#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 10-Q/A-1 Amendment No. 1 TO REPORT ON FORM 10-0

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2002

OR

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

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

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Commission file number Q4823

ACME UNITED CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

CONNECTICUT \_\_\_\_\_

06-0236700 \_\_\_\_\_

(State or other jurisdiction of

(I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

1931 BLACK ROCK TURNPIKE, Fairfield, Connecticut

06825

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 332-7330

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 | |

Registrant had 3,397,251 shares outstanding as of October 15, 2002 of its \$2.50 par value Common Stock.

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#### AMENDMENTS TO 10-Q

This amendment No. 1 to Form 10-Q ("Amendment No. 1") is being filed for the purpose of providing additional information. Specifically, Item 3, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk and Item 4, Controls and Procedures, are being added to Part I.

#### AMENDED AND RESTATED FORM 10-0:

The following sets forth the amended and restated Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2002, giving effect to all the changes contained in this Amendment No. 1 to the Form 10-Q:

> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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#### ACME UNITED CORPORATION

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#### PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### ACME UNITED CORPORATION

### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

(all amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	September 30 2002		
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents		\$ 172	
Accounts receivable, less allowance	7,927	6,439	
Inventories:			
Finished goods		6,554	
Work in process		404	
Raw materials and supplies	1,431	1,845	
	6,592	8,803	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	747	807	
Deferred income taxes	241	241	
Total current assets	16,101	16,462	
Property, plant and equipment:			
Land	187	170	
Buildings	2,215	2,072	
Machinery and equipment		5,610	
	8.450	7,852	
Less accumulated depreciation		5,594	
	2.440	2,258	
Other assets		1,296	
Goodwill	89	157	
Total assets	\$ 19,925	\$ 20,173	

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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#### ACME UNITED CORPORATION

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS - continued  $({\tt UNAUDITED})$  (all amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	September 30 2002	December 31 2001	
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities: Notes payable	\$ 448	\$ 464	
Accounts payable Other accrued liabilities	1,457 1,945	2,038 2,821	
Current portion of long-term debt	2,578	2,377	
Total current liabilities Long-term debt, less current portion	6,428 3,635	7,700 2,875	

Deferred income taxes Other	258 241	521 405
Total liabilities	10,562	11,501
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Common stock, par value \$2.50: authorized 8,000,000 shares; issued 3,613,312 shares,		
including treasury stock	9,033	9,033
Treasury stock, at cost 216,061 shares in 2002 and		
203,261 shares in 2001	(985)	(937)
Additional paid-in capital	2,038	2,038
Retained earnings	748	129
Accumulated other comprehensive loss:		
Translation adjustment	(1,424)	(1,470)
Derivative financial instrument losses	(47)	(121)
Total stockholders' equity	9,363	8,672
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 19,925	\$ 20,173

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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# ACME UNITED CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(all amounts in thousands of dollars, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended September 30		Nine Months Ended September 30	
	2002	2001	2002	2001
Net sales	\$ 7,867	\$ 8,265	\$ 24,020	\$ 25,070
Costs and expenses: Cost of goods sold: Before inventory write-off related to restructuring Inventory write-off related to restructuring	5,204	5,543	15,843 206	
Selling, general and administrative expenses Restructuring charges	5,204 2,688 -	5,543 2,085 -	16,049 7,023 349	17,233 6,174
	7,892		23,421	
Income (loss) before non operating items Non operating items:	(25)			,
Interest expense Other (income) expense		211 8		
		219		
Income (loss) before income taxes Income tax (benefit) expense	(104) (374)		333 (286)	
Net income Other comprehensive (expense) income -	270	405	619	1,100
Foreign currency translation Cumulative effect of change in accounting for derivative financial instruments	130	(30)	46	(77) (104)
Change in fair value of derivative financial instrument less deferred income taxes of \$13 and \$42 for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2002	29	(52)	74	
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale marketable equity security  Comprehensive income	 S 429	(274)  S 49	 \$ 739	 \$ 816
completensive income			=======================================	
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.31
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.30
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding- denominator used for basic per share computations Weighted average number of dilutive stock options outstanding	3 <b>,</b> 402	3,490 114	3,406 184	
Denominator used for diluted per share computations				

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements

Nine Months Ended

## ACME UNITED CORPORATION CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

(all amounts in thousands of dollars)

