

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 21, 2005

V. F. Corporation  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Pennsylvania (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	1-5256 (Commission File Number)	23-1180120 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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105 Corporate Center Boulevard Greensboro, North Carolina (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	27408 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code 336-424-6000

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02, "Results of Operations and Financial Condition," and Item 7.01, "Regulation FD Disclosure."

On October 21, 2005, VF Corporation issued a press release setting forth its third-quarter 2005 earnings. A copy of VF's press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99 and hereby incorporated by reference.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

The following is furnished as an exhibit to this report:

99 VF Corporation press release dated October 21, 2005.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

V.F. CORPORATION

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(Registrant)

By: /s/ Robert K. Shearer

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Robert K. Shearer  
Senior Vice President and Chief  
Financial Officer  
(Chief Financial Officer)

Date: October 21, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
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99	VF Corporate press release dated October 21, 2005

VF Reports Record Third Quarter Sales  
and Earnings and Increases Dividend; Performance Reflects Continuing  
Shift toward Higher Growth, Higher Margin Businesses

GREENSBORO, N.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 21, 2005--VF Corporation  
(NYSE: VFC):

- EPS up 15% on record sales
- Gross margins up more than one full percentage point to 41.5%
- Operating margins hit 16.2% versus 14.0% in '04 period
- Quarterly dividend increased by 7% to \$.29 per share
- Another record year expected in 2006

Information regarding VF's third quarter conference call webcast today can be found at the end of this release.

VF Corporation (NYSE: VFC), a global leader in branded apparel, today announced record results for its third quarter ended October 1, 2005. All per share amounts are presented on a diluted basis.

Net income increased 17% to \$181.9 million from \$155.4 million, with earnings per share rising 15% to \$1.59 from \$1.38. Last year's third quarter earnings included an \$.08 per share impact from the recognition of certain costs related to the disposition of its Playwear business. Sales were \$1,803.1 million in the quarter versus \$1,792.6 million reported in last year's third quarter. The Reef(R) and Holoubek businesses, which were acquired during 2005, added \$29 million to sales and were neutral to earnings.

For the first nine months of 2005, net income rose 16% to \$404.7 million from \$349.4 million, with earnings per share rising 14% to \$3.55 from \$3.11. Sales increased 7% to \$4,802.5 million from \$4,494.8 million.

"The transformation of our company, with the addition of higher growth, higher margin lifestyle brands, is paying off," said Mackey J. McDonald, chairman and chief executive officer. "Our growth engines - including our Outdoor and Sportswear coalitions - are providing us with a platform that will ensure healthy top and bottom line performance."

He continued, "We're very pleased with the outstanding strength in earnings and margins we achieved this quarter, with higher operating margins in nearly all our business coalitions. Strong volume gains in our higher margin Outdoor business, combined with excellent operational efficiencies, enabled us to deliver stronger than expected bottom line performance despite a variety of factors pressuring retail sales and consumer spending. These factors notwithstanding, we are disappointed with the sales performance in our Jeanswear and Intimates businesses and are working aggressively to reverse these trends."

#### Third Quarter Business Review

##### Jeanswear

Total Jeanswear sales, which include the Wrangler(R), Lee(R), Riders(R), Rustler(R), Wrangler Hero(R) and H.I.S(R) brands, declined 4% in the quarter, to \$689 million versus \$714 million in last year's third quarter. Domestic jeanswear sales declined 7% in the quarter. This was primarily due to a significant decrease in our Lee(R) brand business reflecting the impact of recent retail consolidations as well as weakness in industry jeans sales across the mid-tier channel. International sales rose 4%, with strength in Canada, Mexico, Latin America and Asia. Profitability of our Jeanswear business continues to be very strong, with a 5% rise in operating income and an increase in operating margins of more than one full percentage point. We remain encouraged by the initial results of newer initiatives such as our Wrangler Jeans Co.(TM) shirt program, our Riders(R) Coppercollection(TM) and Aura from the Women at Wrangler(TM) lines for women, and premium Wrangler(R) brand products in specialty stores. We also recently launched a new campaign to drive awareness of the fit attributes of our Lee(R) brand women's jeans lines.

##### Outdoor

Our Outdoor business had another outstanding quarter in both sales and profitability, and we are excited about the growth prospects for all our Outdoor brands. Sales rose 14% in the quarter to \$521 million from \$457 million, with our newly acquired Reef(R) brand contributing \$18 million of the increase. Outdoor operating income rose 28%, with operating margins expanding to 21.5% from 19.1%, resulting from the strong volume gains and a sharp improvement in the profitability of our Vans(R) business during the quarter.

The North Face(R) brand continued its momentum, with sales up 23% in the quarter and increases across all product categories. Our owned retail stores are also performing very well, with comparable store sales in the U.S. running 17% above prior year levels. Spring 2006 bookings for the brand are extremely strong, up 30%.

