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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2013

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

1-13948

(Commission file number)

SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

62-1612879  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

100 North Point Center East, Suite 600  
Alpharetta, Georgia  
(Address of principal executive offices)

30022  
(Zip code)

1-800-514-0186

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Title of each class  
Common stock, par value \$0.10 per share

Name of exchange on which registered  
New York Stock Exchange, Inc.

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined by Rule 405 of the Securities Act.  
Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required

to submit and post such files). Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of “large accelerated filer,” “accelerated filer” and “smaller reporting company” in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check one):

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company   
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

There were 31,375,169 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding as of April 26, 2013.

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## PART I

## Item 1. Financial Statements

SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012
Net Sales	\$194.5	\$195.0
Cost of products sold	131.8	130.7
Gross Profit	62.7	64.3
Selling expense	5.0	5.8
Research expense	3.8	2.2
General expense	10.6	12.4
Total nonmanufacturing expenses	19.4	20.4
Restructuring and impairment expense	1.6	18.7
Operating Profit	41.7	25.2
Interest expense	0.7	0.9
Other income, net	1.3	0.3
Income from Continuing Operations before Income Taxes and Income from Equity Affiliates	42.3	24.6
Provision for income taxes	12.4	8.0
Income from equity affiliates, net of income taxes	0.8	0.5
Income from Continuing Operations	30.7	17.1
Loss from Discontinued Operations	(0.6	) (2.5
Net Income	\$30.1	\$14.6
Net Income (Loss) per Share - Basic:		
Income per share from continuing operations	\$0.98	\$0.53
Loss per share from discontinued operations	(0.02	) (0.08
Net income per share – basic	\$0.96	\$0.45
Net Income (Loss) per Share – Diluted:		
Income per share from continuing operations	\$0.98	\$0.53
Loss per share from discontinued operations	(0.02	) (0.08
Net income per share – diluted	\$0.96	\$0.45
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding:		
Basic	30,945,600	31,747,000
Diluted	31,108,900	32,057,400

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.



SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(dollars in millions)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012
Net Income	\$30.1	\$14.6
Other Comprehensive Income (Loss), net of tax:		
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(11.2	) 12.1
Unrealized gains on derivative instruments	1.4	3.3
Less: Reclassification adjustment for gains on derivative instruments included in net income	(0.3	) (1.2
		)
Net gain from postretirement benefit plans	—	1.1
Less: Amortization of postretirement benefit plans' costs included in net periodic benefit cost	1.1	(1.5
		)
Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income	(9.0	) 13.8
Comprehensive Income	\$21.1	\$28.4

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SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(dollars in millions, except per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012	
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 181.1	\$ 151.2	
Accounts receivable, net	101.7	95.4	
Inventories	112.2	111.6	
Current deferred income tax benefits	11.2	13.5	
Other current assets	16.8	10.3	
Total Current Assets	423.0	382.0	
Property, Plant and Equipment, net	381.1	401.4	
Deferred Income Tax Benefits	8.4	10.5	
Investment in Equity Affiliates	61.9	61.2	
Goodwill and Intangible Assets	5.8	6.1	
Other Assets	24.9	25.5	
Total Assets	\$905.1	\$886.7	
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>			
Current Liabilities			
Current debt	\$4.6	\$4.2	
Accounts payable	43.3	45.6	
Income taxes payable	7.0	1.3	
Accrued expenses	75.4	75.8	
Total Current Liabilities	130.3	126.9	
Long-Term Debt	157.3	151.8	
Pension and Other Postretirement Benefits	40.0	41.5	
Deferred Income Tax Liabilities	29.5	28.4	
Other Liabilities	25.3	26.3	
Total Liabilities	382.4	374.9	
Stockholders' Equity:			
Preferred stock, \$0.10 par value; 10,000,000 shares authorized; none issued or outstanding	—	—	
Common stock, \$0.10 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized; 31,375,169 and 31,209,866 shares issued at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively; 31,375,169 and 31,201,106 shares outstanding at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively	3.1	3.1	
Additional paid-in-capital	39.9	41.0	
Common stock in treasury, at cost, 8,760 shares at December 31, 2012	—	(0.3	)
Retained earnings	504.1	483.4	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax	(24.4	) (15.4	)
Total Stockholders' Equity	522.7	511.8	
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$905.1	\$886.7	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.





SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY  
(dollars in millions, except per share amounts)  
(Unaudited)

	Common Stock Issued		Treasury Stock		Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total	
	Shares	Amount	Additional Paid-In Capital	Shares				Amount
Balance, December 31, 2011	37,587,298	\$ 3.8	\$ 211.7	5,220,414	\$(132.1)	\$ 417.0	\$ (24.5 )	\$ 475.9
Net income					14.6			14.6
Other comprehensive income, net of tax						13.8		13.8
Dividends declared (\$0.075 per share)					(2.4 )			(2.4 )
Restricted stock issuances, net			(3.4 )	(134,026 )	3.4			—
Stock-based employee compensation expense			1.6					1.6
Excess tax benefits of stock-based employee compensation			0.1					0.1
Stock issued to directors as compensation	450		—					—
Issuance of shares for options exercised	11,100		0.1	—				0.1
Purchases of treasury stock				627,120	(21.6 )			(21.6 )
Balance, March 31, 2012	37,598,848	\$ 3.8	\$ 210.1	5,713,508	\$(150.3)	\$ 429.2	\$ (10.7 )	\$ 482.1
Balance, December 31, 2012	31,209,866	\$ 3.1	\$ 41.0	8,760	\$(0.3 )	\$ 483.4	\$ (15.4 )	\$ 511.8
Net income					30.1			30.1
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax						(9.0 )		(9.0 )
Dividends declared (\$0.30 per share)					(9.4 )			(9.4 )
Restricted stock issuances, net	196,137		(0.2 )	(5,000 )	0.2			—
Stock-based employee compensation expense			0.1					0.1
Excess tax benefits of stock-based employee compensation			0.5					0.5
Stock issued to directors as compensation	384		—					—
Issuance of shares for options exercised	16,000		0.3					0.3

