Lincoln Electric Holdings, Inc.

Overview

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Non-GAAP Measures:

Our management uses non-GAAP financial measures in assessing and evaluating the Company's performance, which exclude items we consider unusual or special items. We believe the use of such financial measures and information may be useful to investors. Non-GAAP financial measures should be read in conjunction with the GAAP financial measures, as non-GAAP measures are a supplement to, and not a replacement for, GAAP financial measures. Please refer to the attached schedule for a reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures to the related GAAP financial measures.



A Pioneer with Market-Leading Technology

A global manufacturer and market leader with over 120 years of expertise. Distinguished by an unwavering commitment to customers, employees and shareholders.



- » Founded in 1895
- » \$3.0B in revenue in 2018
- » Market cap of ~\$5.0B
- » Nasdaq Listed: 'LECO'

- » HQ in Cleveland, Ohio, U.S.A.
- » 60 manufacturing facilities in 19 countries
- » Distribution to over 160 countries
- » 11,000 employees worldwide



Lincoln Electric Investment Highlights

Leader in complete solutions and application expertise	Track record of expanding margins even in a down cycle	Predictable model enables higher dividend payout	Solid cash conversion ratio	Disciplined capital deployment delivers top quartile returns
#1 Global Provider of Solutions	~14% Adj. Operating Income Margin ¹ (5-Yr Average)	13.3% CAGR 2009-2019	102% 3-Year Avg.	17.8% ROIC ¹ 3-Year Avg.

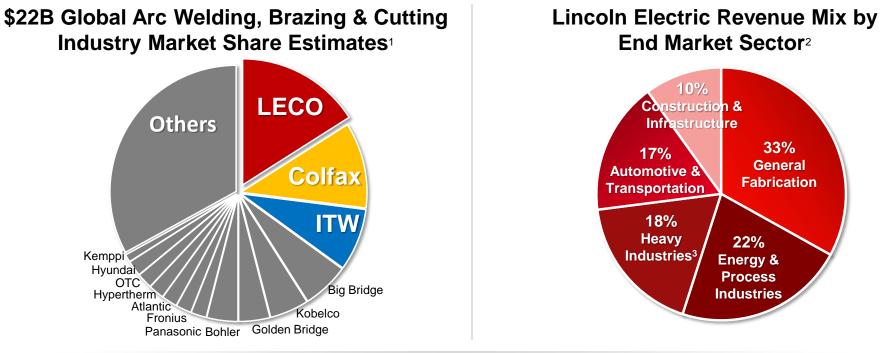


Diversified Products and Reach



¹ Reflects FY2018 revenue

Leading Provider Across Diverse End Markets



LECO is one of only three global providers to offer a complete solution



¹ Amounts based on Company estimates of the 2018 market and includes sales of equity affiliates ² Reflects revenue mix estimates from Lincoln Electric (direct & distributor channels)

Innovation Drivers



Equipment Efficiency &

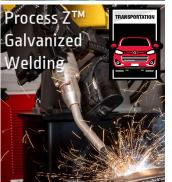




Standard weld start

Weld start using advanced technologies





Industry 4.0 & Data





Automated Joining & Cutting Systems & Cell Components

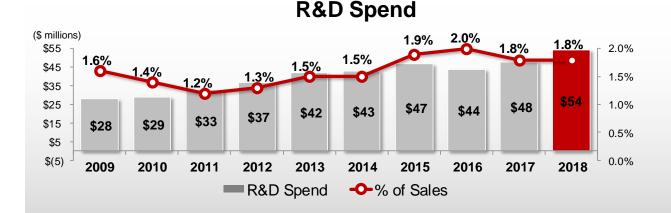


Large-Scale Metal Additive Solutions





Innovation Investments Drive Growth



Solid Vitality Index¹

~34% of 2018 consolidated sales from new products

~52% of 2018 equipment sales from new products

New HyperFill[™] Process

- » Patent-pending dual wire MIG process uses new accessories and software to increase productivity and simplicity
- » Increases welding productivity by 50+%
- » Designed for both manual and automated welding operations in general and heavy fabrication applications



Next Generation Engine Drive

- » New Ranger® 330MPX engine drive
- » More efficient: 31% smaller; 25% lighter; 60% quieter vs. prior model
- » Quick set up simplifies the user's experience
- » CrossLinc® enhances safety and productivity



¹ Vitality Index reflects percent of product sales from new products in the Company, excluding the International Welding Segment. New products are defined as solutions launched within the last five years and excludes customized automation sales.

