

## $3^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter 2017 Earnings Conference Call

October 26, 2017

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## Financial Results

| Statement of Earnings | Third Quarter |  |  | Year-to-Date |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ in millions except per share amounts | 2017 | 2016 | Change | 2017 | 2016 | Change |
| Sales | \$ 380 | \$ 327 | 16 \% | \$ 1,100 | \$ 980 | 12 \% |
| Gross Profit \% of Sales | $\begin{array}{r} 203 \\ 53.6 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 177 \\ 54.0 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 15 \% \\ \text { (0.4) pts } \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 593 \\ 53.9 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 524 \\ 53.4 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 13 \% \\ 0.5 \text { pts } \end{gathered}$ |
| Operating Earnings \% of Sales | $\begin{array}{r} 100 \\ 26.2 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 81 \\ 24.9 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 22 \text { \% } \\ & 1.3 \text { pts } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 284 \\ 25.8 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 221 \\ 22.5 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 29 \text { \% } \\ 3.3 \text { pts } \end{gathered}$ |
| Net Earnings \% of Sales | $\begin{gathered} \$ 75 \\ 19.9 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ \quad 54 \\ & 16.6 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 39 \% \\ 3.3 \text { pts } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 216 \\ 19.6 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 145 \\ 14.8 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 49 \% \\ 4.8 \text { pts } \end{gathered}$ |
| Diluted Earnings Per Share | \$ 1.30 | \$ 0.95 | $37 \%$ | \$ 3.73 | \$ 2.55 | 46 \% |
| Diluted Shares in Millions | 58.2 | 57.0 |  | 57.9 | 56.9 |  |
| Net Earnings, Adjusted (1) | \$ 67 | \$ 54 | 23 \% | \$ 190 | \$ 145 | $31 \%$ |
| Diluted Earnings Per Share, Adjusted (1) | \$ 1.15 | \$ 0.95 | 21 \% | \$ 3.28 | \$ 2.55 | 29 \% |

(1) Excludes reduction of income taxes resulting from the adoption of a new accounting standard related to excess tax benefits on stock option exercises, reducing diluted earnings per share $\$ 0.06$ for the quarter and $\$ 0.36$ for the year to date. Also excludes the effect of tax planning benefits realized in the third quarter of 2017, that will not recur in 2018, reducing diluted earnings per share $\$ 0.09$ for the quarter and year to date.
See Financial Results Adjusted for Comparability on page 18 for a reconciliation of the adjusted non-GAAP financial measures to GAAP

The increase in the diluted EPS, as reported and adjusted, includes $\$ 0.02$ for the quarter and $\$ 0.04$ for year to date from reduced intangible amortization expense resulting from the impairment charge recorded in fourth quarter 2016

## Financial Results

Components of Net Sales Change
Third Quarter September 2017

|  | Segment |  |  | Region |  |  | Consolidated |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Industrial | Process | Contractor | Americas | EMEA | Asia Pacific |  |
| Volume and Price | $17 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $16 \%$ | 11 \% | $14 \%$ | 28 \% | $15 \%$ |
| Acquisitions | 0 \% | 0 \% | 0 \% | 0 \% | 0 \% | 0 \% | 0 \% |
| Currency | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | $4 \%$ | (1)\% | 1\% |
| Total | 18 \% | 10\% | $17 \%$ | 12 \% | 18\% | 27 \% | $16 \%$ |

## Year-to-Date September 2017

|  | Segment |  |  | Region |  |  | Consolidated |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Industrial | Process | Contractor | Americas | EMEA | Asia Pacific |  |
| Volume and Price | 12 \% | 12 \% | 13 \% | 11 \% | 12 \% | 20 \% | 13 \% |
| Acquisitions | 1 \% | 0 \% | 0 \% | 0 \% | 0 \% | 0 \% | 0 \% |
| Currency | (1)\% | (1)\% | $0 \%$ | $0 \%$ | (2)\% | (2)\% | (1)\% |
| Total | 12 \% | 11\% | 13\% | $11 \%$ | 10\% | $18 \%$ | 12\% |