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Share cancellation	(47,218 )		(1.8 )	(47,218 )	1.8				—
Purchases of treasury stock				43,458	(1.7 )				(1.7 )
Balance, March 31, 2013	31,375,169	\$3.1	\$ 39.9	—	\$—	\$504.1	\$ (24.4 )		\$522.7

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SCHWEITZER-MAUDUIT INTERNATIONAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOW

(dollars in millions)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012
Operations		
Net income	\$30.1	\$14.6
Less: Loss from discontinued operations	(0.6)	(2.5)
Income from continuing operations	30.7	17.1
Non-cash items included in net income:		
Depreciation and amortization	8.5	9.8
Impairment	—	16.9
Deferred income tax provision (benefit)	4.9	(2.2)
Pension and other postretirement benefits	0.8	1.3
Stock-based compensation	0.1	1.6
Income from equity affiliates	(0.8)	(0.5)
Excess tax benefits of stock-based awards	(0.5)	(0.1)
Other items	(0.3)	0.1
Changes in operating working capital:		
Accounts receivable	(7.0)	7.4
Inventories	(3.9)	(4.3)
Prepaid expenses	(0.9)	(0.9)
Accounts payable	1.8	(0.4)
Accrued expenses	0.2	(4.6)
Accrued income taxes	6.4	8.1
Net changes in operating working capital	(3.4)	5.3
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities of:		
- Continuing operations	40.0	49.3
- Discontinued operations	1.3	(0.9)
Cash Provided by Operations	41.3	48.4
Investing		
Capital spending	(5.6)	(7.8)
Capitalized software costs	—	(0.1)
Investment in equity affiliates	—	(4.5)
Other investing	(3.0)	(4.1)
Cash Used for Investing	(8.6)	(16.5)
Financing		
Cash dividends paid to SWM stockholders	(9.4)	(2.4)
Changes in short-term debt	0.5	(1.5)
Proceeds from issuances of long-term debt	10.1	7.1
Payments on long-term debt	(3.1)	(5.1)
Purchases of treasury stock	(1.7)	(21.6)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	0.3	0.1
Excess tax benefits of stock-based awards	0.5	0.1
Cash Used in Financing	(2.8)	(23.3)
Effect of Exchange Rate Changes on Cash and Cash Equivalents	—	0.2
Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	29.9	8.8
Cash and Cash Equivalents at beginning of period	151.2	76.5

Cash and Cash Equivalents at end of period	\$181.1	\$85.3
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## Note 1. General

### Nature of Business

Schweitzer-Mauduit International, Inc., or SWM or the Company, is a multinational diversified producer of premium specialty papers headquartered in the United States of America. The Company manufactures and sells paper and reconstituted tobacco products to the tobacco industry as well as specialized paper products for use in other applications. The Company's tobacco-related products include cigarette, plug wrap and base tipping papers, or Cigarette Papers, used to wrap various parts of a cigarette, reconstituted tobacco leaf, or RTL, which is used as a blend with virgin tobacco in cigarettes and reconstituted tobacco wrappers and binders for machine-made cigars. These products are sold directly to the major tobacco companies or their designated converters in the Americas, Europe, Asia and elsewhere. Non-tobacco industry products are a diverse mix of products, certain of which represent commodity paper grades produced to maximize machine operations.

The Company is a manufacturer of high porosity papers, which are used in manufacturing ventilated cigarettes, banded and print banded papers for the production of lower ignition propensity, or LIP, cigarettes and the leading independent producer of RTL used in producing blended cigarettes. The Company conducts business in over 90 countries and currently operates 9 production locations worldwide, with mills in the United States, France, Brazil and Poland. The Company also has a 50% equity interest in two joint ventures in China.

### Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto have been prepared in accordance with the instructions of Form 10-Q and Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X of the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, and do not include all of the information and disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, or U.S. GAAP. However, such information reflects all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair statement of results for the interim periods including the results of a business reclassified as a discontinued operation which is more fully described in Note 3. Discontinued Operations.

The results of operations are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year. The unaudited consolidated financial statements included herein should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and the notes included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, as filed with the SEC on March 1, 2013.

### Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and wholly-owned, majority-owned and controlled subsidiaries. The Company's share of the net income of its 50% owned joint ventures in China are included in the consolidated statements of income as income from equity affiliates. Intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses and related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Estimates are used for, but not limited to, inventory valuation, useful lives of tangible and intangible assets, fair values, sales returns, receivables valuation, pension, postretirement and other benefits, restructuring and impairment, taxes and contingencies. Actual results could

differ materially from those estimates.

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## Recent Accounting Pronouncements

On January 1, 2013, the Company adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board's Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2013-02. The ASU amends and clarifies disclosure requirements for reclassifications from Other Comprehensive Income. The adoption of this guidance expanded the disclosure included in Note 2. Other Comprehensive Income, but it did not have a material impact on our condensed consolidated financial statements.

## Note 2. Other Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income includes net income, as well as items charged and credited directly to stockholders' equity, which are excluded from net income. The Company has presented comprehensive income in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income. Reclassification adjustments of derivative instruments are presented in Net Sales in the condensed consolidated statements of income. See Note 9. Derivatives for additional information. Amortization of accumulated pension and other post-employment benefit (OPEB) liabilities are included in the computation of net period pension and OPEB costs which are more fully discussed in Note 11. Postretirement and Other Benefits.

