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Huntsman Announces Full Year 2019 Earnings; Another Year of Strong Cash Flow Generation

Full Year 2019 and Fourth Quarter Highlights

- 2019 net income of \$598 million compared to \$650 million in the prior year period; 2019 diluted earnings per share of \$2.44 compared to \$1.39 in the prior year period.
- 2019 adjusted net income of \$353 million compared to \$642 million in the prior year period; 2019 adjusted diluted earnings per share of \$1.53 compared to \$2.66 in the prior year period.
- 2019 adjusted EBITDA \$846 million compared to \$1,161 million in the prior year
- Fourth quarter 2019 net income of \$308 million compared to a net loss of \$315 million in the prior year period; fourth quarter 2019 diluted earnings per share of \$1.34 compared to a loss per share of \$1.43 in the prior year period.
- Fourth quarter 2019 adjusted net income of \$65 million compared to \$90 million in the prior year period; fourth quarter 2019 adjusted diluted earnings per share of \$0.29 compared to \$0.38 in the prior year period.
- Fourth quarter 2019 adjusted EBITDA of \$182 million compared to \$207 million in the prior year period.
- 2019 net cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations of \$656 million. 2019 free cash flow from continuing operations was \$389 million.
- Balance sheet remains strong with total Company net debt leverage of 1.7x; proforma net debt leverage for the proceeds from the Chemical Intermediates and Surfactants sale that closed on January 3, 2020 is 0.4x.
- 2019 share repurchases of approximately 10.1 million shares for approximately \$208 million.
- Previously announced acquisition of Icynene-Lapolla, a spray polyurethane foam business, is now on track to close in the first quarter of 2020.

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In millions, except per share amounts	2019		 2018		2019	2018			
Revenues	\$	1,657	\$ 1,821	\$	6,797	\$	7,604		
Net income (loss)	\$	308	\$ (315)	\$	598	\$	650		
Adjusted net income ⁽¹⁾	\$	65	\$ 90	\$	353	\$	642		
Diluted income (loss) per share	\$	1.34	\$ (1.43)	\$	2.44	\$	1.39		
Adjusted diluted income per share ⁽¹⁾	\$	0.29	\$ 0.38	\$	1.53	\$	2.66		
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	\$	182	\$ 207	\$	846	\$	1,161		
Net cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations	\$	222	\$ 258	\$	656	\$	704		
Free cash flow from continuing operations ⁽²⁾	\$	131	\$ 154	\$	389	\$	454		

See end of press release for footnote explanations and reconciliations of non-GAAP measures.

THE WOODLANDS, Texas – Huntsman Corporation (NYSE: HUN) today reported fourth quarter 2019 results with revenues of \$1,657 million, net income of \$308 million, adjusted net income of \$65 million and adjusted EBITDA of \$182 million.

Peter R. Huntsman, Chairman, President and CEO, commented:

"2019 was a memorable year for Huntsman with several milestones achieved that significantly strengthened the Company for years to come. The biggest milestone was the \$2 billion divestiture of our Chemical Intermediates and Surfactants businesses, which significantly reduces our upstream footprint. The proceeds from this sale have further fortified our investment grade balance sheet and enhances our ability to focus on and grow our core downstream businesses. Additionally, we acquired the remaining 50% investment in our Maleic Anhydride joint venture from Sasol, we opened a new polyurethanes system house in Dubai, and in early December we announced the agreement to acquire Icynene-Lapolla which will double the size of our existing high growth spray foam business. We remained balanced in our capital allocation by repurchasing over \$200 million in stock and paying \$150 million in dividends to our shareholders. Lastly, in the beginning of 2019 we achieved our long-term goal to earn an investment grade rating.

"Heading into 2020 we remain focused on what we can control, which will include investing both organically and through acquisitions into our downstream and specialty platforms, and being balanced in our approach to capital allocation, including maintaining a competitive dividend and ongoing opportunistic share repurchases. The economic headwinds remain as we enter the year making earnings growth more of a challenge. However, with our strengthened balance sheet and strong downstream platforms for further growth, I see far more opportunities than challenges before us as we pursue multiple opportunities to create further shareholder value."

