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Non-GAAP Financial Measures – Business Combination

On May 4, 2016, we consummated a series of transactions (the "Business Combination") to reorganize and combine the businesses of PQ Holdings Inc. and Eco Services Operations LLC under a new holding company, PQ Group Holdings Inc. In this presentation, we present pro forma information for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, which gives effect to the Business Combination and the related financing transactions as if they occurred on January 1, 2015. Such information is illustrative and not intended to represent what our results of operations would have been had the Business Combination and related financing transactions occurred at any time prior to May 4, 2016 or to project our results of operations for any future period. Such information may not be comparable to, or indicative of, future performance.

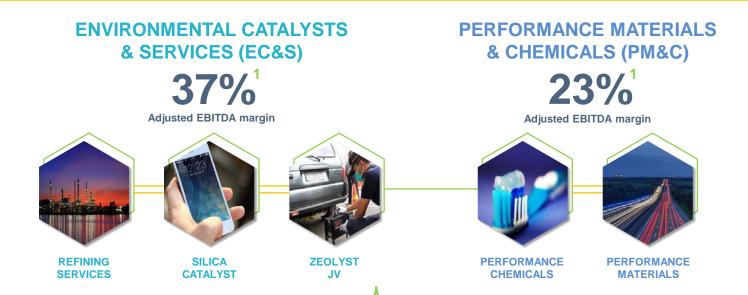
Zeolyst Joint Venture

Our zeolite catalysts product group operates through Zeolyst International and Zeolyst C.V. (our 50% owned joint ventures that we refer to collectively as our "Zeolyst Joint Venture"), which we account for as an equity method investment in accordance with GAAP. The presentation of our Zeolyst Joint Venture's total net sales in this presentation represents 50% of the total net sales of our Zeolyst Joint Venture. We do not record sales by our Zeolyst Joint Venture as revenue and such sales are not consolidated within our results of operations. However, our Adjusted EBITDA reflects our share of the earnings of our Zeolyst Joint Venture that have been recorded as equity in net income from affiliated companies in our consolidated statements of operations for such periods and includes Zeolyst Joint Venture adjustments on a proportionate basis based on our 50% ownership interest. Accordingly, our Adjusted EBITDA margins are calculated including 50% of the total net sales of our Zeolyst Joint Venture for the relevant periods in the denominator.

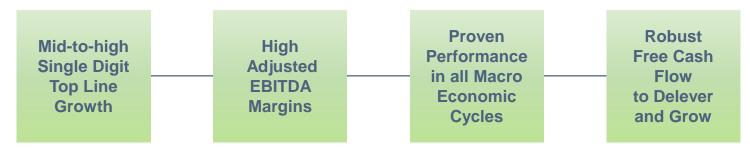


PQ INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Leading Global Producer of Specialty Catalysts, Materials, Chemicals & Services



Silicate & Zeolite Chemistry / Catalyst Innovation / Furnace Technology Leading Operational Network / Tailored Product Sizing and Coating





PRODUCT GROUP GROWTH DRIVERS

Diverse product portfolio with environmental and safety demand drivers

Environmental Catalysts & Services (EC&S):

- Refining Services expanding sulfuric acid alkylation to meet higher octane demand
- Silica Catalysts growing global polyethylene demand for plastics
- Zeolyst International expanding regulation for lower sulfur transportation fuels and NOX emission controls in diesel engines

Performance Materials & Chemicals (PM&C):

- Performance Chemicals preference for environmentally friendly consumer and industrial applications
- Performance Materials highway safety solutions for transportation safety

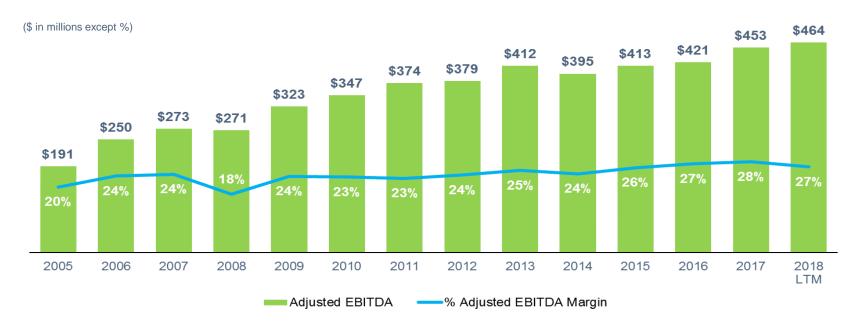




DEMONSTRATED SUSTAINABLE FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE ACROSS MACROECONOMIC CYCLES

Stability through cycles

Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA Margin (%)1,2,3



- Historical Adjusted EBITDA CAGR of ~ 7%
- Attractive, stable margins

⁽³⁾ Adjusted EBITDA margin calculation includes proportionate 50% share of total net sales from Zeolyst joint venture

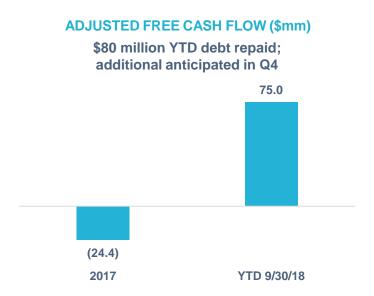


⁽¹⁾ Adjusted EBITDA for the period from 2005 to 2014 represents Legacy Eco Adjusted EBITDA and Legacy PQ Adjusted EBITDA prior to the Business Combination. Adjusted EBITDA for 2015 and 2016 is presented on a pro forma basis to give effect to the Business Combination as further described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017

