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**Form 10-Q**

(Mark One)

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

**For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2017**

**or**

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

**For the transition period from \_\_\_ to \_\_\_**

**Commission File Number 1-11048**

**DGSE Companies, Inc.**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

**Nevada** **88-0097334**  
*(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer  
incorporation or organization) Identification No.)*

**13022 Preston Road**

**Dallas, Texas 75240**

**(972) 587-4049**

*(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)*

N/A

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes x No ..

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes x No ..

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer ..	Accelerated filer ..
Non-accelerated filer ..	Smaller reporting company x
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	
Emerging growth company ..	

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the

Exchange Act. "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes " No x

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of May 12, 2017:

Class	Outstanding
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share	26,905,631

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## Item 1. Financial Statements.

## DGSE COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	March 31, 2017 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2016
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$462,228	\$1,412,082
Trade receivables, net of allowances	84,712	245,095
Trade receivables, net of allowances, related party	108,612	40,627
Inventories	9,540,577	9,384,136
Prepaid expenses	319,326	55,029
Total current assets	10,515,455	11,136,969
Property and equipment, net	1,613,611	1,665,103
Other assets	80,079	110,605
Total assets	\$12,209,145	\$12,912,677
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Current Liabilities:		
Current maturities of capital leases	\$9,427	\$12,590
Accounts payable - trade	890,511	1,103,022
Accounts payable - trade, related party	3,954,014	4,107,425
Accrued expenses	564,265	1,209,902
Customer deposits and other liabilities	665,090	572,362
Total current liabilities	6,083,307	7,005,301
Capital lease obligations, less current maturities	-	1,074
Total liabilities	6,083,307	7,006,375
Commitments and contingencies		
<b>STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		

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Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 60,000,000 shares authorized 26,905,631 and 12,328,956 shares issued and outstanding	269,056	269,056
Additional paid-in capital	40,162,177	40,162,177
Accumulated deficit	(34,305,395)	(34,524,931 )
Total stockholders' equity	6,125,838	5,906,302
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 12,209,145	\$ 12,912,677

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## DGSE COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Revenue		
Sales	\$ 15,123,845	\$ 11,774,516
Cost of goods sold	12,629,604	9,625,473
Gross margin	2,494,241	2,149,043
Expenses:		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	2,118,833	2,624,356
Depreciation and amortization	85,242	99,764
	2,204,075	2,724,120
Operating income (loss)	290,166	(575,077 )
Other (income) expense:		
Other (income) expense, net	4,931	(614 )
Interest expense	49,840	95,207
	54,771	94,593
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes	235,395	(669,670 )
Income tax expense	15,859	20,564
Income (loss) from continuing operations	219,536	(690,234 )
Discontinued operations:		
(Loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	-	(97 )
Net income (loss)	\$ 219,536	\$ (690,331 )
Basic net income (loss) per common share:		
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$0.01	\$(0.06 )
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	-	-
Net income (loss) per share	\$0.01	\$(0.06 )
Diluted net income (loss) per share:		
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$0.01	\$(0.06 )
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	-	-

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Net income (loss) per share	\$0.01	\$(0.06)	)
Weighted-average number of common shares			
Basic	26,905,631	12,297,501	
Diluted	27,416,909	12,297,501	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.



**DGSE COMPANIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS****(Unaudited)**

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2017	2016
Cash Flows From Operating Activities		
Net income (loss)	\$219,536	\$(690,331 )
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax	-	(97 )
	219,536	(690,234 )
Adjustments to reconcile income (loss) from continuing operations to net cash used in operating activities of continuing operations:		
Depreciation and amortization	85,242	99,764
Stock based compensation to employees, officers and directors	-	16,050
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Trade receivables, net	92,398	62,895
Inventories	(156,391 )	(684,498 )
Prepaid expenses	(264,297 )	(40,965 )
Other assets	30,526	60,675
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(1,011,559)	(201,346 )
Customer deposits and other liabilities	92,728	1,198,860
Net cash used in operating activities of continuing operations	(911,817 )	(178,799 )
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:		
Purchase of property and equipment	(33,750 )	(14,706 )
Net cash used in investing activities of continuing operations	(33,750 )	(14,706 )
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:		
Repayment of debt	-	(34,141 )
Payments on capital lease obligations	(4,287 )	(2,970 )
Net cash used in financing activities of continuing operations	(4,287 )	(37,111 )
Cash Flows from Discontinued Operations:		
Net cash used in operating activities of discontinued operations	-	(97 )
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(949,854 )	(230,713 )
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	1,412,082	1,752,711

