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

For the quarterly period ended December 27, 2014

Commission File #1-4224
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Incorporated in New York

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Indicate by check mark 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 and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):
Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Smaller Reporting Company
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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

As of January 15, 2015, the total number of shares outstanding of the registrant's Common Stock was 136,374,984 shares, net of treasury shares.

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PART I

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

AVNET, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited)

| | December 27, 2014 | June 28, 2014 |
|--|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| | (Thousands, except share amounts) | |
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$903,331 | \$928,971 |
| Receivables, less allowances of \$94,327 and \$96,382, respectively | 5,696,642 | 5,220,528 |
| Inventories | 2,493,576 | 2,613,363 |
| Prepaid and other current assets | 196,111 | 191,337 |
| Total current assets | 9,289,660 | 8,954,199 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 541,904 | 534,999 |
| Goodwill | 1,298,805 | 1,348,468 |
| Intangible assets, net | 152,265 | 184,308 |
| Other assets | 208,460 | 233,543 |
| Total assets | \$11,491,094 | \$11,255,517 |
| LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Short-term debt | \$409,184 | \$865,088 |
| Accounts payable | 3,850,295 | 3,402,369 |
| Accrued expenses and other | 672,576 | 711,369 |
| Total current liabilities | 4,932,055 | 4,978,826 |
| Long-term debt | 1,692,307 | 1,213,814 |
| Other liabilities | 161,802 | 172,684 |
| Total liabilities | 6,786,164 | 6,365,324 |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 6) | | |
| Shareholders' equity: | | |
| Common stock \$1.00 par; authorized 300,000,000 shares; issued 135,888,295 shares and 138,285,825 shares, respectively | 135,888 | 138,286 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 1,391,463 | 1,355,663 |
| Retained earnings | 3,399,098 | 3,257,407 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income | (220,955 |) 139,512 |
| Treasury stock at cost, 34,288 shares and 36,836 shares, respectively | (564 |) (675 |
| Total shareholders' equity | 4,704,930 | 4,890,193 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | \$11,491,094 | \$11,255,517 |
| See notes to consolidated financial statements. | | |

AVNET, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

| | Second Quarters Ended | | Six Months Ended | |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| | (Thousands, except per share data) | | | |
| Sales | \$7,551,880 | \$7,421,854 | \$14,391,466 | \$13,767,329 |
| Cost of sales | 6,714,374 | 6,573,221 | 12,758,497 | 12,183,526 |
| Gross profit | 837,506 | 848,633 | 1,632,969 | 1,583,803 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 573,962 | 598,619 | 1,157,908 | 1,142,703 |
| Restructuring, integration and other expenses | 13,257 | 28,442 | 31,577 | 40,541 |
| Operating income | 250,287 | 221,572 | 443,484 | 400,559 |
| Other income (expense), net | (5,524) |) (4,794 |) (7,017 |) (3,999 |
| Interest expense | (24,666 |) (28,226 |) (48,066 |) (55,203 |
| Gain on legal settlement (Note 6) | — | — | — | 19,137 |
| Income before income taxes | 220,097 | 188,552 | 388,401 | 360,494 |
| Income tax expense | 56,391 | 63,688 | 96,749 | 115,006 |
| Net income | \$163,706 | \$124,864 | \$291,652 | \$245,488 |
| Earnings per share: | | | | |
| Basic | \$1.20 | \$0.91 | \$2.12 | \$1.78 |
| Diluted | \$1.18 | \$0.89 | \$2.08 | \$1.75 |
| Shares used to compute earnings per share: | | | | |
| Basic | 136,541 | 137,702 | 137,425 | 137,558 |
| Diluted | 138,972 | 140,144 | 139,911 | 139,934 |
| Cash dividends paid per common share | \$0.16 | \$0.15 | \$0.32 | \$0.30 |
| See notes to consolidated financial statements. | | | | |

AVNET, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(Unaudited)

| | Second Quarters Ended | | Six Months Ended | |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| | (Thousands) | | | |
| Net income | \$ 163,706 | \$ 124,864 | \$ 291,652 | \$ 245,488 |
| Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax: | | | | |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments and other | (158,303 |) 16,050 | (364,036 |) 107,997 |
| Pension adjustments, net | 1,784 | 3,228 | 3,569 | 3,295 |
| Total comprehensive income (loss) | \$ 7,187 | \$ 144,142 | \$(68,815 |) \$ 356,780 |
| See notes to consolidated financial statements. | | | | |

AVNET, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)

| | Six Months Ended | |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| | (Thousands) | |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | |
| Net income | \$291,652 | \$245,488 |
| Non-cash and other reconciling items: | | |
| Depreciation | 46,972 | 44,731 |
| Amortization | 21,990 | 20,903 |
| Deferred income taxes | 15,275 | 11,925 |
| Stock-based compensation | 36,130 | 28,940 |
| Other, net | 34,523 | 51,616 |
| Changes in (net of effects from businesses acquired): | | |
| Receivables | (711,060 |) (771,728 |
| Inventories | (5,957 |) (158,470 |
| Accounts payable | 583,337 | 348,521 |
| Accrued expenses and other, net | (88,438 |) 23,875 |
| Net cash flows provided (used) for operating activities | 224,424 | (154,199 |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | |
| Borrowings under accounts receivable securitization program, net | 77,000 | 60,000 |
| (Repayments) borrowings of bank and other debt, net | (37,414 |) 55,436 |
| Repurchases of common stock (Note 9) | (109,129 |) — |
| Dividends paid on common stock | (43,875 |) (41,263 |
| Other, net | (5,439 |) 4,293 |
| Net cash flows (used) provided by financing activities | (118,857 |) 78,466 |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment | (83,642 |) (47,024 |
| Acquisitions of businesses, net of cash acquired | — | (116,882 |
| Other, net | (8,795 |) 1,800 |
| Net cash flows used for investing activities | (92,437 |) (162,106 |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | (38,770 |) 7,827 |
| Cash and cash equivalents: | | |
| — (decrease) | (25,640 |) (230,012 |
| — at beginning of period | 928,971 | 1,009,343 |
| — at end of period | \$903,331 | \$779,331 |

Additional cash flow information (Note 11)
See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Basis of presentation and new accounting pronouncements

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited interim consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments necessary to present fairly Avnet, Inc.'s and its consolidated subsidiaries' (the "Company" or "Avnet") financial position, results of operations, comprehensive income and cash flows. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature.

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Interim results of operations are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full fiscal year. The information included in this Form 10-Q should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 28, 2014.

New accounting pronouncements

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers ("ASU 2014-09"), to supersede nearly all existing revenue recognition guidance under GAAP. The core principles of ASU 2014-09 are to recognize revenues when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration that is expected to be received for those goods or services. Application of the requirements of ASU 2014-09 may require more judgment and estimates within the revenue recognition process compared to existing GAAP. ASU 2014-09 is effective for the Company in the first quarter of fiscal 2018 using either of two acceptable adoption methods: (i) retrospective adoption to each prior reporting period presented with the option to elect certain practical expedients as defined within ASU 2014-09; or (ii) adoption with the cumulative effect of initially applying ASU 2014-09 recognized at the date of initial application and providing certain additional disclosures as defined within ASU 2014-09. The Company is currently evaluating the potential impact of the future adoption of ASU 2014-09 on its consolidated financial statements, including the method of adoption to be used.

During the six months ended December 27, 2014 there have been no new accounting pronouncements that are expected to significantly impact the Company's consolidated financial statements.

