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In discussing our operating results, the term currency exchange rates refers to the currency exchange rates we use to convert the operating results for all countries where the functional currency is not the U.S. dollar. We calculate constant currency sales and constant currency Adjusted EBITDA by translating current period results at the prior period's currency exchange rates. When we refer to constant currency sales and constant currency Adjusted EBITDA, this means sales and Adjusted EBITDA without the impact of the currency exchange rate fluctuations from period-to-period.
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## Zeolyst Joint Venture

Zeolyst International and Zeolyst C.V. (our 50\% owned joint ventures that we refer to collectively as our "Zeolyst Joint Venture"), are accounted for as an equity method investment in accordance with GAAP. The presentation of our Zeolyst Joint Venture's sales in this presentation represents $50 \%$ of the 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 income 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 sales of our Zeolyst Joint Venture for the relevant periods in the denominator.

## THIRD QUARTER 2019 HIGHLIGHTS

## STRATEGIC BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Health, Safety \& Environment (HSE)
o Continued improvement in our HSE performance driving increased "Perfect Days"
- Commercial

O Margin expansion in three of the four businesses
o Performance Chemicals: Multi-year contract extension with European customer including cost pass-through
o Zeolyst JV: Emission control catalyst tolling qualification in the China market

- Optimization strategy

O Entered into an agreement with INEOS to expand the Polyolefin Catalyst portfolio offering

- Solid performance
o Sales of \$423.8 million
O Adjusted EBITDA of $\$ 137.7$ million
O Adjusted EBITDA Margin expanded over 300 bps to ~29\% ${ }^{1}$
- Generated $\$ 100$ million of Adjusted Free Cash Flow
- Executing on debt reduction plan

O Repaid \$100 million in Q3; net debt/Adjusted EBITDA of 4.1x
O Raising 2019 target to $\$ 170$ million to $\$ 190$ million to achieve $\sim 1 / 2$ turn leverage reduction for the year

## THIRD QUARTER 2019 FINANCIAL RESULTS

| (\$ in millions) | Third <br> Quarter <br> 2019 | Third <br> Quarter <br> $\mathbf{2 0 1 8}$ | \$ <br> Change | \% <br> Change | \% <br> Constant <br> Currency |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Sales | 423.8 | 427.2 | $(3.4)$ | $(0.8 \%)$ | $0.4 \%$ |
| Adjusted EBITDA | 137.7 | 118.1 | 19.6 | $16.6 \%$ | $17.7 \%$ |
| Adjusted EBITDA <br> Margin $^{1}$ | $28.8 \%$ | $25.7 \%$ |  | 310 bps |  |

O Results reflect the benefits of a diversified portfolio
o Catalysts delivered strength across product lines
O Second consecutive quarter above 28\% Adjusted EBITDA margin


## REFINING SERVICES

| (\$ in millions) | Third <br> Quarter <br> 2019 | Third <br> Quarter <br> 2018 | \$ <br> Change | \% <br> Change | \% <br> Constant <br> Currency |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Sales | 118.3 | 123.4 | $(5.1)$ | $(4.1 \%)$ | $(4.1 \%)$ |
| Adjusted EBITDA | 51.2 | 49.6 | 1.6 | $3.2 \%$ | $3.2 \%$ |
| Adjusted EBITDA <br> Margin | $43.3 \%$ | $40.2 \%$ |  | 310 bps |  |

O Sales decreased primarily on lower sulfur price

| Q3 Change Factors |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Sales: | $\%$ |
| Volume | $(8.1)$ |
| Price/Mix | 4.0 |
| Currency | - |
| Sales Change | $\mathbf{( 4 . 1 )}$ |



