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# FORM 11-K

South Jersey Industries,

Inc. 401(K)Plan

Financial Statements as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and for the Year Ended December 31, 2007, and Supplemental Schedules as of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2007, and Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.

# SOUTH JERSEY INDUSTRIES, INC. 401(K) PLAN

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Trustees and Participants of South Jersey Industries, Inc. 401 (K) Plan Folsom, New Jersey

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of South Jersey Industries, Inc. 401 (K) Plan (the "Plan") as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2007. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Plan is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2007, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year), as of December 31, 2007, is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. This schedule is the responsibility of the Plan's management. Such supplemental schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audits of the basic 2007 financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania June 20, 2008

# STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS DECEMBER 31, 2007 AND 2006

ASSETS	2007		2006	
INVESTMENTS - AT FAIR VALUE:				
Cash	\$	53,843	\$ 64,290	
South Jersey Industries, Inc. Common				
Stock		78,622,492	75,834,829	
Mutual Funds		19,267,429	15,549,153	
Common/Collective Trusts		4,588,255	3,993,006	
Participant Loan Funds		549,816	523,951	
Total Investments		103,081,835	95,965,229	
RECEIVABLES:				
Participants Contributions		266,618	254,957	
Employer Contributions		72,187	70,926	
Accrued Investment Income		12,122	9,212	
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Total Receivables		350,927	335,095	
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR				
BENEFITS AT FAIR VALUE		103,432,762	96,300,324	
Adjustments from fair value to contract				
value for fully benefit-responsive				
investment contracts		41,669	77,337	
investment contracts		71,009	11,551	
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR				
BENEFITS	\$	103,474,431	\$ 96,377,661	

See notes to financial statements.

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	2007
ADDITIONS:	
Investment Income:	
Dividends and Interest	\$ 3,971,182
Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments	5,496,564
Net Investment Income	9,467,746
Contributions:	
Participant Contributions	4,017,111
Employer Contributions	1,074,549
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Total Contributions	5,091,660
DEDUCTIONS:	
Benefits Paid to Participants	7,459,636
Administration Fees	3,000
Administration Fees	3,000
Total Deductions	7,462,636
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	7,096,770
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS -	
Beginning of year	96,377,661
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS -	
End of year	\$ 103,474,431

See notes to financial statements.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of the South Jersey Industries, Inc. 401(k) Plan (the "Plan") is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan Document for more complete information.

General – The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all full time employees of South Jersey Industries, Inc. and subsidiaries ("SJI" or the "Company") and part-time employees who have one or more years of service. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company controls and manages the operation and administration of the Plan. Merrill Lynch Bank & Trust Company, FSB ("Merrill Lynch") serves as the trustee of the Plan. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Enrollment – Beginning May 1, 2007, all newly hired employees are automatically enrolled into the Plan at a 1% deferral rate. Participants have 60 days from their effective date of enrollment to opt out of the Plan.

Contributions – Each year, participants may contribute up to 75% of their pretax compensation, excluding overtime, bonuses and all forms of incentive compensation (except commissions), to the Plan. The Company matches 50% of the percentage of employee deferral contributions as determined by the Plan document as summarized below:

50% of the first 6% of salary deferral contributions

Non-union employees hired before 7/1/2003
 Local 95 and Local 76 union employees hired before 11/4/2004
 Local 1293 union employees hired before 12/17/2004

50% of the first 8% of salary deferral contributions

Non-union employees hired on or after 7/1/2003
 Local 95 and Local 76 union employees hired on or after 11/4/2004
 Local 1293 union employees hired on or after 12/17/2004
 South Jersey Energy Service Plus employees hired on or after 4/15/2003

The Plan also allows for an after-tax contribution to the Plan of the cash equivalent of unused personal and vacation time off for the Plan year, as well as providing for an additional year-end Company contribution for the same groups of employees eligible for the match on the first 8% of salary deferral contributions. These additional year-end contributions are \$500 for participants with under 10 years of service, and \$1,000 for participants with 10 years of service or greater.

Per the Plan guidelines, additional amounts may be contributed at the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors. Contributions are subject to certain IRC limitations. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans.

Participant Accounts – Individual accounts are maintained for each Plan participant. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution, the Company's matching contribution, and allocations of (1) Company discretionary contributions and (2) Plan earnings, and charged with an allocation of Plan losses and administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions.

