# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 10-O

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2002, or

( ) TRANSITION REPORT PURSU	JANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934	
For the transition period from	to
Commission file num	ber 0-17272
TECHNE CORPO	PRATION
(Exact name of registrant as	specified in its charter)
MINNESOTA (State or other jurisdiction	41-1427402 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

614 MCKINLEY PLACE N.E. MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413 (Address of principal

(612) 379-8854

(Registrant's telephone number,

including area code) executive offices) (Zip Code)

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 ()

At April 30, 2002, 41,571,736 shares of the Company's Common Stock (par value \$.01) were outstanding.

#### ITEM 1 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# TECHNE CORPORATION & SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)

3/31/02 6/30/01

**ASSETS** 

Cash and cash equivalents \$ 26,141,806 \$ 21,267,791 Short-term available-for-sale investments 82,321,107 75,804,077 Trade accounts receivable (net) 17,149,923 15,894,048 Interest receivable 3,174,673 2,428,240 5,947,388 5,437,594 Inventories Deferred income taxes 2,941,000 2,720,000 970,806 639,759 Prepaid expenses

Total current assets 138,646,703 124,191,509

Property and equipment (net) 63,046,639 49,193,972 21,034,311 27,446,246 Intangible assets (net)

Deferred income taxes 4,667,000 4,128,000 Other long-term assets 11,315,560 10,565,386

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\$238,710,213 \$215,525,113

# LIABILITIES & STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Trade accounts payable \$ 2,439,503 \$ 3,477,072

Salaries, wages and related accounts payable 2,473,797 2,302,553 Other accounts payable and accrued expenses 6,418,155 6,155,189

Income taxes payable 2,451,844 3,071,982

Current portion of long-term debt 932,850 884,760

Total current liabilities 14,716,149 15,891,556

Royalty payable 980,750 923,000

Long-term debt, less current portion 17,341,940 18,050,289

Commitments and contingencies (Note D)

Common stock, par value \$.01 per share; authorized 100,000,000; issued and outstand-

ing 41,571,536 and 41,432,390, respectively 415,715 414,324

Additional paid-in capital 58,580,810 57,382,636 Retained earnings 147,933,312 121,209,686

Accumulated other comprehensive loss (1,258,463) (1,346,378)

Total stockholders' equity 205,671,374 177,660,268

\$238,710,213 \$215,525,113

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See notes to consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

# TECHNE CORPORATION & SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (Unaudited)

QUA	RTER END	DED	NINE MONTH	IS ENDED
	3/31/01		3/31/01	

Net sales \$34,285,276 \$30,240,889 \$95,264,853 \$84,651,118 Cost of sales 8,392,165 7,492,795 23,968,392 21,063,962

Gross margin 25,893,111 22,748,094 71,296,461 63,587,156

Operating expenses:

Selling, general and

administrative 4,526,706 4,551,285 13,896,498 13,180,533

Research and

development 4,442,057 3,857,116 12,741,064 10,720,325

Amortization of

intangible assets 2,137,312 2,222,313 6,411,935 6,666,940 Interest expense 323,719 338,843 997,243 1,042,477 Interest income (886,595) (904,975) (2,762,607) (2,425,191)

10,543,199 10,064,582 31,284,133 29,185,084

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Earnings before

income taxes 15,349,912 12,683,512 40,012,328 34,402,072 Income taxes 4,776,000 2,519,000 12,579,000 9,752,000

Net earnings \$10,573,912 \$10,164,512 \$27,433,328 \$24,650,072

Earnings per share:

Basic \$ 0.25 \$ 0.25 \$ 0.66 \$ 0.59 Diluted \$ 0.25 \$ 0.24 \$ 0.65 \$ 0.58

Weighted average

common shares outstanding:

Basic 41,544,110 41,452,109 41,488,383 41,441,347 42,524,992 42,530,383 42,531,964 42,710,247 Diluted

See notes to consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

# TECHNE CORPORATION & SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

NINE MONTHS ENDED

3/31/02 3/31/01

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

Net earnings \$ 27,433,328 \$ 24,650,072

Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net

cash provided by Operating activities:

