UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended September 27, 2024

OR

☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from

to

Commission file number 001-15885

MATERION CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

Ohio

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

34-1919973

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

6070 Parkland Blvd., Mayfield Heights, Ohio 44124

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(216)-486-4200

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, no par value	MTRN	New York Stock Exchange
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrandays. Yes ☑ No □	1 1	or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the s been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitt (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or fo	, ,	equired to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T quired to submit such files). Yes \square No \square
,		elerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.
Large accelerated filer ☑ Accelerated filer □		
Non-accelerated filer □ Smaller reporting company □		
Emerging growth company □		
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a	2	ded transition period for complying with any new or revised
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell con	1 2 \	nge Act). Yes □ No ☑

PART 1 - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

Materion Corporation and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited)

		Third Qua	rter Ended		Nine Months Ended							
(Thousands, except per share amounts)	Septe	mber 27, 2024	Septeml	per 29, 2023	Sep	tember 27, 2024	S	September 29, 2023				
Net sales	\$	436,715	\$	403,067	\$	1,247,868	\$	1,244,144				
Cost of sales		355,777		314,131		1,014,859		974,817				
Gross margin		80,938		88,936		233,009		269,327				
Selling, general, and administrative expense		35,009		38,806		104,454		118,053				
Research and development expense		7,868		6,322		22,712		21,098				
Restructuring expense (income)		1,493		1,077		6,161		3,194				
Other—net		5,309		6,211		14,112		18,178				
Operating profit		31,259		36,520		85,570		108,804				
Other non-operating (income)—net		(642)		(685)		(1,925)		(2,141)				
Interest expense—net		8,839		7,678		25,920		22,820				
Income before income taxes		23,062		29,527		61,575		88,125				
Income tax expense		768		2,963		6,836		11,891				
Net income	\$	22,294	\$	26,564	\$	54,739	\$	76,234				
Basic earnings per share:	-											
Net income per share of common stock	\$	1.07	\$	1.29	\$	2.64	\$	3.70				
Diluted earnings per share:												
Net income per share of common stock	\$	1.07	\$	1.27	\$	2.61	\$	3.65				
Weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding:												
Basic		20,749		20,640		20,723		20,611				
Diluted		20,920		20,905		20,935		20,891				

See notes to these consolidated financial statements.

Materion Corporation and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

		Third Qua	rter En	ded		Nine Mon	ths End	led
	Sej	tember 27,	Se	ptember 29,	Sej	ptember 27,	Se	ptember 29,
(Thousands)		2024		2023		2024		2023
Net income	\$	22,294	\$	26,564	\$	54,739	\$	76,234
Other comprehensive income (loss):								
Foreign currency translation adjustment		7,579		(3,259)		2,030		(1,313)
Derivative and hedging activity, net of tax		(4,452)		2,019		(2,606)		2,860
Pension and post-employment benefit adjustment, net of tax		(62)		(145)		(298)		(466)
Other comprehensive loss		3,065		(1,385)		(874)		1,081
Comprehensive income	\$	25,359	\$	25,179	\$	53,865	\$	77,315

See notes to these consolidated financial statements.

Materion Corporation and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

(Thousands)	s	September 27, 2024	I	December 31, 2023
Assets				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	17,874	\$	13,294
Accounts receivable, net		214,576		192,747
Inventories, net		476,596		441,597
Prepaid and other current assets		86,314		61,744
Total current assets		795,360		709,382
Deferred income taxes		4,914		4,908
Property, plant, and equipment		1,328,355		1,281,622
Less allowances for depreciation, depletion, and amortization		(802,294)		(766,939)
Property, plant, and equipment, net		526,061		514,683
Operating lease, right-of-use assets		58,871		57,645
Intangible assets, net		124,281		133,571
Other assets		26,384		21,664
Goodwill		321,147		320,873
Total Assets	\$	1,857,018	\$	1,762,726
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	<u> </u>	1,007,010		1,702,720
Current liabilities				
Short-term debt	\$	37,542	\$	38,597
Accounts payable	Ψ	130,310	Ψ	125,663
Salaries and wages		19,463		25,912
Other liabilities and accrued items		48,850		45,773
Income taxes		1,166		5,207
Unearned revenue		15,497		13,843
Total current liabilities		252,828		254,995
Other long-term liabilities		12,513		13,300
Operating lease liabilities		56,698		53,817
Finance lease liabilities		13,438		13,744
		26,178		26,334
Retirement and post-employment benefits Unearned income		81,553		103,983
Long-term income taxes		4,551		3,815
Deferred income taxes		19,608		20,109
Long-term debt		457,756		387,576
Shareholders' equity		437,730		367,370
Serial preferred stock (no par value; 5,000 authorized shares, none issued)				
Common stock (no par value; 60,000 authorized shares, issued shares of 27,148 at both September 27 th and December 31 st)		331,646		309,492
Retained earnings		900,764		854,334
Common stock in treasury		(259,191)		(237,746)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(47,822)		(46,948)
Other equity		6,498		5,921
Total shareholders' equity		931,895		885,053
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Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$	1,857,018	Φ	1,762,726

See the notes to these consolidated financial statements.

Materion Corporation and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

(Onaudited)	Nine Mo	nths Ended
	September 27,	September 29,
(Thousands)	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 54,739	\$ 76,234
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	51,291	46,524
Amortization of deferred financing costs in interest expense	1,286	1,284
Stock-based compensation expense (non-cash)	7,715	7,578
Deferred income tax expense (benefit)	(9)	(149)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(21,921)	27,832
Inventory	(34,215)	
Prepaid and other current assets	(24,646)	(16,175)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	3,704	(25,533)
Unearned revenue	(17,568)	(12,398)
Interest and taxes payable	(3,233)	
Unearned income due to customer prepayments	_	16,676
Other-net	(5,579)	(4,770)
Net cash provided by operating activities	11,564	84,505
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Payments for purchase of property, plant, and equipment	(50,730)	(85,251)
Payments for mine development	(10,376)	(9,326)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant, and equipment	561	417
Net cash used in investing activities	(60,545)	(94,160)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from borrowings under credit facilities, net	91,057	39,649
Repayment of long-term debt	(22,694)	(11,579)
Principal payments under finance lease obligations	(567)	(1,297)
Cash dividends paid	(8,295)	(7,937)
Payments of withholding taxes for stock-based compensation awards	(6,575)	(5,101)
Net cash provided by financing activities	52,926	13,735
Effects of exchange rate changes	635	(780)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	4,580	3,300
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	13,294	13,101
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 17,874	\$ 16,401

See notes to these consolidated financial statements.

Materion Corporation and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity (Unaudited)

	Common	Shares	Shareholders' Equity										
(Thousands, except per share amounts)	Common Shares	Common Shares Held in Treasury	_	Common Retained Stock in Stock Earnings Treasury		Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Other Equity		Total				
Balance at June 28, 2024	20,747	6,401	\$	328,836	\$	881,284	\$	(258,583)	\$	(50,887)	\$	6,435	\$ 907,085
Net income	_	_		_		22,294		_		_		_	22,294
Other comprehensive income	_	_		_		_		_		3,065		_	3,065
Cash dividends declared (\$0.135 per share)	_	_		_		(2,802)		_		_		_	(2,802)
Stock-based compensation activity	5	(5)		2,774		(12)		(381)		_		_	2,381
Payments of withholding taxes for stock-based compensation awards	(1)	1		_		_		(173)		_		_	(173)
Directors' deferred compensation	_	_		36		_		(54)		_		63	45
Balance at September 27, 2024	20,751	6,397	\$	331,646	\$	900,764	\$	(259,191)	\$	(47,822)	\$	6,498	\$ 931,895
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Balance at June 30, 2023	20,637	6,511	\$	303,390	\$	813,793	\$	(236,423)	\$	(39,443)	\$	5,806	\$ 847,123
Net income	_	_		_		26,564		_		_		_	26,564
Other comprehensive income	_	_		_		_		_		(1,385)		_	(1,385)
Cash dividends declared (\$0.130 per share)	_	_		_		(2,683)		_		_		_	(2,683)
Stock-based compensation activity	8	(8)		3,174		(76)		(562)		_		_	2,536
Payments of withholding taxes for stock-based compensation awards	(3)	3		_		_		(229)		_		_	(229)
Directors' deferred compensation	_	_		29		_		(45)		_		58	42
Balance at September 29, 2023	20,642	6,506	\$	306,593	\$	837,598	\$	(237,259)	\$	(40,828)	\$	5,864	\$ 871,968

	Common	Shares	Shareholders' Equity										
(Thousands, except per share amounts)	Common Shares	Common Shares Held in Treasury		ommon Stock		Retained Earnings		Common Stock in Treasury	A	ccumulated Other Comprehensive Loss		Other Equity	Total
Balance at December 31, 2023	20,646	6,502	\$	309,492	\$	854,334	\$	(237,746)	\$	(46,948)	\$	5,921	\$ 885,053
Net income	_	_		_		54,739		_		_		_	54,739
Other comprehensive loss	_	_		_		_		_		(874)		_	(874)
Cash dividends declared (\$0.400 per share)	_	_		_		(8,295)		_		_		_	(8,295)
Stock-based compensation activity	154	(154)		22,058		(14)		(14,329)		_		_	7,715
Payments of withholding taxes for stock-based compensation awards	(50)	50		_		_		(6,575)		_		_	(6,575)
Directors' deferred compensation	1	(1)		96		_		(541)		_		577	132
Balance at September 27, 2024	20,751	6,397	\$	331,646	\$	900,764	\$	(259,191)	\$	(47,822)	\$	6,498	\$ 931,895
Balance at December 31, 2022	20,543	6,605	\$	288,100	\$	769,418	\$	(220,864)	\$	(41,909)	\$	5,245	\$ 799,990
Net income	_	_		_		76,234		_		_		_	76,234
Other comprehensive loss	_	_		_		_		_		1,081		_	1,081
Cash dividends declared (\$0.385 per share)	_	_		_		(7,937)		_		_		_	(7,937)
Stock-based compensation activity	146	(146)		18,416		(117)		(10,721)		_		_	7,578
Payments of withholding taxes for stock-based compensation awards	(48)	48		_		_		(5,101)		_		_	(5,101)
Directors' deferred compensation	1	(1)		77		_		(573)		_		619	\$ 123
Balance at September 29, 2023	20,642	6,506	\$	306,593	\$	837,598	\$	(237,259)	\$	(40,828)	\$	5,864	\$ 871,968

See notes to these consolidated financial statements.

Note A — Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation:

The accompanying consolidated financial statements of Materion Corporation and its subsidiaries (referred to herein as the Company, our, we, or us) contain all of the adjustments necessary to present fairly the financial position, results of operations, and cash flows for the interim periods reported. All material adjustments were of a normal and recurring nature.

These consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in the Company's 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K. The interim period results are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year.

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current year presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on the reported results of operations, cash flows or financial position. Specifically, the net sales related to the previously disclosed precision clad strip project have been reclassified from the other end market to the consumer electronics end market within Note B.

New Pronouncements Adopted:

In November 2023, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued ASU No. 2023-07 "Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures (Topic 280)". This ASU updates current reportable segment disclosure requirements to require disclosures of significant reportable segment expenses that are regularly provided to the Chief Operating Decision Maker (CODM) and included within each reported measure of a segment's profit or loss. This ASU also requires disclosure of the title and position of the individual identified as the CODM and an explanation of how the CODM uses the reported measures of a segment's profit or loss in assessing segment performance and deciding how to allocate resources. This ASU will be effective for the annual period ending December 31, 2024. Adoption of this ASU will result in additional disclosure, but it will not impact the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU No. 2023-09 "Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures (Topic 740)". This ASU updates current income tax disclosure requirements to require disclosures of specific categories of information within the effective tax rate reconciliation, as well as disclosure of income taxes paid disaggregated by jurisdiction. This ASU will be effective for the annual period ending December 31, 2025. Adoption of this ASU will result in additional disclosure, but it will not impact the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

No other recently issued or effective ASUs had, or are expected to have, a material effect on the Company's results of operations, financial condition, or liquidity.

Note B — Segment Reporting

The Company has the following reportable segments: Performance Materials, Electronic Materials, Precision Optics, and Other. The Company's reportable segments represent components of the Company for which separate financial information is available that is utilized on a regular basis by the Chief Executive Officer, the Company's CODM, in determining how to allocate the Company's resources and evaluate performance.

Performance Materials provides advanced engineered solutions comprised of beryllium and non-beryllium containing alloy systems and custom engineered parts in strip, bulk, rod, plate, bar, tube, and other customized shapes.

Electronic Materials produces advanced chemicals, microelectric packaging, precious metal, non-precious metal, and specialty metal products, including vapor deposition targets, frame lid assemblies, clad and precious metal preforms and high temperature braze materials.

Precision Optics produces thin film coatings, optical filter materials, sputter-coated, and precision-converted thin film materials.

The Other reportable segment includes unallocated corporate costs and assets.

The primary measurement used by management to measure the financial performance of each segment is earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA).

The below table presents financial information for each segment and a reconciliation of EBITDA to Net Income (the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure) for the third quarter and first nine months of 2024 and 2023:

(Thousands)	Thi	rd Quarter 2024	Third Quarter 2023	Fir	st Nine Months 2024	Fi	irst Nine Months 2023
Net sales:		_	_		_		
Performance Materials ⁽¹⁾	\$	177,376	\$ 184,642	\$	533,534	\$	554,427
Electronic Materials ⁽¹⁾		236,906	192,305		641,564		611,855
Precision Optics		22,433	26,120		72,770		77,862
Other		_	_		_		_
Net sales		436,715	403,067		1,247,868		1,244,144
Segment EBITDA:							
Performance Materials	\$	44,802	\$ 46,366	\$	115,893	\$	134,061
Electronic Materials		12,309	10,155		40,118		37,504
Precision Optics		(39)	3,261		1,297		7,654
Other		(6,578)	(7,497)		(18,522)		(21,750)
Total Segment EBITDA		50,494	52,285		138,786		157,469
Income tax expense		768	2,963		6,836		11,891
Interest expense - net		8,839	7,678		25,920		22,820
Depreciation, depletion and amortization		18,593	15,080		51,291		46,524
Net income	\$	22,294	\$ 26,564	\$	54,739	\$	76,234

⁽¹⁾ Excludes inter-segment sales of \$1.6 million for the third quarter of 2024 and \$4.8 million for the first nine months of 2024 for Electronic Materials. Excludes inter-segment sales of \$3.2 million for the third quarter of 2023 and \$7.3 million for the first nine months of 2023 for Electronic Materials. There were no material inter-segment sales for Performance Materials in 2024 or 2023. Intersegment sales are eliminated in consolidation.

The following table disaggregates revenue for each segment by end market for the third quarter and first nine months of 2024 and 2023:

(Thousands)	formance laterials	Electronic Materials	Pr	ecision Optics	Other	Total
Third Quarter 2024						
End Market						
Semiconductor	\$ 2,097	\$ 198,790	\$	798	\$ _	\$ 201,685
Industrial	33,494	7,352		6,254		47,100
Aerospace and defense	44,940	975		5,126	_	51,041
Consumer electronics	49,131	172		4,006		53,309
Automotive	18,123	1,724		1,780	_	21,627
Energy	12,819	20,810				33,629
Telecom and data center	7,929	75		_	_	8,004
Other	8,843	7,008		4,469	 	 20,320
Total	\$ 177,376	\$ 236,906	\$	22,433	\$ _	\$ 436,715
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Third Quarter 2023						
End Market						
Semiconductor	\$ 2,712	\$ 151,388	\$	624	\$ _	\$ 154,724
Industrial	32,046	7,958		6,954	_	46,958
Aerospace and defense	30,938	1,102		7,124	_	39,164
Consumer electronics	59,486	144		4,254	_	63,884
Automotive	19,447	1,747		2,606	_	23,800
Energy	13,013	25,179		_	_	38,192
Telecom and data center	15,685	10		_	_	15,695
Other	11,315	4,777		4,558	_	20,650
Total	\$ 184,642	\$ 192,305	\$	26,120	\$ _	\$ 403,067

(Thousands)	formance laterials	Electronic Materials		Precision Optics		Other	Total
First Nine Months 2024							
End Market							
Semiconductor	\$ 6,059	\$	533,312	\$	1,877	\$ _	\$ 541,248
Industrial	91,765		25,466		19,399	_	136,630
Aerospace and defense	129,011		4,260		16,980	_	150,251
Consumer electronics	166,797		309		11,272	_	178,378
Automotive	54,190		5,367		5,459	_	65,016
Energy	30,191		53,480		_	_	83,671
Telecom and data center	28,913		131		_	_	29,044
Other	 26,608		19,239		17,783	 	63,630
Total	\$ 533,534	\$	641,564	\$	72,770	\$ _	\$ 1,247,868
					-	-	
First Nine Months 2023							
End Market							
Semiconductor	\$ 9,713	\$	487,361	\$	2,279	\$ _	\$ 499,353
Industrial	111,436		25,102		22,400	_	158,938
Aerospace and defense	92,734		4,670		17,771	_	115,175
Consumer electronics	162,180		526		11,075	_	173,781
Automotive	66,753		4,966		7,090	_	78,809
Energy	38,597		71,940		_	_	110,537
Telecom and data center	49,223		68		_	_	49,291
Other	23,791		17,222		17,247	_	58,260
Total	\$ 554,427	\$	611,855	\$	77,862	\$ _	\$ 1,244,144

Note C — Revenue Recognition

Net sales consist primarily of revenue from the sale of precious and non-precious specialty metals, beryllium and copper-based alloys, beryllium composites, and other products into numerous end markets. The Company requires an agreement with a customer that creates enforceable rights and performance obligations. The Company generally recognizes revenue in an amount that reflects the consideration to which it expects to be entitled upon satisfaction of a performance obligation by transferring control over a product to the customer. Control over a product is generally transferred to the customer when the Company has a present right to payment, the customer has legal title, the customer has physical possession, the customer has the significant risks and rewards of ownership, and/or the customer has accepted the product.

Transaction Price Allocated to Future Performance Obligations: Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 606, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers", requires that the Company disclose the aggregate amount of transaction price that is allocated to performance obligations that have not yet been satisfied at September 27, 2024. Remaining performance obligations include non-cancelable purchase orders and customer contracts. The guidance provides certain practical expedients that limit this requirement. As such, the Company does not disclose the value of unsatisfied performance obligations for contracts with an original expected length of one year or less.

After considering the practical expedient at September 27, 2024, the aggregate amount of the transaction price allocated to remaining performance obligations was approximately \$39.9 million.

Contract Balances: The timing of revenue recognition, billings, and cash collections resulted in the following contract assets and contract liabilities:

(Thousands)	Septe	mber 27, 2024	Decem	nber 31, 2023	\$ change	% change
Accounts receivable, trade	\$	215,420	\$	193,345	\$ 22,075	11 %
Unbilled receivables		38,098		29,524	8,574	29 %
Unearned revenue		15,497		13,843	1,654	12 %

Accounts receivable, trade represents payments due from customers relating to the transfer of the Company's products and services. The Company believes that its receivables are collectible and appropriate allowances for doubtful accounts have been recorded. Impairment losses (bad debt) incurred related to our receivables were immaterial during the third quarter of 2024.

Unbilled receivables represent expenditures on contracts, plus applicable profit margin, not yet billed. Unbilled receivables are generally billed and collected within one year. Billings made on contracts are recorded as a reduction of unbilled receivables.

Unearned revenue is recorded for consideration received from customers in advance of satisfaction of the related performance obligations. The Company recognized approximately \$13.5 million of the December 31, 2023 short-term unearned amounts as revenue during the first nine months of 2024.

As a practical expedient, the Company does not adjust the promised amount of consideration for the effects of a significant financing component because the period between the transfer of a product or service to a customer and when the customer pays for that product or service will be one year or less. The Company does not include extended payment terms in its contracts with customers.

Note D — Restructuring

The Company implemented various restructuring initiatives across the Performance Materials, Electronic Materials, Precision Optics and Other segments to improve operational efficiency during the three and nine months ended September 27, 2024 and the three and nine months ended September 29, 2023. This resulted in severance and related costs of approximately \$1.5 million and \$6.2 million during the three months and nine months ended September 27, 2024, respectively, and \$1.1 million and \$3.2 million during the three months and nine months ended September 29, 2023, respectively. Of the \$6.2 million incurred in 2024, approximately \$4.8 million of those severance costs were paid as of September 27, 2024.

Note E — Other-net

Other-net for the third quarter and first nine months of 2024 and 2023 is summarized as follows:

		Third Qua	rter	Ended	Nine Months Ended					
	Sep	tember 27,		September 29,		September 27,		September 29,		
(Thousands)		2024		2023		2024		2023		
Amortization of intangible assets	\$	3,217	\$	3,153	\$	9,227	\$	9,403		
Metal consignment fees		1,978		2,580		5,896		8,307		
Foreign currency (gain) loss		717		609		1,251		571		
Other items		(603)		(131)		(2,262)		(103)		
Total	\$	5,309	\$	6,211	\$	14,112	\$	18,178		

Note F — Income Taxes

The Company's effective tax rate for the third quarter of 2024 and 2023 was 3.3% and 10.0%, respectively, and 11.1% and 13.5% in the first nine months of 2024 and 2023, respectively. The effective tax rate for 2024 is lower than the statutory tax rate primarily due to the impact of percentage depletion, research and development and production tax credits, and the foreign derived intangible income deduction. The effective tax rate for 2023 was lower than the statutory tax rate primarily due to the impact of percentage depletion, research and development and production tax credits, and the foreign derived intangible income deduction. The effective tax rate for the first nine months of 2024 includes a nominal amount of discrete income tax expense primarily consisting of \$1.0 million of excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation awards offset by a \$1.1 million valuation allowance recorded against deferred tax assets that are not likely to be realized for one of the Company's foreign subsidiaries. The effective tax rate for the first nine months of 2023 included a net discrete income tax benefit of \$3.4 million, primarily related to an optimization of our foreign-derived intangible income deduction benefit, excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation awards, and return to provision adjustments.

