

2nd Quarter 2017 Earnings Conference Call

July 27, 2017

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Statement of Earnings	Sec	cond Quar	ter	Year-to-Date			
\$ in millions except per share amounts	2017	2016	Change	2017	2016	Change	
Sales	\$ 379	\$ 348	9 %	\$ 720	\$ 653	10 %	
Gross Profit	204	185	10 %	389	347	12 %	
% of Sales	53.7 %	53.2 %	0.5 pts	54.1 %	53.1 %	1.0 pts	
Operating Earnings	99	78	26 %	185	139	33 %	
% of Sales	26.0 %	22.5 %	3.5 pts	25.6 %	21.3 %	4.3 pts	
Net Earnings	\$ 80	\$ 51	57 %	\$ 141	\$ 90	55 %	
% of Sales	21.0 %	14.6 %	6.4 pts	19.5 %	13.9 %	5.6 pts	
Diluted Earnings							
Per Share	\$ 1.38	\$ 0.89	55 %	\$ 2.43	\$ 1.59	53 %	
Diluted Shares in Millions	57.9	57.0		57.8	56.9		

The increase in diluted EPS includes:

- \$0.23 for the quarter and \$0.28 for year to date from a required change in accounting for stock compensation adopted in first quarter 2017, see page 6
- \$0.01 for the quarter and \$0.02 for year to date from reduced intangible amortization expense resulting from the impairment charge recorded in fourth quarter 2016

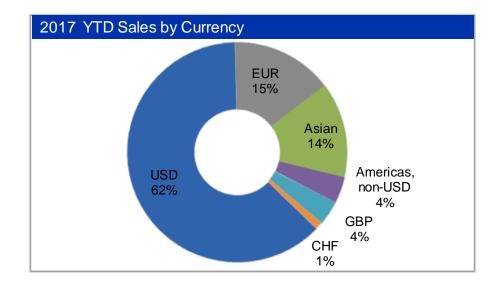
Financial Results

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Components of Net Sales Change

	Second Quarter June 2017							
		Segment						
	Industrial	Process	Contractor	Americas	EMEA	Asia Pacific	Consolidated	
Volume and Price	13 %	15 %	5 %	7 %	12 %	20 %	10 %	
Acquisitions	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	
Currency	(2)%	(2)%	(1)%	0 %	(3)%	(2)%	(1)%	
Total	11 %	13 %	4 %	7 %	9 %	18 %	9 %	

	Year-to-Date June 2017							
	Segment							
	Industrial	Process	Contractor	Americas	EMEA	Asia Pacific	Consolidated	
Volume and Price	10 %	13 %	12 %	11 %	11 %	16 %	11 %	
Acquisitions	1 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	
Currency	(2)%	(2)%	0 %	0 %	(4)%	(2)%	(1)%	
Total	9 %	11 %	12 %	11 %	7 %	14 %	10 %	



Asian currencies include: AUD, CNY, KRW, JPY

Americas currencies include: CAD, BRL, MXN

Change in Accounting for Stock Compensation



A required change in accounting for stock compensation, FASB ASU 2016-09 "Compensation – Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting", was adopted in first quarter 2017. Impact on second quarter and the year to date:

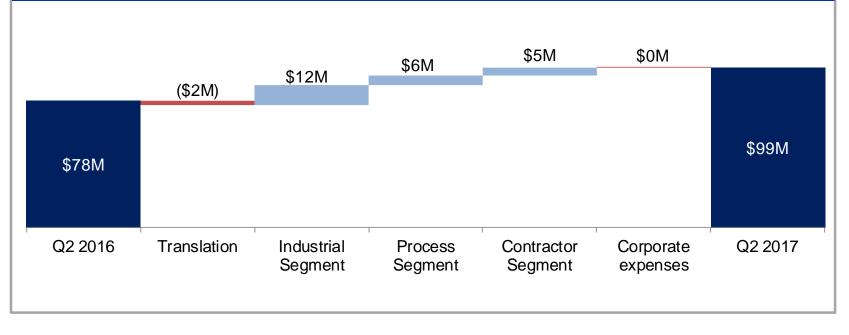
- Net effect on diluted EPS was an increase of \$0.23 for the quarter and \$0.28 for the year to date
- Excess tax benefits, previously credited to equity, reduced the tax provision by \$14 million for the quarter, \$17 million for the year to date and decreased the effective tax rate by 14 and 10 percentage points, respectively
- New accounting standard also changed certain calculations for diluted average shares outstanding with the effect of increasing diluted outstanding shares by 0.5 million in the quarter and year to date