Depreciation and amortization 9,439,663 9,434,430 Deferred income taxes (757,000) (232,000)

Other 1,372,025 642,684

Change in current assets and current

liabilities:

(Increase) decrease in:

Trade accounts and interest receivable (1,962,671) (2,138,885)

Inventories (505,363) (499,330)

Prepaid expenses (331,805) (545,020)

Increase (decrease) in:

Trade and other accounts payable (3,745,346) (2,462,187)170,001 (770,116) Salaries, wages and related accounts

Income taxes payable 15,090 5,162,911

Net cash provided by operating activities 31,127,922 33,242,559

CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:

Additions to property and equipment (13,942,179) (3,344,760)

Real estate deposit (1,999,000)

Purchase of short-term available-for-sale

investments (39,419,571) (44,329,044)

Proceeds from sale of short-term available-

for-sale investments 32,902,541 17,727,946 Increase in other long-term assets (3,034,103) (500,000)

Net cash used in investing activities (25,492,312) (30,445,858)

CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:

Issuance of common stock 328,873 758,992 Repurchase of common stock (485,010) (1,163,768) (660,259) (615,455) Payments on long-term debt

Net cash used in financing activities (816,396) (1,020,231)

Effect of exchange rate changes on cash 54,801 (510,663)-----

Net increase in cash and cash equivalents 4,874,015 1,265,807 Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period 21,267,791 17,356,108

Cash and cash equivalents at end of period \$26,141,806 \$18,621,915

See notes to consolidated financial statements (unaudited).

TECHNE CORPORATION & SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

#### A. BASIS OF PRESENTATION:

The unaudited consolidated financial statements of Techne Corporation and Subsidiaries (the Company) have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and with instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments which are, in the opinion of management, necessary to a fair presentation of the results for the interim periods presented. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature.

A summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Company is detailed in the Annual Report to Shareholders for fiscal 2001. The Company follows these policies in preparation of the interim unaudited consolidated financial statements. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been condensed or omitted. It is suggested that these unaudited consolidated financial statements be read in conjunction with the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes thereto for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001 included in the Company's Annual Report to Shareholders for fiscal 2001.

Certain consolidated balance sheet captions appearing in this interim report are as follows:

> 3/31/02 6/30/01

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable \$17,278,923 \$16,020,048 Less allowance for doubtful accounts 129,000 126,000

NET ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE \$17,149,923 \$15,894,048

**INVENTORIES** Raw materials \$ 2,774,847 \$ 2,552,179 Supplies 142,531 135,595 Finished goods 3,030,010 2,749,820

TOTAL INVENTORIES \$ 5,947,388 \$ 5,437,594

PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Land \$ 1,571,000 \$ 871,000

Buildings and improvements 63,485,835 48,906,991 Laboratory equipment 16,231,965 15,023,754 Office equipment 4,167,670 3,833,730 459,191

Leasehold improvements 462,597

85,919,067 69,094,666

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Less accumulated depreciation and amortization 22,872,428 19,900,694

NET PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT \$63,046,639 \$49,193,972

INTANGIBLE ASSETS

\$18,010,000 \$18,010,000 Customer list Technology licensing agreements 500,000 39,075,089 39,075,089 Goodwill

57,585,089 57,585,089

Less accumulated amortization 36,550,778 30,138,843

NET INTANGIBLE ASSETS \$21,034,311 \$27,446,246

In June 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 141, "Business Combinations" and SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets". SFAS No. 141 applies to all business combinations initiated after June 30, 2001 and prohibits the use of the pooling-of-interests method of accounting. There are also transition provisions provided which apply to business combinations completed before July 1, 2001 that were accounted for using the purchase method. Under SFAS No. 142, goodwill as well as other intangibles determined to have an infinite life will no longer be amortized; however, these assets will be reviewed for impairment on a periodic basis. SFAS No. 142 also

includes provisions for the reclassification of certain existing recognized intangibles as goodwill, reclassification of certain intangibles out of previously reported goodwill and the identification of reporting units for purposes of assessing potential future impairments of goodwill. The Company plans to adopt SFAS No. 142 on July 1, 2002. The Company is currently assessing, but has not yet determined, the impact of these statements on its financial position and results of operations. As of March 31, 2002, the Company had net goodwill and other intangible assets of approximately \$14.2 million and \$6.8 million, respectively.

