# Pilgrim's Pride has filed for bankruptcy protection... let's see what the history shows!

### **Pilgrim's Pride Corporation**

4845 US Highway 271 North Phone: (903) 434-1000 Pittsburg, TX 75686 United States

Filed for Bankruptcy on 12/1/2008

Case #08-45664, filed in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas

Latest Financial Statements as of 6/28/2008 Latest MD&A as of 7/25/2008

#### **Business Summary**

Pilgrim's Pride Corporation is a producer of poultry in the United States, Mexico and Puerto Rico. In the United States, the Company produces prepared and fresh chicken, and turkey, while in Mexico and Puerto Rico, it produces only fresh chicken. Through vertical integration, it controls the breeding, hatching and growing of chickens, and the processing and preparation, packaging and sale of its product lines. It operates in three segments as a producer and seller of chicken products; a producer and seller of turkey products, and a seller of other products. The chicken segment includes sales of chicken products it produces and purchases for resale in the United States, including Puerto Rico and Mexico. The turkey segment includes sales of turkey products produced and purchased for resale in its turkey and distribution operations in the United States. Its other products segment includes distribution of non-poultry products. In January 2007, the Company acquired Gold Kist Inc.

(Source: 10-K)

Ticker: PPC

Employees: 49,800 (as of 9/29/2007) Federal Tax Id: 751285071

#### Credit Scores

<u>Z" Score</u> 1.63 (Neutral) 6/28/2008

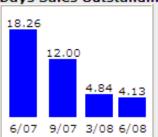
#### Auditor Information

Last Audit: 9/29/2007 Auditors: Ernst & Young LLP Opinion: **Unqualified** 

#### **Agency Credit Ratings**

Rating Agency	Long Term Rating	Outlook	Short Term Rating	Watch
Moody's	Caa1	Negative		OFF
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#### Days Sales Outstanding



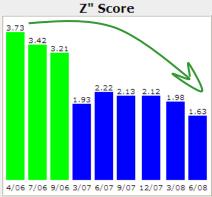
#### Third Quarter and Year-to-Date Results

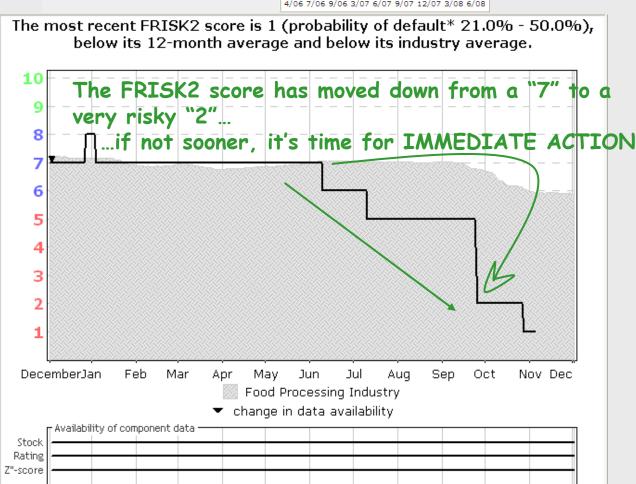
Sales for the 13 weeks ended 6/28/2008 increased 4.89% to \$2.21 billion from last year's comparable period amount of \$2.10 billion. Sales for the 39 weeks ended 6/28/2008 increased 18.05% to \$6.36 billion from \$5.38 billion for the same period last year.

Gross profit margin decreased 77.34% for the period to \$53.21 million (2.41% of revenues) from \$234.83 million (11.16% of revenues) for the same period last year. Gross profit margin decreased 64.59% for the

