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Annual Report Under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For The Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007.

Transition Report Under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____.

Commission File Number 000-29649

FLEXIBLE SOLUTIONS INTERNATIONAL, INC.
(Name of Small Business Issuer in Its Charter)

Nevada
(State of Incorporation)

91-1922863
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

615 Discovery Street
Victoria, British Columbia, CANADA
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

V8T 5G4
(Zip Code)

(250) 477-9969
(Issuer's Telephone Number)

None
(Securities registered under Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act)

Common Stock, \$0.001 par value
(Securities registered under Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act)

Check whether the issuer is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

Check whether the issuer (1) filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act during the past 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 No

Check if there is no disclosure of delinquent filers in response to Item 405 of Regulation S-B contained in this form, and no disclosure will be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-KSB or any amendment to this Form 10-KSB.

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

State issuer's revenues for its most recent fiscal year: \$7,431,791.

State the aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates computed by reference to the price at which the common equity was sold, or the average bid and asked price of such common equity, as of a specified date within the past 60 days: As of March 4, 2007, the aggregate market value of the Company's common stock held by non-affiliates was approximately \$22,390,584 based on the closing price for shares of the registrant's common stock on the American Stock Exchange for that date.

State the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's class of common equity, as of the latest practicable date: As of March 4, 2008, there were 14,057,567 shares of the Company's common stock outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

No documents are incorporated by reference.

Transitional Small Business Disclosure Format (check one):

Yes No

FLEXIBLE SOLUTIONS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

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CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Annual Report on Form 10-KSB for the year ended December 31, 2007 (“Annual Report”), including the Notes to Audited Consolidated Financial Statements, contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, those statements relating to development of new products, our financial condition, our ability to increase distribution of our products, integration of businesses we acquire and disposition of any of our current business. Forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology, such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “expect,” “anticipate,” “estimate,” “continue,” “plans,” “intends,” or other similar terminology. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Therefore, actual outcomes and results may differ materially from what is anticipated or forecasted in these forward-looking statements due to numerous factors, including, but not limited to, our ability to generate or obtain sufficient working capital to continue our operations, changes in demand for our products, the timing of customer orders and deliveries and the impact of competitive products and pricing. In addition, such statements could be affected by general industry and market conditions and growth rates, and general domestic and international economic conditions.

Although we believe that the expectations reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable and achievable, such statements involve risks and uncertainties and no assurance can be given that our actual results will be consistent with these forward-looking statements. Except as otherwise required by applicable securities laws, we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, changed circumstances or any other reason, after the date of this Annual Report.

PART I

ItemDescription of Business

1.

We were incorporated as Flexible Solutions, Ltd., a British Columbia corporation inter-provincially registered in Alberta, on January 26, 1991. On May 12, 1998, we merged Flexible Solutions Ltd. into Flexible Solutions International, Inc., a Nevada corporation. In connection with this merger, we issued 7,000,000 shares of common stock to the former shareholders of Flexible Solutions Ltd. in exchange for all of the outstanding shares of Flexible Solutions Ltd.

In June 2004 we purchased 52 U.S. and 139 International patents, as well as a 56,780 sq. ft. manufacturing plant near Chicago, Illinois from the bankruptcy estate of Donlar Corporation (“Donlar”) for \$6.15 million. The patents that we acquired from Donlar relate to water-soluble chemicals (“TPAs”) which prevent corrosion and scaling in water pipes used in the petroleum, chemical, utility and mining industries. TPAs are also used to enhance fertilizers and improve crop yields and as additives for household laundry detergents, consumer care products and pesticides.

We operate through five wholly-owned subsidiaries: Flexible Solutions Ltd., WaterSavr Global Solutions Inc., NanoChem Solutions Inc., Nano Detect Technologies Inc., and Seahorse Systems Inc. Unless otherwise indicated, all references to our business include the operations of these subsidiaries.

In November 2007, we purchased a building and 3.3 acres of land in Taber, Alberta, Canada. The price paid was CDN\$1,325,000 and was financed by cash of \$660,000 and an interest free mortgage which is due on Nov 30, 2012. The building will be renovated and operated as a fermentation facility for the production of aspartic acid, a key ingredient in TPAs. Aspartic acid made in Taber will be shipped to IL for finishing.