⁽²⁾ See Reconciliations included within this appendix for additional information regarding Adjusted EBITDA, including a reconciliation of the amounts to net income (loss) for each of the periods presented as well as information regarding the Legacy Eco and Legacy PQ financial information included in such amounts

ADJUSTED FREE CASH FLOW DRIVES DELEVERING PROGRESS

Secular market growth trends, leading positions drive healthy margins and adjusted free cash flow performance





- Weighted average cost of debt of ~5%
- No near-term maturities; no pre-pay penalty on term loan
- Interest rate hedges in place through July 2022

KEY PRIORITIES AND FOCUS

Create Shareholder Value











COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES	KEY VALUE DRIVERS
 Unique portfolio of businesses 	 Profitable Growth
 Leading positions in growing markets 	 Capital efficiency
 Innovation potential 	 Free cash flow



SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



REFINING SERVICES

PQ well positioned to serve new capacity expansions in Gulf

Gulf Coast Sulfuric Acid Regeneration Demand

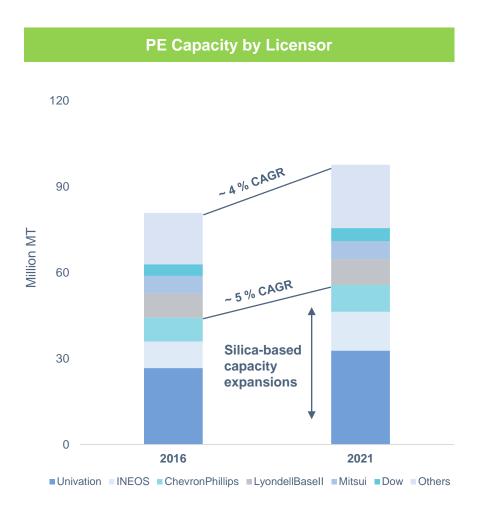


- Planned alkylation expansions, all Gulf Coast, Sulfuric-based
- Expansions driven by:
 - Growth in premium share of total gasoline pool (turbocharged engines)
 - Shale oil growth
 - Rising gasoline exports
- PQ debottlenecking expected to accelerate growth rate at high margins



SILICA CATALYSTS

PQ is aligned with key licensors for new silica-based capacity



- ~50% of the current capacity uses silica catalyst
- ~30 announcements of new global capacity expected to come on line between 2018– 2021
 - ~80% of new capacity
 will use silica catalysts;
 expected to drive 5% share
 increase vs alternative
 technologies
- Aligned with key silica licensors



ZEOLYST INTERNATIONAL – FUEL AND EMISSION CONTROL CATALYSTS

Growth from increased fuel and emissions regulations

Removing NOx from Vehicle Emissions:

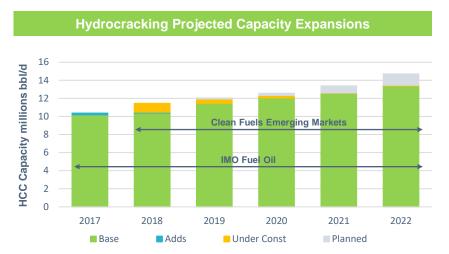
Global Mix (000) and Catalyst Consumption for HDD Vehicles



Region	Current Consumption per Vehicle	Estimated Future Standards (2020)	Total 2020E Catalyst Consumption (mm lbs)
U.S.	10 lbs post-2010	10 lbs	~ 4
Europe	10 lbs post-2013	10 lbs	~ 5
China*	0 lbs	10 lbs	~ 12

- Global environmental standards for Heavy Duty Diesel (HDD) progressively tightening
 - Increased demand and share for emission control catalysts in emerging markets
 - Adoption by China and others expected to accelerate demand
 - China VI implementation in 2020 is projected to double catalyst consumption

Removing Sulfur from Fuels:



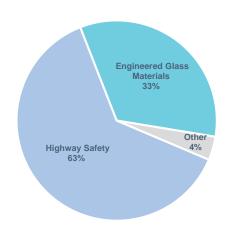
- Demand growth for low-sulfur fuels drives global planned capacity investments
 - Increasing compliance by other countries (China, India, Brazil among others) to remove sulfur from on-road vehicles
 - IMO 2020 applies low-sulfur limits to shipping industry
 - Continued growth from lower sulfur fuels in Europe and US



PERFORMANCE MATERIALS

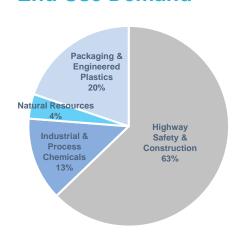
Increased standards for transportation safety drive demand

Product Line

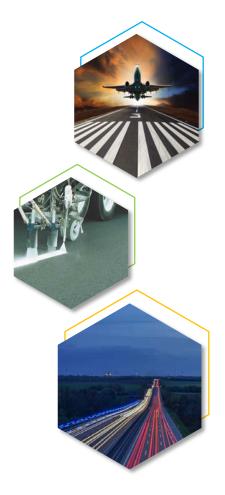


- Lead road marking bead supplier in North America, Europe and Latin America
- Broad global network with 28 production facilities
- Leading glass technology 100+ years of innovation and customer solutions for safety and industrial applications

