

UNIVERSAL FOREST PRODUCTS INC

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10 Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 29, 2018

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission File Number 0 22684

UNIVERSAL FOREST PRODUCTS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	38 1465835 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
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2801 East Beltline NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan (Address of principal executive offices)	49525 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code (616) 364 6161

NONE

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Indicate by checkmark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes No

Indicate by checkmark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated

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filer”, “smaller reporting company”, and “emerging growth company” in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large Accelerated Filer   Accelerated Filer   Non-Accelerated Filer   Smaller reporting company  
Emerging Growth Company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with an new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by checkmark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  
No

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer’s classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date:

Class	Outstanding as of September 29, 2018
Common stock, \$1 par value	61,656,181

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## UNIVERSAL FOREST PRODUCTS, INC.

## CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited)

(in thousands, except share data)

	September 29, 2018	December 30, 2017	September 30, 2017
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 26,327	\$ 28,339	\$ 22,044
Restricted cash	1,024	477	905
Investments	15,809	11,269	10,781
Accounts receivable, net	454,935	327,751	419,183
Inventories:			
Raw materials	257,983	234,354	203,930
Finished goods	252,074	225,954	208,556
Total inventories	510,057	460,308	412,486
Refundable income taxes	9,124	7,228	763
Other current assets	29,575	28,115	22,438
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>1,046,851</b>	<b>863,487</b>	<b>888,600</b>
<b>DEFERRED INCOME TAXES</b>	<b>2,176</b>	<b>1,865</b>	<b>1,899</b>
<b>RESTRICTED INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>13,117</b>	<b>8,359</b>	<b>7,982</b>
<b>OTHER ASSETS</b>	<b>7,052</b>	<b>7,368</b>	<b>7,634</b>
<b>GOODWILL</b>	<b>218,631</b>	<b>212,644</b>	<b>212,029</b>
<b>INDEFINITE-LIVED INTANGIBLE ASSETS</b>	<b>7,373</b>	<b>7,415</b>	<b>7,580</b>
<b>OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS, NET</b>	<b>35,662</b>	<b>34,910</b>	<b>36,093</b>
<b>PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT:</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	807,023	763,101	754,175
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(460,714)	(434,472)	(429,066)
<b>PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET</b>	<b>346,309</b>	<b>328,629</b>	<b>325,109</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,677,171</b>	<b>\$ 1,464,677</b>	<b>\$ 1,486,926</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>			
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</b>			
Cash overdraft	\$ 31,115	\$ 25,851	\$ 26,617
Accounts payable	175,912	140,106	171,774
Accrued liabilities:			
Compensation and benefits	99,786	97,556	88,185
Other	51,316	38,404	50,179
Current portion of long-term debt	149	1,329	2,197
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>358,278</b>	<b>303,246</b>	<b>338,952</b>
<b>LONG-TERM DEBT</b>	<b>186,539</b>	<b>144,674</b>	<b>145,884</b>
<b>DEFERRED INCOME TAXES</b>	<b>13,701</b>	<b>14,079</b>	<b>22,806</b>
<b>OTHER LIABILITIES</b>	<b>26,929</b>	<b>28,655</b>	<b>29,204</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>585,447</b>	<b>490,654</b>	<b>536,846</b>

## SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:

Controlling interest shareholders' equity:

Preferred stock, no par value; shares authorized 1,000,000; issued and outstanding, none	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Common stock, \$1 par value; shares authorized 80,000,000; issued and outstanding, 61,656,181, 61,191,888 and 61,174,197	61,656	61,192	61,174
Additional paid-in capital	176,671	161,928	159,995
Retained earnings	841,431	736,212	715,497
Accumulated other comprehensive income	(3,638)	144	(871)
Total controlling interest shareholders' equity	1,076,120	959,476	935,795
Noncontrolling interest	15,604	14,547	14,285
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	1,091,724	974,023	950,080
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 1,677,171	\$ 1,464,677	\$ 1,486,926

See notes to consolidated condensed financial statements.

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## UNIVERSAL FOREST PRODUCTS, INC.

## CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS

## AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Unaudited)

(in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017
NET SALES	\$ 1,212,702	\$ 1,056,586	\$ 3,500,999	\$ 2,975,091
COST OF GOODS SOLD	1,054,029	911,899	3,045,748	2,561,424
GROSS PROFIT	158,673	144,687	455,251	413,667
SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	102,292	92,389	300,292	272,956
FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE LOSS	412	301	213	1,157
NET (GAIN) ON DISPOSITION OF ASSETS AND IMPAIRMENT OF ASSETS	(1,022)	(274)	(7,079)	(437)
EARNINGS FROM OPERATIONS	56,991	52,271	161,825	139,991
INTEREST EXPENSE	1,945	1,481	5,971	4,825
INTEREST AND INVESTMENT INCOME	(211)	(130)	(1,109)	(541)
EQUITY IN EARNINGS OF INVESTEE	—	1	—	(25)
	1,734	1,352	4,862	4,259
EARNINGS BEFORE INCOME TAXES	55,257	50,919	156,963	135,732
INCOME TAXES	13,189	16,250	36,183	44,855
NET EARNINGS	42,068	34,669	120,780	90,877
LESS NET EARNINGS ATTRIBUTABLE TO NONCONTROLLING INTEREST	(849)	(976)	(2,684)	(2,480)
NET EARNINGS ATTRIBUTABLE TO CONTROLLING INTEREST	\$ 41,219	\$ 33,693	\$ 118,096	\$ 88,397
EARNINGS PER SHARE - BASIC	\$ 0.67	\$ 0.55	\$ 1.91	\$ 1.44
EARNINGS PER SHARE - DILUTED	\$ 0.66	\$ 0.55	\$ 1.91	\$ 1.44
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME:				
NET EARNINGS	42,068	34,669	120,780	90,877
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE GAIN (LOSS)	1,174	1,719	(3,170)	6,141
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	43,242	36,388	117,610	97,018
LESS COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO	(1,583)	(975)	(3,296)	(3,862)

NONCONTROLLING INTEREST COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO CONTROLLING INTEREST	\$ 41,659	\$ 35,413	\$ 114,314	\$ 93,156
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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

(Unaudited)

(in thousands, except share and per share data)

	Controlling Interest Shareholders' Equity			Accumulated		Noncontrolling Interest Total
	Common Stock	Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Other Comprehensive Earnings		
Balance at December 31, 2016	\$ 61,026	\$ 144,649	\$ 649,135	\$ (5,630)	\$ 11,286	\$ 860,466
Net earnings			88,397		2,480	90,877
Foreign currency translation adjustment				4,325	1,382	5,707
Unrealized gain (loss) on investment & foreign currency				434		434
Distributions to noncontrolling interest					(3,272)	(3,272)
Additional purchases of noncontrolling interest					2,409	2,409
Cash dividends - \$0.150 per share			(9,208)			(9,208)
Issuance of 17,925 shares under employee stock plans	18	458				476
Issuance of 428,325 shares under stock grant programs	428	6,752				7,180
Issuance of 147,480 shares under deferred compensation plans	148	(148)				—
Repurchase of 445,740 shares	(446)	297	(12,827)			(12,976)
Expense associated with share-based compensation arrangements		1,978				1,978
Accrued expense under deferred compensation plans		6,009				6,009
Balance at September 30, 2017	\$ 61,174	\$ 159,995	\$ 715,497	\$ (871)	\$ 14,285	\$ 950,080
Balance at December 30, 2017	61,192	161,928	736,212	144	14,547	974,023
Net earnings			118,096		2,684	120,780
Foreign currency translation adjustment				(3,562)	612	(2,950)
Unrealized gain (loss) on investment & foreign currency				(220)		(220)
Distributions to noncontrolling interest					(2,239)	(2,239)
Cash dividends - \$0.180 per share			(11,090)			(11,090)
Issuance of 25,449 shares under employee stock plans	25	731				756
Issuance of 348,140 shares under stock grant programs	348	4,911				5,259
Issuance of 147,188 shares under deferred compensation plans	147	(147)				—
Repurchase of 56,484 shares	(56)		(1,787)			(1,843)

Expense associated with share-based compensation arrangements		2,613				2,613
Accrued expense under deferred compensation plans		6,635				6,635
Balance at September 29, 2018	\$ 61,656	\$ 176,671	\$ 841,431	\$ (3,638)	\$ 15,604	\$ 1,091,724

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## UNIVERSAL FOREST PRODUCTS, INC.

## CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

(in thousands)

	Nine Months Ended	
	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net earnings	\$ 120,780	\$ 90,877
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash from operating activities:		
Depreciation	40,490	36,010
Amortization of intangibles	4,274	3,549
Expense associated with share-based and grant compensation arrangements	2,762	2,122
Deferred income taxes (credits)	(583)	117
Equity in earnings of investee	—	(25)
Net (gain) on disposition of assets and impairment of assets	(7,079)	(437)
Changes in:		
Accounts receivable	(121,067)	(121,688)
Inventories	(39,448)	(820)
Accounts payable and cash overdraft	38,611	53,424
Accrued liabilities and other	21,361	34,221
<b>NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>60,101</b>	<b>97,350</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(74,541)	(57,189)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	37,612	2,121
Acquisitions, net of cash received	(38,963)	(59,859)
Purchases of investments	(12,401)	(12,155)
Proceeds from sale of investments	3,298	4,227
Other	(620)	1,480
<b>NET CASH FROM (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>(85,615)</b>	<b>(121,375)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Borrowings under revolving credit facilities	636,798	610,038
Repayments under revolving credit facilities	(668,941)	(573,829)
Borrowings of debt	927	—
Repayment of debt	(5,511)	—
Issuance of long-term debt	75,000	—
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	756	476
Dividends paid to shareholders	(11,090)	(9,207)
Distributions to noncontrolling interest	(2,239)	(3,272)
Repurchase of common stock	(1,843)	(12,976)
Other	(55)	—
<b>NET CASH FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>23,802</b>	<b>11,230</b>
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	247	1,255
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>(1,465)</b>	<b>(11,540)</b>

CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS, AND RESTRICTED CASH, BEGINNING OF YEAR	28,816	34,489
CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS, AND RESTRICTED CASH, END OF PERIOD	\$ 27,351	\$ 22,949
RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH:		
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	\$ 28,339	\$ 34,091
Restricted cash, beginning of period	477	398
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, beginning of period	\$ 28,816	\$ 34,489
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 26,327	\$ 22,044
Restricted cash, end of period	1,024	905
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, end of period	\$ 27,351	\$ 22,949
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:		
Interest paid	\$ 4,955	\$ 3,910
Income taxes paid	38,675	34,108
NON-CASH FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Common stock issued under deferred compensation plans	5,312	4,673
See notes to consolidated condensed financial statements.		

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## NOTES TO UNAUDITED

## CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## A. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited interim consolidated condensed financial statements (the “Financial Statements”) include our accounts and those of our wholly-owned and majority-owned subsidiaries and partnerships, and have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Accordingly, the Financial Statements do not include all of the information and footnotes normally included in the annual consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

In our opinion, the Financial Statements contain all material adjustments necessary to present fairly our consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods presented. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. These Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the annual consolidated financial statements, and footnotes thereto, included in our Annual Report to Shareholders on Form 10 K for the fiscal year ended December 30, 2017.

Seasonality has a significant impact on our working capital from March to August which historically results in negative or modest cash flows from operations in our first and second quarters. Conversely, we experience a substantial decrease in working capital from September to February which typically results in significant cash flow from operations in our third and fourth quarters. For comparative purposes, we have included the September 30, 2017 balances in the accompanying unaudited consolidated condensed balance sheets.

## B. FAIR VALUE

We apply the provisions of ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, to assets and liabilities measured at fair value. Assets measured at fair value are as follows:

	September 29, 2018			Total	September 30, 2017		
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)	Prices with Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Prices with Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)		Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)	Prices with Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Total
(in thousands)							
Money market funds	\$ 56	\$ 1,381	\$ —	\$ 1,437	\$ 64	\$ 413	\$ 477
Fixed income funds	2,846	9,484	—	12,330	1,299	6,905	8,204
Equity securities	8,203	—	—	8,203	10,194	—	10,194

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Hedge funds	—	—	1,725	1,725			
Mutual funds:							
Domestic stock funds	2,970	—	—	2,970	335	—	335
International stock funds	948	—	—	948	87	—	87
Target funds	255	—	—	255	260	—	260
Bond funds	208	635	—	843	208	—	208
Alternative funds	1,364			1,364			
Total mutual funds	5,745	635	—	6,380	890	—	890
Total	\$ 16,850	\$ 11,500	\$ 1,725	\$ 30,075	\$ 12,447	\$ 7,318	\$ 19,765
Assets at fair value	\$ 16,850	\$ 11,500	\$ 1,725	\$ 30,075	\$ 12,447	\$ 7,318	\$ 19,765

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We maintain money market, mutual funds, bonds, and/or stocks in our non-qualified deferred compensation plan and our wholly owned licensed captive insurance company. These funds are valued at prices quoted in an active exchange market and are included in “Cash and Cash Equivalents”, “Investments”, “Restricted Cash”, and “Restricted Investments”. We have elected not to apply the fair value option under ASC 825, Financial Instruments, to any of our financial instruments except for those expressly required by U.S. GAAP.

During 2018, we purchased a private real estate income trust which will be valued as a Level 3 asset. We did not maintain any Level 3 assets or liabilities at September 30, 2017.

In 2017, our wholly-owned captive, Ardellis Insurance Ltd. (“Ardellis”) transferred fixed income securities to a newly formed collateral trust account in line with regulatory requirements in the State of Michigan to allow Ardellis to act as an admitted carrier in the State. These funds are intended to safeguard the insureds of the Michigan Branch of Ardellis. The funds are classified as “Restricted Investments”.

In accordance with our investment policy, our wholly-owned captive, Ardellis Insurance Ltd. (“Ardellis”), maintains an investment portfolio, totaling \$27.6 million as of September 29, 2018, consisting of domestic and international stocks, hedge funds, and fixed income bonds.

Ardellis’ available for sale investment portfolio, including funds held with the State of Michigan, consists of the following (in thousands):

	September 29, 2018		
	Cost	Unrealized Gain/(Loss)	Fair Value
Fixed Income	\$ 12,575	\$ (245)	\$ 12,330
Equity	6,975	1,228	8,203
Mutual Funds	5,416	(25)	5,391
Hedge Funds	1,715	10	1,725
Total	\$ 26,681	\$ 968	\$ 27,649

Our fixed income investments consist of a blend of US Government and Agency bonds and investment grade corporate bonds with varying maturities. Our equity investments consist of small, mid, and large cap growth and value funds, as well as international equity. Our hedge funds consist of the private real estate income trust which is valued as a Level 3 asset. The net unrealized gain was \$1.0 million. Carrying amounts above are recorded in the investments and restricted investments line items within the balance sheet as of September 29, 2018. During the first nine months of 2018, Ardellis’ investments reported a net realized gain of \$551 thousand, which was recorded in interest income on the statement of earnings.

## C. REVENUE RECOGNITION

On May 28, 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09 (Accounting Standard Codification 606), Revenue from Contracts with Customers. Topic 606 supersedes the revenue recognition requirements in Accounting Standards Codification Topic 605, Revenue Recognition, and requires the recognition of revenue when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the considerations to which the entity expects to be entitled to in exchange for those goods or services. The ASU requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgments and changes in judgments. The Company has adopted the requirements of the new standard as of January 1, 2018, and utilized the modified retrospective method of transition which was applied to all contracts.

The Company completed the new revenue recognition standard assessment and determined that there was no material impact to our consolidated financial statements, aside from additional required disclosures, thus no needed adjustment to the opening retained earnings for the annual reporting period.



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## UNIVERSAL FOREST PRODUCTS, INC.

Within the three markets (retail, industrial, and construction) that the Company operates, there are a variety of written and oral contracts that are utilized to generate revenue from the sale of wood, wood composite and other products. The transaction price is stated at the purchase order level, which includes shipping and/or freight costs and any applicable governmental authority taxes. The majority of our contracts have a single performance obligation concentrated around the delivery of goods to the carrier, Free On Board (FOB) shipping point. Therefore, revenue is recognized when this performance obligation is satisfied. Generally, title and control passes at the time of shipment. In certain circumstances, the customer takes title when the shipment arrives at the destination. However, our shipping process is typically completed the same day.

Certain customer products that we provide require installation by the Company or a 3rd party. Installation revenue is recognized upon completion, which is typically 2-3 days after receipt. If it is determined to utilize a 3rd party for installation, the party will act as an agent to the Company until completion of the installation. Installation revenue represents an immaterial share of the Company's total sales.

The Company utilizes rebates, credits, discounts and/or cash-based incentives with certain customers which are accounted for as variable consideration. We estimate these amounts based on the expected amount to be provided to customers and reduce revenues recognized. We believe that there will not be significant changes to our estimates of variable consideration. The allocation of these costs are applied at the invoice level and recognized in conjunction with revenue. Additionally, the volume returns and refunds are estimated on a historical and expected basis which is a reduction of revenue recognized.

Earnings on construction contracts are reflected in operations using over time accounting, under either cost to cost or units of delivery methods, depending on the nature of the business at individual operations, which is in accordance with ASC 606 as revenue is recognized when certain performance obligations are performed. Under over time accounting using the cost to cost method, revenues and related earnings on construction contracts are measured by the relationships of actual costs incurred related to the total estimated costs. Under over time accounting using the units of delivery method, revenues and related earnings on construction contracts are measured by the relationships of actual units produced related to the total number of units. Revisions in earnings estimates on the construction contracts are recorded in the accounting period in which the basis for such revisions becomes known. Projected losses on individual contracts are charged to operations in their entirety when such losses become apparent.

Our construction contracts are generally entered into with a fixed price and completion of the projects can range from 6 to 18 months in duration. Therefore, our operating results are impacted by, among many other things, labor rates and commodity costs. During the year, we update our estimated costs to complete our projects using current labor and commodity costs and recognize losses to the extent that they exist.