Operating Earnings



Change in Operating Earnings	Second	Quarter	Year-to	o-Date
2016 Operating Earnings (\$M and % of sales)	\$ 78	23 %	\$ 139	21 %
Translation effect	(2)	(1)	(4)	—
Volume, price and cost	21	1	48	1
Effect of 2016 inventory step-up, acquisition costs and 2017 acquired business operations, net	(1)	—	—	—
Decrease in intangible amortization related to 2016 Oil and Natural Gas impairment	1	—	2	—
Unallocated corporate expenses (primarily central warehouse)	—	—	1	—
Volume effect on expense leverage	2	3	(1)	4
2017 Operating Earnings (\$M and % of sales)	\$ 99	26 %	\$ 185	26 %

Quarter over Quarter Operating Earnings Walk



Second Quarter 2017 Results



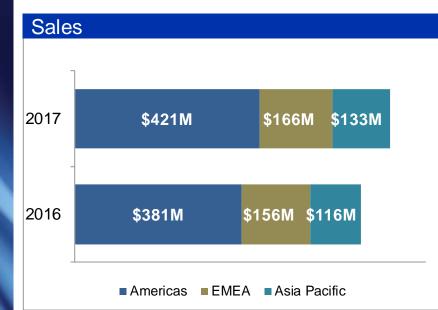




- Sales increase of 9% (at consistent currency translation rates up 10%)
 - Acquired businesses had no significant impact on the quarter
 - Unfavorable effect of currency translation rates decreased sales by approximately \$4 million
- Gross margin rate up 0.5 percentage point from second quarter 2016
 - Higher production volume and realized pricing more than offset unfavorable impact of mix
- Operating earnings are up \$21 million, or 26%, from second quarter 2016
 - Higher sales volume and expense leverage
 - Lower intangible amortization related to the 2016 Oil and Natural Gas impairment
- Tax rate for the quarter was 17%, down from 31% in the second quarter last year
 - 2017 rate benefited from the first quarter adoption of a change in accounting for stock compensation. Excess tax benefits reduced the tax provision \$14 million and reduced the effective tax rate by 14 percentage points

June Year-to-Date 2017 Results





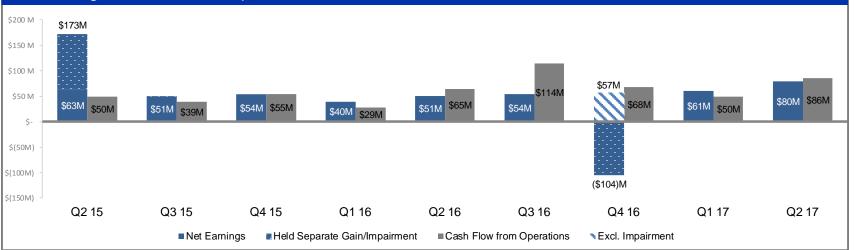


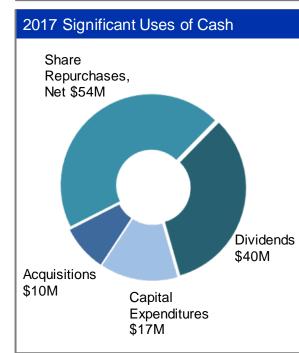
- Sales increase of 10% (at consistent currency translation rates up 11%)
 - Acquired businesses had no significant impact
 - Unfavorable effect of currency translation rates decreased sales by approximately \$8 million
- Gross margin rate up 1.0 percentage point from June 2016
 - Higher production volume, lower manufacturing cost and realized pricing more than offset unfavorable impact of mix
- Operating earnings are up \$46 million, or 33%, from June 2016
 - Higher sales volume and expense leverage
 - Net effect of year-over-year inventory step-up, acquisition costs and 2017 acquired business operations
 - Lower intangible amortization related to the 2016 Oil and Natural Gas impairment
 - Lower unallocated corporate expenses, primarily central warehouse
- Tax rate for the quarter was 21%, down from 31% year-to-date June 2016
 - 2017 rate benefited from the adoption of a change in accounting for stock compensation. Excess tax benefits reduced the tax provision \$17 million and reduced the effective tax rate by 10 percentage points