End Use Demand



- Upgrades of existing infrastructure for tighter standards for road and worker safety
- Reinforces plastics for light weighting products; displaces materials in electronics & other consumables
- Substitutes as environmentally friendly for metal finishing abrasives; ingredients for cosmetics
- Uses in cementing for oil & gas drill casing

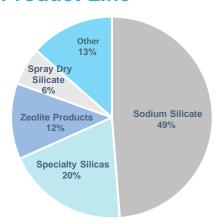




PERFORMANCE CHEMICALS

Growing trends for environmentally friendly and sustainable products

Product Line



- > 2x sodium silicate supply share of nearest competitor
- ~ 70% contracted sales with 1 3 year term;~ 45% raw material contract pass-through
- Leading global network to meet key
 50+ year multi-national customer demand

End Use Demand



- Feedstock for silica catalysts; polymers/plastics for packaging, consumer products
- Substitutes as environmentally friendly additives (i.e., detergent, cleaning applications), oral hygiene & facial products
- Uses in specialty coatings
- Replaces other materials as environmentally friendly in tires for rolling resistance and reducing release of lead from aging water pipe lines
- Provides environmentally safer use for drilling fluids in oil & gas production





PQ INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Leading Global Producer of Specialty Catalysts, Materials, Chemicals & Services

ENVIRONMENTAL CATALYSTS & SERVICES (EC&S)

37%¹ Adjusted EBITDA margin



Specialty catalysts for refinery, emissions control and petrochemical industries

- Silica Provide finished catalysts/catalyst supports for key polyethylene (HDPE/LLDPE) customers
- Zeolite Supply advanced catalyst technologies for removing sulfur from fuels and NOx from emissions
- Refining Recycle the critical alkylation catalyst used to produce and boost octane levels in gasoline

PERFORMANCE MATERIALS & CHEMICALS (PM&C)

23%1 Adjusted EBITDA margin



CHEMICALS

MATERIALS

Performance products for transportation safety and a broad number of sustainable environmentally-friendly personal and industrial uses

- Materials Supply global transportation safety materials combined with our new ThermoDrop® road striping product
- **Chemicals** Leading global supplier of silicates serving environmentally and sustainable product demand in consumer personal care and industrial products, green tires and surface coatings

Mid-to-high **Single Digit Top Line** Growth

High **Adjusted FRITDA Margins**

Proven **Performance** in all Macro **Economic Cycles**

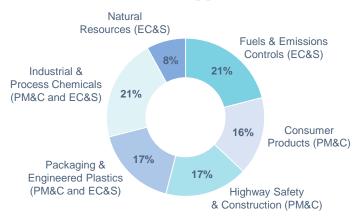
Robust Free Cash **Flow** to Delever and Grow



DIVERSE AND STABLE PORTFOLIO

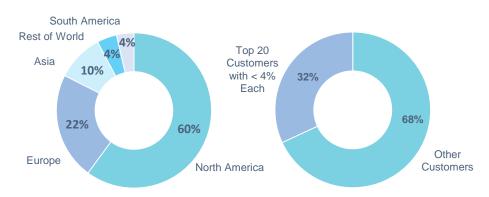
Secular growth trends and #1 and #2 leading positions in most product groups

2017 SALES AND ZEOLYST JV TOTAL NET SALES: BY END USE¹





2017 SALES AND ZEOLYST JV TOTAL NET SALES: BY REGION AND CUSTOMER¹



- End Market Robust Growth
- Key Customer Positions
- Solid Geographic Mix



2018 GUIDANCE

Adjusted free cash flow range of \$125 million to \$140 million

(\$ in millions except %)	2017 Actual	2018 Outlook
Sales	1,472.1	1,580 – 1,600
Adjusted EBITDA	453.3	460 – 465
Adjusted Free Cash Flow	(24.4)	125 – 140
Interest Expense	179.0	115 – 120
Depreciation & Amortization		
PQ	177.1	185 – 190
Zeolyst JV	11.1	12 – 14
Capital Expenditures	140.5	140 - 145
Effective Tax Rate (ex tax reform)	NM	~ 25 - 30%

- Sales higher on year-to-date pass-through of increased sulfur costs
- Adjusted EBITDA reflects Q3 results and continued PM&C cost pressures in Q4
- Margins expected to be in line with 1H18



⁽¹⁾ Prior free cash flow guidance included expected net interest proceeds on currency swaps, notwithstanding that such proceeds are reflected in net cash used in investing activities rather than net cash provided by operating activities.



ADJUSTED FREE CASH FLOW

Third Quarter and YTD 2018

	Three mon Septem		Nine mon	ths ended ber 30,	Year ended December 31,
(\$ in millions)	2018	2017	2018	2017	2017
Net cash provided by operating activities	115.9	88.0	166.0	109.8	116.1
Less: Purchases of property, plant and equipment ¹	(29.2)	(29.6)	(95.3)	(90.2)	(140.5)
Free cash flow	86.7	58.4	70.7	19.6	(24.4)
Adjustments to free cash flow					
Plus: Net interest proceeds on currency swaps	4.3	_	4.3	_	_
Adjusted free cash flow ²	91.0	58.4	75.0	19.6	(24.4)
Net cash used in investing activities ³	(29.5)	(33.6)	(95.8)	(146.5)	(182.7)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(82.5)	(37.6)	(77.8)	29.2	68.9