Segment Analysis for 4Q19 Compared to 4Q18

Polyurethanes

The decrease in revenue in our Polyurethanes segment for the three months ended December 31, 2019 compared to the same period in 2018 was primarily due to lower MDI average selling prices, partially offset by higher sales volumes. MDI average selling prices decreased primarily due to a decline in component MDI selling prices in China and Europe. MDI sales volumes increased primarily due to higher demand across most major markets. The decrease in segment adjusted EBITDA was primarily due to lower MDI margins driven by lower MDI pricing partially offset with higher MDI sales volumes.

Performance Products

Revenues in our Performance Products segment for the three months ended December 31, 2019 compared to the same period in 2018 were lower as a result of lower sales volumes and lower average selling prices. Sales volumes decreased largely due to weakened market conditions. Average selling prices decreased primarily due to weaker market conditions across several of our derivatives businesses and in response to lower raw material costs. The increase in adjusted EBITDA was largely due to lower fixed costs and increased earnings from acquiring the remaining interest in our German maleic joint venture.

Advanced Materials

The decrease in revenues in our Advanced Materials segment for the three months ended December 31, 2019 compared to the same period in 2018 was due to lower sales volumes and lower average selling prices. Sales volumes decreased across most markets primarily due to economic slowdown and customer destocking. Average selling prices decreased primarily due to the impact of a stronger U.S. dollar against major international currencies as local currency selling prices were essentially unchanged. Segment adjusted EBITDA decreased due to lower sales volumes.

Textile Effects

The decrease in revenues in our Textile Effects segment for the three months ended December 31, 2019 compared to the same period in 2018 was primarily due to lower average selling prices and lower sales volume. Average selling prices decreased in line with market pricing and the impact of a stronger U.S. dollar against major international currencies. Sales volumes decreased due to weaker demand across the industry from market uncertainties surrounding the trade war. The decrease in adjusted EBITDA was primarily due to lower average selling prices and lower sales volumes, partially offset by lower fixed costs.

Corporate, LIFO and other

For the three months ended December 31, 2019, adjusted EBITDA from Corporate and other for Huntsman Corporation decreased by \$1 million to a loss of \$43 million from a loss of \$42 million for the same period of 2018.

Liquidity, Capital Resources and Outstanding Debt

During the three months ended December 31, 2019, our free cash flow from continuing operations was \$131 million compared to \$154 million in the prior year period. As of December 31, 2019, we had \$1,684 million of combined cash and unused borrowing capacity.

During the three months ended December 31, 2019, we spent \$93 million on capital expenditures compared to \$103 million in the same period of 2018. In 2020, we expect to spend approximately \$300 million to \$325 million on capital expenditures, which includes approximately \$80 million for our new MDI splitter at our facility in Geismar, Louisiana.

During the three months ended December 31, 2019, we spent approximately \$12 million to repurchase approximately 0.5 million shares. As of the end of the fourth quarter 2019, we have approximately \$516 million remaining on our existing \$1 billion multiyear share repurchase program.

Income Taxes

In the fourth quarter 2019, our adjusted effective tax rate was 25%. We expect our forward adjusted effective tax rate will be approximately 22% - 24%.

Earnings Conference Call Information

We will hold a conference call to discuss our fourth quarter 2019 financial results on Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. ET.

Webcast link: https://78449.themediaframe.com/dataconf/productusers/hun/mediaframe/34153/indexl.html

Participant dial-in numbers:	
Domestic callers:	(877) 402-8037
International callers:	(201) 378-4913

The conference call will be accompanied by presentation slides that will be accessible via the webcast link and Huntsman's investor relations website, ir.huntsman.com. Upon conclusion of the call, the webcast replay will be accessible via Huntsman's website.

Upcoming Conferences

During the first quarter 2020 a member of management is expected to present at: Alembic Global Deer Valley Conference February 27 and 28, 2020 A webcast of the presentation, if applicable, along with accompanying materials will be available at <u>ir.huntsman.com</u>.

