# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K

# CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: October 23, 2014 (Date of earliest event reported)

# A. M. CASTLE & CO.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-5415

(Commission File Number)

36-0879160

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1420 Kensington Road, Suite 220 Oak Brook, IL 60523

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: (847) 455-7111

### **Not Applicable**

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

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	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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Γ	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13 e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13 e-4(c))

#### **Item 2.02** Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 to Form 8-K, the following information shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

The information regarding the results of operations and financial condition of A. M. Castle & Co. (the "Company") for the third quarter ended September 30, 2014, responsive to this Item 2.02, and contained in Exhibit 99.1 filed herewith, is incorporated into this Item 2.02 by reference.

## Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On October 23, 2014, Patrick J. Herbert, III resigned from his position as a member of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of A. M. Castle & Co. (the "Company") and all committees of the Board on which he served. Mr. Herbert's resignation was not because of a disagreement with the Company on any matters relating to the Company's operations, policies, or practices.

On October 23, 2014, the Board, upon recommendation of its Governance Committee, appointed Jonathan B. Mellin to the Board to fill the newly created vacancy upon Mr. Herbert's departure. Mr. Mellin was also appointed to take Mr. Herbert's place as a Class II director and a member of the Human Resources Committee of the Board. Mr. Brian Anderson was appointed to take Mr. Herbert's place as the chairperson of the Governance Committee.

As a non-employee director, Mr. Mellin will receive compensation in accordance with the Company's non-employee director compensation practices described in the Company's Annual Proxy Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 14, 2014. This compensation generally consists of an annual cash retainer of \$60,000, payable in quarterly installments, and an annual grant of restricted stock in an amount valued at \$70,000, based on the 60-day average of the closing price per share of the Company's common stock on the date such grant is made, which is the date of the annual meeting of stockholders.

In connection with his appointment, the Company and Mr. Mellin have entered into an indemnification agreement in the form in which the Company has entered into with each of its directors to supplement the indemnification coverage provided by the Company's By-Laws and the Maryland General Corporation Law.

There are no transactions between Mr. Mellin and the Company that would be required to be reported under Item 404 (a) of Regulation S-K.

### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

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A. M. Castle & Co. (the "Company"), a global distributor of specialty metal and plastic products, value-added services and supply chain solutions, will present via live web cast its 2014 third quarter financial results on Tuesday, October 28, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. ET. Copies of the slides containing financial and operating information to be used as part of the web cast are attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report and are incorporated by reference herein.

The call can be accessed via the internet live or as a replay. Those who would like to listen to the call may access the webcast through a link on the investor relations page of the Company's website at <a href="http://www.amcastle.com/investors/">http://www.amcastle.com/investors/</a> default.aspx or by calling (888) 517-2513 or (847) 619-6533 and citing code 9042 182#.

An archived version of the conference call webcast will be available for replay at the link above approximately three hours following its conclusion, and will remain available until the next earnings conference call.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following documents are filed herewith:

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release, dated October 28, 2014.
99.2	Slide Presentation for Third Quarter 2014 Financial Results webcast to be held on October 28, 2014.

### Cautionary Statement on Risks Associated with Forward Looking Statements

Information provided and statements contained in this release that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended ("Securities Act"), Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"), and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements only speak as of the date of this release and the Company assumes no obligation to update the information included in this release. Such forward-looking statements include information concerning our possible or assumed future results of operations, including descriptions of our business strategy. These statements often include words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "predict," "plan," "should," or similar expressions. These statements are not guarantees of performance or results, and they involve risks, uncertainties, and assumptions. Although we believe that these forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, there are many factors that could affect our actual financial results or results of operations and could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements, including those risk factors identified in Item 1A "Risk Factors" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013. All future written and oral forward-looking statements by us or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained or referred to above. Except as required by the federal securities laws, we do not have any obligations or intention to release publicly any revisions to any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances in the future, to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events or for any other reason.

### **SIGNATURES**

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 hereunto duly authorized.