Cash Flow and Liquidity



Net Earnings and Cash from Operations





- Net cash provided by operating activities was \$136 million in 2017 vs. \$94 million in 2016
- Changes in working capital: accounts receivable, inventory, in line with volume growth
- Debt, including notes payable, was \$322 million; up \$7 million from year-end
 - Current portion of long-term debt, \$75 million
 - Interest expense down \$0.8 million from June 2016
- Repurchased 850,000 shares of stock and issued 1,010,000 shares, resulting in a net cash outlay of \$54 million
 - Common stock outstanding at the end of the quarter, 56.0 million



- Capital expenditure expectations of approximately \$40 million in 2017
 - Currently evaluating brick and mortar requirements for 2018 as Contractor and other production and distribution facilities near capacity
- Unallocated corporate expenses in 2017 are expected to be approximately \$31 million
- Impairment of intangible assets in fourth quarter 2016 is expected to reduce amortization expense by approximately \$1 million in each of the first three quarters of 2017 compared to 2016
- No shares were repurchased in second quarter; we may make further share repurchases via shortdated accelerated share repurchase programs or open market transactions
- At current exchange rates, assuming the same volumes, mix of products and mix of business by currency as in 2016, foreign currency translation would have no impact for the full year 2017, with favorable currency effect in the second half of 2017, particularly in Q4, offsetting the unfavorable effect experienced during the first half
- The tax rate was 17% for the quarter and 21% year to date, below the 31% rate in 2016. The adoption of a change in accounting for stock compensation benefited 2017 by reducing the tax provision \$14 million for the quarter and \$17 million for the year to date, decreasing the tax rate for the quarter and year to date by 14 and 10 percentage points, respectively. Exclusive of the change in accounting, the effective rate for the quarter and year to date was 31%
- The effective tax rate for third quarter and the full year is expected to be approximately 30% to 31%, excluding any impact from the change in accounting for stock compensation
- ▶ Fourth quarter 2016 included an extra week compared to our normal fiscal calendar

Current Environment and Outlook



Constant currency basis and excluding acquisitions completed in the prior 12 months

	Americas	EMEA	Asia Pacific	Worldwide
Current Environment	Sales Growth Q2 2017 7% YTD 2017 11%	Sales Growth Q2 2017 12% YTD 2017 11%	Sales Growth Q2 2017 20% YTD 2017 16%	Sales Growth Q2 2017 10% YTD 2017 11%
Industrial Segment	Sales Growth Q2 2017 9% YTD 2017 7%	Sales Growth Q2 2017 12% YTD 2017 8%	Sales Growth Q2 2017 19% YTD 2017 18%	Sales Growth Q2 2017 13% YTD 2017 10%
Contractor Segment	Sales Growth Q2 2017 2% YTD 2017 12%	Sales Growth Q2 2017 14% YTD 2017 16%	Sales Growth Q2 2017 7% YTD 2017 4%	Sales Growth Q2 2017 5% YTD 2017 12%
Process Segment	Sales Growth Q2 2017 13% YTD 2017 12%	Sales Growth Q2 2017 9% YTD 2017 12%	Sales Growth Q2 2017 33% YTD 2017 17%	Sales Growth Q2 2017 15% YTD 2017 13%
Full Year 2017 Outlook	Mid-to-high Single-digit	Mid-to-high Single-digit	Mid-to-high Single-digit	Mid-to-high Single-digit

Demand in the second quarter remained broad-based across products and geographies and continues to exceed our expectations. As a result, we are raising our full-year 2017 outlook to mid-to-high single-digit organic sales growth on a constant currency basis worldwide, from a prior outlook of mid single-digit growth. We expect to achieve mid-to-high single-digit growth in each geographic region for the full year 2017.

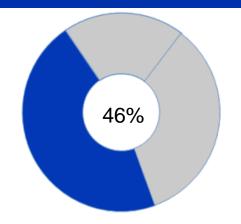
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Industrial Segment Results



Sales					
Second Quarter Year-to-Date					
\$ in millions	2017	2016 Ch	ange 2017	2016	Change
Americas	\$ 76	\$ 69	9 % \$ 145	\$ 134	8 %
EMEA	50	46	9 94	90	5
Asia Pacific	49	42	17 92	80	16
Total	\$ 175	\$ 157	11 % \$ 331	\$ 304	9 %
Operating	\$ 62	\$ 51	21 % \$ 115	\$ 97	19 %
Earnings					
% of sales	35 %	33 %	35 %	32 %	