Our website is www.flexiblesolutions.com

Our Products

HEAT\$AVR®/ECO\$AVR

Our studies indicate that approximately 70% of the energy lost from a swimming pool occurs through water evaporation. HEAT\$AVR® is a chemical product for use in swimming pools and spas that forms a thin, transparent layer on the water’s surface. The transparent layer slows the evaporation of water, allowing the water to retain a higher temperature for a longer period of time and thereby reducing the energy required to maintain the desired temperature of the water. We have received reports from our commercial customers documenting energy savings of between \$2,400 to \$6,000 per year when using HEAT\$AVR®.

ECO\$AVR® is a patented, disposable dispenser designed for the residential pool and spa market. ECO\$AVR® is made of molded plastic in the form of a ten-inch long colorful fish that is filled with enough HEAT\$AVR® to cover the surface of a 400 sq. ft. swimming pool for about one month. The HEAT\$AVR® solution inside the ECO\$AVR® escapes into the water and rises to the surface to form a transparent layer on the water’s surface. Once the ECO\$AVR® is empty the dispenser is removed and replaced.

In outdoor pools, the HEAT\$AVR® also provides convenience compared to pool blankets. Pool blankets are plastic cover, which are cut to the size and shape of the surface of the pool or spa. Pool blankets float on the surface and, like the HEAT\$AVR®, reduce energy cost by inhibiting water evaporation.

However, it is often inconvenient to use conventional pool blankets because a pool blanket must be removed and stored before the pool can be used. Pool blankets do not provide any energy savings when not on the pool. Conversely, HEAT\$AVR® eliminates the need to install, remove and store the blanket and works 24 hours a day. In addition, the use of HEAT\$AVR® in an indoor pool results in even greater energy savings since indoor pool locations use energy not only to heat the pool water, but also to air condition the pool environment. By slowing the transfer of heat and water vapor from the pool to the atmosphere of the pool enclosure, less energy is required to maintain a pool at the desired temperature and there is a reduced load on the air-conditioning system.

HEAT\$AVR® retails for between \$200 and \$300 per four gallon case in the United States. ECO\$AVR® has a suggested retail price of between \$11.95 and \$14.95 in the United States. We market our HEAT\$AVR® and ECO\$AVR® products to homeowners with swimming pools and spas as well as operators of swimming pools and spas in hotels, motels, schools, and municipal and private recreational facilities.

We also make and sell products which automatically dispense HEAT\$AVR® into commercial size swimming pools or spas at the rate of one ounce per 400 sq. ft. of water surface per day.

We have 7 non-exclusive distributorships in Canada and the United States for the sale of bulk HEAT\$AVR® (without the ECO\$AVR® dispenser) and exclusive distributorships in Australia, Chile, Japan, Korea, Spain, South Africa, Switzerland and Great Britain. We support our distributors and seek additional market opportunities by annually attending the major pool industry trade shows in the United States. We also advertise in trade magazines, maintain a semi-annual newsletter that is sent to buyer associations, customers and potential customers, and maintain a website which is information about our products.

WATER\$AVR®

This product utilizes our HEAT\$AVR technology to reduce water evaporation in reservoirs, potable water storage tanks, livestock watering ponds, aqueducts, canals and irrigation ditches. WATER\$AVR may also be used for lawn and turf care and potted and bedding plants.

WATER\$AVR® is sold in granulated form and can be applied by hand, by fully automated scheduled metering, or by an automatic dispenser.

Tests have indicated that WATER\$AVR®:

- Reduces daily water evaporation as much as 54%
- Reduces monthly water evaporation as much as 37%
- Is odorless
- Has no effect on invertebrates or vertebrates
- Has no anticipated effect on any current drinking water treatment processes and
- Is biodegradable

We have two full-time employees and one part-time employee who are involved in the sales and marketing of WATER\$AVR®.

WATER\$AVR—BTI™

WATER\$AVR—BTI™ combines evaporation control with an environmentally friendly method of killing mosquito larvae during the first, second and third stages of development.

Combined with our original WATER\$AVR® product, WATER\$AVR—BTI™ can be quickly and evenly spread across large and small water surfaces where larvae must go to obtain air. Tests conducted by the Entomology Department at the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center showed that the use of WATER\$AVR—BTI™ resulted in a 100% kill rate of mosquito larvae in contact with the product.

TPAs

TPAs for Oilfields. TPAs are used to reduce scale and corrosion in various “topside” water systems. They are used in place of traditional phosphate and other products when biodegradability is required by environmental regulations. We have the ability to custom manufacture TPAs depending on the specific water conditions associated with any oil well.