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Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$462,228	\$1,521,998
Supplemental Disclosures:		
Cash paid during the period for:		
Interest	\$49,840	\$64,599
Income taxes	\$-	\$-

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **(1) Basis of Presentation**

The consolidated interim financial statements of DGSE Companies, Inc., a Nevada corporation, and its subsidiaries (the “Company” or “DGSE”), included herein have been prepared by the Company pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”). Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) have been condensed or omitted pursuant to the Commission’s rules and regulations, although the Company believes that the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. The Company suggests that these financial statements be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 (such fiscal year, “Fiscal 2016” and such Annual Report on Form 10-K, the “Fiscal 2016 10-K”). In the opinion of the management of the Company, the accompanying unaudited interim financial statements contain all adjustments, consisting only of those of a normal recurring nature, necessary to present fairly its results of operations and cash flows for the periods presented. The results of operations for the periods presented are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year. Certain reclassifications were made to the prior year's consolidated financial statements to conform to the current year presentation.

### **(2) Principles of Consolidation and Nature of Operations**

DGSE buys and sells jewelry and bullion products to both retail and wholesale customers throughout the United States through its facilities in South Carolina and Texas, and through its various internet sites.

The interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP and include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. All material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

### **(3) Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

#### **Financial Instruments**

The carrying amounts reported in the consolidated balance sheets for cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued expenses approximate fair value because of the immediate or short-term maturity of these

financial instruments. The carrying amount reported for the Company's capital lease approximate fair value because the underlying instrument has an interest rate with current market rates. This instrument is not held for trading purposes.

### **Earnings Per Share**

Basic earnings per common share is computed by dividing net earnings available to holders of the Company's common stock by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the reporting period. Diluted earnings per share reflect the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock. For the calculation of diluted earnings per share, the basic weighted average number of shares is increased by the dilutive effect of stock options and warrants outstanding determined using the treasury stock method.

### **Recent Accounting Pronouncement**

In May 2014, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* ("ASU 2014-09"), which supersedes nearly all existing revenue recognition guidance under U.S. GAAP. The core principle of ASU 2014-09 is to recognize revenues when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which an entity expects to be entitled for those goods or services. ASU 2014-09 defines a five step process to achieve this core principle and, in doing so, more judgment and estimates may be required within the revenue recognition process than are required under existing U.S. GAAP. In August 2015, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2015-14, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Deferral of the Effective Date*, which delays the effective date of ASU 2014-09 by one year. ASU 2014-09 is now effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within that reporting period. The standard is to be applied retrospectively, with early application permitted for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within that reporting period. The Company is evaluating the new standard, but does not anticipate a material impact to the consolidated financial statements once implemented in 2018.

On February 25, 2016, the FASB issued its new lease accounting guidance in Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02 (“ASU 2016-02”), *Leases* (Topic 842). Under the new guidance, lessor accounting is largely unchanged. Certain targeted improvements were made to align, where necessary, lessor accounting with the lessee accounting model and Topic 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*. Under the new guidance, lessees will be required to recognize a lease liability, which is a lessee’s obligation to make lease payments arising from a lease, measured on a discounted basis and a right-of-use asset, which is an asset that represents the lessee’s right to use, or control the use of, a specified asset for the lease term for all leases (with the exception of short-term leases) at the commencement date. ASU 2016-02 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Lessees (for capital and operating leases) and lessors (for sales-type, direct financing, and operating leases) must apply a modified retrospective transition approach for leases existing at, or entered into after, the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in the financial statements. The modified retrospective approach would not require any transition accounting for leases that expired before the earliest comparative period presented. Lessees and lessors may not apply a full retrospective transition approach. The Company is evaluating the financial statement implications of adopting ASU 2016-02.

#### (4) Inventories

A summary of inventories is as follows:

	March 31, 2017	December 31, 2016
Jewelry	\$8,501,740	\$ 7,193,126
Scrap gold	552,267	885,194
Bullion	321,156	292,591
Rare coins and Other	165,414	1,013,225
	\$9,540,577	\$ 9,384,136

#### (5) Basic and Diluted Average Shares

A reconciliation of basic and diluted weighted average common shares for the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2017	2016
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Basic weighted average shares	26,905,631	12,297,501
Effect of potential dilutive securities	511,278	-
Diluted weighted average shares	27,416,909	12,297,501

For the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016 there were 1,148,250 and 5,108,530 common share options, warrants, and Restricted Stock Units (RSU's) unexercised respectively. For the three months ended March 31, 2016, there were 5,108,530 common share options, warrants, and RSUs not added to the diluted average shares because inclusion of such shares would be antidilutive. On October 26, 2016, 5,000,000 stock option shares expired unexercised by Element at a price of \$15 a share.