October 28, 2014

### A.M. CASTLE & CO.

By: /s/ Marec E. Edgar

Marec E. Edgar

Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2014

### A. M. CASTLE & CO. REPORTS THIRD QUARTER 2014 RESULTS

Company achieves operating expense target for Q3 2014

**OAK BROOK, IL, OCTOBER 28th - A. M. Castle & Co. (NYSE: CAS)** ("the Company"), a global distributor of specialty metal and plastic products, value-added services and supply chain solutions, today reported financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2014.

Consolidated net sales were \$245.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014, compared to \$253.7 million in the third quarter of 2013 and \$249.5 million in the second quarter of 2014. The Company reported a third quarter 2014 net loss of \$7.3 million, or a loss of \$0.31 per diluted share. Third quarter 2013 net loss was \$6.9 million, or \$0.30 per diluted share, and second quarter of 2014 net loss was \$72.3 million, or \$3.10 per diluted share, which included a \$56.2 million non-cash goodwill impairment charge. Adjusted non-GAAP net loss for third quarter of 2014 was \$12.9 million compared to adjusted non-GAAP net loss of \$6.9 million in the third quarter of 2013. The Company reported third quarter 2014 EBITDA of \$6.5 million, driven by a \$5.5 million gain on the sale of fixed assets in Houston that was included in restructuring activity, compared to EBITDA of \$5.4 million in the third quarter of 2013. Third quarter 2014 adjusted EBITDA was \$0.8 million compared to adjusted EBITDA of \$5.4 million in the third quarter of 2013.

"While we did not achieve the top-line growth that we had anticipated during the third quarter, we are encouraged that sales remained relatively constant for the first three quarters of 2014, and we saw sequential improvement in daily revenue and sales volumes during the third quarter. Our customer base remains stable and is benefiting from our hard work, which can be seen by the fact that our on-time delivery is trending to the highest level since the Oracle implementation was completed in 2007," said Scott Dolan, CEO of A. M. Castle. "Earlier in the third quarter, sales volumes were negatively impacted by branch consolidation execution issues in our plate and oil and gas businesses. Those issues have been remediated. Our team made significant progress during the third quarter toward completing our inventory deployment initiative to better align inventory across our organization, and we have started to realize improved sales results from the markets that were in the first phase. We expect to realize the full benefits of our inventory investment and deployment strategy in 2015."

Net sales from the Metals segment during the third quarter of 2014 were \$210.7 million, which was 4.2% lower than the third quarter of 2013 and 1.6% lower than the second quarter of 2014. Pricing was down 2.5% and sales volumes declined 1.4% compared to the third quarter of 2013. The decline in net sales of the Metals segment from the second quarter of 2014 was primarily driven by lower volumes, which was partially offset by favorable pricing.

In the Plastics segment, third quarter 2014 net sales were \$34.8 million which was 3.2% higher than the third quarter of 2013. The automotive and home goods markets drove solid performance in our Plastics segment in third quarter 2014.

Gross material margins were 24.9% in the third quarter of 2014, compared to 26.4% in the third quarter of 2013 and 23.2% in the second quarter of 2014. Gross material margins included a \$0.4 million LIFO charge in the third quarter of 2014 compared to LIFO income of \$2.4 million in the third quarter of 2013. The second quarter of 2014 gross material margin included no LIFO adjustments and \$4.4 million of unfavorable inventory adjustments.

Excluding restructuring activity, operating expenses were \$66.0 million in the third quarter of 2014 compared to \$69.1 million in the third quarter of 2013. Second quarter 2014 operating expenses were \$72.8 million excluding restructuring activity and goodwill impairment charges.

Net cash used in operations was \$12.3 million during the third quarter of 2014 as \$33.0 million of cash was used for additional investments in inventory. The Company had \$27.0 million of borrowings under its revolving credit facility at September 30, 2014 and \$88.1 million of additional borrowing capacity available. There were no borrowings under the revolving credit facility at December 31, 2013 and \$22.9 million at June 30, 2014. The Company's net debt-to-capital ratio was 53.9% at September 30, 2014 compared to 38.7% at December 31, 2013 and 51.3% at June 30, 2014. Total debt outstanding, net of unamortized discount, was \$276.9 million at September 30, 2014, \$246.0 million at December 31, 2013 and \$270.9 million at June 30, 2014. Refer to the 'Total Debt' table below for details related to the Company's outstanding debt obligations.