## CATALYSTS

| (\$ in millions) | Third <br> Quarter <br> 2019 | Third <br> Quarter <br> 2018 | \$ <br> Change | \% <br> Change | \% <br> Constant <br> Currency |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Sales | 25.6 | 16.3 | 9.3 | $57.1 \%$ | $58.3 \%$ |
| Silica Catalysts | 54.4 | 32.3 | 22.1 | $68.4 \%$ | $68.4 \%$ |
| Zeolyst JV | 31.6 | 15.7 | 15.9 | $101.3 \%$ | $102.5 \%$ |
| Adjusted EBITDA | $39.5 \%$ | $32.3 \%$ |  | 720 bps |  |
| Adjusted EBITDA <br> Margin $^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |

O Silica Catalysts sales grew across the portfolio
o Zeolyst JV sales rose on strongest quarter for hydrocracking catalyst and benefited from accelerated specialty catalyst orders


O Adjusted EBITDA and margins expanded on favorable product mix

## PERFORMANCE MATERIALS

| (\$ in millions) | Third <br> Quarter <br> 2019 | Third <br> Quarter <br> 2018 | \$ <br> Change | \% <br> Change | \% <br> Constant <br> Currency |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Sales | 115.1 | 115.4 | $(0.3)$ | $(0.3 \%)$ | $1.6 \%$ |
| Adjusted EBITDA | 25.8 | 21.3 | 4.5 | $21.1 \%$ | $22.5 \%$ |
| Adjusted EBITDA <br> Margin | $22.4 \%$ | $18.5 \%$ |  | 390 bps |  |

O Sales in line with favorable Adjusted EBITDA


## PERFORMANCE CHEMICALS

| (\$ in millions) | Third <br> Quarter <br> 2019 | Third <br> Quarter <br> 2018 | \$ <br> Change | \% <br> Change | \% <br> Constant <br> Currency |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Sales | 167.9 | 174.7 | $(6.8)$ | $(3.9 \%)$ | $(2.1 \%)$ |
| Adjusted EBITDA | 36.8 | 41.8 | $(5.0)$ | $(12.0 \%)$ | $(10.0 \%)$ |
| Adjusted EBITDA <br> Margin | $21.9 \%$ | $23.9 \%$ |  | $(200 b p s)$ |  |

O Sales reflect softening demand from sodium

| Q3 Change Factors |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| Sales: | $\%$ |
| Volume | $(4.0)$ |
| Price/Mix | 1.9 |
| Currency | $(1.8)$ |
| Sales Change | $(3.9)$ |



## ADJUSTED FREE CASH FLOW

| (\$ in millions) | Three Months Ended September 30, 2019 | Three Months Ended September 30, 2018 | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019 | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cash Flow from Operations before interest and tax | 150.2 | 144.3 | 277.5 | 265.7 |
| Less: |  |  |  |  |
| Cash paid for taxes | 5.0 | 5.0 | 13.3 | 16.1 |
| Cash paid for interest ${ }^{1}$ | 23.3 | 23.4 | 82.3 | 83.6 |
| Cash Flow from Operations | 121.9 | 115.9 | 181.9 | 166.0 |
| Less: Purchases of property, plant and equipment ${ }^{2}$ | 26.2 | 29.2 | 91.7 | 95.3 |
| Free Cash Flow | 95.7 | 86.7 | 90.2 | 70.7 |
| Plus: Net interest proceeds on currency swaps | 3.9 | 4.3 | 8.4 | 4.3 |
| Adjusted Free Cash Flow | 99.6 | 91.0 | 98.6 | 75.0 |



## 2019 GUIDANCE UPDATE

| (\$ in millions, |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| except \% and per share) | 2018 <br> Actual | Outlook |
| Sales | $1,608.2$ | $1,560-1,580^{1}$ |
| Adjusted EBITDA | 464.0 | $470-485$ |
| Adjusted Free Cash Flow | 134.2 | $125-145^{2}$ |
| Adjusted Diluted EPS | 0.87 | $0.84-0.87^{3}$ |
| Interest Expense | 113.7 | $112-116^{4}$ |