'2020 Strategy' Targets Best-in-Class Financial Performance

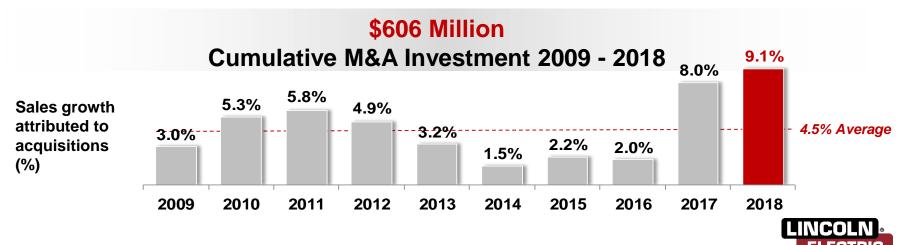
	2018 Result	2009 to 2018 Performance	2020 Goal (2009-2020)
Sales Growth (ex-FX & Venezuela)	15.1%	8% CAGR	10% CAGR
Adjusted Operating Income Margin ¹	13.4%	12.9% Average; 14.1% 5-Year Average	Average 15.0%
ROIC ¹	20.7%	Average 17.1%	Average 15.0%
Operating Working Capital Ratio	16.5%	670 basis point improvement	15.0%

¹ Please refer to the appendix for definitions and reconciliations of non-GAAP financial measures.

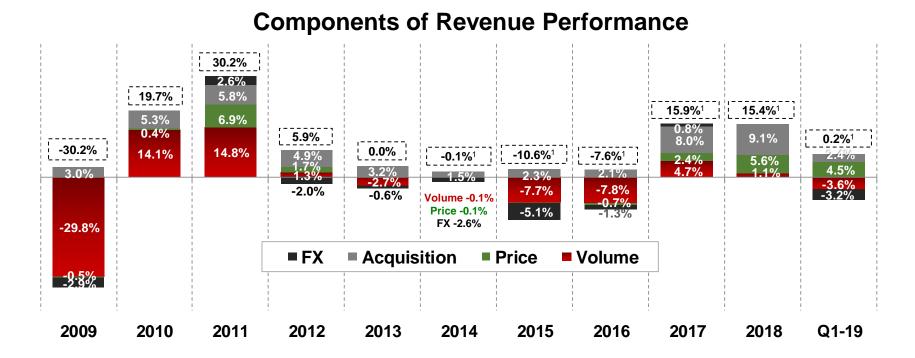


Disciplined M&A is Expanding Growth Opportunities





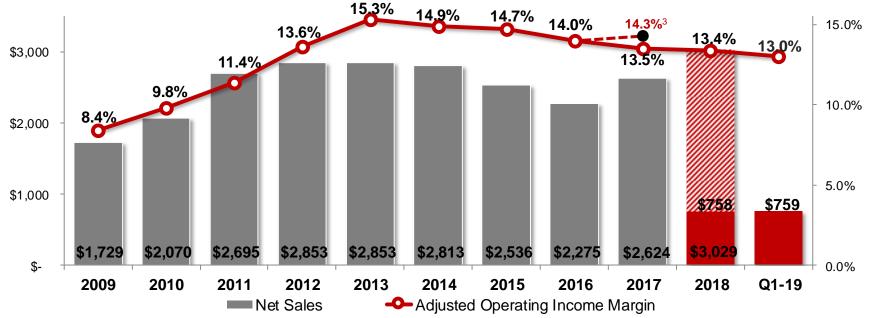
Solid Price Performance Through the Cycle





Focused on Higher Margin Opportunities and Operational Excellence

Adjusted Operating Income Margin^{1,2} vs. Net Sales



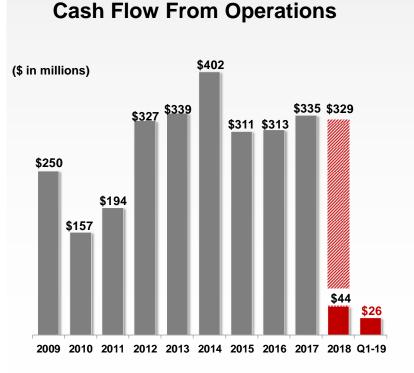


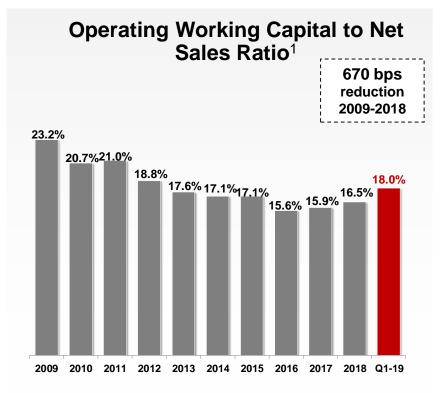
¹Adjusted operating income margin excludes special items. Please refer to the appendix for a reconciliation of non-GAAP financial measures.

