HARSCO CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)

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(In thousands, except per share amounts)	 2019		2018
Revenues from continuing operations:			
Service revenues	\$ 229,520	\$	244,209
Product revenues	 217,768		163,829
Total revenues	447,288		408,038
Costs and expenses from continuing operations:			
Cost of services sold	181,871		191,675
Cost of products sold	157,004		119,678
Selling, general and administrative expenses	67,029		57,083
Research and development expenses	1,262		1,239
Other expenses, net	1,876		1,822
Total costs and expenses	409,042		371,497
Operating income from continuing operations	 38,246		36,541
Interest income	534		498
Interest expense	(9,739)		(9,583)
Defined benefit pension income (expense)	 (1,337)		839
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity income	 27,704		28,295
Income tax expense	(4,855)		(8,266)
Equity income of unconsolidated entities, net	20		_
Income from continuing operations	22,869		20,029
Discontinued operations:			
Loss on disposal of discontinued business	(440)		(580)
Income tax benefit related to discontinued business	108		128
Loss from discontinued operations	(332)		(452)
Net income	 22,537		19,577
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	 (1,840)		(1,769)
Net income attributable to Harsco Corporation	\$ 20,697	\$	17,808
Amounts attributable to Harsco Corporation common stockholders:	-		
Income from continuing operations, net of tax	\$ 21,029	\$	18,260
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax	(332)		(452)
Net income attributable to Harsco Corporation common stockholders	\$ 20,697	\$	17,808
Weighted-average shares of common stock outstanding	 79,907		80,650
Basic earnings (loss) per common share attributable to Harsco Corporation common stockholders:			
Continuing operations	\$ 0.26	\$	0.23
Discontinued operations	_		(0.01)
Basic earnings per share attributable to Harsco Corporation common stockholders	\$ 0.26	\$	0.22
Diluted weighted-average shares of common stock outstanding	 81,653		83,544
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share attributable to Harsco Corporation common stockholders:			
Continuing operations	\$ 0.26	\$	0.22
Discontinued operations	 —		(0.01)
Diluted earnings per share attributable to Harsco Corporation common stockholders	\$ 0.25	(a) \$	0.21

HARSCO CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)

(In thousands)	March 31 2019	D	ecember 31 2018
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 84,743	\$\$	64,260
Restricted cash	2,942	2	2,886
Trade accounts receivable, net	296,79	5	291,213
Other receivables	51,130)	54,182
Inventories	147,690	3	133,111
Current portion of contract assets	17,478	}	24,254
Other current assets	45,219)	35,128
Total current assets	646,003	}	605,034
Property, plant and equipment, net	483,44	}	469,900
Right-of-use assets, net	49,584	ł	_
Goodwill	412,449)	411,552
Intangible assets, net	78,75	3	79,825
Deferred income tax assets	50,05 ⁻	1	49,114
Other assets	17,273	}	17,442
Total assets	\$ 1,737,56 ⁻	\$	1,632,867
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities:			
Short-term borrowings	\$ 6,420	3\$	10,078
Current maturities of long-term debt	6,53	}	6,489
Accounts payable	159,03	1	149,410
Accrued compensation	37,483	}	57,586
Income taxes payable	1,598	}	2,634
Insurance liabilities	40,830)	40,774
Current portion of advances on contracts	37,014	t –	31,317
Current portion of operating lease liabilities	12,930	3	—
Other current liabilities	122,72	1	118,708
Total current liabilities	424,583	}	416,996
Long-term debt	642,37	5	585,662
Insurance liabilities	20,384	t	19,575
Retirement plan liabilities	201,572	2	213,578
Advances on contracts	27,478	3	37,675
Operating lease liabilities	37,03	1	_
Other liabilities	48,860)	46,005
Total liabilities	1,402,289)	1,319,491
HARSCO CORPORATION STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Common stock	143,178		141,842
Additional paid-in capital	192,912		190,597
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(584,42		(567,107)
Retained earnings	1,340,878		1,298,752
Treasury stock	(805,520)	(795,821)
Total Harsco Corporation stockholders' equity	287,023		268,263
Noncontrolling interests	48,249)	45,113
Total equity	335,272	2	313,376
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 1,737,56 ⁷	\$	1,632,867

HARSCO CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)