**(6) Long-Term Debt**

	Outstanding Balance		Current Interest Rate	Maturity
	March 31, 2017	December 31, 2016		
Capital leases (1)	\$ 9,427	\$ 13,664	4.20	% May 1, 2018
Sub-Total	9,427	13,664		
Less: Current maturities of capital leases	9,427	12,590		
Long term debt, less current maturities	\$ -	\$ 1,074		

On April 3, 2011, DGSE entered into a capital lease for \$58,563 with Graybar Financial Services for phones at the new corporate headquarters. The non-cancelable lease agreement required an advanced payment of \$2,304 and (1) monthly payments of \$1,077 for 60 months at an interest rate of 4.2% beginning in May 2011. At the end of the lease in May 2018, the equipment can be purchased for \$1. As of March 31, 2017, we are five payments ahead of schedule and expect to pay off the capital lease early.

**(7) Stock-Based Compensation**

The Company accounts for share-based compensation by measuring the cost of the employee services received in exchange for an award of equity instruments, including grants of stock options, based on the fair value of the award at the date of grant. In addition, to the extent that the Company receives an excess tax benefit upon exercise of an award, such benefit is reflected as cash flow from financing activities in the consolidated statement of cash flows.

Stock-based compensation expense for the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016 was \$0 and \$16,050, respectively relating to employee and director RSUs, and included in selling, general and administrative expenses in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

**(8) Related Party Transactions**

DGSE has a corporate policy governing the identification, review, consideration and approval or ratification of transactions with related persons, as that term is defined in the Instructions to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K, promulgated under the Securities Act ("Related Party"). Under this policy, all Related Party transactions are identified and approved prior to consummation of the transaction to ensure they are consistent with DGSE's best interests and the best interests of its stockholders. Among other factors, DGSE's Board considers the size and duration of the transaction, the nature and interest of the of the Related Party in the transaction, whether the transaction may involve a conflict of interest and if the transaction is on terms that are at least as favorable to DGSE as would be available in a comparable transaction with an unaffiliated third party. DGSE's Board reviews all Related Party transactions at least annually to determine if it is in DGSE's best interests and the best interests of DGSE's stockholders to continue,

modify, or terminate any of the Related Party transactions. DGSE's Related Person Transaction Policy is available for review in its entirety under the "Investors" menu of the Company's corporate relations website at [www.DGSECompanies.com](http://www.DGSECompanies.com).

Elemetal is DGSE's largest shareholder. Elemetal and its affiliates are also DGSE's primary refiner and bullion trading partner. In the three months ended March 31, 2017, 28% of sales and 24% of purchases were transactions with Elemetal, and in the same period of 2016, these transactions represented 26% of DGSE's sales and 27% of DGSE's purchases. On December 9, 2016, DGSE and Elemetal closed the transactions contemplated by the Elemetal Agreement whereby DGSE issued Elemetal 8,536,585 shares of its common stock and a warrant to purchase an additional 1,000,000 shares to be exercised within two years after December 9, 2016, in exchange for the cancellation and forgiveness of \$3,500,000 of trade payables owed to Elemetal as a result of bullion-related transactions. As of March 31, 2017, the Company was obligated to pay \$3,954,014 to Elemetal as a trade payable, and had a \$108,612 receivable from Elemetal. As of December 31, 2016, the Company was obligated to pay \$4,107,425 to Elemetal as a trade payable, and had a \$40,627 receivable from Elemetal. In the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company paid Elemetal \$49,840 and \$56,811 respectively, in interest on the Company's outstanding payable.