In June 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations". SFAS No. 143 addresses financial accounting and reporting for obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets and the associated asset retirement costs. SFAS No. 143 applies to legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets that result from the acquisition, construction, development and/or the normal operations of a long-lived asset, except for certain obligations of lessees. SFAS No. 143 is effective for the Company in fiscal 2003. The Company is currently assessing, but has not yet determined, what impact, if any, this statement will have on its financial position or results of operations.

In August 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets". SFAS No. 144 addresses financial accounting and reporting for the impairment or disposal of long-lived assets and supersedes SFAS No 121, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to Be Disposed Of", and the accounting and reporting provisions of APB Opinion No. 30, "Reporting the Results of Operations-Reporting the Effects of Disposal of a Segment of a Business, and Extraordinary, Unusual and Infrequently Occurring Events and Transactions", for the disposal of a segment of a business (as previously defined in that Opinion). SFAS No. 144 is effective for the Company in fiscal 2003. The Company is currently assessing, but has not yet determined, what impact, if any, this statement will have on its financial position or results of operations.

# B. EARNINGS PER SHARE:

Shares used in the earnings per share computations are as follows:

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	QUARTER ENDED		D NI	NINE MONTHS END		
	3/31/02	3/31/01	3/31/02	3/31/01		
Weighted average common shares outstanding-basic 41,544,110 41,452,109 41,488,383 41,441,347 Dilutive effect of stock options and warrants 980,882 1,078,274 1,043,581 1,268,900						
Weighted average common shares outstanding-diluted 42,524,992 42,530,383 42,531,964 42,710,247						

NINE MONTHS ENDED

#### C. SEGMENT INFORMATION:

Following is financial information relating to the Company's operating segments:

	QUARTER ENDED		D NI	NE MONTHS ENDED
	3/31/02	3/31/01	3/31/02	3/31/01
External sales Hematology	. ,	,	, ,	11,103,610 \$10,434,272
Biotechnology R&D Systems				61,786,231 53,906,598 1 22,375,012 20,310,248
Total external sa	ales \$34	,285,276 \$3	30,240,889	\$95,264,853 \$84,651,118

Hematology \$ -- \$ -- \$ --

Biotechnology 4,586,030 3,940,320 12,532,307 11,225,897 R&D Systems Europe 17,865 31,500 47,300 68,882

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Total intersegment sales \$4,603,895 \$3,971,820 \$12,579,607 \$11,294,779

Earnings before income

taxes

Hematology \$ 1,068,211 \$ 861,258 \$ 3,462,170 \$ 3,309,908 Biotechnology 13,787,428 10,402,814 34,919,770 28,768,623 R&D Systems Europe 1,671,832 1,739,481 4,488,280 4,100,548 Corporate and other (1,177,559) (320,041) (2,857,892) (1,777,007)

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Total earnings before

income taxes \$15,349,912 \$12,683,512 \$40,012,328 \$34,402,072

#### D. CONTINGENCIES:

Amgen, Inc. (Amgen), in June 2000, presented invoices in the amount of \$28 million for materials provided to the Company over past years, allegedly pursuant to a contract under which no accounting or invoices were rendered for nine years. The Company brought a declaratory judgement action seeking to have the court declare that no amount is owed on the invoices and that Amgen had breached its contract with the Company. Amgen filed a counterclaim seeking the \$28 million plus interest and attorneys fees. On January 7, 2002 the United States District Court in St. Paul, Minnesota granted Amgen summary judgement on its claims in the amount of approximately \$28 million. Amgen's claims for interest and attorneys fees have not yet been heard. The Court stayed entry of judgement and retained jurisdiction over the Company's breach of contract claim which might affect the amount of the judgement. If final judgement is entered against it, the Company will appeal to the United States Eighth Curcuit Court of Appeals. Although the ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be known with certainty, management of the Company believes that it is reasonably possible (as defined by SFAS No. 5, "Accounting for Contingencies") that the Company will prevail in this matter. Accordingly, no provision has been made in the Company's financial statements. An unfavorable outcome to the litigation would not adversely impair the operations of the Company, but would have a material effect on net earnings for the period in which realized.

