



Q4 2018 EARNINGS CALL PRESENTATION

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Q4 2018 Operating and Financial Results

Strong sales growth; gross profit improvement

Continuing to invest in Wesco 2020 for the long term

Higher sales volumes drove profit improvement

Improved operating and free cash flow in Q4 and full year

Improving operating metrics – continuing to drive change

Deeper execution of Wesco 2020 initiatives

Q4 2018 Results

\$407M

Net Sales

10 bps

Gross Margin

*Expansion**

\$0.07 / \$0.18

Diluted EPS /

*Adjusted Diluted EPS***

60 bps

Adjusted EBITDA

*Margin** Expansion**

\$37M

Net Cash Provided by

Operating Activities

* Q4 2018 results compared to the same period in fiscal 2017.

** See appendix for reconciliation and information regarding non-GAAP measures.

One-time sales benefit of approximately \$6 million; solid underlying growth of 11%

Double-digit ad-hoc sales growth – higher customer ordering

Long-term contract increase – new business, higher volumes with existing customers

Robust ad-hoc bookings; solid pipeline of new business opportunities

SG&A as percent of sales lower, excluding Wesco 2020 costs

Progress managing inventory – tighter processes; more effective use of business tools

Deeper Execution of Wesco 2020 Initiatives

Initiated inventory transfers closer to customers; executing footprint optimization

Building out existing distribution centers; securing new locations

Streamlined organizational structure and reduced administrative functions

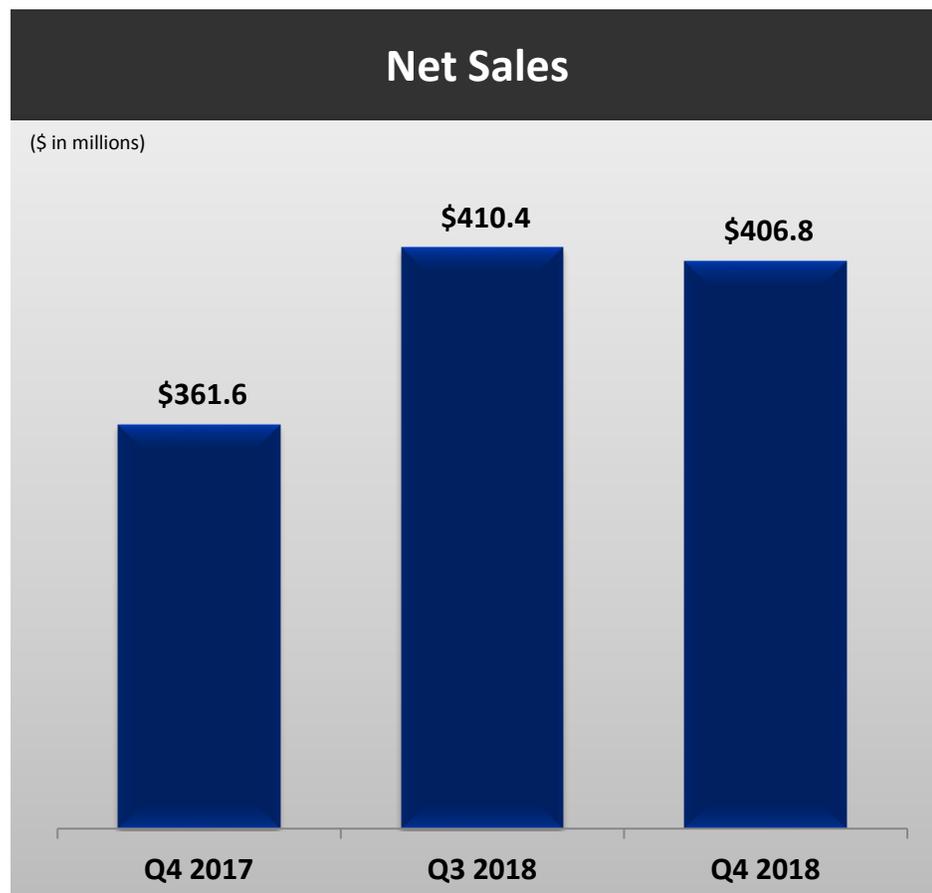
Implementing new processes in SIOP*, procurement, pricing; investing in capabilities