Depreciation \& Amortization

| PQ | 185.2 | $180-185^{5}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Zeolyst JV | 12.6 | $14-16$ |
| Capital Expenditures | 131.7 | $130-135^{6}$ |
| Effective Tax Rate (ex tax reform) | $23.5 \%$ | mid 20\% |

## Raising debt repayment to $\$ 170$ million to $\$ 190$ million

(1) Updated from $\$ 1.58$ billion to $\$ 1.60$ billion
(2) Excludes sale proceeds from sulfate salts product line of \$28 million in Q219 and swap restructuring of \$38 million in Q419
(3) Updated from \$0.77-\$0.93

## PERFORMANCE MATERIALS




By Product Line


- Premier global supplier of glass microspheres for transportation safety and industrial applications
- 100+ years of leading edge glass technology innovation and high quality product supply know-how
- Competitively positioned supply network with longstanding and diverse customer base


## PERFORMANCE MATERIALS



## EXPANDING PRODUCT OFFERINGS AND ENTERING NEW MARKETS THROUGH INNOVATION



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## PORTFOLIO STRENGTHS AND PRIORITIES

KEY VALUE DRIVERS

COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES

- Unique portfolio of businesses
- Leading positions in secular growth markets
- Innovation potential

EVOLUTION PATHWAYS
Opportunity Management

Commercial Intensity

Time Value of Technology

- Profitable Growth
- Capital Efficiency
- Free Cash

Flow

## APPENDIX

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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

## Third Quarter 2019 Capital Expenditures, Capitalization and Sales by End Use

| CAPITAL EXPENDITURES ${ }^{1}$ <br> (\$ in millions) | $\begin{gathered} \text { September 30, } \\ 2019 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { September 30, } \\ 2018 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maintenance ${ }^{2}$ | 20.8 | 18.9 |
| Growth ${ }^{3}$ | 5.4 | 10.3 |
| Total | 26.2 | 29.2 |

$\begin{array}{|l|c|}\hline \text { \% OF SALES GROWTH BY END USE }\end{array}$ 4 $\quad$ ( $\left.2 \%\right)$

| CAPITALIZATION | September 30, <br> 2019 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Debt: | (\$ in millions) |
| ABL Revolving Credit Facility | - |
| USD First Lien Term Loan | $\mathbf{1 , 0 5 7 . 5}$ |
| First Lien Secured Notes | 625.0 |
| Total First Lien Debt | $\mathbf{1 , 6 8 2 . 5}$ |
| Senior Unsecured Notes | 295.0 |
| Other debt | $\mathbf{6 5 . 8}$ |
| Total Debt | $\mathbf{2 , 0 4 3 . 3}$ |
| Cash | $\mathbf{7 8 . 5}$ |
| Net Debt | $1,964.8$ |
| Net Debt/Adjusted EBITDA | $4.1 x$ |

## \% OF SALES BY END USE ${ }^{4}$

Packaging \&

(1) Excludes the Company's proportionate share of capital expenditures from the Zeolyst Joint Venture
(2) Includes the cash impact from changes in capital expenditures in accounts payable and capitalized interest
(2) Includes the cash impact from changes in capital expenditu
(3) Growth capital includes capital used to reduce fixed costs

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(4) Sales includes proportionate $50 \%$ share of sales from Zeolyst Joint Venture