Dolan concluded, "Operating costs for the quarter were in line with our target of \$65 million to \$67 million. Frictional costs incurred during the first half of 2014 have been largely managed out of the business. Going forward, our near-term operating cost target remains at approximately \$65 million per quarter. We remain committed to enhancing our continuous improvement culture, and we will continue to focus on controlling our costs. Now that we are nearing completion of the inventory deployment initiative, we expect the freight cost impact on cost of materials to decrease and gross material margins to return to our more normal historical range of 25% to 26%. We are focused on driving revenue growth through transactional sales with proper inventory alignment and contractual business with improved strategic account relationships."

#### **Webcast Information**

Management will hold a conference call at 11:00 a.m. ET today to review the Company's results for the third quarter and discuss business conditions and outlook. The call can be accessed via the internet live or as a replay. Those who would like to listen to the call may access the webcast through a link on the investor relations page of the Company's website at http://www.amcastle.com/investors/default.aspx or by calling (888) 517-2513 or (847) 619-6533 and citing code 9042 182#. A supplemental presentation accompanying the webcast can also be accessed at the link provided at the investor relations page of the Company's website.

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### About A. M. Castle & Co.

Founded in 1890, A. M. Castle & Co. is a global distributor of specialty metal and plastic products and supply chain services, principally serving the producer durable equipment, oil and gas, commercial aircraft, heavy equipment, industrial goods, construction equipment, retail, marine and automotive sectors of the global economy. Its customer base includes many Fortune 500 companies as well as thousands of medium and smaller-sized firms spread across a variety of industries. Within its metals business, it specializes in the distribution of alloy and stainless steels; nickel alloys; aluminum and carbon. Through its whollyowned subsidiary, Total Plastics, Inc., the Company also distributes a broad range of value-added industrial plastics. Together, Castle and its affiliated companies operate out of 46 service centers located throughout North America, Europe and Asia. Its common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "CAS".

### **Regulation G Disclosure**

This release and the financial statements included in this release include non-GAAP financial measures. The non-GAAP financial information should be considered supplemental to, and not as a substitute for, or superior to, financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP. However, we believe that non-GAAP reporting, giving effect to the adjustments shown in the reconciliation contained in this release and in the attached financial statements, provides meaningful information and therefore we use it to supplement our GAAP reporting and guidance. Management often uses this information to assess and measure the performance of our business. We have chosen to provide this supplemental information to investors, analysts and other interested parties to enable them to perform additional analyses of operating results, to illustrate the results of operations giving effect to the non-GAAP adjustments shown in the reconciliations and to assist with period-over-period comparisons of such operations. The exclusion of the charges indicated herein from the non-GAAP financial measures presented does not indicate an expectation by the Company that similar charges will not be incurred in subsequent periods.

In addition, the Company believes that the use and presentation of EBITDA, which is defined by the Company as income before provision for income taxes plus depreciation and amortization, and interest expense, less interest income, is widely used by the investment community for evaluation purposes and provides investors, analysts and other interested parties with additional information in analyzing the Company's operating results. Adjusted non-GAAP net income and adjusted EBITDA, which are defined as reported net income and EBITDA adjusted for non-cash items and items which are not considered by management to be indicative of the underlying results, are presented as the Company believes the information is important to provide investors, analysts and other interested parties additional information about the Company's financial performance. Management uses EBITDA, adjusted non-GAAP net income and adjusted EBITDA to evaluate the performance of the business.

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### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