Table 1 – Results of Operations

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In millions, except per share amounts		2019	 2018	2	2019		2018
Revenues	\$	1,657	\$ 1,821	\$	6,797	\$	7,604
Cost of goods sold		1,347	1,469		5,415		5,840
Gross profit		310	 352		1,382		1,764
Operating expenses		259	231		954		942
Restructuring, impairment and plant closing costs (credits)		1	(15)		(41)		(7)
Merger costs		-	-		-		2
Operating income		50	 136		469		827
Interest expense		(25)	(29)		(111)		(115)
Equity in income of investment in unconsolidated affiliates		13	10		54		55
Fair value adjustments to Venator investment		72	(62)		(18)		(62)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt		-	-		(23)		(3)
Other income, net		4	10		20		32
Income from continuing operations before income taxes		114	 65		391		734
Income tax benefit (expense)		151	(4)		38		(45)
Income from continuing operations		265	 61		429		689
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax ⁽³⁾		43	(376)		169		(39)
Net income (loss)		308	 (315)		598		650
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests, net of tax		(5)	(25)		(36)		(313)
Net income (loss) attributable to Huntsman Corporation	\$	303	\$ (340)	\$	562	\$	337
Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	\$	182	\$ 207	\$	846	\$	1,161
Adjusted net income ⁽¹⁾	\$	65	\$ 90	\$	353	\$	642
Basic income (loss) per share	\$	1.35	\$ (1.45)	\$	2.46	\$	1.42
Diluted income (loss) per share	\$	1.34	\$ (1.43)	\$	2.44	\$	1.39
Adjusted diluted income per share ⁽¹⁾	\$	0.29	\$ 0.38	\$	1.53	\$	2.66
Common share information:							
Basic weighted average shares		225	235		229		238
Diluted weighted average shares		227	237		231		242

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Table 2 – Results of Operations by Segment

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In millions		2019	 2018	(Worse)		2019	 2018	(Worse)
Segment Revenues:								
Polyurethanes	\$	980	\$ 1,014	(3%)	\$	3,911	\$ 4,282	(9%)
Performance Products		278	310	(10%)		1,158	1,301	(11%)
Advanced Materials		241	266	(9%)		1,044	1,116	(6%)
Textile Effects		180	193	(7%)		763	824	(7%)
Corporate and Eliminations		(22)	 38	n/m		(79)	 81	n/m
Total	\$	1,657	\$ 1,821	(9%)	\$	6,797	\$ 7,604	(11%)
Segment Adjusted EBITDA ⁽¹⁾ :								
Polyurethanes	\$	122	\$ 141	(13%)	\$	548	\$ 809	(32%)
Performance Products		43	39	10%		168	197	(15%)
Advanced Materials		42	48	(13%)		201	225	(11%)
Textile Effects		18	21	(14%)		84	101	(17%)
Corporate, LIFO and other		(43)	 (42)	(2%)		(155)	 (171)	9%
Total	\$	182	\$ 207	(12%)	\$	846	\$ 1,161	(27%)
n/m = not meaningful								

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Table 3 – Factors Impacting Sales Revenue

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	Average Se	lling Price ^(a)		13. 2010	
	Local Currency	Exchange Rate	Sales Mix & Other	Sales Volume ^(b)	Total
Polyurethanes	(11%)	(1%)	5%	4%	(3%)
Performance Products	(5%)	(1%)	1%	(5%)	(10%)
Advanced Materials	0%	(2%)	2%	(9%)	(9%)
Textile Effects	(5%)	(1%)	0%	(1%)	(7%)

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	Average Se	lling Price ^(a)				_
	Local Currency	Exchange Rate	Sales Mix & Other	Sales Volume ^(b)	Total	
Polyurethanes Polyurethanes, adj	(13%) <i>(12%)</i>	(2%) <i>(2%)</i>	1% 1%	5% <i>3%</i>	(9%) (10%)	(c)
Performance Products	(2%)	(2%)	1%	(8%)	(11%)	
Advanced Materials	2%	(3%)	2%	(7%)	(6%)	
Textile Effects	4%	(3%)	0%	(8%)	(7%)	

(a) Excludes sales from tolling arrangements, by-products and raw materials.