TPAs for the Agricultural Industry. TPAs have the ability to reduce fertilizer crystallization before, during and after application and can also prevent crystal formation between fertilizer and minerals present in the soil. Once crystallized, fertilizer and soil minerals are not bio-available to provide plant nourishment. As a result, in select conditions the use of TPAs either blended with fertilizer or applied directly to crops can increase yields significantly. TPAs are designated for crop nutrient management programs and should not be confused with crop protection and pesticides or other agricultural chemical applications. Depending on the application, TPA products are marketed under a variety of brands including Amisorb, LYNX, MAGNET, AmGro and VOLT. Markets of significance include potatoes, sugar beets, cotton, tomatoes, almonds and other high value per acre crops.

TPAs for Irrigation. The crystallization prevention ability of TPAs can also be useful in select irrigation conditions. By reducing calcium carbonate scale propagation, TPAs can prevent early plugging of drip irrigation ports, reduce maintenance costs and lengthen the life of equipment. TPAs compete with acid type scale removers, but have the advantage of a positive yield effect on the plant, as well as an easier deployment formulation with liquid fertilizers when used as part of a “fertigation” program. Our TPAs for drip irrigation scale prevention are at an early stage of commercialization and will be marketed and sold through the same channels as TPAs used by the agricultural industry.

TPAs for Detergent. In detergents, TPAs are a biodegradable substitute for poly-acrylic acid. In select markets, the use of this substitute outweighs the added cost of TPAs, which has allowed for the continued growth of this TPA product line. However, to increase penetration of this market beyond specialty detergent manufacturers, we will need to decrease the cost of this product or wait for legislative intervention regarding biodegradability of detergent components. In the meantime, we are researching various methods to reduce production costs.

TPAs for Personal Care Products. TPAs can also be used in shampoo and cosmetic products for increased hydration that improves the feel of the core product to consumers. It may also be used as an additive to toothpaste with the documented effect of reducing decay bacteria adhesion to tooth enamel and presumed reduction in total decay. We do not currently sell TPAs for use in personal care products.

Competition

HEAT\$AVR® and ECO\$AVR™

We are aware of only one other company that manufactures a product that competes with HEAT\$AVR®. This other product has had limited sales to date and does not have the important convenience factor of our ECO\$AVR® product. In addition to this existing competitor, our previous distributor, Sun Solar Energy Technologies Inc. (“Sun Solar”), has recently begun selling a product that directly competes with our ECO\$AVR® product.

This product, while having a higher price point and limited sales history to date, must be taken seriously because of the expertise Sun Solar derived from working with us between 1998 and 2004 as our North American distributor.

HEAT\$AVR® also competes with plastic pool blanket products. However, we believe that HEAT\$AVR® is more effective and convenient than pool blankets.

WATER\$AVR®

Aegis Chemical Industries Ltd. of India directly competes with WATER\$AVR®. We believe our WATER\$AVR® product is superior for the following reasons:

Easier Application. WATER\$AVR® may be applied directly to the water surface by hand or machine. Our competition requires premixing to dilute the product to usable strength, followed by extensive pumping.

Cost. In order to achieve comparable water savings levels, other products cost more than WATER\$AVR®.

As water conservation is an important priority throughout the world, numerous researchers are working to develop solutions that may compete with, or be superior to, WATER\$AVR.

WATER\$AVR—BTI™

Although we are not aware of any direct competition with WATER\$AVR—BTI™, the pest control industry is very large and well funded and there are a multitude of alternative methods and materials that can be used for mosquito control. We believe that we will be able to compete by providing an environmentally sensitive product which is less expensive than traditional products.

TPAs

Our TPA products have direct competition with Lanxess AG (recently spun out of Bayer AG), a German manufacturer of TPAs, which uses a patented process different from ours. We have cross-licensed each other's processes and either company can use either process for the term of the patents involved. We believe that Lanxess has approximately the same production capacity and product costs as we do. We believe that we can compete effectively with Lanxess by offering excellent customer service in oilfield sales, superior distributor support in the agricultural marketplace and flexibility due to our relative size. In addition, we intend to continue to seek market niches that are not the primary targets of Lanxess.