	September 30	
	2002	2001
Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$ 619	\$ 1,100
Adjustments to reconcile net income  to net cash used by operating activities:		
Depreciation	348	505
Amortization	93	101
Deferred income taxes	(276)	
Gain on sale of marketable equity securities	=	(475)
Non-cash restructuring charges	300	
Gain on sale of property, plant, and equipment	(37)	_
Loss on disposals of property, plant, and equipment Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	-	334
Accounts receivable	(1,504)	(2,846)
Inventories	2,005	1,325
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	60	(383)
Other assets	(31)	(50)
Accounts payable	(596)	144
Other accrued liabilities	(1,030)	(113)
Total adjustments		(1,458)
Net cash used by operating activities	(49)	(358)
Investing Activities:		
Capital expenditures		(202)
Proceeds from the sales of property, plant, and equipment	37	140
Proceeds from sale of marketable equity securities	- 	475
Net cash (used) provided by investing activities		413
Financing Activities:		
Net short-term borrowings	971	886
Payments of long-term debt	(9)	(59)
Debt issuance costs	(60)	(27)
Purchase of 12,800 Common Shares in 2002 and 55,200		
Common Shares in 2001 for treasury	(48)	(161)
Net cash provided by financing activities	854	639
Effect of exchange rate changes	46	(77)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	422	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	172	22
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period		\$ 639

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements

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Notes to CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED Financial Statements

(UNAUDITED)

Note 1 -- Basis of Presentation

In the opinion of management, the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements include all adjustments necessary to present fairly the financial position, results of operations and cash flows. However, the financial

statements do not include all of the disclosures normally required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America or those normally made in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K. Please refer to the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 for such disclosures. The condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2001 was derived from the audited consolidated balance sheet as of that date. The results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year.

The Company has reclassified certain amounts in prior periods to conform to the current presentation.

#### Note 2 -- Contingencies

The Company has been involved in certain environmental and other matters. Additionally, the Company has been involved in numerous legal actions relating to the use of certain latex products, which the Company distributes, but does not manufacture. The Company is one of many defendants. The Company has been released from the majority of the lawsuits. While two lawsuits remain, they are still in preliminary stages and it has not been determined whether the Company's products were involved. Based on information available, the Company believes there will not be a material adverse impact on financial position, results of operations, or liquidity, from these matters, either individually or in aggregate.

#### Note 3 -- Restructuring Charges

Through the third quarter of 2002, approximately \$555,000 was charged against earnings as a result of certain strategic and operating changes initiated by the Company's management related to liquidating Acme United Limited (AUL), a subsidiary located in the United Kingdom. The restructuring charges consisted of a write-down of inventory of \$206,000, accounting and legal costs of \$95,000, lease cancellation costs of \$90,000, a write-off of goodwill of \$69,000, severance costs of \$55,000, other closing costs of \$22,000, a write-off of uncollectible account receivable of \$9,000 and write-offs of equipment of \$9,000. Approximately \$36,000 remained in accrued restructuring charges at September 30, 2002 primarily related to accounting and legal costs. During the first nine months of 2002, the Company terminated five employees in the UK and paid severance costs related to those terminations of \$55,000. There will be no further terminations or severance costs related to the restructuring. Also, approximately \$59,000 of accounting and legal costs have been paid.

#### Note 4 -- Change in Accounting Estimate

The Company changed its estimated effective income tax rate in the third quarter as a result of a reduction in the anticipated annual taxable income in the US. As a result, the Company recorded a benefit for the change in estimate of approximately \$395,000 (\$.12 a share) in the third quarter. The income tax benefit is primarily due to income tax benefits in the US attributed to the liquidation of AUL.

#### Note 5 -- Debt

On August 2, 2002, the Company entered into a new revolving loan agreement with Wachovia Bank, N.A.. This agreement allows for borrowings up to a maximum of \$10,000,000 based on a formula, which applies specific percentages to balances of accounts receivable and inventory. Interest is payable monthly and is charged at the LIBOR rate plus 1.75 percent. All outstanding borrowings are due on July 31, 2005. The Company also transferred its interest rate swap agreement, which fixes the effective interest rate at 7.18 percent for \$3,500,000 of debt under the agreement. The swap agreement expires January 19, 2003.

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#### Note 6 -- New Accounting Standards

As of January 1, 2002, the Company adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets (FAS 142) and as such no longer amortizes goodwill but rather tests it annually for impairment. There was no impairment of goodwill at January 1, 2002. Had Statement No. 142 been in effect as of the beginning of 2001, amortization expense for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2001 would have been reduced by \$7,000 and \$21,000, respectively, increasing net income by the same amount.

As of January 1, 2002, the Company also adopted the Emerging Issues Task Force

consensus No. 00-25, Vendor Income Statement Characterization of Consideration Paid to a Reseller of a Vendor's Products (EITF 00-25). As such, the Company recognizes consideration paid to a reseller of its product as a reduction of the selling price of its products and, therefore, reduces revenue in the Company's statement of operations. The adoption of EITF 00-25 had no effect on net income. Selling, general and administrative expenses for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2001 have been reclassified to conform to the new classification resulting in a \$749,000 and \$2,536,000 decrease of selling, general and administrative expenses and net sales for these respective periods.