	Three Months March 3	
(In thousands)	 2019	2018
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 22,537 \$	19,577
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation	30,204	31,418
Amortization	3,045	1,934
Deferred income tax expense	595	4,635
Equity in income of unconsolidated entities, net	(20)	—
Other, net	(279)	1,944
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(3,270)	(4,848)
Inventories	(14,448)	(11,490)
Contract assets	6,770	(5,698)
Right-of-use assets	3,895	_
Accounts payable	3,099	7,340
Accrued compensation	(19,924)	(26,131)
Advances on contracts	(3,406)	(7,348)
Operating lease liabilities	(3,913)	_
Retirement plan liabilities, net	(9,403)	(12,252)
Other assets and liabilities	(644)	(7,324)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	14,838	(8,243)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(36,407)	(26,897)
Purchase of business, net of cash acquired	680	—
Proceeds from sales of assets	1,177	377
Net payments from settlement of foreign currency forward exchange contracts	(4,091)	(3,822)
Net cash used by investing activities	 (38,641)	(30,342)
Cash flows from financing activities:	 	(,)
Short-term borrowings, net	(3,578)	(3,659)
Current maturities and long-term debt:		, ,
Additions	56,998	46,000
Reductions	(1,700)	(2,944)
Sale of noncontrolling interests	876	477
Stock-based compensation - Employee taxes paid	(8,237)	(709)
Net cash used by financing activities	 44,359	39,165
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash	 (17)	738
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash	 20,539	1,318
Cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash, at beginning of period	67,146	66,209
Cash and cash equivalents, including restricted cash, at end of period	\$ 87,685 \$	67,527

HARSCO CORPORATION REVIEW OF OPERATIONS BY SEGMENT (Unaudited)

		Ended)19	Three Months Ended March 31, 2018					
(In thousands)		Revenues		Operating ome (Loss)		Revenues	Ir	Operating ncome (Loss)
Harsco Metals & Minerals	\$	261,312	\$	24,497	\$	264,723	\$	27,735
Harsco Industrial		117,385		17,030		83,598		12,421
Harsco Rail		68,591		5,389		59,678		1,952
Corporate		_		(8,670)		39		(5,567)
Consolidated Totals	\$	447,288	\$	38,246	\$	408,038	\$	36,541

HARSCO CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS EXCLUDING UNUSUAL ITEMS TO DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS AS REPORTED (Unaudited)

	Three Mor Marc	nths Er ch 31	ıded
	 2019	20	018 (a)
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations as reported	\$ 0.26	\$	0.22
Harsco Rail Segment improvement initiative costs (b)	0.03		_
Corporate strategic costs (c)	0.03		—
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment cumulative translation adjustment liquidation (d)	(0.03)		_
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment change in fair value to contingent consideration liability (e)	_		_
Taxes on above unusual items (f)	(0.01)		_
Adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations excluding unusual items	\$ 0.29 (g	\$	0.22

(a) No unusual items were excluded in the three months ended March 31, 2018.

(b) Costs associated with a productivity improvement initiative in the Harsco Rail Segment (Q1 2019 \$2.6 million pre-tax).

(c) Costs at Corporate associated with supporting and executing the Company's growth strategy (Q1 2019 \$2.7 million pre-tax).

(d) Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment gain related to the liquidation of cumulated translation adjustment related to an exited country (Q1 2019 \$2.3 million pre-tax).

(e) Fair value adjustment to contingent consideration liability related to the acquisition of Altek (Q1 2019 \$0.4 million pretax). The Company adjusts Operating income and Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations to exclude the impact of the change in fair value to the acquisition-related contingent consideration liability for the Altek acquisition because it believes that the adjustment for this item more closely correlates the reported financial measures with the ordinary and ongoing course of the Company's operations.

(f) Unusual items are tax effected at the global effective tax rate, before discrete items, in effect at the time the unusual item is recorded except for unusual items from countries where no tax benefit can be realized, in which case a zero percent tax rate is used.

(g) Does not total due to rounding.