Portions of the Company's short-term available-for-sale investments were held in brokerage accounts carried by a clearing firm which in late September 2001 was placed in bankruptcy. The trustee appointed pursuant to the Securities Investor Protection Act released to the Company cash and securities representing approximately 90% of the total value of the accounts and has withheld securities and cash equivalents in the amount of approximately \$3.5 million pending resolution of the bankruptcy proceeding. Management believes that all of its securities and cash equivalents will be returned to the Company as the trustee has available the assets of customers' accounts, SIPC insurance and third party insurance. Accordingly, no impairment loss has been recognized at this time.

# E. INVESTMENT:

On August 2, 2001, the Company made an equity investment of \$3 million and entered into a research and license agreement with Discovery Genomics, Inc. (DGI) of Minneapolis, Minnesota. DGI was recently organized and holds licenses from the University of Minnesota to develop technologies used for functional genomics and the discovery of druggable targets. The Company acquired a 39% equity interest in DGI and warrants to acquire additional equity. The Company also received the rights to develop antibodies and immunoassay kits for proteins discovered by DGI and an exclusive, royalty free license to sell such products in the research market. The Company's investment in DGI is accounted for under the equity method of accounting. The Company's net investment in DGI was \$2,708,432 at March 31, 2002.

# F. REAL ESTATE ACQUISITION:

On March 15, 2002, the Company purchased property adjacent to its Minneapolis facility for approximately \$8.9 million. In fiscal 2000, the Company paid \$2

million and issued warrants to purchase 120,000 shares of common stock as a deposit on the acquisition. The warrants were valued at \$858,000. The remaining \$6 million of the purchase price was financed through cash on hand. In addition, the Company paid \$1,999,000 on March 15, 2002 as a nonrefundable deposit on an option, which expires in 2005, to purchase additional adjacent property. In fiscal 2000, the Company had paid an original \$1,000 deposit on this option.

# ITEM 2 - MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Results of Operations Quarter and Nine Months Ended March 31, 2002 vs. Quarter and Nine Months Ended March 31, 2001

#### Overview

Techne Corporation (Techne) has two operating subsidiaries: Research and Diagnostic Systems, Inc. (R&D Systems) located in Minneapolis, Minnesota and R&D Systems Europe Ltd. (R&D Europe) located in Abingdon, England. R&D Systems has two divisions: Biotechnology and Hematology. The Biotechnology Division's principal products are purified cytokines (proteins), antibodies and assay kits, which are sold primarily to biomedical researchers at pharmaceutical companies and academic and government research laboratories. The Hematology Division's principal products are whole blood hematology controls and calibrators which are sold to hospital and clinical laboratories to check the performance of their hematology instruments to assure the accuracy of hematology test results. R&D Europe sells R&D Systems' biotechnology products in Europe, both directly and through a sales subsidiary in Germany. The Company's foreign sales corporation, Techne Export Inc. was dissolved in April 2002.

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# Net Sales

Net sales for the quarter ended March 31, 2002 were \$34,285,276, an increase of \$4,044,387 (13%) from the quarter ended March 31, 2001. Sales for the nine months ended March 31, 2002 increased \$10,613,735 (13%) from \$84,651,118 to \$95,264,853. R&D Systems' Biotechnology Division sales increased \$3,302,174 (17%) and \$7,879,633 (15%) and R&D Systems' Hematology Division sales increased \$382,410 (12%) and \$669,338 (6%) for the quarter and nine months ended March 31, 2002, respectively. R&D Europe sales increased \$359,803 (5%) and \$2,064,764 (10%) for the quarter and nine months ended March 31, 2002. R&D Europe's sales growth was lower than normal for the quarter due to the timing of the Easter holiday. The Easter holiday occurred in March this year compared to April last year and, therefore, R&D Europe's fourth quarter fiscal 2002 sales should compare favorably to last year.

