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CEO Highlights



- Strong 4Q and 2014 performance
- 17% increase in 2014 EPS
- 13% increase in 2014 pension-adjusted EPS⁽¹⁾
- 12.9% segment operating margin rate⁽¹⁾
- \$2.6 billion cash from operations
- \$2.0 billion free cash flow⁽¹⁾
- ~\$3.2 billion cash returned to shareholders through share repurchases and dividends

2015 Guidance⁽¹⁾



| Sales (\$B) | 23.4 – 23.8 |
|---|-----------------|
| Segment operating margin rate ⁽²⁾ | ~ 12% |
| Net FAS/CAS pension adjustment (\$M)(2) | ~290 |
| Operating margin rate | Mid-12% |
| Diluted EPS | \$9.20 - \$9.50 |
| Cash provided by operating activities before after-tax discretionary pension contributions (\$B)(2) | 2.4 – 2.7 |
| Free cash flow before after-tax discretionary pension contributions(\$B)(2) | 1.7 – 2.0 |

⁽¹⁾ The company's 2015 financial guidance is based on the spending levels provided for in the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013 and the Consolidated and Further Appropriations Act of 2015. The guidance assumes no disruption or cancellation of any of our significant programs and no disruption or shutdown of government operations resulting from a federal government debt ceiling breach. Guidance for 2015 also assumes adequate appropriations and funding for the company's programs in the first quarter of the U.S. government's fiscal year 2016.

⁽²⁾ Non-GAAP metric as defined in the Appendix of this presentation.





| Sector | Sales (\$B) | OM Rate % |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Aerospace Systems | 9.8 – 10.0 | High 11% |
| Electronic Systems | 6.7 – 6.9 | Low to mid 15% |
| Information Systems | 5.9 – 6.1 | Mid to high 9% |
| Technical Services | 2.7 – 2.8 | ~ 9% |

EPS Bridge



| 2014 Actual | \$9.75 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 2014 one-time items | |
| Legal settlements | ~ (0.25) |
| IRS resolution | ~ (0.24) |
| R&D tax credit | ~ (0.18) |
| 2014 Adjusted Total | \$9.08 |
| Sales | (0.25) - (0.10) |
| Segment margin rate ⁽¹⁾ | ~ (0.45) |
| Share count | ~ 0.75 |
| Other | 0.07 - 0.22 |
| 2015 Guidance | \$9.20 – 9.50 |

Cash from Operations Bridge



| 2014 Actual (\$M) | \$2,593 |
|---|-----------------|
| 2014 one-time items | ~ (125) |
| 2014 Adjusted Total | \$2,468 |
| Segment operating income ⁽¹⁾ | (225) – (175) |
| CAS pension recoveries | ~ 300 |
| Additional payroll period | ~ (125) |
| Working capital/other | (25) - 225 |
| 2015 Guidance | \$2,400 – 2,700 |

⁽¹⁾ Non-GAAP metric as defined in the Appendix of this presentation.

2015 Pension Assumptions



| | 2015 | 2014A |
|---|-------|-------|
| Discount rate (%) | 4.12 | 4.99 |
| Asset return (%) | 8.00 | 9.75 |
| Net FAS / CAS adjustment (\$M) ⁽¹⁾ | 290 | 269 |
| CAS (\$M) | 675 | 384 |
| FAS (\$M) | (385) | (115) |

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Appendix

Non-GAAP Definitions



Non-GAAP Financial Measures Disclosure: Today's presentation contains non-GAAP (accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America) financial measures, as defined by Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Regulation G and indicated by a footnote in the text of this presentation. While we believe that these non-GAAP financial measures may be useful in evaluating our financial information, they should be considered as supplemental in nature and not as a substitute for financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP. Other companies may define these measures differently or may utilize different non-GAAP measures.

<u>Pension-adjusted diluted EPS:</u> Diluted EPS excluding the after-tax net pension adjustment per share, as defined below. These per share amounts are provided for consistency and comparability of operating results. Management uses pension-adjusted diluted EPS as an internal measure of financial performance.

<u>Net FAS/CAS pension adjustment:</u> Pension expense in accordance with Government Cost Accounting Standards (CAS) charged to contracts and included as cost in segment operating income, less pension expense determined in accordance with GAAP.

<u>After-tax net FAS/CAS pension adjustment per share:</u> The per share impact of the net pension adjustment as defined above, after tax at the statutory rate of 35%, provided for consistency and comparability of 2014 and 2013 financial performance.

<u>Segment operating income:</u> Total earnings from our four segments including allocated pension expense recognized under CAS. Reconciling items to operating income include the net FAS/CAS pension adjustment, as defined above, as well as certain corporate-level expenses, which are not considered allowable or allocable under applicable CAS or FAR. Management uses segment operating income, as reconciled in this appendix, as an internal measure of financial performance.