2. Acquisitions and divestitures

During fiscal 2014, the Company completed three acquisitions with historical annualized revenue of approximately \$492.0 million. Cash paid for acquisitions during the first six months of fiscal 2014 was \$116.9 million, net of cash acquired. The Company has not disclosed the pro-forma impact of the fiscal 2014 acquisitions as such impact was not material to the Company's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

The aggregate consideration, excluding cash acquired, for the fiscal 2014 acquisitions was \$219.7 million, which consisted of the following (in thousands):

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Cash paid | \$181,645 |
| Contingent consideration | 38,081 |
| Total | \$219,726 |

The contingent consideration arrangements stipulate that the Company pay up to a maximum of approximately \$50.0 million of additional consideration to the former shareholders of the acquired businesses based upon the achievement of certain future operating results. The Company estimated the fair value of the contingent consideration of \$38.1 million using an income approach, which is based on significant inputs, primarily forecasted future operating results of the acquired businesses, not observable in the market and thus represents a Level 3 measurement as defined in ASC

820. The Company adjusts the fair value of contingent consideration through operating expenses if there are changes to the inputs used in the income approach and as a result of the passage of time.

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During the first six months of fiscal 2015 there were no material measurement period adjustments for the fiscal 2014 acquisitions. The Company recognized restructuring, integration, and other expenses associated with the fiscal 2014 acquisitions, which are described further in Note 13.

3. Goodwill and intangible assets

Goodwill

The following table presents the change in goodwill by reportable segment for the six months ended December 27, 2014. All of the accumulated impairment was recognized in fiscal 2009.

| | Electronics Marketing (Thousands) | Technology Solutions | Total |
|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------|
| Gross goodwill | \$1,713,567 | \$1,014,635 | \$2,728,202 |
| Accumulated impairment | (1,045,110) | (334,624) | (1,379,734) |
| Carrying value at June 28, 2014 | 668,457 | 680,011 | 1,348,468 |
| Additions | — | — | — |
| Adjustments | 539 | 7 | 546 |
| Foreign currency translation | (24,012) | (26,197) | (50,209) |
| Carrying value at December 27, 2014 | \$644,984 | \$653,821 | \$1,298,805 |
| Gross goodwill | \$1,690,094 | \$988,445 | \$2,678,539 |
| Accumulated impairment | (1,045,110) | (334,624) | (1,379,734) |
| Carrying value at December 27, 2014 | \$644,984 | \$653,821 | \$1,298,805 |

The goodwill additions are a result of businesses acquired (see Note 2) and goodwill adjustments represent the net measurement period adjustments for acquisitions during the related measurement periods.

Intangible Assets

The following table presents the Company's acquired intangible assets at December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014, respectively. These intangible assets have a weighted average remaining useful life of approximately 6 years.

| | December 27, 2014 | | | June 28, 2014 | | |
|------------------|--|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| | Gross Carrying Amount (Thousands) | Accumulated Amortization | Net Book Value | Gross Carrying Amount | Accumulated Amortization | Net Book Value |
| Customer related | \$302,591 | \$(168,624) | \$133,967 | \$319,496 | \$(155,604) | \$163,892 |
| Trade name | 5,506 | (1,578) | 3,928 | 5,993 | (1,555) | 4,438 |
| Other | 17,206 | (2,836) | 14,370 | 18,833 | (2,855) | 15,978 |
| | \$325,303 | \$(173,038) | \$152,265 | \$344,322 | \$(160,014) | \$184,308 |

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - (Continued)

Intangible asset amortization expense was \$10.4 million and \$12.5 million for the second quarters of fiscal 2015 and 2014, respectively, and \$22.0 million and \$20.9 million for the first six months of fiscal 2015 and 2014, respectively. The following table presents the estimated future amortization expense for the remainder of fiscal 2015, the next five fiscal years and thereafter (in thousands):

| Fiscal Year | |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Remainder of fiscal 2015 | \$21,392 |
| 2016 | 32,780 |
| 2017 | 30,855 |
| 2018 | 22,384 |
| 2019 | 18,789 |
| 2020 | 14,672 |
| Thereafter | 11,393 |
| Total | \$152,265 |

4. Debt

Short-term debt consists of the following (in thousands):

| | December 27, 2014 | June 28, 2014 | December 27, 2014 | June 28, 2014 |
|--|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| | Interest Rate | | Carrying Balance | |
| Bank credit facilities and other | 4.42% | 3.20% | \$159,184 | \$250,088 |
| Accounts receivable securitization program | — | 0.60% | — | 615,000 |
| Notes due September 1, 2015 | 6.00% | — | 250,000 | — |
| Short-term debt | | | \$409,184 | \$865,088 |

Bank credit facilities and other consists of various committed and uncommitted lines of credit and other forms of bank debt with financial institutions utilized primarily to support the working capital requirements of foreign operations.

Long-term debt consists of the following (in thousands):

| | December 27, 2014 | June 28, 2014 | December 27, 2014 | June 28, 2014 |
|--|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| | Interest Rate | | Carrying Balance | |
| Revolving credit facilities: | | | | |
| Accounts receivable securitization program | 0.56% | — | \$692,000 | \$— |
| 2014 Credit Facility | 3.55% | — | 50,000 | — |
| 2012 Credit Facility | — | 3.55% | — | 12,000 |
| Notes due: | | | | |
| September 1, 2015 | — | 6.00% | — | 250,000 |
| September 15, 2016 | 6.63% | 6.63% | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| June 15, 2020 | 5.88% | 5.88% | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| December 1, 2022 | 4.88% | 4.88% | 350,000 | 350,000 |
| Other long-term debt | 1.44% | 1.40% | 2,104 | 3,867 |
| Long-term debt before discount | | | 1,694,104 | 1,215,867 |
| Discount on Notes | | | (1,797) | (2,053) |
| Long-term debt | | | \$1,692,307 | \$1,213,814 |

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In August 2014, the Company amended and extended its accounts receivable securitization program (the "Program") with a group of financial institutions to allow the Company to transfer, on an ongoing revolving basis, an undivided interest in a designated pool of accounts receivable, to provide security or collateral for borrowings up to a maximum of \$900.0 million. The Program does not qualify for sale accounting treatment and, as a result, any borrowings under the Program are recorded as debt on the consolidated balance sheets. Under the Program, the Company legally isolates certain U.S. trade receivables into a wholly-owned bankruptcy remote special purpose entity. Such isolated receivables, which are recorded within "Receivables" in the consolidated balance sheets, totaled \$1.65 billion at December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014. The Program contains certain covenants relating to the quality of the receivables sold. The Program also requires the Company to maintain certain minimum interest coverage and leverage ratios, which the Company was in compliance with as of December 27, 2014. The Program has a two-year term that expires in August 2016. As a result of the two-year term, outstanding borrowings under the Program are classified as long-term debt at December 27, 2014. Interest on borrowings is calculated using a base rate or a commercial paper rate plus a spread of 0.38%. The facility fee is 0.38%.

In July 2014, the Company terminated its existing Credit Facility (the "2012 Credit Facility") and entered into a five-year \$1.25 billion senior unsecured revolving credit facility (the "2014 Credit Facility") with a syndicate of banks, consisting of revolving credit facilities and the issuance of up to \$150.0 million of letters of credit, which expires in July 2019. Under the 2014 Credit Facility, the Company may select from various interest rate options, currencies and maturities. The 2014 Credit Facility contains certain covenants including various limitations on debt incurrence, share repurchases, dividends, investments and capital expenditures. The 2014 Credit Facility also includes financial covenants requiring the Company to maintain minimum interest coverage and leverage ratios, which the Company was in compliance with as of December 27, 2014. At December 27, 2014, there were \$2.0 million in letters of credit issued under the 2014 Credit Facility. At June 28, 2014, there were \$2.0 million in letters of credit issued under the 2012 Credit Facility.

At December 27, 2014, the carrying value and fair value of the Company's total debt was \$2.10 billion and \$2.19 billion, respectively. At June 28, 2014, the carrying value and fair value of the Company's total debt was \$2.08 billion and \$2.19 billion, respectively. Fair value was estimated primarily based upon quoted market prices.