As of January 1, 2001, the Company adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, which was issued in June 1998 and its amendments Statements 137, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities—Deferral of the Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 133, and 138, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Certain Hedging Activities, issued in June 1999 and June 2000, respectively (collectively referred to as Statement 133).

As a result of adopting Statement 133, the Company recognizes all derivative financial instruments, such as interest rate swap contracts and foreign exchange contracts, in the consolidated financial statements at fair value regardless of the purpose or intent for holding the instrument. Changes in the fair value of derivative financial instruments are either recognized periodically in income or in shareholders' equity as a component of comprehensive income depending on whether the derivative financial instrument qualifies for hedge accounting, and if so, whether it qualifies as a fair value hedge or cash flow hedge. Generally, changes in fair values of derivatives accounted for as fair value hedges are recorded in income along with the portions of the changes in the fair values of the hedged items that relate to the hedged risk(s). Changes in fair values of derivatives accounted for as cash flow hedges, to the extent they are effective as hedges, are recorded in other comprehensive income net of deferred taxes. Changes in fair value of derivatives used as hedges of the net investment in foreign operations are reported in other comprehensive income as part of the cumulative translation adjustment. Changes in fair values of derivatives not qualifying as hedges are reported in income.

The adoption of Statement 133, resulted in a cumulative effect of an accounting change of \$104,277 decrease to other comprehensive income.

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#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF

#### FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

For the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2002

Results of Operations

Special Event

During the second quarter of 2002, the Company initiated liquidation procedures for Acme United Limited (AUL), a subsidiary located in the United Kingdom. For the year ended December 31, 2001, AUL recorded a net loss of \$495,000 on net sales of \$2.0 million, representing a sales decline of approximately \$1.2 million or 38% from the prior year. Through September 2002, AUL recorded a net loss of approximately \$222,000 before one time restructuring charges of \$555,000. The restructuring charges are comprised mainly of severance, lease termination costs, and inventory write-offs.

Net Sales

Traditionally, the Company's sales are stronger in the second and third quarters, and weaker in the first and fourth quarters of the fiscal year due to the seasonal nature of the business specific to the back-to-school season. Consolidated net sales for the quarter ended September 30, 2002 were \$7,867,000 compared with \$8,265,000 for 2001, a 5% decrease. Net sales for the first nine months of 2002 were \$24,020,000 compared with \$25,070,000 for 2001, a 4% decrease. The sales decrease was mainly driven by a sales decline of 55% in the United Kingdom as the business was liquidated. Domestic sales were 1% higher in the first nine months of 2002 compared with the same period in 2001.

Gross Profit

The gross profit for the third quarter of 2002 was \$2,663,000 (33.9% of net sales) compared to \$2,722,000 (32.9% of net sales) for the third quarter of 2001. Gross profit for the first nine months of 2002 was 33.2% of net sales compared to 31.3% in the same period of 2001. Excluding the inventory write-down associated with the AUL liquidation gross profit was 34.0% of net sales for the first nine months of 2002. The introduction of new products and improved operating efficiencies in the USA were the main reasons for the improved gross margins.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses for the third quarter of 2002 were \$2,688,000 (34.2% of net sales) compared with \$2,085,000 (25.6% of net sales) for the same period of 2001, an increase of \$603,000. Major contributors to the spending increase were market research, new product development, fees in connection with the new global debt facility and one-time personnel expenses. SG&A expenses were 29.2% of net sales for the first nine months of 2002 versus 24.6% in the comparable period of 2001. The increase is primarily attributable to the same issues mentioned for the third quarter of 2002.

Interest Expense

Interest expense for the first nine months of 2002 was \$487,000, compared with \$621,000 for 2001, a \$134,000 decrease. This is mainly attributable to the decline in debt. Total debt declined to \$6.6 million at September 30, 2002 compared to \$8.3 million at September 30, 2001.

Income Taxes

The Company changed its estimated effective income tax rate in the third quarter as a result of a reduction in the anticipated annual taxable income in the US. As a result, the Company recorded a benefit for the change in estimate of approximately \$395,000 (\$.12 a share) in the third quarter. The income tax benefit is primarily due to income tax benefits in the US attributed to the liquidation of AUL.

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Net Income

Net income for the third quarter of 2002 was \$270,000, or 8 cents per share (diluted), compared to a net income of \$405,000, or 11 cents per share (diluted) for the same period of 2001. Net income for the first nine months of 2002 was \$619,000, or 17 cents per share (diluted), compared to a net income of \$1,100,000, or 30 cents per share (diluted) for the same period of 2001.