² Adjusted operating income margin results reflect the 2018 reclassification of pension costs, other than service costs, to Other income (expense).

³ Excluding the acquisition or Air Liquide Welding, legacy company adjusted operating income margin would have been 14.3% in 2017.

Cash Generation Solid and a Top Strategic Priority



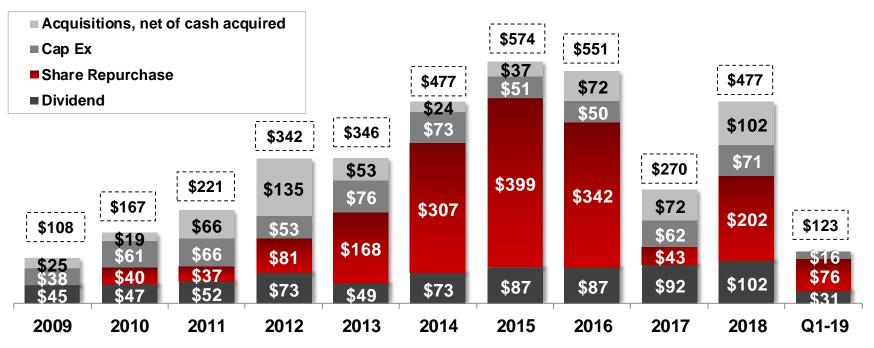




¹ Operating working capital to net sales ratio is defined as operating working (AR *plus* Inventory *less* AP) *divided by* annualized rolling three months of sales.

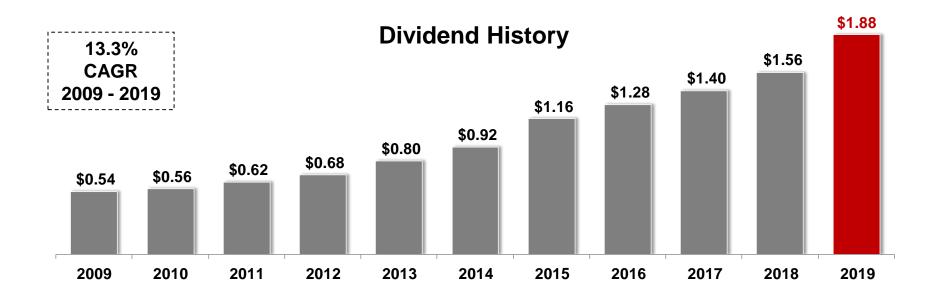
Solid Cash Flows Funding Growth and Shareholder Returns

Capital Allocation (\$ in millions)





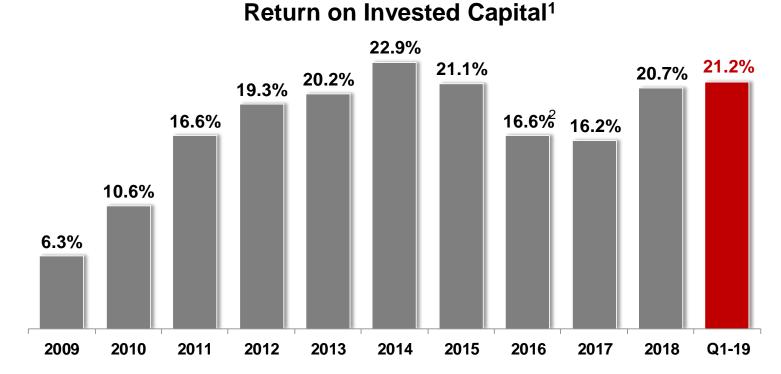
Predictable Model Enables a Growing Dividend Payout