Components of accumulated other comprehensive loss were as follows (\$ in millions):

	March 31, 2013		December 31, 2012	
Accumulated pension and OPEB liability adjustments, net of income tax of \$22.5 million and \$23.3 million at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively	\$(42.1	)	\$(43.2	)
Accumulated unrealized loss on derivative instruments, net of income tax benefit of \$0.9 million and \$1.5 million at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively	(0.3	)	(1.4	)
Accumulated unrealized foreign currency translation adjustments	18.0		29.2	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$(24.4	)	\$(15.4	)

Changes in the components of accumulated other comprehensive loss were as follows (\$ in millions):

	Three Months Ended			March 31, 2012		
	March 31, 2013			March 31, 2012		
	Pre-tax	Tax	Net of Tax	Pre-tax	Tax	Net of Tax
Pension and OPEB liability adjustments	\$1.9	\$(0.8	)	\$0.6	\$0.2	)
Unrealized (loss) gain on derivative instruments	1.7	(0.6	)	3.2	(1.1	)
Unrealized foreign currency translation adjustments	(11.2	)	—	12.1	—	)
Total	\$(7.6	)	\$(1.4	)	\$14.7	\$(0.9
			)			)

## Note 3. Discontinued Operations

The Company's paper mill in Medan, Indonesia and closed paper mill in San Pedro, Philippines have been reported as discontinued operations. The sale of the Indonesian mill is pending certain regulatory approvals. The Philippine location was being marketed. For all periods presented, results of both of these mills have been removed from each individual line within the statements of income and the operating activities section of the statements of cash flow. In each case a separate line has been added for the net results of discontinued operations.

In the consolidated balance sheets, the assets and liabilities of the Indonesia mill were classified as Held-for-Sale as of December 31, 2012 and therefore, except for cash and cash equivalents, assets and liabilities of the Indonesian mill are included in other current assets and accrued expenses, respectively, since December 31, 2012. Property, plant and equipment, net, of the Philippines mill is classified as Held-for-Sale and is included in other current assets as of March 31, 2013. Prior year balances have not been reclassified in the consolidated balance sheets.

Included in Other Current Assets and Accrued Expenses within the condensed consolidated balance sheet are the following major classes of assets and liabilities, respectively, associated with the discontinued operations (\$ in millions):

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Assets of discontinued operations:		
Current assets	\$5.0	\$7.7
Property, Plant and Equipment, net	6.3	—
Noncurrent deferred income tax benefits	0.8	0.8
Other assets	0.2	0.2
Liabilities of discontinued operations:		
Current liabilities	3.4	2.1

Summary financial results of discontinued operations were as follows (\$ in millions):

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012
Net sales	\$4.4	\$7.1
Loss from discontinued operations before income taxes	(0.4	) (0.8
Income tax provision	(0.2	) (1.7
Loss from discontinued operations	(0.6	) (2.5



## Note 4. Net Income Per Share

The Company uses the two-class method to calculate earnings per share. The Company has granted restricted stock that contains nonforfeitable rights to dividends on unvested shares. Since these unvested shares are considered participating securities under the two-class method, the Company allocates earnings per share to common stock and participating securities according to dividends declared and participation rights in undistributed earnings.

Diluted net income per common share is computed based on net income divided by the weighted average number of common and potential common shares outstanding. Potential common shares during the respective periods are those related to dilutive stock-based compensation, including long-term share-based incentive compensation, stock options outstanding, and directors' accumulated deferred stock compensation which may be received by the directors in the form of stock or cash. A reconciliation of the average number of common and potential common shares outstanding used in the calculations of basic and diluted net income per share follows (\$ in millions, shares in thousands):

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012
Numerator (basic and diluted):		
Net income	\$30.1	\$14.6
Less: Dividends paid to participating securities	(0.1	) —
Less: Undistributed earnings available to participating securities	(0.2	) (0.2
Undistributed and distributed earnings available to common shareholders	\$29.8	\$14.4
Denominator:		
Average number of common shares outstanding	30,945.6	31,747.0
Effect of dilutive stock-based compensation	163.3	310.4
Average number of common and potential common shares outstanding	31,108.9	32,057.4

There were no anti-dilutive stock options during the periods ended March 31, 2013 or 2012.

## Note 5. Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost using the First-In, First-Out, or FIFO, and weighted average methods, or market. The Company's inventorable costs primarily include pulp, chemicals, direct labor, utilities, maintenance, depreciation, finishing supplies and an allocation of mill overhead costs. Machine start-up costs or abnormal machine shut downs are expensed in the period incurred and are not inventoried. The definition of market value, with respect to all inventories, is replacement cost or net realizable value. The Company reviews inventories at least quarterly to determine the necessity of write-offs for excess, obsolete or unsalable inventory. The Company estimates write-offs for inventory obsolescence and shrinkage based on its judgment of future realization. These reviews require the Company to assess customer and market demand. The following schedule details inventories by major class (\$ in millions):

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Raw materials	\$30.0	\$31.5
Work in process	29.1	23.4
Finished goods	35.0	36.8
Supplies and other	18.1	19.9
Total	\$112.2	\$111.6

## Note 6. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for each segment for the three months ended March 31, 2013 were as follows (\$ in millions):

	Reconstituted Tobacco	Paper	Total
Goodwill as of December 31, 2012, gross	\$5.7	\$2.7	\$8.4
Accumulated impairment losses	—	(2.7)	(2.7)
Goodwill as of December 31, 2012, net	5.7	—	5.7
Foreign Currency translation adjustments	(0.2)	—	(0.2)
Goodwill as of March 31, 2013, gross	5.5	2.7	8.2
Accumulated impairment losses	—	(2.7)	(2.7)
Goodwill as of March 31, 2013, net	\$5.5	\$—	\$5.5

The gross carrying amount and accumulated amortization for amortizable intangible assets consisted of the following (\$ in millions):

	March 31, 2013			December 31, 2012		
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization*	Net Carrying Amount	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization*	Net Carrying Amount
Customer-related intangibles (Reconstituted Tobacco Segment)	\$10.0	\$9.7	\$0.3	\$10.0	\$9.6	\$0.4

\* Accumulated amortization also includes adjustments for foreign currency translation.