## Operating Earnings

Change in Operating Earnings
2016 Operating Earnings (\$M and \% of sales)
Translation effect
Volume, price and cost
Volume and earnings based incentives
Decrease in intangible amortization related to 2016 Oil and Natural Gas impairment
Unallocated corporate expenses (primarily stock compensation)
Volume effect on expense leverage
2017 Operating Earnings (\$M and \% of sales)

| Third Quarter |  | Year-to-Date |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ 81 | 25 \% | \$ 221 | 23 \% |
| 2 | 0 | (3) | 0 |
| 25 | 0 | 72 | 1 |
| (4) | (1) | (8) | (1) |
| 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| (3) | (1) | (1) | 0 |
| (2) | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| \$ 100 | 26 \% | \$ 284 | 26 \% |

Quarter over Quarter Operating Earnings Walk


## Third Quarter 2017 Results



Operating Earnings


## - Sales increase of $16 \%$

- Favorable effect of currency translation rates increased sales by approximately $\$ 3$ million, 1 percentage point
- Acquired businesses had no significant impact on the quarter
- Gross margin rate down 0.4 percentage point from third quarter 2016
- Unfavorable impact of product mix more than offsetting realized pricing and favorable effect of higher production volume on manufacturing cost
- Operating earnings are up $\$ 18$ million, or $22 \%$, from third quarter 2016
- Higher sales volume and expense leverage
- Higher sales and earnings based incentives, $\$ 4$ million
- Lower intangible amortization related to the 2016 Oil and Natural Gas impairment, \$1 million
- Higher unallocated corporate expenses, primarily stock compensation and pension, $\$ 3$ million
- Tax rate for the quarter was $22 \%$, down from $29 \%$ in the third quarter last year
- 2017 rate benefited from the first quarter adoption of a new accounting standard for stock compensation. Excess tax benefits reduced the tax provision $\$ 3$ million and reduced the effective tax rate by 3 percentage points
- 2017 rate benefited 4 percentage points from a $\$ 6$ million benefit related to tax planning, that will not recur in 2018, and foreign earnings taxed at lower rates than the U.S.


## September Year-to-Date 2017 Results

## Sales - September YTD



Operating Earnings - September YTD


- Sales increase of $12 \%$
- Unfavorable effect of currency translation rates decreased sales by approximately $\$ 6$ million, 1 percentage point
- Acquired businesses had no significant impact
- Gross margin rate up 0.5 percentage point from September 2016
- Higher production volume, lower manufacturing cost and realized pricing more than offset unfavorable impact of mix
- Operating earnings are up $\$ 63$ million, or $29 \%$, from September 2016
- Higher sales volume and expense leverage
- Higher sales and earnings based incentives, $\$ 8$ million
- Lower intangible amortization related to the 2016 Oil and Natural Gas impairment, $\$ 3$ million
- Higher unallocated corporate expenses, primarily stock compensation, $\$ 1$ million
- Tax rate for September year-to-date was $21 \%$, down from 30\% year-to-date 2016
- 2017 rate benefited from the adoption of a new accounting standard for stock compensation. Excess tax benefits reduced the tax provision $\$ 20$ million and reduced the effective tax rate by 7 percentage points
- 2017 rate benefited 2 percentage points from a $\$ 6$ million benefit related to tax planning, that will not recur in 2018, and foreign earnings taxed at lower rates than the U.S.


## Cash Flow and Liquidity



- Net cash provided by operating activities was $\$ 246$ million in 2017 vs. $\$ 208$ million in 2016
- Changes in working capital are in line with volume growth
- The Company made a $\$ 20$ million pension contribution to the U.S. pension plan during third quarter
- Debt, including notes payable, was $\$ 306$ million, down $\$ 8$ million from year-end
- Current portion of long-term debt, $\$ 75$ million
- Interest expense down $\$ 1$ million from September 2016
- Repurchased 880,000 shares of stock and issued 1,165,000 shares, resulting in a net cash outlay of $\$ 47$ million
- Common stock outstanding at the end of the quarter, 56.1 million