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#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF

#### FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS-Continued

For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2002

Financial Condition

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company's working capital, current ratio and long-term debt to equity ratio follow:

Sep	tember 30, 2002	December 31, 2001
Working capital	\$9,673,000	\$8,762,000
Current ratio	2.51 to 1	2.14 to 1
Long term debt to equity ratio	.39	.33

During the first nine months of 2002, total debt increased by \$962,000 compared to total debt at December 31, 2001 principally as a result of net additional short-term borrowings to fund higher accounts receivable due to seasonal sales

On August 2, 2002, the Company entered into a new revolving loan agreement with Wachovia Bank, N.A. This agreement allows for borrowings up to a maximum of \$10,000,000 based on a formula, which applies specific percentages to balances of accounts receivable and inventory. Interest is payable monthly and is charged at the LIBOR rate plus 1.75 percent. All outstanding borrowings are due on July 31, 2005. The Company also transferred its interest rate swap agreement to Wachovia Bank, N.A., which fixes the effective interest rate to 7.18 percent for \$3.5 million of debt through January 19, 2003.

Cash expected to be generated from operating activities, together with funds available under its existing loan agreement, are expected, under current conditions, to be sufficient to finance the Company's planned operations over the next twelve months. Over that same period, the Company does not expect to make significant investments in plant, property, and equipment.

Safe Harbor for Forward-looking Statements

Forward-looking statements in this report, including without limitation, statements related to the Company's plans, strategies, objectives, expectations, intentions and adequacy of resources, are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Investors are cautioned that such forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties including without limitation the following: (i) the Company's plans, strategies, objectives, expectations and intentions are subject to change at any time at the discretion of the Company; (ii) the Company's plans and results of operations will be affected by the Company's ability to manage its growth and inventory; and (iii) other risks and uncertainties indicated from time to time in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF

FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS-Continued For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2002

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk

There are no material changes in reported market risks since our most recent filing on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001.

#### Item 4. Controls and Procedures

As of a date within 90 days prior to the date of the filing of this report, our chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have reviewed and evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, which included inquiries made to certain other of our employees. Based on their evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have each concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective and sufficient to ensure that we record, process, summarize and report information required to be disclosed by us in our periodic reports filed under the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms. Subsequent to the date of their evaluation, there have not been any significant changes in our internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls, including any corrective action with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

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PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1 -- Legal Proceedings

None.

Item 2 -- Changes in Securities

None.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Management

None

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

None

Item 5 -- Other Information

None.

Item 6 -- Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

Exhibit 99.1 and 99.2 Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

Form 8-K was filed by the Company on September 27, 2002.

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#### 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.

ACME UNITED CORPORATION

By /s/ WALTER C. JOHNSEN

Walter C. Johnsen
President and
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: January 8, 2003

By /s/ PAUL G. DRISCOLL

Paul G. Driscoll Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: January 8, 2003

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CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

- I, WALTER C. JOHNSEN, certify that:
- I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Acme United Corporation;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue

statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;

- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and have:
  - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being reported;
  - b) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to filing date of this quarterly report September 30, 2002; and
  - c) presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of September 30, 2002;
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors:
  - a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
  - any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and
- 6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this quarterly report whether there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

By /s/ WALTER C. JOHNSEN

Walter C. Johnsen
President and
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: January 8, 2003

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CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

- I, PAUL G. DRISCOLL, certify that:
- I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Acme United Corporation;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material

respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;

- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and have:
  - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being reported;
  - evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date 90 days prior to filing date of this quarterly report September 30, 2002; and
  - c) presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of September 30, 2002;
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors:
  - a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
  - any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and
- 6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this quarterly report whether there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

By /s/ PAUL G. DRISCOLL

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Paul G. Driscoll Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: January 8, 2003

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Exhibit 99.1

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

The undersigned officer of Acme United Corporation (the "Company") hereby certifies to my knowledge that the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2002 (the "Report"), as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof, fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(b), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and that the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company. This certification is provided solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and shall not be deemed to be a part of the Report or "filed" for any purpose whatsoever.

/s/ WALTER C. JOHNSEN

Dated: January 8, 2003

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Exhibit 99.2

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

The undersigned officer of Acme United Corporation (the "Company") hereby certifies to my knowledge that the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2002 (the "Report"), as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof, fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(b), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and that the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company. This certification is provided solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and shall not be deemed to be a part of the Report or "filed" for any purpose whatsoever.

By /s/ PAUL G. DRISCOLL

Paul G. Driscoll
Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: January 8, 2003

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