Investments – Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. Beginning in September 2005, participants were given the option to self-direct their Company match. If no direction was made, Company contribution automatically defaulted to the Merrill Lynch Retirement Preservation Trust, except for members of one of the Company's union groups which default to SJI Common Stock. Beginning May 1, 2007, unless directed by the Participant, Company contributions were automatically invested in a Personal Manager Account from Merrill Lynch Advice Access, or SJI Common Stock for members of one of the Company's union groups. Participants may transfer amounts related to Company contributions as soon as they are contributed to the Participants' account, thus all investments are participant-directed. The Plan offered the following as investment options in 2006:

Name Objective

South Jersey Industries, Inc. Growth & Income

Common Stock

Merrill Lynch Retirement Capital Preservation

**Preservation Trust** 

Managers Special Equity Fund (2) Growth

JP Morgan Large Cap Equity Growth Growth & Income

Fund (2)

ING International Value Fund Growth BlackRock Bond Fund (1,2) Income

BlackRock Basic Value Fund (1) Growth & Income

BlackRock S&P 500 Index Fund (1) Growth Lord Abbett Mid Cap Value Fund (2) Growth

Effective September 29, 2006, Merrill Lynch Investment Managers (MLIM®) completed its merger with (1) BlackRock, Inc. As a result of the transaction, the name of this investment fund was renamed from Merrill Lynch to BlackRock.

Effective May 1, 2007, these investment options were replaced with other investment options with similar (2) objectives. The replacement funds offered are as follows:

Objective

Name Objective

American Growth Fund of America Growth
Pioneer Bond Fund Income
Phoenix Mid Cap Value Fund Growth
Jennison Small Company Fund Growth

Name

Van Kampen Small Cap Growth

Franklin Total Return Fund

ING Intermediate Bond Fund

Fund

The following investment options were added to the Plan effective May 1, 2007:

AIM Capital Development Fund	Growth		
AIM International Growth Fund	Growth		
Alger Small Cap Growth Fund	Growth		
AllianceBern Small/Mid Cap Value	Growth		
Fund			
Allianz CCM Capital Appreciation	Growth		
Fund			
American Growth Fund of America	Growth		
BlackRock Large Cap Value Fund	Growth		
Columbia Small Cap Value Fund	Growth		
Columbia Marsico International	Growth		
Opportunity Fund			
Columbia Mid Cap Value Fund	Growth		
Eaton Vance Large Cap Value Fund	Growth & Income		
Eaton Vance Dividend Builder Fund	Growth & Income		
Franklin Small Cap Value Fund	Growth		
Janus Advisor Forty Fund	Growth		
Janus Advisor International Group	Growth		
Fund			
Jennison Small Company Fund	Growth		
Jennison Utility Fund	Growth & Income		
MFS Utilities Fund	Growth & Income		
Munder Mid Cap Core Growth Fund	Growth		
Phoenix Mid Cap Value Fund	Growth		
Pioneer Bond Fund	Income		
Van Kampen Growth & Income FundGrowth & Income			
Van Kampen Mid Cap Growth Fund			

Vesting – Participants are vested immediately in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company's contribution portion of their accounts is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100% vested after three years of credited service.

Growth

Income

Income

Participant Loans – Participants may borrow from their fund accounts up to a maximum of \$50,000 or 50% of their account balance, which ever is less. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined quarterly by the plan administrator.

Payment of Benefits – On termination of service for any reason, a participant is eligible to receive a lump-sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account, unless the participant's vested interest is less than \$1,000, in which case the funds are automatically distributed to the participant at year-end.

Forfeited Accounts – At December 31, 2007 and 2006, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$21,319 and \$16,614, respectively. These accounts will be used to reduce future employer contributions or to pay Plan expenses. During the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, no forfeited amounts were used to reduce Company contributions or to pay Plan expenses.