## Other Discussion Items

- Capital expenditure expectations of approximately \$40 million in 2017
- Currently evaluating brick and mortar requirements as Contractor and other regional production and distribution facilities near capacity
- During the third quarter, the Company notified certain U.S. pension plan participants currently receiving benefits that annuities would be purchased for their future benefit obligations and the liabilities associated with these defined benefit obligations will be transferred to a highly rated insurance company. The Company's U.S. pension liability and assets are expected to be reduced by approximately $\$ 43$ million and a pension settlement charge of approximately $\$ 11-13$ million is expected to be recognized during fourth quarter
- The Company made a $\$ 20$ million contribution to the U.S. pension plan during the third quarter 2017
- Unallocated corporate expenses in 2017 are expected to be approximately $\$ 32$ million (excluding pension settlement)
- Impairment of intangible assets in fourth quarter 2016 reduced amortization expense by approximately $\$ 1$ million in each of the first three quarters of 2017 compared to 2016
- At current exchange rates, assuming the same volumes, mix of products and mix of business by currency as in 2016, foreign currency translation would have no impact for the full year 2017, with favorable currency effect continuing in Q4 offsetting the unfavorable effect experienced during the first half
- The effective tax rate for fourth quarter and the full year is expected to be approximately $28 \%$, including an expected 2 percentage point benefit in fourth quarter related to completion of tax planning activities that will not recur in 2018. The quarter and annual rates exclude any impact from the change in accounting for stock compensation
- Fourth quarter 2016 included an extra week compared to our normal fiscal calendar


## Current Environment and Outlook

Constant currency basis and excluding acquisitions completed in the prior 12 months

|  | Americas | EMEA | Asia Pacific | Worldwide |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current Environment | Sales Growth Q3 2017 11\% YTD 2017 11\% | Sales Growth Q3 2017 14\% YTD 2017 12\% | Sales Growth Q3 2017 28\% YTD 2017 20\% | Sales Growth Q3 2017 15\% YTD 2017 13\% |
| Industrial Segment | Environment Unchanged <br> Sales Growth <br> Q3 2017 11\% <br> YTD 2017 9\% | Environment Unchanged <br> Sales Growth <br> Q3 2017 13\% <br> YTD 2017 10\% | Environment Unchanged <br> Sales Growth <br> Q3 2017 30\% <br> YTD 2017 22\% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sales Growth } \\ & \text { Q3 } 2017 \text { 17\% } \\ & \text { YTD } 2017 \text { 12\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| Contractor Segment | Environment Unchanged <br> Sales Growth <br> Q3 2017 12\% <br> YTD 2017 12\% | Environment Unchanged <br> Sales Growth <br> Q3 2017 29\% <br> YTD 2017 20\% | Environment Unchanged <br> Sales Growth <br> Q3 2017 30\% <br> YTD 2017 13\% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sales Growth } \\ & \text { Q3 } 2017 \text { 16\% } \\ & \text { YTD } 2017 \text { 13\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| Process Segment | Environment Unchanged <br> Sales Growth <br> Q3 2017 11\% <br> YTD 2017 12\% | Environment Unchanged <br> Sales Growth <br> Q3 2017 (3\%) <br> YTD 2017 7\% | Environment Unchanged <br> Sales Growth <br> Q3 2017 17\% <br> YTD 2017 17\% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sales Growth } \\ & \text { Q3 } 2017 \text { 9\% } \\ & \text { YTD } 2017 \text { 12\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| Full Year 2017 Outlook | Outlook Raised High Single-digit | Outlook Raised High Single-digit | Outlook Raised Low Double-digit | Outlook Raised High Single-digit to Low Double-digit |

Demand levels remained robust and broad based in the third quarter. We expect the positive business environment to continue into 2018, however we do note that our fourth quarter represents our most difficult comparable of the year. In addition to the strong fourth quarter last year, we also had 14 weeks, compared to only 13 weeks in this year's fourth quarter. We anticipate low single-digit organic constant currency growth in the fourth quarter with the possibility to achieve double-digit sales growth for the full year 2017.