(b) Excludes sales from by-products and raw materials.

(c) Pro forma adjusted to exclude the 2Q18, 3Q18 and 3Q19 impacts from unplanned outages at Rotterdam onset by third-party constraints.

Table 4 – Reconciliation of U.S. GAAP to Non-GAAP Measures

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(151)		4	\$	151	\$	(4)								
(9)		(9)												
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2		25												
1		(1)		1		(1)		2		(2)		0.01		(0.01)
(36)		354		-		-		(43)		376		(0.19)		1.58
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-		-		(4)		(17)		(4)		(17)		(0.02)		(0.07)
-		-		(160)		-		(160)		-		(0.71)		-
21		-		(5)		-		16		-		0.07		-
(72)		62		-		-		(72)		62		(0.32)		0.26
5		(3)		(1)		-		4		(3)		0.02		(0.01)
3		-		(1)		-		2		-		0.01		-
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\$ 182	\$	207	\$	(23)	\$	(20)	\$	65	\$	90	\$	0.29	\$	0.38
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In millions, except per share amounts	2	019	2	018	2	2019	2	2018	2	2019	2	2018		2019	2018
Net income	\$	598	\$	650					\$	598	\$	650	\$	2.59 \$	2.69
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		(36)		(313)						(36)		(313)		(0.16)	(1.30)
Net income attributable to Huntsman Corporation		562		337						562		337		2.44	1.39
Interest expense from continuing operations		111		115											
Interest expense from discontinued operations ⁽³⁾		-		36											
Income tax (benefit) expense from continuing operations		(38)		45	\$	38	\$	(45)							
Income tax expense from discontinued operations ⁽³⁾		35		86											
Depreciation and amortization from continuing operations		270		255											
Depreciation and amortization from discontinued operations ⁽³⁾		61		88											
Business acquisition and integration expenses and purchase accounting inventory adjustments		5		9		-		(3)		5		6		0.02	0.02
EBITDA / (Income) loss from discontinued operations, net of tax ⁽³⁾		(265)		(171)		-		-		(169)		39		(0.73)	0.16
Noncontrolling interest of discontinued operations ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾		-		232		-		-		-		232		-	0.96
U.S. tax reform impact on tax expense		-		-		(1)		32		(1)		32		-	0.13
Significant activities related to deferred tax assets and liabilities ^(a)		-		-		(160)		(119)		(160)		(119)		(0.69)	(0.49)
Impact of Switzerland income tax rate change ^(a)		-		-		32		-		32		-		0.14	
Loss on sale of businesses/assets		21		-		(5)		-		16		-		0.07	
Merger costs, net of tax		-		2		-		-		-		2		-	0.01
Fair value adjustments to Venator Investment ^(b)		18		62		-		-		18		62		0.08	0.26
Loss on early extinguishment of debt		23		3		(5)		(1)		18		2		0.08	0.01
Certain legal settlements and related expenses		6		1		(1)		(1)		5		-		0.02	-
Certain non-recurring information technology project implementation costs		4		-		(1)		-		3		-		0.01	-
Amortization of pension and postretirement actuarial losses		66		67		(16)		(13)		50		54		0.22	0.22
Restructuring, impairment and plant closing and transition credits		(41)		(6)		9		1		(32)		(5)		(0.14)	(0.02)
Plant incident remediation costs		8		-		(2)		-		6		-		0.03	-
Adjusted ⁽¹⁾	\$	846	\$	1,161	\$	(112)	\$	(149)	\$	353	\$	642	\$	1.53 \$	2.66
Adjusted income tax expense ⁽¹⁾									\$	112	\$	149			
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests, net of tax										36		313			
Noncontrolling interest of discontinued operations ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾										-		(232)			
Adjusted pre-tax income ⁽¹⁾									\$	501	\$	872			
Adjusted effective tax rate ⁽⁴⁾										22%		17%			
Effective tax rate										(10%)		6%			

(a) During the year ended December 31, 2019, we recorded \$153 million of tax benefit relating to the outside basis difference in our investment in Venator, we recorded \$18 million of tax benefit relating to realized tax losses on our remaining interest in Venator, we established \$11 million of tax the effect of the set of the se

