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Non-GAAP Measures:

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



Operating Globally and Positioned to Respond to COVID-19 Challenges

- » Remain focused on safety: Implemented CDC and WHO best practice measures to protect employee health
 - Heightened hygiene and sanitation practices
 - Social distancing and safety protocols
 - Maximizing flexible and remote work arrangements
- » Lincoln facilities are operating as "essential businesses" focused on serving customers
 - Sufficient inventory levels have been built to maintain high service levels to support a recovery
 - Reopened our HQ Cleveland facility in Mid-May for customer visits
 - Launching and investing in new products







Q2 2020 Highlights: Achieved solid profitability, cash generation and returns in a challenging environment due to aggressive cost savings actions and our variable cost model

- » Reported sales decreased 24.0% to \$590.7 million; Organic sales declined 24.8%
- » Achieved \$27 million in cost saving benefits
- » Adjusted Operating Income declined 40.5% to \$63.0 million; Adjusted Operating Income Margin decreased 290 bps to 10.7% with a 23% decremental margin
- » Diluted EPS of \$0.45, Adjusted EPS of \$0.80
- » ROIC of 18.6%
- » Cash flow from operations of \$104 million with 189% cash conversion
- » Returned \$29 million to shareholders through our dividend program
- » Reduced outstanding debt by \$83 million and maintained a strong balance sheet



Improvement in Q2 Order Rates Suggests an April 2020 Trough

» Q2 Organic Sales Performance: -24.8%

- All regions impacted
- Consumable and equipment (non-automation) organic sales declined at approximately the consolidated rate; automation declined mid-teens percent

» Q2 global end sector performance¹

- Most end market sector trends weakened in Q2 sequentially and versus prior year
 - General Fabrication, Energy and Infrastructure/Construction sector performance is favorable to consolidated average
 - Automotive/Transportation and Heavy Industries sector declines are higher than consolidated average

- » Q2 order rates improved through the quarter from a low -40% April trough
- July month-to-date order rates trending down high-teens to low -20% percent (through July 24th)
- Shape of the recovery remains unknown with risk of new shutdowns



Expanded Our 2020 Cost Reduction Initiatives and Estimated Benefits

- Achieved \$27 million in cost saving benefits in Q2 and \$33 million in H1-2020, primarily from temporary cost reductions
- » Implemented cost reduction actions:
 - Reduced work hours, overtime, headcount and contractor use
 - Reduced discretionary spending and travel
 - Suspended new hiring
 - Initiated five facility rationalizations year to date
 - Deferring annual wage increases
 - Limited capital investments to cost savings projects and growth initiatives
- » Realized \$23.2 million in pre-tax rationalization and asset impairment charges in Q2-2020

Expect \$55 to \$65 million of realized cost savings in 2020

Approximately 35% of 2020 cost savings are permanent

Expect to exit 2020 at \$8 to \$9 million in permanent cost savings per quarter



Income Statement – Q2 2020

\$ in Millions	 Q2 2020	% of Sales	_	Q2 2019	% of Sales	YoY % Change Fav/(Unfav)
Net Sales	\$ 590.7		\$	777.0		(24.0%)
Gross Profit	189.4	32.1%		269.9	34.7%	(29.8%)
SG&A	126.4	21.4%		163.4	21.0%	22.7%
Special item charges ^{1,2}	23.2	3.9%		1.3	0.2%	(1,678.0%)
Operating Income	39.8	6.7%		105.2	13.5%	(62.2%)
Adjusted Operating Income ¹	63.0	10.7%		105.9	13.6%	(40.5%)
Interest Expense, net ³	5.9	1.0%		5.9	0.8%	0.3%
Income Taxes ⁴	6.7	1.1%		18.0	2.3%	63.0%
Effective Tax Rate ⁴	19.8%			17.4%		(240) bps
Net Income	\$ 27.0	4.6%	\$	85.5	11.0%	(68.4%)
Special Items ⁵	21.0	3.6%		(4.6)	0.6%	(557.9%)
Adjusted Net Income ¹	\$ 48.0	8.1%	\$	80.9	10.4%	(40.7%)
Diluted EPS	\$ 0.45		\$	1.36		(66.9%)
Adjusted Diluted EPS ¹	\$ 0.80		\$	1.28		(37.5%)

Sales Mi	i x ⁶
Volume	(24.5%)
Price	(0.3%)
Acquisitions	2.0%
FX	(1.1%)
TOTAL	(24.0%)

¹ Please review the appendix for reconciliation of non-GAAP measures.