2017 YTD Industrial Segment Sales as % of Graco





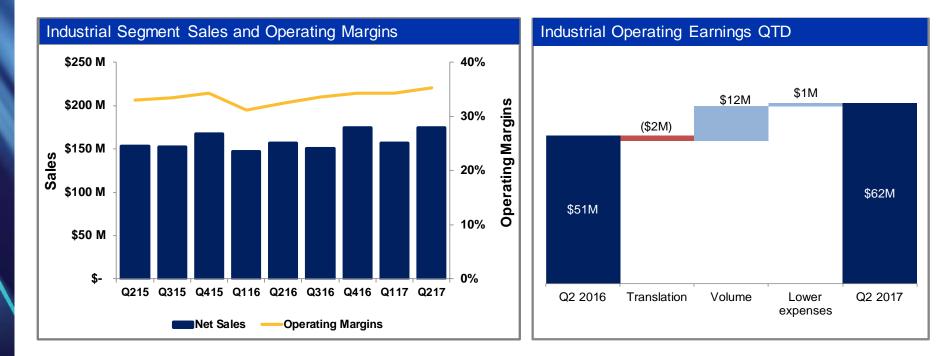
2017 Compone	ents of Net Sa	ales Change	
Se	econd Quarter	Year-to-Date	
Americas			
Volume & Price	9 %	7 %	
Acquisitions	0 %	1 %	
Currency	0 %	0 %	
Total	9 %	8 %	
EMEA			
Volume & Price	12 %	8 %	
Acquisitions	0 %	0 %	
Currency	(3)%	(3)%	
Total	9 %	5 %	
Asia Pacific			
Volume & Price	19 %	18 %	-
Acquisitions	1 %	1 %	
Currency	(3)%	(3)%	
Total	17 %	16 %	
Segment Total			
Volume & Price	13 %	10 %	
Acquisitions	0 %	1 %	
Currency	(2)%	(2)%	
Total	11 %	9 %	

Current Environment

- Favorable: construction markets
- Stable: Tier one auto
- Challenging: Protective coatings, heavy machinery, agriculture, South America
- Favorable: construction markets
- Stable: Western Europe, general industrial, truck & trailer
- Challenging: Geopolitical, Q4 comparables
- Stable: General industrial, adhesive dispense
- Challenging: Marine, agriculture, construction
- Spotty: Project activity

Industrial Segment Results

Change in % of sales	Second Quarter	Year-to-Date
2016 Operating Earnings (% of sales)	33 %	32 %
Translation effect	(1)	(1)
Volume, product and channel mix, price	0	1
Expense leverage	3	3
2017 Operating Earnings (% of sales)	35 %	35 %



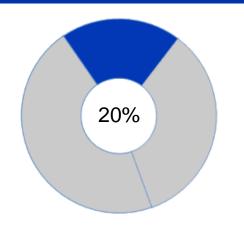


Process Segment Results



Sales						
Second Quarter Year-to-Date						
\$ in millions	2017	2016	Change	2017	2016	Change
Americas	\$ 46	\$ 41	13 %	\$ 91	\$81	12 %
EMEA	14	14	3	29	28	5
Asia Pacific	13	10	30	23	20	15
Total	\$ 73	\$ 65	13 %	\$ 143	\$ 129	11 %
Operating Earnings	\$ 13	\$8	76 %	\$ 27	\$ 15	80 %
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% of sales	18 %	12 %		19 %	12 %	

2017 YTD Process Segment Sales as % of Graco





2017 Componen	ts of Net Sa	les Change	Current Environment
Se	econd Quarter	Year-to-Date	
Americas			
Volume & Price	13 %	12 %	 Favorable: Environmental a
Acquisitions	0 %	0 %	Stable: Industrial lubricatio
Currency	0 %	0 %	 Bottom: Oil & natural gas
Total	13 %	12 %	 Spotty: Project activity
EMEA			
Volume & Price	9 %	12 %	Stable: Western Europe, c
Acquisitions	0 %	0 %	Challenging: Offshore oil 8
Currency	(6)%	(7)%	
Total	3 %	5 %	
Asia Pacific			
Volume & Price	33 %	17 %	 Stable: Process application
Acquisitions	0 %	0 %	Bottom: Mining
Currency	(3)%	(2)%	
Total	30 %	15 %	
Segment Total			
Volume & Price	15 %	13 %	
Acquisitions	0 %	0 %	
Currency	(2)%	(2)%	
Total	13 %	11 %	