#### Gross Margins

Gross margins for the third quarter of fiscal 2002 were 75.5% compared to 75.2% for the same quarter in fiscal 2001. Gross margins for the nine months ended March 31, 2002 were 74.8% compared to 75.1% for the same period in fiscal 2001.

Biotechnology Division margins increased from 78.5% to 79.5% for the quarter and from 78.6% to 78.9% for the nine months ended March 31, 2002 as a result of manufacturing efficiencies. R&D Europe gross margins decreased from 39.3%

to 35.8% for the quarter and from 38.1% to 35.8% for the nine months ended March 31, 2002 as a result of exchange rate changes. Hematology Division gross margins increased from 40.9% to 41.5% for the quarter, but decreased from 44.9% to 43.0% for the nine months as a result of higher raw material costs in the second quarter of fiscal 2002. Blood costs increased significantly during the second quarter of fiscal 2002, but decreased back to more normal levels during the third quarter.

# Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased \$24,579 (1%) for the third quarter, but increased \$715,965 (5%) from the first nine months of last year. The decrease for the quarter was mainly due to the timing of the printing of the Biotechnology Division catalog. The catalog was printed and mailed in the second quarter of the current year compared to the third quarter of last year.

#### Research and Development Expenses

Research and development expenses increased \$584,941 (15%) and \$2,020,739 (19%) for the quarter and nine months ended March 31, 2002. Research and development expenses of R&D Systems increased \$34,955 (1%) and \$1,341,397 (13%) for the quarter and nine months, respectively. The R&D Systems research expense increase relates to products currently under development, many of which are expected to be released in fiscal 2002 and 2003. Products currently under development include both biotechnology and hematology products. The Biotechnology Division has released approximately 800 new products in the current fiscal year compared to 567 in all of fiscal year 2001. Research expenses recorded by the Company related to its investment in ChemoCentryx, Inc. increased \$409,194 and \$387,775, respectively, for the quarter and nine months ended March 31, 2002. Research expenses recorded by the Company related to its investment in Discovery Genomics, Inc. were \$140,793 and \$291,568, respectively, for the quarter and nine months ended March 31, 2002.

# Net Earnings

Earnings before income taxes increased \$2,666,400 from \$12,683,512 in the third quarter of fiscal 2001 to \$15,349,912 in the third quarter of fiscal 2002. Earnings before taxes for the nine months increased \$5,610,256 from \$34,402,072 to \$40,012,328. The increase in earnings before income taxes was due primarily to the increase in sales partially offset by increased research and development expenses.

Income taxes for the quarter and nine months ended March 31, 2002 were provided at a rate of approximately 31% of consolidated pretax earnings compared to 20% and 28% for the prior year periods. The tax rate for fiscal 2001 was affected by a one-time \$1.4 million credit in the third quarter as a result of the close-out of pending issues related to a state income tax examination for fiscal years 1996 through 1999. U.S. federal taxes have been reduced by the credit for research and development expenditures and the benefit for foreign sales. Foreign income taxes have been provided at rates which approximate the tax rates in the United Kingdom and Germany.

# Liquidity and Capital Resources

At March 31, 2002, cash and cash equivalents and short-term available-for-sale investments were \$108,462,913 compared to \$97,071,868 at June 30, 2001. The Company believes it can meet its future cash, working capital and capital addition requirements through currently available funds, cash generated from operations and maturities of short-term available-for-sale investments. The Company has an unsecured line of credit of \$750,000. The interest rate on the line of credit is at prime. There were no borrowings on the line in the prior or current fiscal years.

#### Cash Flows From Operating Activities

The Company generated cash of \$31,127,922 from operating activities in the

first nine months of fiscal 2002 compared to \$33,242,559 for the first nine months of fiscal 2001. The decrease was mainly the result of increased income tax payments in the current fiscal year.