Government Tax Credits

Pursuant to The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 (IRA), the Company is eligible for the Advanced Manufacturing Production Credit (production credit) beginning in 2023. The production credit provides an annual cash benefit for a portion of the production costs for the sale of certain critical minerals produced in the U.S. and sold during the year. On October 24, 2024, the U.S. Treasury Department published final regulations on the production credit that include clarifying guidance regarding the definition of production costs included in the computation of the production credit. The company is currently in the process of analyzing the final regulations to determine the amount of the production costs eligible for inclusion in the calculation of the production credit for the tax year ended December 31, 2024. The amount of the benefit that the Company is entitled to receive in connection with the production credit will ultimately depend on its analysis of the final regulations.

The Company records the production credit as a reduction in cost of goods sold as the applicable items are produced and sold. U.S. GAAP does not address the accounting for government grants received by a business entity that are outside the scope of ASC 740. Our accounting policy is to analogize to IAS 20, Accounting for Government Grants and Disclosure of Government Assistance, under IFRS Accounting Standards. We recognize the benefit of the production credits by applying IAS 20 in pretax income on a systematic basis in line with its recognition of the expenses that the grant is intended to compensate.

Pillar Two

The Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) introduced rules to establish a global minimum corporate tax, commonly referred to as Pillar Two. Numerous foreign countries have enacted legislation to implement the Pillar Two rules, effective beginning in 2024, or are expected to enact similar legislation. The Company continues to evaluate the Pillar Two rules but does not expect Pillar Two to have a significant impact on its effective tax rate or consolidated results of operations, financial position, and cash flows.

Note G — Earnings Per Share (EPS)

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted EPS:

		Third Qua	rter E	nded		Nine Months Ended					
	Se	eptember 27,	S	eptember 29,	Se	eptember 27,	5	September 29,			
(Thousands, except per share amounts)		2024		2023		2024		2023			
Numerator for basic and diluted EPS:											
Net income	\$	22,294	\$	26,564	\$	54,739	\$	76,234			
Denominator:											
Denominator for basic EPS:											
Weighted-average shares outstanding		20,749		20,640		20,723		20,611			
Effect of dilutive securities:											
Stock appreciation rights		75		79		83		87			
Restricted stock units		44		84		61		89			
Performance-based restricted stock units		52		102		68		104			
Diluted potential common shares		171		265		212		280			
Denominator for diluted EPS:											
Adjusted weighted-average shares outstanding		20,920		20,905		20,935		20,891			
Basic EPS	\$	1.07	\$	1.29	\$	2.64	\$	3.70			
Diluted EPS	\$	1.07	\$	1.27	\$	2.61	\$	3.65			

Adjusted weighted-average shares outstanding - diluted exclude securities totaling 148,038 and 47,250 for the quarters ended September 27, 2024 and September 29, 2023, respectively, and 110,555 and 36,927 for the nine months ended September 27, 2024 and September 29, 2023, respectively. These securities are primarily related to restricted stock units (RSUs) and stock appreciation rights (SARs) with fair market values and exercise prices greater than the average market price of the Company's common shares and were excluded from the dilution calculation as the effect would have been anti-dilutive.

Note H — Inventories

Inventories on the Consolidated Balance Sheets are summarized as follows:

	Se	ptember 27,	De	ecember 31,
(Thousands)		2024		2023
Raw materials and supplies	\$	129,539	\$	117,693
Work in process		276,998		268,717
Finished goods		70,059		55,187
Inventories, net	\$	476,596	\$	441,597
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The Company maintains the majority of the precious metals and copper used in production on a consignment basis in order to reduce its exposure to metal market price movements and to reduce its working capital investment. The notional value of off-balance sheet precious metals and copper was \$385.7 million and \$351.5 million as of September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

Note I — Customer Prepayments

In 2020, the Company entered into an investment agreement and a master supply agreement with a customer to procure equipment to manufacture product for the customer. The customer provided prepayments to the Company to fund the necessary infrastructure improvements and procure the equipment necessary to supply the customer with the desired product. The Company owns, operates and maintains the equipment that is being used to manufacture product for the customer.

Revenue will be recognized as the Company fulfills purchase orders and ships the commercial product to the customer, as product delivery is considered the satisfaction of the performance obligation.

Additionally, during the second quarter of 2022, the Company entered into an amendment to the investment agreement with the same customer to procure additional equipment to manufacture product for the customer. In 2023, the Company received the remaining prepayments related to this amendment, the total of which approximated \$38.6 million.

As of September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023, \$65.6 million and \$84.7 million, respectively, of prepayments are classified as Unearned income on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The prepayments will remain in Unearned income until commercial purchase orders are received for product serviced out of the equipment, at which time a portion of the purchase order value related to prepayments will be reclassified to Unearned revenue. As of September 27, 2024 \$7.0 million of the prepayments are classified as Unearned revenue.

Note J — Pensions and Other Post-employment Benefits

The following is a summary of the net periodic benefit cost for the third quarter and first nine months ended September 27, 2024 and September 29, 2023, respectively, for the pension plans as shown below. The Pension Benefits column aggregates defined benefit pension plans in the U.S., Germany, Liechtenstein, England, and the U.S. supplemental retirement plans. The Other Benefits column includes the domestic retiree medical and life insurance plan.

Pension Benefits

Other Benefits

	_	Third Quarter Ended Third Quarter									
	S	eptember 27,	Se	ptember 29,	Se	eptember 27,	Sep	tember 29,			
(Thousands)		2024		2023		2024		2023			
Components of net periodic benefit (credit) cost											
Service cost	\$	279	\$	209	\$	12	\$	13			
Interest cost		1,916		1,966		58		68			
Expected return on plan assets		(2,541)		(2,421)				_			
Amortization of prior service (benefit) cost		(22)		(21)		_		(139)			
Amortization of net loss (gain)		32		(75)		(87)		(95)			
Net periodic benefit (credit) cost	\$	(336)	\$	(342)	\$	(17)	\$	(153)			
		Pension Benefits				Other I	r Benefits				
		Nine Mon	ths E	nded	Nine Months Ended			ded			
	S	eptember 27,	Se	ptember 29,	Se	eptember 27,	September 29,				
(Thousands)		2024		2023		2024		2023			
Components of net periodic benefit (credit) cost											
Service cost	\$	813	\$	642	\$	37	\$	38			
Interest cost		5,728		5,909		175		205			
Expected return on plan assets		(7,600)		(7,282)		_		_			
Amortization of prior service (benefit) cost		(64)		(65)		_		(417)			
Amortization of net loss (gain)		96		(231)		(262)		(285)			
Net periodic benefit (credit) cost	•	(1,027)	\$	(1,027)	\$	(50)	2	(459)			

The Company did not make any contributions to its domestic defined benefit plan in the third quarter or first nine months of 2024 or 2023.

The Company reports the service cost component of net periodic benefit cost in the same line item as other compensation costs in operating expenses and the non-service cost components of net periodic benefit cost in Other non-operating (income) expense.

Note K — Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Changes in the components of accumulated other comprehensive income, including the amounts reclassified, for the third quarter and first nine months of 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

Thousands			Gain	s and Losses of	n Ca	sh Flow Hedge	S								
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications (695) (3,805) (148) (4,648) — 7,579 2,931 Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) (1,294) 295 (1,134) (77) — (1,211) Net current period other comprehensive (loss) income before tax (830) (5,099) 147 (5,782) (77) 7,579 1,720 Deferred taxes (191) (1,173) 34 (1,330) (15) — (1,345) Net current period other comprehensive (loss) income after tax (639) (3,926) 113 (4,452) (62) 7,579 3,065 Balance at September 27, 2024 \$ 1,079 \$ 1,783 \$ (210) \$ 2,652 \$ (48,956) \$ (1,518) \$ (47,822) Deferred taxes (191) (1,173) 34 (1,330) (15) — (1,345) Deferred taxes (191) (1,174)	(Thousands)		Iı	nterest Rate	Pr	ecious Metals		Total	P	Employment	Fo			Total	
Deferre reclassifications Comprehensive	Balance at June 28, 2024	\$ 1,718	\$	5,709	\$	(323)	\$	7,104	\$	(48,894)	\$	(9,097)	\$	(50,887)	
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	Balance at September 29, 2023	\$ 1,880	\$	8,038	\$	17	\$	9,935	\$	(40,694)	\$	(10,069)	\$	(40,828)	

Gains and Losses on Cash Flow Hedges Pension and Post-Foreign **Employment** Foreign Currency Interest Rate (Thousands) **Precious Metals** Total Benefits Translation Total 1,201 \$ 4,156 \$ \$ Balance at December 31, 2023 (99)\$ 5,258 (48,658)(3,548)(46,948)Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications 177 774 (708)243 2,030 2,273 Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) (335)(3,856)564 (3,627)(266)(3,893)Net current period other comprehensive (loss) income before tax (158)(3,082)(144)(3,384)(266)2,030 (1,620)Deferred taxes (36)(709)(33)(778)32 (746)Net current period other comprehensive (loss) income after tax (122)(2,373)(111)(2,606)(298)2,030 (874)2,652 1,079 1,783 (210)(48,956)(1,518)(47,822)Balance at September 27, 2024 Balance at December 31, 2022 1,243 \$ 6,055 \$ (223)7,075 (40,228)(8,756)(41,909)Other comprehensive income (loss) 862 119 before reclassifications 5,525 6,506 (1,313)5,193 Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive (35)(2,950)193 (2,792)(844)(3,636)income (loss) Net current period other comprehensive (loss) income before (844) 827 2,575 312 3,714 (1,313)1,557 tax 190 592 854 (378)Deferred taxes 72 476 Net current period other 637 1,983 240 2,860 (466)(1,313)1,081 comprehensive (loss) income after tax 1,880 8,038 17 9.935 (40.694)(10,069)(40,828)Balance at September 29, 2023 \$

Reclassifications from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) of gains and losses on foreign currency cash flow hedges are recorded in Net sales in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Reclassifications from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) of gains and losses on precious metal and copper cash flow hedges are recorded in Cost of sales in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Reclassifications from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) of gains and losses on the interest rate cash flow hedge is recorded in Interest expense in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Refer to Note N for additional details on cash flow hedges.