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		10/1/2000	Investors Service		
Files Chapter 1	1		PR Newswire	Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Files Voluntary Chapter 11 Petitions to Address Short-Term Operational and Liquidity Challenges	
Files Chapter -		3 11/28/2008	Service	PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP Files Notification of Late Filing for its Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission.	
			PR Newswire	Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Announces Third Extension of Temporary Covenant Waiver With Lenders	<b>S</b>
	:	5 11/14/2008	PR Newswire	Glancy Binkow & Goldberg LLP. Representing Investors Who Purchased Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, Announces Class Action Lawsuit and Seeks to Recover Losses	chased Seeks s or Waiver Until  suit  of uire Law s uit  "High Probability of Bankruptcy" predicted  Temporary waiver until
Restructuring	•	5 11/10/2008	CRMZ News Service	PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP FILES (8-K) Disclosing Change in Directors or Principal Officers, Temporary Suspension of Trading Under Registrant's Employee Benefit Plans, Regulation FD Disclosure, Financial Sta	Waiver University
$\rightarrow$	>	7 11/10/2008	PR Newswire	Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Appoints William K. Snyder as Chief Restructuring Officer	21. " "ITI
	> <sup>-</sup>	11/6/2008	CRMZ News Service	Pilgrim's Pride Corporation updated S&P ratings available	
<i>-</i>	1	1 11/3/2008	Market Wire	Law Offices of Brodsky & Smith, LLC Announces Class Action Lawsuit Against Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	
	1	2 11/1/2008	PR Newswire	Law Offices of Howard G. Smith Announces Class Action Lawsuit Against Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	
\	13	3 10/31/2008	Market Wire	Brower Piven Encourages Investors Who Have Losses in Excess of \$\frac{5100,000}{5100,000} From Investment in Pilgrim's Pride Corporation to Inquire About the Lead Plaintiff Position in Securities Fraud Class Action Law	
	14	4 10/30/2008	Market Wire	Pride Corporation	
	1	5 10/30/2008		Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP Files Class Action Suit	
	10	5 10/30/2008		against Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Pilgrim's Pride Lenders Grant Temporary Waiver	
	1	7 10/30/2008		CreditSights Says Pilgrim's Pride Bankruptcy Likely In December	3
	11	8 10/28/2008		Pilgrim's Pride Corporation updated S&P ratings available	
	2	0 10/28/2008		Pilgrim's Pride Corporation updated Moody's rating available	"High Probability
(	$\mathcal{V}_{\frac{1}{2}}$	1 10/27/2008		Moody's lowers Pilgrim's Pride's ratings (PDR to Caa2); outlook	
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Rating		2 10/27/2008	Service	PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP FILES (8-K) Disclosing Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement, Change in Directors or Principal Officers, Regulation FD Disclosure, Financial Statements and Exhibits	_
downgrades			PR Newswire	<u>Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Announces Extension of Temporary</u> <u>Covenant Waiver With Lenders</u>	
downs	24	10/17/2008	CRM News Service	Pilgrim's Pride Plunges 24% on Bankruptcy Speculation	Temporary
	26	9/29/2008	CRM News Service	PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP FILES (8-K) Disclosing Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement, Regulation FD Disclosure, Financial Statements and Exhibits	
Stock —	27	9/29/2008	PR Newswire	Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Announces Definitive Written Agreement With Lenders on Temporary Covenant Waiver	<b>₹</b> 11/26
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seen as a possibility	30		Moody's Investors Service	Moody's lowers Pilgrim's Pride's ratings (PDR to B2); continues review for downgrade	Temporary waiver until 10/28
possibility	3:	9/25/2008	PR Newswire	Pilgrim's Pride Corporation Issues Statement in Response to Recent Trading Activity in Its Common Stock	7 Acknowledges
	32	9/4/2008	CRM News Service	Pilgrim's Pride Corporation updated Moody's rating available	expectation of
Rating	33 57	9/3/2008	Moody's Investors	Moody's puts Pilgrim's Pride under review for downgrade (CFR B1)	large 4th Q
downgrades	34	4 7/30/2008	CRM News	Pilgrim's Pride Corporation updated financials available	loss resulting
	35	7/30/2008		PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP: a Form 10-Q has been Filed with the SEC	in non-
	36	5 7/29/2008	CRM News	PILGRIMS PRIDE CORP FILES (8-K) Disclosing Regulation FD Disclosure	compliance
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# ...need more depth? Look at the <u>Performance Ratios</u>... ...Steady Decrement in Net Income/Loss, Operating Margin, and Cash Flow...