# Cash Flows From Investing Activities

Capital expenditures for fixed assets for the first nine months of fiscal 2002 and 2001 were \$13,942,179 and \$3,344,760, respectively. Included in fiscal 2002 capital additions are \$5.1 million for construction of a parking ramp that is expected to be completed in June 2002, \$6 million for the property acquisition (see above Note F. Real Estate Acquisition), \$492,000 for the renovation of the purchased property and \$209,000 for the construction of an infill connecting the purchased property to the Company's current facility. Also included in the fiscal 2002 and 2001 capital additions were \$504,000 and \$1,739,000, respectively, for building improvements related to remodeling of facilities by R&D Systems. The remaining capital additions in the first nine months of fiscal fiscal 2002 and 2001 were for laboratory and computer equipment. Remaining expenditures in fiscal 2002 for equipment, building improvements, and the completion of the parking ramp are expected to cost approximately \$1.3 million and are expected to be financed through currently available funds and cash generated from operating activities. Costs to renovate the property purchased in fiscal 2002 are estimated at approximately \$10.2 million with the renovation expected to be completed in mid fiscal 2003. The construction of the infill connecting the buildings is expected to be completed in mid fiscal 2003 and costs are estimated at approximately \$13.5 million. The renovation costs and construction of the infill are expected to be financed through currently available funds, cash generated from operating activities and maturities of short-term available-for-sale investments.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2002 and March 31, 2001, short-term available-for-sale investments increased by \$6,517,030 and \$26,601,098, respectively. The Company's investment policy is to place excess cash in short-term bonds and other short-term investments. The objective of this policy is to obtain the highest possible return with minimal risk, while keeping the funds accessible.

During the first nine months of fiscal 2002, the Company invested \$3 million in Discovery Genomics, Inc.

#### Cash Flows From Financing Activities

Cash of \$328,873 and \$758,992 was received during the nine months ended March 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively, for the exercise of options for 86,800 and 86,216 shares of common stock. During the first nine months of fiscal 2002 and 2001 options for 80,000 and 1,000 shares of common stock were exercised by the surrender of 7,654 and 224 shares of the Company's common stock with fair market values of \$224,968 and \$8,552, respectively.

During the first nine months of fiscal 2002 and 2001, the Company purchased and retired 20,000 and 40,000 shares of Company common stock at a market value of \$485,010 and \$1,163,768, respectively. The Board of Directors has authorized the Company, subject to market conditions and share price, to purchase and retire up to \$20 million of its common stock. From the start of the repurchase program through April 30, 2002, 1,361,200 shares have been purchased at a market value of \$10,402,892.

The Company has never paid cash dividends and has no plans to do so in fiscal 2002.

#### **New Accounting Pronouncements**

In June 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued SFAS No. 141, "Business Combinations" and SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets". SFAS No. 141 applies to all business combinations initiated after June 30, 2001 and prohibits the use of the pooling-of-interests method of accounting. There are also transition provisions provided that apply to business combinations completed before July 1, 2001 that were accounted for using the purchase method. Under SFAS No. 142, goodwill as well as other intangibles determined to have an infinite life will no longer be amortized; however, these assets will be reviewed for impairment on a periodic basis. SFAS No. 142

also includes provisions for the reclassification of certain existing recognized intangibles as goodwill, reclassification of certain intangibles out of previously reported goodwill and the identification of reporting units for purposes of assessing potential future impairments of goodwill. The Company plans to adopt SFAS No. 142 on July 1, 2002. The Company is currently assessing, but has not yet determined, the impact of these statements on its financial position and results of operations. As of March 31, 2002, the Company had net goodwill and other intangible assets of approximately \$14.2 million and \$6.8 million, respectively.

In June 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations". SFAS No. 143 addresses financial accounting and reporting for obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets and the associated asset retirement costs. SFAS No. 143 applies to legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets that result from the acquisition, construction, development and/or the normal operations of a long-lived asset, except for certain obligations of lessees. SFAS No. 143 is effective for the Company in fiscal 2003. The Company is currently assessing, but has not yet determined, what impact, if any, this statement will have on its financial position or results of operations.