5. Derivative financial instruments

Many of the Company's subsidiaries purchase and sell products in currencies other than their functional currencies. This subjects the Company to the risks associated with fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. The Company reduces this risk by utilizing natural hedging (i.e., offsetting receivables and payables) as well as by creating offsetting positions through the use of derivative financial instruments, primarily forward foreign exchange contracts typically with maturities of less than sixty days ("economic hedges"). The Company continues to have exposure to foreign currency risks to the extent they are not hedged. The Company adjusts any economic hedges to fair value through the consolidated statements of operations primarily within "other income (expense), net." Therefore, the changes in valuation of the underlying items being economically hedged are offset by the changes in fair value of the forward foreign exchange contracts. The fair value of forward foreign exchange contracts, which are based upon Level 2 criteria under the ASC 820 fair value hierarchy, are classified in the captions "other current assets" or "accrued expenses and other," as applicable, in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and were not material as of December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014. The Company did not have material gains or losses related to the forward foreign exchange contracts during the second quarters and first six months of fiscal 2015 and fiscal 2014.

The Company generally does not hedge its investments in its foreign operations. The Company does not enter into derivative financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes and monitors the financial stability and credit standing of its counterparties.

6. Commitments and contingencies

Bell

During fiscal 2011, the Company recognized a contingent liability for potential unpaid import duties associated with the acquisition of Bell Microproducts Inc. (“Bell”). Prior to the acquisition of Bell by Avnet, Customs and Border Protection (“CBP”) initiated a review of the importing process at one of Bell’s subsidiaries and identified compliance deficiencies. Subsequent to the acquisition of Bell by Avnet, CBP began a compliance audit. The Company evaluated projected duties, interest and penalties that potentially may be imposed as a result of the audit and recognized a contingent liability of \$10.0 million which was recorded to goodwill in fiscal 2011. Depending on the ultimate resolution of the matter with CBP, the Company estimates that the range of the potential exposure associated with the liability may be up to \$73.0 million; however, the Company believes the contingent liability recorded is a reasonable estimate of the liability based upon the facts available at this time.

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LCD Class Action Settlement

The Company filed a proof of claim in the settlement of a class action proceeding that sought damages from certain manufacturers of LCD flat panel displays. A settlement was reached in the proceedings and in the first quarter of fiscal 2014 the federal district judge overseeing the proceeding issued an order approving the distribution of settlement funds to the class claimants and the Company received an award payment of \$19.1 million. In the third quarter of fiscal 2014, the federal district judge overseeing the proceedings issued an order approving a final distribution of funds and the Company received a final award payment of \$3.0 million. The award is classified within "gain on legal settlement" in the consolidated statements of operations.

Other

From time to time, the Company may become a party to, or be otherwise involved in various lawsuits, claims, investigations and other legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of conducting its business. While litigation is subject to inherent uncertainties, management does not anticipate that any ongoing matters will have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition, liquidity or results of operations.

7. Income taxes

The Company's effective tax rate on its income before income taxes was 25.6% in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 as compared with 33.8% in the second quarter of fiscal 2014. During the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company's effective tax rate was favorably impacted primarily by the mix of income in lower tax rate jurisdictions and the release of reserves related to the settlement of an audit in a foreign jurisdiction. During the second quarter of fiscal 2014, the Company's effective tax rate was unfavorably impacted primarily by increases to valuation allowances and reserves, as well as an investment in a foreign subsidiary.

For the first six months of fiscal 2015 and 2014, the Company's effective tax rate was 24.9% and 31.9%, respectively. The effective tax rate for the first six months of fiscal 2015 was favorably impacted by the mix of income in lower tax rate jurisdictions and the release of reserves, primarily related to the formal deregistration of a foreign branch and the settlement of an audit in a foreign jurisdiction. The effective tax rate for the first six months of fiscal 2014 was unfavorably impacted primarily by increases to valuation allowances and reserves.

The Company applies the guidance in ASC 740, which requires management to use its judgment to the appropriate weighting of all available evidence when assessing the need for the establishment or the release of valuation allowances. As part of this analysis, the Company examines all available evidence on a jurisdiction by jurisdiction basis and weighs the positive and negative evidence when determining the need for full or partial valuation allowances. The evidence considered for each jurisdiction includes, among other items: (i) the historic levels of income or losses over a range of time periods, which may extend beyond the most recent three fiscal years depending upon the historical volatility of income in an individual jurisdiction; (ii) expectations and risks associated with underlying estimates of future taxable income, including considering the historical trend of down-cycles in the semiconductor and related industries; and (iii) prudent and feasible tax planning strategies.

As of the end of fiscal 2014, the Company had a partial valuation allowance against significant net operating loss carry-forward deferred tax assets related to a legal entity in Europe due to, among several other factors, a history of losses in that entity. In recent fiscal years, such entity has been experiencing improved earnings, which required the partial release of the valuation allowance to the extent such entity has projected future taxable income. ASC 740 requires a preponderance of positive evidence in order to reach a conclusion to release all or a portion of a valuation allowance when negative evidence exists. The Company continues to evaluate the need for a valuation allowance against these deferred tax assets and will adjust the valuation allowance as appropriate, which, if reduced, could result in a significant decrease to the effective tax rate in the period of the adjustment.

8. Pension plan

The Company has a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan (the "Plan") for which the components of net periodic pension costs during the second quarters and six months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 were as follows:

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - (Continued)

| | Second Quarters Ended | | Six Months Ended | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| | (Thousands) | | | |
| Service cost | \$9,873 | \$9,183 | \$19,746 | \$18,366 |
| Interest cost | 4,449 | 4,289 | 8,898 | 8,578 |
| Expected return on plan assets | (9,055 |) (7,727 |) (18,110 |) (15,454 |
| Recognized net actuarial loss | 3,251 | 3,171 | 6,502 | 6,342 |
| Amortization of prior service credit | (393 |) (393 |) (786 |) (786 |
| Net periodic pension cost | \$8,125 | \$8,523 | \$16,250 | \$17,046 |

The Company made contributions to the Plan of \$20.0 million during the first six months of fiscal 2015. The Company expects to make an additional contribution to the Plan of \$10.0 million in each of the remaining quarters of the fiscal year.

The Plan meets the definition of a defined benefit plan and as a result, the Company must apply ASC 715 pension accounting to the Plan. The Plan itself, however, is a cash balance plan that is similar in nature to a defined contribution plan in that a participant's benefit is defined in terms of a stated account balance. A cash balance plan provides the Company with the benefit of applying any excess earnings on the Plan's investments toward the Company's future cash funding obligations.

Amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax, to operating expenses during the first six months of fiscal 2015 and fiscal 2014 were not material and substantially all related to net periodic pension costs including recognition of actuarial losses and amortization of prior service credits.

9. Shareholders' equity

Share repurchase program

In November 2014, the Company's Board of Directors authorized a \$250.0 million increase in the Company's existing share repurchase program. With this increase, the Company may repurchase up to \$1.0 billion of common stock in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions. The timing and actual number of shares purchased will depend on a variety of factors such as share price, corporate and regulatory requirements, and prevailing market conditions. During the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company repurchased 2.3 million shares under this program at an average market price of \$39.86 per share for a total cost of \$91.0 million. Since the beginning of the repurchase program through the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company has repurchased 20.8 million shares at an aggregate cost of \$642.9 million, and \$357.1 million remained available for future repurchases under the share repurchase program.

Common stock dividend

In November 2014, the Company's Board of Directors approved a dividend of \$0.16 per common share and dividend payments of \$21.8 million were made in December 2014. During the six months ended December 27, 2014, the Company has paid dividends of \$0.32 per common share and \$43.9 million in total.