## QUARTERLY SEGMENT SALES, ADJUSTED EBITDA AND MARGINS Third Quarter 2019, Year-to-Date 2019 and Year 2018

| (\$ in millions except \%, unaudited) | Three Months Ended |  |  | $\begin{array}{\|l} \text { Nine Months } \\ \text { Ended } \\ \\ \text { September 30, } \\ 2019 \end{array}$ | Three Months Ended |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Year Ended } \\ \text { December 31, } \\ 2018 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { March 31, } \\ 2019 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June 30, } \\ & 2019 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { September } 30, \\ 2019 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { March 31, } \\ 2018 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { June 30, } \\ 2018 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { September 30, } \\ 2018 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December 31, } \\ 2018 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Sales: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Refining Services | 105.8 | 117.3 | 118.3 | 341.5 | 100.7 | 112.1 | 123.4 | 119.4 | 455.6 |
| Silica Catalysts | 15.9 | 20.9 | 25.6 | 62.3 | 16.5 | 17.3 | 16.3 | 22.0 | 72.1 |
| Performance Materials | 61.1 | 118.9 | 115.1 | 295.1 | 62.7 | 126.5 | 115.4 | 73.7 | 378.3 |
| Performance Chemicals | 180.5 | 177.8 | 167.9 | 526.2 | 190.0 | 183.8 | 174.7 | 168.8 | 717.3 |
| Eliminations | (4.1) | (3.2) | (3.1) | (10.4) | (3.7) | (5.0) | (2.6) | (3.8) | (15.1) |
| Total sales | 359.2 | 431.7 | 423.8 | 1,214.7 | 366.2 | 434.7 | 427.2 | 380.1 | 1,608.2 |
| Zeolyst joint venture sales | 29.5 | 39.1 | 54.4 | 123.0 | 38.3 | 49.5 | 32.3 | 36.6 | 156.7 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Adjusted EBITDA: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Refining Services | 39.7 | 42.8 | 51.2 | 133.7 | 35.5 | 41.3 | 49.6 | 50.1 | 176.5 |
| Catalysts | 18.1 | 29.6 | 31.6 | 79.4 | 22.9 | 23.6 | 15.7 | 18.9 | 81.1 |
| Performance Materials | 10.5 | 29.2 | 25.8 | 65.5 | 12.1 | 28.6 | 21.3 | 10.5 | 72.5 |
| Performance Chemicals | 42.7 | 41.2 | 36.8 | 120.6 | 45.1 | 44.8 | 41.8 | 39.2 | 170.9 |
| Total Segment Adjusted EBITDA | 111.0 | 142.8 | 145.4 | 399.2 | 115.6 | 138.3 | 128.4 | 118.7 | 501.0 |
| Corporate | (10.0) | (10.3) | (7.7) | (28.0) | (7.7) | (9.4) | (10.3) | (9.6) | (37.0) |
| Total Adjusted EBITDA | 101.0 | 132.5 | 137.7 | 371.2 | 107.9 | 128.9 | 118.1 | 109.1 | 464.0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Adjusted EBITDA Margin: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Refining Services | 37.5\% | 36.5\% | 43.3\% | 39.2\% | 35.3\% | 36.8\% | 40.2\% | 42.0\% | 38.7\% |
| Catalysts ${ }^{1}$ | 40.0\% | 49.4\% | 39.5\% | 42.8\% | 41.8\% | 35.3\% | 32.3\% | 32.3\% | 35.4\% |
| Performance Materials | 17.2\% | 24.6\% | 22.4\% | 22.2\% | 19.3\% | 22.6\% | 18.5\% | 14.2\% | 19.2\% |
| Performance Chemicals | 23.7\% | 23.1\% | 21.9\% | 22.9\% | 23.7\% | 24.4\% | 23.9\% | 23.2\% | 23.8\% |
| Total Adjusted EBITDA Margin ${ }^{1}$ | 26.0\% | 28.1\% | 28.8\% | 27.7\% | 26.7\% | 26.6\% | 25.7\% | 26.2\% | 26.3\% |

## SALES AND ADJUSTED EBITDA MAJOR CHANGE FACTORS <br> Third Quarter 2019 and Year-to-Date 2019

## SALES

|  | Three months ended September 30, 2019 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sales <br> (in \$ millions and \%) | PQ Group Holdings Inc. | Refining Services | Catalysts | Performance Materials | Performance Chemicals |
| Sales: | \$ \% | \$ \% | \$ \% | \$ \% | \$ \% |
| Volume | (16.8) (3.9) | (10.0) (8.1) | 7.948 .5 | (6.9) (6.0) | (7.1) (4.0) |
| Price/Mix | 18.64 .3 | 4.94 .0 | 1.69 .8 | $8.7 \quad 7.5$ | 3.41 .9 |
| Currency | (5.2) (1.2) | - - | (0.2) (1.2) | (2.1) (1.8) | (3.1) (1.8) |
| Sales Change | (3.4) (0.8) | (5.1) (4.1) | $9.3 \quad 57.1$ | (0.3) (0.3) | (6.8) (3.9) |