Our TPA products face indirect competition from other chemicals in every market in which we are active. For purposes of oilfield scale prevention, phosphonates, phosphates and molibdonates provide the same effect. For crop enhancement, increased fertilizer levels or reduced concentrations can serve as a substitute for TPAs. In irrigation scale control, acid washes are our prime competitor. In detergent, poly-acrylic acid is most often used due to price advantage. Notwithstanding the above, we believe our competitive advantages include:

Biodegradability compared to competing oil field chemicals;
Cost-effectiveness for crop enhancement compared to increased fertilizer use;

Environmental considerations, ease of formulation and increased crop yield opportunities in irrigation scale markets; and

Biodegradability compared to poly-acrylic acid for detergents.

Manufacturing

Our HEAT\$AVR® and ECO\$AVR® products and dispensers are made from chemicals, plastic and other materials and parts that are readily available from multiple suppliers. We have never experienced any shortage in the availability of raw materials and parts for these products and we do not have any long term supply contracts for any of these items. We manufacture these products in our plant in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

Our WATER\$AVR® products are manufactured under contract with Ondeo Nalco Company (“Ondeo”) under an agreement which expires April 2007, with a five-year extension available. We are not required to purchase any minimum quantity of this product.

Our 56,780 sq. ft. facility in Peru, Illinois manufactures our TPA products. Raw materials for TPA production are sourced from various manufacturers throughout the world and we believe they are available in sufficient quantities for any increase in sales. Raw materials are, however, derived from crude oil and are subject to price fluctuations related to world oil prices.

In November 2007, we purchased a building and 3.3 acres of land in Taber, Alberta, Canada. The price paid was CDN\$1,325,000 and was financed by cash of \$660,000 and an interest free mortgage which is due on Nov 30, 2012. The building will be renovated and operated as a fermentation facility for the production of aspartic acid, a key ingredient in TPAs Aspartic acid made in Taber will be shipped to IL for finishing.

Government Regulations

HEAT\$AVR® and ECO\$AVR®

Chemical products for use in swimming pools are covered by a variety of governmental regulations in all countries where we sell these products. These regulations cover packaging, labeling, and product safety. We believe our products are in compliance with these regulations.

WATER\$AVR®

Our WATER\$AVR® product is subject to regulation in most countries, particularly for agricultural and drinking water uses. We do not anticipate that governmental regulations will be an impediment to marketing WATER\$AVR® because the components in WATER\$AVR® have historically been used in agriculture for many years for other purposes. Nevertheless, we will need to obtain approval to sell WATER\$AVR® in the United States for agricultural and drinking water uses. We have received National Sanitation Foundation approval for the use of WATER\$AVR in drinking water in the United States.

WATER\$AVR—BTI™

As a pesticide, WATER\$AVR—BTI™ was approved by the EPA for commercial sale in the United States on November 30, 2005. We began marketing this product commercially in 2006. While EPA approval applies only to registration of the product in the United States, we believe EPA approval may expedite product registration and approval processes in other parts of the world. We will apply for certification in any country where significant markets are identified.

TPAs

In the oil field and agricultural markets we have received government approval for all TPAs currently sold. In the detergent market, there are currently no regulatory requirements for use of TPAs in detergent formulations. For personal care products such as shampoo and toothpaste, there are various regulatory bodies, including the National Sanitation Foundation and the United States Food and Drug Administration, that regulate TPA use. If we begin to market our TPA products to these industries, we will need to satisfy applicable regulatory requirements.

Proprietary Rights

Our success is dependent, in part, upon our proprietary technology. We rely on a combination of patent, copyright and trade secret laws and nondisclosure agreements to protect our proprietary technology. We currently hold 56 U.S. patents and 139 International patents which expire at various dates between 2011 and 2020. We also have three U.S. patent applications pending and have applied to extend these pending patents to certain other countries where we operate. There can be no assurance that our pending patent applications will be granted or that any issued patent will be upheld as valid or prevent the development of competitive products, which may be equivalent to or superior to our products. We have not received any claims alleging infringement of the intellectual property rights of others, but there can be no assurance that we may not be subject to such claims in the future.

Research and Development

We spent \$120,817 for the year ended December 31, 2007 and \$127,254 for the year ended December 31, 2006 on research and development. This work relates primarily to the development of our water and energy conservation products, as well as new research in connection with our TPA products.

Employees

As of December 31, 2007 we had 24 employees, including one officer, thirteen sales and customer support personnel, and ten manufacturing personnel. None of our employees is represented by a labor union and we have experienced no work stoppages to date.