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10. Earnings per share

| | Second Quarters Ended | | Six Months Ended | |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| | (Thousands, except per share data) | | | |
| Numerator: | | | | |
| Net income | \$163,706 | \$124,864 | \$291,652 | \$245,488 |
| Denominator: | | | | |
| Weighted average common shares for basic earnings per share | 136,541 | 137,702 | 137,425 | 137,558 |
| Net effect of dilutive stock option, restricted stock and performance share awards | 2,431 | 2,442 | 2,486 | 2,376 |
| Weighted average common shares for diluted earnings per share | 138,972 | 140,144 | 139,911 | 139,934 |
| Basic earnings per share | \$1.20 | \$0.91 | \$2.12 | \$1.78 |
| Diluted earnings per share | \$1.18 | \$0.89 | \$2.08 | \$1.75 |
| Stock options excluded from earnings per share calculation due to anti-dilutive effect | — | — | — | — |

11. Additional cash flow information

Interest and income taxes paid in the six months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 were as follows:

| | Six Months Ended | |
|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| | (Thousands) | |
| Interest paid | \$50,355 | \$54,783 |
| Income taxes paid | \$86,486 | \$99,357 |

The Company includes book overdrafts as part of accounts payable on its consolidated balance sheets and reflects changes in such balances as part of cash flows from operating activities in its consolidated statements of cash flows. During the six months ended December 28, 2013, the Company had non-cash financing activities of \$38.1 million related to contingent consideration in connection with acquisition activity in fiscal 2014.

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12. Segment information

Electronics Marketing (“EM”) and Technology Solutions (“TS”) are the Company's reportable segments (“operating groups”). EM markets and sells semiconductors and interconnect, passive and electromechanical devices and embedded products to a diverse customer base serving many end-markets. TS focuses on the value-added distribution of enterprise computing servers and systems, software, storage, services and complex solutions from the world’s foremost technology manufacturers. TS also provides the latest hard disk drives, microprocessor, motherboard and DRAM module technologies to manufacturers of general-purpose computers and system builders.

| | Second Quarters Ended | | Six Months Ended | |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| | (Thousands) | | | |
| Sales: | | | | |
| Electronics Marketing | \$4,435,190 | \$4,154,783 | \$8,809,285 | \$8,092,907 |
| Technology Solutions | 3,116,690 | 3,267,071 | 5,582,181 | 5,674,422 |
| | \$7,551,880 | \$7,421,854 | \$14,391,466 | \$13,767,329 |
| Operating income (expense): | | | | |
| Electronics Marketing | \$191,449 | \$171,685 | \$394,160 | \$347,468 |
| Technology Solutions | 117,582 | 120,225 | 179,974 | 182,816 |
| Corporate | (34,435) | (28,702) | (75,813) | (67,596) |
| | 274,596 | 263,208 | 498,321 | 462,688 |
| Restructuring, integration and other expenses (Note 13) | (13,257) | (28,442) | (31,577) | (40,541) |
| Amortization of acquired intangible assets and other | (11,052) | (13,194) | (23,260) | (21,588) |
| | \$250,287 | \$221,572 | \$443,484 | \$400,559 |
| Sales, by geographic area: | | | | |
| Americas ⁽¹⁾ | \$3,051,888 | \$3,063,643 | \$5,699,008 | \$5,552,311 |
| EMEA ⁽²⁾ | 2,062,052 | 2,152,921 | 4,037,431 | 3,945,010 |
| Asia/Pacific ⁽³⁾ | 2,437,940 | 2,205,290 | 4,655,027 | 4,270,008 |
| | \$7,551,880 | \$7,421,854 | \$14,391,466 | \$13,767,329 |

Includes sales from the United States of \$2.70 billion and \$2.69 billion for the quarters ended December 27, 2014, and December 28, 2013, respectively. Includes sales in the United States of \$5.06 billion and \$4.93 billion for the first six months of fiscal 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Includes sales from Germany and the United Kingdom of \$787.8 million and \$384.8 million, respectively, for the quarter ended December 27, 2014 and \$1.53 billion and \$745.2 million, respectively, for the first six months of fiscal 2015. Includes sales from Germany and the United Kingdom of \$921.7 million and \$355.8 million, respectively, for the quarter ended December 28, 2013, and \$1.64 billion and \$640.8 million, respectively, for the first six months of fiscal 2014.

Includes sales from China (including Hong Kong) and Taiwan of \$727.1 million and \$1.01 billion, respectively, for the quarter ended December 27, 2014, and \$1.47 billion and \$1.82 billion, respectively, for the first six months of fiscal 2015. Includes sales from China (including Hong Kong) and Taiwan of \$728.2 million and \$767.3 million, respectively, for the quarter ended December 28, 2013, and \$1.46 billion and \$1.40 billion, respectively, for the first six months of fiscal 2014.

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| | December 27, 2014 (Thousands) | June 28, 2014 |
|--|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Assets: | | |
| Electronics Marketing | \$6,558,336 | \$6,840,166 |
| Technology Solutions | 4,421,508 | 4,140,230 |
| Corporate | 511,250 | 275,121 |
| | \$11,491,094 | \$11,255,517 |
| Property, plant, and equipment, net, by geographic area: | | |
| Americas ⁽¹⁾ | \$338,476 | \$306,167 |
| EMEA ⁽²⁾ | 174,859 | 199,374 |
| Asia/Pacific | 28,569 | 29,458 |
| | \$541,904 | \$534,999 |

⁽¹⁾ Includes property, plant and equipment, net, of \$330.9 million and \$298.1 million as of December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014, respectively, in the United States.

⁽²⁾ Includes property, plant and equipment, net, of \$84.4 million and \$54.9 million in Germany and Belgium, respectively, as of December 27, 2014 and \$95.5 million and \$61.0 million in Germany and Belgium, respectively, as of June 28, 2014.

13. Restructuring, integration and other expenses Fiscal 2015

During the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 2015, the Company took certain actions in an effort to reduce future operating expenses. In addition, the Company incurred integration and other costs primarily associated with the integration of acquisitions and certain global and regional businesses. The following table presents the restructuring, integration and other expenses recorded during the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 2015:

| | Second Quarter Ended December 27, 2014 | Six Months Ended December 27, 2014 |
|--|---|--|
| | (Thousands, except per share data) | |
| Restructuring expenses | \$6,579 | \$17,352 |
| Integration costs | 4,024 | 10,290 |
| Other costs including acquisition costs | 2,064 | 3,713 |
| Changes in estimates for prior restructuring liabilities | 590 | 222 |
| Restructuring, integration and other expenses before tax | \$13,257 | \$31,577 |
| Restructuring, integration and other expenses after tax | \$10,188 | \$23,348 |
| Restructuring, integration and other expenses per share on a diluted basis | \$0.07 | \$0.16 |

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The activity related to the restructuring liabilities established and other associated expenses incurred during fiscal 2015 is presented in the following table:

| | Severance | Facility Exit Costs and Asset Impairments | Other | Total |
|---|-------------|--|----------|-----------|
| | (Thousands) | | | |
| Fiscal 2015 restructuring expenses | \$5,799 | \$10,139 | \$1,414 | \$17,352 |
| Cash payments | (4,038) |) (2,724 |) — | (6,762) |
| Non-cash amounts | — | (1,915 |) (1,414 |) (3,329) |
| Other, principally foreign currency translation | (70) |) (68 |) — | (138) |
| Balance at December 27, 2014 | \$1,691 | \$5,432 | \$— | \$7,123 |

Severance expense recorded in the first six months of fiscal 2015 related to the reduction of over 150 employees, primarily in business support functions, in connection with cost reduction actions taken in both operating groups. Facility exit costs primarily consist of liabilities for remaining lease obligations and the impairment of long-lived assets for locations and information technology hardware and software the Company has divested or has ceased using. Other restructuring costs related primarily to other miscellaneous restructuring and exit costs. Of the \$17.4 million in restructuring expenses recorded during the first six months of fiscal 2015, \$9.6 million related to EM and \$7.8 million related to TS. As of December 27, 2014, the Company expects the majority of the remaining severance and facility exit costs to be paid by the end of fiscal 2015.

Integration costs are primarily related to the integration of acquired businesses, integration of global or regional businesses and specific and incremental costs incurred as part of the consolidation, relocation and closure of warehouse and office facilities. Integration costs also include consulting costs for information technology system and business operation integration assistance, legal fees, travel, meeting, marketing and communication costs that are incrementally incurred as a result of such integration activities. Also included in integration costs are incremental salary costs specific to integration, consolidation and closure activities. Other costs consist primarily of professional fees incurred for acquisitions, additional costs incurred for businesses divested or exited in current or prior periods, any ongoing facilities operating costs associated with the consolidation, relocation and closure of facilities once such facilities have been vacated or substantially vacated, and other miscellaneous costs that relate to restructuring, integration and other expenses. Integration and other costs in the first six months of fiscal 2015 were comprised of many different costs, none of which were individually material.