In August 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets". SFAS No. 144 addresses financial accounting and reporting for the impairment or disposal of long-lived assets and supersedes SFAS No 121, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to Be Disposed Of", and the accounting and reporting provisions of APB Opinion No. 30, "Reporting the Results of Operations-Reporting the Effects of Disposal of a Segment of a Business, and Extraordinary, Unusual and Infrequently Occurring Events and Transactions", for the disposal of a segment of a business (as previously defined in that Opinion). SFAS No. 144 is effective for the Company in fiscal 2003. The Company is currently assessing, but has not yet determined, what impact, if any, this statement will have on its financial position or results of operations.

# ITEM 3 - QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

At March 31, 2002, the Company had an investment portfolio of fixed income securities, excluding those classified as cash and cash equivalents, of \$82,321,107. These securities, like all fixed income instruments, are subject to interest rate risk and will decline in value if market interest rates increase. However, the Company has the ability to hold its fixed income investments until maturity and therefore the Company does not expect any such increase in interest rates to have an adverse impact on income or cash flows.

The Company operates internationally, and thus is subject to potentially adverse movements in foreign currency rate changes. The Company does not enter into foreign exchange forward contracts to reduce its exposure to foreign currency rate changes on intercompany foreign currency denominated balance sheet positions.

# PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1 - LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Amgen, Inc. (Amgen), in June 2000, presented invoices in the amount of \$28 million for materials provided to the Company over past years, allegedly pursuant to a contract under which no accounting or invoices were rendered for nine years. The Company brought a declaratory judgement action seeking to have the court declare that no amount is owed on the invoices and that Amgen had breached its contract with the Company. Amgen filed a counterclaim seeking the \$28 million plus interest and attorneys fees. On January 7, 2002 the United States District Court in St. Paul, Minnesota granted Amgen summary judgement on its claims in the amount of approximately \$28 million. Amgen's claims for interest and attorneys fees have not yet been heard. The Court stayed entry of judgement and retained jurisdiction over the Company's breach of contract claim which might affect the amount of the judgement. If final judgement is entered against it, the Company will appeal to the United States Eighth Curcuit Court of Appeals. Although the ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be known with certainty, management of the Company believes that it is reasonably possible (as defined by SFAS No. 5, "Accounting for Contingencies") that the Company will

prevail in this matter. Accordingly, no provision has been made in the Company's financial statements. An unfavorable outcome to the litigation would not adversely impair the operations of the Company, but would have a material effect on net earnings for the period in which realized.

#### ITEM 2 - CHANGES IN SECURITIES

None

#### ITEM 3 - DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None

#### ITEM 4 - SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO VOTE OF SHAREHOLDERS

None

#### ITEM 5 - OTHER INFORMATION

Forward Looking Information and Cautionary Statements: Statements in this filing, and elsewhere, which look forward in time involve risks and uncertainties which may affect the actual results of operations. The following important factors, among others, have affected and, in the future, could affect the Company's actual results: the outcome of litigation involving the Company (including the litigation with Amgen, Inc.), the introduction and acceptance of new biotechnology and hematology products, the levels and particular directions of research into cytokines by the Company's customers, the impact of the growing number of producers of cytokine research products and related price competition, the retention of hematology OEM (private label) and proficiency survey business, the impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates, and the costs and results of research and product development efforts of the Company and of companies in which the Company has invested or with which it has formed strategic relationships. For additional information concerning such factors, see the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

# ITEM 6 - EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

#### A. EXHIBITS

See exhibit index immediately following signature page.

# B. REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

No reports on Form 8-K were filed during the quarter ended March 31, 2002.

#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

TECHNE CORPORATION (Company)

Date: May 10, 2002 /s/ Thomas E. Oland

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President, Chief Executive and

Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX TO FORM 10-Q

# TECHNE CORPORATION

Exhibit # Description

10.1 Warranty Deed for purchase of certain property in Hennepin County, Minnesota

#### WARRANTY DEED

STATE DEED TAX DUE HEREON:	\$

Date: March 15, 2002

FOR VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, Hillcrest Development, a limited partnership under the laws of the State of Minnesota, Grantor, hereby conveys and warrants to Techne Corporation, a corporation under the laws of the State of Minnesota, Grantee, real property in Hennepin County, Minnesota, described as follows:

See Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Seller certifies that Seller does not know of any wells on the subject property.