Amortization expense of intangible assets was \$0.1 million and \$0.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The Company's customer-related intangibles are amortized to expense using the 150% declining balance method over a 6-year life. The remaining customer-related intangible assets are expected to be fully amortized during 2013.

#### Note 7. Restructuring Activities

The Company incurred restructuring and impairment expenses of \$1.6 million and \$18.7 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

In the Paper segment, restructuring and impairment expenses were \$1.1 million and \$17.9 million during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. During the three months ended March 31, 2013, restructuring and impairment expenses primarily include \$0.8 million related to severance and early retirement expenses in the French operations for ongoing accruals over the remaining service lives of affected employees related to previously announced actions. The 2012 expenses for the Paper segment were primarily related to the Company's amendment of a supply agreement with Philip Morris-USA, a subsidiary of Altria Group Inc. The amended agreement eliminated the Company's contractual commitment to stand ready to produce commercial quantities of banded cigarette paper even in the absence of firm orders. The Company considered these new terms to be a triggering event requiring evaluation of the recoverability of our Spotswood mill's banded cigarette paper production assets. Based on this analysis, which reflected management's assessment of the most likely future utilization of the mill, the Company in 2012 recorded a \$16.9 million impairment charge to reduce the carrying value of these assets to their fair value.

Fair value was determined by using management's estimates of market participants' discounted future cash flows and independent appraisals of certain assets, both which are considered significant unobservable inputs, or Level 3 inputs. Management used significant judgment to develop assumptions, including forecasted sales volumes, allocation of certain overhead costs attributable to the Spotswood mill and weighted average cost of capital, based on historical and projected operational performance.

The Reconstituted Tobacco segment restructuring expenses were \$0.5 million and \$0.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. During the three months ended March 31, 2013 restructuring and impairment expenses primarily related to severance and early retirement expenses in the French operations for ongoing accruals over the remaining service lives of affected employees related to previously announced actions. Expenses incurred during the three months ended March 31, 2012, were primarily in connection with suspending construction of the RTL facility in the Philippines and related mothballing activities.



Restructuring liabilities were classified within Accrued expenses in each of the consolidated balance sheets as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012. Changes in the restructuring liabilities, substantially all of which are employee-related, during the periods ended March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 are summarized as follows (\$ in millions):

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2013	Year Ended December 31, 2012
Balance at beginning of year	\$3.4	\$7.3
Accruals for announced programs	1.3	2.6
Cash payments	(0.5	) (6.4
Exchange rate impacts	(0.1	) (0.1
Balance at end of period	\$4.1	\$3.4

#### Note 8. Debt

Total debt is summarized in the following table (\$ in millions):

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Revolving Credit Agreement	\$145.1	\$139.1
French Employee Profit Sharing	14.1	14.7
Bank Overdrafts	2.5	2.0
Other	0.2	0.2
Total Debt	161.9	156.0
Less: Current debt	(4.6	) (4.2
Long-Term Debt	\$157.3	\$151.8

#### Credit Agreement

In May 2011, the Company entered into an unsecured revolving credit facility, or Credit Agreement. The five-year revolving Credit Agreement provides for borrowing capacity of approximately \$225 million with an option to increase borrowing capacity by \$100 million and includes a \$100 million equivalent sub-limit available in euro, of which €25 million was drawn at March 31, 2013, and a \$25 million equivalent sub-limit available in Philippine pesos. The Credit Agreement contains representations and warranties which are customary for facilities of this type and covenants and provisions that, among other things, require the Company to maintain (a) a Maximum Net Debt to EBITDA Ratio of 3.00 and (b) Minimum Interest Coverage of 3.50. The Company was in compliance with its financial covenants at March 31, 2013.

Under the Credit Agreement, interest rates are based on the London Interbank Offered Rate plus an applicable margin that varies from 1.25% to 2.00% depending on the Net Debt to EBITDA Ratio, as defined in the Credit Agreement. The Company will incur commitment fees at an annual rate of 0.20% to 0.30% of the applicable margin on the committed amounts not drawn, depending on the Net Debt to EBITDA Ratio. As of March 31, 2013, the applicable interest rate on Credit Agreement borrowings was 1.50% on US Dollar borrowings and 1.37% on euro borrowings.

#### Fair Value of Debt

At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the estimated fair values of the Company's current and long-term debt approximated the respective carrying amounts since the interest rates were variable and based on current market indices.



## Note 9. Derivatives

In the normal course of business, the Company is exposed to foreign currency exchange rate risk and interest rate risk on its variable-rate debt. To manage these risks, the Company utilizes a variety of practices including, where considered appropriate, derivative instruments. The Company has no derivative instruments for trading or speculative purposes nor any derivatives with credit risk-related contingent features. All derivative instruments used by the Company are either exchange traded or are entered into with major financial institutions in order to reduce credit risk and risk of nonperformance by third parties. The fair values of the Company's derivative instruments are determined using observable inputs and are considered Level 2 assets or liabilities.