Risk Factors

This Form 10-KSB/A contains forward-looking information based on our current expectations. Because our actual results may differ materially from any forward-looking statements made by us, this section includes a discussion of important factors that could affect our future operations and result in a decline in the market price of our common stock.

We have incurred significant operating losses since inception and may not sustain profitability in the future.

We have experienced operating losses and negative cash flow from operations since our inception and we currently have an accumulated deficit. If our revenues do not increase, our results of operations and liquidity will be materially adversely affected. If we experience slower than anticipated revenue growth or if our operating expenses exceed our expectations, we may not be profitable. Even if we become profitable in the future, we may not remain profitable.

Fluctuations in our operating results may cause our stock price to decline.

Given the nature of the markets in which we operate, we cannot reliably predict future revenues and profitability. Changes in competitive, market and economic conditions may cause us to adjust our operations. A high proportion of our costs are fixed, due in part to our sales, research and development and manufacturing costs. Thus, small declines in revenue could disproportionately affect our operating results. Factors that may affect our operating results and the market price of our common stock include:

demand for and market acceptance of our products;

competitive pressures resulting in lower selling prices;

adverse changes in the level of economic activity in regions in which we do business;

adverse changes in industries, such as swimming pool construction, on which we are particularly dependent;

changes in the portions of our revenue represented by various products and customers;

delays or problems in the introduction of new products;

the announcement or introduction of new products, services or technological innovations by our competitors;

variations in our product mix;

the timing and amount of our expenditures in anticipation of future sales;

increased costs of raw materials or supplies; and

changes in the volume or timing of product orders.

Our operations are subject to seasonal fluctuation.

The use of our swimming pool products increases in summer months in most markets and results in our sales from January to June being greater than in July through December. Markets for our WATER\$AVR® product are also seasonal, dependent on the wet versus dry seasons in particular countries. We attempt to sell into a variety of countries with different seasons on both sides of the equator in order to minimize seasonality. Our TPA business is the least seasonal, however there is a small increase in the spring related to inventory building for the crop season in the United States and a small slowdown in December as oilfield customers run down stock in advance of year end, but otherwise, little seasonal variation. We believe we are able to adequately respond to these seasonal fluctuations by reducing or increasing production as needed.

Interruptions in our ability to purchase raw materials and components may adversely affect our profitability.

We purchase certain raw materials and components from third parties pursuant to purchase orders placed from time to time. Because we do not have guaranteed long-term supply arrangements with our suppliers, any material interruption in our ability to purchase necessary raw materials or components could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our WATER\$AVR® product has not proven to be a revenue producing product and we may never recoup the cost associated with its development.

The marketing efforts of our WATER\$AVR® product may result in continued losses. We introduced our WATER\$AVR® product in June 2002 and, to date, we have delivered quantities for testing by potential customers, but only a few customers have ordered the product for commercial use. This product can achieve success only if it is ordered in substantial quantities by commercial customers who have determined that the water saving benefits of the product exceed the costs of purchase and deployment of the product. We can offer no assurance that we will receive sufficient orders of this product to achieve profits or cover the additional expenses incurred to manufacture and market this product. We expect to spend \$400,000 on the marketing and production of our WATER\$AVR® product in fiscal 2008.

If we do not introduce new products in a timely manner, our products could become obsolete and our operating results would suffer.

Without the timely introduction of new products and enhancements, our products could become obsolete over time, in which case our revenue and operating results would suffer. The success of our new product offerings will depend upon several factors, including our ability to:

accurately anticipate customer needs;

innovate and develop new products and applications;

successfully commercialize new products in a timely manner;

price our products competitively and manufacture and deliver our products in sufficient volumes and on time; and

differentiate our products from our competitors' products.

In developing any new product, we may be required to make a substantial investment before we can determine the commercial viability of the new product. If we fail to accurately foresee our customers' needs and future activities, we may invest heavily in research and development of products that do not lead to significant revenues.

We are dependent upon certain customers.

Among our current customers, we have identified six that are sizable enough that the loss of any one would be significant. Any loss of one or more of these customers could result in a substantial reduction in our revenues.

Economic, political and other risks associated with international sales and operations could adversely affect our sales.

In the year ended December 31, 2007, revenues from shipments made outside of the United States accounted for approximately 79% of our revenues, 79% in the year ended December 31, 2006 and 80% in the year ended December 31, 2005. Since we sell our products worldwide, our business is subject to risks associated with doing business internationally. We anticipate that revenues from international operations will continue to represent a sizable portion of our total revenue.