The Company's management believes Adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations excluding unusual items, which is a non-U.S. GAAP financial measure, is useful to investors because it provides an overall understanding of the Company's historical and future prospects. Exclusion of unusual items permits evaluation and comparison of results for the Company's core business operations, and it is on this basis that management internally assesses the Company's performance. This measure should be considered in addition to, rather than as a substitute for, other information provided in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

HARSCO CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS EXCLUDING UNUSUAL ITEMS TO DILUTED LOSS PER SHARE FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS AS REPORTED (Unaudited)

	E	e Months Ended une 30 2018
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations as reported	\$	0.48
Harsco Metals & Minerals adjustment to slag disposal accrual (a)		(0.04)
Altek acquisition costs (b)		0.01
Loss on early extinguishment of debt (c)		0.01
Taxes on above unusual items (e)		_
Deferred tax asset valuation allowance adjustment (e)		(0.10)
Adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations excluding unusual items	\$	0.36

(a) Harsco Metals & Minerals adjustment to previously accrued amounts related to the disposal of certain slag material in Latin America (\$3.2 million pre-tax).

(b) Costs associated with the acquisition of Altek Europe Holdings Limited and its affiliated entities recorded in the Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment (\$0.8 million pretax) and at Corporate (\$0.4 million pretax).

(c) Loss on early extinguishment of debt associated with the amending of the Company's existing Senior Secured Credit Facility in order to reduce the interest rate applicable to the Term Loan Facility (\$1.0 million pre-tax).

(d) Unusual items are tax effected at the global effective tax rate, before discrete items, in effect at the time the unusual item is recorded except for unusual items from countries where no tax benefit can be realized, in which case a zero percent tax rate is used.

(e) Adjustment of certain existing deferred tax asset valuation allowances as a result of the Altek acquisition (\$8.3 million).

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	E	ve Months Ended ember 31
		2018
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations as reported		1.64
Harsco Metals & Minerals adjustment to slag disposal accrual (a)	Ψ	(0.04)
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment change in fair value to contingent consideration liability (b)		(0.04)
Altek acquisition costs (c)		0.01
Loss on early extinguishment of debt (d)		0.01
Harsco Rail Segment improvement initiative costs (e)		0.01
Taxes on above unusual items (f)		(0.01)
Impact of U.S. tax reform on income tax benefit (expense) (g)		(0.18)
Deferred tax asset valuation allowance adjustment (h)		(0.10)
Adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations excluding unusual items	\$	1.31 (i)

(a) Harsco Metals & Minerals adjustment to previously accrued amounts related to the disposal of certain slag material in Latin America (\$3.2 million pre-tax).

(b) Fair value adjustment to contingent consideration liability related to the acquisition of Altek (\$2.9 million pre-tax). The Company adjusts Operating income and Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations to exclude the impact of the change in fair value to the acquisition-related contingent consideration liability for the Altek acquisition because it believes that the adjustment for this item more closely correlates the reported financial measures with the ordinary and ongoing course of the Company's operations.

(c) Costs associated with the acquisition of Altek Europe Holdings Limited and its affiliated entities ("Altek") recorded in the Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment (\$0.8 million pretax) and at Corporate (\$0.4 million pretax).

(d) Loss on early extinguishment of debt associated with the amending of the Company's existing Senior Secured Credit Facility in order to reduce the interest rate applicable to the Term Loan Facility (\$1.0 million pre-tax).

(e) Costs associated with a productivity improvement initiative in the Harsco Rail Segment (\$0.6 million pre-tax).

(f) Unusual items are tax effected at the global effective tax rate, before discrete items, in effect at the time the unusual item is recorded except for unusual items from countries where no tax benefit can be realized, in which case a zero percent tax rate is used.

(g) The Company recorded a benefit (expense) as a result of revaluing net deferred tax assets and liabilities as a result of U.S. tax reform (\$15.4 million benefit).

(h) Adjustment of certain existing deferred tax asset valuation allowances as a result of the Altek acquisition (\$8.3 million).

(i) Does not total due to rounding.