On July 19, 2012, the Company entered into the Loan Agreement with NTR, pursuant to which NTR agreed to provide the Company with a guidance line of revolving credit in an amount up to \$7,500,000. The Loan Agreement anticipated termination—at which point all amounts outstanding thereunder would be due and payable—upon the earlier of: (i) August 1, 2014; (ii) the date that is twelve months after DGSE receives notice from NTR demanding the repayment of the Obligations; (iii) the date the Obligations are accelerated in accordance with the terms of the Loan Agreement; or, (iv) the date on which the commitment terminates under the Loan Agreement. In connection with the Loan Agreement, DGSE granted a security interest in the respective personal property of each of its subsidiaries. The loan carried an interest rate of two percent (2%) per annum for all funds borrowed pursuant to the Loan Agreement. Proceeds received by DGSE pursuant to the terms of the Loan Agreement were used for repayment of all outstanding financial obligations incurred in connection with that certain Loan Agreement, dated as of December 22, 2005, between DGSE and Texas Capital Bank, N.A., and additional proceeds are expected were used as working capital in the ordinary course of business. On February 25, 2014, we entered into a one-year extension of the Loan Agreement with NTR, extending the termination date to August 1, 2015, and on February 4, 2015, we entered into an additional two-year extension, extending the termination date to August 1, 2017, unless earlier terminated as described above. All other terms of the agreement remained the same. As of March 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, the outstanding balance of the NTR loan was \$0 and \$0 respectively. In the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company paid NTR \$0 and \$11,388, respectively, in interest on the Company's line of credit.

On December 9, 2016, DGSE and NTR Metals closed the transactions contemplated by the Elemental Agreement whereby DGSE issued NTR 5,948,560 shares of common stock for \$0.41 per share in exchange for the cancellation and forgiveness of indebtedness and accrued interest totaling \$2,438,910.

In April 2013, DGSE moved its principal corporate offices to office space at 15850 Dallas Parkway, Suite 140, Dallas, Texas. This property is owned by an affiliate of Elemental and also serves as their headquarters. DGSE leased space in the building subject to a lease that expired in December 2015. The Company continued to pay this lease on a month-to-month basis with no increase in the rent until our new Midtown retail location was completed in December 2016. The Midtown location is large enough to facilitate the retail space and our corporate offices. In the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company recognized rent expense of \$0 and \$22,500, respectively, related to the space rented from Elemental.

#### **(9) Legal Proceedings**

In addition to what was disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016, in March we received notice from the Texas Comptroller that we would have a sales and use tax audit for the time period July 1, 2013 through December 31, 2016. We expect the process to take all of 2017 and at this time we are unable to determine if the Company has any sales tax exposure, therefore, we will not reserve for the audit.

#### **(10) Discontinued Operations**

During the first half of 2014, the Company elected to discontinue the operations of Southern Bullion, due to the lack of profitability and management's belief that it was unlikely that profitability would be reached in the foreseeable future. The significant change in the precious metals market in 2013, including a 30% decline in the spot price of gold since the acquisition of Southern Bullion in 2011, had a disproportionately negative impact on the customer traffic, transactional volume and profitability of the Southern Bullion operations. As a result, during 2013, the Southern Bullion operations generated a net loss of approximately \$1.9 million. The operating results for all Southern Bullion operations have been reclassified as discontinued operations in the consolidated statements of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016.

	For the Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2017	2016
Revenue:		
Sales	\$ -	\$ -
Cost of goods sold	-	-
Gross margin	-	-
Expenses:		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	-	-
Depreciation	-	-
Total Expenses	-	-
Operating income (loss)		
Other expense (income)	-	-
Other income, net	-	-
Interest (income) expense	-	-
Income from discontinued operations before income taxes	-	-
Income tax expense	-	(97 )
Income from discontinued operations after income taxes	-	(97 )

As of March 31, 2017, the Company believes it has now recognized all material expenses related to the closure of Southern Bullion operations.

## **ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.**

*Unless the context indicates otherwise, references to “we,” “us,” “our,” “the Company” and “DGSE” refer to the consolidated business operations of DGSE Companies, Inc., the parent, and all of its direct and indirect subsidiaries.*

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2017 (this “Form 10-Q”), including but not limited to: (i) the section of this Form 10-Q entitled “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and