Our Kipling(R) and Napapijri(R) brands also experienced solid sales growth in the quarter, with stable results across our Vans(R), JanSport(R) and Eastpak(R) brands.

We remain excited about the prospects for our Kipling(R) and Napapijri(R) brands. In September we opened a new Kipling(R) brand flagship store in London and have opened 16 stores internationally through our distributors in 2005. Year to date, we have experienced double-digit growth for our Kipling(R) brand in Spain, the UK and Germany. Spring bookings for our Napapijri(R) brand are up 18%, with particularly strong growth in Germany and France. Our newest store opened recently in Munich and we're looking forward to the opening of our first store in the U.S., in New York City, next spring.

Our Vans(R) brand continues to perform very well. Our new retail prototype store continues to show great promise, with comparable store sales up 22% year-to-date in these remodeled stores. We're committed to expanding our Vans(R) branded apparel business, and have launched the Vans(R) Core and Vault collections for spring of 2006.

The integration of our most recent acquisition, the Reef(R) brand, is on plan. Business trends for the brand are quite positive, with double-digit growth across all channels.

#### Intimate Apparel

We continued to experience difficult comparisons in our Intimate Apparel business, which includes our Vanity Fair(R), Vassarette(R), Lily of France(R), Bestform(R) and Curvation(R) brands. Sales declined 9% in the quarter, to \$213 million from \$235 million. As has been the case throughout 2005, the majority of the decline was in our private brands business. Operating income fell 35%, with operating margins dropping to 10.1% from 14.1%, as we continue to take actions to align costs and capacity. Sales comparisons are expected to improve in the fourth quarter, although margins will remain under pressure. Key organizational changes, a focus on driving new product success and actions taken to reduce product costs are expected to result in improved sales and profits in 2006.

#### Imagewear

Our Imagewear coalition reported a 5% sales increase in the quarter, to \$203 million from \$193 million. The increase in sales was a result of the January 2005 acquisition of the assets of Holoubek, a licensee of the Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Inc., which drove a double-digit sales gain in our licensed sports apparel business. Imagewear operating income rose 25%, with operating margins exceeding 18% in the current quarter.

#### Sportswear

Sales of our Sportswear businesses, which include the Nautica(R) and John Varvatos(R) brands, as well as Kipling(R) brand sales in North America, increased 2% in the quarter, to \$166 million from \$163 million. Sales comparisons reflect lower sales of distressed Nautica(R) brand products, which also contributed to improved operating margins. Sportswear operating income increased 32%, while operating margins reached nearly 18%.

We continue to gain market share in men's sportswear in department stores with our Nautica(R) brand. The productivity of our men's sportswear business at retail is improving, with sales per square foot expected to be up 10% in 2005. Spring 2006 bookings for our men's sportswear business are healthy, up 7%.

The John Varvatos(R) men's luxury business continued its strong sales growth in the quarter and we are looking forward to the opening of our new flagship store in New York City in November.

We are moving ahead aggressively with our expansion plans for our Kipling(R) brand in the U.S. and in September opened three new retail stores.

Overall gross margins for VF increased by more than one full percentage point in the quarter, to 41.5% from 40.2%, with improvements across most of our businesses. Operating margins also rose sharply in the quarter, to 16.2% from 14.0%. Operating margins in 2004 were impacted by a \$15 million loss on the disposal of our Playwear business. The income tax rate for the 2005 quarter rose to 33.9% from 33.4% due to expected settlements of prior year taxes.

Our balance sheet remains in excellent shape, and we ended the quarter with over \$200 million in cash. Inventories were up 11% over September 2004 levels, with \$21 million of the total increase of \$117 million due to the 2005 acquisitions. Debt as a percent of total capital was 27.5% at the end of the quarter, or 23.2% net of cash. We recently repaid \$300 million of long-term debt that came due at the beginning of the fourth quarter. During the quarter we repurchased one

million shares of common stock, bringing the total shares repurchased year-to-date to three million. We expect to repurchase an additional one million shares by year-end.

#### Outlook

We are maintaining our expectation for an increase in earnings of about 10% for the full year to approximately \$4.65 per share. Sales for 2005 should rise 5 to 6%, excluding any additional acquisitions. Anticipating a continuation of difficult retail conditions, we expect sales in the fourth quarter to rise about 2%, while earnings per share should be flat to up slightly over the same period a year ago.

"We're looking forward to wrapping up another record year in both sales and earnings, and to continuing the momentum into next year," said Mr. McDonald. "At the present time, we are optimistic that we can deliver another record year in 2006, with strong top and bottom line growth. However, we believe it prudent to continue to monitor retail conditions prior to providing specific sales and earnings guidance." The Company plans to provide an update on its Growth Plan and more specific financial guidance for 2006 in mid-December.