² Q2-2020 Special items include Rationalization and asset impairment charges of \$2.2 million. Q2-2019 Special items include Rationalization and asset impairment charges of \$1.3 million, \$1.0 million Acquisition transaction and integration costs, \$1.4 million in Amortization of step up in value of acquired inventories, and a \$3.0 million gain on Asset disposals.

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³ Interest Expense, net is defined as interest income earned from investments less interest expense from borrowings.

⁴ Q2 2020 reported and adjusted effective tax rate was 19.8% as compared with 17.4% in Q2-2019.

⁵ Special items include the charges noted in footnote 2 and a \$3.3 million pension settlement charge and a \$5.6 million tax effect of Special items in Q2 2020, as well as a \$4.8 million tax effect of Special items in Q2-2019. Please refer to the appendix for further details.

⁶ Figures may not sum due to rounding

Americas Welding Segment

(\$ in Millions)	Q2 2020	Q2 2019	% YoY Change	Sales Mix	1
Net Sales	\$ 333.2 \$	476.6	(30.1%)	Volume	(29.2%)
				Price	(0.3%)
Adjusted EBIT	\$ 46.7 \$	84.9	(45.0%) 棏	Acq/Div	-
				FX	(0.6%)
Adjusted EBIT Margin ²	12.9%	16.6%	(370) bps 🖊	Total	(30.1%)

Volumes reflect broad declines in industrial production and lower capital spending due to COVID-19. Price primarily reflects the removal of U.S. tariff surcharges. Margin declined as benefits from positive price/cost, cost reduction actions and lower incentive compensation were offset by lower volumes.



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² Adjusted EBIT Margin is calculated using Total Sales, which includes Inter-segment sales.

International Welding Segment

(\$ in Millions)	Q2 2020	Q2 2019	% YoY Change	Sales Mix ¹	
Net Sales	\$ 177.2	\$ 212.3	(16.6%)	Volume	(20.9%)
			·	Price	(0.6%)
Adjusted EBIT	\$ 9.7	\$ 15.2	(36.2%)	Acq/Div	7.2%
				FX	(2.2%)
Adjusted EBIT Margin ²	5.3%	7.0%	(170) bps 👢	Total	(16.6%)

Volume declines reflect lower industrial production due to COVID-19 in Europe and portions of Asia Pacific, partially offset by growth in China.

Lower margin reflects benefits of cost reduction actions, lower discretionary spending and paid leave programs, offset by lower volumes.



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The Harris Products Group

(\$ in Millions)	Q2 2020	Q2 2019	% YoY Change		Sales Mix ¹	
Net Sales	\$ 80.3	\$ 88.1	(8.8%)	•	Volume	(7.8%)
			•		Price	0.3%
Adjusted EBIT	\$ 11.7	\$ 13.5	(13.2%)	•	Acq/Div	-
			·		FX	(1.3%)
Adjusted EBIT Margin ²	14.3%	15.0%	(70 bps)		Total	(8.8%)

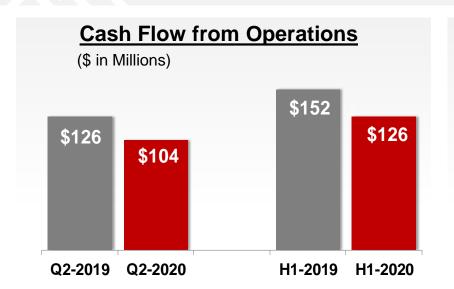
Volumes reflect weaker industrial demand partially offset by ongoing strength in the retail channel. Strong margin performance due to cost reduction actions and operational efficiencies.