Results of Operations;” (ii) information concerning our business prospects or future financial performance, anticipated revenues, expenses, profitability or other financial items; and, (iii) our strategies, plans and objectives, together with other statements that are not historical facts, includes “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”). Forward-looking statements generally can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology, such as “may,” “will,” “would,” “expect,” “intend,” “could,” “estimate,” “should,” “anticipate” or “believe.” We intend that all forward-looking statements be subject to the safe harbors created by these laws. All statements other than statements of historical information provided herein are forward-looking statements based on current expectations regarding important risk factors. Many of these risks and uncertainties are beyond our ability to control, and, in many cases, we cannot predict all of the risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements. Actual results could differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements, and readers should not regard those statements as a representation by us or any other person that the results expressed in the statements will be achieved. Important risk factors that could cause results or events to differ from current expectations are described under the section of this Form 10-Q entitled “Risk Factors” and elsewhere in this Form 10-Q as well as under the section entitled “Risk Factors” in our Fiscal 2016 10-K. These factors are not intended to be an all-encompassing list of risks and uncertainties that may affect the operations, performance, development and results of our business. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. We undertake no obligation to release publicly the results of any revisions to these forward-looking statements, which may be made to reflect events or circumstances after the date thereon, including without limitation, changes in our business strategy or planned capital expenditures, store growth plans, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

## Results of Operations

### *General*

We buy and sell jewelry, diamonds, fine watches, rare coins and currency, precious metal bullion products, scrap gold, silver, platinum and palladium as well as collectibles and other valuables. Our customers include individual consumers, dealers and institutions throughout the United States.

Many aspects of our business are impacted by changes in precious metals pricing which rise and fall based upon global supply and demand dynamics, with the greatest impact relating to gold. Fiscal 2016 saw the pricing of gold trending upward for the first half of the year and then falling losing seventy eight percent (78%) of that gain by year's end, according to the London PM Fix. During the first quarter of 2017, gold prices rose again gaining ten percent (10%) by the end of the quarter. Despite this general unstableness in the price of gold, the demand for physical gold bars and coins increased worldwide during Fiscal 2016 and the first quarter of 2017 while the demand for jewelry firmed slightly. During the first quarter of 2017, gold prices started at \$1,062 per ounce on January 1, 2017, and rose to a price of \$1,242 per ounce on March 31, 2017. This closing price represents an increase of approximately ten percent (10%) for the quarter.

The market for buying and selling pre-owned or "scrap" gold has been negative during the past several years. Scrap gold purchases have historically been a critical profit engine for all of our locations, and our marketing strategy is aiming at making this, once again, a significant impact on our revenue, profitability and long-term growth plans.

Following a leadership change in mid-December 2016, we eschewed the unsuccessful strategies of recent years and returned to our roots: buying and selling jewelry and timepieces at exceptional prices. Our strategy is to be an information resource for clients, bringing transparency to purchase and sale transactions, and offer value and liquidity to those seeking to buy, sell or trade jewelry, watches, diamonds or coins.

The following table represents our historical operating results by categories:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2017			2016		
	Revenues	Gross Profit	Margin	Revenues	Gross Profit	Margin
Jewelry	\$4,586,936	\$1,350,370	29.4 %	\$3,281,551	\$1,046,633	31.9 %

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Bullion/Rare Coin	8,866,561	799,079	9.0 %	7,307,959	667,200	9.1 %
Scrap	1,277,724	203,732	15.9 %	766,558	255,027	33.3 %
Other	392,624	141,060	35.9 %	418,448	180,183	43.1 %
	\$15,123,845	\$2,494,241	16.5 %	\$11,774,516	\$2,149,043	18.3 %

*Three Months Ended March 31, 2017 compared to Three Months Ended March 31, 2016*

**Revenues.** Revenues related to continuing operations increased by \$3,349,329 or 28%, during the three months ended March 31, 2017, to \$15,123,845, as compared to \$11,774,516 during the same period in 2016. Every major sales category was up compared to the three months ended March 31, 2016, jewelry sales increased 40%, bullion and rare coin was up 21%, scrap sales were up 67%, with other categories down slightly, compared with the prior year quarter.

**Gross Profit.** For the three months ended March 31, 2017, gross profit increased by \$345,198, or 16%, to \$2,494,241, as compared to \$2,149,043 during the same period in 2016. The increase in gross profit dollars was due primarily to increased sales. As a percentage of revenue, gross margin decreased to 16.5% compared to 18.3% in the same period for the prior year.

**Selling, General and Administrative Expenses.** For the three months ended March 31, 2017, Selling, General and Administrative (“SG&A”) expenses decreased by \$505,523, or 19%, to \$2,118,833, as compared to \$2,624,356 during the same period in 2016. The decrease in SG&A was achieved through efforts to reduce expenses at all levels, including store-level operating expenses, and corporate overhead.