The following table presents our gross revenues disaggregated by revenue source:

(in thousands) Market Classification	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	% Change	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	% Change
FOB Shipping Point Revenue	\$ 1,197,959	\$ 1,037,049	15.5%	\$ 3,461,208	\$ 2,922,701	18.4%

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Construction						
Contract Revenue	35,731	36,597	-2.4%	104,518	101,997	2.5%
Total Gross Sales	1,233,690	1,073,646	14.9%	3,565,726	3,024,698	17.9%
Sales Allowances	(20,988)	(17,060)	23.0%	(64,727)	(49,607)	30.5%
Total Net Sales	\$ 1,212,702	\$ 1,056,586	14.8%	\$ 3,500,999	\$ 2,975,091	17.7%

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In the first nine months of 2018, the North and West segments comprise the construction contract revenue above, \$72.0 million and \$32.5 million, respectively. Construction contract revenue is primarily made up of site-built and framing customers.

The following table presents the balances of over time accounting accounts which are included in “Other current assets” and “Accrued liabilities: Other”, respectively (in thousands):

	September 29, 2018	December 30, 2017	September 30, 2017
Cost and Earnings in Excess of Billings	\$ 5,167	\$ 5,005	\$ 2,594
Billings in Excess of Cost and Earnings	4,955	4,435	4,802

## D. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The computation of earnings per share (“EPS”) is as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017
Numerator:				
Net earnings attributable to controlling interest	\$ 41,219	\$ 33,693	\$ 118,096	\$ 88,397
Adjustment for earnings allocated to non-vested restricted common stock	(952)	(656)	(2,678)	(1,633)
Net earnings for calculating EPS	\$ 40,267	\$ 33,037	\$ 115,418	\$ 86,764
Denominator:				
Weighted average shares outstanding	61,954	61,422	61,838	61,443
Adjustment for non-vested restricted common stock	(1,430)	(1,197)	(1,402)	(1,134)
Shares for calculating basic EPS	60,524	60,225	60,436	60,309
Effect of dilutive restricted common stock	90	123	84	111
Shares for calculating diluted EPS	60,614	60,348	60,520	60,420
Net earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.67	\$ 0.55	\$ 1.91	\$ 1.44
Diluted	\$ 0.66	\$ 0.55	\$ 1.91	\$ 1.44

No options were excluded from the computation of diluted EPS for the quarters ended September 29, 2018, or September 30, 2017.

On October 17, 2017, our Board of Directors declared a three-for-one stock split effected in the form of a stock dividend. The record date of the stock split was on October 31, 2017, and the eventual stock distribution to shareholders occurred on November 14, 2017. As a result of the stock split, all historical per share data and number of shares outstanding presented in future financial statements are retroactively adjusted.

E. COMMITMENTS, CONTINGENCIES, AND GUARANTEES

We are self-insured for environmental impairment liability, including certain liabilities which are insured through a wholly owned subsidiary, Ardellis Insurance Ltd., a licensed captive insurance company.

We own and operate a number of facilities throughout the United States that chemically treat lumber products. In connection with the ownership and operation of these and other real properties, and the disposal or treatment of hazardous or toxic substances, we may, under various federal, state, and local environmental laws, ordinances,

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and regulations, be potentially liable for removal and remediation costs, as well as other potential costs, damages, and expenses. Environmental reserves, calculated with no discount rate, have been established to cover remediation activities at wood preservation facilities in Stockertown, PA; Elizabeth City, NC; and Auburndale, FL. In addition, a reserve was established for our facility in Thornton, CA to remove certain lead containing materials which existed on the property at the time of purchase.

On a consolidated basis, we have reserved approximately \$2.5 million and \$3.6 million on September 29, 2018, and September 30, 2017, respectively, representing the estimated costs to complete future remediation efforts. These amounts have not been reduced by an insurance receivable.

Many of our wood treating operations utilize “Subpart W” drip pads, defined as hazardous waste management units by the Environmental Protection Agency. The rules regulating drip pads require that a pad be “closed” at the point that it is no longer intended to be used for wood treating operations or to manage hazardous waste. Closure involves identification and disposal of contaminants which are required to be removed from the facility. The cost of closure is dependent upon a number of factors including, but not limited to, identification and removal of contaminants, cleanup standards that vary from state to state, and the time period over which the cleanup would be completed. Based on our present knowledge of existing circumstances, it is considered probable that these costs will approximate \$0.1 million. As a result, this amount is recorded in other long-term liabilities on September 29, 2018.

In February 2014, one of our operations was served with a federal grand jury subpoena from the Southern District of New York. The subpoena was issued in connection with an investigation being conducted by the US Attorney’s Office for the Southern District of New York. The subpoena requested documents relating to a developer and construction projects for which our operation had provided materials and labor. Following receipt of the subpoena, the Audit Committee of the Company’s Board of Directors retained outside counsel to conduct an internal investigation and respond to the subpoena. The Company cooperated in all respects with the US Attorney’s Office, complied with this subpoena and voluntarily provided additional information. As a result of the internal investigation, in 2014, two Company employees were terminated for violating the Company’s Code of Business Conduct and Ethics. In May 2015, those ex-employees were indicted by the grand jury. In April 2016, one of the two former employees pled guilty to four of the charges included in the indictment. In May 2016, the other former employee was found guilty by a jury on four of the charges included in the indictment. The Company has not been named as a target and continues to cooperate with the US Attorney’s Office in this matter. Based upon prior communications with the US Attorney’s Office, we do not believe that the resolution of this matter will have a material adverse impact on our financial condition or the results of our operations.

In addition, on September 29, 2018, we were parties either as plaintiff or defendant to a number of lawsuits and claims arising through the normal course of our business. In the opinion of management, our consolidated financial statements will not be materially affected by the outcome of these contingencies and claims.

On September 29, 2018, we had outstanding purchase commitments on commenced capital projects of approximately \$23.4 million.

We provide a variety of warranties for products we manufacture. Historically, warranty claims have not been material. We distribute products manufactured by other companies, some of which are no longer in business. While we do not warrant these products, we have received claims as a distributor of these products when the manufacturer no longer exists or has the ability to pay. Historically, these costs have not had a material effect on our consolidated financial

statements.

As part of our operations, we supply building materials and labor to site-built construction projects or we jointly bid on contracts with framing companies for such projects. In some instances, we are required to post payment and performance bonds to insure the project owner that the products and installation services are completed in accordance with our contractual obligations. We have agreed to indemnify the surety for claims made against the

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bonds. As of September 29, 2018, we had approximately \$19.7 million outstanding payment and performance bonds for open projects. We had approximately \$1.3 million in payment and performance bonds outstanding for completed projects which are still under warranty.

On September 29, 2018, we had outstanding letters of credit totaling \$30.6 million, primarily related to certain insurance contracts and industrial development revenue bonds described further below.

In lieu of cash deposits, we provide irrevocable letters of credit in favor of our insurers to guarantee our performance under certain insurance contracts. We currently have irrevocable letters of credit outstanding totaling approximately \$20.5 million for these types of insurance arrangements. We have reserves recorded on our balance sheet, in accrued liabilities, that reflect our expected future liabilities under these insurance arrangements.

We are required to provide irrevocable letters of credit in favor of the bond trustees for all industrial development revenue bonds that have been issued. These letters of credit guarantee principal and interest payments to the bondholders. We currently have irrevocable letters of credit outstanding totaling approximately \$10.1 million related to our outstanding industrial development revenue bonds. These letters of credit have varying terms but may be renewed at the option of the issuing banks.

Certain wholly owned domestic subsidiaries have guaranteed the indebtedness of Universal Forest Products, Inc. in certain debt agreements, including the Series 2012 and 2018 Senior Notes and our revolving credit facility. The maximum exposure of these guarantees is limited to the indebtedness outstanding under these debt arrangements and this exposure will expire concurrent with the expiration of the debt agreements.

We did not enter into any new guarantee arrangements during the third quarter of 2018 which would require us to recognize a liability on our balance sheet.

## F. BUSINESS COMBINATIONS

We completed the following acquisitions in nine months ended 2018 and 2017 which were accounted for using the purchase method in thousands unless otherwise noted:

Company Name	Acquisition Date	Purchase Price	Intangible Assets	Net Tangible Assets	Operating Segment
		\$1,016			
	July 31, 2018	cash paid for 100% asset purchase	\$ 250	\$ 766	West
The Pallet Place, LLC ("Pallet Place")		A manufacturer and distributor of total packaging solutions in timber, crates, skids, and pallets. Pallet Place had annual sales of approximately \$5 million. The acquisition of Pallet Place allows us to increase our industrial business and creates operating leverage by consolidating with another regional operation.			
	June 1, 2018	\$23,866 cash paid for 100% asset	\$ 7,123	\$ 16,743	South

purchase

North American Container Corporation  
("NACC")

A manufacturer of structural packaging products, including steel, corrugated and hardwood packaging. NACC had annual sales of approximately \$71 million. The acquisition of NACC allows us to enhance our presence in this region, expand our product offering, and serve customers more cost effectively.

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Company Name	Acquisition Date	Purchase Price	Intangible Assets	Net Tangible Assets	Operating Segment
Fontana Wood Products ("Fontana")	April 9, 2018	\$3,890 cash paid for 100% asset purchase	\$ 2,235	\$ 1,655	West
Expert Packaging ("Expert")	April 3, 2018	\$1,404 cash paid for 100% asset purchase	\$ 1,344	\$ 60	All Other
Spinner Wood Products, LLC ("Spinner")	January 23, 2018	\$2,942 cash paid for 100% asset purchase	\$ 850	\$ 2,092	West
Great Northern Lumber, LLC	January 15, 2018	\$5,845 cash paid for 100% asset purchase	\$ 50	\$ 5,795	North
Silverwater Box	October 16, 2017	\$931 cash paid for 100% asset purchase	\$ 909	\$ 22	All Other
Go Boy Pallets, LLC ("Go Boy")	May 26, 2017	\$5,042 cash paid for 100% asset purchase	\$ 4,880	\$ 162	South

acquisition of Go Boy enables us to expand our industrial packaging product offering and lumber sourcing in this region.