#### Dividend Increased

The Board of Directors declared an increase in the quarterly cash dividend rate of \$.02 to \$.29 per share. This marks the 15th consecutive year that the Company has increased its quarterly dividend rate. The cash dividend is payable on December 19, 2005 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on December 9, 2005.

#### Cautionary Statement on Forward-looking Statements

Certain statements included in this release are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the federal securities laws. Management cautions that forward-looking statements are not guarantees and that actual results could differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements. Important risk factors that could cause the actual results of operations or financial condition of the Company to differ include, but are not limited to, the overall level of consumer spending for apparel; changes in trends in the segments of the market in which the Company competes; the financial strength and competitive conditions, including consolidation, of our customers and of our suppliers; actions of competitors, customers, suppliers and service providers that may impact the Company's business; the Company's ability to make and integrate acquisitions successfully; the Company's ability to achieve expected sales and earnings growth from ongoing businesses and acquisitions; the Company's ability to achieve its planned cost savings; natural disasters; terrorist actions; and the impact of economic and political factors in the markets where the Company competes, such as recession or changes in interest rates, currency exchange rates, price levels, capital market valuations and other factors over which the Company has no control. Investors are also directed to consider the risks and uncertainties discussed in documents filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### About the Company

VF Corporation is a leader in branded apparel including jeanswear, outdoor products, intimate apparel, image apparel and sportswear. Its principal brands include Lee(R), Wrangler(R), Riders(R), Rustler(R), Vanity Fair(R), Vassarette(R), Bestform(R), Lily of France(R), Nautica(R), John Varvatos(R), JanSport(R), Eastpak(R), The North Face(R), Vans(R), Reef(R), Napapijri(R), Kipling(R), Lee Sport(R) and Red Kap(R).

VF Corporation's press releases, annual report and other information can be accessed through the Company's home page, [www.vfc.com](http://www.vfc.com).

#### Webcast Information

VF will hold its third quarter conference call and webcast today at 8:30 a.m. ET. Interested parties should call (800)289-0529 domestic, or (913)981-5523 international, to access the call. You may also access this call via the Internet at [www.vfc.com](http://www.vfc.com). A replay will be available through November 3, 2005 and can be accessed by dialing (888)203-1112 domestic, and (719) 457-0820 international. The pass code is 6993994. A replay also can be accessed at the Company's web site at [www.vfc.com](http://www.vfc.com).

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended September		Nine Months Ended September	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
Net Sales	\$1,803,064	\$1,792,569	\$4,802,538	\$4,494,775
Costs and Operating Expenses				
Cost of goods sold	1,055,064	1,072,741	2,810,709	2,720,842
Marketing, administrative and general expenses	470,753	466,197	1,380,238	1,229,993
Royalty income and other	(15,218)	(12,751)	(38,440)	(37,359)
Loss on disposal of VF Playwear	-	14,978	-	7,561
	1,510,599	1,541,165	4,152,507	3,921,037
Operating Income	292,465	251,404	650,031	573,738
Other Income (Expense)				
Interest, net	(17,955)	(18,735)	(50,062)	(52,172)
Miscellaneous, net	819	838	801	1,956
	(17,136)	(17,897)	(49,261)	(50,216)
Income Before Income Taxes	275,329	233,507	600,770	523,522
Income Taxes	93,464	78,070	196,050	174,123
Net Income	\$181,865	\$155,437	\$404,720	\$349,399
Earnings Per Common Share				
Basic	\$1.63	\$1.41	\$3.63	\$3.18
Diluted	1.59	1.38	3.55	3.11
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding				
Basic	111,114	110,149	111,043	109,511
Diluted	114,099	113,034	114,099	112,232
Cash Dividends Per Common Share	\$0.27	\$0.26	\$0.81	\$0.78

Basis of presentation: VF operates and reports using a 52/53 week fiscal year ending on the Saturday closest to December 31 of each year. Similarly, the fiscal third quarter ends on the Saturday closest to September 30. For presentation purposes herein, all references to periods ended September 2005, December 2004 and September 2004 relate to the fiscal periods ended as of October 1, 2005, January 1, 2005 and October 2, 2004, respectively.

Reclassifications: Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform with the 2005 presentation.