21% Increase in the 2019 Dividend Payout Rate

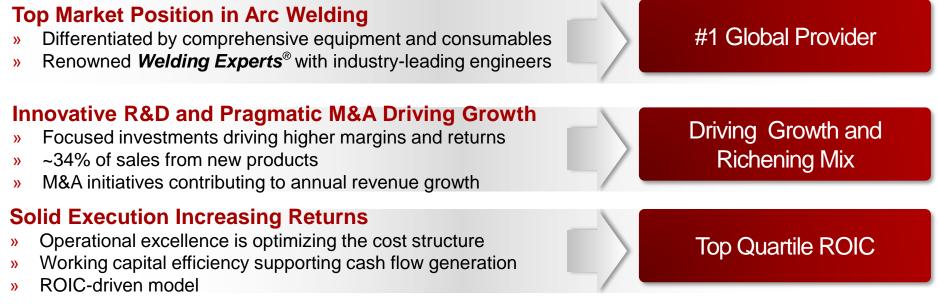


Disciplined Capital Deployment Delivers Top Quartile Returns



¹ Please refer to the appendix for the definition and reconciliation of this non-GAAP financial measure.

Positioned For Long Term Value Creation



Predictable Model Accelerating Shareholder Returns

- » Business model resilient through economic cycles
- » Strategy improving margin performance vs. 2008 peak
- » Dividend increased annually for 23 consecutive years



\$1.7B Returned to

Shareholders 2014-2018

Sustainability Overview LINCO

Governance Highlights

At Lincoln Electric, we are committed to effective corporate governance and high ethical standards. We adhere to our ethical commitments in every aspect of our business, including our commitments to each other, in the marketplace and in the global, governmental and political arenas. These commitments are spelled out in our Code of Corporate Conduct and Ethics, which applies to all of our employees (including our principal executive and senior financial officers) and Board of Directors.

Lincoln Electric has a solid track record of integrity and corporate governance practices that promote thoughtful management by its officers and Board of Directors facilitating profitable growth while strategically balancing risks to maximize shareholder value.

Size of Board	11*	Number of fully independent Board committees	4
Number of Independent Directors	10	Independent Directors meet without management	Yes
Average age of Directors	62	Director attendance at Board & committee meetings	>75%
Percent diverse	27%	Mandatory retirement age (75)	Yes
Board meetings held in 2018	5	Stock ownership requirements for Directors	Yes
New Directors in the last 5 years	3	Annual Board and committee self-assessments	Yes
Average tenure (years)	11.2	Code of Ethics for Directors, officers & employees	Yes
Annual election of Directors	Yes	Succession planning and implementation process	Yes
Majority voting policy for Directors	Yes	Environmental & risk management review	Yes
Lead Independent Director	Yes	Directors over boarded per ISS or Glass Lewis	No

Summary of our Board of Governance Practices:

* Following the retirements of two directors in April 2018 and the election of one director in July 2018, there were 11 Directors (10 were independent) during the 2018 calendar year.





Governance Highlights

Continued Summary of our Practices:

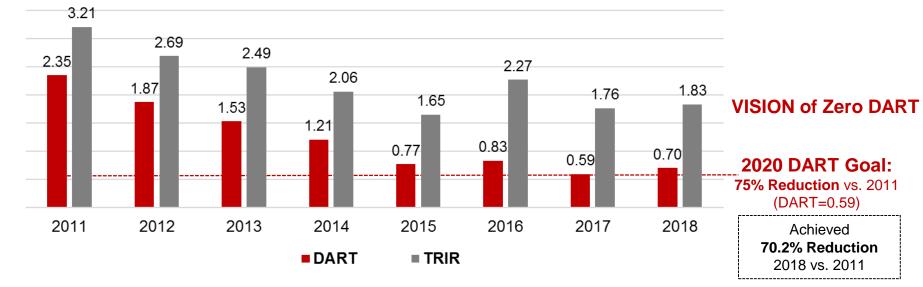
Material related party transactions with Directors	No	Double-trigger change-in-control provision	Yes
Director onboarding and continued education program	Yes	Anti-Hedging and Anti-Pledging Policy	Yes
Shareholder engagement	Yes	Supplier Code of Conduct	Yes
One share, one vote policy	Yes	Human Rights Policy	Yes
Frequency of say-on-pay advisory vote	Annual	Anti-Corruption Policy	Yes
Robust stock ownership guidelines for named executive officers	Yes	Board oversight of Company culture	Yes
Claw back pay policy	Yes	No Harassment Policy	Yes
Excessive perks	No	Environmental, Health & Safety Policy	Yes
Pay for performance	Yes	Environmental and Safety goals	Yes



Please visit <u>https://sustainability.lincolnelectric.com</u> to learn more.