\$31,818

March 6, 2017 cash paid for 100% asset \$ 7,653 \$ 24,165 South purchase

Robbins Manufacturing Co.  
("Robbins")

A manufacturer of treated wood products with facilities in Florida, Georgia, and North Carolina. Robbins had annual sales of approximately \$86 million. The acquisition of Robbins allows us to expand our presence in this region and serve customers more cost effectively.

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Company Name	Acquisition Date	Purchase Price	Intangible Assets	Net Tangible Assets	Operating Segment
Quality Hardwood Sales, LLC ("Quality")	March 6, 2017	\$22,789 cash paid for 100% asset purchase	\$ 14,341	\$ 8,448	North
A manufacturer and supplier of hardwood products, including components of cabinets used in homes and recreational vehicles. Quality had annual sales of approximately \$30 million. The acquisition of Quality enables us to expand our product offering to include hardwood-based products.					

The intangible assets for each acquisition were finalized and allocated to their respective identifiable intangible asset and goodwill accounts during 2018, excluding the NACC and Pallet Place acquisitions. In aggregate, acquisitions completed since the end of September 2017 and not consolidated with other operations contributed approximately \$21.1 million in revenue and a \$0.8 million operating loss during the third quarter of 2018.

## G. SEGMENT REPORTING

ASC 280, Segment Reporting ("ASC 280"), defines operating segments as components of an enterprise about which separate financial information is available that is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision maker in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance.

The Company operates manufacturing, treating and distribution facilities throughout North America, but primarily in the United States. The Company manages the operations of its individual locations primarily through a geographic reporting structure under which each location is included in a region and regions are included in our North, South, West, and International divisions. The exceptions to this geographic reporting and management structure are (a) the Company's Alternative Materials Division, which offers a portfolio of non-wood products and distributes those products nation-wide (b) the Company's distribution unit (referred to as UFPD) which distributes a variety of products to the manufactured housing industry nation-wide and is accounted for as a reporting unit within the North segment, and (c) the idX division, which designs, produces, and installs customized in-store environments for customers world-wide.

With respect to the facilities in the north, south, and west segments, these facilities generally supply the three markets the Company serves nationally - Retail, Industrial, and Construction. Also, substantially all of our facilities support customers in the immediate geographical region surrounding the facility.

Our Alternative Materials, International and idX division have been included in the "All Other" column of the table below. The "Corporate" column includes unallocated administrative costs and certain incentive compensation expense.

	Three Months Ended September 29, 2018					Total
	North	South	West	All Other	Corporate	
Net sales to outside customers	\$ 341,334	\$ 270,077	\$ 434,123	\$ 167,168	\$ —	\$ 1,212,702
	15,259	21,360	14,121	56,771	—	107,511

Intersegment net sales						
Segment operating profit	14,339	10,209	25,125	5,460	1,858	56,991

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2017					
	North	South	West	All Other	Corporate	Total
Net sales to outside customers	\$ 310,384	\$ 206,050	\$ 378,714	\$ 161,438	\$ —	\$ 1,056,586
Intersegment net sales	18,897	18,817	21,384	47,539	—	106,637
Segment operating profit	16,697	10,234	22,538	6,882	(4,080)	52,271

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	Nine Months Ended September 29, 2018					Total
	North	South	West	All Other	Corporate	
Net sales to outside customers	\$ 1,002,341	\$ 803,417	\$ 1,253,416	\$ 441,825	\$ —	\$ 3,500,999
Intersegment net sales	45,841	60,683	44,183	181,450	—	332,157
Segment operating profit (loss)	42,862	44,659	76,030	6,679	(8,405)	161,825

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017					Total
	North	South	West	All Other	Corporate	
Net sales to outside customers	\$ 857,858	\$ 616,376	\$ 1,088,744	\$ 412,113	\$ —	\$ 2,975,091
Intersegment net sales	51,859	55,472	65,466	116,743	—	289,540
Segment operating profit	42,921	31,152	65,547	13,285	(12,914)	139,991

## H. INCOME TAXES

Effective tax rates differ from statutory federal income tax rates, primarily due to provisions for state and local income taxes and permanent tax differences. Our effective tax rate was 23.8% in the third quarter of 2018 compared to 31.9% for same period in 2017. Our effective tax rate was 23.0% in the first nine months of 2018 compared to 33.0% for the same period in 2017. This decrease was due primarily to changes resulting from the Tax Act, which reduced the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate from 35 percent to 21 percent effective January 1, 2018, along with eliminating the domestic manufacturing deduction. Pursuant to SAB 118, the accounting for the Tax Act was incomplete at December 30, 2017 and is still incomplete as of September 29, 2018. As noted at year-end, however, we were able to reasonably estimate certain effects and, therefore, recorded provisional adjustments associated with the deemed repatriation transition tax, a provisional decrease for certain of our Deferred Tax Assets (DTAs) and Deferred Tax Liabilities (DTLs) related to the reduced corporate tax rate, and a provisional benefit related to our intent to fully expense all qualifying expenditures under the new cost recovery rules.

We have not made any additional measurement-period adjustments related to these items during the quarter. However, we are continuing to gather additional information to complete our accounting for these items and expect to complete our accounting within the prescribed measurement period.

As noted at year-end, we were not yet able to reasonably estimate the effects for Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income (GILTI). Therefore, no provisional adjustment was recorded.

Because of the complexity of the new GILTI tax rules, we are continuing to evaluate this provision of the Act and the application of ASC 740. Under U.S. GAAP, we are allowed to make an accounting policy choice of either (1) treating taxes due on future U.S. inclusions in taxable income related to GILTI as a current-period expense when incurred (the “period cost method”) or (2) factoring such amounts into a company’s measurement of its deferred taxes (the “deferred method”). Our selection of an accounting policy related to the new GILTI tax rules will depend, in part, on analyzing our global income to determine whether we expect to have future U.S. inclusions in taxable income related to GILTI and, if so, what the impact is expected to be. Because whether we expect to have future U.S. inclusions in taxable income related to GILTI depends on a number of different aspects or our estimated future results of global operations, we are not yet able to reasonably estimate the long-term effects of this provision of the Act. Therefore, we have not recorded any potential deferred tax effects related to GILTI in our financial statements and have not made a policy decision regarding whether to record deferred taxes on GILTI or use the period cost method. We have however, included an estimate of the estimated 2018 current GILTI impact in our Annual Effective Tax Rate (AETR) for 2018. We expect to complete our accounting within the prescribed measurement period.

## I. PROPERTY SALE

The Company completed a sale of a property in Medley, Florida, during the first quarter of 2018. The sale price for the property was approximately \$36 million and created a \$7 million pre-tax gain. The transaction is part of a strategy to

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create efficiencies and advantages not possible with the current facility by optimizing the capacity of our other three Florida operations, including two acquired from Robbins Manufacturing in 2017, and adding a state-of-the-art facility in South Florida. The Company will lease back the Medley, Florida, facility for two years as it executes its long-term plan for Florida and the Southeast region. Since only a minor portion of the property sold was leased back the entire gain is included in income.

J. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On November 2, 2018, the Company renewed its five-year unsecured revolving credit facility and increased availability to \$375 million with a syndicate of U.S. and Canadian banks led by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as syndication agent.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF

FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Universal Forest Products, Inc. is a holding company with subsidiaries throughout North America, Europe, Asia, and in Australia that supply wood, wood composite and other products to three robust markets: retail, industrial, and construction. The Company is headquartered in Grand Rapids, Mich. For more information about Universal Forest Products, Inc., or its affiliated operations, go to [www.ufpi.com](http://www.ufpi.com).

This report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act, as amended, that are based on management's beliefs, assumptions, current expectations, estimates and projections about the markets we serve, the economy and the Company itself. Words like "anticipates," "believes," "confident," "estimates," "expects," "forecasts," "likely," "plans," "projects," "should," variations of such words, and similar expressions identify such forward-looking statements. These statements do not guarantee future performance and involve certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict with regard to timing, extent, likelihood and degree of occurrence. The Company does not undertake to update forward-looking statements to reflect facts, circumstances, events, or assumptions that occur after the date the forward-looking statements are made. Actual results could differ materially from those included in such forward-looking statements. Investors are cautioned that all forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainty. Among the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from forward-looking statements are the following: fluctuations in the price of lumber; adverse or unusual weather conditions; adverse economic conditions in the markets we serve; government regulations, particularly involving environmental and safety regulations; and our ability to make successful business acquisitions. Certain of these risk factors as well as other risk factors and additional information are included in the Company's reports on Form 10-K and 10-Q on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. We are pleased to present this overview of 2018.