## ADJUSTED EBITDA

| Adjusted EBITDA (in \$ millions and \%) | Three months ended September 30, 2019 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | PQ Group Holdings Inc. |  | Refining Services |  | Catalysts |  | Performance Materials |  | Performance Chemicals |  |
| Adjusted EBITDA: | \$ | \% | \$ | \% | \$ | \% | \$ | \% | \$ | \% |
| Volume/Mix |  | 3.0 | (6.4) | (12.9) | 14.6 | 93.0 | (2.1) | (9.9) | (2.3) | (5.5) |
| Price | 20.0 | 16.9 | 4.9 | 9.9 | 3.0 | 19.1 | 8.7 | 40.8 | 3.4 | 8.1 |
| Variable Cost | (6.8) | (5.8) | 2.7 | 5.4 | (3.6) | (22.9) | (1.0) | (4.7) | (4.9) | (11.7) |
| Currency | (1.3) | (1.1) | - | - | (0.2) | (1.3) | (0.3) | (1.4) | (0.9) | (2.2) |
| Other | 4.1 | 3.6 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 2.1 | 13.4 | (0.8) | (3.7) | (0.3) | (0.7) |
| Adjusted EBITDA Change | 19.6 | 16.6 | 1.6 | 3.2 | 15.9 | 101.3 | 4.5 | 21.1 | (5.0) | (12.0) |