Together with all hereditaments and appurtenances belonging thereto, subject to the exceptions set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

#### HILLCREST DEVELOPMENT

/s/ Scott M. Tankenoff

By Scott M. Tankenoff, general partner

STATE OF MINNESOTA ) )ss. COUNTY OF HENNEPIN )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 15th day of March, 2002, by Scott M. Tankenoff, the general partner of Hillcrest Development, a Minnesota limited partnership, on behalf of the limited partnership.

/s/ James L. Erickson

Notary Public Tax Statements for the real property described in this instrument should be sent to (Include name and address of

Grantee):

THIS INSTRUMENT DRAFTED BY:

Maslon Edelman Borman & Brand, LLP (KBB) Techne Corporation 3300 Wells Fargo Center 614 McKinley Place NE 90 South Seventh Street Minneapolis, MN 55413 Minneapolis, MN 55402-2534

(612)672-8200

# **EXHIBIT A**

# LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Parcel A:

Lot 1, Block 1, Dannys Addition, Hennepin County, Minnesota.

Parcel B:

Lot 18, Auditor's Subdivision Number 268, Hennepin County, Minnesota,

and together with	appurtenant easements contained in Document No. 1178824, that portion of vacated Cleveland Street Northeast which y reason of the vacation thereof.
Parcel C:	
Lot 26, Auditor's	Subdivision Number 268, Hennepin County, Minnesota.
Parcel D:	
Minnesota, descri Block 12, "Minne of the Northeast of Southwest line of on a line which is Southwesterly lin of said lot 33 to the	3, Auditor's Subdivision Number 268, Hennepin County, ibed as follows: Beginning at a point in the North line of eapolis Industrial District", which point is 815.96 feet West corner of said Block 12; thence South parallel with the said Lot 33 a distance of 368.03 feet; thence Southwesterly perpendicular to the Southwest line of Said Lot 33 to said e of Lot 33; thence Northwesterly on the Southwesterly line he North line of Block 12; thence Easterly on the North o point of beginning.
E	XHIBIT B
PER	MITTED ENCUMBRANCES
16, and 17, Audit of Easement Agre	on-exclusive, parking easement for the benefit of Lots 8, 9, or's Subdivision Number 258, as contained in Declaration element dated July 1, 1999, filed July 9, 1999, as Document id Easement expires January 15, 2003.
Cleveland Street	utility rights of Northern States Power Company in vacated as described in Resolution 99-R-185, a certified copy of une 29, 1999, as Document No. 3174847.
contiguous square building located of non-profit corpora 1999, by and betw partnership, as La corporation, as Te Conditional Right 29, 1999, as Docu	onditional Right of First Opportunity to lease up to 15,000 to feet of rentable space on the first floor of the on Parcel B in favor of Ucare Minnesota, a Minnesota ation, contained in an unrecorded lease dated April 14, ween Hillcrest Development, a Minnesota limited andlord, and Ucare Minnesota, a Minnesota non-profit enant, as evidenced of record by Memorandum of the first Opportunity dated June 22, 1999, filed June ament No. 3175099 and as amended dated, 2002,, 2002 as Document No
	minerals and mineral rights by the State of Minnesota as ial on Certificate of Title No. 861446.
Company as cont	the benefit of The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway ained in Quit Claim Deed dated December 15, 1998, filed 9, as Document No. 7047446 in the office of the Hennepin
6. Matters that co	uld be disclosed by a survey, if any.
	ngress and Egress dated March 15, 2002 executed by and Development and Techne Corporation over a portion of vacated

8. Easement for the maintenance, use and operation of railroad trackage in favor of MT Properties, Inc., as contained in Quit Claim Deed dated November 6, 2001, filed \_\_\_\_\_\_, as Document No. \_\_\_\_\_.

(As to Parcel D)

Cleveland Street.