Selected new warehouse management system – deploying in fiscal 2019

Continuing to upgrade tools to manage inventory more effectively



* SIOP – Sales Inventory and Operations Planning



Net sales increase of 11% year/year, excluding one-time sales benefit of \$6M related to contract claims

- Long-term contract increase of 7% due to:
 - Growth in chemical and hardware volumes
 - Ramp-up of new business wins
- Ad-hoc increase of 22% – ability to service broad-based increase in orders

Net sales stable sequentially, excluding one-time items in both periods; higher ad-hoc and chemical offset by seasonally lower hardware

(Dollars in Millions, Except Per Share Data)	Q4 2017	Q3 2018	Q4 2018
Net sales	\$361.6	\$410.4	\$406.8
Income from operations	\$20.0	\$29.3	\$22.4
Operating margin	5.5%	7.1%	5.5%
Net (loss) income	\$(38.3)	\$10.8	\$7.3
Diluted (loss) earnings per share	\$(0.39)	\$0.11	\$0.07
Adjusted net income*	\$8.4	\$20.1	\$18.2
Adjusted diluted earnings per share*	\$0.08	\$0.20	\$0.18
Adjusted EBITDA*	\$30.4	\$44.5	\$36.7
Adjusted EBITDA margin*	8.4%	10.8%	9.0%

* See appendix for reconciliation and information regarding non-GAAP measures

Fourth Quarter Commentary

Income from operations improved year/year due to increase in gross profit offset by higher SG&A

Gross profit/margin higher year/year, reflecting higher sales volume

Gross profit/margin lower sequentially primarily due to decline in chemical margins

SG&A increase primarily due to consulting fees and other Wesco 2020 costs, as well as higher incentive compensation

Interest expense year/year increase reflects higher interest rates

Lower income tax expense primarily reflects \$38M non-cash charge on accumulated foreign earnings in Q4 2017

Effective tax rate for fiscal 2019 estimated to be 30-35%

At Period End	Sept 30, 2017	Dec 31, 2017	March 31, 2018	June 30, 2018	Sept 30, 2018
(\$ in millions)					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$61.6	\$41.9	\$35.9	\$45.6	\$46.2
Accounts receivable, net	256.3	253.6	287.1	302.1	283.8
Inventories	827.9	856.3	889.3	893.5	884.2
Accounts payable	184.3	161.7	194.1	192.9	180.5
Total debt	863.8	877.7	880.7	877.2	845.8
Stockholders' equity	649.7	652.4	672.1	682.3	692.5

Quarter Ended	Sept 30, 2017	Dec 31, 2017	March 31, 2018	June 30, 2018	Sept 30, 2018
(\$ in millions)					
Net (loss) income	\$(38.3)	\$(0.4)	\$15.0	\$10.8	\$7.3
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	56.3	15.7	11.8	16.3	25.9
Changes in assets and liabilities	(12.1)	(45.2)	(32.8)	(10.3)	3.7
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	5.9	(29.9)	(6.0)	16.8	36.9
Purchase of property and equipment	(2.1)	(1.3)	(1.6)	(1.1)	(1.6)
Free cash flow	3.8	(31.2)	(7.6)	15.7	35.3

Improved performance in fiscal 2018 – above-market growth, increased profitability

Wesco 2020 focused on remaining performance gaps and driving long-term improvement

Accelerating pace of Wesco 2020 execution in fiscal 2019

Wesco 2020 expected to generate at least \$30M in annualized pre-tax benefits

Fiscal 2019 benefit realization expected to be partially offset by implementation costs

Full benefit realization anticipated in fiscal 2020

Fiscal 2019 Financial Outlook

Net sales – mid-single-digit growth*

Adjusted EBITDA – high-single-digit growth*

Outlook Assumptions

New business and growth in existing long-term contracts

Ad-hoc sales benefit from strong customer relationships and inventory position

Higher sales volume, Wesco 2020 benefits and expense leverage drive improved profitability

Continued healthy market environment

* Percentage change compared to fiscal 2018



APPENDIX

“Adjusted Net Income” represents Net Income (Loss) before: (i) amortization of intangible assets, (ii) amortization or write-off of deferred issuance costs, (iii) special items and (iv) the tax effect of items (i) through (iii) above calculated using an estimated effective tax rate.