- (1) Excludes the Company's proportionate 50% share of capital expenditures from the Zeolyst joint venture.
- (2) We define adjusted free cash flow as net cash provided by operating activities less purchases of property, plant and equipment, adjusted for net interest proceeds on swaps designated as net investment hedges. Adjusted free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure that we believe will enhance a prospective investor's understanding of our ability to generate additional cash from operations, including the reduction in cash paid for interest related to our cross-currency interest rate swaps, and is an important financial measure for use in evaluating our financial performance. Our presentation of adjusted free cash flow is not intended to replace, and should not be considered superior to, the presentation of our net cash provided by operating activities determined in accordance with GAAP. Additionally, our definition of adjusted free cash flow is limited, in that it does not represent residual cash flows available for discretionary expenditures, due to the fact that the measure does not deduct the payments required for debt service and other contractual obligations or payments made for business acquisitions. Therefore, we believe it is important to view adjusted free cash flow as a measure that provides supplemental information to our condensed consolidated statements of cash flows.
- (3) Net cash used in investing activities includes purchases of property, plant and equipment and net interest proceeds on swaps designated as net investment hedges, which are also included in our computation of adjusted free cash flow.



QUARTERLY NET INCOME TO ADJUSTED NET INCOME AND ADJUSTED DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE

Third Quarter 2018, YTD 2018 and Year 2017

	Thre	ee Months	Ended I	Nine Months Ended	LTM Ended		Three M	onths Ended		Year Ended , December 31, 2017
(\$ in millions except per share data)	March 31, 2018	June 30, 2018	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2018	March 31, 2017	June 30, 2017	September 30, 2017	December 31, 2017	
Reconciliation of Sales to Adjusted Net Income (loss)										
Sales	366.2	434.7	427.2	1,228.1	1,586.2	332.9	389.3	391.8	358.1	1,472.1
Cost of goods sold	288.1	326.3	319.7	934.1	1,208.1	250.2	281.8	289.3	274.0	1,095.3
Gross Profit	78.1	108.4	107.5	294.0	378.1	82.7	107.5	102.5	84.1	376.8
Selling, general and administrative expenses	40.6	43.5	42.1	126.2	166.5	34.7	35.3	36.3	40.3	146.7
Other operating expense, net	9.3	15.9	16.5	41.7	58.7	10.3	17.0	19.8	17.0	64.2
Operating Income	28.2	49.0	48.9	126.1	152.9	37.7	55.2	46.4	26.8	165.9
Equity in net (income) from affiliated companies	(11.9)	(13.7)	(5.6)	(31.1)	(45.1)	(5.9)	(8.7)	(10.3)	(13.9)	(38.8)
Interest expense, net	29.2	27.2	28.2	84.6	119.6	46.8	48.2	49.1	35.0	179.0
Debt extinguishment costs	5.9		0.9	6.7	68.2	_	_	0.5	61.4	61.9
Other expense, net	5.0	5.7	2.5	13.1	16.4	2.0	14.4	5.0	3.2	24.4
Income (loss) before income taxes and non-controlling interest	_	29.8	22.9	52.8	(6.2)	(5.2)	1.3		(58.9)	(60.6)
(Benefit) provision for income taxes	(0.5)	13.6	8.5	21.6	(102.9)	(2.9)	3.0	5.2	(124.5)	(119.2)
Effective tax rate	NM	45.8 %	37.0 %	40.9 %	NM	55.8 %	224.9 %	239.9 %	211.4 %	196.7 %
Net Income (loss)	0.5	16.2	14.4	31.2	96.7	(2.3)	(1.7)		65.6	58.6
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to the non-controlling interest	0.3	0.4	0.2	1.0	1.5	0.2	(0.1)	0.3	0.6	1.0
Net Income (loss) attributable to PQ Group Holdings, Inc. ¹	0.2	15.8	14.2	30.2	95.2	(2.5)	(1.6)	(3.4)	65.0	57.6
Amortization of investment in affiliate step-up b	1.2	1.0	0.9	3.1	5.6	2.1	0.9	1.0	2.5	6.5
Amortization of investment in anniate step up	1.1	1.0	_	1.0	1.2	0.5	0.5	1.0	0.1	0.6
Debt extinguishment costs	4.1		0.2	4.3	50.4		_	0.3	46.1	46.4
Net loss on asset disposal ^d	0.8	3.1	2.9	6.9	7.0	0.2	1.4	2.1	0.2	3.9
Foreign currency exchange loss e	2.9	5.2	4.0	12.0	13.3	0.2	9.5	5.2	1.2	16.1
LIFO expense f	3.4	5.2	0.3	3.6	4.6	1.4	9.5	0.5	0.9	2.8
Management advisory fees g	3.4	_	0.5	J.0	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.6	2.8
Transaction and other related costs h	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.6	3.1	0.8	1.7	0.6	2.5	5.6
Equity-based and other non-cash compensation	2.6	2.5	2.2	7.3	11.7	0.8	0.6	0.6	4.4	6.6
Restructuring, integration and business optimization expenses i	0.7	1.6	1.2	3.5	6.5	1.0	0.6	2.9	3.0	7.6
Defined benefit pension plan cost j	0.7		0.1	0.2	0.9	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.7	2.0
Other k	0.4	(0.3)	0.1	3.3	7.8	0.4	1.0	0.5	4.7	5.9
			26.5	76.0	207.9					
Adjusted net income, including tax reform and non-cash GILTI tax	18.4	31.1				6.0	15.3		131.9	164.4
Impact of tax reform 2	_	1.1	(2.5)	(1.5) 19.0	(107.9) 18.9	_	_	_	(106.5)	(106.5)
Impact of non-cash GILTI tax ³	2.5	5.0	11.4			_	_	_	_	_
Adjusted net income	20.9	37.2	35.4	93.5	118.9	6.0	15.3		25.4	57.9
Diluted net income (loss) per share:	0.00	0.12	0.11	0.22	NM	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.03)	0.49	0.52
Adjusted diluted net income per share:	0.16	0.28	0.26	0.70	NM	0.06	0.15	0.11	0.19	0.52
Diluted Weighted Average shares outstanding	133.9	134.2	134.6	134.2	NM	103.9	104.0	104.1	133.9	111.7