Plan Amendments – The Plan was amended during 2006 and 2007 as follows:

- Effective January 1, 2006 Incorporated numerous previously adopted amendments into the Plan document and reflect certain changes in law.
- Effective January 1, 2007 Clarified the terms used to define those individuals, other than Plan Participants, who are eligible for the receipt of rollover distributions from the Plan.
- Effective May 1, 2007 Automatic enrollment of all newly hired employees at a 1% deferral rate. This deferral rate will automatically increase 1% per year until reaching a maximum of 8%. Participants may elect to opt out of the Plan or alter their deferral rate.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting – The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and were prepared using the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of net assets available for benefits and changes therein. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Risks and Uncertainties – The Plan utilizes various investment instruments. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and those changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Included in the Plan's net assets available for benefits at December 31, 2007 and 2006, are investments in Company common stock amounting to approximately \$78.6 million and \$75.8 million, respectively, whose value could be subject to change based upon market conditions.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition – Investments in South Jersey Industries, Inc. common stock are stated at fair value, which represents the closing price for the stock as traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The Merrill Lynch Retirement Preservation Trust (RPT) is a stable value common collective trust fund that is stated at fair value as determined by the issuer of the common/collective trust funds based on the fair market value of the underlying investments, and then adjusted to contract value. The RPT invests principally in synthetic guaranteed investment contracts issued by banks, insurance companies, and other issuers. Fair value of the RPT is calculated by discounting the related cash flows based on current yields of similar instruments with comparable durations. Contract value represents contributions made to the fund, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value. All other investments are stated at fair value based on quoted market prices. Participant loans are valued at the outstanding loan balances, which approximates fair value.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Expenses – Administrative expenses of the Plan are paid by either the Plan or the Company, as provided in the Plan Document.

Payment of Benefits – Benefit payments to participants are recorded upon distribution. Amounts allocated to accounts of persons who have elected to withdraw from the Plan but have not yet been paid were \$0 at both December 31, 2007 and 2006.

#### 3. INVESTMENTS

The following is a summary of investments of the Plan that exceed 5% of the net assets available for benefits:

December 31, 2007 2006

South Jersey Industries, Inc. common stock \$ 78,622,492 \$ 75,834,829

Investments in South Jersey Industries, Inc. common stock are stated at fair value based on quoted market prices, which was \$36.09 and \$33.41 per share at December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively, and represents the closing price for the stock as traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

During the year ended December 31, 2007, the Plan's investments (including gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year) appreciated in value as follows:

	2007
South Jersey Industries, Inc. common stock	\$ 6,012,382
Equity Funds	(570,201)
Bond Funds	54,383
Total	\$ 5,496,564

#### 4. PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA. In the event that the Plan is terminated, participants would become 100% vested in their accounts.

#### 5. EXEMPT PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain Plan investments are shares of funds managed by Merrill Lynch. Merrill Lynch is the trustee as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions. In addition, Merrill Lynch Investment Managers merged with BlackRock, Inc., on September 29, 2006 as discussed in Note 1. As such, transactions in BlackRock funds also qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions. Certain fees paid by the Plan for investment management services were included as a reduction of the return earned on each fund. Additional fees paid by the Plan for the investment management services were \$3,000 for the year ended December 31, 2007.

At December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Plan held 2,178,512 and 2,269,824 shares, respectively, of common stock of the Company, the sponsoring employer, with a cost basis of \$74,506,782 and \$69,433,835, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2007, the Plan recorded dividend income associated with the Plan's investments in Company common stock of \$2,190,747.

#### 6. FEDERAL INCOME TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated September 16, 2003, that the Plan and related trust, as then designed, were in accordance with the applicable regulations of the IRC. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Company and the plan administrator believe that the Plan is currently designed and operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and the Plan and related trust continue to be tax-exempt. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financials statements.

#### 7. NONEXEMPT PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The Company remitted the following participant contributions to the trustee subsequent to the date required by Department of Labor ("D.O.L.") Regulation 2510.3-102.

Contribution Date	Amount	Remittance Date
December 2005	253,766	January 23, 2006
April 2006	275,395	May 22, 2006

The Company filed a Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program ("VFCP") application with the D.O.L. on August 22, 2006, related to the correction of the delinquent remittance of participant contributions. As part of the correction, the Company remitted \$1,182 to the Plan representing the earnings that the contributions would have made if they had been deposited timely. The VFCP was approved by the D.O.L. on August 28, 2006. Pursuant to the approval, the Plan was allowed to maintain its tax-exempt status and the Company was not obligated to pay excise taxes related to these nonexempt party-in-interest transactions.