## RECONCILATION OF NET INCOME TO SEGMENT ADJUSTED EBITDA

## Third Quarter 2019, Year-to-Date 2019 and Year 2018

| (\$ in millions) | Three Months Ended |  |  | Nine Months Ended <br> September30 2019 | Three Months Ended |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Year Ended } \\ \text { December 31, } \\ 2018 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { March 31, } \\ 2019 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June 30, } \\ & 2019 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { September } 30, \\ 2019 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { March } 31, \\ 2018 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { June } 30, \\ 2018 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { September 30, } \\ 2018 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { ecember 31, } \\ 2018 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Reconciliation of net income attributable to PQ Group Holdings Inc. to Segment Adjusted EBITDA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net income attributable to PQ Group Holdings Inc. | 3.2 | 30.6 | 26.7 | 60.4 | 0.2 | 15.8 | 14.2 | 28.1 | 58.3 |
| Provision for (benefit from) income taxes | 2.4 | 20.3 | 16.7 | 39.5 | (0.5) | 13.6 | 8.5 | 7.4 | 29.0 |
| Interest expense | 28.6 | 28.5 | 27.7 | 84.9 | 29.2 | 27.2 | 28.2 | 29.1 | 113.7 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 45.9 | 45.1 | 44.2 | 135.2 | 48.5 | 47.0 | 43.8 | 45.9 | 185.2 |
| EBITDA | 80.1 | 124.5 | 115.3 | 320.0 | 77.4 | 103.6 | 94.7 | 110.5 | 386.2 |
| Joint venture depreciation, amortization and interest ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 11.2 | 3.3 | 2.6 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 12.6 |
| Amortization of investment in affiliate step-up ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 2.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 5.9 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 6.6 |
| Amortization of inventory step-up ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | - | - | - | - | 1.6 | - | - | - | 1.6 |
| Debt extinguishment costs | - | - | 1.8 | 1.8 | 5.9 | - | 0.9 | 1.0 | 7.8 |
| Net loss (gain) on asset disposals ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | 0.8 | (9.7) | 1.1 | (7.7) | 1.2 | 4.8 | 5.2 | (4.6) | 6.6 |
| Foreign currency exchange (gain) loss e | (2.7) | 3.6 | 4.5 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 6.8 | 3.5 | (1.6) | 13.8 |
| LIFO expense ${ }^{\text {f }}$ | 10.2 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 10.8 | 4.9 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 2.5 | 8.4 |
| Transaction and other related costs ${ }^{9}$ | 0.1 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | - | 0.9 |
| Equity-based and other non-cash compensation | 3.4 | 5.4 | 4.8 | 13.6 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 4.3 | 7.6 | 19.5 |
| Restructuring, integration and business optimization expenses ${ }^{\text {h }}$ | 0.7 | - | 0.7 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 8.3 | 14.0 |
| Defined benefit plan pension cost (benefit) ' | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 2.4 | 0.6 | (0.4) | 0.1 | (1.1) | (0.8) |
| Gain on contract termination ${ }^{\text {j }}$ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | (20.6) | (20.6) |
| Other ${ }^{\text {k }}$ | 1.0 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 4.7 | 0.9 | 3.2 | 1.1 | 2.2 | 7.4 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | 101.0 | 132.5 | 137.7 | 371.2 | 107.9 | 128.9 | 118.1 | 109.1 | 464.0 |
| Unallocated corporate costs | 10.0 | 10.3 | 7.7 | 28.0 | 7.7 | 9.4 | 10.3 | 9.6 | 37.0 |
| Total Segment Adjusted EBITDA ${ }^{1}$ | 111.0 | 142.8 | 145.4 | 399.2 | 115.6 | 138.3 | 128.4 | 118.7 | 501.0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EBITDA Adjustments by Line Item |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EBITDA | 80.1 | 124.5 | 115.3 | 320.0 | 77.4 | 103.6 | 94.7 | 110.5 | 386.2 |
| Cost of goods sold | 10.8 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 12.1 | 7.3 | 2.6 | 2.1 | 4.3 | 16.3 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 4.4 | 5.9 | 5.7 | 16.0 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 5.4 | 7.9 | 23.0 |
| Other operating expense (income), net | 1.8 | (7.3) | 6.5 | 1.0 | 2.4 | 7.2 | 7.3 | (17.8) | (0.9) |
| Equity in net (income) from affiliated companies | 2.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 5.9 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 6.6 |
| Other expense (income), net ${ }^{2}$ | (2.5) | 3.6 | 3.9 | 5.0 | 10.9 | 6.4 | 3.6 | (0.7) | 20.2 |
| Joint venture depreciation, amortization and interest(a) | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 11.2 | 3.3 | 2.6 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 12.6 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | 101.0 | 132.5 | 137.7 | 371.2 | 107.9 | 128.9 | 118.1 | 109.1 | 464.0 |

# RECONCILATION OF QUARTERLY NET INCOME TO ADJUSTED NET INCOME AND ADJUSTED DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE <br> Third Quarter 2019, Year-to-Date 2019 and Year 2018 