## Industrial Segment Results

| Sales |
| :--- |

2017 YTD Industrial Segment
Sales as \% of Graco

2017 Components of Net Sales Change
Current Environment

Segment Total
Third Quarter Year-to-Date

| Americas |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | :---: |
| Volume \& Price | $11 \%$ | $9 \%$ |
| Acquisitions | $1 \%$ | $0 \%$ |
| Currency | $0 \%$ | $0 \%$ |
|  | $12 \%$ | $9 \%$ |

EMEA
Volume \& Price
Acquisitions
Currency Tota
Asia Pacific
Volume \& Price
Acquisitions Currency Total
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Volume \& Price
Acquisitions Currency Total

Favorable: construction markets

- Stable: Western Europe, general industrial, truck \& trailer
- Challenging: Geopolitical, Q4 comparables

Stable: General industrial, adhesive dispense

- Challenging: Marine, agriculture, construction
- Spotty: Project activity


## Industrial Segment Results

Change in \% of sales
2016 Operating Earnings (\% of sales)
Translation effect
Product and channel mix, net of favorable volume, price
Expense leverage
2017 Operating Earnings (\% of sales)
Third Quarter Year-to-Date

| $34 \%$ | $32 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 |
| $(1)$ | 0 |
| 2 | 3 |
| $35 \%$ | $35 \%$ |

Industrial Segment Sales and Operating Margins


Industrial Operating Earnings QTD


## Process Segment Results

| Sales |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ in millions | Third Quarter |  |  |  | Change | Year-to-Date |  |  |  | Change |
|  | 2017 |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 17 |  | 16 |  |
| Americas | \$ | 48 | \$ | 43 | 11 \% | \$ | 139 |  | 124 | 12\% |
| EMEA |  | 13 |  | 13 | (2) |  | 41 |  | 40 | 3 |
| Asia Pacific |  | 13 |  | 11 | 17 |  | 37 |  | 32 | 16 |
| Total | \$ |  |  |  | 10 \% | \$ | 217 |  | 196 | 11 \% |
| Operating <br> Earnings | \$ | 12 | \$ | 10 | 16\% | \$ |  |  | 25 | 54 \% |
| \% of sales |  | 16 \% |  | $15 \%$ |  |  | 18 \% |  | $13 \%$ |  |

2017 YTD Process Segment Sales as \% of Graco


2017 Components of Net Sales Change
Third Quarter Year-to-Date


Americas
Volume \& Price
Volume \& Pr
Acquisitions
Currency Total
EMEA
Volume \& Price
Acquisitions
Currency
Total

## Asia Pacific

 Acquisitions Currency

Total

## Segment Total

Volume \& Price Acquisitions Currency Total


Current Environment

- Favorable: Technology, sanitary
- Stable: Industrial lubrication, environmental applications
- Bottom: Oil \& natural gas
- Spotty: Project activity
- Stable: Western Europe, chemical
- Challenging: Offshore oil \& natural gas, geopolitical
- Stable: Process applications
- Bottom: Mining

Note: Fourth quarter 2016 included an extra week

## Process Segment Results



## Contractor Segment Results

| Sales |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ in millions | Third Quarter |  |  |  | Change | Year-to-Date |  |  |  | Change |
|  | 2017 |  | 2016 |  |  |  | 17 |  | 16 |  |
| Americas | \$ | 95 | \$ | 85 | 12 \% | \$ | 280 | \$ | 250 | 12 \% |
| EMEA |  | 22 |  | 16 | 34 |  | 66 |  | 55 | 19 |
| Asia Pacific |  | 11 |  | 8 | 31 |  | 27 |  | 24 | 13 |
| Total | \$ | 128 | \$ | 109 | 17 \% | \$ | 373 | \$ | 329 | 13 \% |
| Operating Earnings | \$ |  | \$ | 26 | $31 \%$ |  | 93 |  | 72 | $30 \%$ |
| \% of sales |  | 26 \% |  | $23 \%$ |  |  | 25 \% |  | 22 \% |  |