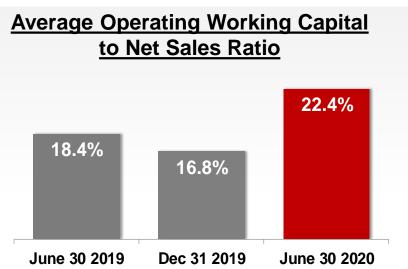


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Cash Flow From Operations Metrics





Solid Q2 cash flow from operations resulting in 189% cash conversion¹. Working capital reflects strategic inventory build to service recovery demand.



Solid Balance Sheet and Increased Liquidity in Q2

(Data as of June 30, 2020)

» Investment grade profile balance sheet

Total debt/EBITDA: 1.97x

Net debt¹/EBITDA: 1.46x

- » Total debt: \$765M // Net debt: \$622M
- » Debt Covenant: 3.5x Total Debt/EBITDA²
- » \$700M in private Notes
 - 3.3% interest rate with 14-year tenor
 - First maturity August, 2025
- » \$25M annual interest expense in 2020

» Ample Liquidity of \$545M as we reduced debt by \$83M in Q2

Cash: \$143M

Available lines of credit: \$402M

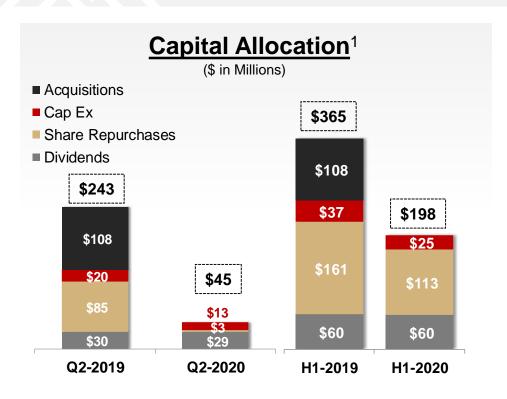
- » Expect continued generation of cash flows from reductions in working capital in 2020
- >> >100% cash conversion expected in 2020



¹ Net Debt is defined as Total debt less Cash and cash equivalents

² Debt covenant ratios use a credit agreement adjusted EBITDA definition which differs slightly from standard EBITDA calculations

Capital Allocation



Q2 2020 Highlights

- » Capital Expenditures: \$13.2M
- » Dividend Payout Rate Increase: +4.3%
- » Return on Invested Capital: 18.6%



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Non-GAAP Information

Adjusted operating income, Adjusted net income, Adjusted EBIT, Adjusted effective tax rate, Adjusted diluted earnings per share, Organic sales, Cash conversion, Return on invested capital and Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA") are non-GAAP financial measures.

Management uses non-GAAP measures to assess the Company's operating performance by excluding certain disclosed special items that management believes are not representative of the Company's core business. Management believes that excluding these special items enables them to make better period-over-period comparisons and benchmark the Company's operational performance against other companies in its industry more meaningfully. Furthermore, management believes that non-GAAP financial measures provide investors with meaningful information that provides a more complete understanding of Company operating results and enables investors to analyze financial and business trends more thoroughly. Non-GAAP financial measures should not be viewed in isolation, are not a substitute for GAAP measures and have limitations including, but not limited to, their usefulness as comparative measures as other companies may define their non-GAAP measures differently.



Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Non-GAAP Financial Measures: Reconciliation of Operating Income, Net Income, Effective Tax Rate, and EPS to Non-GAAP Adjusted Operating Income, Adjusted Net Income, Adjusted Effective Tax Rate, and Adjusted EPS