Reclassifications from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) for pension and post-employment benefits are included in the computation of the net periodic pension and post-employment benefit expense. Refer to Note J for additional details on pension and post-employment expenses.

Note L — Stock-based Compensation Expense

Stock-based compensation expense, which includes awards settled in shares and in cash, was \$2.4 million and \$7.7 million in the third quarter and first nine months of 2024, respectively, compared to \$2.6 million and \$7.8 million, respectively, in the same periods of 2023.

The Company granted 36,919 SARs to certain employees during the first nine months of 2024. The weighted-average exercise price per share and weighted-average fair value per share of the SARs granted during the nine months ended September 27, 2024 were \$135.58 and \$50.46, respectively. The Company estimated the fair value of the SARs using the following weighted-average assumptions in the Black-Scholes model:

Risk-free interest rate	4.17 %
Dividend yield	0.38 %
Volatility	38.3 %
Expected term (in years)	4.6

The Company granted 50,873 stock-settled RSUs to certain employees during the first nine months of 2024. The Company measures the fair value of stock-settled RSUs based on the closing market price of a share of Materion common stock on the date of the grant. The weighted-average fair value per share was \$130.31 for stock-settled RSUs granted to employees during the nine months ended September 27, 2024. RSUs are generally expensed over the vesting period of three years for employees.

The Company granted stock-settled performance-based restricted stock units (PRSUs) to certain employees in the first nine months of 2024. The weighted-average fair value of the stock-settled PRSUs was \$164.40 per share and will be expensed over the vesting period of three years. The final payout to the employees for all PRSUs will be based upon the Company's return on invested capital and its total return to shareholders over the vesting period relative to a peer group's performance over the same period.

At September 27, 2024, unrecognized compensation cost related to the unvested portion of all stock-based awards was approximately \$19.3 million, and is expected to be recognized over the remaining vesting period of the respective grants.

Note M — Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company measures and records financial instruments at fair value. A hierarchy is used for those instruments measured at fair value that distinguishes between assumptions based on market data (observable inputs) and the Company's assumptions (unobservable inputs). The hierarchy consists of three levels:

- Level 1 Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities;
- Level 2 Inputs other than Level 1 inputs that are either directly or indirectly observable; and
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs developed using estimates and assumptions developed by the Company, which reflect

those that a market participant would use.

The following table summarizes the financial instruments measured at fair value in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023:

	otal Carryii onsolidated			Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)					Obse Inj	her	le		è		
(Thousands)	2024		2023		2024		2023		2024		2023		2024		2023
Financial Assets															
Deferred compensation investments	\$ 5,654	\$	4,899	\$	5,654	\$	4,899	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
Foreign currency forward contracts	1,163		615		_		_		1,163		615		_		_
Interest rate swap	3,601		6,492		_		_		3,601		6,492		_		_
Precious metal swaps	 104		353						104		353				_
Total	\$ 10,522	\$	12,359	\$	5,654	\$	4,899	\$	4,868	\$	7,460	\$		\$	
Financial Liabilities		-										-			
Deferred compensation liability	\$ 5,654	\$	4,899	\$	5,654	\$	4,899	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
Foreign currency forward contracts	1,777		1,500		_		_		1,777		1,500		_		_
Interest Rate Swap	1,287		1,096						1,287		1,096				_
Precious metal swaps	380		485		_		_		380		485		_		_
Total	\$ 9,098	\$	7,980	\$	5,654	\$	4,899	\$	3,444	\$	3,081	\$	_	\$	

The Company uses a market approach to value the assets and liabilities for financial instruments in the table above. Outstanding contracts are valued through models that utilize market observable inputs, including both spot and forward prices, for the same underlying currencies, metals, and interest rates. The carrying values of the other working capital items and debt in the Consolidated Balance Sheets approximate fair values as of September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023. The Company's deferred compensation investments and liabilities are based on the fair value of the investments corresponding to the employees' investment selections, primarily in mutual funds, based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Deferred compensation investments are primarily presented in Other long-term liabilities.

Note N — Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activity

The Company uses derivative contracts to hedge exposure to movements in interest rates associated with borrowings, foreign currency exposures, and precious metal exposures. The objectives and strategies for using derivatives in these areas are as follows:

Interest Rate. On March 4, 2022, the Company entered into a \$100.0 million interest rate swap to hedge the interest rate risk on the Credit Agreement described in Note P. The swap hedges the change in 1-month Secured Overnight Financial Rate (SOFR) from March 4, 2022 to November 2, 2026. On March 21, 2023, the Company entered into two \$50.0 million interest rate swaps to hedge the interest rate risk on the Credit Agreement described in Note P. The swaps hedge the change in 1-month USD-SOFR. The purpose of these hedges is to manage the risk of changes in the monthly interest payments attributable to changes in the benchmark interest rate.

Foreign Currency. The Company sells a portion of its products to overseas customers in their local currencies, primarily the euro and yen. The Company secures foreign currency derivatives, mainly forward contracts and options, to hedge these anticipated sales transactions. The purpose of the hedge program is to protect against the reduction in the dollar value of foreign currency sales from adverse exchange rate movements. Should the dollar strengthen significantly, the decrease in the translated value of the foreign currency sales should be partially offset by gains on

the hedge contracts. Depending upon the methods used, the hedge contracts may limit the benefits from a weakening U.S. dollar.

The use of forward contracts locks in a firm rate and eliminates any downside from an adverse rate movement as well as any benefit from a favorable rate movement. The Company may from time to time choose to hedge with options or a tandem of options, known as a collar. These hedging techniques can limit or eliminate the downside risk but can allow for some or all of the benefit from a favorable rate movement to be realized. Unlike a forward contract, a premium is paid for an option; collars, which are a combination of a put and call option, may have a net premium but can be structured to be cash neutral. The Company will primarily hedge with forward contracts due to the relationship between the cash outlay and the level of risk.

The use of foreign currency derivative contracts is governed by policies approved by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors. A team consisting of senior financial managers reviews the estimated exposure levels, as defined by budgets, forecasts, and other internal data, and determines the timing, amounts, and nature of instruments to use to hedge exposures. Management analyzes the effective hedged rates and the actual and projected gains and losses on the hedging transactions against the program objectives, targeted rates, and levels of risk assumed. Foreign currency contracts are typically layered in at different times for a specified exposure period in order to minimize the impact of market rate movements.

Precious Metals. The Company maintains the majority of its precious metal production requirements on consignment in order to reduce its working capital investment and the exposure to metal price movements. When a product containing precious metal is fabricated and delivered to the customer, the metal content is purchased out of consignment based on the current market price. The price paid by the Company for the precious metal forms the basis for the precious metals used by the Company to be passed through to the customer and reduces the impact changes in prices could have on the Company's margins and operating profit. The consigned metal is owned by precious metal consignors that charge the Company consignment fees based upon the value of the metal as it fluctuates while on consignment. Each precious metal consignor retains title to its consigned precious metal until it is purchased by the Company, and it is the Company's typical practice to purchase metal out of consignment only after a product containing that metal has been purchased by one of our customers.

In certain instances, a customer may want to fix the price for the precious metal at the time the sales order is placed rather than at the time of shipment. Setting the sales price at a different date than when the material would be purchased out of consignment potentially creates an exposure to movements in the market price of the metal. Therefore, in these limited situations, the Company may elect to enter into a forward contract to purchase precious metal. The forward contract allows the Company to purchase metal at a fixed price on a specific future date. The price in the forward contract serves as the basis for the price to be charged to the customer. By doing so, the selling price and purchase price are matched, and the Company's price exposure is reduced.

The Company refines precious metal-containing materials for its customers and typically will purchase the refined metal from the customer at current market prices. In limited circumstances, the customer may want to fix the price to be paid at the time of the order as opposed to when the material is refined. The customer may also want to fix the price for a set period of time. The Company may then elect to enter into a hedge contract, either a forward contract or a swap, to fix the price for the estimated quantity of metal to be refined and purchased, thereby reducing the exposure to adverse movements in the price of the metal. The Company may also enter into hedges to mitigate the risk relating to the prices of the metals that we process or refine.

In certain circumstances, the Company also refines metal from the customer and may retain a portion of the refined metal as payment. The Company may elect to enter into a forward contract to sell precious metal to reduce the Company's price exposure in these instances.

The Company may, from time to time, elect to purchase precious metal and hold in inventory rather than on consignment due to potential credit line limitations or other factors. These purchases are infrequent and, when made are typically held for a short duration. A forward contract will be secured at the time of the purchase to fix the price to be paid when the metal is transferred back to the consignment line, thereby limiting any price exposure during the time when the metal was owned by the Company.

The Company will only enter into a derivative contract if there is an underlying identified exposure. Contracts are typically held to maturity. The Company does not engage in derivative trading activities and does not use derivatives for speculative purposes. The Company only uses hedge contracts that are denominated in the same currency or metal as the underlying exposure.

All derivatives are recorded on the balance sheet at fair value. If a derivative is designated and effective as a cash flow hedge, changes in the fair value of the derivative are recognized in other comprehensive income (OCI) and reclassified into income in the same period or periods during which the hedged transaction affects earnings. The ineffective portion of a derivative's fair value, if any, is recognized in earnings immediately. If a derivative is not a hedge, changes in the fair value are adjusted through income. The fair values of the outstanding derivatives are recorded on the balance sheet as assets (if the derivatives are in a gain position) or liabilities (if the derivatives are in a loss position). The derivative assets and liabilities are classified as short-term or long-term depending upon the contract maturity date.

The following table summarizes the notional amount and the fair value of the Company's outstanding derivatives not designated as hedging instruments (on a gross basis) and the balance sheet classification as of September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023:

	September	27, 2024	December 31, 2023					
(Thousands)	Notional Amount	Fair Value		Notional Amount		Fair Value		
Foreign currency forward contracts								
Prepaid and other current assets	\$ 31,145	\$ 1,150	\$	23,122	\$	558		
Other liabilities and accrued items	27,343	1,343		25,853		1,180		

These outstanding foreign currency derivatives were related to balance sheet hedges and intercompany loans. Other-net included \$0.2 million of foreign currency losses and \$0.2 million of foreign currency gains related to derivatives in the third quarter and first nine months of 2024, respectively, compared to less than \$0.1 million of foreign currency losses in the third quarter and \$0.4 million of foreign currency losses in the first nine months of 2023.