OPERATIONS (Dollars in thousands, except per share data)	I	For the Th En	ree ded			Months			
Unaudited		Septen	ıber	· 30,		Septem	mber 30,		
		2014		2013		2014		2013	
Net sales	\$	245,469	\$	253,713	\$	748,371	\$	819,837	
Costs, expenses and (gains):									
Cost of materials (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)		184,417		186,758		564,513		607,650	
Warehouse, processing and delivery expense		34,440		34,808		106,568		106,212	
Sales, general, and administrative expense		25,185		27,886		84,280		85,428	
Restructuring activity		(5,147)		885		(3,501)		8,703	
Depreciation and amortization expense		6,399		6,400		19,389		19,604	
Impairment of goodwill		_				56,160		_	
Operating income (loss)		175		(3,024)		(79,038)		(7,760)	
Interest expense, net		(10,148)		(10,177)		(29,988)		(30,455)	
Other (expense) income		(2,335)		166		(1,427)		(1,388)	
Loss before income taxes and equity in earnings of joint venture		(12,308)		(13,035)		(110,453)		(39,603)	
Income taxes		2,770		4,271		8,918		13,455	
Loss before equity in earnings of joint venture		(9,538)		(8,764)		(101,535)		(26,148)	
Equity in earnings of joint venture		2,213		1,853		5,914		4,816	
Net loss	\$	(7,325)	\$	(6,911)	\$	(95,621)	\$	(21,332)	
Basic loss per share	\$	(0.31)	\$	(0.30)	\$	(4.10)	\$	(0.92)	
Diluted loss per share	\$	(0.31)	\$	(0.30)	\$	(4.10)	\$	(0.92)	
EBITDA (a)	\$	6,452	\$	5,395	\$	(55,162)	\$	15,272	
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<sup>(</sup>a) Earnings (loss) before interest, taxes, and depreciation and amortization. See reconciliation to net loss below.

Reconciliation of EBITDA and of adjusted EBITDA to net loss:		or the Thi End	Months	For the Nine Months Ended					
(Dollars in thousands)	September 30,				Septemb			ıber 30,	
Unaudited		2014		2013		2014		2013	
Net loss	\$	(7,325)	\$	(6,911)	\$	(95,621)	\$	(21,332)	
Depreciation and amortization expense		6,399		6,400		19,389		19,604	
Interest expense, net		10,148		10,177		29,988		30,455	
Income taxes		(2,770)		(4,271)		(8,918)		(13,455)	
EBITDA		6,452		5,395		(55,162)		15,272	
Non-GAAP net loss adjustments (b)		(5,616)		17		51,325		10,505	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	836	\$	5,412	\$	(3,837)	\$	25,777	

<sup>(</sup>b) Non-GAAP net loss adjustments relate to restructuring activity and unrealized (gains) losses for commodity hedges for all periods presented and impairment of goodwill for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. Refer to 'Reconciliation of Adjusted Non-GAAP Net Loss to Reported Net Loss' table.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS		of			
(In thousands, except par value data)	September 3	0,	December 31,		
Unaudited	2014		2013		
ASSETS		—			
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 11,8	305	\$ 30	0,829	
Accounts receivable, less allowances of \$3,130 and \$3,463	148,2			8,544	
Inventories, principally on last-in first-out basis (replacement cost higher by	,			,	
\$130,076 and \$130,854)	252,6	597	214	4,900	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	12,3	307	9	9,927	
Deferred income taxes		_		3,242	
Income tax receivable		738		3,249	
Total current assets	428,7			0,691	
Investment in joint venture	46,2			1,879	
Goodwill	12,9			9,289	
Intangible assets, net	59,9			9,489	
Prepaid pension cost	17,2			6,515	
Other assets	17,8	324	1:	5,265	
Property, plant and equipment					
Land		170		4,917	
Buildings	53,0			3,252	
Machinery and equipment	184,1			9,632	
Property, plant and equipment, at cost	241,7			7,801	
Less - accumulated depreciation	(168,6			1,107)	
Property, plant and equipment, net	73,1			6,694	
Total assets	\$ 656,1	42	\$ 679	9,822	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$ 111,1			9,577	
Accrued liabilities	38,8	334		0,007	
Income taxes payable				1,360	
Deferred income taxes		247		207	
Current portion of long-term debt		734	10	397	
Total current liabilities	150,9			1,341	
Long-term debt, less current portion	276,1			5,599	
Deferred income taxes		214		0,733	
Other non-current liabilities		004		5,646	
Pension and post retirement benefit obligations	6,4	107		6,609	
Commitments and contingencies					
Stockholders' equity					
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value—9,988 shares authorized (including 400 Series B Junior Preferred \$0.00 par value shares); no shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013		_			
Common stock, \$0.01 par value—60,000 shares authorized and 23,610 shares issued and 23,485 outstanding at September 30, 2014 and 23,471 shares issued and 23,409 outstanding at December 31, 2013		236		234	
Additional paid-in capital	225,5	568	223	3,893	
Retained earnings		556		5,277	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(19,4			8,743)	
Treasury stock, at cost—125 shares at September 30, 2014 and 62 shares at December 31, 2013		590)		(767)	
Total stockholders' equity	214,4	150	309	9,894	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 656,1	42		9,822	
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#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS For the Nine Months Ended (Dollars in thousands) September 30, 2014 2013 Unaudited Operating activities: Net loss \$ (95,621) \$ (21,332)Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash (used in) from operating activities: 19,389 19,604 Depreciation and amortization Amortization of deferred financing costs and debt discount 5,702 5,283 Impairment of goodwill 56,160 Gain on sale of fixed assets (5,606)(2)566 Unrealized (gains) losses on commodity hedges (1,334)Equity in earnings of joint venture (5,914)(4,816)Dividends from joint venture 1,546 3,492 (14,523)Deferred tax benefit (8,043)949 606 Other, net Increase (decrease) from changes in: Accounts receivable (20,922)(9,107)59,028 Inventories (39,690)Prepaid expenses and other current assets (2,593)(1,034)Other assets 2,558 (167)Prepaid pension costs 518 (261)Accounts payable 43,796 18,290 Income taxes payable and receivable (2,179)(1,147)Accrued liabilities 7,182 10,001 Postretirement benefit obligations and other liabilities (731)1,221 (44,833)65,702 Net cash (used in) from operating activities Investing activities: Capital expenditures (8,725)(7,582)7,148 Proceeds from sale of fixed assets 765 Net cash used in investing activities (1,577)(6,817)Financing activities: Short-term debt repayments (501)222,789 115,300 Proceeds from long-term debt (195,343)(155,192)Repayments of long-term debt Other financing activities 193 1,516 27,639 (38,877)Net cash from (used in) financing activities Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents (253)(121)