- (1) For additional information with respect to each adjustment, see "Reconciliations of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" within this appendix.
- (2) Represents the provisional benefit of \$89.5 million for the impact of the U.S. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 recorded in Net Income and an additional \$17.0mm related to the tax reform impact on the adjustments to Net Income.
- (3) Represents the impact associated with Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 Global Intangible Low Taxed Income ("GILTI"). The Company is required to record a non-cash provision on GILTI as a result of having a U.S. Net Operating Loss ("NOL") which precludes us from using foreign tax credits ("FTCs") to offset the GILTI until the NOL is fully utilized. As this provision does not impact our cash taxes and we will be able to utilize FTCs to offset GILTI once the NOLs are utilized, we do not view this as core to our ongoing business operations.



NET INCOME (LOSS) TO SEGMENT ADJUSTED EBITDA

Third Quarter 2018, YTD 2018 and Year 2017

	Th	ree Months	Ended	Nine Months Ended	LTM Ended		Three	Months Ended		Voor Ended
(\$ in millions)	March 31, 2018	June 30, 2018	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2018	March 31, 2017	June 30, 2017	September 30, 2017	December 31, 2017	Year Ended December 31, 2017
Reconciliation of net income (loss) attributable to PQ Group Holdings Inc. to Segment Adjusted EBITDA										
Net income (loss) attributable to PQ Group Holdings Inc.	0.2	15.8	14.2	30.2	95.2	(2.5)	(1.6)	(3.4)	65.0	57.6
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	(0.5)	13.6	8.5	21.6	(102.9)	(2.9)	3.0	5.2	(124.5)	(119.2)
Interest expense	29.2	27.2	28.2	84.6	119.6	46.8	48.2	49.1	35.0	179.0
Depreciation and amortization	48.5	47.0	43.8	139.3	187.3	40.6	42.6	45.9	48.0	177.1
EBITDA	77.4	103.6	94.7	275.7	299.2	82.0	92.2	96.8	23.5	294.5
Joint venture depreciation, amortization and interest ^a	3.3	2.6	3.3	9.2	12.2	2.6	2.9	2.6	3.0	11.1
Amortization of investment in affiliate step-up b	1.7	1.7	1.7	5.0	6.8	3.5	1.7	1.7	1.7	8.6
Amortization of inventory step-up ^c	1.6	_	_	1.6	1.6	0.9	_	_	_	0.9
Debt extinguishment costs	5.9	_	0.9	6.7	68.2	_	_	0.5	61.4	61.9
Net loss on asset disposals ^d	1.2	4.8	5.2	11.1	10.6	0.3	2.6	3.5	(0.6)	5.8
Foreign currency exchange loss ^e	5.1	6.8	3.5	15.3	19.6	2.0	14.4	5.3	4.2	25.8
LIFO expense ^f	4.9	0.1	0.9	5.9	6.4	2.4	_	0.8	0.5	3.7
Management advisory fees ^g	_	_	_	_	_	1.3	1.3	1.3	_	3.8
Transaction related costs ^h	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.9	3.0	1.4	3.0	1.0	2.1	7.4
Equity-based and other non-cash compensation	3.8	3.8	4.3	11.9	16.8	1.7	1.2	1.0	4.9	8.8
Restructuring, integration and business optimization expenses ¹	1.1	2.4	2.2	5.7	10.9	1.7	1.4	5.0	5.2	13.2
Defined benefit plan pension cost j	0.6	(0.4)	0.1	0.3	1.0	0.7	0.7	8.0	0.7	2.9
Other k	0.9	3.2	1.1	5.6	8.0	0.7	1.4	(0.4)	2.8	4.9
Adjusted EBITDA	107.9	128.9	118.1	354.9	464.3	101.2	122.8	119.9	109.4	453.3
Unallocated corporate costs	7.7	9.4	10.3	27.3	34.4	7.7	7.9	7.9	7.0	30.5
Total Segment Adjusted EBITDA	115.6	138.3	128.4	382.2	498.7	108.9	130.7	127.8	116.4	483.8
EBITDA Adjustments by Line Item										
EBITDA	77.4	103.6	94.7	275.7	299.2	82.0	92.2	96.8	23.5	294.5
Cost of goods sold	7.3	2.6	2.1	12.0	13.0	4.0	0.7	2.3	1.0	7.9
Selling, general and administrative expenses	4.9	4.8	5.4	15.1	21.9	2.3	2.1	2.0	6.8	13.2
Other operating expense, net	2.4	7.2	7.3	16.9	25.6	4.7	9.0	9.1	8.7	31.5
Equity in net (income) loss from affiliated companies	1.7	1.7	1.7	5.0	6.8	3.5	1.7	1.6	1.7	8.6
Other expense (income), net ¹	10.9	6.4	3.6	21.0	85.6	2.1	14.2	5.5	64.7	86.5
Joint venture depreciation, amortization and interest(a)	3.3	2.6	3.3	9.2	12.2	2.6	2.9	2.6	3.0	11.1
Adjusted EBITDA	107.9	128.9	118.1	354.9	464.3	101.2	122.8	119.9	109.4	453.3



RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

Descriptions to PQ Non-GAAP Reconciliations

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- a) We use Adjusted EBITDA as a performance measure to evaluate our financial results. Because our Environmental Catalysts and Services segment includes our 50% interest in our Zeolyst Joint Venture, we include an adjustment for our 50% proportionate share of depreciation, amortization and interest expense of our Zeolyst Joint Venture.
- b) Represents the amortization of the fair value adjustments associated with the equity affiliate investment in our Zeolyst Joint Venture as a result of the Business Combination. We determined the fair value of the equity affiliate investment and the fair value step-up was then attributed to the underlying assets of our Zeolyst Joint Venture. Amortization is primarily related to the fair value adjustments associated with inventory, fixed assets and intangible assets, including customer relationships and technical know-how.
- c) As a result of the Sovitec acquisition and the Business Combination, there was a step-up in the fair value of inventory, which is amortized through cost of goods sold in the statement of operations.
- d) We do not have a history of significant asset disposals. However, when asset disposals occur, we remove the impact of net gain/loss of the disposed asset because such impact primarily reflects the non-cash write-off of long-lived assets no longer in use.
- e) Reflects the exclusion of the negative or positive transaction gains and losses of foreign currency in the income statement primarily related to the Euro denominated term loan (which was settled as part of the February 2018 term loan refinancing) and the non-permanent intercompany debt denominated in local currency translated to U.S. dollars.
- f) Represents non-cash adjustments to the Company's LIFO reserves for certain inventories in the U.S. that are valued using the LIFO method, which we believe provides a means of comparison to other companies that may not use the same basis of accounting for inventories.
- g) Reflects consulting fees paid to CCMP and affiliates of INEOS for consulting services that include certain financial advisory and management services. These payments ceased as of the closing of our initial public offering.
- h) Relates to certain transaction costs described in our condensed consolidated financial statements as well as other costs related to several transactions that are completed, pending or abandoned and that we believe are not representative of our ongoing business operations.
- i) Includes the impact of restructuring, integration and business optimization expenses which are incremental costs that are not representative of our ongoing business operations.
- j) Represents adjustments for defined benefit pension plan costs in our statement of operations. More than two-thirds of our defined benefit pension plan obligations are under defined benefit pension plans that are frozen, and the remaining obligations primarily relate to plans operated in certain of our non-U.S. locations that, pursuant to jurisdictional requirements, cannot be frozen. As such, we do not view such expenses as core to our ongoing business operations.
- k) Other costs consist of certain expenses that are not core to our ongoing business operations, including environmental remediation-related costs associated with the legacy operations of our business prior to the Business Combination, capital and franchise taxes, non-cash asset retirement obligation accretion and the initial implementation of procedures to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. Included in this line-item are rounding discrepancies that may arise from rounding from dollars (in thousands) to dollars (in millions).



QUARTERLY SEGMENT SALES AND ADJUSTED EBITDA

Third Quarter 2018, YTD 2018 and Year 2017

	Th	ree Months	Ended	Nine months Ended	LTM Ended		Three M	Months Ended		Year Ended
(\$ in millions except %)	March 31, 2018	June 30, 2018	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2018	March 31, 2017	June 30, 2017	September 30, 2017	December 31, 2017	December 31 2017
Sales:										
Silica Catalysts	16.5	17.3	16.3	50.2	73.1	17.1	20.1	15.1	23.0	75.3
Refining Services	100.7	112.1	123.4	336.2	436.1	94.2	103.9	100.4	99.9	398.4
Environmental Catalysts & Services	117.2	129.4	139.7	386.4	509.2	111.3	124.0	115.5	122.9	473.7
Performance Materials	62.7	126.5	115.4	304.7	371.1	53.8	99.5	104.4	66.5	324.2
Performance Chemicals	190.0	183.8	174.7	548.4	720.6	170.9	169.0	175.5	172.1	687.6
Eliminations	(2.9)	(4.1)	(1.8)	(8.8)	(11.5)	(2.1)	(2.4)	(2.8)	(2.7)	(10.0)
Performance Materials & Chemicals	249.8	306.2	288.3	844.3	1,080.2	222.6	266.1	277.1	235.9	1,001.8
Inter-segment sales eliminations	(0.8)	(0.9)	(0.8)	(2.6)	(3.2)	(1.0)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(0.7)	(3.4)
Total sales	366.2	434.7	427.2	1,228.1	1,586.2	332.9	389.3	391.8	358.1	1,472.1
Zeolyst joint venture net sales	38.3	49.5	32.3	120.2	162.9	32.7	30.7	37.6	42.8	143.8
Adjusted EBITDA:										
Environmental Catalysts & Services	58.4	64.9	65.3	188.6	249.6	56.4	64.3	61.9	61.0	243.6
Performance Materials & Chemicals	57.2	73.4	63.1	193.6	249.1	52.5	66.4	65.9	55.4	240.2
Total Segment Adjusted EBITDA	115.6	138.3	128.4	382.2	498.7	108.9	130.7	127.8	116.4	483.8
Corporate	(7.7)	(9.4)	(10.3)	(27.3)	(34.4)	(7.7)	(7.9)	(7.9)	(7.0)	(30.5)
Total Adjusted EBITDA	107.9	128.9	118.1	354.9	464.3	101.2	122.8	119.9	109.4	453.3
Zeolyst Joint Venture Adjusted EBITDA ¹	16.8	17.9	10.5	45.2	63.7	12.1	13.2	14.4	18.5	58.2
Adjusted EBITDA Margin:										
Environmental Catalysts & Services ²	37.6%	36.3%	38.0%	37.2%	37.1%	39.2%	41.6%	40.4%	36.8%	39.4%
Performance Materials & Chemicals	22.9%	24.0%	21.9%	22.9%	23.1%	23.6%	25.0%	23.8%	23.5%	24.0%
Total Adjusted EBITDA Margin ²	26.7%	26.6%	25.7%	26.3%	26.5%	27.7%	29.2%	27.9%	27.3%	28.1%