	Performanc	e Ratios - So (Thousands of U.S		uarters	
Period Ended	13 weeks 6/28/2008	26 weeks 3/29/2008	12/29/2007	13 weeks 9/29/2007	13 weeks 6/30/2007
Net sales \$	\$2,207,476	\$4,148,147	n/a	\$2,149,116	\$2,104,499
% change	n/a	n/a	n/a	2.12%	n/a
Gross margin \$	\$53,211	\$81,724	n/a	\$206,832	\$234,825
% change	n/a	n/a	n/a	-11.92%	n/a
% of sales	2.41%	1.97%	n/a	9.62%	11.16%
SG&A \$	\$92,291	\$206,992	n/a	\$96,467	\$97,929
% change	n/a	n/a	n/a	-1.49%	n/a
% of sales	4.18%	4.99%	n/a	4.49%	4.65%
Operating margin \$	(\$42,531)	(\$142,959)	n/a	\$98,377	\$136,896
% change	n/a	n/a	n/a	-28.14%	n/a
% of sales	-1.93%	-3.45%	n/a	4.58%	6.50%
EBITDA \$	\$18,565	(\$22,639)	n/a	\$156,832	\$197,770
% change	n/a	n/a	n/a	-20.70%	n/a
% of sales	0.84%	-0.55%	n/a	7.30%	9,40%
Pre-tax income \$	(\$76,795)	(\$201,693)	n/a	\$67,301	\$99,945
% change	n/a	n/a	n/a	-32.66%	n/a
% of sales	-3,48%	4.86%	n/a	3.13%	4.75%
Net income (loss) \$	(\$52,781)	(\$143,777)	n/a	\$33,189	\$62,641
% change	n/a	n/a	n/a	-47.02%	n/a
% of sales	-2,39%	-3,47%	n/a	1.54%	2.98%
Tax expense \$	(\$28,451)	(\$57,026)	n/a	\$34,112	\$36,668
Effective tax rate	37.05%	28,27%	n/a	50.69%	36.69%
Depreciation expense \$	\$60,506	\$116,296	n/a	\$49,287	\$58,005
% of sales	2,74%	2.80%	n/a	2.29%	2.76%
% of capital expenses	220.62%	165.63%	n/a	131.88%	143.22%
% of PP&E, net (annualized)	14.02%	13.19%	n/a	10.71%	12.18%
Capital expenditures \$	\$27,425	\$70,216	\$42,684	\$37,372	\$40,502
% change	n/a	64.50%	n/a	-7.73%	n/a
% of PP&E, net (annualized)	6.35%	7.96%	n/a	8.12%	8.51%
% of working capital (annualized)	19.64%	27.49%	n/a	27.24%	22.71%
Interest coverage ratio	0.52	(0.36)	n/a	4.96	4.94
% change	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.34%	n/a
Free cash flow \$	(\$133,460)	(\$315,950)	(\$77,883)	\$411,984	\$26,335
% change	nja	305.67%	n/a	1464.40%	n/a
Source:	10-Q 7/30/2008	10-Q 7/30/2008		10-K 11/19/2007	10-Q 7/30/2008

...In the MD&A section, the CEO and CFO mislead shareholders and were charged with multiple class-action lawsuits for material misrepresentations to the market concerning their financial condition ...

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From MD&A section, period 6/28/2008, filed 7/30/2008:

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The Company is required, by certain provisions of its debt agreements, to maintain certain levels of working capital and net worth, to limit dividends to a maximum of \$26.0 million per year, and to maintain various fixed charge, leverage, current and debt-to-equity ratios. The Company's debt agreements are also generally cross-defaulted with one another, and the Company's leases are generally cross-defaulted with the credit agreements. At June 28, 2008, the Company has fully complied with these covenants. In April 2008, the Company and its lenders amended certain covenants in its credit facilities and receivables purchase facility effective through the end of fiscal 2009 to leves the Company believes it can comply with in the near-term despite the current economic issues facing the chicken industry.

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