The Company's management believes Adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations excluding unusual items, which is a non-U.S. GAAP financial measure, is useful to investors because it provides an overall understanding of the Company's historical and future prospects. Exclusion of unusual items permits evaluation and comparison of results for the Company's core business operations, and it is on this basis that management internally assesses the Company's performance. This measure should be considered in addition to, rather than as a substitute for, other information provided in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

HARSCO CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF PROJECTED ADJUSTED DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS EXCLUDING UNUSUAL ITEMS TO DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS (Unaudited)

	 Three Mon Jun 20 Low 0.23 0.12 0.02 (0.03)	ected hths E he 30)19	
	 Low		High
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 0.23	\$	0.29
Corporate strategic and transaction related costs	0.12		0.12
Harsco Rail Segment improvement initiative costs	0.02		0.02
Taxes on above unusual items	(0.03)		(0.03)
Adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations, excluding unusual items	\$ 0.35 (a	a) \$	0.40

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	 2019				
	 Low		High		
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 1.15	\$	1.33		
Corporate strategic and transaction related costs	0.15		0.15		
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	0.09		0.09		
Harsco Rail Segment improvement initiative costs	0.06		0.06		
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment cumulative translation adjustment liquidation	(0.03)		(0.03)		
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment change in fair value to contingent consideration liability	_		_		
Taxes on above unusual items	(0.07)		(0.07)		
Adjusted diluted earnings per share from continuing operations, excluding unusual items	\$ 1.35	\$	1.53		

(a) Does not total due to rounding.

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HARSCO CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) EXCLUDING UNUSUAL ITEMS BY SEGMENT TO OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) AS REPORTED BY SEGMENT (Unaudited)

(In thousands)		Harsco Metals & Minerals		Metals &		Metals &		Metals & Harsco		Harsco Rail		Corporate	(Consolidated Totals
Three Months Ended March 31, 2019:														
Operating income (loss) as reported	\$	24,497	\$	17,030	\$	5,389	\$	(8,670)	\$	38,246				
Harsco Rail Segment improvement initiative costs		_	•	_	,	2,648	•	(-,,-,,,,,,,,,,,	•	2,648				
Corporate strategic costs		_		_		_		2,739		2,739				
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment cumulative translation adjustment liquidation		(2,271)		_		_		_		(2,271)				
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment change in fair value to contingent consideration liability		369		_		_		_		369				
Adjusted operating income (loss), excluding unusual items	\$	22,595	\$	17,030	\$	8,037	\$	(5,931)	\$	41,731				
Revenues as reported	\$	261,312	\$	117,385	\$	68,591	\$	_	\$	447,288				
Adjusted operating margin (%) excluding unusual items		8.6%		14.5%		11.7%			_	9.3%				
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Three Months Ended March 31, 2018:														
Operating income (loss) as reported (a)	\$	27,735	\$	12,421	\$	1,952	\$	(5,567)	\$	36,541				
Revenues as reported	\$	264,723	\$	83,598	\$	59,678	\$	39	\$	408,038				
Operating margin (%) as reported		10.5%		14.9%		3.3%			_	9.0%				

(a) No unusual items were excluded in the three months ended March 31, 2018.

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(In thousands)	 Harsco Metals & Minerals	 Harsco Industrial	 Harsco Rail	 Corporate	C	onsolidated Totals
Three Months Ended June 30, 2018:						
Operating income (loss) as reported	\$ 35,661	\$ 14,170	\$ 8,618	\$ (4,824)	\$	53,625
Harsco Metals & Minerals adjustment to slag disposal accrual	(3,223)	_	_	_		(3,223)
Altek acquisition costs	753	_	_	431		1,184
Adjusted operating income (loss), excluding unusual items	\$ 33,191	\$ 14,170	\$ 8,618	\$ (4,393)	\$	51,586
Revenues as reported	\$ 272,320	\$ 92,065	\$ 67,552	\$ 35	\$	431,972
Adjusted operating margin (%) excluding unusual items	 12.2 %	 15.4 %	 12.8 %			11.9 %

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HARSCO CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED OPERATING INCOME (LOSS), EXCLUDING UNUSUAL ITEMS BY SEGMENT TO OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) AS REPORTED BY SEGMENT (Unaudited)

(In thousands)	 Harsco Metals & Minerals	 Harsco Harsco Industrial Rail		Corporate	С 	onsolidated Totals		
Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2018:								
Operating income (loss) as reported	\$ 121,195	\$ 54,665	\$	37,341	\$	(22,274)	\$	190,927
Harsco Metals & Minerals adjustment to slag disposal accrual	(3,223)	_		_		_		(3,223)
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment change in fair value to contingent consideration liability	(2,939)	_		_		_		(2,939)
Altek acquisition costs	753	_		_		431		1,184
Harsco Rail Segment improvement initiative costs	_	—		640		—		640
Adjusted operating income (loss), excluding unusual items	\$ 115,786	\$ 54,665	\$	37,981	\$	(21,843)	\$	186,589
Revenues as reported	\$ 1,068,304	\$ 374,708	\$	279,294	\$	74	\$	1,722,380
Adjusted operating margin (%) excluding unusual items	 10.8%	 14.6%		13.6%				10.8%