The Company utilizes currency forward, swap and, to a lesser extent, option contracts to selectively hedge its exposure to foreign currency risk when it is practical and economical to do so. The use of these contracts minimizes transactional exposure to exchange rate changes. We designate certain of our foreign currency hedges as cash flow hedges. Changes in the fair value of cash flow hedges are reported as a component of other comprehensive income (loss) and reclassified into earnings when the forecasted transaction affects earnings. For foreign exchange contracts not designated as cash flow hedges, changes in the contracts' fair value are recorded to net income each period.

The Company selectively hedges its exposure to interest rate increases on variable-rate, long-term debt when it is practical and economical to do so. Changes in the fair value of our interest rate swaps are recorded to net income each period. There were no interest rate hedge agreements as of March 31, 2013.

The following table presents the fair value of asset and liability derivatives and the respective balance sheet locations at March 31, 2013 (\$ in millions):

	Asset Derivatives		Liability Derivatives	
	Balance Sheet	Fair	Balance Sheet	Fair
	Location	Value	Location	Value
Derivatives designated as hedges:				
Foreign exchange contracts	Accounts Receivable	\$ 1.0	Accounts Payable	\$0.7
Foreign exchange contracts	Other Assets	0.1	Other Liabilities	2.0
Total derivatives designated as hedges		\$ 1.1		\$2.7

The following table presents the fair value of asset and liability derivatives and the respective balance sheet locations at December 31, 2012 (\$ in millions):

	Asset Derivatives		Liability Derivatives	
	Balance Sheet	Fair	Balance Sheet	Fair
	Location	Value	Location	Value
Derivatives designated as hedges:				
Foreign exchange contracts	Accounts Receivable	\$0.4	Accounts Payable	\$—
Foreign exchange contracts	Other Assets	—	Other Liabilities	3.5
Total derivatives designated as hedges		\$0.4		\$3.5

The following table provides the effect derivative instruments in cash flow hedging relationships had on accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), or AOCI, and results of operations (\$ in millions):

Derivatives Designated as Cash Flow Hedging Relationships	Gain Recognized in AOCI on Derivatives, Net of Tax		Location of Gain Reclassified from AOCI into Income	Gain Reclassified from AOCI into Income	
	Three Months Ended March 31,			Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012		2013	2012
Foreign exchange contracts	\$1.1	\$2.1	Net Sales	\$0.3	\$1.2

The Company's designated derivative instruments are perfectly effective. As such, there were no gains or losses, related to the hedge ineffectiveness or amounts excluded from hedge effectiveness testing, recognized immediately in income for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012.

The following table provides the effect derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments had on net income (\$ in millions):

Derivatives Not Designated as Cash Flow Hedging Instruments	Location of Gain / (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivatives	Amount of Gain / (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivatives for the	
		Three Months Ended	
		March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012
Interest rate contracts	Other Income / Expense	\$—	\$(0.1)
Foreign exchange contracts	Other Income / Expense	(0.4)	(2.5)
Total		\$(0.4)	\$(2.6)



## Note 10. Commitments and Contingencies

### Litigation

Imposto sobre Circulação de Mercadorias e Serviços, or ICMS, a form of value-added tax in Brazil, was assessed to our Brazilian subsidiary, SWM-B, in December of 2000. SWM-B received two assessments from the tax authorities of the State of Rio de Janeiro for unpaid ICMS taxes from January 1995 through November 2000, collectively the Assessment.

The Assessment concerned the accrual and use by SWM-B of ICMS tax credits generated from the production and sale of certain non-tobacco related grades of paper sold domestically that are immune from the tax to offset ICMS taxes otherwise owed on the sale of products that are not immune. One of the two assessments related in part to tax periods that predated our acquisition of Pirahy and is covered in part by an indemnification from the sellers of Pirahy, or Assessment 1 (case number 2001.001.115144-5). The second assessment pertains exclusively to periods that SWM-B owned the Pirahy mill, or Assessment 2 (case number 2001.001.064544-6). While SWM-B is primarily responsible for the full payment of the Assessment in the event of an ultimate unfavorable outcome, SWM-B is not aware of any difficulties that would be encountered in obtaining reimbursement of that portion of any payment resulting from Assessment 1 from the previous owner under the indemnification.

SWM-B has contested the Assessment based on Article 150, VI of the Brazilian Federal Constitution of 1988, which grants immunity from ICMS taxes to papers used in the production of books, newspapers and periodicals, or immune papers, and the raw material inputs used to produce immune papers.

Both assessments are presently on appeal in separate chambers of the Federal Supreme Court. Assessment 1 is before the court on a procedural question which, if decided favorably, would invalidate Assessment 1. If decided against SWM-B, Assessment 1 would then be sent back to the lower court for a decision on the merits. Assessment 2 is before the Federal Supreme Court on the merits and will be finally decided by the action of the chamber of the court hearing the matter, unless there is a prior decision by a chamber of the Federal Supreme Court on Assessment 1 that is in contradiction, in which case the conflict between the rulings of the different chambers will be decided by the Federal Supreme Court sitting as a whole. No docket entry has been made yet regarding argument on either assessment. SWM-B continues to vigorously contest the Assessment and believes that the Assessment will ultimately be resolved in its favor. Based on the foreign currency exchange rate at March 31, 2013, the Assessment totaled approximately \$43 million, of which approximately \$20 million is covered by the above-discussed indemnification. No liability has been recorded in our condensed consolidated financial statements for the Assessment based on our evaluation of the Assessment under the facts and law as presently understood.