(b) Represents the changes in market value in Huntsman's remaining interesting in Venator.

n/m = not meaningful; n/a = not applicable

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Table 5 – Selected Balance Sheet Items

In millions	mber 31, 2019	December 31 2018				
Cash	\$ 525	\$	340			
Accounts and notes receivable, net	953		1,183			
Inventories	914		1,000			
Other current assets	155		203			
Current assets held for sale	1,208		232			
Property, plant and equipment, net	2,383		2,353			
Other noncurrent assets	2,182		1,765			
Noncurrent assets held for sale	 -		877			
Total assets	\$ 8,320	\$	7,953			
Accounts payable	\$ 822	\$	793			
Other current liabilities	462		497			
Current portion of debt	212		96			
Current liabilities held for sale	512		225			
Long-term debt	2,177		2,224			
Other noncurrent liabilities	1,311		1,086			
Noncurrent liabilities held for sale	-		283			
Huntsman Corporation stockholders' equity	2,687		2,520			
Noncontrolling interests in subsidiaries	 137		229			
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 8,320	\$	7,953			

Table 6 – Outstanding Debt

In millions	mber 31, 2019	December 31, 2018			
Debt:					
Revolving credit facility	\$ 40	\$	50		
Accounts receivable programs	167		252		
Term Ioan	103		-		
Senior notes	1,963		1,892		
Variable interest entities	65		86		
Other debt	 51		40		
Total debt - excluding affiliates	 2,389		2,320		
Total cash	 525		340		
Net debt - excluding affiliates ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 1,864	\$	1,980		

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Table 7 – Summarized Statement of Cash Flows

	T	hree moi Decem		Twelve months ended December 31,					
In millions	2	2019	:	2018		2019		2018	
Total cash at beginning of period ^(a)	\$	418	\$	697	\$	340	\$	719	
Net cash provided by operating activities - continuing operations		222		258		656		704	
Net cash provided by operating activities - discontinued operations ⁽³⁾		19		15		241		503	
Net cash used in investing activities - continuing operations		(90)		(101)		(201)		(615)	
Net cash used in investing activities - discontinued operations ⁽³⁾		(28)		(61)		(59)		(358)	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(19)		(307)		(450)		(424)	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		3		(7)		(2)		(35)	
Deconsolidation of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash from Venator		-		(154)		-		(154)	
Total cash at end of period ^(a)	\$	525	\$	340	\$	525	\$	340	
Free cash flow - continuing operations ⁽²⁾ :									
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	222	\$	258	\$	656	\$	704	
Capital expenditures		(93)		(103)		(274)		(251)	
All other investing activities, excluding acquisition and disposition activities ^(b)		2		(1)		7		(1)	
Non-recurring merger costs ^(c)	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	2	
Free cash flow - continuing operations	\$	131	\$	154	\$	389	\$	454	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	182	\$	207	\$	846	\$	1,161	
Capital expenditures		(93)		(103)		(274)		(251)	
Capital reimbursements		2		4		11		8	
Interest		(46)		(44)		(111)		(117)	
Income taxes		18		(23)		(70)		(138)	
Primary working capital change		164		150		236		(90)	
Restructuring		(8)		(4)		(22)		(11)	
Pensions		(30)		(30)		(121)		(124)	
Maintenance & other		(58)		(3)		(106)		16	
Free cash flow - continuing operations ⁽²⁾	\$	131	\$	154	\$	389	\$	454	

(a) Includes restricted cash and cash held in discontinued operations until the Deconsolidation of Venator.

(b) Represents "Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired", "Cash received from purchase price adjustment for business acquired", and "Proceeds from sale of business/assets".

(c) Represents adjustment for payments associated with one-time costs of the terminated merger of equals with Clariant.

Footnotes

(1) We use adjusted EBITDA to measure the operating performance of our business and for planning and evaluating the performance of our business segments. We provide adjusted net income because we feel it provides meaningful insight for the investment community into the performance of our business. We believe that net income (loss) is the performance measure calculated and presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. ("GAAP") that is most directly comparable to adjusted EBITDA and adjusted net income (loss). Additional information with respect to our use of each of these financial measures follows:

Adjusted EBITDA, adjusted net income (loss) and adjusted diluted income (loss) per share, as used herein, are not necessarily comparable to other similarly titled measures of other companies.