Lincoln Electric Global Workplace Safety Performance

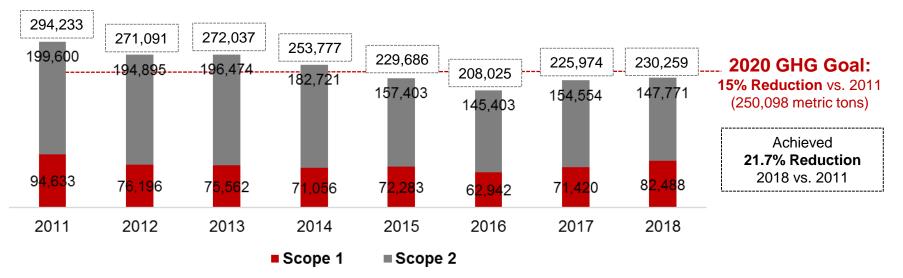


DART: An injury that causes the employee to not be at work (**D**ays **A**way), have **R**estrictions in doing their normally assigned job or needs to **T**ransferred to another job while recovering from the injury.

TRIR: An injury that requires medical treatment beyond basic first aid.



Lincoln Electric Global Greenhouse Gas Emissions

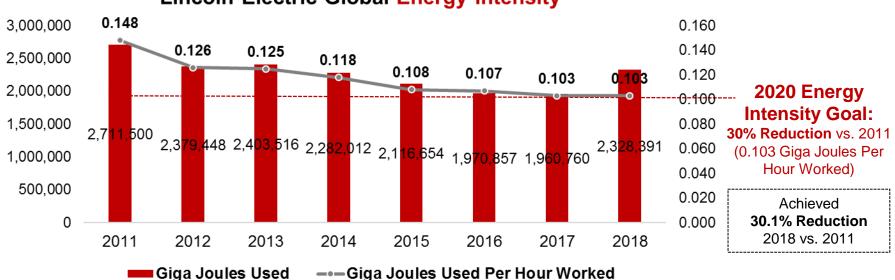


Scope 1: Emissions produced from the burning of fossil fuels at Lincoln Electric.

Scope 2: Emissions associated with the electricity that Lincoln Electric purchases from other companies.

The emission factors used to calculate the tons of CO2e equivalent come from: International Energy Agency (IEA) – Emission Factors 2018 Edition; Greenhouse Gas Protocol Revised Edition – September 2001; and Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change – IPCC AR5 Edition.

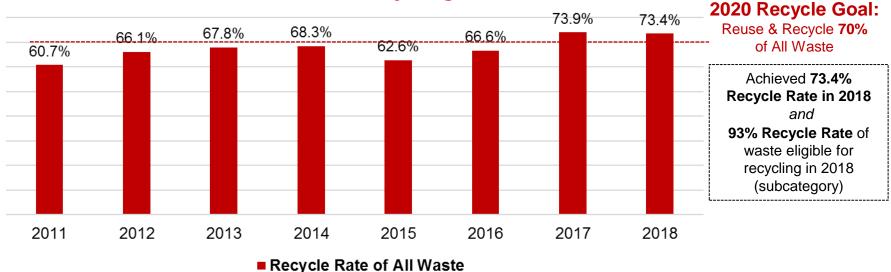




Lincoln Electric Global Energy Intensity

Energy includes electricity, natural gas, coal, fuel oil and LPG.

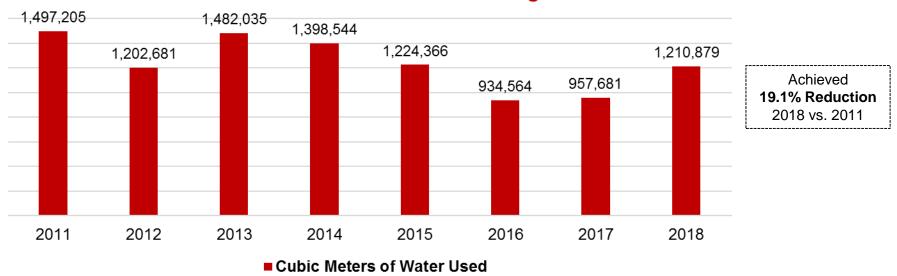




Lincoln Electric Global Recycling Performance

Percent of "Recycle Rate of All Waste" includes all recyclable materials (including metals), rubbish, and manufacturing waste.