The Company's management believes Adjusted operating income (loss) excluding unusual items, which is a non-U.S. GAAP financial measure, is useful to investors because it provides an overall understanding of the Company's historical and future prospects. Exclusion of unusual items permits evaluation and comparison of results for the Company's core business operations, and it is on this basis that management internally assesses the Company's performance. This measure should be considered in addition to, rather than as a substitute for, other information provided in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

HARSCO CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF PROJECTED ADJUSTED OPERATING INCOME, EXCLUDING UNUSUAL ITEMS TO OPERATING INCOME (Unaudited)

		Projected Three Months Ending June 30		ng	
(In millions)		2019			
	L	Low		High	
Operating income	\$	41	\$	46	
Corporate strategic and transaction related costs		10		10	
Harsco Rail Segment improvement initiative costs		2		2	
Adjusted operating income, excluding unusual items	\$	53	\$	58	

		Projected Twelve Months Ending December 31 2019			
Operating income	\$	192	\$	207	
Corporate strategic and transaction related costs		13		13	
Harsco Rail Segment improvement initiative costs		5		5	
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment cumulative translation adjustment liquidation		(2)		(2)	
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment change in fair value to contingent consideration liability		_		_	
Adjusted operating income, excluding unusual items	\$	207 (a) \$	222 (a	

(a) Does not total due to rounding.

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HARSCO CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF FREE CASH FLOW AND FREE CASH FLOW BEFORE GROWTH CAPITAL EXPENDITURES TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31			
(In thousands)		2019	2018	
Net cash used by operating activities	\$	14,838 \$	(8,243)	
Less capital expenditures		(36,407)	(26,897)	
Plus capital expenditures for strategic ventures (a)		843	240	
Plus total proceeds from sales of assets (b)		1,177	377	
Free cash flow		(19,549)	(34,523)	
Add growth capital expenditures		12,517	7,684	
Free cash flow before growth capital expenditures	\$	(7,032) \$	(26,839)	

(a) Capital expenditures for strategic ventures represent the partner's share of capital expenditures in certain ventures consolidated in the Company's financial statements.

(b) Asset sales are a normal part of the business model, primarily for the Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment.

The Company's management believes that free cash flow, which is a non-U.S. GAAP financial measure, is meaningful to investors because management reviews cash flows generated from operations less capital expenditures net of asset sales proceeds for planning and performance evaluation purposes. The Company's management also believes that free cash flow before growth capital expenditures, which is a non-U.S. GAAP financial measure, is meaningful to investors because management uses this as a key factor in the deployment of capital for strategic planning purposes. It is important to note that free cash flow and free cash flow before growth capital expenditures do not represent the total residual cash flow available for discretionary expenditures since other non-discretionary expenditures, such as mandatory debt service requirements and settlements of foreign currency forward exchange contracts, are not deducted from these measures. These measures should be considered in addition to, rather than as a substitute for, other information provided in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

HARSCO CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF FREE CASH FLOW AND FREE CASH FLOW BEFORE GROWTH CAPITAL EXPENDITURES TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES (Unaudited)

	Twelve Months Ended December 31	
(In thousands)	 2018	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 192,022	
Less capital expenditures	(132,168)	
Plus capital expenditures for strategic ventures (a)	1,595	
Plus total proceeds from sales of assets (b)	11,887	
Free cash flow	 73,336	
Add growth capital expenditures	30,655	
Free cash flow before growth capital expenditures	\$ 103,991	

(a) Capital expenditures for strategic ventures represent the partner's share of capital expenditures in certain ventures consolidated in the Company's financial statements.