Net change in cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents—beginning of year

Cash and cash equivalents—end of period

(19,024)

30,829

11,805

\$

19,887

21,607

41,494

Reconciliation of Adjusted Non-GAAP Net Loss to Reported Net Loss:

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)	For the Three Months Ended				For the Niz End			
Unaudited		Septem	ber	30,	Septe			30,
		2014		2013		2014		2013
Net loss, as reported	\$	(7,325)	\$	(6,911)	\$	(95,621)	\$	(21,332)
Restructuring activity (a)		(5,147)		885		(3,501)		9,939
Impairment of goodwill		_		_		56,160		_
Unrealized (gains) losses on commodity hedges		(469)		(868)		(1,334)		566
Tax effect of adjustments		_		9		(7,260)		(3,772)
Adjusted non-GAAP net loss	\$	(12,941)	\$	(6,885)	\$	(51,556)	\$	(14,599)
Adjusted non-GAAP basic loss per share	\$	(0.55)	\$	(0.30)	\$	(2.21)	\$	(0.63)
Adjusted non-GAAP diluted loss per share	\$	(0.55)	\$	(0.30)	\$	(2.21)	\$	(0.63)

<sup>(</sup>a) Restructuring activity includes costs associated with the write-off of inventory included in cost of materials within the condensed consolidated statement of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and costs (gains) recorded to the restructuring activity line item within the condensed consolidated statements of operations for all periods presented.

<b>Total Debt:</b>	As of				
(Dollars in thousands)	Sep	tember 30,	Dec	ember 31,	
Unaudited		2014		2013	
LONG-TERM DEBT					
12.75% Senior Secured Notes due December 15, 2016	\$	210,000	\$	210,000	
7.0% Convertible Notes due December 15, 2017		57,500		57,500	
Revolving Credit Facility due December 15, 2015		27,000		_	
Other, primarily capital leases		1,444		998	
Total long-term debt		295,944		268,498	
Less: unamortized discount		(19,070)		(22,502)	
Less: current portion		(734)		(397)	
Total long-term portion		276,140		245,599	
TOTAL DEBT	\$	276,874	\$	245,996	