**Depreciation and Amortization.** For the three months ended March 31, 2017, depreciation and amortization expense was \$85,242 compared to \$99,764 for the same period in 2016, a decrease of \$14,522, or 15%. This decrease in depreciation is primarily associated with assets that are fully depreciated although still in service.

**Interest Expense.** For the three months ended March 31, 2017, interest expense was \$49,840, a decrease of \$45,367, or 48%, compared to \$95,207 during the same period in 2016. The decrease is primarily due to the sale and subsequent payoff of the mortgage attached to the building and land located on Reeder Road and the debt to equity exchange between DGSE and NTR Metals, LLC eliminating an outstanding debt of \$2,303,359 that bore an interest rate of two percent (2%) per annum. The Reeder Road mortgage bore an interest rate of six and seventy one-hundredths of one percent (6.70%) per annum and when sold July 2016 eliminated a mortgage of \$1,517,106.

**Income (Loss) from Discontinued Operations.** For the three months ended March 31, 2017, the Company incurred \$0 income or loss related to discontinued operations. The results for the three months ended March 31, 2016, the Company incurred state tax expense of \$97 related to discontinued operations. The expense related to the Southern Bullion locations closed in 2014.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

During the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, cash flows used in operating activities totaled \$911,817 and \$178,799, respectively, an increase of \$733,018. Cash used in operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2017, was driven largely by the reduction of accounts payable and accrued expenses of \$1,011,559, the increase of prepaid expenses of \$264,297, and the increase of inventories of \$156,391, offset by an increase in customer deposits and other liabilities of \$92,728, a reduction of trade account receivables of \$92,398 and the net income from continuing operations of \$219,536. Cash used in operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2016, was driven largely by the net loss from continuing operations of \$690,331, the increase in inventories of

\$684,498, offset by an increase of customer deposits and other liabilities of \$1,198,860.

During the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, cash flows used in investing activities totaled \$33,750 and \$14,706, respectively, an increase of \$19,044. The use of cash in investing activities during the three months ended March 31, 2017 was the result of the continuing buildout expenses to the Midtown location at 13022 Preston Road, Dallas, Texas.

During the three months ended March 31, 2017 and 2016, cash flows used in financing activities totaled \$4,287 and \$37,111 respectively, a reduction of \$32,824. The use of cash in financing activities during the period ending March 31, 2016 was primarily the result of repayment of debt and payments on capital lease obligations.

We expect our capital expenditures to total approximately \$180,000 during the next twelve months. These expenditures will be largely driven by the purchase of a new point-of-sale system. The new point-of-sale system is currently being designed and built specifically for DGSE and estimated to be implemented by August 2017. As of March 31, 2017, there were no commitments outstanding, except for the POS system, for capital expenditures.

We have historically renewed, extended or replaced short-term debt as it matures and management believes that we will be able to continue to do so in the near future.

From time to time, we have adjusted our inventory levels to meet seasonal demand or in order to meet working capital requirements. Management believes that if additional working capital is required, additional loans can be obtained from individuals or from commercial banks. If necessary, inventory levels may be adjusted in order to meet unforeseen working capital requirements.



On July 19, 2012, we entered into the Loan Agreement with NTR, an affiliate of DGSE's majority stockholder Elemetal, pursuant to which NTR, agreed to provide us with a guidance line of revolving credit in an amount up to \$7,500,000. The Loan Agreement anticipated termination—at which point all amounts outstanding thereunder would be due and payable (such amounts, the “Obligations”)—upon the earlier of: (i) August 1, 2014; (ii) the date that is twelve months after we receive notice from NTR demanding the repayment of the Obligations; (iii) the date the Obligations are accelerated in accordance with the terms of the Loan Agreement; or (iv) the date on which the commitment terminates under the Loan Agreement. In connection with the Loan Agreement, we granted a security interest in the respective personal property of each of its subsidiaries. The loan carried an interest rate of two percent (2%) per annum for all funds borrowed pursuant to the Loan Agreement. Proceeds received by us pursuant to the terms of the Loan Agreement were used for repayment of all outstanding financial obligations incurred in connection with that certain Loan Agreement, dated as of December 22, 2005, between DGSE and Texas Capital Bank, and additional proceeds have been used as working capital in the ordinary course of business. We incurred debt issuance costs associated with the Loan Agreement totaling \$56,150. The debt issuance costs were included in other assets in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet and were amortized to interest expense on a straight-line basis over two years, and have been completely amortized. On February 25, 2014, we entered into a one-year extension of the Loan Agreement with NTR, extending the termination date to August 1, 2015, and on February 4, 2015, we entered into an additional two-year extension, extending the termination date to August 1, 2017, unless earlier terminated as described above. No debt issuance costs were incurred in relation to these extensions. All other terms of the agreement remained the same. As of March 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, we had outstanding balances of \$0 and \$0, respectively, drawn on the NTR credit facility.