OVERVIEW

Our results for the third quarter of 2018 were impacted by the following:

- Our gross sales increased by 15% compared to the third quarter of 2017, which was comprised of a 7% increase in unit sales and an 8% increase in selling prices primarily due to the commodity lumber market (see Historical Lumber Prices below). Organic growth contributed 5% of our unit sales increase, while acquisitions contributed 2%. We experienced favorable organic growth to each of the markets we serve.
- Our operating profits increased by 9.0% compared to the third quarter of 2017, which compares favorably with our 7% increase in unit sales. The improvement in our profit per unit was primarily due to the favorable impact on gross profits of products we sell with a fixed selling price during a period of declining lumber prices. As described below, while the commodity lumber market was higher in 2018, relative to 2017, we experienced a decrease in lumber prices during the third quarter of this year.
- Our effective tax rate was approximately 23.8% due to the change in tax law.
- Cash flow from operating activities in the first nine months of 2018 were \$37 million lower than the same period last year due to higher than targeted inventory levels at the end of September 2018. We anticipate further reductions in inventory in the fourth quarter of 2018 resulting in a corresponding decrease in our revolving credit facility.





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## HISTORICAL LUMBER PRICES

We experience significant fluctuations in the cost of commodity lumber products from primary producers (“Lumber Market”). The following table presents the Random Lengths framing lumber composite price:

	Random Lengths Composite Average \$/MBF	
	2018	2017
January	\$ 449	\$ 356
February	496	393
March	505	401
April	496	424
May	554	416
June	572	399
July	525	411
August	449	417
September	443	416
Third quarter average	\$ 472	\$ 415
Year-to-date average	\$ 499	\$ 404
Third quarter percentage change	13.7	%
Year-to-date percentage change	23.5	%

In addition, a Southern Yellow Pine (“SYP”) composite price, which we prepare and use, is presented below. Our purchases of this species comprised approximately 44% of total lumber purchases through the first nine months of 2018 and 2017.

	Random Lengths SYP Average \$/MBF	
	2018	2017
January	\$ 418	\$ 397
February	459	420
March	480	433
April	483	438
May	535	416
June	562	399
July	512	381
August	449	383
September	440	387
Third quarter average	\$ 467	\$ 384

Year-to-date average	\$ 482	\$ 406
Third quarter percentage change	21.6	%
Year-to-date percentage change	18.7	%

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IMPACT OF THE LUMBER MARKET ON OUR OPERATING RESULTS

We generally price our products to pass lumber costs through to our customers so that our profitability is based on the value-added manufacturing, distribution, engineering, and other services we provide. As a result, our sales levels (and working capital requirements) are impacted by the lumber costs of our products. Lumber costs were 51.5% and 48.2% of our sales in the first nine months of 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Our gross margins are impacted by (1) the relative level of the Lumber Market (i.e. whether prices are higher or lower from comparative periods), and (2) the trend in the market price of lumber (i.e. whether the price of lumber is increasing or decreasing within a period or from period to period). Moreover, as explained below, our products are priced differently. Some of our products have fixed selling prices, while the selling prices of other products are indexed to the reported Lumber Market with a fixed dollar adder to cover conversion costs and profits. Consequently, the level and trend of the Lumber Market impact our products differently.

Below is a general description of the primary ways in which our products are priced.

- Products with fixed selling prices. These products include value-added products such as deck components and fencing sold to retail customers, as well as trusses, wall panels and other components sold to the construction market, and most industrial packaging products. Prices for these products are generally fixed at the time of the sales quotation for a specified period of time or are based upon a specific quantity. In order to maintain margins and reduce any exposure to adverse trends in the price of component lumber products, we attempt to lock in costs with our suppliers for these sales commitments. Also, the time period and quantity limitations eventually allow us to re-price our products for changes in lumber costs from our suppliers. We believe our sales of these products are at their highest relative level in our third and fourth quarter.
- Products with selling prices indexed to the reported Lumber Market with a fixed dollar “adder” to cover conversion costs and profits. These products primarily include treated lumber, remanufactured lumber, and trusses sold to the manufactured housing industry. For these products, we estimate the customers’ needs and we carry anticipated levels of inventory. Because lumber costs are incurred in advance of final sale prices, subsequent increases or decreases in the market price of lumber impact our gross margins. We believe our sales of these products are at their highest relative level in our second quarter, primarily due to treated lumber sold to the retail market.

For each of the product pricing categories above, our margins are exposed to changes in the trend of lumber prices.

The greatest risk associated with changes in the trend of lumber prices is on the following products:

- Products with significant inventory levels with low turnover rates, whose selling prices are indexed to the Lumber Market. In other words, the longer the period of time these products remain in inventory, the greater the exposure to changes in the price of lumber. This would include treated lumber, which comprises approximately 18% of our total sales. This exposure is less significant with remanufactured lumber, trusses sold to the manufactured housing market, and other similar products, due to the higher rate of inventory turnover. We attempt to mitigate the risk associated with treated lumber through vendor consignment inventory programs. (Please refer to the “Risk Factors” section of our annual report on form 10 K, filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.)
- Products with fixed selling prices sold under long-term supply arrangements, particularly those involving multi-family construction projects. We attempt to mitigate this risk through our purchasing practices by locking in costs.



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In addition to the impact of the Lumber Market trends on gross margins, changes in the level of the market cause fluctuations in gross margins when comparing operating results from period to period. This is explained in the following example, which assumes the price of lumber has increased from period one to period two, with no changes in the trend within each period.

	Period 1	Period 2
Lumber cost	\$ 300	\$ 400
Conversion cost	50	50
= Product cost	350	450
Adder	50	50
= Sell price	\$ 400	\$ 500
Gross margin	12.5 %	10.0 %

As is apparent from the preceding example, the level of lumber prices does not impact our overall profits, but does impact our margins. Gross margins are negatively impacted during periods of high lumber prices; conversely, we experience margin improvement when lumber prices are relatively low. In order to more effectively evaluate our profitability in such periods, we believe it is useful to compare our change in units shipped with our changes in costs and profits.

**BUSINESS COMBINATIONS**

We completed six business acquisitions during the first nine months of 2018 and four during all of 2017. The annual historical sales attributable to acquisitions completed in the first nine months 2018 and all of 2017 were approximately \$125 million and \$127 million, respectively. These business combinations were not significant to our quarterly or year-to-date operating results individually or in aggregate and thus pro forma results for 2018 or 2017 are not presented.

See Notes to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, Note F, “Business Combinations” for additional information.

**RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following table presents, for the periods indicated, the components of our Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings as a percentage of net sales.

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017
Net sales	100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0	% 100.0
Cost of goods sold	86.9	86.3	87.0	86.1
Gross profit	13.1	13.7	13.0	13.9
	8.5	8.8	8.6	9.2

Selling, general, and administrative expenses

Net loss (gain) on disposition and impairment of assets	(0.1)	—	(0.2)	—
Earnings from operations	4.7	4.9	4.6	4.7
Other expense, net	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Earnings before income taxes	4.6	4.8	4.5	4.6
Income taxes	1.1	1.5	1.0	1.5
Net earnings	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.1
Less net earnings attributable to noncontrolling interest	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)
Net earnings attributable to controlling interest	3.4	% 3.2	% 3.4	% 3.0

Note: Actual percentages are calculated and may not sum to total due to rounding.

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## GROSS SALES

We design, manufacture and market wood and wood-alternative products for national home centers and other retailers, structural lumber and other products for the manufactured housing industry, engineered wood components for residential and commercial construction, specialty wood packaging, components and packing materials for various industries, and customized interior fixtures used in a variety of retail stores, commercial and other structures. Our strategic long-term sales objectives include:

- Diversifying our end market sales mix by increasing sales of specialty wood and non-wood packaging to industrial users, increasing our penetration of the concrete forming market, increasing our sales of engineered wood components for custom home, multi-family, military and light commercial construction, increasing our market share with independent retailers, and increasing our sales of customized interior fixtures used in a variety of markets.
- Expanding geographically in our core businesses, domestically and internationally.
- Increasing sales of "value-added" products, which primarily consist of fencing, decking, lattice, and other specialty products sold to the retail market, specialty wood packaging, engineered wood components, customized interior fixtures, and "wood alternative" products. Engineered wood components include roof trusses, wall panels, and floor systems. Wood alternative products consist primarily of composite wood and plastics. Although we consider the treatment of dimensional lumber with certain chemical preservatives a value-added process, treated lumber is not presently included in the value-added sales totals.
- Maximizing unit sales growth while achieving return on investment goals.
- Developing new products and expanding our value-added product offering for existing customers. New product sales were \$138.3 million in the third quarter of 2018 compared to \$113.4 million during the third quarter of 2017. New products sales year-to-date for 2018 and 2017 were \$406.6 million and \$326.2 million, respectively.

(in thousands)	New Product Sales by Market Three Months Ended			New Product Sales by Market Nine Months Ended		
	September 29, September 30,		% Change	September 29, September 30,		% Change
	2018	2017		2018	2017	
Market Classification						
Retail	\$ 81,328	\$ 66,580	22.2	\$ 239,440	\$ 194,739	23.0
Industrial	37,747	30,432	24.0	105,422	84,719	24.4
Construction	19,264	16,430	17.2	61,707	46,716	32.1
Total New Product Sales	\$ 138,339	\$ 113,442	21.9	\$ 406,569	\$ 326,174	24.6

Note: Certain prior year product reclassifications and the change in designation of certain products as "new" resulted in a change in prior year's sales.

## Value-Added and Commodity-Based Sales:

The following table presents, for the periods indicated, our percentage of value-added and commodity-based sales to total sales. Value-added products generally carry higher gross margins than our commodity-based products.

Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
September 29,	September 30,	September 29,	September 30,
2018	2017	2018	2017



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Value-Added	62.1	%	63.9	%	61.2	%	62.9	%
Commodity-Based	37.9	%	36.1	%	38.8	%	37.1	%

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The following table presents, for the periods indicated, our gross sales and percentage change in gross sales by market classification.

(in thousands) Market Classification	Three Months Ended			Nine Months Ended		
	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	% Change	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	% Change
Retail	\$ 443,044	\$ 391,043	13.3 %	\$ 1,359,498	\$ 1,161,662	17.0 %
Industrial	429,467	374,018	14.8 %	1,166,523	995,078	17.2 %
Construction	361,179	308,585	17.0 %	1,039,705	867,958	19.8 %
Total Gross Sales	1,233,690	1,073,646	14.9 %	3,565,726	3,024,698	17.9 %
Sales Allowances	(20,988)	(17,060)	23.0 %	(64,727)	(49,607)	30.5 %
Total Net Sales	\$ 1,212,702	\$ 1,056,586	14.8 %	\$ 3,500,999	\$ 2,975,091	17.7 %

Note: During 2018, certain customers were reclassified to a different market. Prior year information has been restated to reflect these changes.

Gross sales in the third quarter of 2018 increased 15% compared to the same period of 2017, due to a 7% increase in unit sales and an 8% increase in selling prices primarily due to the Lumber Market. Acquired operations contributed 2% to our unit sales growth, and our organic unit sales growth was 5%.

Gross sales in the first nine months of 2018 increased 18% compared to the same period of 2017, due to an 8% increase in unit sales and a 10% increase in selling prices primarily due to the Lumber Market. Acquired operations contributed 3% to our unit sales growth, and our organic unit sales growth was 5%.

Changes in our gross sales by market are discussed below.

**Retail:**

Gross sales to the retail market increased 13% in the third quarter of 2018 compared to the same period of 2017, due to a 4% increase in unit sales and a 9% increase in selling prices. Within this market, sales to our big box customers increased almost 11%, and sales to other independent retailers increased over 17%. Our organic unit growth was 4% for the quarter primarily due to an increase in customer demand.

Gross sales to the retail market increased almost 17% in the first nine months of 2018 compared to the same period of 2017, due to a 6% increase in unit sales and a 11% increase in selling prices. Within this market, sales to our big box customers increased 14%, while sales to other independent retailers increased almost 22%. Businesses we acquired contributed 2% to our growth in unit sales, primarily to independent retail customers, while organic unit sales growth increased 4% in the first nine months of 2018.

**Industrial:**

Gross sales to the industrial market increased almost 15% in the third quarter of 2018 compared to the same period of 2017, resulting from an 8% increase in unit sales and an 7% increase in selling prices. Businesses we acquired contributed 5% to our growth in unit sales. Our organic growth in unit sales of 3% was lower than previous quarters primarily due to a \$7 million, or 8.7%, decrease in sales of idX. Excluding idX, our industrial wood business reported a 7% organic growth rate due to adding nearly 90 new customers, 140 new locations of existing customers, and \$7 million of new sales growth as our efforts to improve market share continue to gain traction.

Gross sales to the industrial market increased over 17% in the first nine months of 2018 compared to the same period of 2017, resulting from a 9% increase in unit sales and a 8% increase in selling prices. Businesses we acquired contributed

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4% to our growth in unit sales. Our organic growth in unit sales of 5% was primarily due to the same factors discussed above.

Construction:

Gross sales to the construction market increased 17% in the third quarter of 2018 compared to 2017. The increase was due to a 9% increase in unit sales and an 8% increase in our selling prices. Our increase in unit sales was driven by a 3% increase to manufactured housing customers, an 11% increase to residential construction customers, and an 18% increase to commercial construction customers. Acquired businesses contributed 1% to our growth in unit sales to the overall construction market and 4% to the commercial market.

By comparison (and based upon various industry publications):

- Production of HUD-code manufactured homes in July and August 2018, the most recent period reported, was up 11.9% compared to the same period of 2017. Our sales growth trailed the market as a result of losing certain high volume, low margin business with one of our customers and due to a significant percentage of our sales to the manufactured housing market going to modular home producers, which are experiencing lower growth rates.
- Non-residential construction activity in July and August increased approximately 6.1% compared to the same period of 2017.
- National housing starts increased approximately 1.5% in the period from June through August 2018 (our sales trail housing starts by about a month) compared to the same period of 2017.

Gross sales to the construction market increased almost 20% in the first nine months of 2018 compared to 2017. The increase was due to an 8% increase in unit sales and a 12% increase in our selling prices. Our increase in unit sales was driven by a 7% increase to manufactured housing customers, a 13% increase to commercial construction customers, and an 8% increase to residential construction customers due to the same factors discussed above.

**COST OF GOODS SOLD AND GROSS PROFIT**

Our gross margin decreased to 13.1% from 13.7% comparing the third quarter of 2018 to the same period of 2017 due to the higher level of lumber prices (See “Impact of the Lumber Market on Our Operating Results”). More importantly, our \$14 million, or 9.7%, increase in gross profit dollars compares favorably to our 7% increase in unit sales during the same period. Acquired operations contributed \$1.0 million of gross profit in the third quarter of 2018. Excluding acquisitions, our gross profits increased by \$13.0 million, or 9.0%, over the same period last year due to the following:

- Our gross profit on sales to the industrial market increased by approximately \$6 million, due to a combination of growth and the impact of the falling lumber market on products we sell with fixed prices. This increase was offset by a \$2 million reduction in the gross profits of idX.
- Our gross profit on sales to the construction market increased by approximately \$8 million, primarily due to organic growth and the impact of the falling lumber market on products we sell with fixed prices.
- The favorable results above were offset by a decrease in gross profit on sales to the retail market of approximately \$1 million, despite a 4% increase in unit sales. This was primarily due to the unfavorable impact of the declining lumber market on products we sell with variable selling prices.

Our gross margin decreased to 13.0% from 13.9% comparing the first nine months of 2018 to the same period of 2017 due to the higher level of lumber prices (See “Impact of the Lumber Market on Our Operating Results”). More importantly, our \$42 million, or 10.0%, increase in gross profit dollars compares favorably to our 8% increase in unit sales during the same period. Acquired operations contributed almost \$7 million of gross profit in the first nine months

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of 2018. Excluding acquisitions, our gross profits increased by \$35 million, or 8.5%, over the same period last year primarily due to the following:

- Our gross profit on sales to the retail market increased by approximately \$9 million.
- Our gross profit on sales to the industrial market increased by approximately \$15 million.
- Our gross profit on sales to the construction market increased by over \$14 million.
- Gross profit on sales to each of our markets improved due to the same factors discussed above.

SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Selling, general and administrative (“SG&A”) expenses increased by approximately \$9.9 million, or 10.7%, in the third quarter of 2018 compared to the same period of 2017, while we reported a 7% increase in unit sales. Accrued bonus expense, which varies with our overall profitability and return on investment, totaled \$14.3 million in the third quarter of 2018 compared to \$12.4 million in 2017. Acquired operations contributed approximately \$1.8 million to our year over year increase in SG&A. The remaining increase was primarily due to an increase in base wages and benefits (\$2.4 million), sales incentive expenses (\$1.7 million), professional services (\$1.0 million), and depreciation and amortization expense (\$0.9 million).

Selling, general and administrative (“SG&A”) expenses increased by approximately \$27.3 million, or 10.0%, in the first nine months of 2018 compared to the same period of 2017, while we reported an 8% increase in unit sales. Accrued bonus expense, which varies with our overall profitability and return on investment, totaled \$37.9 million in the first nine months of 2018 compared to \$32.6 million in 2017. Acquired operations contributed approximately \$5.0 million to our year over year increase. The remaining increase was primarily due to an increase in base wages and benefits (\$7.4 million), sales incentive expenses (\$5.8 million), employee benefits (\$2.1 million), professional services (\$1.7 million), and idX’s lease termination (\$0.7 million).

INTEREST, NET

Net interest costs were higher in the third quarter of 2018 compared to the same period of 2017 primarily due to carrying a higher amount of debt and higher interest rates.

INCOME TAXES

Effective tax rates differ from statutory federal income tax rates, primarily due to provisions for state and local income taxes and permanent tax differences. Our effective tax rate was 23.8% in the third quarter of 2018 compared to 31.9% for same period in 2017. Our effective tax rate was 23.0% in the first nine months of 2018 compared to 33.0% for the same period in 2017. This decrease was due to changes resulting from the Tax Act, which reduced the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate from 35 percent to 21 percent effective January 1, 2018, along with eliminating the domestic manufacturing deduction. We currently anticipate an overall effective tax rate for the year of 23.5%.



