 3.6% 307,100 310,706 (1.2%) 338,060 372,815	(9.3%)
SouthWest Region	(3.570)
Homes 2,981 3,320 (10.2%) 2,948 2,636 11.8% 1,329 1,608	(17.4%)
Dollars 635,986 647,975 (1.9%) 635,759 489,810 29,8% 300,375 333,875	(10.0%)
Avg, Price 213,346 195,173 9.3% 215,658 185,815 16.1% 226,015 207,634	8.9%
West Region	0.570
Homes 1.943 3.076 (36.8%) 2.732 3.057 (10.6%) 964 1.936	(50.2%)
Dollars 872,358 1,272,462 (31.4%) 1,197,826 1,250,324 (4.2%) 490,893 840,758	(41.6%)
Avg. Price 448,975 413,674 8.5% 438,443 409,004 7.2% 509,225 434,276	17.3%
Consolidated Total	
Homes 10,661 12,007 (11.2%) 13,023 10,981 18.6% 10,313 9,030	14.2%
Dollars 3,634,888 3,959,026 (8.2%) 4,225,571 3,495,014 20.9% 3,604,440 3,204,898	12.5%
Avg. Price 340,952 329,726 3.4% 324,470 318,278 1.9% 349,504 354,917	(1.5%)
Unconsolidated Joint	()
Ventures (4)	
Homes 903 1,426 (36.7%) 1,695 944 79.6% 1,548 2,301	(32.7%)
Dollars 323,557 671,277 (51.8%) 648,301 331,033 95.8% 706,057 993,259	(28.9%)
Avg, Price 358,314 470,742 (23.9%) 382,478 350,670 9.1% 456,109 431,664	5.7%
Total (25.574) 355,574 476,742 (25.576) 352,475 356,676 3176 456,764	5 , 0
Homes 11,564 13,433 (13.9%) 14,718 11,925 23,4% 11,861 11,331	4.7%
Dollars 3.958.445 4.630,303 (14.5%) 4.873.872 3.826,047 27.4% 4.310,497 4.198,157	2.7%
Avg. Price 342,308 344,696 (0.7%) 331,150 320,843 3.2% 363,418 370,502	(1.9%)
DELIVERIES INCLUDE EXTRAS	(21070)

Notes:

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- (3) The number and the dollar amount of net contracts in the Southeast in the 2006 first nine months include the effects of the Cambridge Homes, First Home Builders of Florida and CraftBuilt Homes acquisitions, which closed in March 2005, August 2005 and April 2006, respectively.
- (4) The number and the dollar amount of net contracts in Unconsolidated Joint Ventures in the 2006 first nine months include the effect of the Town & Country Homes acquisition, which closed in March 2005.