Fiscal 2014

During fiscal 2014, the Company incurred restructuring expenses related to various restructuring actions intended to achieve planned synergies from acquired businesses and to reduce future operating expenses. The following table presents the activity during the first six months of fiscal 2015 related to the remaining restructuring liabilities established during fiscal 2014:

| | Severance | Facility Exit Costs and Asset Impairments | Other | Total |
|---------------------------|-------------|--|-------|------------|
| | (Thousands) | | | |
| Balance at June 28, 2014 | \$23,744 | \$3,697 | \$344 | \$27,785 |
| Cash payments | (14,934) |) (983 |) (1 |) (15,918) |
| Changes in estimates, net | 431 | 186 | — | 617 |

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| | | | | | |
|---|---------|---------|-------|----------|---|
| Non-cash amounts | (92 |) (824 |) — | (916 |) |
| Other, principally foreign currency translation | (985 |) (188 |) — | (1,173 |) |
| Balance at December 27, 2014 | \$8,164 | \$1,888 | \$343 | \$10,395 | |

As of December 27, 2014, the Company expects the majority of the remaining severance, facility exit costs and other liabilities to be paid by the end of fiscal 2015.

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Fiscal 2013 and prior

As of June 28, 2014, there were \$13.1 million of restructuring liabilities remaining related to restructuring actions taken in fiscal years 2013 and prior, the majority of which relates to facility exit costs. The remaining balance for such historical restructuring actions as of December 27, 2014 was \$7.7 million, which is expected to be paid by the end of fiscal 2016.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

For a description of the Company's critical accounting policies and an understanding of the significant factors that influenced the Company's performance during the quarter ended December 27, 2014, this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations ("MD&A") should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements, including the related notes, appearing in Item 1 of this Report, as well as the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 28, 2014.

There are references to the impact of foreign currency translation in the discussion of the Company's results of operations. When the U.S. Dollar strengthens and the stronger exchange rates of the current year are used to translate the results of operations of Avnet's subsidiaries denominated in foreign currencies, the resulting impact is a decrease in U.S. Dollars of reported results. Conversely, when the U.S. Dollar weakens and the weaker exchange rates of the current year are used to translate the results of operations of Avnet's subsidiaries denominated in foreign currencies, the resulting impact is an increase in U.S. Dollars of reported results. In the discussion that follows, results excluding this impact, primarily for Europe, the Middle East and Africa ("EMEA"), are referred to as "excluding the translation impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates" or "constant currency."

In addition to disclosing financial results that are determined in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), the Company also discloses certain non-GAAP financial information, including:

Sales, income or expense items excluding the translation impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates by adjusting the exchange rates used in current periods to be consistent with the exchange rates in effect during prior periods, as discussed above.

Sales adjusted for certain items that impact the year-over-year analysis, which includes the impact of acquisitions by adjusting Avnet's prior periods to include the sales of acquired businesses as if the acquisitions had occurred at the beginning of the earliest period presented. Sales taking into account these adjustments are referred to as "organic sales."

Operating income excluding (i) restructuring, integration and other expenses (see Restructuring, Integration and Other Expenses in this MD&A) and (ii) amortization of acquired intangible assets and other. Operating income excluding such amounts is referred to as adjusted operating income.

The reconciliation of operating income to adjusted operating income is presented in the following table:

| | Second Quarters Ended | | Six Months Ended | |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 | December 27, 2014 | December 28, 2013 |
| | (Thousands) | | | |
| Operating income | \$250,287 | \$221,572 | \$443,484 | \$400,559 |
| Restructuring, integration and other expenses | 13,257 | 28,442 | 31,577 | 40,541 |
| Amortization of acquired intangible assets and other | 11,052 | 13,194 | 23,260 | 21,588 |
| Adjusted operating income | \$274,596 | \$263,208 | \$498,321 | \$462,688 |

Management believes that providing this additional information is useful to the financial statement reader to better assess and understand operating performance, especially when comparing results with prior periods or forecasting performance for future periods, primarily because management typically monitors the business both including and excluding these adjustments to GAAP results. Management also uses these non-GAAP measures to establish operational goals and, in some cases, for measuring performance for compensation purposes. However, any analysis of results on a non-GAAP basis should be used as a complement to, and in conjunction with, results presented in accordance with GAAP.

OVERVIEW

Organization

Avnet, Inc., incorporated in New York in 1955, together with its consolidated subsidiaries (the “Company” or “Avnet”), is a global value-added distributor of electronic components, enterprise computer and storage products, IT solutions and services and embedded subsystems. Avnet creates a vital link in the technology supply chain that connects the world’s leading electronic component and computer product manufacturers and software developers with a global customer base of original equipment manufacturers (“OEMs”), electronic manufacturing services (“EMS”) providers, original design manufacturers (“ODMs”), systems integrators (“SIs”), independent software vendors (“ISVs”) and value-added resellers (“VARs”). Avnet distributes electronic components, computer products and software, as received from its suppliers or through a customized solution, and offers assembly and other value-added services. In addition, Avnet provides engineering design, materials management and logistics services, system integration and configuration and supply chain services customized to meet specific requirements of both customers and suppliers.

Avnet has two primary operating groups — EM and TS. Both operating groups have operations in each of the three major economic regions of the world: the Americas; EMEA; and Asia/Pacific, consisting of Asia, Australia and New Zealand (“Asia” or “Asia/Pac”). A summary of each operating group is provided in Note 12, “Segment information” to the Company's consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Results of Operations

Executive Summary

Sales for the second quarter of fiscal 2015 were \$7.55 billion, as compared to the second quarter of fiscal 2014 sales of \$7.42 billion. The increase in year-over-year sales of \$130.0 million was primarily the result of a \$280.4 million increase at EM, primarily due to the Asia region, partially offset by a \$150.4 million decrease at TS driven by the EMEA and Asia regions.

Gross profit margin of 11.1% decreased 34 basis points compared to the second quarter of fiscal 2014 as a result of gross profit margin declines in both operating groups.

The Company's operating income margin was 3.3% in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 as compared with 3.0% in the second quarter of fiscal 2014. Excluding restructuring, integration and other expenses, as well as amortization expense from acquired intangibles from both periods, adjusted operating income margin was 3.6% in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 as compared to 3.6% in the second quarter of fiscal 2014. EM operating income margin increased 19 basis points year over year to 4.3%. The increase in EM operating income margin was primarily due to sales growth and reductions in operating expenses from the impact of restructuring actions. TS operating income margin increased by 9 basis points year over year to 3.8% primarily due to reductions in operating expenses from the impact of restructuring actions.

During the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company generated \$265.1 million of cash from operating activities compared to a use of cash from operating activities of \$28.0 million in the second quarter of 2014. The increase in cash flows from operating activities was primarily the result of improved working capital management.

Sales

The table below provides the year-over-year comparison of reported second quarter sales for Avnet and the EM and TS operating groups to organic sales to allow readers to better understand and assess the Company's sales performance by operating group and region.