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## SEGMENT REPORTING

(in thousands)	Net Sales Three Months Ended				Earnings from Operations Three Months Ended			
	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	\$	%	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	\$	%
			Change	Change			Change	Change
North	\$ 341,334	\$ 310,384	\$ 30,950	10.0 %	\$ 14,339	\$ 16,697	\$ (2,358)	(14.1) %
South	270,077	206,050	64,027	31.1 %	10,209	10,234	(25)	(0.2) %
West	434,123	378,714	55,409	14.6 %	25,125	22,538	2,587	11.5 %
All Other	167,168	161,438	5,730	3.5 %	5,460	6,882	(1,422)	(20.7) %
Corporate <sup>1</sup>	—	—	—	—	1,858	(4,080)	5,938	145.5 %
Total	\$ 1,212,702	\$ 1,056,586	\$ 156,116	14.8 %	\$ 56,991	\$ 52,271	\$ 4,720	9.0 %

(in thousands)	Net Sales Nine Months Ended				Earnings from Operations Nine Months Ended			
	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	\$	%	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	\$	%
			Change	Change			Change	Change
North	\$ 1,002,341	\$ 857,858	\$ 144,483	16.8 %	\$ 42,862	\$ 42,921	\$ (59)	(0.1) %
South	803,417	616,376	187,041	30.3 %	44,659	31,152	13,507	43.4 %
West	1,253,416	1,088,744	164,672	15.1 %	76,030	65,547	10,483	16.0 %
All Other	441,825	412,113	29,712	7.2 %	6,679	13,285	(6,606)	(49.7) %
Corporate <sup>1</sup>	—	—	—	—	(8,405)	(12,914)	4,509	34.9 %
Total	\$ 3,500,999	\$ 2,975,091	\$ 525,908	17.7 %	\$ 161,825	\$ 139,991	\$ 21,834	15.6 %

(1) Corporate primarily represents over (under) allocated administrative costs and accrued bonus expense.

North

(in thousands)	Net Sales North Segment by Market Three Months Ended			Net Sales North Segment by Market Nine Months Ended		
	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	% Change	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	% Change
Market Classification	2018	2017	% Change	2018	2017	% Change
Retail	\$ 152,755	\$ 139,197	9.7 %	\$ 439,955	\$ 388,282	13.3 %
Industrial	52,417	40,276	30.1 %	159,859	114,814	39.2 %
Construction	143,834	137,618	4.5 %	423,897	373,200	13.6 %
Total Gross Sales	349,006	317,091	10.1 %	1,023,711	876,296	16.8 %
Sales Allowances	(7,672)	(6,707)	14.4 %	(21,370)	(18,438)	15.9 %
Total Net Sales	\$ 341,334	\$ 310,384	10.0 %	\$ 1,002,341	\$ 857,858	16.8 %



Note: During 2018, certain customers were reclassified to a different market. Prior year information has been restated to reflect these changes.

Net sales attributable to the North reportable segment increased in the third quarter of 2018 compared to 2017 to each of our markets, primarily due to the same factors previously discussed. Acquired operations contributed \$4.0 million and \$1.7 to our industrial and construction sales increases, respectively.

Earnings from operations for the North reportable segment decreased in the third quarter of 2018 by \$2.4 million, or 14.1%, due to a \$2.4 million increase in SG&A expenses as gross profits remained flat compared to last year. Gross profits were flat despite higher unit sales due to unfavorable cost variances. Acquired operations contributed \$0.3 million to our operating profits in the third quarter.

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Net sales attributable to the North reportable segment increased in the first nine months of 2018 compared to 2017 as a result of increased sales to each of our markets, primarily due to the same factors previously discussed. Acquired operations contributed \$20.5 million and \$5.0 to our industrial and construction sales increase, respectively, in the first nine months of 2018.

Earnings from operations for the North reportable segment were flat comparing in the first nine months of 2018 with the same period of 2017, due to an increase in gross profit of \$4.3 million offset by a \$4.3 million increase in SG&A expenses compared to last year. Acquired operations contributed \$1.4 million to our operating profits in the first nine months.

## South

(in thousands)	Net Sales South Segment by Market Three Months Ended			Net Sales South Segment by Market Nine Months Ended		
	September 29, September 30,		% Change	September 29, September 30,		% Change
	2018	2017		2018	2017	
Market Classification						
Retail	\$ 109,337	\$ 91,808	19.1 %	\$ 355,465	\$ 282,362	25.9 %
Industrial	112,177	71,025	57.9 %	296,569	206,413	43.7 %
Construction	54,080	47,757	13.2 %	168,022	141,349	18.9 %
Total Gross Sales	275,594	210,590	30.9 %	820,056	630,124	30.1 %
Sales Allowances	(5,517)	(4,540)	21.5 %	(16,639)	(13,748)	21.0 %
Total Net Sales	\$ 270,077	\$ 206,050	31.1 %	\$ 803,417	\$ 616,376	30.3 %

Note: During 2018, certain customers were reclassified to a different market. Prior year information has been restated to reflect these changes.

Net sales attributable to the South reportable segment increased in the third quarter of 2018 compared to 2017 due to increased sales to all markets, primarily due to the same factors previously discussed. Acquired operations contributed \$14.8 million to our growth in sales to the industrial market.

Earnings from operations for the South reportable segment remained flat in the third quarter of 2018 due to an increase in gross profits and SG&A expenses of \$3.4 million compared to the same period of 2017, due to the same factors previously discussed. Acquired operations had a \$0.9 million operating loss in the third quarter due to the seasonality of their business.

Net sales attributable to the South reportable segment increased in the first nine months of 2018 compared to 2017 due to increased sales to all markets, primarily due to the same factors previously discussed. Acquired operations contributed \$33.4 million and \$23.1 million to our growth in sales to the retail and industrial markets, respectively.

Earnings from operations for the South reportable segment increased in the first nine months of 2018 by \$13.5 million, or 43.4%, compared to the same period in 2017. Excluding the gain on the sale of our Medley plant, earnings from operations increased during the first nine months of 2018 by \$6.5 million due to an increase in gross profit dollars of \$14.6 million, offset by an increase in SG&A expenses of \$8.1 million compared to the same period of 2017. Acquired operations contributed \$3.4 million to gross profits, \$3.2 million to SG&A, and \$0.2 million to

operating profits in the first nine months of the year.

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## West

(in thousands) Market Classification	Net Sales West Segment by Market Three Months Ended			Net Sales West Segment by Market Nine Months Ended		
	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	% Change	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	% Change
Retail	\$ 126,321	\$ 114,642	10.2 %	\$ 393,573	\$ 346,236	13.7 %
Industrial	150,876	145,705	3.5 %	431,055	403,246	6.9 %
Construction	163,089	122,880	32.7 %	447,219	352,876	26.7 %
Total Gross Sales	440,286	383,227	14.9 %	1,271,847	1,102,358	15.4 %
Sales Allowances	(6,163)	(4,513)	36.6 %	(18,431)	(13,614)	35.4 %
Total Net Sales	\$ 434,123	\$ 378,714	14.6 %	\$ 1,253,416	\$ 1,088,744	15.1 %

Note: During 2018, certain customers were reclassified to a different market. Prior year information has been restated to reflect these changes.

Net sales attributable to the West reportable segment increased in the third quarter of 2018 compared to 2017 due to increases in sales to all markets primarily due to factors previously discussed.

Earnings from operations for the West reportable segment increased in the third quarter of 2018 by \$2.6 million, or 11.5%, compared to the same period in 2017 due to a \$6.1 million increase in gross profit, offset by a \$3.5 million increase in SG&A expenses due to the same factors previously discussed.

Net sales attributable to the West reportable segment increased in the first nine months of 2018 compared to 2017 due to increases in sales to all markets primarily due to factors previously discussed.

Earnings from operations for the West reportable segment increased in the first nine months of 2018 by \$10.5 million, or 16.0%, compared to the same period in 2017 due to an \$18.3 million increase in gross profit, offset by a \$7.8 million increase in SG&A expenses due to the same factors previously discussed.

## All Other

(in thousands) Market Classification	Net Sales All Other Segment by Market Three Months Ended			Net Sales All Other Segment by Market Nine Months Ended		
	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	% Change	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017	% Change
Retail	\$ 54,631	\$ 45,396	20.3 %	\$ 170,505	\$ 144,782	17.8 %
Industrial	113,998	117,011	(2.6) %	279,040	270,605	3.1 %
Construction	177	58	205.2 %	567	533	6.4 %
Total Gross Sales	168,806	162,465	3.9 %	450,112	415,920	8.2 %

Sales Allowances & Other	(1,638)	(1,027)	59.5 %	(8,287)	(3,807)	117.7 %
Total Net Sales	\$ 167,168	\$ 161,438	3.5 %	\$ 441,825	\$ 412,113	7.2 %

Note: During 2018, certain customers were reclassified to a different market. Prior year information has been restated to reflect these changes.

Our All Other reportable segment consists of our Alternative Materials, International, idX, and certain other segments which are not significant.

Net sales attributable to All Other reportable segments increased in the third quarter of 2018 compared to 2017 due to increases in sales to the retail market within our International segment. Our sales to the industrial market decreased primarily due to our idX division.

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Earnings from operations for All Other reportable segments decreased during the third quarter of 2018 by \$1.4 million primarily due to the idX segment.

Net sales attributable to All Other reportable segments increased in the first nine months of 2018 compared to 2017 due to increases in sales to the retail and industrial markets. Our increase in sales to the retail market was primarily due to a \$22.0 million and \$5.1 million increase in sales by our International and Alternative Materials segments, respectively.

Earnings from operations for All Other reportable segments decreased during the first nine months of 2018 by \$6.6 million primarily due to the idX segment.