Lincoln Electric Global Water Usage

Water is an important natural resource and we acknowledge our responsibility to manage water carefully. Water is predominately used in our consumable manufacturing processes and equipment painting operations.



Contact:



Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Adjusted operating income, Adjusted net income, Adjusted diluted earnings per share and Return on invested capital are non-GAAP financial measures that management believes are important to investors to evaluate and compare the Company's financial performance from period to period. Management uses this information in assessing and evaluating the Company's underlying operating performance. Non-GAAP financial measures should be read in conjunction with the GAAP financial measures, as non-GAAP measures are a supplement to, and not a replacement for, GAAP financial measures.

(\$ in thousands) Period Ended December 31, 2009 2010 2011 2012 2015 2016 2017 2018 Q1 2019 2013 2014 115,252 200,182 305,719 376,801 413,705 367,080 324,582 283,614 376,942 \$375,539 \$94,478 **Operating income:** Special items: Rationalization and asset 29.897 (384)282 9.354 8.463 30.053 19.958 6.590 25.285 3.535 impairment charges / (gains) (Gains) or losses on asset 705 ---disposals Venezuelan devaluation and 3.123 1.381 12.198 21.133 27.214 34.348 deconsolidation charges (gains) Acquisition transaction costs 15,002 4,498 790 -Amortization of step up in 4,578 value of acquired inventories Bargain purchase gain (49,650) ---Adjusted operating income: \$145,149 \$202,921 \$306,001 \$387,536 \$435,071 \$418,266 \$371,754 \$317,962 \$353,462 \$405,322 \$98,803 Net sales \$1,729,285 \$ 2,070,172 \$2,694,609 \$2,853,367 \$ 2,852,671 \$ 2,813,324 \$ 2,535,791 \$2,274,614 \$2,624,431 \$3,028,674 \$759,174 6.7% 9.7% 11.3% 13.2% 13.0% 12.8% 12.5% 14.4% 12.4% 12.4% Op income margin 14.5% Adjusted operating income 8.4% 9.8% 11.4% 13.6% 15.3% 14.9% 14.7% 14.0% 13.5% 13.4% 13.0% margin:

Reconciliation of Operating Income and Operating Income Margin to Non-GAAP Adjusted Operating Income and Adjusted Operating Income Margin



Non-GAAP Financial Measures: Return on Invested Capital¹

(\$ in thousands)	Period Ended December 31,										
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Q1-2019
Net income:	\$48,576	\$130,244	\$217,186	\$257,411	\$293,780	\$254,686	\$127,478	\$198,399	\$247,503	\$287,066	\$297,722
Special items:											
Rationalization and asset impairment charges / (gains)	29,897	(384)	282	9,354	8,463	30,053	19,958	-	6,590	25,285	18,645
(Gains) or losses on asset disposals	(5,667)	-	-	-	705	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loss associated with an acquisition	7,943	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loss on deconsolidation of Venezuela & devaluation charges	-	3,123	-	1,381	12,198	21,133	27,214	34,348	-	-	-
Pension settlement loss (gain)	(2,144)	-	-	-	-	-	142,738	-	8,150	6,686	5,928
Non-controlling interests	601	1,782	-	-	(1,068)	(805)	-	-	-	-	-
Acquisition transaction & integration costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,002	4,498	3,381
Amortization of step in value of acquired inventories, net of tax	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	4,578	-	-
Bargain purchase gain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(49,650)	-	-
Tax effect of Special items	(6,108)	(5,165)	(4,889)	(2,387)	(890)	861	(57,204)	(8,293)	20,536	(6,896)	(7,328)
Adj. Net income:	\$ 73,098	\$ 129,600	\$ 212,579	\$ 265,759	\$ 313,188	\$ 305,928	\$ 260,184	\$ 224,454	\$252,709	\$316,639	\$318,348
Plus: Interest expense (after-tax)	5,293	4,156	4,164	2,597	1,767	6,439	13,469	11,775	14,947	18,386	18,666
Less: Interest income (after-tax)	2,150	1,479	1,938	2,471	2.049	1,909	1,675	1,291	2,955	5,206	4,825
Adjusted net income before tax effected interest	76,241	132,277	214,805	265,885	312,906	310,458	271,978	234,938	264,701	329,819	332,189
Invested Capital ² ROIC:	1,209,392 6.3%	1,247,183 10.6%	1,296,620 16.6%	1,378,596 19.3%	1,549,775 20.2%	1,356,435 22.9%	1,287,073 21.1%	1,417,799 16.6%	1,638,720 16.2%	1,590,252 20.7%	1,570,500 21.2%