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| | As Reported and Organic Q2-Fiscal 2015 (Dollars in thousands) | As Reported and Organic Q2-Fiscal 2014 | As Reported and Organic Year-Year % Change | |
|------------------|---|---|---|----|
| Avnet, Inc. | \$7,551,880 | \$7,421,854 | 1.8 | % |
| EM | 4,435,190 | 4,154,783 | 6.8 | |
| TS | 3,116,690 | 3,267,071 | (4.6) |) |
| EM | | | | |
| Americas | \$1,200,871 | \$1,204,442 | (0.3) |)% |
| EMEA | 1,205,310 | 1,216,986 | (1.0) |) |
| Asia/Pacific | 2,029,009 | 1,733,355 | 17.1 | |
| TS | | | | |
| Americas | \$1,851,017 | \$1,859,201 | (0.4) |)% |
| EMEA | 856,742 | 935,935 | (8.5) |) |
| Asia/Pacific | 408,931 | 471,935 | (13.4) |) |
| Totals by Region | | | | |
| Americas | \$3,051,888 | \$3,063,643 | (0.4) |)% |
| EMEA | 2,062,052 | 2,152,921 | (4.2) |) |
| Asia/Pacific | 2,437,940 | 2,205,290 | 10.6 | |

The following table presents the reconciliation of reported sales to organic sales for the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 2014.

| | Second Quarter Ended | Six Months Ended | | |
|-------------|---|--|--|--------------------------------|
| | As Reported and Organic - Fiscal 2014 | As Reported Fiscal 2014 (Thousands) | Acquisitions/ Divestitures ⁽¹⁾ | Organic Sales - Fiscal 2014 |
| Avnet, Inc. | 7,421,854 | \$13,767,329 | \$119,950 | \$13,887,279 |
| EM | 4,154,783 | 8,092,907 | 119,950 | 8,212,857 |
| EM EMEA | 1,216,986 | 2,314,828 | 119,950 | 2,434,778 |

⁽¹⁾ Includes the acquisition of MSC Investoren GmbH ("MSC"), in October 2013 in the EM EMEA region, which impacted the year-over-year sales comparisons.

Avnet sales for the second quarter of fiscal 2015 were \$7.55 billion, an increase of 1.8%, or \$130.0 million, from the second quarter of fiscal 2014 sales of \$7.42 billion. Avnet sales increased 4.6% year over year in constant currency. EM sales of \$4.44 billion in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 increased 6.7% from the second quarter of fiscal 2014 sales of \$4.15 billion. EM sales in constant currency increased 9.7% year over year, primarily due to sales growth in the EMEA and Asia regions. On a regional basis, EMEA sales in constant currency increased 7.1% year over year primarily due to increased sales volume compared to the second quarter of fiscal 2014. Asia sales increased 17.1% year over year, which was primarily due to increased supply chain fulfillment sales compared to the second quarter of fiscal 2014.

TS sales of \$3.12 billion in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 decreased 4.6% from the second quarter of fiscal 2014 sales of \$3.27 billion. TS sales in constant currency decreased 2.0% year over year. On a regional basis, sales in Asia declined 13.4% primarily due to weaker sales of computing components. EMEA sales in constant currency declined 3.0% primarily due to lower demand.

Avnet sales for the first six months of fiscal 2015 were \$14.39 billion, an increase of 4.5% as compared with sales of \$13.77 billion for the first six months of fiscal 2014. EM sales of \$8.80 billion for the first six months of fiscal 2015 increased 8.9% as

compared with the first six months of fiscal 2014 sales of \$8.09 billion. TS sales of \$5.58 billion for the first six months of fiscal 2015 decreased 1.6% as compared with the first six months of fiscal 2014 sales of \$5.67 billion.

Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margins

Avnet gross profit for the second quarter of fiscal 2015 was \$837.5 million, a decrease of \$11.1 million, or 1.3%, from the second quarter of fiscal 2014 gross profit of \$848.6 million, primarily due to a decline in gross profit margin, partially offset by the increase in sales as described further above. Avnet gross profit margin of 11.1% decreased 34 basis points from the second quarter of fiscal 2014. EM gross profit margin decreased year over year primarily as a result of a decrease in the Asia region due to an increase in supply chain fulfillment sales, partially offset by an increase in the EMEA region. TS gross profit margin decreased year over year as improvements in Asia and EMEA were offset by a decline in the Americas region driven primarily by product mix.

Avnet gross profit and gross profit margins were \$1.63 billion and 11.4%, respectively, for the first six months of fiscal 2015 as compared with \$1.58 billion and 11.5%, respectively for the first six months of fiscal 2014. The increase in gross profit was driven by an increase in sales as discussed above, partially offset by a decline in gross profit margin. The year over year decrease in gross profit margin of 15 basis points was the result of declines in both operating groups.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses (“SG&A expenses”) were \$574.0 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2015, a decrease of \$24.7 million, or 4.1%, from the second quarter of fiscal 2014. Of this amount, \$21.7 million related to the translation impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates between the periods. The remaining decrease of \$3.0 million was due to net decreases in SG&A expenses due to the realization of cost savings from prior restructuring actions, partially offset by increases in SG&A expenses to fund organic growth and other costs.

Metrics that management monitors with respect to its operating expenses are SG&A expenses as a percentage of sales and as a percentage of gross profit. In the second quarter of fiscal 2015, SG&A expenses as a percentage of sales were 7.6% and as a percentage of gross profit were 68.5% as compared with 8.1% and 70.5%, respectively, in the second quarter of fiscal 2014. SG&A expenses, excluding amortization of acquired intangibles, as a percentage of gross profit at EM decreased 302 basis points year over year reflecting sales growth and improved operating leverage from restructuring actions. SG&A expenses at TS, excluding amortization of acquired intangibles, as a percentage of gross profit decreased 172 basis points year over year, primarily as a result of savings realized from restructuring actions. SG&A expenses for the first six months of fiscal 2015 were \$1.16 billion, or 8.1% of Avnet sales, as compared with \$1.14 billion, or 8.3% of Avnet sales, in the first six months of fiscal 2014. SG&A expenses were 70.9% of gross profit in the first six months of 2015 as compared with 72.1% in the first six months of fiscal 2014.

Restructuring, Integration and Other Expenses

During the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company incurred restructuring expenses related to certain actions intended to reduce future operating expenses. The Company also incurred integration and other costs primarily associated with the integration of acquisitions and certain global and regional businesses. As a result, the Company recorded restructuring, integration and other expenses of \$13.3 million during the second quarter of fiscal 2015, including restructuring costs of \$6.6 million, integration costs of \$4.0 million, other costs of \$2.1 million and a net expense for changes in estimates for costs associated with previous restructuring actions of \$0.6 million. The after tax impact of restructuring, integration, and other expenses for the second quarter of fiscal 2015 was \$10.2 million and \$0.07 per share on a diluted basis. When all such restructuring actions are substantially complete the Company expects to realize approximately \$6.0 million in incremental annualized operating cost savings. When realized, the incremental annualized cost savings are expected to benefit the EM operating group by approximately \$2.0 million and the TS operating group by approximately \$4.0 million.

During the first six months of fiscal 2015, the Company incurred restructuring, integration and other expenses of \$31.6 million, including restructuring costs of \$17.4 million, integration costs of \$10.3 million, other costs of \$3.7 million and a net expense for changes in estimates for costs associated with previous restructuring actions of \$0.2 million. The after tax impact of restructuring, integration and other expenses for the first six months of fiscal 2015 was \$23.3 million and \$0.16 per share on a diluted basis.

Comparatively, in the second quarter of fiscal 2014, restructuring, integration and other expenses were \$28.4 million. The after tax impact of restructuring, integration, and other expenses was \$21.7 million and \$0.15 per share on a diluted basis.

In the first six months of fiscal 2014, restructuring, integration and other expenses were \$40.5 million. The after tax impact of restructuring, integration, and other expenses for the first six months of fiscal 2014 was \$30.6 million and \$0.22 per share on a diluted basis.

See Note 13, "Restructuring, integration and other expenses" to the Company's consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for additional information related to restructuring, integration and other expenses.