Reconciliation of Total Debt to Net Debt and Net Debt-to-Capital:		As of					
(Dollars in thousands)	Sej	ptember 30,	De	cember 31,			
Unaudited		2014		2013			
Total Debt	\$	276,874	\$	245,996			
Less: Cash and Cash Equivalents		(11,805)		(30,829)			
NET DEBT	\$	265,069	\$	215,167			
Stockholders' Equity	\$	214,450	\$	309,894			
Total Debt		276,874		245,996			
CAPITAL	\$	491,324	\$	555,890			
NET DEBT-TO-CAPITAL		53.9%		38.7%			



# A. M. Castle & Co. Supplement: Q3 2014 Earnings Conference Call

October 28, 2014

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# **Forward Looking Statements**

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# **Regulation G & Other Cautionary Notes**

This presentation includes non-GAAP financial measures to assist the reader in understanding our business. The non-GAAP financial information should be considered supplemental to, and not as a substitute for, or superior to, financial measures calculated in accordance with U. S. GAAP ("GAAP"). However, we believe that non-GAAP reporting, giving effect to the adjustments shown in the reconciliation contained in the appendix to this presentation, provides meaningful information and therefore we use it to supplement our GAAP guidance. Management often uses this information to assess and measure the performance of our business. We have chosen to provide this supplemental information to investors, analysts and other interested parties to enable them to perform additional analyses of operating results, to illustrate the results of operations giving effect to the non-GAAP adjustments shown in the reconciliations and to assist with period-over-period comparisons of such operations. The exclusion of the charges indicated herein from the non-GAAP financial measures presented does not indicate an expectation by the Company that similar charges will not be incurred in subsequent periods.

In addition, the Company believes that the use and presentation of EBITDA, which is defined by the Company as income before provision/benefit for income taxes plus depreciation and amortization, and interest expense, less interest income, is widely used by the investment community for evaluation purposes and provides the investors, analysts and other interested parties with additional information in analyzing the Company's operating results. EBITDA should not be considered as an alternative to net income or any other item calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP, or as an indicator of operating performance. Our definition of EBITDA used here may differ from that used by other companies. Adjusted non-GAAP net income and adjusted EBITDA, which are defined as reported net income and EBITDA adjusted for non-cash items and items which are not considered by management to be indicative of the underlying results, are presented as the Company believes the information is important to provide investors, analysts and other interested parties additional information about the Company's financial performance. Management uses EBITDA, adjusted non-GAAP net income and adjusted EBITDA to evaluate the performance of the business.

The financial information herein contains information generated from audited financial statements and unaudited information and has been prepared by management in good faith and based on data currently available to the Company.



# **Macro Data Points and Metals Segment Markets**

- PMI: (Institute for Supply Management ISM)
  - Average PMI was 57.6 for Q3'14 versus 55.8 for Q3'13 and 55.2 for Q2'14
- North American Rig Count: (Baker Hughes)
  - Average weekly rig count for Q3'14 was 2,289 compared to 2,119 for Q3'13 and 2,051 for Q2'14

### Industrial:

 3% decrease in Industrial tons sold per day compared to both Q3'13 and Q2'14

### Oil & Gas:

 2% decrease in Oil & Gas tons sold per day compared to Q3'13 and 12% decrease compared to Q2'14

### Aerospace:

 5% increase in Aerospace tons sold per day compared to Q3'13 and 2% increase compared to Q2'14