The following table summarizes the notional amount and the fair value of the Company's outstanding derivatives designated as cash flow hedges (on a gross basis) and balance sheet classification as of September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023:

	September 27, 2024										
	Fair Value										
(Thousands)	 Notional Amount		Prepaid and other current assets		Other assets		Other liabilities and accrued items	Ot	ther long-term liabilities		
Foreign currency forward contracts - yen	\$ 1,830	\$	13	\$	_	\$	73	\$	_		
Foreign currency forward contracts - euro	13,931		_		_		361		_		
Precious metal swaps	265		104		_		380		_		
Interest rate swap	200,000		2,271		1,330		322		965		
Total	\$ 216,026	\$	2,388	\$	1,330	\$	1,136	\$	965		

					December 31, 2023				
	Fair Value								
	Notional Amount		Prepaid and other current assets		Other assets	Other liabilities and accrued items	1	Other long-term liabilities	
Foreign currency forward contracts - yen	\$ 2,167	\$	32	\$	_	\$ 2	20	\$ —	
Foreign currency forward contracts - euro	23,064		25		_	30	00	_	
Precious metal swaps	15,717		353		_	48	35	_	
Interest rate swap	200,000		3,658		2,834	=	_	1,096	
Total	\$ 240,948	\$	4,068	\$	2,834	\$ 80)5	\$ 1,096	

All of the contracts summarized above were designated and effective as cash flow hedges. We expect to reclassify \$1.3 million of net gains into earnings in the next 12 months contemporaneously with the earnings effects of the related forecasted transactions. At September 27, 2024, the maximum term of derivative instruments that hedge forecasted transactions was approximately four years. Refer to Note K for further details related to OCI.

The following table summarizes the amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income relating to the Company's outstanding derivatives designated as cash flow hedges and associated income statement classification as of the third quarter and first nine months of 2024 and 2023:

		Third Quarter Ended						
(Thousands)		Sept	ember 27, 2024		September 29, 2023			
Hedging relationship	Line item							
Foreign currency forward contracts	Net sales	\$	(135)	\$	_			
Precious metal swaps	Cost of sales		295		83			
Interest rate swap	Interest expense - net		(1,294)		(1,140)			
Total		\$	(1,134)	\$	(1,057)			

			Nine Mon	ths E	nded
(Thousands)		Septe	mber 27, 2024		September 29, 2023
Hedging relationship	Line item				
Foreign currency forward contracts	Net sales	\$	(335)	\$	(35)
Precious metal swaps	Cost of sales		564		193
Interest rate swap	Interest expense - net		(3,856)		(2,950)
Total		\$	(3,627)	\$	(2,792)

Note O — Contingencies

Legal Proceedings. The Company is party to several pending legal proceedings and claims arising in the normal course of business. The Company records a liability when it is both probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. In the event the Company determines that a loss is not probable, but is reasonably possible, and it becomes possible to develop what the Company believes to be a reasonable range of possible loss, then the Company will include disclosure related to such matters. To the extent there is a reasonable possibility that the losses could exceed any amounts accrued, the Company will adjust the accrual in the period the determination is made, disclose an estimate of the additional loss or range of loss, indicate that the estimate is immaterial with respect to its financial statements as a whole or, if the amount of such adjustment cannot be reasonably estimated, disclose that an estimate cannot be made.

Environmental Proceedings. The Company has an active environmental compliance program and records reserves for the probable cost of identified environmental remediation projects. The reserves are established based upon analyses conducted by the Company's engineers and outside consultants and are adjusted from time to time based upon ongoing studies, the difference between actual and estimated costs, and other factors. The reserves may also be affected by rulings and negotiations with regulatory agencies. The undiscounted reserve balance was \$4.4 million and \$4.6 million at September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively, and is included in Other liabilities and accrued items and Other long-term liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheet. Environmental projects tend to be long-term, and the final actual remediation costs may differ from the amounts currently recorded.

Note P — Debt

(Thousands)	Sept	ember 27, 2024	December 31, 2023		
Borrowings under Credit Agreement	\$	241,375	\$	149,250	
Borrowings under the Term Loan Facility		247,500		270,000	
Overdraft Sweep Facility		_		3,825	
Foreign debt		8,499		5,918	
Total debt outstanding		497,374		428,993	
Current portion of long-term debt		(37,542)		(38,597)	
Gross long-term debt		459,832		390,396	
Unamortized deferred financing fees		(2,076)		(2,820)	
Long-term debt	\$	457,756	\$	387,576	

As of September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the Company had \$241.4 million outstanding at an average interest rate of 6.90% and \$149.3 million outstanding at an average interest rate of 6.96%, respectively, under its revolving credit facility. The available borrowing capacity under the revolving credit facility as of September 27, 2024 was \$127.0 million. The Company has the option to repay or borrow additional funds under the revolving credit facility until the maturity date in 2026. The amended and restated credit agreement governing the revolving credit facility (Credit Agreement) includes covenants subject to a maximum leverage ratio and a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio. We were in compliance with all of our debt covenants as of September 27, 2024.

The balance outstanding on the term loan facility as of September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023 was \$247.5 million and \$270.0 million, respectively.

At September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023, there was \$6.7 million and \$47.0 million, respectively, outstanding against the letters of credit sub-facility.

Note Q — Subsequent Events

On October 20, 2024, the Company entered into an agreement to sell the assets of the target manufacturing operations at the Company's Albuquerque facility ("Target assets"). The transaction subsequently closed on October 25, 2024. Based on the facts and circumstances as of September 27, 2024, the Company determined that not all criteria were met to classify the Target assets as held for sale as of September 27, 2024. Approximately \$5 million of net assets were included in the transaction. Based on the final purchase price, the Company estimates that a loss will be recorded in the fourth quarter of 2024.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

OVERVIEW

We are an integrated producer of high-performance advanced engineered materials used in a variety of electronic, thermal, and structural applications. Our products are sold into numerous end markets, including semiconductor, industrial, aerospace and defense, automotive, consumer electronics, energy, and telecom and data center.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Third Quarter

	Third Quarter Ended												
	S	eptember 27,		September 29,		\$	%						
(Thousands, except per share data)	<u> </u>	2024		2023		Change	Change						
Net sales	\$	436,715	\$	403,067	\$	33,648	8 %						
Value-added sales		263,828		270,532		(6,704)	(2)%						
Gross margin		80,938		88,936		(7,998)	(9)%						
Gross margin as a % of value-added sales		31 %		33 %									
Selling, general, and administrative (SG&A) expense		35,009		38,806		(3,797)	(10)%						
SG&A expense as a % of value-added sales		13 %		14 %									
Research and development (R&D) expense		7,868		6,322		1,546	24 %						
R&D expense as a % of value-added sales		3 %		2 %									
Restructuring expense		1,493		1,077		416	39 %						
Other—net		5,309		6,211		(902)	(15)%						
Operating profit		31,259		36,520		(5,261)	(14)%						
Other non-operating (income)—net		(642)		(685)		43	(6)%						
Interest expense—net		8,839		7,678		1,161	15 %						
Income before income taxes		23,062		29,527		(6,465)	(22)%						
Income tax expense		768		2,963		(2,195)	(74)%						
Net income	\$	22,294	\$	26,564	\$	(4,270)	(16)%						
Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.07	\$	1.27	\$	(0.20)	(16)%						

Net sales of \$436.7 million in the third quarter of 2024 increased \$33.6 million from \$403.1 million in the third quarter of 2023. An increase in net sales in the Electronic Materials was partially offset by decreased net sales in the Performance Materials and Precision Optics segments. The increase in the Electronic Materials segment was primarily due to higher precious metal pass through costs, increasing net sales by approximately \$30.3 million when compared to the prior year third quarter.

Volume increases in the semiconductor (11%) and aerospace and defense (30%) end markets were partially offset by a decrease in the telecom and data center (49%) end market as well as decreased sales in the consumer electronic end market (17%) primarily driven by our largest customer. Additionally, there was a \$2.9 million year over year decrease in raw material beryllium hydroxide sales compared to the third quarter of 2023. See Note B to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional details on the year over year changes in our net sales by segment and market.

Value-added sales is a non-GAAP financial measure that removes the impact of pass-through metal costs and allows for analysis without the distortion of the movement or volatility in precious metal market prices and changes in mix due to customer-supplied material. Internally, we manage our business on this basis, and a reconciliation of net sales, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, to value-added sales is included herein. Value-added sales of \$263.8 million in the third quarter of 2024 decreased \$6.7 million, or 2%, compared to the third quarter of 2023. A volume decrease in the telecom and data center (47%) end market as well as decreased sales in the consumer electronic end market (16%) primarily driven by our largest customer were partially offset by an increase in the aerospace and defense (35%) and semiconductor (10%) end markets. Additionally, there was a \$2.9 million year over year decrease in raw material beryllium hydroxide sales compared to the third quarter of 2023.

Gross margin in the third quarter of 2024 was \$80.9 million, a decrease of 9% compared to the third quarter of 2023. Gross margin expressed as a percentage of value-added sales decreased to 31% in the third quarter of 2024 from 33% in the third quarter of 2023. The decrease in gross margin is primarily due to unfavorable price/mix as well as higher costs associated with the production ramp of the precision clad strip facility.

SG&A expense was \$35.0 million in the third quarter of 2024, compared to \$38.8 million in the third quarter of 2023. The decrease in SG&A expense was primarily due to various cost savings initiatives implemented throughout 2023 and during the

first nine months of 2024. Expressed as a percentage of value-added sales, SG&A expense was 13% and 14% in the third quarter of 2024 and 2023, respectively.

R&D expense consists primarily of direct personnel and material costs for product innovation including pre-production development, evaluation, and testing of new products, prototypes, and applications to deliver new high performing advanced materials to our customers. R&D expense as a percent of value-added sales increased slightly from 2% in the third quarter of 2023 to 3% in the third quarter of 2024.

Restructuring expense consists primarily of cost reduction actions taken in order to reduce our fixed cost structure. In the third quarter of 2024, we recorded \$1.5 million of restructuring charges across all segments. In the third quarter of 2023, we recorded \$1.1 million of restructuring charges primarily in our Electronic Materials segment. See Note D to the Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion.

Other-net was \$5.3 million of expense in the third quarter of 2024, or a \$0.9 million decrease from the third quarter of 2023. Refer to Note E to the Consolidated Financial Statements for details of the major components within Other-net.

Other non-operating (income)-net includes components of pension and post-retirement expense other than service costs. Refer to Note J to the Consolidated Financial Statements for details of the components.

Interest expense-net was \$8.8 million and \$7.7 million in the third quarter of 2024 and 2023, respectively. The increase in interest expense is primarily due to an increase in interest rates and borrowings compared to the prior year period.

Income tax expense for the third quarter of 2024 was \$0.8 million, compared to \$3.0 million in the third quarter of 2023. The effective tax rate for the third quarter of 2024 and 2023 was 3.3% and 10.0%, respectively. The effective tax rate for 2024 and 2023 is lower than the statutory tax rate primarily due to the impact of the foreign-derived intangible income deduction, percentage depletion and research and development tax credits. See Note F to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional discussion.