VF CORPORATION  
Consolidated Balance Sheets  
(In thousands)

	September 2005	December 2004	September 2004
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and equivalents	\$215,549	\$485,507	\$182,007
Accounts receivable, net	950,649	751,582	923,610
Inventories	1,169,322	973,248	1,052,776
Other current assets	199,464	168,231	156,103
Total current assets	2,534,984	2,378,568	2,314,496
Property, Plant and Equipment	1,535,247	1,539,490	1,573,320

Less accumulated depreciation	978,079	967,236	998,052
	<u>557,168</u>	<u>572,254</u>	<u>575,268</u>
Intangible Assets	749,997	639,520	631,266
Goodwill	1,095,146	1,031,594	1,023,422
Other Assets	404,481	382,342	382,208
	<u>5,341,776</u>	<u>\$5,004,278</u>	<u>\$4,926,660</u>

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Current Liabilities			
Short-term borrowings	\$181,017	\$42,830	\$149,342
Current portion of long-term debt	333,665	401,232	401,078
Accounts payable	356,438	369,937	347,214
Accrued liabilities	602,113	558,215	544,971
	<u>1,473,233</u>	<u>1,372,214</u>	<u>1,442,605</u>
Total current liabilities	1,473,233	1,372,214	1,442,605
Long-term Debt	527,511	556,639	557,099
Other Liabilities	575,247	536,131	537,363
Commitments and Contingencies			
Redeemable Preferred Stock	24,083	26,053	26,702
Common Stockholders' Equity			
Common Stock	110,887	111,388	110,489
Additional paid-in capital	1,196,286	1,087,641	1,049,327
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(135,132)	(113,071)	(129,346)
Retained earnings	1,569,661	1,427,283	1,332,421
	<u>2,741,702</u>	<u>2,513,241</u>	<u>2,362,891</u>
Total common stockholders' equity	2,741,702	2,513,241	2,362,891
	<u>\$5,341,776</u>	<u>\$5,004,278</u>	<u>\$4,926,660</u>

VF CORPORATION  
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows  
(In thousands)

	Nine Months Ended September	
	2005	2004
Operating Activities		
Net income	\$404,720	\$349,399
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	72,348	81,686
Amortization of intangible assets	12,111	12,101
Other amortization	12,203	11,061
Provision for doubtful accounts	9,602	11,126
Pension funding in excess of expense	(24,536)	(10,912)
Other, net	(8,210)	(924)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:		
Accounts receivable	(199,095)	(223,879)
Inventories	(179,913)	(56,695)
Other current assets	(24,022)	2,013
Accounts payable	(16,094)	(12,535)
Accrued liabilities	98,962	135,888
	<u>158,076</u>	<u>298,329</u>
Cash provided by operating activities	158,076	298,329
Investing Activities		
Capital expenditures	(75,864)	(52,204)
Business acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(212,286)	(629,258)
Software purchases	(13,008)	(8,139)

Sale of VF Playwear business	6,667	4,517
Other, net	18,528	8,894
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Cash used by investing activities	(275,963)	(676,190)
Financing Activities		
Increase in short-term borrowings	136,464	61,634
Payments on long-term debt	(101,189)	(2,832)
Purchase of Common Stock	(175,136)	-
Cash dividends paid	(91,757)	(87,222)
Proceeds from issuance of Common Stock	92,751	77,973
Other, net	(181)	(456)
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Cash provided (used) by financing activities	(139,048)	49,097
Net Cash Used by Discontinued Operations	-	(3,320)
Effect of Foreign Currency Rate Changes on Cash	(13,023)	(694)
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Net Change in Cash and Equivalents	(269,958)	(332,778)
Cash and Equivalents -- Beginning of Year	485,507	514,785
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Cash and Equivalents -- End of Period	\$215,549	\$182,007
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VF CORPORATION  
Supplemental Financial Information  
Business Segment Information  
(In thousands)

	Three Months Ended September		Nine Months Ended September	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
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Coalition sales				
Jeanswear	\$688,513	\$713,850	\$1,991,840	\$2,008,177
Outdoor Apparel and Equipment	520,757	457,081	1,099,741	727,398
Intimate Apparel	213,281	234,579	663,573	718,806
Imagewear	202,753	192,529	570,618	538,995
Sportswear	166,338	163,333	445,354	409,712
Other	11,422	31,197	31,412	91,687
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Net sales	\$1,803,064	\$1,792,569	\$4,802,538	\$4,494,775
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Coalition profit				
Jeanswear	\$123,059	\$116,669	\$335,334	\$324,007
Outdoor Apparel and Equipment	111,968	87,241	186,801	122,686
Intimate Apparel	21,589	32,998	58,717	103,496
Imagewear	37,228	29,695	92,126	72,772
Sportswear	29,480	22,297	75,650	36,000
Other	(1,406)	(15,037)	(2,045)	(10,619)
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Total coalition profit	321,918	273,863	746,583	648,342
Corporate and other expenses	(28,634)	(21,621)	(95,751)	(72,648)
Interest, net	(17,955)	(18,735)	(50,062)	(52,172)
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Income before income taxes	\$275,329	\$233,507	\$600,770	\$523,522
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