## 8. RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to the Form 5500 as of December 31, 2007:

	2007
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements Adjustment from contract value to fair value for fully	\$ 103,474,431
Benefit-responsive investment contracts	(41,669)
Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	\$ 103,432,762
Increase in Net Assets per the financial statements Adjustment from contract value to fair value for fully	\$ 7,096,770
Benefit-responsive investment contracts	35,668
Increase in Net Assets per the Form 5500	\$ 7,132,438

FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, PART IV, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
AS OF DECEMBER
31, 2007

Identity of Party	Description of Acces	I		Ct	Comment Wales
Involved Merrill Lynch Bank &	Description of Asset	Investment Type		Cost	Current Value
* Trust Co., FSB	Cash	Cash	\$	**	\$ 53,843
South Jersey	Casii	Casii	φ		φ 33,643
* Industries, Inc.	SJI Common Stock	Common Stock		**	78,622,492
Merrill Lynch Bank &		Common/Collective			70,022,492
* Trust Co., FSB	Preservation Trust	Trust		**	4,588,255
Trust Co., TSD	AIM Capital	Trust			7,300,233
AIM	Development Fund	Mutual Fund		**	48,133
7 11111	AIM International	Mataur Fund			10,133
AIM	Growth Fund A	Mutual Fund		**	348,880
7 11111	Alger Small Cap Growth				3 10,000
Alger	Fund A	Mutual Fund		**	52,385
1 11841	Alliancebern Small/Mid				c <b>2</b> ,e se
Alliancebern	Value Class A	Mutual Fund		**	43,271
	Allianz CCM Capital				-, -
Allianz	Appreciation Fund A	Mutual Fund		**	1,135
	American Growth Fund				,
American	of America R3	Mutual Fund		**	1,736,515
	BlackRock Total Return				
* BlackRock	Portfolio	Mutual Fund		**	5,578
	BlackRock Basic Value				
* BlackRock	Fund A	Mutual Fund		**	1,764,415
	BlackRock S&P 500				
* BlackRock	Index Fund I	Mutual Fund		**	2,650,295
	BlackRock Large Cap				
* BlackRock	Value A	Mutual Fund		**	89,872
	Columbia Mid Cap				
Columbia	Value Fund A	Mutual Fund		**	258,473
	Columbia Small Cap				
Columbia	Value II A	Mutual Fund		**	81,033
	Columbia Marsico				
Columbia Marsico	International Opp A	Mutual Fund		**	119,219
	Eaton Vance Dividend				
Eaton Vance	Builder Fund	Mutual Fund		**	76,447
	Eaton Vance Large-Cap				
Eaton Vance	Value Fund A	Mutual Fund		**	266,747
D 11'	Franklin Small Cap	M . 15 1		ala al-	70.555
Franklin	Value Class A	Mutual Fund		**	72,556
Franklin		Mutual Fund		**	238,445

Franklin Total Return Fund Class A ING International Value ING \*\* Fund Mutual Fund 4,636,869 **ING Intermediate Bond ING** Fund Class A Mutual Fund 954,130 Janus Advisor Forty Janus Fund A Mutual Fund 11,229 Janus Advisor **International Growth** Janus Fund Mutual Fund \*\* 132,419 Jennison Utility Fund Jennison Class A Mutual Fund 8,019 Jennison Small Jennison Company Fund Class A Mutual Fund \*\* 1,566,174 Mercury TTL Ret. BD Mutual Fund \*\* 2 Mercury TTL Distributor MFS Utilities Fund \*\* **MFS** Mutual Fund Class A 206,735 Munder Mid Cap Core Munder Mutual Fund \*\* Growth 76,668 Phoenix Mid Cap Value Phoenix Mutual Fund \*\* Fund Class A 1,612,644 Mutual Fund Pioneer Pioneer Bond Fund \*\* 2,120,130 Van Kampen Growth & Income Class A Mutual Fund \*\* Van Kampen 13,764 Van Kampen Mid Cap Mutual Fund Growth Fund A Van Kampen 35,308 Van Kampen Small Cap \*\* Growth A Mutual Fund Van Kampen 39,939 \* Plan Participants Participant Loan Fund -Maturing 2008-2017 at interest rates of 5.00-9.25% \*\* Loans 549,816 \*\* \$ \$ 103,081,835

Cost information is not required for participant-directed investments and therefore

See Note 1 to the Financial Statements under the caption "Investments" for additional discussion.

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates party-in-interest to the Plan.

<sup>\*\*</sup> is not included.

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Chairman of the Trust Committee of South Jersey Industries, Inc. has duly caused this annual report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SOUTH JERSEY INDUSTRIES, INC.

Date: June 20, 2008 David A. Kindlick Chairman, Trust Committee Vice President and Chief Financial Officer BY: /s/ DAVID A. KINDLICK