(In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

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	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,			
		2020		2019		2020		2019
Operating income as reported	\$	39,764	\$	105,186	\$	120,838	\$	199,664
Special items (pre-tax):								
Rationalization and asset impairment charges (2)		23,238		1,307		29,759		4,842
Acquisition transaction and integration costs (3)		_		1,014		_		1,804
Amortization of step up in value of acquired inventories (4)		-		1,399		806		1,399
Gains on asset disposals (5)		_		(3,045)		_		(3,045)
Adjusted operating income (1)	\$	63,002	\$	105,861	\$	151,403	\$	204,664
As a percent of total sales		10.7%	,	13.6%		11.7%		13.3%
Net income as reported	\$	26,996	\$	85,452	\$	82,558	\$	156,932
Special items:								
Rationalization and asset impairment charges (2)		23,238		1,307		29,759		4,842
Acquisition transaction and integration costs (3)		_		1,014		_		1,804
Pension settlement charges (6)		3,334		_		3,334		_
Amortization of step up in value of acquired inventories (4)		_		1,399		806		1,399
Gains on asset disposals (5)		_		(3,554)		_		(3,554)
Tax effect of Special items (7)		(5,576)		(4,751)		(7,552)		(5,564)
Adjusted net income (1)		47,992		80,867		108,905		155,859
Non-controlling interests in subsidiaries' loss		17		(8)		10		(22)
Interest expense, net		5,881		5,898		11,339		11,221
Income taxes as reported		6,667		18,040		27,037		39,492
Tax effect of Special items (7)		5,576		4,751		7,552		5,564
Adjusted EBIT (1)	\$	66,133	\$	109,548	\$	154,843	\$	212,114
Effective tax rate as reported		19.8%	,	17.4%		24.7%		20.1%
Net special item tax impact		0.5%		4.6%		(0.6%)		2.3%
Adjusted effective tax rate (1)		20.3%		22.0%		24.1%		22.4%
Diluted earnings per share as reported	\$	0.45	\$	1.36	\$	1.37	\$	2.47
Special items per share		0.35		(80.0)		0.44		(0.01)
Adjusted diluted earnings per share (1)	\$	0.80	\$	1.28	\$	1.81	\$	2.46
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Non-GAAP Financial Measures (continued)

Footnotes for Non-GAAP Financial Measures: Reconciliation of Operating Income, Net Income, Effective Tax Rate, and EPS to Non-GAAP Adjusted Operating Income, Adjusted Net Income, Adjusted Effective Tax Rate, and Adjusted EPS

- 1) Adjusted operating income, Adjusted net income, Adjusted EBIT, Adjusted effective tax rate and Adjusted diluted earnings per share are non-GAAP financial measures. Refer to Non-GAAP Information section.
- 2) Primarily related to severance, asset impairments of long-lived assets and gains or losses on the disposal of assets.
- 3) Related to the acquisition of Air Liquide Welding and are included in Selling, general & administrative expenses.
- 4) Related to an acquisition and are included in Cost of goods sold.
- 5) Primarily included in Cost of goods sold.
- 6) Related to lump sum pension payments and are included in Other income (expense).
- 7) Includes the net tax impact of Special items recorded during the respective periods, including tax benefits of \$4,852 for the settlement of a tax item as well as tax deductions associated with an investment in a subsidiary in the three and six months ended June 30, 2019. The tax effect of Special items impacting pre-tax income was calculated as the pre-tax amount multiplied by the applicable tax rate. The applicable tax rates reflect the taxable jurisdiction and nature of each Special item.



Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Return on Invested Capital (ROIC) and Total Debt / EBITDA

(In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	Twelve Months Ended June 30,									
Return on Invested Capital		2020		2019						
Net income as reported	\$	218,735	\$	314,310						
Rationalization and asset impairment charges		40,105		8,410						
Acquisition transaction and integration costs		_		3,607						
Pension settlement charges		3,334		5,928						
Amortization of step up in value of acquired inventories		2,415		1,399						
Gains on asset disposals		_		(3,554)						
Gain on change in control		(7,601)		_						
Tax effect of Special items (2)		(9,374)		(11,295)						
Adjusted net income (1)	\$	247,614	\$	318,805						
Plus: Interest expense, net of tax of \$6,439 and \$6,178 in 2020 and 2019, respectively		19,348		18,569						
Less: Interest income, net of tax of \$563 and \$1,302 in 2020 and 2019, respectively		1,691		3,912						
Adjusted net income before tax-effected interest	\$	265,271	\$	333,462						
Invested Capital		June 30, 2020		June 30, 2019						
Short-term debt	\$	49,597	\$	30,110						
Long-term debt, less current portion		715,817		710,458						
Total debt		765,414		740,568						
Total equity		660,111		846,058						
Invested capital	\$	1,425,525	\$	1,586,626						
Return on invested capital (1)		18.6%)	21.0%						