¹ Return on Invested Capital is defined as rolling 12 months of Adjusted Net Income excluding tax-effected interest income and expense *divided by* Invested Capital.
² Invested Capital is defined as Total Debt *plus* Total Equity.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Reconciliation of Diluted Earnings Per Common Share (EPS) to Non-GAAP Diluted Adjusted Net Earnings Per Common Share (Adjusted EPS)

	2009					20	10						
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4					
	2009	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010					
Diluted EPS:	\$(0.04)	\$0.18	\$0.15	\$0.29	\$0.28	\$0.38	\$0.38	\$0.49					
Special items:													
Rationalization and asset impairment charges / (gains)	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.04	0.01	(0.04)	-	0.02					
Pension settlement gain	-	(0.02)	-	-	-	-	-	-					
(Gains) or losses on asset disposals	-	(0.07)	0.09	-	-	0.02	-	-					
Discrete tax item	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(0.06)					
Venezuela devaluation & deconsolidation charges	-	-	-	-	-	0.03	0.01	-					
Adjusted Diluted EPS:	\$0.05	\$0.17	\$0.32	\$0.32	\$0.28	\$0.39	\$0.39	\$0.45					
		20)11			2012				2013			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
	2011	2011	2011	2011	2012	2012	2012	2012	2013	2013	2013	2013	
Diluted EPS:	\$0.55	\$0.68	\$0.66	\$0.68	\$0.76	\$0.79	\$0.77	\$0.74	\$0.80	\$0.87	\$0.80	\$1.07	
Special items:													
Rationalization and asset impairment charges / (gains)	-	-	-	-	-	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.01	0.04	0.06	0.02	
Discrete tax item	(0.06)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Venezuela devaluation & deconsolidation charges	-	-	-	-	-	0.01	-	-	0.11	-	-	-	
Adjusted Diluted EPS:	\$0.49	\$0.68	\$0.66	\$0.68	\$0.76	\$0.81	\$0.80	\$0.79	\$0.92	\$0.91	\$0.86	\$1.09	



Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Reconciliation of Diluted Earnings Per Common Share (EPS) to Non-GAAP Diluted Adjusted Net Earnings Per Common Share (Adjusted EPS)

	2014					2015				2016				
	Q1 2014	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015	Q2 2015	Q3 2015	Q4 2015	Q1 2016	Q2 2016	Q3 2016	Q4 2016		
Diluted EPS:	\$0.69	\$0.96	\$0.57	\$0.96	\$0.89	\$0.94	\$(0.82)	\$0.68	\$0.76	\$0.45	\$0.89	\$0.81		
Special items:														
Rationalization and asset impairment charges / (gains)	-	0.01	0.37	-	-	0.01	-	0.07	-	-	-	-		
Venezuela devaluation & deconsolidation charges	0.22	0.04	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.48	-	-		
Pension settlement loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.71	-	-	-	-	-		
Discrete tax item	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(0.10)	-	-		
Adjusted Diluted EPS:	\$0.91	\$1.01	\$0.94	\$0.96	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$0.89	\$0.75	\$0.76	\$0.83	\$0.89	\$0.81		
		20	17			20	18		2019					
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1					
	2017	2017	2017	2017	2018	2018	2018	2018	2019					
Diluted EPS:	\$0.84	\$0.92	\$1.59	\$0.36	\$0.92	\$1.04	\$1.07	\$1.35	\$1.12					
Special items:														
Rationalization and asset impairment charges	-	-	-	0.09	0.12	0.17	0.04	0.01	0.05					
Acquisition transaction and integration costs	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.05	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01					
Bargain purchase gain	-	-	(0.77)	0.02	-	-	-	-	-					
Pension settlement charges	-	-	0.05	0.03	0.01	-	0.07	0.03	-					
Amortization of step up in value of acquirec inventories	-	-	0.03	0.03	-	-	-	-	-			ſ		
Tax effect of Special items	-	-	-	0.43	0.03	-	0.02	(0.11)	(0.01)					
Adjusted Diluted EPS:	\$0.88	\$0.97	\$0.93	\$1.01	\$1.10	\$1.22	\$1.21	\$1.29	\$1.17					



Diluted Earnings Per Share Progression