Operating Income

During the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company generated operating income of \$250.3 million, representing a 13.0% increase compared to the second quarter of fiscal 2014 operating income of \$221.6 million. Both periods included restructuring, integration and other expenses as described further above. Both periods also included amortization expense and other associated with acquired intangible assets. Excluding these amounts from both periods, adjusted operating income was \$274.6 million, or 3.6% of sales, in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 as compared with \$263.2 million, or 3.6% of sales, in the second quarter of fiscal 2014. EM operating income of \$191.4 million increased 11.5% year over year and operating income margin increased 19 basis points year over year to 4.3%. The increase in EM operating income margin was primarily due to the impact of sales growth and restructuring actions, partially offset by a decrease in gross profit margin primarily due to more sales in the lower margin Asia region as a result of an increase in supply chain fulfillment sales. TS operating income of \$117.6 million decreased 2.2% year over year and operating income margin increased 9 basis points year over year to 3.8%. The increase in TS operating income margin was primarily due to the decrease in operating expenses, partially offset by a decrease in gross profit margin.

Operating income for the first six months of 2015 was \$443.5 million, or 3.1% of Avnet sales, as compared with \$400.6 million, or 2.9% of Avnet sales for the first six months of 2014.

Interest Expense and Other Income (Expense), Net

Interest expense in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 was \$24.7 million, a decrease of \$3.6 million or 12.6%, as compared with interest expense of \$28.2 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2014. The decrease in interest expense for the second quarter of fiscal 2015 was primarily due to the repayment at maturity of the 5.875% Notes due March 2014 and a corresponding lower average borrowing rate in the second quarter of fiscal 2015.

During the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company incurred \$5.5 million of other expense as compared with \$4.8 million of other expense in the second quarter of fiscal 2014. The increase in other expense was primarily due to an increase in foreign currency exchange losses in the second quarter of fiscal 2015. During the first six months of fiscal 2015, the Company recognized \$7.0 million of other expenses as compared with \$4.0 million of other expenses in the first six months of fiscal 2014.

Gain on Legal Settlement

During the first quarter of fiscal 2014, the Company received an award payment and recognized a gain on legal settlement of \$19.1 million before tax, \$11.7 million after tax and \$0.08 per share on a diluted basis.

Income Tax Expense

The Company's effective tax rate on its income before income taxes was 25.6% in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 as compared with 33.8% in the second quarter of fiscal 2014. During the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company's effective tax rate was favorably impacted primarily by the mix of income in lower tax rate jurisdictions and the release of reserves related to the settlement of an audit in a foreign jurisdiction. During the second quarter of fiscal 2014, the Company's effective tax rate was unfavorably impacted primarily by increases to valuation allowances and reserves, as well as an investment in a foreign subsidiary.

For the first six months of fiscal 2015 and 2014, the Company's effective tax rate was 24.9% and 31.9%, respectively. The effective tax rate for the first six months of fiscal 2015 was favorably impacted by the mix of income in lower tax rate jurisdictions and the release of reserves, primarily related to the formal deregistration of a foreign branch and the settlement of an audit in a foreign jurisdiction. The effective tax rate for the first six months of fiscal 2014 was unfavorably impacted primarily by increases to valuation allowances and reserves.

See Note 7, "Income taxes" to the Company's consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for additional information on the Company's effective tax rate.

Net Income

As a result of the factors described in the preceding sections of this MD&A, the Company's net income for the second quarter of fiscal 2015 was \$163.7 million, or \$1.18 per share on a diluted basis, as compared with \$124.9 million, or \$0.89 per share on a diluted basis, in the second quarter of fiscal 2014.

As a result of the factors described in the preceding sections of this MD&A, the Company's net income for the first six months of fiscal 2015 was \$291.7 million, or \$2.08 per share on a diluted basis, as compared with \$245.5 million, or \$1.75 per share on a diluted basis, for the first six months of fiscal 2014.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Cash Flow

Cash Flow from Operating Activities

During the first six months of fiscal 2015, the Company generated \$224.4 million of cash from its operating activities compared to a use of \$154.2 million in the first six months of fiscal 2014. These operating cash flows are comprised of: (i) cash flow generated from net income, adjusted for the impact of non-cash and other items, which includes depreciation and amortization expenses, deferred income taxes, stock-based compensation expense and other non-cash items (primarily, provisions for doubtful accounts and periodic pension costs) and (ii) cash flows used for, or generated from, working capital and other, excluding cash and cash equivalents. Cash used for working capital and other was \$222.1 million during the first six months of fiscal 2015, including increases in inventories of \$6.0 million and accounts receivable of \$711.1 million and a decrease in accrued expenses and other of \$88.4 million, partially offset by an increase accounts payable of \$583.3 million. Comparatively, cash used by working capital and other was \$557.8 million during the first six months of fiscal 2014, including an increase in inventories of \$158.5 million and accounts receivable of \$771.7 million, partially offset by increases in accounts payable of \$348.5 million and accrued expenses and other of \$23.9 million.

Cash Flow from Financing Activities

During the first six months of fiscal 2015, the Company received net proceeds of \$77.0 million under the Company's accounts receivable securitization program and made net repayments of \$37.4 million for bank and other debt. During the first six months of fiscal 2015, the Company paid dividends on common stock of \$43.9 million and repurchased \$109.1 million of common stock.

During the first six months of fiscal 2014, the Company received net proceeds of \$55.4 million from borrowings of bank and other debt and \$60.0 million under the Company's accounts receivable securitization program. During the first six months of fiscal 2014, the Company paid dividends on common stock of \$41.3 million.

Cash Flow from Investing Activities

During the first six months of fiscal 2015, the Company used \$83.6 million for capital expenditures primarily related to information system development costs and computer hardware and software purchases and \$8.8 million for other investing activities.

During the first six months of fiscal 2014, the Company used \$116.9 million of cash for acquisitions, net of cash acquired. During the first six months of fiscal 2014, the Company also used \$47.0 million for capital expenditures primarily related to information system development costs and computer hardware and software purchases.

Contractual Obligations

For a detailed description of the Company's long-term debt and lease commitments for the next five years and thereafter, see Long-Term Contractual Obligations appearing in Item 7 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 28, 2014. With the exception of the Company's debt transactions discussed herein, there are no material changes to this information outside of normal borrowings and repayments on long-term debt and lease payments. The Company does not currently have any material commitments for capital expenditures.

Financing Transactions

See Note 4, "Debt financing" to the Company's consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for additional information on financing transactions including the 2014 Credit Facility, the Program and the outstanding Notes as of December 27, 2014. The Company was in compliance with all covenants under the 2014

Credit Facility and the Program as of December 27, 2014.

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The Company has several lines of credit and other forms of bank debt in various foreign locations to fund the short-term working capital, foreign exchange, overdraft and letter of credit needs of its wholly owned subsidiaries in EMEA, Asia and Latin America. Avnet generally guarantees its subsidiaries' obligations under these facilities.

Liquidity

The Company held cash and cash equivalents of \$903.3 million as of December 27, 2014, of which \$812.7 million was held outside the United States. As of June 28, 2014, the Company held cash and cash equivalents of \$929.0 million, of which \$815.4 million was held outside of the United States.

As of the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company had a combined total borrowing capacity of \$2.15 billion under the 2014 Credit Facility and the Program. There were \$50.0 million in borrowings outstanding and \$2.0 million in letters of credit issued under the 2014 Credit Facility and \$692.0 million in borrowings outstanding under the Program, resulting in approximately \$1.41 billion of availability as of December 27, 2014. Availability under the Program is subject to the Company having sufficient eligible receivables to support desired borrowings. During the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 2015, the Company had an average daily balance outstanding under the 2014 Credit Facility of approximately \$54.0 million and \$30.0 million, respectively, and approximately \$823.0 million and \$770.0 million, respectively, under the Program. During the second quarter and first six months of fiscal 2014, the Company had an average daily balance outstanding under the 2012 Credit Facility of approximately \$5.0 million, and approximately \$445.0 million and \$430.0 million, respectively, under the Program.

During periods of weakening demand in the electronic components and enterprise computer solutions industries, the Company typically generates cash from operating activities. Conversely, the Company is more likely to use operating cash flows for working capital requirements during periods of higher growth. During the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company generated \$265.1 million from operating activities. The Company generated \$616.0 million from operating activities over the trailing four fiscal quarters ended December 27, 2014.