Nine Months

		Nine Months Ended											
(Thousands, except per share data)		September 27, 2024		September 29, 2023		\$ Change	% Change						
Net sales	\$	1,247,868	\$	1,244,144	\$	3,724	<u> </u>						
Value-added sales		801,509		837,351		(35,842)	(4)%						
Gross margin		233,009		269,327		(36,318)	(13)%						
Gross margin as a % of value-added sales		29 %		32 %									
SG&A expense		104,454		118,053		(13,599)	(12)%						
SG&A expense as a % of value-added sales		13 %		14 %									
R&D expense		22,712		21,098		1,614	8 %						
R&D expense as a % of value-added sales		3 %		3 %									
Restructuring (income) expense		6,161		3,194		2,967	93 %						
Other—net		14,112		18,178		(4,066)	(22)%						
Operating profit		85,570		108,804		(23,234)	(21)%						
Other non-operating (income)—net		(1,925)		(2,141)		216	(10)%						
Interest expense—net		25,920		22,820		3,100	14 %						
Income before income taxes		61,575		88,125		(26,550)	(30)%						
Income tax expense		6,836		11,891		(5,055)	(43)%						
Net income	\$	54,739	\$	76,234	\$	(21,495)	(28)%						
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Diluted earnings per share	\$	2.61	\$	3.65	\$	(1.04)	(28)%						

Net sales of \$1,247.9 million in the first nine months of 2024 increased \$3.7 million from \$1,244.1 million in the first nine months of 2023. An increase in net sales in the Electronic Materials segment was partially offset by decreases in the Performance Materials and Precision Optics segments. The increase in the Electronic Materials segment was primarily due to

higher precious metal pass through costs, increasing net sales by approximately \$49.3 million when compared to the prior year first nine months.

Volume decreases in the energy (24%), industrial (14%), telecom and data center (41%) and automotive (18%) end markets were partially offset by an increase in the aerospace and defense (30%) end market. See Note B to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional details on the year over year changes in our net sales by segment and market.

Value-added sales of \$801.5 million in the first nine months of 2024 decreased \$35.8 million, or 4%, compared to the first nine months of 2023. Volume decreases in the industrial (19%), semiconductor (6%), automotive (20%), energy (24%), and telecom and data center (40%) end markets were partially offset by an increase in the aerospace and defense (36%) end market.

Gross margin in the first nine months of 2024 was \$233.0 million, a decrease of 13% compared to the first nine months of 2023. Gross margin expressed as a percentage of value-added sales decreased to 29% in the first nine months of 2024 from 32% in the first nine months of 2023. Gross margin decreased from the prior year period primarily due to impact of lower volumes and related unabsorbed costs in the first half of 2024. Additionally, gross margin was unfavorably impacted by higher costs associated with the production ramp of the precision clad strip facility.

SG&A expense was \$104.5 million in the first nine months of 2024, compared to \$118.1 million in the first nine months of 2023. The decrease in SG&A expense was primarily due to various cost savings initiatives implemented throughout 2023 and during the nine months of 2024. Expressed as a percentage of value-added sales, SG&A expense was 13% and 14% in the first nine months of 2024 and 2023, respectively.

R&D expense consists primarily of direct personnel and material costs for product innovation including pre-production development, evaluation, and testing of new products, prototypes, and applications to deliver new high performing advanced materials to our customers. R&D expense accounted for 3% of value-added sales in the first nine months of both 2024 and 2023.

Restructuring (income) expense consists primarily of cost reduction actions taken in order to reduce our fixed cost structure. In the first nine months of 2024, we recorded a combined total of \$6.2 million of restructuring charges in our Electronic Materials, Precision Optics, Performance Materials and Other segments. In the first nine months of 2023, we recorded a combined total of \$3.2 million of restructuring charges primarily in our Precision Optics, Electronic Materials and Performance Materials segments. Refer to Note D to the Consolidated Financial Statements for details.

Other-net was \$14.1 million of expense in the first nine months of 2024, or a \$4.1 million decrease from the first nine months of 2023. Refer to Note E to the Consolidated Financial Statements for details of the major components within Other-net.

Other non-operating (income)-net includes components of pension and post-retirement expense other than service costs. Refer to Note J to the Consolidated Financial Statements for details of the components.

Interest expense-net was \$25.9 million and \$22.8 million in the first nine months of 2024 and 2023, respectively. The increase in interest expense is primarily due to an increase in interest rates and borrowings compared to the prior year period.

Income tax expense for the first nine months of 2024 was \$6.8 million, compared to \$11.9 million in the nine months of 2023. The Company's effective tax rate for the first nine months of 2024 and 2023 was 11.1% and 13.5%, respectively. The effective tax rate for the first nine months of 2024 includes a nominal amount of discrete income tax expense primarily consisting of \$1.0 million of excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation awards offset by a \$1.1 million valuation allowance recorded against deferred tax assets that are not likely to be realized for one of the Company's foreign subsidiaries. The effective tax rate for the first nine months of 2023 included a net discrete income tax benefit of \$3.4 million, primarily related to an optimization of our foreign-derived intangible income deduction benefit, excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation awards, and return to provision adjustments. See Note F to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional discussion.

Value-Added Sales - Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Financial Measure

A reconciliation of net sales to value-added sales, a non-GAAP financial measure, for each reportable segment and for the total Company for the third quarter and first nine months of 2024 and 2023 is as follows:

		Third Qua	arter l	Nine Months Ended							
	Se	ptember 27,		September 29,	 September 27,		September 29,				
(Thousands)		2024		2023	2024		2023				
Net sales											
Performance Materials	\$	177,376	\$	184,642	\$ 533,534	\$	554,427				
Electronic Materials		236,906		192,305	641,564		611,855				
Precision Optics		22,433		26,120	72,770		77,862				
Other		_		_	_		_				
Total	\$	436,715	\$	403,067	\$ 1,247,868	\$	1,244,144				
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Less: pass-through metal costs											
Performance Materials	\$	13,768	\$	15,748	\$ 41,283	\$	51,906				
Electronic Materials		159,067		116,772	404,953		354,829				
Precision Optics		52		15	123		58				
Other		_		_	_		_				
Total	\$	172,887	\$	132,535	\$ 446,359	\$	406,793				
Value-added sales											
Performance Materials	\$	163,608	\$	168,894	\$ 492,251	\$	502,521				
Electronic Materials		77,839		75,533	236,611		257,026				
Precision Optics		22,381		26,105	72,647		77,804				
Other		_		_	_		_				
Total	\$	263,828	\$	270,532	\$ 801,509	\$	837,351				

Internally, management reviews net sales on a value-added basis. Value-added sales is a non-GAAP financial measure that deducts the value of the passthrough precious metal market costs from net sales. Value-added sales allow management to assess the impact of differences in net sales between periods, segments, or markets, and analyze the resulting margins and profitability without the distortion of movements in pass-through market metal costs. The dollar amount of gross margin and operating profit is not affected by the value-added sales calculation. We sell other metals and materials that are not considered direct pass-throughs, and these costs are not deducted from net sales when calculating value-added sales. Non-GAAP financial measures, such as value-added sales, have inherent limitations and should not be considered in isolation, or as a substitute for analyses of results as reported under GAAP.

The cost of gold, silver, platinum, palladium, copper, ruthenium, iridium, rhodium, rhenium, and osmium can be quite volatile. Our pricing policy is to directly pass the market cost of these metals on to the customer in order to mitigate the impact of metal price volatility on our results from operations. Trends and comparisons of net sales are affected by movements in the market prices of these metals, but changes in net sales due to metal price movements may not have a proportionate impact on our profitability.

Our net sales are also affected by changes in the use of customer-supplied metal. When we manufacture a precious metal product, the customer may purchase metal from us or may elect to provide its own metal, in which case we process the metal on a toll basis and the metal value does not flow through net sales or cost of sales. In either case, we generally earn our margin based upon our fabrication efforts. The relationship of this margin to net sales can change depending upon whether or not the product was made from our metal or the customer's metal. The use of value-added sales removes the potential distortion in the comparison of net sales caused by changes in the level of customer-supplied metal.

By presenting information on net sales and value-added sales, it is our intention to allow users of our financial statements to review our net sales with and without the impact of the pass-through metals.

Segment Results

The Company consists of four reportable segments: Performance Materials, Electronic Materials, Precision Optics, and Other. The Other reportable segment includes unallocated corporate costs.

Performance Materials

Third Quarter

(Thousands)				i nira Quai	rter E	ınaea	
	Septe	mber 27,	Sept	ember 29,		\$	%
Γhousands)	2	2024		2023		Change	Change
Vet sales	\$	177,376	\$	184,642	\$	(7,266)	(4)%
Value-added sales		163,608		168,894		(5,286)	(3)%
EBITDA		44,802		46,366		(1,564)	(3)%

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Net sales from the Performance Materials segment of \$177.4 million in the third quarter of 2024 decreased 4% compared to net sales of \$184.6 million in the third quarter of 2023. The decrease in sales was due to lower sales volumes in the telecom and data center (49%) end market as well as decreased sales in the consumer electronic (17%) end market primarily driven by our largest customer. Additionally, there was a \$2.9 million year over year decrease in the volume of raw material beryllium hydroxide sales compared to the third quarter of 2023. These decreases were partially offset by increased volumes in the aerospace and defense (45%) end market.

Value-added sales of \$163.6 million in the third quarter of 2024 were 3% lower than value-added sales of \$168.9 million in the third quarter of 2023. The decrease in value-added sales was due to the same factors driving the decrease in net sales.

EBITDA for the Performance Materials segment was \$44.8 million in the third quarter of 2024, compared to \$46.4 million in the third quarter of 2023. The impact of unfavorable pricing/mix was offset by the favorable impact manufacturing performance as a result of the various cost control measures implemented throughout 2024.

Nine Months

	September 27, Se		September 29,			\$	%
(Thousands)	2024			2023		Change	Change
Net sales	\$	533,534	\$	554,427	\$	(20,893)	(4)%
Value-added sales		492,251		502,521		(10,270)	(2)%
EBITDA		115,893		134,061		(18,168)	(14)%

Net sales from the Performance Materials segment of \$533.5 million in the first nine months of 2024 decreased 4% compared to net sales of \$554.4 million in the first nine months of 2023. The decrease in sales was due to lower sales volumes in the industrial (18%), telecom and data center (41%) and automotive (19%) end markets. These decreases were partially offset by increased volumes in the aerospace and defense (39%) end market.

Value-added sales of \$492.3 million in the first nine months of 2024 were 2% lower than value-added sales of \$502.5 million in the first nine months of 2023. The decrease in value-added sales was due to the same factors driving the decrease in net sales.