Adjusted EBITDA is computed by eliminating the following from net income (loss): (a) net income attributable to noncontrolling interests, net of tax; (b) interest; (c) income taxes; (d) depreciation and amortization (e) amortization of pension and postretirement actuarial losses (gains); (f) restructuring, impairment and plant closing costs (credits); and further adjusted for certain other items set forth in reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA to net income (loss) in Table 4 above.

Adjusted net income (loss) and adjusted diluted income (loss) per share are computed by eliminating the after tax impact of the following items from net income (loss): (a) net income attributable to noncontrolling interest; (b) amortization of pension and postretirement actuarial losses (gains); (c) restructuring, impairment and plant closing costs (credits); and further adjusted for certain other items set forth in reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA to net income (loss) in Table 4 above. The income tax impacts, if any, of each adjusting item represent a ratable allocation of the total difference between the unadjusted tax expense and the total adjusted tax expense, computed without consideration of any adjusting items using a with and without approach.

We do not provide reconciliations for adjusted EBITDA, adjusted net income (loss) or adjusted diluted income (loss) per share on a forward-looking basis because we are unable to provide a meaningful or accurate calculation or estimation of reconciling items and the information is not available without unreasonable effort. This is due to the inherent difficulty of forecasting the timing and amount of certain items, such as, but not limited to, (a) business acquisition and integration expenses and purchase accounting adjustments, (b) merger costs, and (c) certain legal and other settlements and related costs. Each of such adjustments has not yet occurred, are out of our control and/or cannot be reasonably predicted. For the same reasons, we are unable to address the probable significance of the unavailable information.

- (2) Management internally uses a free cash flow measure: (a) to evaluate the Company's liquidity, (b) to evaluate strategic investments, (c) to plan stock buyback and dividend levels and (d) to evaluate the Company's ability to incur and service debt. Free cash flow is not a defined term under U.S. GAAP, and it should not be inferred that the entire free cash flow amount is available for discretionary expenditures. The Company defines free cash flow as cash flow provided by operating activities less cash flow used in investing activities, excluding non-recurring merger costs. Free cash flow as used herein is not necessarily comparable to other similarly titled measures of other companies due to potential inconsistencies in the method of calculation. Free cash flow is typically derived directly from the Company's condensed consolidated statement of cash flows; however, it may be adjusted for items that affect comparability between periods.
- (3) During the third quarter 2019, we entered into an agreement to sell our Chemical Intermediates and Surfactants businesses, which are now reported as held for sale. In the third quarter of 2017 we separated our Pigments and Additives division through an Initial Public Offering of Venator Materials PLC. Additionally, during the first quarter 2010 we closed our Australian styrenics operations. Results from these associated businesses are treated as discontinued operations.
- (4) We believe adjusted effective tax rate provides improved comparability between periods through the exclusion of certain items that management believes are not indicative of the businesses' operational profitability and that may obscure underlying business results and trends. In our view, effective tax rate is the performance measure calculated and presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP that is most directly comparable to adjusted effective tax rate.

The reconciliation of historical adjusted effective tax rate and effective tax rate is set forth in Table 4 above. We do not provide reconciliations for adjusted effective tax rate on a forward-looking basis because we are unable to provide a meaningful or accurate calculation or estimation of reconciling items and the information is not available without unreasonable effort. This is due to the inherent difficulty of forecasting the timing and amount of certain items, such as, but not limited to, (a) business acquisition and integration expenses, (b) merger costs, and (c) certain legal and other settlements and related costs. Each of such adjustments has not yet occurred, are out of our control and/or cannot be reasonably predicted. For the same reasons, we are unable to address the probable significance of the unavailable information.

(5) Net debt is a measure we use to monitor how much debt we have after taking into account our total cash. We use it as an indicator of our overall financial position, and calculate it by taking our total debt, including the current portion, and subtracting total cash.

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