Liquidity is subject to many factors, such as normal business operations as well as general economic, financial, competitive, legislative, and regulatory factors that are beyond the Company's control. Cash balances generated and held in foreign locations are used for ongoing working capital, capital expenditure needs and to support acquisitions. These balances are currently expected to be permanently reinvested outside the United States. If these funds were needed for general corporate use in the United States, the Company would incur significant income taxes to repatriate cash held in foreign locations. In addition, local government regulations may restrict the Company's ability to move funds among various locations under certain circumstances. Management believes that in the United States and globally, current cash on hand, available borrowing capacity and the Company's expected ability to generate operating cash flows are sufficient for the Company to pursue its intended business strategy. The Company also may issue debt or equity securities in the future and management believes the Company will have adequate access to the capital markets, if needed.

The Company has made, and expects to continue to make, strategic investments through acquisition activity to the extent the investments strengthen Avnet's competitive position and meet management's return on capital thresholds. In addition to continuing to make investments in acquisitions, as of December 27, 2014, the Company expects to repurchase up to an aggregate of \$357.1 million of shares of the Company's common stock through a \$1.00 billion share repurchase program approved by the Board of Directors. The Company plans to repurchase stock from time to time at the discretion of management, subject to strategic considerations, market conditions and other factors. The Company may terminate or limit the share repurchase program at any time without prior notice. The timing and actual number of shares repurchased will depend on a variety of factors such as share price, corporate and regulatory requirements, and prevailing market conditions. Since the beginning of the repurchase program through the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company has repurchased 20.8 million shares of stock at an aggregate cost of \$642.9 million. Shares repurchased were retired. Additionally, the Company currently expects to pay quarterly cash dividends on shares of its common stock, subject to approval of the Board of Directors. During the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Board of Directors approved a dividend of \$0.16 per share, which resulted in \$21.8 million of dividend payments during the quarter.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

See Note 1, “Basis of presentation and new accounting pronouncements” to the Company's consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for a description of new accounting pronouncements.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

The Company seeks to reduce earnings and cash flow volatility associated with changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates by entering into financial arrangements from time to time that are intended to provide an economic hedge against all or a portion of the risks associated with such volatility. The Company continues to have exposure to such risks to the extent they are not economically hedged.

See Item 7A, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk, in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 28, 2014 for further discussion of market risks associated with interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. Avnet's exposure to foreign currency exchange risks has not changed materially since June 28, 2014 as the Company continues to economically hedge the majority of its foreign exchange exposures. Thus, any increase or decrease in fair value of the Company's foreign currency exchange contracts is generally offset by an opposite effect on the related hedged position.

See Liquidity and Capital Resources — Financing Transactions appearing in Item 2 of this Form 10-Q for further discussion of the Company's financing transactions and capital structure. As of December 27, 2014, 58% of the Company's debt bears interest at a fixed rate and 42% of the Company's debt bears interest at variable rates. Therefore, a hypothetical 1.0% (100 basis points) increase in interest rates would result in a \$2.2 million decrease in income before income taxes in the Company's consolidated statement of operations for the second quarter of fiscal 2015.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

The Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, have evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act")) as of the end of the reporting period covered by this quarterly report on Form 10-Q. Based on such evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report on Form 10-Q, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective such that material information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified by the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms and is accumulated and communicated to management, including the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

During the second quarter of fiscal 2015, there were no changes to the Company's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Exchange Act) that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II

OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

As a result primarily of certain former manufacturing operations, Avnet has incurred and may have future liability under various federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations, including those governing pollution and exposure to, and the handling, storage and disposal of, hazardous substances. For example, under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (“CERCLA”) and similar state laws, Avnet is and may be liable for the costs of cleaning up environmental contamination on or from certain of its current or former properties, and at off-site locations where the Company disposed of wastes in the past. Such laws may impose joint and several liability. Typically, however, the costs for clean up at such sites are allocated among potentially responsible parties based upon each party’s relative contribution to the contamination, and other factors. Pursuant to SEC regulations, including but not limited to Item 103 of Regulation S-K, the Company regularly assesses the status of and developments in pending environmental legal proceedings to determine whether any such proceedings should be identified specifically in this discussion of legal proceedings, and has concluded that no particular pending environmental legal proceeding requires public disclosure. Based on the information known to date, management believes that the Company has appropriately accrued in its consolidated financial statements for its share of the estimated costs of environmental matters.

The Company is also party to various other lawsuits, claims, investigations and other legal proceedings arising from time to time in the normal course of business. While litigation is subject to inherent uncertainties, management currently believes that the ultimate outcome of these proceedings, individually and in the aggregate, will not have a material adverse effect on the Company’s financial position, liquidity or results of operations.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (“Quarterly Report”) contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, with respect to the financial condition, results of operations and business of the Company. You can find many of these statements by looking for words like “believes,” “plans,” “expects,” “anticipates,” “should,” “will,” “may,” “estimates” or similar expressions in this Quarterly Report or in documents incorporated by reference in this Quarterly Report. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties. You should understand that the following important factors, in addition to those discussed elsewhere in this Quarterly Report and in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 28, 2014, could affect the Company’s future results of operations, and could cause those results or other outcomes to differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements:

- the effect of global economic conditions, including the current global economic uncertainty;
- competitive pressures among distributors of electronic components and computer products;
- cyclical nature in the technology industry, particularly in the semiconductor sector;
- relationships with key suppliers and allocations of products by suppliers;
- risks relating to the Company's international sales and operations, including risks relating to the ability to repatriate funds, foreign currency fluctuations, duties and taxes, and compliance with international and U.S. laws;
- risks relating to acquisitions and investments;
 - adverse effects on the Company's supply chain, shipping costs, third-party service providers, customers and suppliers, including as a result of issues caused by natural and weather-related disasters;
 - risks related to the Company's information systems, including risks relating to cybersecurity breaches;
- general economic and business conditions (domestic and foreign) affecting Avnet's financial performance and, indirectly, Avnet's credit ratings, debt covenant compliance, and liquidity and access to financing; and
- legislative or regulatory changes affecting Avnet’s businesses.

Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which that statement is made. Except as required by law, the Company assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances that occur after the date on which the statement is made.

The discussion of Avnet's business and operations should be read together with the risk factors contained in Item 1A of its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 28, 2014, which describe various risks and uncertainties to which the Company is or may become subject. These risks and uncertainties have the potential to affect Avnet's business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows, strategies or prospects in a material and adverse manner. As of December 27, 2014, there have been no material changes to the risk factors set forth in the Company's report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 28, 2014.

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

In August 2011, the Company's Board of Directors approved the repurchase of up to \$500.0 million of the Company's common stock through a share repurchase program. During August 2012 and November 2014, the Board of Directors approved an additional \$250.0 million for the share repurchase program. In total, the Company may repurchase up to \$1.00 billion of the Company's common stock under the share repurchase program. The following table includes the Company's monthly purchases of Avnet's common stock during the second quarter ended December 27, 2014, under the share repurchase program, which is part of a publicly announced plan.

| Period | Total Number of Shares Purchased | Average Price Paid per Share | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs | Approximate Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs |
|----------|---|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| October | 1,764,397 | \$39.08 | 1,764,397 | \$129,151,000 |
| November | 333,156 | \$42.50 | 333,156 | \$364,991,000 |
| December | 186,404 | \$42.51 | 186,404 | \$357,067,000 |

Item 6. Exhibits

| Exhibit Number | Exhibit |
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| 31.1* | Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |
| 31.2* | Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |
| 32.1** | Certification pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |
| 32.2** | Certification pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |
| 101.INS* | XBRL Instance Document. |
| 101.SCH* | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document. |
| 101.DEF* | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document. |
| 101.CAL* | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document. |
| 101.LAB* | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document. |
| 101.PRE* | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document. |

* Filed herewith.

** Furnished herewith. The information in these exhibits shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to liability under that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

SIGNATURE

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

AVNET, INC.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ KEVIN MORIARTY
Kevin Moriarty
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 23, 2015