EBITDA for the Performance Materials segment was \$115.9 million in the first nine months of 2024 compared to \$134.1 million in the first nine months of 2023. The decrease in EBITDA was primarily driven by the impact unfavorable price/mix as well as the impact of lower volumes and related unabsorbed costs in the first half of 2024. Additionally, EBITDA was unfavorably impacted by higher costs associated with the production ramp of the precision clad strip facility.

Electronic Materials

Third Quarter

	Third Quarter Ended									
	September 27,			eptember 29,		\$	%			
(Thousands)	2024			2023		Change	Change			
Net sales	\$	236,906	\$	192,305	\$	44,601	23 %			
Value-added sales		77,839		75,533		2,306	3 %			
EBITDA		12,309		10,155		2,154	21 %			

Net sales from the Electronic Materials segment of \$236.9 million in the third quarter of 2024 were 23% higher than net sales of \$192.3 million in the third quarter of 2023. The increase in net sales was primarily due to higher precious metal pass through costs, which increased net sales by \$30.3 million compared to the third quarter of 2023. Additionally, net sales increased as a result of higher sales volumes in the semiconductor (11%) end market.

Value-added sales of \$77.8 million in the third quarter of 2024 increased 3% compared to value-added sales of \$75.5 million in the third quarter of 2023. The increase in value-added sales was due to the sales volume increases noted above which also drove the increase in net sales.

EBITDA for the Electronic Materials segment was \$12.3 million in the third quarter of 2024 compared to \$10.2 million in the third quarter of 2023. EBITDA increased due to higher sales volume along with the impact of various targeted cost control initiatives implemented in 2023 and throughout 2024.

Nine Months

				Nine Mont	hs Ei	ıded		
	Se	ptember 27,	Se	eptember 29,		\$	%	
housands)		2024		2023		Change	Change	
t sales	\$	641,564	\$	611,855	\$	29,709	5 %	
lue-added sales		236,611		257,026		(20,415)	(8)%	
ΓDA		40,118		37,504		2,614	7 %	

Net sales from the Electronic Materials segment of \$641.6 million in the first nine months of 2024 were 5% higher than net sales of \$611.9 million in the first nine months of 2023. The increase in net sales was primarily due to higher precious metal pass through costs, which increased net sales by \$49.3 million compared to the first nine months of 2023. This was partially offset by decreased sales volumes in the energy (26%) end market.

Value-added sales of \$236.6 million in the first nine months of 2024 decreased 8% compared to value-added sales of \$257.0 million in the first nine months of 2023. The decrease in value-added sales was driven by decreased sales volumes in the energy (28%) and semiconductor (4%) end markets.

EBITDA for the Electronic Materials segment was \$40.1 million in the first nine months of 2024 compared to \$37.5 million in the first nine months of 2023. Despite decreased value-added sales, EBITDA increased slightly as a result of the various targeted cost control initiatives implemented in 2023 and throughout 2024.

Precision Optics

Third Quarter

	Third Quarter Ended								
		September 27,		September 29,	\$		%		
(Thousands)	2024			2023		Change	Change		
Net sales	\$	22,433	\$	26,120	\$	(3,687)	(14)%		
Value-added sales		22,381		26,105		(3,724)	(14)%		
EBITDA		(39)		3,261		(3,300)	(101)%		

Net sales from the Precision Optics segment of \$22.4 million in the third quarter of 2024 decreased 14% compared to net sales of \$26.1 million in the third quarter of 2023. The decrease was primarily due to lower sales volumes in the aerospace and defense end market (28%).

Value-added sales of \$22.4 million in the third quarter of 2024 decreased 14% compared to value-added sales of \$26.1 million in the third quarter of 2023. The decrease in value-added sales was due to the same factors driving the decrease in net sales.

EBITDA for the Precision Optics segment was a slight loss in the third quarter of 2024 compared to income of \$3.3 million in the third quarter of 2023. The decrease in EBITDA was due to the impact of lower sales volumes and unfavorable mix.

Nine Months

	Nine Months Ended								
	Se	ptember 27,		September 29,		\$	%		
(Thousands)	2024			2023		Change	Change		
Net sales	\$	72,770	\$	77,862	\$	(5,092)	(7)%		
Value-added sales		72,647		77,804		(5,157)	(7)%		
EBITDA		1,297		7,654		(6,357)	(83)%		

Net sales from the Precision Optics segment of \$72.8 million in the first nine months of 2024 decreased 7% compared to net sales of \$77.9 million in the first nine months of 2023. The decrease was primarily due to lower sales volumes in the industrial (13%) and automotive (23%) end markets.

Value-added sales of \$72.6 million in the first nine months of 2024 decreased 7% compared to value-added sales of \$77.8 million in the first nine months of 2023. The decrease in value-added sales was due to the same factors driving the decrease in net sales.

EBITDA for the Precision Optics segment was \$1.3 million in the first nine months of 2024 compared to \$7.7 million in the first nine months of 2023. The decrease in EBITDA was due to the impact of lower sales volumes and unfavorable mix.

Other

Third Quarter

	Third Quarter Ended									
	September 27,					\$	%			
(Thousands)	2024			2023		Change	Change			
Net sales	\$		\$		\$		<u> </u>			
Value-added sales		_		_		_	%			
EBITDA		(6,578)		(7,497)		919	(12)%			

The Other reportable segment in total includes unallocated corporate costs.

Corporate costs were \$6.6 million in the third quarter of 2024 compared to \$7.5 million in the third quarter of 2023. Corporate costs as a percent of Companywide value-added sales decreased from 3% in the third quarter of 2023, to 2% in the third quarter of 2024. The decrease in corporate costs is the result of various targeted cost control initiatives implemented in 2024.

Nine Months

	Nine Months Ended									
	Sep	otember 27,	Sept	ember 29,		\$	%			
(Thousands)		2024		2023		Change	Change			
Net sales	\$		\$		\$		<u> </u>			
Value-added sales		_		_		_	<u> </u>			
EBITDA		(18,522)		(21,750)		3,228	(15)%			

Corporate costs were \$18.5 million in the first nine months of 2024 compared to \$21.8 million in the first nine months of 2023. Corporate costs as a percent of Company-wide value-added sales decreased from 3% in the first nine months of 2023, to 2% in the first nine months of 2024. The decrease in corporate costs is the result of various targeted cost control initiatives implemented in 2024.

FINANCIAL POSITION

Cash Flow

A summary of cash flows provided by (used in) operating, investing, and financing activities is as follows:

		Nine Months Ended			
	September 27,	5	September 29,		\$
(Thousands)	2024		2023	Change	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 11,564	\$	84,505	\$	(72,941)
Net cash used in investing activities	(60,545)		(94,160)		33,615
Net cash provided by financing activities	52,926		13,735		39,191
Effects of exchange rate changes	635		(780)		1,415
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,580	\$	3,300	\$	1,280
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Net cash provided by operating activities totaled \$11.6 million in the first nine months of 2024 versus \$84.5 million in the prior-year period. The decrease in operating cash flow was driven by lower earnings as well as unfavorable working capital usage. Working capital requirements used cash of \$48.5 million in the first nine months of 2024 compared to working capital usage of \$9.5 million for the first nine months of 2023. The increase in cash used for working capital was primarily due to timing of cash collections for outstanding receivables in the third quarter of 2024 and a continued increase in inventory throughout 2023 and 2024 to support continued business growth and customer partnerships. Additionally, the Company received \$16.7 million of customer prepayments in the first nine months of 2023 and none in 2024.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$60.5 million in the first nine months of 2024 compared to \$94.2 million in the prior-year period. The decrease in cash used in investing activities is due to decreased capital expenditures in line with decreased cash provided by operating activities.

Capital expenditures are made primarily for new product development, replacing and upgrading equipment, infrastructure investments, and implementing information technology initiatives. For the full year 2024, the Company expects payments for property, plant, and equipment to be approximately \$80 million.

Net cash provided by financing activities totaled \$52.9 million in the first nine months of 2024 and \$13.7 million in the comparable prior-year period. The increase is primarily due to a increase in borrowings under our revolving credit facilities in the first nine months of 2024 of \$91.1 million, compared to net borrowings of \$39.6 million in the same period in the prior year.

Liquidity

We believe cash flow from operations plus the available borrowing capacity and our current cash balance are adequate to support operating requirements, capital expenditures, projected pension plan contributions, the current dividend program, environmental remediation projects, and strategic acquisitions for at least the next twelve months and for the foreseeable future thereafter. At September 27, 2024, cash and cash equivalents held by our foreign operations totaled \$14.2 million. We do not expect restrictions on repatriation of cash held outside of the United States to have a material effect on our overall liquidity, financial condition, or results of operations for the foreseeable future.

Other sources of liquidity include uncommitted short-term lines of credit for certain of the Company's foreign subsidiaries, which currently provide for borrowings of up to \$21.7 million. At September 27, 2024, the Company had borrowings outstanding of \$7.2 million, which reduced the aggregate availability under these facilities to \$14.5 million.

A summary of key data relative to our liquidity, including outstanding debt, cash, and available borrowing capacity, as of September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023 is as follows:

(Thousands)	September 27, 2024		December 31, 2023	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 17,874	\$	13,294	
Total outstanding debt	495,298		426,173	
Net debt	\$ (477,424)	\$	(412,879)	
Available borrowing capacity	\$ 171,460	\$	178,734	

Net debt is a non-GAAP financial measure. We are providing this information because we believe it is more indicative of our overall financial position. It is also a measure our management uses to assess financing and other decisions. We believe that based on our typical cash flow generated from operations, we can support a higher leverage ratio in future periods.

The available borrowing capacity in the table above represents the additional amounts that could be borrowed under our revolving credit facility and other secured lines existing as of the end of each period depicted. The applicable debt covenants have been taken into account when determining the available borrowing capacity, including the covenant that restricts the borrowing capacity to a multiple of the twelve-month trailing earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation, depletion and amortization, and other adjustments.

In January 2023, we amended the agreement governing our \$375.0 million revolving credit facility and term loan facility (Credit Agreement).

Pursuant to the amendment, we transitioned U.S. dollar denominated borrowings from LIBOR to SOFR for both the revolving credit agreement and the term loan and increased the cap on precious metals consignment line from \$600 million to \$615 million.

The Company had previously amended and restated the Credit Agreement in connection with the HCS-Electronic Materials acquisition in November 2021. A \$300 million delayed draw term loan facility was added to the Credit Agreement and the maturity date of the Credit Agreement was extended from 2024 to 2026. The Company financed a portion of the the purchase price for the HCS-Electronic Materials with a \$300 million term loan pursuant to the delayed draw term loan facility. The Credit Agreement also provides for an uncommitted incremental facility whereby, under certain conditions, the Company may be able to borrow additional term loans in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$150.0 million. The Credit Agreement provides the Company and its subsidiaries with additional capacity to enter into facilities for the consignment of precious metals and copper, and provides enhanced flexibility to finance acquisitions and other strategic initiatives. Borrowings under the Credit Agreement are secured by substantially all of the assets of the Company and its direct subsidiaries, with the exception of non-mining real property, precious metal, copper and certain other assets.