# **Selected Results**

SELECTED CONSOLIDATED RESULTS  (Unaudited - \$ in millions, except per share data)  Three Months I September 3					Nine Months Ended September 30,				
		2014		2013	2014		2013		
Net Sales	\$	245.5	\$	253.7	\$ 748.4	\$	819.8		
Metals	\$	210.7	\$	220.0	\$ 643.9	\$	717.8		
Plastics	\$	34.8	\$	33.7	\$ 104.5	\$	102.0		
Gross Material Margins <sup>1</sup>		24.9%		26.4%	24.6%		25.9%		
Operating Expenses	\$	60.9	\$	69.9	\$ 262.9	\$	219.9		
Operating Expenses as a % of Net Sales		24.8%		27.6%	35.1%		26.8%		
Operating Income (Loss)	\$	0.2	\$	(3.0)	\$ (79.0)	\$	(7.8)		
Operating Income (Loss) as a % of Net Sales		0.1%		-1.2%	-10.6%		-0.9%		
Interest Expense, Net	\$	10.1	\$	10.2	\$ 30.0	\$	30.5		
EBITDA <sup>2</sup>	\$	6.5	\$	5.4	\$ (55.2)	\$	15.3		
EBITDA Margin		2.6%		2.1%	-7.4%		1.9%		
Net Loss, as Reported	\$	(7.3)	\$	(6.9)	\$ (95.6)	\$	(21.3)		
Net Loss per diluted share, as Reported	\$	(0.31)	\$	(0.30)	\$ (4.10)	\$	(0.92)		
Adjusted Non-GAAP Net Loss <sup>3</sup>	\$	(12.9)	\$	(6.9)	\$ (51.6)	\$	(14.6)		
Adjusted Non-GAAP Net Loss per diluted share	\$	(0.55)	\$	(0.30)	\$ (2.21)	\$	(0.63)		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Non-GAAP information. Refer to calculation in the Appendix.
<sup>2</sup> Earnings (loss) before interest, taxes and depreciation and amortization. Non-GAAP information. Refer to reconciliation in the Appendix.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Non-GAAP net loss adjustments relate to unrealized (gains) losses on commodity hedges and restructuring activity for all periods presented and impairment of goodwill for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. All amounts are net of tax. Refer to reconciliation in the Appendix. Note: A \$56.2 million goodwill impairment charge is included in results for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.



# **Liquidity and Balance Sheet**

SELECTED CONSOLIDATED RESULTS (Unaudited - \$ in millions)	Nine Months Ended September 30,						
		2014		2013			
Cash (Used in) From Operations	\$	(44.8)	\$	65.7			
Cash Paid for CapEx	\$	8.7	\$	7.6			
Avg Days Sales in Inventory		169		177			
Avg Receivables Days Outstanding		52		51			

SELECTED CONSOLIDATED RESULTS		As of								
(Unaudited - \$ in millions)	S	eptember 30,	ľ	December 31,		June 30,				
		2014		2013		2014				
Total Debt (net of unamortized discounts) <sup>1</sup>	\$	276.9	\$	246.0	\$	270.9				
Cash and Cash Equivalents		11.8		30.8		17.1				
Total Debt less Cash and Cash Equivalents ("Net Debt")	\$	265.1	\$	215.2	\$	253.8				
Stockholders' Equity		214.4		309.9		223.4				
Total Debt plus Stockholders' Equity ("Total Capital")	\$	491.3	\$	555.9	\$	494.3				
Net Debt to Total Capital		53.9%		38.7%		51.3%				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> There were \$27.0 million of cash borrowings under the revolving credit facility as of September 30, 2014, no cash borrowings as of December 31, 2013 and \$22.9 million of cash borrowings as of June 30, 2014.



### Metals segment average sales price and volume:

- 2.5% decrease in average sales price compared to Q3'13
- 1.4% decrease in tons sold compared to Q3'13
- 2.0% increase in average sales price compared to Q2'14
- 3.5% decrease in tons sold compared to Q2'14

### Days sales in inventory (DSI):

- 169 DSI for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 compared to 177 DSI for nine months ended September 30, 2013
- Gross material margin and adjusted operating expense margin:
  - Gross material margin<sup>1</sup>: 24.9% for Q3'14, 26.4% for Q3'13 and 23.2% for Q2'14
  - Adjusted operating expense margin<sup>1</sup>: 26.9% for Q3'14, 27.2% for Q3'13 and 29.2% for Q2'14

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Non-GAAP information. Refer to reconciliation in the Appendix.