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HARSCO CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF FREE CASH FLOW AND FREE CASH FLOW BEFORE GROWTH CAPITAL EXPENDITURES TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES (Unaudited)

		Projected Twelve Months Ending December 31			
	2019				
(In millions)		Low		High	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	225	\$	260	
Less capital expenditures		(176)		(194)	
Plus total proceeds from asset sales and capital expenditures for strategic ventures		6		4	
Free cash flow		55		70	
Add growth capital expenditures		80		80	
Free cash flow before growth capital expenditures	\$	135	\$	150	

The Company's management believes that free cash flow, which is a non-U.S. GAAP financial measure, is meaningful to investors because management reviews cash flows generated from operations less capital expenditures net of asset sales proceeds for planning and performance evaluation purposes. The Company's management also believes that free cash flow before growth capital expenditures, which is a non-U.S. GAAP financial measure, is meaningful to investors because management uses this as a key factor in the deployment of capital for strategic planning purposes. It is important to note that free cash flow and free cash flow before growth capital expenditures do not represent the total residual cash flow available for discretionary expenditures since other non-discretionary expenditures, such as mandatory debt service requirements and settlements of foreign currency forward exchange contracts, are not deducted from these measures. These measures should be considered in addition to, rather than as a substitute for, other information provided in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

HARSCO CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF RETURN ON INVESTED CAPITAL EXCLUDING UNUSUAL ITEMS TO NET INCOME (LOSS) FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS AS REPORTED (a) (Unaudited)

		Trailing Twe Period End	elve Months for ded March 31		
(In thousands)		2019		2018	
Income from continuing operations	\$	147,579	\$	21,163	
Unusual items:					
Harsco Rail Segment improvement initiative costs		3,288		—	
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment adjustment to slag disposal accrual		(3,223)		_	
Corporate strategic costs		2,739		—	
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment change in fair value to contingent consideration liability		(2,570)		_	
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment cumulative translation adjustment liquidation		(2,271)		—	
Altek acquisition costs		1,184		—	
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment bad debt expense		_		4,589	
Loss on early extinguishment of debt		1,034		2,265	
Taxes on above unusual items (b)		(1,525)		(2,052)	
Impact of U.S. tax reform on income tax benefit		(15,409)		48,680	
Deferred tax asset valuation allowance adjustment		(8,292)		—	
Net income from continuing operations, as adjusted		122,534		74,645	
After-tax interest expense (c)		29,494		29,995	
Net operating profit after tax as adjusted	\$	152,028	\$	104,640	
Average equity	\$	296,468	\$	209,938	
Plus average debt	· · ·	643,816	Ψ	625,337	
Average capital	\$	940,284	\$	835,275	
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 Return on invested capital excluding unusual items
 16.2%
 12.5%

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(c) The Company's effective tax rate approximated 23% for the trailing twelve months for the period ended March 31, 2019 and for the trailing twelve months for the period ended March 31, 2018, 37% was used for April 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 and 23% was used for January 1, 2018 through March 31, 2018, on an adjusted basis, for interest expense.

The Company's management believes Return on invested capital excluding unusual items, which is a non-U.S. GAAP financial measure, is meaningful in evaluating the efficiency and effectiveness of the capital invested in the Company's business. Exclusion of unusual items permits evaluation and comparison of results for the Company's core business operations, and it is on this basis that management internally assesses the Company's performance. This measure should be considered in addition to, rather than as a substitute for, net income or other information provided in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

HARSCO CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF RETURN ON INVESTED CAPITAL EXCLUDING UNUSUAL ITEMS TO NET INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS AS REPORTED (a) (Unaudited)

	Year Ende December 3	
(In thousands)		2018
Income from continuing operations	\$	144,739
Unusual items:		
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment adjustment to slag disposal accrual		(3,223)
Harsco Metals & Minerals Segment change in fair value to contingent consideration liability		(2,939)
Altek acquisition costs		1,184
Loss on early extinguishment of debt		1,034
Harsco Rail Segment improvement initiative costs		640
Taxes on above unusual items (b)		(361)
Impact of U.S. tax reform on income tax benefit		(15,409)
Deferred tax asset valuation allowance adjustment		(8,292)
Net income from continuing operations, as adjusted		117,373
After-tax interest expense (c)		29,374
Net operating profit after tax as adjusted	\$	146,747
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Average equity	\$	274,164
Plus average debt		635,491
Average capital	\$	909,655
Return on invested capital excluding unusual items	_	16.1%

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