

Earnings Teleconference

Second Quarter / Fiscal 2014



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The term "operating tax rate" represents the tax rate on our recurring operating results. This rate excludes discrete tax items, which are unusual or infrequent items that are excluded from the estimated annual effective tax rate and other tax items, including the impact of the timing of losses in certain jurisdictions, cumulative rate adjustment and the impact of certain items on both operating income and tax provision. The term "product mix" refers to the various types and grades, or mix, of products sold in a particular Business or Segment during the period, and the positive or negative impact of that mix on the revenue or profitability of the Business or Segment.



Q2 2014 Highlights

BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

- Adjusted EPS increased 30% year over year as demand improved in our key end markets
- Strong volumes in Reinforcement Materials and Performance Materials
- Sequential improvement in Purification Solutions EBIT









Q2 2014 Highlights

STRATEGIC HIGHLIGHTS

- Announced the divestiture of the Security Materials business for approximately \$20 million
- New PROPEL[™] carbon black products launched for tire applications
- Cabot Norit Activated
 Carbon contract wins









Q2 2014 Cabot Operating Results

	Q2 2014	Q2 2013*	Q1 2014*
Total Segment EBIT (in millions)	\$116	\$87	\$114
Adjusted EPS	\$0.83	\$0.64	\$0.87
Adjusted EBITDA (in millions)	\$150	\$125	\$151

Q2 2014 Year over Year Total Segment EBIT increased \$29 million

- Volumes increased across most of the segments
- Margins strengthened

Q2 2014 Total Segment EBIT increased \$2 million sequentially

- Volumes increased in Performance Materials
- Sequential improvement in Purification Solutions

^{*}Recast to reflect Security Materials business in discontinued operations following agreement to divest business



Reinforcement Materials Segment

Operating Performance

In millions	Q2 2014	Q2 2013	Q1 2014
Net sales	\$504	\$459	\$517
Segment EBIT	\$61	\$42	\$64

Key Highlights

- Second quarter volumes improved 15% year over year
- Benefits from raw material purchasing savings and energy efficiency investments
- Commercialization of new China capacity on track

- Tire and automotive demand expected to increase in 2014 compared to 2013
- Scheduled maintenance in second half of 2014



Performance Materials Segment

Operating Performance

In millions	Q2 2014	Q2 2013	Q1 2014
Net sales	\$249	\$243	\$217
Segment EBIT	\$47	\$37	\$34

Key Highlights

- Record EBIT quarter
- Second quarter volumes increased 3% year over year and 15% sequentially in Specialty Carbons and Compounds
- Second quarter volumes increased 4% year over year and 5% sequentially in Fumed Metal Oxides

- Growth forecasted year over year in automotive and construction and infrastructure-related industries
- Scheduled maintenance in second half of 2014



Advanced Technologies Segment

Operating Performance

In millions	Q2 2014	Q2 2013*	Q1 2014*
Net sales	\$48	\$39	\$64
Segment EBIT	\$12	\$8	\$25

Key Highlights

- Elastomer Composites royalties increase year over year
- Agreement to divest Security Materials business
- Lower level of Specialty Fluids project activity as expected

- Lower levels of projects for Specialty
 Fluids expected next quarter
- CEC business transitioning to a licensing model

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Purification Solutions Segment

Operating Results

In millions	Q2 2014	Q2 2013	Q1 2014
Net sales	\$80	\$75	\$72
Segment EBITDA	\$9	\$13	\$5

Key Highlights

- MATS regulation upheld
- Sequential EBITDA improvement from higher prices and lower costs
- Revenue growth from price increases and improved mix
- Contract wins for MATS compliance

- Expect quarterly performance to improve sequentially
- MATS implementation on track for April 2015
- Confident in long-term growth of the business



Corporate Financials

- Liquidity remains strong at \$487 million
- ♦ Reduced debt by \$47 million
- Capital expenditures of \$28 million
- ♦ Net working capital increased by \$22 million
- ♦ Received \$215 million for final Supermetals payment in April
- ♦ Forecasted operating tax rate of approximately 28% for fiscal 2014



Conclusion

OUTLOOK

- Growth expected in tire, automotive, and construction and infrastructure sectors
- Actively developing new products and new energy efficiency technologies
- Confident in ability to deliver earnings growth