On December 9, 2016, DGSE and NTR Metals closed the transactions contemplated by the Elemetal Agreement whereby DGSE issued NTR 5,948,560 shares of common stock for \$0.41 per share in exchange for the cancellation and forgiveness of indebtedness and accrued interest totaling \$2,438,910.

On July 15, 2014, we received final notice from the Texas Comptroller of its consent to a payment agreement to pay amounts due by us under the Texas Comptroller's decision (the “Decision”) in connection with the 2010 Sales Tax Audit (the “Payment Agreement”). As more fully discussed in the Legal Proceeding section of our Fiscal 2015 10-K, pursuant to the terms of the Payment Agreement, we agreed to pay approximately \$1.1 million in taxes, penalties and interest. Pursuant to the terms of the Payment Agreement, we were to pay the agreed amount provided in the Decision over an 18-month period, which began with an initial payment of \$325,000 in June 2014, followed by monthly payments of \$47,000 until all agreed tax amounts, penalty and accrued interest are paid. This expense was fully accrued in Fiscal 2014, but based on the terms of the Payment Agreement, DGSE made payments of \$47,000 per month through all of 2015. The final payment of \$47,000 was submitted to the Texas Comptroller in January 2016 to fully satisfy the indebtedness associated with the 2010 Sale Tax Audit.

The Texas Comptroller conducted a second sales and use tax audit of our operations in Texas with respect to the period December 1, 2009 through June 30, 2013 and subsequently sent us a final assessment in November 2016 asserting that we owed an amount of \$220,007 plus penalties and interest of \$ 66,645 for a total payment due of \$286,652. On February 21, 2017, a Compromise and Settlement Agreement was reached between DGSE and the Comptroller's Office to pay a lump sum payment of \$261,490 on or before March 23, 2017. We paid the negotiated

amount on March 2, 2017.

In March 2017, we received notice from the Texas Comptroller's Office that we would have a sales and use tax audit for the time period July 1, 2013 through December 31, 2016. We expect the process to take all of 2017 and at this time we are unable to determine if the Company has any sales tax exposure, therefore, we will not reserve for the audit.

### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future effect on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources that is material to stockholders.

### **ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.**

Because we are a “smaller reporting company,” we are not required to disclose the information required by this item.

### **ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.**

#### *Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures*

We conducted an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”) and Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”), of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (The “Exchange Act”)) as of the end of the period covered by the report. Based on such evaluation, our CEO and CFO have concluded that, as of the end of such period, our disclosure controls and procedures are effective, at a reasonable assurance level, in recording, processing, summarizing and reporting, on a timely basis, information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act and are effective in ensuring that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our CEO and CFO, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure

#### *Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting*

For the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2017, there have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluations required by Rule 13a-15(d) or Rule 15d-15(d) under the Exchange Act that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## **PART II - OTHER INFORMATION**

### **ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.**

In addition to what was disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016, in March we received notice from the Texas Comptroller that we would have a sales and use tax audit for the time period

July 1, 2013 through December 31, 2016. We expect the process to take all of 2017 and at this time we are unable to determine if the Company has any sales tax exposure, therefore, we will not reserve for the audit.

## **ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS.**

For a full discussion of the risk factors applicable to our business, financial condition or results of operations, please see the section entitled “Risk Factors” in our Fiscal 2016 10-K. Other than as listed below, there have been no material changes in our risk factors from those disclosed in our Fiscal 2016 10-K. The risk factors disclosed in our Fiscal 2016 10-K, in addition to the other information set forth in this report, could materially affect our business, financial condition or results. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or results.