| (\$ in millions except share and per share data) | Three Months Ended |  |  | nths d | Three Months Ended |  |  |  | Year Ended$\begin{gathered} \text { December 31, } \\ 2018 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { March 31, } \\ 2019 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { June 30, } \\ 2019 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { September 30, } \\ 2019 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { September 30, } \\ 2019 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March 31, } \\ 2018 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { June 30, } \\ 2018 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { September 30, } \\ 2018 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December 31, } \\ 2018 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Net Income | 3.5 | 30.7 | 26.8 | 60.9 | 0.5 | 16.2 | 14.4 | 28.5 | 59.6 |
| Less: Net income attributable to the non-controlling interest | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 1.3 |
| Net Income attributable to PQ Group Holdings, Inc. ${ }^{1}$ | 3.2 | 30.6 | 26.7 | 60.4 | 0.2 | 15.8 | 14.2 | 28.2 | 58.3 |
| Diluted net income per share: | 0.02 | 0.23 | 0.20 | 0.45 | 0.00 | 0.12 | 0.11 | 0.21 | 0.43 |
| Net Income attributable to PQ Group Holdings, Inc. ${ }^{1}$ | 3.2 | 30.6 | 26.7 | 60.4 | 0.2 | 15.8 | 14.2 | 28.2 | 58.3 |
| Amortization of investment in affiliate step-up ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 1.6 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 3.8 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 4.2 |
| Amortization of inventory step-up ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | - | - | - | - | 1.1 | - | - | - | 1.0 |
| Debt extinguishment costs | - | - | 1.2 | 1.2 | 4.1 | - | 0.2 | 0.5 | 4.9 |
| Net loss (gain) on asset disposal d | 0.5 | (7.4) | 0.8 | (6.1) | 0.8 | 3.1 | 2.9 | (2.7) | 4.1 |
| Foreign currency exchange (gain) loss ${ }^{\text {e }}$ | (2.0) | 4.1 | 3.9 | 6.0 | 2.9 | 5.2 | 4.0 | (3.9) | 8.2 |
| LIFO expense ${ }^{\text {f }}$ | 6.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 7.0 | 3.4 | - | 0.3 | 1.6 | 5.3 |
| Transaction and other related costs ${ }^{9}$ | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | - | 0.6 |
| Equity-based and other non-cash compensation | 2.2 | 3.5 | 3.2 | 8.8 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 2.2 | 7.6 | 14.9 |
| Restructuring, integration and business optimization expenses ${ }^{\text {h }}$ | 0.5 | - | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 5.3 | 8.8 |
| Defined benefit pension plan cost (benefit) ' | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 1.6 | 0.4 | (0.3) | 0.1 | (0.7) | (0.5) |
| Gain on contract termination ${ }^{\text {j }}$ | - | - | - | - | - | (0) | - | (13.0) | (13.0) |
| Other k | 0.6 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 3.2 | 0.7 | 2.0 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 4.6 |
| Adjusted net income, including tax reform and non-cash GILTI tax | 13.8 | 34.0 | 40.1 | 87.9 | 18.4 | 31.1 | 26.5 | 25.4 | 101.4 |
| Impact of non-cash GILTI tax ${ }^{2}$ | 3.7 | 7.5 | 8.2 | 19.3 | 2.5 | 5.0 | 11.4 | 2.2 | 21.2 |
| Impact of tax reform ${ }^{3}$ | - | - | - | - | - | 1.1 | (2.5) | (4.5) | (6.0) |
| Adjusted net income | 17.5 | 41.5 | 48.3 | 107.2 | 20.9 | 37.2 | 35.4 | 23.1 | 116.6 |
| Adjusted diluted net income per share: | 0.13 | 0.31 | 0.36 | 0.79 | 0.16 | 0.28 | 0.26 | 0.17 | 0.87 |
| Diluted Weighted Average shares outstanding | 134.9 | 135.3 | 135.6 | 135.3 | 133.9 | 134.2 | 134.6 | 135.0 | 134.7 |

(1) For additional information with respect to each adjustment, see "Reconciliations of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" within this appendix
(2) Amount represents the impact to tax expense in net income before non-controlling interest and the related adjustments to net income associated with GILTI provisions of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 ("TCJA"). Beginning January 1, 2018, GILTI results in taxation of "excess of foreign earnings," which is defined as amounts greater than a $10 \%$ rate of return on applicable foreign tangible asset basis. The Company is required to record incrementa tax provision impact with respect to GILTI as a result of having historical U.S. net operating loss ("NOL") amounts to offset the GILTI taxable income inclusion. This NOL utilization precludes us from recognizing foreign tax credits ("FTCs") which would otherwise help offset the tax impacts of GILTI. No FCs will be recognized with respect to GILTI until our cumulative NOL balance has been exhausted. Because the GILTI provision does not impact our cash taxes (given available U.S. NOLs), and given that we expect to recognize FTCs to offset GILTI impacts once the NOLs are exhausted, we do not view this item as a component of core operations.
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(3) Represents the provisional benefit (loss) for the impact of the U.S. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 and the Dutch Tax Plan 2019 recorded in Net Income

## RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES <br> Descriptions to PQ Non-GAAP Reconciliations

a) We use Adjusted EBITDA as a performance measure to evaluate our financial results. Because our Catalysts 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 combination of the businesses of PQ Holdings Inc. and Eco Services Operations LLC in May 2016 (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 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 statements of income.
d) 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. During the three months ended June 30, 2019 and the nine months ended September 30, 2019, net loss (gain) on asset disposals reflects the gain related to the sale of a non-core product line.
e) Reflects the exclusion of the foreign currency transaction gains and losses in the statements of income primarily related to the non-permanent intercompany debt denominated in local currency translated to U.S. dollars during 2019 and 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 during 2018.
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) Relates to certain transaction costs including debt financing, due diligence and other costs related to several transactions that are completed, pending or abandoned and that we believe are not representative of our ongoing business operations.
h) Includes the impact of restructuring, integration and business optimization expenses which are incremental costs that are not representative of our ongoing business operations.
i) Represents adjustments for defined benefit pension plan costs in our statements of income. 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.
j) Represents a non-cash gain on the write-off of the remaining liability under a contractual supply arrangement. As part of Eco's acquisition of substantially all of the assets of Solvay USA Inc's sulfuric acid refining services business unit on December 1, 2014, we recognized a liability as part of business combination accounting related to our obligation to serve a customer under a pre-existing unfavorable supply agreement. In December 2018, the customer who was party to the agreement closed its facility, and as a result, we were relieved from our obligation to continue to supply the customer on the below market contract. Because the fair value of the unfavorable contract liability was recognized as part of the application of business combination accounting, and since the write-off of the remaining liability was non-cash in nature, we believe this gain is a special item that is not representative of 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).

## CONSTANT CURRENCY SALES AND ADJUSTED EBITDA

Third Quarter 2019 Versus 2018

| (\$ in millions except \%, unaudited) | Three Months Ended <br> September 30, 2019 |  |  | Three Months Ended September 30, 2018 <br> As Reported | Constant Currency \% Change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | As Reported | FX Impact | Constant Currency |  |  |
| Sales: | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \% |
| Refining Services | 118.3 | - | 118.3 | 123.4 | (4.1) |
| Silica Catalysts | 25.6 | 0.2 | 25.8 | 16.3 | 58.3 |
| Performance Materials | 115.1 | 2.1 | 117.2 | 115.4 | 1.6 |
| Performance Chemicals | 167.9 | 3.1 | 171.0 | 174.7 | (2.1) |
| Eliminations | (3.1) | (0.2) | (3.3) | (2.6) | 26.9 |
| Total sales | 423.8 | 5.2 | 429.0 | 427.2 | 0.4 |
| Zeolyst joint venture sales | 54.4 | - | 54.4 | 32.3 | 68.4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Adjusted EBITDA: | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \% |
| Refining Services | 51.2 | - | 51.2 | 49.6 | 3.2 |
| Catalysts | 31.6 | 0.2 | 31.8 | 15.7 | 102.5 |
| Performance Materials | 25.8 | 0.3 | 26.1 | 21.3 | 22.5 |
| Performance Chemicals | 36.8 | 0.8 | 37.6 | 41.8 | (10.0) |
| Total Segment Adjusted EBITDA | 145.4 | 1.3 | 146.7 | 128.4 | 14.3 |
| Corporate | (7.7) | - | (7.7) | (10.3) | (25.2) |
| Total Adjusted EBITDA | 137.7 | 1.3 | 139.0 | 118.1 | 17.7 |

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