# **APPENDIX**

# SEC Regulation G Non-GAAP Reconciliation

Reconciliation of Adjusted Non-GAAP Net Loss to Reported Net Loss:		Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,				
(Unaudited - \$ in thousands, except per share data)		2014		2013		2014		2013	
Net Loss, as reported	\$	(7,325)	\$	(6,911)	\$	(95,621)	\$	(21,332)	
Restructuring Activity		(5,147)		885		(3,501)		9,939	
Impairment of Goodwill						56,160		<del></del>	
Unrealized (Gains) Losses on Commodity Hedges		(469)		(868)		(1,334)		566	
Tax Effect of Adjustments		_		9		(7,260)		(3,772)	
Adjusted Non-GAAP Net Loss	\$	(12,941)	\$	(6,885)	\$	(51,556)	\$	(14,599)	
Adjusted Non-GAAP Basic Loss Per Share	\$	(0.55)	\$	(0.30)	\$	(2.21)	\$	(0.63)	
Adjusted Non-GAAP Diluted Loss Per Share	\$	(0.55)	\$	(0.30)	\$	(2.21)	\$	(0.63)	
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Net Loss:	\$	Septer		r 30,	\$	Septer		r 30,	
Net Loss: (Unaudited - \$ in thousands)		Septer 2014	nbe	r 30, 2013	\$	Septer 2014	nbe	r 30, 2013	
Net Loss: (Unaudited - \$ in thousands) Net Loss		Septer 2014 (7,325)	nbe	2013 (6,911)	\$	Septer 2014 (95,621)	nbe	r 30, 2013 (21,332)	
Net Loss: (Unaudited - \$ in thousands)  Net Loss  Depreciation and Amortization Expense		Septer 2014 (7,325) 6,399	nbe	2013 (6,911) 6,400	\$	Septer 2014 (95,621) 19,389	nbe	r 30, 2013 (21,332) 19,604	
Net Loss: (Unaudited - \$ in thousands)  Net Loss  Depreciation and Amortization Expense  Interest Expense, Net		Septer 2014 (7,325) 6,399 10,148	nbe	2013 (6,911) 6,400 10,177	\$	Septer 2014 (95,621) 19,389 29,988	nbe	r 30, 2013 (21,332) 19,604 30,455	
Net Loss: (Unaudited - \$ in thousands)  Net Loss  Depreciation and Amortization Expense Interest Expense, Net Income Taxes		Septer 2014 (7,325) 6,399 10,148 (2,770)	nbe	2013 (6,911) 6,400 10,177 (4,271)	\$	Septer 2014 (95,621) 19,389 29,988 (8,918)	nbe	r 30, 2013 (21,332) 19,604 30,455 (13,455)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Non-GAAP net loss adjustments relate to unrealized (gains) losses on commodity hedges and restructuring activity for all periods presented and impairment of goodwill for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. Refer to 'Reconciliation of Adjusted Non-GAAP Net Loss to Reported Net Loss' table above.



# **SEC Regulation G Non-GAAP Reconciliation**

Gross Material Margin Calculation	Three Months Ended					Nine Months Ended				
(Unaudited - \$ in thousands)		September 30,			June 30,			Septen	r <b>30</b> ,	
		2014		2013		2014		2014		2013
Net Sales	\$	245,469	\$	253,713	\$	249,492	\$	748,371	\$	819,837
Cost of Materials - exclusive of depreciation and amortization		(184,417)		(186,758)		(191,565)		(564,513)		(607,650)
Gross Profit	\$	61,052	\$	66,955	\$	57,927	\$	183,858	\$	212,187
Gross Material Margin - calculated as Gross Profit divided by Net Sales		24.9%		26.4%		23.2%		24.6%		25.9%

Reconciliation of Adjusted Operating <b>Expenses to Operating Expenses</b>	Three Months Er September 30,					l June 30,	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
(Unaudited - \$ in thousands)		2014		2013		2014	2014		2013	
Operating Expenses	\$	60,877	\$	69,979	\$	129,818	\$ 262,896	\$	219,947	
Restructuring Activity in Operating Expenses		5,147		(885)		(907)	3,501		(8,703)	
Impairment of Goodwill		_		_		(56,160)	(56,160)			
Adjusted Operating Expenses	\$	66,024	\$	69,094	\$	72,751	\$ 210,237	\$	211,244	
Adjusted Operating Expense Margin - calculated as Adjusted Operating Expenses divided by Net Sales		26.9%		27.2%		29.2%	28.1%		25.8%	

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