### Environmental Matters

The Company's operations are subject to federal, state and local laws, regulations and ordinances relating to various environmental matters. The nature of the Company's operations exposes it to the risk of claims with respect to environmental matters, and there can be no assurance that material costs or liabilities will not be incurred in connection with such claims. While the Company has incurred in the past several years, and will continue to incur, capital and operating expenditures in order to comply with environmental laws and regulations, it believes that its future cost of compliance with environmental laws, regulations and ordinances, and its exposure to liability for environmental claims and its obligation to participate in the remediation and monitoring of certain hazardous waste disposal sites, will not have a material effect on its financial condition or results of operations. However, future events, such as changes in existing laws and regulations, or unknown contamination of sites owned, operated or used for waste disposal by the Company (including contamination caused by prior owners and operators of such sites or other waste generators) may give rise to additional costs which could have a material effect on its financial condition or results of operations.

General Matters

The Company is involved in certain other legal actions and claims arising in the ordinary course of business. Management believes that such litigation and claims will be resolved without a material effect on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

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## Note 11. Postretirement and Other Benefits

The Company sponsors pension benefits in the United States, France and Canada and postretirement healthcare and life insurance, or OPEB, benefits in the United States and Canada. The Company's Canadian pension and OPEB benefits are not material and therefore are not included in the following disclosures.

## Pension and OPEB Benefits

The components of net pension and OPEB benefit costs for U.S. employees and net pension benefit costs for French employees during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 were as follows (\$ in millions):

	Three Months Ended March 31,					
	U.S. Pension Benefits		French Pension Benefits		U.S. OPEB Benefits	
	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012
Service cost	\$—	\$—	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$—	\$—
Interest cost	1.3	1.4	0.2	0.3	—	0.1
Expected return on plan assets	(1.8 )	(1.9 )	(0.1 )	(0.1 )	—	—
Amortizations and other	1.7	1.5	0.3	—	(0.2 )	—
Net periodic benefit cost	\$1.2	\$1.0	\$0.7	\$0.4	\$(0.2 )	\$0.1

During the full-year 2013, the Company expects to recognize approximately \$6.0 million for amortization of accumulated other comprehensive loss related to its U.S. pension and OPEB plans and approximately \$0.2 million credit for its French pension plans. During the three months ended March 31, 2013, the Company contributed \$0.7 million to its U.S. pension plan.

## Note 12. Income Taxes

A reconciliation of income taxes computed at the U.S. federal statutory income tax rate to the provision for income taxes is as follows (\$ in millions):

	Three Months Ended			March 31,		
	March 31, 2013			March 31, 2012		
	Amount	Percent		Amount	Percent	
Tax provision at U.S. statutory rate	\$14.9	35.0	%	\$8.6	35.0	%
Tax benefits of foreign legal structure	(0.3)	(0.7)	)	(0.4)	(1.6)	)
Adjustments to valuation allowances	—	—		(0.4)	(1.6)	)
French business tax reclassified as income tax	0.6	1.4		0.7	2.8	
Change in enacted foreign tax rate	—	—		0.3	1.2	
Foreign income tax rate differential	(1.8)	(4.2)	)	(0.9)	(3.7)	)
Other foreign taxes, net	(0.8)	(1.8)	)	0.7	2.8	
Other, net	(0.2)	(0.4)	)	(0.6)	(2.4)	)
Provision for income taxes	\$12.4	29.3	%	\$8.0	32.5	%

The Company's deferred tax asset valuation allowances are primarily the result of uncertainties regarding the future realization of recorded tax benefits on tax loss carryforwards for certain entities. The Company's assumptions, judgments and estimates relative to the valuation of these net deferred tax assets take into account available positive and negative evidence of realizability, including recent financial performance, the ability to realize benefits of restructuring and other recent actions, projections of the amount and category of future taxable income and tax planning strategies. Actual future operating results and the underlying amount and category of income in future periods could differ from the Company's current assumptions, judgments and estimates.

All unrecognized tax positions would impact the Company's effective tax rate if recognized. The Company's policy with respect to penalties and interest in connection with income tax assessments or related to unrecognized tax benefits is to classify penalties as provision for income taxes and interest as interest expense in its consolidated statement of income. There were no material income tax penalties or interest accrued during the three months ended March 31, 2013 or 2012.

The Company files income tax returns in the U.S. Federal and several state jurisdictions as well as in many foreign jurisdictions. With certain exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to U.S. Federal, state and local, or foreign income tax examinations for years before 2009.

## Note 13. Segment Information

The Company's two operating product line segments are also the Company's reportable segments: Paper and Reconstituted Tobacco. The Paper segment primarily produces Cigarette Papers such as cigarette papers, including LIP papers, plug wrap papers and base tipping papers used to wrap various parts of a cigarette for sale to cigarette manufacturers. The Paper segment also includes commercial and industrial products such as lightweight printing and writing papers, battery separator paper, drinking straw wrap, filter paper and other specialized papers. These non-tobacco industry products are generally sold directly to converters and other end-users or brokers. The Reconstituted Tobacco segment produces reconstituted tobacco leaf, or RTL, and wrapper and binder products for sale to cigarette and cigar manufacturers.

## Information about Net Sales and Operating Profit

The accounting policies of these segments are the same as those described in Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012. The Company primarily evaluates segment performance and allocates resources based on operating profit. Expense amounts not associated with segments are referred to as unallocated expenses.