“Adjusted Basic EPS” represents Basic EPS calculated using Adjusted Net Income as opposed to Net Income (Loss).

“Adjusted Diluted EPS” represents Diluted EPS calculated using Adjusted Net Income as opposed to Net Income (Loss).

“Adjusted EBITDA” represents Net Income (Loss) before: (i) income tax provision, (ii) net interest expense, (iii) depreciation and amortization and (iv) special items; “Adjusted EBITDA Margin” represents Adjusted EBITDA divided by Net Sales.

“Free Cash Flow” represents net cash provided by (used in) operating activities less purchases of property and equipment.

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Wesco Aircraft Holdings, Inc.
Non-GAAP Financial Information - Adjusted Net Income and
Adjusted Earnings Per Share (UNAUDITED)
(Dollars in thousands, except share data)

	Three Months Ended		
	September 30, 2017	June 30, 2018	September 30, 2018
Adjusted Net Income			
Net (loss) income	\$ (38,287)	\$ 10,754	\$ 7,274
Amortization of intangible assets	3,753	3,714	3,714
Amortization of deferred debt issuance costs	1,007	1,389	1,388
Special items ⁽¹⁾	2,788	7,574	7,362
Adjustments for tax effect ⁽²⁾	39,128	(3,283)	(1,578)
Adjusted net income	<u>\$ 8,389</u>	<u>\$ 20,148</u>	<u>\$ 18,160</u>
Adjusted Basic Earnings Per Share			
Weight-average number of basic shares outstanding	98,906,379	99,180,632	99,214,233
Adjusted net income per basic share	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.18
Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share			
Weight-average number of diluted shares outstanding	98,906,379	99,739,217	99,922,457
Adjusted net income per diluted share	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.18

(1) Special items in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2017 consisted of business realignment and other expenses of \$2.8 million. Special items in the third quarter of fiscal 2018 consisted primarily of consulting fees of \$5.6 million and other costs of \$1.9 million associated with the company's Wesco 2020 initiative. Special items in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018 consisted primarily of consulting fees of \$4.7 million and other costs of \$2.3 million associated with the company's Wesco 2020 initiative.

(2) The adjustment for tax effect in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2017 included a \$37.5 million tax provision for accumulated foreign earnings and a \$4.3 million tax provision for other discrete tax items. The adjustment for tax effect in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2018 included a \$1.9 million tax provision related to the adjustment of deferred tax assets and liabilities to reflect the reduction of the U.S. federal tax rate, a \$0.8 million tax provision on foreign earnings as a transition tax and a \$0.9 million tax benefit related to the release of a previously recorded deferred tax liability on unremitted foreign earnings, all of which were related to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

Wesco Aircraft Holdings, Inc.
Non-GAAP Financial Information - EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA (UNAUDITED)
(Dollars In thousands)

	Three Months Ended		
	September 30, 2017	June 30, 2018	September 30, 2018
Net Sales	\$ 361,552	\$ 410,359	\$ 406,817
EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA			
Net (loss) income	\$ (38,287)	\$ 10,754	\$ 7,274
Provision for income taxes	48,045	6,096	2,371
Interest expense, net	10,292	12,717	12,360
Depreciation and amortization	7,540	7,368	7,347
EBITDA	<u>27,590</u>	<u>36,935</u>	<u>29,352</u>
Special items ⁽¹⁾	<u>2,788</u>	<u>7,574</u>	<u>7,362</u>
Adjusted EBITDA	<u>\$ 30,378</u>	<u>\$ 44,509</u>	<u>\$ 36,714</u>
 Adjusted EBITDA margin	 8.4%	 10.8%	 9.0%

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