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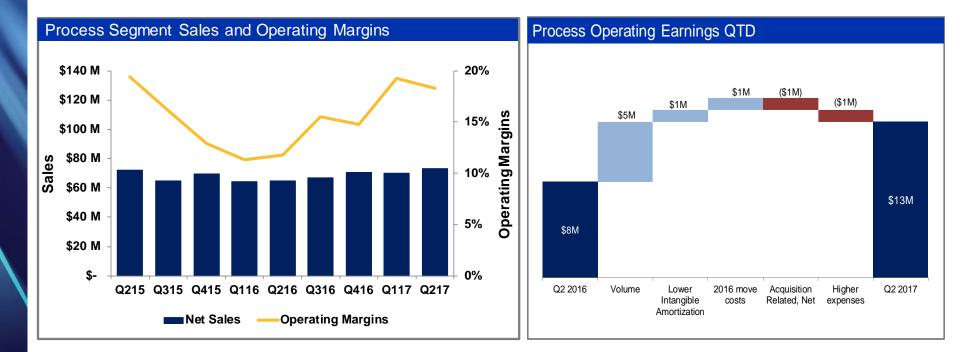
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Process Segment Results

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Change in % of sales	Second Quarter	Year-to-Date
2016 Operating Earnings (% of sales)	12 %	12 %
Translation effect	0	0
Volume, cost, price, product and channel mix	1	1
Effect of 2016 inventory step-up and acquisition costs, net	(1)	0
Decrease in intangible amortization related to 2016 Oil and Natural Gas impairment	1	1
Expense leverage	5	5
2017 Operating Earnings (% of sales)	18 %	19 %

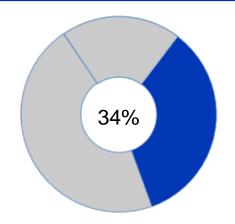


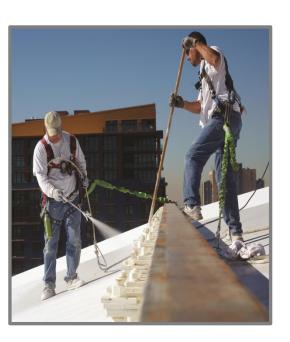
Contractor Segment Results



Sales							
	Second Quarter			Year-to			
\$ in millions	2017	2016	Change	2017	2016	Change	
Americas EMEA Asia Pacific	\$ 99 23 9	\$ 97 21 8	2 % 10 6	\$ 185 43 17	\$ 165 39 16	12 % 12 4	
Total	\$ 131	\$ 126	4 %	\$ 245	\$ 220	12 %	
Operating Earnings	\$ 34	\$ 29	15 %	\$ 60	\$ 46	30 %	
% of sales	26 %	23 %		24 %	21 %		

2017 YTD Contractor Segment Sales as % of Graco





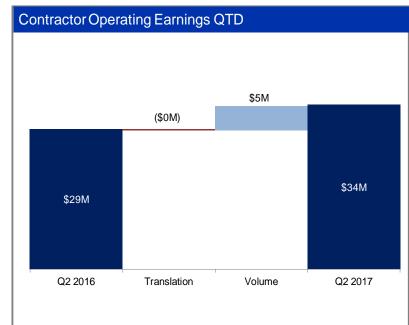
2017 Comp	onents of Ne	et Sales Chang	ge	Current Environment
Se	cond Quarter	Year-to-Date		
Americas				
Volume & Price	2 %	12 %		 Stable: Residential and commercial construction
Acquisitions	0 %	0 %		 Focus Sectors: Pro paint, general construction, DIY
Currency	0 %	0 %		Challenging: Q4 comparables
Total	2 %	12 %		
EMEA				
Volume & Price	14 %	16 %		 Favorable: Western Europe, emerging markets
Acquisitions	0 %	0 %		Challenging: Geopolitical, second half comparables
Currency	(4)%	(4)%	() () ()	
Total	10 %	12 %		
Asia Pacific				
Volume & Price	7 %	4 %		Stable: Pavement products
Acquisitions	0 %	0 %		Challenging: General construction, equipment adoption
Currency	(1)%	0 %		rates
Total	6 %	4 %		
Segment Total				
Volume & Price	5 %	12 %		
Acquisitions	0 %	0 %		
Currency	(1)%	0 %		
Total	4 %	12 %		

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Contractor Segment Results				GF	RACO
Change in % of sales	Sec		Ye	Year-to-Date	
2016 Operating Earnings (% of sales)		23 %		21 %	
Translation effect		0		0	
Volume, cost, product and channel mix		2		1	
Expense leverage		1		2	

2017 Operating Earnings (% of sales)





26 %

24 %

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