*We have received a notice of non-compliance with a continued listing standard from the NYSE MKT for our common stock. If we are unable to avoid the delisting of our common stock from the NYSE MKT, it could have a substantial negative effect on the liquidity and market price for our common stock, our access to capital markets and our liquidity and results of operations.*

On April 12, 2016, we received a notice from the NYSE MKT LLC (the “NYSE MKT”) indicating that we did not meet continued listing standards of the NYSE MKT. We are not in compliance with Section 1003(a)(ii) of the NYSE MKT Company Guide (the “Company Guide”) because we reported stockholders’ equity of \$3.87 million as of December 31, 2015 and had net losses in in three out of our four most recent fiscal years. As a result, we became subject to the procedures and requirements of Section 1009 of the Company Guide.

We submitted a plan of compliance to the NYSE MKT on May 12, 2016 addressing how we intend to regain compliance with the continued listing standards of the NYSE MKT. The plan was accepted, DGSE will be subject to periodic reviews and continued compliance with the plan. If DGSE is not in compliance with the plan as of October 12, 2017 or if DGSE does not make progress consistent with the plan, the NYSE MKT may initiate delisting procedures.

On April 20, 2017, DGSE Companies, Inc. (the “Company”) was notified by the NYSE MKT LLC (the “MKT”) that the Company continues to be in non-compliance with certain MKT continued listing standards relating to stockholders’ equity. Specifically, the Company is not in compliance with Section 1003(a)(iii) of the NYSE MKT Company Guide (requiring stockholders’ equity of \$6.0 million or more if it has reported losses from continuing operations and/or net losses in its five most recent fiscal years) and Section 1003(a)(ii) (requiring stockholders’ equity of \$4.0 million or more if it has reported losses from continuing operations and/or net losses in its four most recent fiscal years). As of December 31, 2016, the Company had stockholders’ equity of approximately \$5.9 million and net losses in its five most recent fiscal years ended December 31, 2016.

As previously reported, the Company submitted a plan to regain compliance with MKT listing standards. Each quarter we update the MKT on the progress of our plan. As of March 31, 2017, we are above the compliance threshold of six (6) million in Stockholders’ Equity but the MKT’s guidelines state we are required to be above that threshold two consecutive quarters to be considered in compliance.

If our common stock ultimately were to be delisted for any reason, it could negatively impact us by (i) reducing the liquidity and market price of our common stock; and (ii) reducing the number of investors willing to hold or acquire our common stock, which could negatively impact our ability to raise equity financing, which could negatively affect our liquidity and results of operations.

## **ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS.**

None.

## **ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES.**

None.

## **ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES.**

None.

## **ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION.**

None.

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**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS.**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Filed Herein</b>	<b>Incorporated by Reference</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Date Filed with SEC</b>	<b>Exhibit Number</b>
3.1	Articles of Incorporation dated September 17, 1965		X	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.1
3.2	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated October 14, 1981		X	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.2
3.3	Certificate of Resolution, dated October 14, 1981		X	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.3
3.4	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated July 15, 1986		X	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.4
3.5	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated August 23, 1998		X	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.5
3.6	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated June 26, 1992		X	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.6
3.7	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated June 26, 2001		X	8-K	July 3, 2001	1.0
3.8	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation, dated May 22, 2007		X	8-K	May 31, 2007	3.1
3.9	By-laws, dated March 2, 1992		X	8-A12G	June 23, 1999	3.7
3.10	Amendment to By-laws, dated September 4, 2015		X	8-K	September 11, 2015	3.1
3.11	Amendment to By-laws, dated October 9, 2015		X	8-K	October 9, 2015	3.1
4.1	Specimen Common Stock Certificate		X	S-4	January 6, 2007	4.1
4.2	Warrant to Purchase Shares of Common Stock of DGSE Companies, Inc. issued to Elemetal, LLC dated December 9, 2016		X	8-K	December 13, 2016	4.1
10.1	Form of Indemnification Agreement between DGSE Companies, Inc. and each executive officer and director of DGSE		X	8-K	February 12, 2016	10.1
31.1	Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 implementing Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 by John R. Loftus	X				

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31.2	Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 implementing Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 by Bret A. Pedersen	X				
32.1	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 by John R. Loftus	X				
32.2	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 by Bret A. Pedersen	X				
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document	X				
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document	X				
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Calculation Linkbase Document	X				
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Definition Linkbase Document	X				
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Label Linkbase Document	X				
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Presentation Linkbase Document	X				



**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 thereunto duly authorized.

**DGSE COMPANIES, INC.**

(Registrant)

Date: May 15, 2017    By: /s/ JOHN R. LOFTUS  
John R. Loftus  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: May 15, 2017    /s/ BRET A. PEDERSEN  
Bret A. Pedersen  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)