## 2017 YTD Contractor Segment Sales as \% of Graco




2017 Components of Net Sales Change
Americas

| Americas |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Volume \& Price | 12 \% | 12 \% |
| Acquisitions | 0 \% | 0 \% |
| Currency | 0 \% | 0 \% |
| Total | 12 \% | 12 \% |
| EMEA |  |  |
| Volume \& Price | 29 \% | 20 \% |
| Acquisitions | 0 \% | 0 \% |
| Currency | 5 \% | (1)\% |
| Total | $34 \%$ | 19 \% |
| Asia Pacific |  |  |
| Volume \& Price | 30 \% | 13 \% |
| Acquisitions | 0 \% | 0 \% |
| Currency | 1 \% | 0 \% |
| Total | 31 \% | 13 \% |

Segment Total
Volume \& Price
Acquisitions
Currency
Total
Third Quarter Year-to-Date



- Stable: Residential and commercial construction
- Focus Sectors: Pro paint, general construction, DIY
- Challenging: Q4 comparables
- Favorable: Western Europe, emerging markets
- Challenging: Geopolitical, Q4 comparables
- Stable: Pavement products
- Challenging: General construction, equipment adoption rates

Note: Fourth quarter 2016 included an extra week

## Contractor Segment Results

## Change in \% of sales

2016 Operating Earnings (\% of sales)
Translation effect
Volume, cost, product and channel mix Expense leverage
2017 Operating Earnings (\% of sales)

Third Quarter

| $23 \%$ |
| :---: |
| 0 |
| 1 |
| 2 |
| $26 \%$ |

Year-to-Date

| $22 \%$ |
| :---: |
| 0 |
| 1 |
| 2 |
| $25 \%$ |

Contractor Segment Sales and Operating Margins


Contractor Operating Earnings QTD


## Non-GAAP Disclosure Reconciliation

Net income excluding the excess tax benefits on exercised stock options and other tax planning benefits, which will not recur in 2018, presents a more consistent comparison of financial results. A calculation of the non-GAAP measurements of adjusted income taxes, net earnings and diluted earnings per share follows:

| Non-GAAP Reconciliation | Third Quarter |  |  |  |  | Year-to-Date |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ in millions except per share amounts | 2017 |  | 2016 |  | Change <br> (6)\% | 2017 |  | 2016 |  | Change |
| Income taxes, as reported | \$ | 20.9 | \$ | 22.2 |  | \$ | 57.6 |  | 62.7 | (8)\% |
| Excess tax benefit from option exercises |  | 3.2 |  | - |  |  | 20.5 |  | - |  |
| Tax planning benefit |  | 5.5 |  | - |  |  | 5.5 |  | - |  |
| Income taxes, adjusted | \$ | 29.6 | \$ | 22.2 | 33 \% | \$ | 83.6 |  | 62.7 | 33 \% |
| Effective income tax rate |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| As reported |  | 22\% |  | 29\% |  |  | 21\% |  | 30\% |  |
| Adjusted |  | 31\% |  | 29\% |  |  | 31\% |  | 30\% |  |
| Net earnings, as reported | \$ | 75.5 | \$ | 54.4 | 39 \% | \$ | 216.0 |  | 144.9 | 49 \% |
| Excess tax benefit from option exercises |  | (3.2) |  |  |  |  | (20.5) |  |  |  |
| Tax planning benefit |  | (5.5) |  | - |  |  | (5.5) |  | - |  |
| Net earnings, adjusted | \$ | 66.8 | \$ | 54.4 | 23 \% | \$ | 190.0 |  | 144.9 | 31 \% |
| Weighted Average Diluted Shares, in millions |  | 58.2 |  | 57.0 |  |  | 57.9 |  | 56.9 |  |
| Diluted Earnings per Share |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| As reported | \$ | 1.30 | \$ | 0.95 | 37 \% | \$ | 3.73 |  | 2.55 | 46 \% |
| Adjusted | \$ | 1.15 | \$ | 0.95 | 21 \% | \$ | 3.28 |  | 2.55 | 29 \% |

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