	Twelve Months Ended June 30								
Total Debt / EBITDA			2019						
Net income as reported	\$	218,735	\$	314,310					
Income taxes		62,955		72,377					
Interest expense, net		23,533		19,533					
Depreciation and amortization		83,313		75,275					
EBITDA (1)	\$	388,536	\$	481,495					
		June 30, 2020		June 30, 2019					
Total debt	\$	765,414	\$	740,568					
Total debt / EBITDA		1.97		1.54					

- Adjusted net income, Return on invested capital and EBITDA are non-GAAP financial measures. Refer to Non-GAAP Information section.
- 2) Includes the net tax impact of Special items recorded during the respective periods, including tax benefits of \$4,852 for the settlement of a tax item as well as tax deductions associated with an investment in a subsidiary in the twelve months ended June 30, 2019. The tax effect of Special items impacting pre-tax income was calculated as the pre-tax amount multiplied by the applicable tax rate. The applicable tax rates reflect the taxable jurisdiction and nature of each Special item.



Segment EBIT

EBIT and Adjusted EBIT Reconciliation – Three Months June 30, 2020

(In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Americas Welding		International Welding		The Harris Products Group		Corporate / Eliminations		Consolidated
Three months ended June 30, 2020									
Net sales	\$	333,229	\$ 177,167	\$	80,331	\$	_	\$	590,727
Inter-segment sales		27,493	4,286		1,753		(33,532)		_
Total	\$	360,722	\$ 181,453	\$	82,084	\$	(33,532)	\$	590,727
Net income								\$	26,996
As a percent of total sales									4.6%
EBIT (1)	\$	20,695	\$ 9,117	\$	11,713	\$	(1,964)	\$	39,561
As a percent of total sales		5.7%	5.0%		14.3%				6.7%
Special items charges (gains) (3)		26,007	565		_		_		26,572
Adjusted EBIT (2)	\$	46,702	\$ 9,682	\$	11,713	\$	(1,964)	\$	66,133
As a percent of total sales		12.9%	5.3%		14.3%				11.2%
Three months ended June 30, 2019									
Net sales	\$	476,607	\$ 212,306	\$	88,095	\$	_	\$	777,008
Inter-segment sales		34,811	4,188		2,113		(41,112)		_
Total	\$	511,418	\$ 216,494	\$	90,208	\$	(41,112)	\$	777,008
Net income								\$	85,452
As a percent of total sales									11.0%
EBIT (1)	\$	83,072	\$ 17,805	\$	13,488	\$	(4,983)	\$	109,382
As a percent of total sales		16.2%	8.2%		15.0%				14.1%
Special items charges (gains) (4)		1,779	(2,627)		_		1,014		166
Adjusted EBIT (2)	\$	84,851	\$ 15,178	\$	13,488	\$	(3,969)	\$	109,548
As a percent of total sales		16.6%	7.0%		15.0%				14.1%



Non-GAAP Financial Measures (continued)

Footnotes for EBIT and Adjusted EBIT Reconciliation – Three Months Ended June 30, 2020

- 1) EBIT is defined as Operating income plus Other income (expense).
- 2) The primary profit measure used by management to assess segment performance is Adjusted EBIT. EBIT for each operating segment is adjusted for special items to derive Adjusted EBIT.
- 3) Special items in 2020 reflect Rationalization and asset impairment charges of \$22,673 and \$565 in Americas Welding and International Welding, respectively, and pension settlement charges of \$3,334 in Americas Welding,
- 4) Special items in 2019 reflect Rationalization and asset impairment charges of \$380 in Americas Welding and \$927 in International Welding, amortization of step up in value of acquired inventories of \$1,399 in Americas Welding, gains on disposals of assets of \$3,554 in International Welding and acquisition transaction and integration costs of \$1,014 in Corporate/Eliminations related to the acquisition of Air Liquide Welding.