## OFF-BALANCE SHEET TRANSACTIONS

We have no significant off-balance sheet transactions other than operating leases.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The table below presents, for the periods indicated, a summary of our cash flow statement (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended	
	September 29, 2018	September 30, 2017
Cash from operating activities	\$ 60,101	\$ 97,350
Cash used in investing activities	(85,615)	(121,375)
Cash from financing activities	23,802	11,230
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	247	1,255
Net change in all cash and cash equivalents	(1,465)	(11,540)
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, beginning of period	28,816	34,489
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, end of period	\$ 27,351	\$ 22,949

In general, we funded our growth in the past through a combination of operating cash flows, our revolving credit facility, industrial development bonds (when circumstances permit), and issuance of long-term notes payable at times when interest rates are favorable. We have not issued equity to finance growth except in the case of a large acquisition. We manage our capital structure by attempting to maintain a targeted ratio of debt to equity and debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. We believe this is one of many important factors to maintaining a strong credit profile, which in turn helps ensure timely access to capital when needed.

Seasonality has a significant impact on our working capital due to our primary selling season which occurs during the period from March to September. Consequently, our working capital increases during our first and second quarters resulting in negative or modest cash flows from operations during those periods. Conversely, we experience a substantial decrease in working capital once we move beyond our peak selling season which typically results in significant cash flows from operations in our third and fourth quarters.

Due to the seasonality of our business and the effects of the Lumber Market, we believe our cash cycle (days of sales outstanding plus days supply of inventory less days payables outstanding) is a good indicator of our working capital



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management. As indicated in the table below, our cash cycle increased to 51 days from 49 days during the third quarter of 2018 compared to the prior periods.

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2017
Days of sales outstanding	32	31	32	31
Days supply of inventory	39	38	41	41
Days payables outstanding	(20)	(20)	(21)	(20)
Days in cash cycle	51	49	52	52

In the first nine months of 2018, our cash from operating activities was \$60.1 million, which was comprised of net earnings of \$120.8 million and \$39.8 million of non-cash expenses, offset by a \$100.5 million seasonal increase in working capital since the end of December 2017. Comparatively in the first nine months of 2017, our cash provided by operating activities was \$97.3 million, which was comprised of net earnings of \$90.9 million, and \$41.3 million of non-cash expenses, offset by a \$34.9 million seasonal increase in working capital since the end of December 2016. The increase in working capital compared to the same period last year was due to growth in our business, higher lumber prices, and inventory levels at many locations that exceed internal targets and will be addressed in the fourth quarter.

Acquisitions and purchases of property, plant, and equipment comprised most of our cash used in investing activities during the first nine months of 2018 and totaled \$39.0 million and \$74.5 million, respectively. Proceeds from the sale of our Medley, FL, plant provided approximately \$36 million in net cash proceeds. Outstanding purchase commitments on existing capital projects totaled approximately \$23.4 million on September 29, 2018. We currently plan to spend up to \$100 million for the year on capital expenditures. We intend to fund remaining capital expenditures and related purchase commitments through our operating cash flows for the balance of the year. Comparatively, capital expenditures and acquisitions were \$57.1 million and \$59.9 million, respectively, during the first nine months of 2017. The increase in our capital expenditures in 2018 is primarily due to the additional requirements of recently acquired operations, real estate purchases as we continue to grow our business and utilize the proceeds from the sale of our Medley plant to add replacement capacity, add capacity to produce new and value-added products, and our efforts to automate processes to combat labor shortages. The purchase and sale of investments totaling \$12.4 million and \$3.3 million, respectively, are due to investment activity in our captive insurance subsidiary.

Cash flows from financing activities primarily consisted of net repayments under our revolving credit facility of approximately \$32.1 million and the issuance of \$75 million in Senior Notes under our shelf facility. Additionally, we paid a semi-annual dividend totaling \$11.1 million or \$0.18 per share, in June 2018, and in October 2018 approved another semi-annual dividend of \$0.18 per share to be paid in December 2018.

On September 29, 2018, we had \$37.0 million outstanding on our \$295 million revolving credit facility. The amount outstanding on the revolving credit facility includes letters of credit totaling approximately \$9.8 million on September 29, 2018; as a result, we had approximately \$258.0 million in remaining availability on our revolver after considering letters of credit. Additionally, we have \$150 million in availability under an amended "shelf agreement" for long term debt with a current lender after considering the second quarter issuance of long-term Senior Notes. Financial covenants on the unsecured revolving credit facility and unsecured notes include minimum interest tests and a



maximum leverage ratio. The agreements also restrict the amount of additional indebtedness we may incur and the amount of assets which may be sold. We were in compliance with all our covenant requirements on September 29, 2018.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS AND REGULATIONS

See Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements, Note E, "Commitments, Contingencies, and Guarantees."

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CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

In preparing our consolidated financial statements, we follow accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. These principles require us to make certain estimates and apply judgments that affect our financial position and results of operations. We continually review our accounting policies and financial information disclosures. There have been no material changes in our policies or estimates since December 30, 2017.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk.

We are exposed to market risks related to fluctuations in interest rates on our variable rate debt, which consists of a revolving credit facility and industrial development revenue bonds. We do not currently use interest rate swaps, futures contracts or options on futures, or other types of derivative financial instruments to mitigate this risk.

For fixed rate debt, changes in interest rates generally affect the fair market value, but not earnings or cash flows. Conversely, for variable rate debt, changes in interest rates generally do not influence fair market value, but do affect future earnings and cash flows. We do not have an obligation to prepay fixed rate debt prior to maturity, and as a result, interest rate risk and changes in fair market value should not have a significant impact on such debt until we would be required to refinance it.

We are subject to fluctuations in the price of lumber. We experience significant fluctuations in the cost of commodity lumber products from primary producers (the “Lumber Market”). A variety of factors over which we have no control, including government regulations, transportation, environmental regulations, weather conditions, economic conditions, and natural disasters, impact the cost of lumber products and our selling prices. While we attempt to minimize our risk from severe price fluctuations, substantial, prolonged trends in lumber prices can affect our sales volume, our gross margins, and our profitability. We anticipate that these fluctuations will continue in the future. (See “Impact of the Lumber Market on Our Operating Results.”)

Our international operations have exposure to foreign currency rate risks, primarily due to fluctuations in their local currency, which is their functional currency, compared to the U.S. dollar. Additionally, certain of our operations enter into transactions that will be settled in a currency other than the U.S. Dollar. We entered into forward foreign exchange rate contracts in 2017, which have since expired, and may enter into further forward contracts in the future associated with mitigating the foreign currency exchange risk. Historically, our hedge contracts are deemed immaterial to the financial statements, however any material hedge contract in the future will be disclosed.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

- (a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. With the participation of management, our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, after evaluating the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a – 15e and 15d – 15e) as of the quarter ended September 29, 2018 (the “Evaluation Date”), have concluded that, as of such date, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective.
- (b) Changes in Internal Controls. During the quarter ended September 29, 2018, there were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.



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## PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

## Item 1A. Risk Factors.

We may be impacted by new tariffs and duties on U.S. imports and foreign export sales. Instability of established free trade agreements may lead to raw material and finished goods price volatility. An increase in foreign tariffs on U.S. goods could curtail our export sales to other countries which was approximately \$110.8 million in 2017. Increased tariffs and duties on U.S. imports will increase pricing by adding duty cost, where the duty is sustainable in light of overall unit price, or otherwise constrain supply by eliminating historical production sources by country or commodity type with unsustainable duties. UFP's U.S. import of Canadian Softwood Lumber was approximately \$243.0 million in 2017, which is the primary imported commodity. In addition, there is a risk that U.S. tariffs on imports and countering tariffs on U.S. exports could trigger broader international trade conflicts that could adversely impact our business.

## Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

- (a) None.
- (b) None.
- (c) Issuer purchases of equity securities.

Fiscal Month	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
July 1 - August 4, 2018	—	—	—	2,665,239
August 5 - September 1, 2018	—	—	—	2,665,239
September 2 - 29, 2018	—	—	—	2,665,239

- (a) Total number of shares purchased.
- (b) Average price paid per share.
- (c) Total number of shares purchased as part of publicly announced plans or programs.
- (d) Maximum number of shares that may yet be purchased under the plans or programs.

On November 14, 2001, the Board of Directors approved a share repurchase program (which succeeded a previous program) allowing us to repurchase up to 2.5 million shares of our common stock. On October 14, 2011, our Board authorized an additional 2 million shares to be repurchased under our share repurchase program. The total number of remaining shares that may be repurchased under the program is approximately 2.7 million.

## Item 5. Other Information.

None.

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PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 6. Exhibits.

The following exhibits (listed by number corresponding to the Exhibit Table as Item 601 in Regulation S-K) are filed with this report:

31 Certifications.

- (a) Certificate of the Chief Executive Officer of Universal Forest Products, Inc., pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. 1350).
- (b) Certificate of the Chief Financial Officer of Universal Forest Products, Inc., pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C. 1350).

32 Certifications.

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(SCH) XBRL Schema Document.

(CAL) XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

UNIVERSAL FOREST  
PRODUCTS, INC.

Date: November 7, 2018 By: /s/ Matthew J. Missad  
Matthew J. Missad,  
Chief Executive Officer and  
Principal Executive Officer

Date: November 7, 2018 By: /s/ Michael R. Cole  
Michael R. Cole,  
Chief Financial Officer,  
Principal Financial Officer  
and  
Principal Accounting  
Officer