<u>Segment operating margin rate:</u> Segment operating income as defined above, divided by sales. Management uses segment operating margin rate as an internal measure of financial performance.

<u>Free cash flow:</u> Cash provided by operating activities less capital expenditures (including outsourcing contract & related software costs). We use free cash flow from continuing operations as a key factor in our planning for, and consideration of, strategic acquisitions, stock repurchases and the payment of dividends. This measure should not be considered in isolation, as a measure of residual cash flow available for discretionary purposes, or as an alternative to operating results presented in accordance with GAAP.

Non-GAAP Definitions



<u>Cash provided by operating activities before after-tax discretionary pension contributions:</u> Cash provided by operating activities before the after-tax impact of discretionary pension contributions.

<u>Free cash flow before after-tax discretionary pension contributions:</u> Free cash flow before the after-tax impact of discretionary pension contributions. We use free cash flow before after-tax discretionary pension contributions as a key factor in our planning for, and consideration of, strategic acquisitions, stock repurchases and the payment of dividends. This measure should not be considered in isolation, as a measure of residual cash flow available for discretionary purposes, or as an alternative to operating results presented in accordance with GAAP.

Non-GAAP Reconciliations – Pension-adjusted EPS



| | Fourth Quarter | | | | Twelve Months | | | |
|--|----------------|--------|----|--------|---------------|--------|----|--------|
| \$ in millions, except per share amounts | | 2014 | | 2013 | | 2014 | | 013 |
| Pension-adjusted Operating Highlights | | | | | | | | |
| Operating income | \$ | 762 | \$ | 768 | \$ | 3,196 | \$ | 3,123 |
| Net FAS/CAS pension adjustment | | (69) | | (43) | | (269) | | (168) |
| Pension-adjusted operating income | \$ | 693 | \$ | 725 | \$ | 2,927 | \$ | 2,955 |
| Pension-adjusted operating margin rate | | 11.3% | | 11.8% | | 12.2% | | 12.0% |
| Pension-adjusted Per Share Data | | | | | | | | |
| Diluted EPS | \$ | 2.48 | \$ | 2.12 | \$ | 9.75 | \$ | 8.35 |
| After-tax net FAS/CAS pension adjustment per share | | (0.22) | | (0.12) | | (0.82) | | (0.47) |
| Pension-adjusted diluted EPS | \$ | 2.26 | \$ | 2.00 | \$ | 8.93 | \$ | 7.88 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding — Basic | | 200.8 | | 220.5 | | 208.8 | | 229.6 |
| Dilutive effect of stock options and stock awards | | 3.4 | | 4.7 | | 3.3 | | 4.3 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding — Diluted | | 204.2 | | 225.2 | | 212.1 | | 233.9 |

Non-GAAP Reconciliations – Cash Metrics



| | Fourth Q | uarter | Twelve Months | | |
|--|----------|---------|---------------|---------|--|
| \$ millions | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 | |
| Cash provided by operating activities before discretionary pension contributions | \$1,490 | \$1,160 | \$2,593 | \$2,806 | |
| After-tax discretionary pension pre-funding impact | | 44 | | (323) | |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$1,490 | \$1,204 | \$2,593 | \$2,483 | |
| Less: capital expenditures | (276) | (186) | (561) | (364) | |
| Free cash flow | \$1,214 | \$1,018 | \$2,032 | \$2,119 | |
| After-tax discretionary pension pre-funding impact | | (44) | | 323 | |
| Free cash flow before discretionary pension contributions | \$1,214 | \$974 | \$2,032 | \$2,442 | |

Non-GAAP Reconciliations – Segment Operating Income



| | Fourth Quarter | | | | Twelve Months | | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-------|------|-------|---------------|--------|------|--------|--|
| \$ millions | 2014 | | 2013 | | 2014 | | 2013 | | |
| Sales | \$ | 6,108 | \$ | 6,157 | \$ | 23,979 | \$ | 24,661 | |
| Segment operating income | | 760 | | 772 | | 3,099 | | 3,080 | |
| Segment operating margin rate | | 12.4% | | 12.5% | | 12.9% | | 12.5% | |
| Reconciliation to operating income | | | | | | | | | |
| Net FAS/CAS pension adjustment | \$ | 69 | \$ | 43 | \$ | 269 | \$ | 168 | |
| Unallocated corporate expenses | | (66) | | (46) | | (169) | | (119) | |
| Other | | (1) | | (1) | | (3) | | (6) | |
| Operating income | \$ | 762 | \$ | 768 | \$ | 3,196 | \$ | 3,123 | |
| Operating margin rate | | 12.5% | | 12.5% | | 13.3% | | 12.7% | |

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