The Credit Agreement allows the Company to borrow money at a premium over SOFR, following the January 2023 amendment or prime rate and at varying maturities. The premium resets quarterly according to the terms and conditions stipulated in the agreement. The Credit Agreement includes restrictive covenants relating to restrictions on additional indebtedness, acquisitions, dividends, and stock repurchases. In addition, the Credit Agreement includes covenants that limit the Company to a maximum leverage ratio and a minimum interest coverage ratio. We were in compliance with all of our debt covenants as of September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023. Cash on hand up to \$25.0 million can benefit the covenants and may benefit the borrowing capacity under the Credit Agreement.

Portions of our business utilize off-balance sheet consignment arrangements allowing us to use metal owned by precious metal consignors as we manufacture product for our customers. Metal is purchased from the precious metal consignor and sold to our customer at the time of product shipment. Expansion of business volumes and/or higher metal prices can put pressure on the consignment line limitations from time to time. In August 2022, we entered into a precious metals consignment agreement, maturing on August 31, 2025, which replaced the consignment agreements that would have matured on August 27, 2022. The available and unused capacity under the metal consignment agreements expiring in August 2025 totaled approximately \$229.3 million as of September 27, 2024, compared to \$263.5 million as of December 31, 2023. The availability is determined by Board approved levels and actual capacity.

In January 2014, our Board of Directors approved a plan to repurchase up to \$50.0 million of our common stock. The timing of the share repurchases will depend on several factors, including market and business conditions, our cash flow, debt levels, and other investment opportunities. There is no minimum quantity requirement to repurchase our common stock for a given year, and the repurchases may be discontinued at any time. We did not repurchase any shares under this program in the third quarter or first nine months of 2024. Since the approval of the repurchase plan, we have purchased 1,254,264 shares at a total cost of \$41.7 million.

We paid cash dividends of \$2.8 million and \$8.3 million on our common stock in the third quarter and first nine months of 2024, respectively. We intend to pay a quarterly dividend on an ongoing basis, subject to a determination that the dividend remains in the best interest of our shareholders.

OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS AND CASH OBLIGATIONS

We maintain the majority of the precious metals and portions of the copper we use in production on a consignment basis in order to reduce our exposure to metal price movements and to reduce our working capital investment. The notional value of off-balance sheet precious metals and copper was \$385.7 million and \$351.5 million as of September 27, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. We were in compliance with all of the covenants contained in the consignment agreements as of September 27, 2024. For additional information on our material cash obligations, refer to our 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires the inherent use of estimates and management's judgment in establishing those estimates. For additional information regarding critical accounting policies, please refer to our 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

As noted in the "Critical Accounting Policies" section in our 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K, the Company performs a goodwill impairment assessment for each reporting unit in the fourth quarter. If a quantitative test is performed, the fair value of the reporting unit will be estimated using an income approach (a discounted cash flow model) as well as a market approach.

On September 25, 2024, the Company announced the appointment of a new President of its Precision Optics reporting unit. As a part of the transition into this role, the new President has begun an extensive review of the business and its short-term and long-term strategic initiatives, concurrent with the Company's annual strategic planning process, which will conclude later in the fourth quarter of 2024. As of October 30, 2024, there have been no changes to the long-term strategy for the Precision Optics reporting unit.

The upcoming results of the new President's review, including any shifts in strategy of the Precision Optics reporting unit as part of the annual strategic planning process, could materially impact the future cash flow assumptions of the Precision Optics reporting unit. Due to the fact that the carrying value of the Precision Optics reporting unit exceeded fair value by less than 10% in the Company's 2023 goodwill assessment, any future changes in business conditions or strategic initiatives impacting the future cash flow assumptions could have an unfavorable impact on the fair value of the Precision Optics reporting unit, which could result in future impairment.

Forward-looking Statements: Portions of the narrative set forth in this document that are not statements of historical or current facts are forward-looking statements. Our actual future performance may materially differ from that contemplated by the forward-looking statements as a result of a variety of factors. These factors include, in addition to those mentioned elsewhere herein: the global economy, including inflationary pressures, potential future recessionary conditions and the impact of tariffs and trade agreements; the impact of any U.S. Federal Government shutdowns or sequestrations; the condition of the markets which we serve, whether defined geographically or by segment; changes in product mix and the financial condition of customers; our success in developing and introducing new products and new product ramp-up rates; our success in passing through the costs of raw materials to customers or otherwise mitigating fluctuating prices for those materials, including the impact of fluctuating prices on inventory values; our success in identifying acquisition candidates and in acquiring and integrating such businesses; the impact of the results of acquisitions on our ability to fully achieve the strategic and financial objectives related to these acquisitions; our success in implementing our strategic plans and the timely and successful start-up and completion of any capital projects; other financial and economic factors, including the cost and availability of raw materials (both base and precious metals), physical inventory valuations, metal consignment fees, tax rates, exchange rates, interest rates, pension costs and required cash contributions and other employee benefit costs, energy costs, regulatory compliance costs, the cost and availability of insurance, credit availability, and the impact of the Company's stock price on the cost of incentive compensation plans; the uncertainties related to the impact of war, terrorist activities, and acts of God; changes in government regulatory requirements and the enactment of new legislation that impacts our obligations and operations; the conclusion of pending litigation matters in accordance with our expectation that there will be no material adverse effects; the disruptions in operations from, and other effects of, catastrophic and other extraordinary events including outbreaks of infectious diseases and the conflict between Russia and Ukraine and other hostilities; realization of expected financial benefits expected from the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022; and the risk factors set forth in Part 1, Item 1A of the Company's 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

For information regarding market risks, refer to Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk in our 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K. There have been no material changes in our market risks since the inclusion of this discussion in our 2023 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Company carried out an evaluation under the supervision and with participation of the Company's management, including the chief executive officer and chief financial officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of disclosure controls and procedures as of September 27, 2024 pursuant to Rule 13a-15(b) and 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Exchange Act). Based on that evaluation, management, including the chief executive officer and chief financial officer, concluded that disclosure controls and procedures are effective as of September 27, 2024.

b) Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter ended September 27, 2024 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Our subsidiaries and our holding company are subject, from time to time, to a variety of civil and administrative proceedings arising out of our normal operations, including, without limitation, product liability claims, health, safety, and environmental claims, and employment-related actions.

The information presented in the Legal Proceedings section of Note O ("Contingencies") of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities, Use of Proceeds and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

The following table presents information with respect to repurchases of common stock made by the Company during the three months ended September 27, 2024.

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs (1)	Val May Un	proximate Dollar ue of Shares that Yet Be Purchased der the Plans or Programs (1)
June 29 through August 2, 2024	_	\$	_	\$	8,316,239
August 3 through August 30, 2024					8,316,239
August 31 through September 27, 2024					8,316,239
Total	_	\$ —	_	\$	8,316,239

(1) On January 14, 2014, the Company announced that its Board of Directors had authorized the repurchase of up to \$50.0 million of its common stock. During the three months ended September 27, 2024, the Company did not repurchase any shares under this program. As of September 27, 2024, \$8.3 million may still be purchased under the program.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Information concerning mine safety violations or other regulatory matters required by Section 1503(a) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and Item 104 of Regulation S-K (17 CFR 229.104) is included in Exhibit 95 to this quarterly report on Form 10-Q.

Item 5. Other Information

During the quarter ended September 27, 2024, no director or officer (as defined in Rule 16a-1(f) under the Exchange Act) of the Company adopted or terminated a "Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement" (as each term is defined in Item 408 of Regulation S-K).

Item 6. Exhibits

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All documents referenced below were filed pursuant to the Exchange Act by Materion Corporation, file number 001-15885, unless otherwise noted.

Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in the Exhibit 101 attachments)

Certification of Chief Executive Officer required by Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a)*

31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer required by Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a)*
32	Certifications of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer required by 18 U.S.C. Section 1350*
95	Mine Safety Disclosure Pursuant to Section 1503(a) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act for the period
	ended September 27, 2024*
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document - the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document*
101.SCH	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document*
101.DEF	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document*
101.CAL	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document*
101.LAB	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document*
101.PRE	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document*

^{*}Submitted electronically herewith.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

MATERION CORPORATION

Dated: October 30, 2024

/s/ Shelly M. Chadwick

Shelly M. Chadwick
Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

CERTIFICATIONS

I, Jugal K. Vijayvargiya, certify that:

Dated: October 30, 2024

- 1) I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Materion Corporation (the "registrant");
- 2) Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3) Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4) The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5) The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Jugal K. Vijayvargiya

Jugal K. Vijayvargiya

President and Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATIONS

- I, Shelly M. Chadwick, certify that:
- 1) I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Materion Corporation (the "registrant");
- 2) Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3) Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4) The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(f)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5) The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Shelly M. Chadwick

Shelly M. Chadwick

Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: October 30, 2024

Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, As Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, in connection with the filing of the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Materion Corporation (the "Company") for the quarter ended September 27, 2024 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), each of the undersigned officers of the Company certifies that, to such officer's knowledge:

- 1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m or 78o(d)), and
- 2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company as of the dates and for the periods expressed in the Report.

Dated: October 30, 2024

/s/ Jugal K. Vijayvargiya

Jugal K. Vijayvargiya President and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Shelly M. Chadwick

Shelly M. Chadwick

Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Materion Corporation

Mine Safety Disclosure Pursuant to Section 1503(a) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act for the Fiscal Quarter Ended September 27, 2024

Materion Natural Resources Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary, operates a beryllium mining complex in the State of Utah which is regulated by both the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration ("MSHA") and state regulatory agencies. We endeavor to conduct our mining and other operations in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. We present information below regarding certain mining safety and health citations which MSHA has levied with respect to our mining operations.

Section 1503(a) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act ("Section 1503(a)") requires the Company to present certain information regarding mining safety in its periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The following table reflects citations, orders and notices issued to Materion Natural Resources Inc. by MSHA during the fiscal quarter ended September 27, 2024 (the "Reporting Period") and contains certain additional information as required by Section 1503(a) and Item 104 of Regulation S-K, including information regarding mining-related fatalities, proposed assessments from MSHA and legal actions ("Legal Actions") before the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, an independent adjudicative agency that provides administrative trial and appellate review of legal disputes arising under the Mine Act.

Included below is the information required by Section 1503(a) with respect to the beryllium mining complex (MSHA Identification Number 4200706) for the Reporting Period:

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