⁽¹⁾ Zeolyst joint venture adjusted EBITDA, included in Environmental Catalysts & Services, includes equity in net income plus proportionate 50% share of joint venture depreciation, amortization and interest

⁽²⁾ Adjusted EBITDA margin calculation includes proportionate 50% share of net sales from Zeolyst joint venture.

2005 - 2017 RECONCILIATIONS

Legacy Business - Sales & Adjusted EBITDA, Leverage Ratio

	Year Ended December 31,												
(\$ in millions)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015 Pro forma ³	2016 Pro forma ³	2017
Reconciliation of sales and adjusted EBITDA													
Legacy PQ Sales ¹	635.3	708.6	775.0	977.0	1,009.9	1,087.9	1,115.0	1,084.8	1,085.0	1,114.9			
Legacy Eco Services Sales ^{2,5}	260.2	288.7	289.4	449.4	293.9	331.0	415.4	410.4	390.8	397.4			
Total Legacy Sales	895.5	997.3	1,064.4	1,426.4	1,303.8	1,418.9	1,530.4	1,495.2	1,475.8	1,512.3	1,413.2	1,403.0	1,472.1
Zeolyst Joint Venture total net sales	45.6	60.4	63.8	69.4	63.2	69.9	99.0	87.3	148.5	106.7	159.8	131.3	143.8
Legacy PQ Adjusted EBITDA ¹	119.6	151.2	177.3	164.3	225.4	253.8	274.6	268.7	306.8	288.1			
Legacy Eco Services Adjusted EBITDA ^{2,5}	71.5	99.0	96.0	106.4	97.5	93.6	99.8	110.8	105.5	107.2			
Total Adjusted EBITDA	191.1	250.2	273.3	270.7	322.9	347.4	374.4	379.5	412.3	395.3	413.1	420.8	453.3
% Adjusted EBITDA Margin ⁴	20.3%	23.7%	24.2%	18.1%	23.6%	23.3%	23.0%	24.0%	25.4%	24.4%	26.3%	27.4%	28.1%

- (1) Legacy PQ is the results of PQ Holdings Inc. prior to the Business Combination in May 2016
- (2) Legacy Eco Services is the results of Eco Services which prior to December 1, 2014 was part of Solvay / Rhodia. Information for 2005 through 2010 is derived from financial information obtained in connection with the acquisition of Legacy Eco and is unaudited and, in some cases, is based upon management estimates
- (3) Reflects unaudited pro forma results which gives effect to the Business Combination
- (4) Adjusted EBITDA margin calculation includes proportionate 50% share of sales from Zeolyst joint venture
- (5) Balances presented for Legacy Eco Services in 2014 includes \$361.8 and \$35.5 of sales and \$98.1 and \$9.1 of Adjusted EBITDA, for the predecessor and successor periods, respectively. Refer to additional reconciliations for details.



2005 – 2014 RECONCILIATIONS FOR ADJUSTED EBITDA AND MARGINS

Legacy PQ1 – Net Income (Loss) to Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation

					Year E Decem					
(\$ in millions)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Reconciliation of net income (loss) attributable to Legacy PQ to Adjusted EBITDA										
Net income (loss) attributable to PQ Group Holdings Inc.	(41.9)	14.2	(64.7)	(168.2)	(10.6)	11.5	(65.4)	5.2	26.7	(3.6)
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	(2.2)	14.0	(29.5)	(28.7)	(12.1)	(4.7)	(0.4)	18.9	10.6	7.5
Interest expense	38.3	51.9	79.5	119.2	117.8	112.9	121.2	111.2	120.3	111.6
Depreciation and amortization	44.6	46.8	57.1	88.6	99.6	96.1	98.0	93.4	89.4	91.3
EBITDA	38.8	126.9	42.4	10.9	194.7	215.8	153.4	228.7	247.0	206.8
Joint venture depreciation, amortization and interest	2.4	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.1	2.5	3.2	3.3	6.1	6.9
Amortization of investment in affiliate step-up	6.1	1.2	24.7	4.0	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.4
Amortization of inventory step-up	32.7	14.0	22.2	28.3	_	_	_	_	_	_
Impairment of long-lived and intangible assets	_	_	_	_	0.3	4.2	67.0	_	0.9	_
Debt extinguishment costs	_	_	32.6	_	_	_	2.3	20.1	20.3	2.5
Net loss on asset disposals	0.3	0.2	0.7	0.1	1.0	(1.1)	2.2	0.8	0.7	0.7
Foreign currency exchange loss	_	_	1.2	77.0	(26.9)	13.9	5.6	(1.9)	4.4	23.4
Non-cash revaluation of inventory, including LIFO	(8.0)	_	1.7	1.1	7.6	(1.5)	1.5	0.3	1.2	0.8
Management advisory fees	_	2.0	2.0	3.5	5.0	5.0	7.0	7.5	5.0	5.0
Transaction related costs	29.9	0.5	35.8	11.5	0.5	5.5	7.9	0.5	5.6	24.4
Equity-based and other non-cash compensation	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.7	0.2	1.0	0.3	_	1.0	_
Restructuring, integration and business optimization expenses	12.6	4.4	7.3	7.3	11.7	2.6	5.9	5.6	5.4	4.6
Defined benefit plan pension cost	_	_	_	0.6	(0.1)	_	_	0.5	3.6	1.8
Other	(2.5)	(0.2)	4.3	17.0	26.6	3.2	15.6	0.7	3.2	8.8
Adjusted EBITDA	119.6	151.2	177.3	164.3	225.4	253.8	274.6	268.7	306.8	288.1



2005 – 2014 RECONCILIATIONS FOR ADJUSTED EBITDA AND MARGINS

Legacy Eco Services¹ - Net Income (Loss) to Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation

						Year En Decembe					
(\$ in millions)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 Successor	2014 Predecessor
Reconciliation of net income (loss) attributable to Legacy Eco Services to Adjusted EBITDA											
Net income (loss) attributable to PQ Group Holdings Inc.	45.4	73.0	73.8	86.0	73.4	65.4	35.8	48.5	39.3	(22.1)	30.5
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	_	_	_	_	_	_	20.5	26.3	21.4	_	14.6
Interest expense	_	_	_	_	_	_	0.2	0.2	0.1	8.5	0.1
Depreciation and amortization	26.1	26.0	22.2	20.4	24.1	27.5	30.7	38.8	43.5	3.0	42.5
EBITDA	71.5	99.0	96.0	106.4	97.5	92.9	87.2	113.8	104.3	(10.6)	87.7
Amortization of inventory step-up	_	_	_	_	_	_	2.1	_	_	3.5	_
Net loss on asset disposals	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Management advisory fees	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Transaction related costs	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	15.5	_
Equity-based and other non-cash compensation	_	_	_	_	_	_	0.4	0.6	0.7	_	0.5
Restructuring, integration and business optimization expenses	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	0.2	_
Defined benefit plan pension cost	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Transition services	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Other	_	_	_	_	_	0.7	10.1	(3.6)	0.5	0.5	9.9
Adjusted EBITDA	71.5	99.0	96.0	106.4	97.5	93.6	99.8	110.8	105.5	9.1	98.1



⁽¹⁾ Legacy Eco Services is the results of Eco Services which prior to December 1, 2014 was part of Solvay / Rhodia. Information for 2005 through 2010 is derived from financial information obtained in connection with the acquisition of Legacy Eco and is unaudited and, in some cases, is based upon management estimates.

2015 – 2017 RECONCILIATIONS FOR ADJUSTED EBITDA AND MARGINS

Post-Business Combination PQ – Net Income (Loss) to Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation

	Year Ended December 31,							
(\$ in millions)	2015 Pro forma ¹	2016 Pro forma ¹	2017					
Reconciliation of net income (loss) attributable to PQ Group Holdings Inc. to Segment Adjusted EBITDA								
Net income (loss) attributable to PQ Group Holdings Inc.	(26.9)	(59.0)	57.6					
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	1.2	58.0	(119.2)					
Interest expense	199.6	187.9	179.0					
Depreciation and amortization	152.2	165.8	177.1					
EBITDA	326.1	352.7	294.5					
Joint venture depreciation, amortization and interest	7.9	10.3	11.1					
Amortization of investment in affiliate step-up	6.6	5.8	8.6					
Amortization of inventory step-up	_	4.9	0.9					
Impairment of long-lived and intangible assets	0.4	6.9	_					
Debt extinguishment costs	_	1.8	61.9					
Net loss on asset disposals	5.5	4.8	5.8					
Foreign currency exchange loss	21.1	(9.0)	25.8					
Non-cash revaluation of inventory, including LIFO	(2.1)	1.3	3.7					
Management advisory fees	5.6	5.3	3.8					
Transaction related costs	13.2	2.6	7.4					
Equity-based and other non-cash compensation	4.2	6.5	8.8					
Restructuring, integration and business optimization expenses	8.6	17.9	13.2					
Defined benefit plan pension cost	6.1	2.8	2.9					
Transition services	4.9	_	_					
Other	5.1	6.2	4.9					
Adjusted EBITDA	413.2	420.8	453.3					



⁽¹⁾ Reflects unaudited pro forma results which gives effect to the Business Combination as further described in the company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017



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