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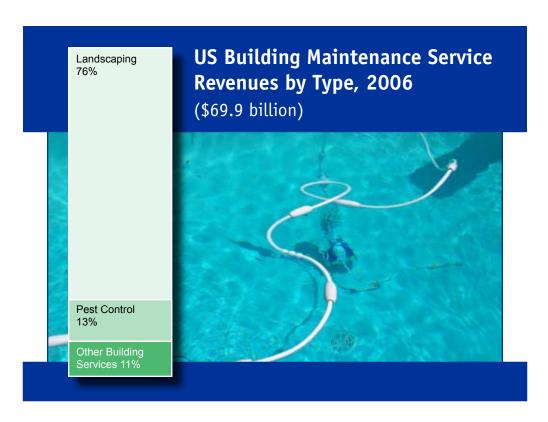
US revenues to grow 5.6% annually through 2011

Revenues for building maintenance services (performed on a contract-basis only) are forecast to advance 5.6 percent per year to \$91.6 billion in 2011. Growth will be aided by ongoing increases in both the number of households and the number of business establishments. Increasing availability and affordability of building maintenance services are anticipated to aid demand. However, competition will remain fierce in many service segments, including the large landscaping market, limiting firms' ability to raise prices.

Building maintenance services include landscaping, pest control, exterior building cleaning, swimming pool cleaning, snowplowing and other (e.g., HVAC and restroom deodorizing). Barriers to entry are low, with most segments being highly labor-intensive and requiring little fixed investment. For instance, a start-up land-scaping company often needs little more than a truck and a lawnmower. New pest control and swimming pool firms face the most barriers, including insurance and licensing requirements.

Changing demographics to support increasing revenues

The shift away from "do-it-yourself" to "do-it-for-me" building maintenance will persist, particularly in the residential market. Changes in demographics will support increasing building maintenance



service revenues, as the number of dualincome households rises and the US population ages. Dual-income families often do not have the time or the inclination to perform building maintenance tasks, and therefore contract out these services. The growing number of baby boomers in the US generally have the financial wherewithal to use professional services on a routine basis. In addition, these individuals may not have the physical ability to maintain their homes as they once did, creating demand for contract building maintenance services. Nevertheless, a cooldown in the new construction market from historical highs between 2001 to 2006 will limit residential gains.

Nonresidential market to benefit from outsourcing

The nonresidential market is expected to benefit from the ongoing trend toward outsourcing noncore functions to cut costs. While the office market has already seen much of this shift, others such as institutional, commercial and industrial will continue to see contract service growth. Strong new nonresidential construction activity will also expand the potential for contract services. Despite these factors, the use of in-house personnel in many nonresidential markets (e.g., retail establishments and lodging facilities) will continue to hamper growth, as businesses seek to control quality of service and flexibility of scheduling.

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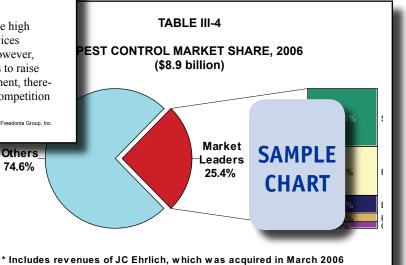
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Revenues for building maintenance services in the resid ket are forecast to advance 5.8 percent annually through 2011 to \$57.7 billion. Building maintenance service revenues will be supported by the growing number of dual-income families that not only have less time to devote to home maintenance tasks, but are also better able to afford to contract with a professional service provider. In addition, the aging of the US population will aid demand for professional services as well, as these homeowners are not physically able to care for their homes as they once did but still wish to keep a high standard of living. The number of households is expected to continue to grow through 2011, expanding the potential market for building maintenance services in the residential segment. However, the new single-family housing market is projected to cool through 2011, limiting revenue gains.

Price competition is a factor in the residential market. The high level of price competition has made building maintenance services increasingly affordable to a larger number of homeowners. However, this price competition will limit the ability of service providers to raise prices, particularly in the low-end residential landscaping segment, therefore restraining value growth. Furthermore, despite the price competition

TABLE III-3 LAWN & GARDEN SERVICE REVENUES BY MARKET (million dollars) 1996 2001 2006 2011 2016 Item Gross Domestic Product (bil \$) \$ services/000\$ GDP Lawn & Garden Landscaping Residential Nonresidential **SAMPLE** 000\$ revenues/establishment **TABLE** Lawn & Garden Establishments (000) employees/establishment Lawn & Garden Employees (000) % lawn & garden Landscaping Revenues (mil \$)



Others

74.6%

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TABLE V-14 WEST BUILDING MAINTENANCE SERVICE **REVENUES BY SUBREGION & MARKET** (million dollars) 1996 2001 2006 2011 2016 Item West Nonresidential Space (bil sq ft) \$ services/000 sq ft West Building Maintenance Services By Subregion: Mountain **SAMPLE** Pacific By Market: **TABLE** Residential Nonresidential: Institutional Office Commercial Industrial Other Nonresidential

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The Company participates in the US building maintenance service market via the SCOTTS LAWNSERVICE segment, which generated FY 2006 sales of \$206 million. SCOTTS LAWNSERVICE offers a wide range of lawn care, tree and shrub care, external pest control, and related services under the SCOTTS LAWNSERVICE umbrella brand name. These services are provided to residential customers in the US through a network of company-owned branches and independent franchises. The network comprised 77 company-operated locations in 44 US metropolitan markets, as well as 82 independent franchises in various secondary markets, as of September 2006. SCOTTS LAWN-SERVICE's principal competitor in the US lawn care service market is TruGreen ChemLawn (Memphis, Tennessee), a segment of Service-Master Company (Downers Grove, Illinois). In addition to its residential customers, Scotts Miracle-Gro manufactures and markets a broad

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related services

"Through 2011, revenues for building maintenance services in the West are forecast to advance 6.1 percent per year to \$21 billion. Over the forecast period, advances will be driven by strong population growth and economic activity, both of which are projected to be the second fastest growth rates in the US (just behind the South). The West is also forecast to post the strongest gains in the size of the housing stock. Expansion of the building maintenance service market will also be supported by ..."

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