(\$ in millions)	Net Sales					
	Three Months Ended					
	March 31, 2013			March 31, 2012		
Paper	\$138.9	71.4	%	\$135.1	69.3	%
Reconstituted Tobacco	55.6	28.6		59.9	30.7	
Total Consolidated	\$194.5	100.0	%	\$195.0	100.0	%

(\$ in millions)	Operating Profit					
	Three Months Ended					
	March 31, 2013			March 31, 2012		
Paper	\$25.3	60.7	%	\$5.1	20.2	%
Reconstituted Tobacco	21.4	51.3		24.7	98.0	
Unallocated	(5.0	) (12.0	)	(4.6	) (18.2	)
Total Consolidated	\$41.7	100.0	%	\$25.2	100.0	%

## Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following is a discussion of our results of operations and financial condition. This discussion should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this report and the audited consolidated financial statements and related notes and the selected financial data included in Item 6 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012. The discussion of our results of operations and financial condition includes various forward-looking statements about our markets, the demand for our products and our future prospects. These statements are based on certain assumptions that we consider reasonable. For information about risks and exposures relating to us and our business, you should read the section entitled "Factors That May Affect Future Results," in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012. Unless the context indicates otherwise, references to "SWM", "we", "us", "our", or similar terms include Schweitzer-Mauduit International, Inc. and our consolidated subsidiaries.

## Summary

(\$ in millions, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended					
	March 31, 2013			March 31, 2012		
Net sales	\$194.5	100.0	%	\$195.0	100.0	%
Gross profit	62.7	32.2		64.3	33.0	
Restructuring & impairment expense	1.6	0.8		18.7	9.6	
Operating profit	41.7	21.4		25.2	12.9	
Interest expense	0.7	0.4		0.9	0.5	
Income from continuing operations	30.7	15.8		17.1	8.8	
Loss from discontinued operations	(0.6	) (0.3	)	(2.5	) (1.3	)
Net income	30.1	15.5	%	14.6	7.5	%
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	\$0.98			\$0.53		
Diluted earnings per share	\$0.96			\$0.45		
Cash provided by operations	\$41.3			\$48.4		
Capital spending	\$5.6			\$7.8		

## First Quarter Highlights

In the first quarter of 2013, SWM reported net income of \$30.1 million on total net sales of \$194.5 million. Compared to the prior-year quarter, net sales decreased \$0.5 million due to unfavorable mix and price of products sold and lower royalties. These items were partially offset by higher volumes of value-added products.

Cash provided by operations was \$41.3 million in the first quarter of 2013 compared to \$48.4 million in first quarter of 2012. The \$7.1 million decrease was due primarily to an \$8.7 million unfavorable first quarter 2013 versus first quarter 2012 comparison of net change in working capital driven primarily by collection of certain advance payments during the latter part of 2012. Uses of cash during first quarter of 2013 included \$5.6 million of capital spending and \$9.4 million in cash dividends paid to SWM stockholders.

## Recent Developments

The Company has created a long-term capital allocation strategy which is focused on the following three areas:

Reinvest capital in core businesses through a disciplined approach to meet global demand for value-adding solutions

Return at least one third of annual free cash flow to shareholders via dividends and share repurchase programs

Retain flexibility to explore growth opportunities in current and adjacent markets with economic returns similar to or better than SWM's existing business

On February 6, 2013, the Company announced a 100% increase in the quarterly dividend effective with the dividend paid on March 21, 2013 to stockholders of record on February 28, 2013. This represented a 400% increase of the quarterly dividend payout compared to the pre-August 2012 stock split payout.

## Administrative and Court Proceedings Relating to Papers for Lower Ignition Propensity Cigarettes

In December 2009, Miquel y Costas S.A., delfortgroup AG, and Societe Papeterie Leman SAS filed Notices of Opposition to the European Patent Office's, or EPO, grant of European Patent EP 1482815. The oppositions filed by Societe Papeterie Leman and delfortgroup contend that the claim language regarding the film-forming material to have a certain viscosity was not sufficiently described, that the claims were not patentable due to a prior art reference, a reference that was disclosed by SWM to the examiner and cited by him in granting the patent, and lack of inventive step. Societe Papeterie Leman further alleged that claim 1 is not sufficiently definite and is therefore invalid. Miquel y Costas claims that the patent lacks novelty as to the film-former gum Arabic, that claim 1 of the patent lacks sufficient disclosure and that claim 1 also lacks novelty. The Company will continue to defend the grant of this patent by taking necessary actions including responding to further submissions by the opponents. Once the EPO considers that all positions have been fully briefed, it may hold a hearing to assist it in reaching a final conclusion on the oppositions. There is no mandated timetable by which the EPO must reach a decision. The outcome of this dispute would not prevent the Company from practicing its Alginex® LIP solution. The patent remains in effect and fully enforceable while the opposition proceedings are pending. As a result of the world-wide LIP license agreement with SWM, delfortgroup has withdrawn from this proceeding. The action remains open with the other parties.

On November 12, 2010, the EPO issued a Notice of Decision to Grant SWM European Patent No. 1333729. On December 8, 2010, Julius Glatz GmbH filed a Notice of Opposition to the grant of this patent. In September 2011, Societe Papeterie Leman, Miquel y Costas and delfortgroup each filed opposition papers and Glatz supplemented its previous filing. The EPO opened an opposition proceeding and the Company's response to the Notices of Opposition was timely filed. The Company believes that the EPO properly granted the patent and it intends to vigorously defend the patent. As a result of the world-wide LIP license agreement with SWM, delfortgroup has withdrawn from this proceeding. The action remains open with the other parties.

A petition to re-exam United States Patent No. 6,725,867 filed by delfortgroup in 2010 is still pending. As a result of the worldwide LIP license agreement with SWM, delfortgroup has withdrawn from this proceeding. There are no other petitioners in the action.

On June 27, 2012, the EPO granted the Company's applications for two LIP related patents, EP 2127545 and EP 2127544, that are divisional applications related to European Patent No. 1333729. Julius Glatz GmbH filed Notices of Opposition to the grants of these patents on June 28 and June 29, 2012. The EPO has not yet issued a communication requesting the patent holder to respond to the oppositions, but we expect such a notice to be forthcoming as the opposition term ended on March 27, 2013.





## Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 Compared with the Three Months Ended March 31, 2012

## Net Sales

(dollars in millions)

	Three Months Ended			Percent Change	Consolidated Sales Volume Change		
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	Change				
Paper	\$138.9	\$135.1	\$3.8	2.8	%	3	%
Reconstituted Tobacco	55.6	59.9	(4.3)	(7.2)	)	(10)	)
Total	\$194.5	\$195.0	\$(0.5)	(0.3)	)%	(3)	)%

Net sales were \$194.5 million in 2013 compared with \$195.0 million in 2012. The decrease in net sales consisted of the following (dollars in millions):

	Amount	Percent	
Changes in product mix and selling prices	\$(2.7)	(1.8)	)%
Changes due to royalty income	(1.7)	(0.9)	)
Changes due to sales volume	3.9	2.0	
Total	\$(0.5)	(0.7)	)%

Unfavorable changes in mix and prices of products sold decreased net sales by \$2.7 million.

Royalty revenue declined by \$1.7 million.

Total unit sales volumes decreased 3% in the first quarter of 2013 versus the prior-year quarter.

Sales volumes for the Paper segment increased by 3%

Sales volumes in the Reconstituted Tobacco segment decreased by 10%

Paper segment net sales during the three months ended March 31, 2013 of \$138.9 million increased by \$3.8 million, or 2.8%, versus \$135.1 million in the prior-year period. The increase in net sales was primarily the result of \$10.6 million favorable impact of higher sales volumes partially offset by \$4.9 million in unfavorable selling prices and mix of products sold and \$1.7 million in lower royalty revenue.

Reconstituted Tobacco segment net sales during the three months ended March 31, 2013 of \$55.6 million decreased by \$4.3 million, or 7.2%, compared with \$59.9 million in the prior-year period. The decrease in net sales of the Reconstituted Tobacco segment resulted from the \$6.7 million impact of lower volumes in comparison with a strong first quarter of 2012 which was partially offset by \$2.2 million in favorable selling prices and mix of products sold.

Operating Expenses  
(dollars in millions)

	Three Months Ended			Percent Change		Percent of Net Sales			
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	Change			2013	2012		
Net Sales	\$194.5	\$195.0	\$(0.5)	(0.3)	)%	100.0	%	100.0	%
Cost of products sold	131.8	130.7	1.1	0.8		67.8		67.0	
Gross Profit	\$62.7	\$64.3	\$(1.6)	(2.5)	)%	32.2	%	33.0	%

The decrease in gross profit during the three months ended March 31, 2013 versus the prior-year period was primarily due to a \$6.2 million impact of volume, mix and prices of products sold and \$1.7 million in lower royalties. These unfavorable impacts were partially offset by \$6.4 million in improved costs of sales, including \$1.3 million in improved inflationary costs, and a \$1.1 million benefit from favorable currency translation. Within the improved inflationary costs, higher wood pulp prices unfavorably impacted the gross profit comparison by \$1.2 million, but that was more than offset by the favorable impact of lower prices for other materials. Pulp cost increases were primarily in hardwood.

Nonmanufacturing Expenses  
(dollars in millions)

	Three Months Ended			Percent Change		Percent of Net Sales			
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	Change			2013	2012		
Selling expense	\$5.0	\$5.8	\$(0.8)	(13.8)	)%	2.6	%	3.0	%
Research expense	3.8	2.2	1.6	72.7		2.0		1.1	
General expense	10.6	12.4	(1.8)	(14.5)	)	5.4		6.4	
Nonmanufacturing expenses	\$19.4	\$20.4	\$(1.0)	(4.9)	)%	10.0	%	10.5	%

Nonmanufacturing expenses in the three months ended March 31, 2013 decreased by \$1.0 million to \$19.4 million from \$20.4 million in the prior-year period primarily due to lower incentive compensation expenses.

Restructuring and Impairment Expense

The Company incurred total restructuring and impairment expense of \$1.6 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013, of which \$1.1 million related to severance and early retirement expenses in the French operations for ongoing accruals over the remaining service lives of affected employees related to previously announced actions.

In 2012, the Company's restructuring and impairment expense of \$18.7 million primarily included \$16.9 million for an impairment charge to reduce the carrying value of the Company's Spotswood, New Jersey mill, which produces banded cigarette paper, following an amendment of the Company's supply agreement with Philip Morris USA, a subsidiary of Altria Group Inc.

Operating Profit  
(dollars in millions)

	Three Months Ended			Percent Change	Return on Net Sales		
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012	Change		2013	2012	
Paper	\$25.3	\$5.1	\$20.2	N.M.	18.2	% 3.8	%
Reconstituted Tobacco	21.4	24.7	(3.3 )	(13.4 )	38.5	41.2	
Unallocated expenses	(5.0 )	(4.6 )	(0.4 )				
Total	\$41.7	\$25.2	\$16.5	65.5	% 21.4	% 12.9	%

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Operating profit was \$41.7 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013 compared with \$25.2 million during the prior-year period.

The Paper segment's first quarter 2013 operating profit was \$25.3 million, an increase of \$20.2 million from the prior-year period. The increase was primarily due to the following factors:

- \$16.8 million in lower restructuring and impairment expense due to the \$16.9 million impairment charge during the first quarter of 2012

- \$4.5 million favorable impact of higher sales volumes

- \$5.0 million in improved costs of sales, including \$1.6 million of net favorable changes in inflationary costs

- \$3.0 million in lower non-manufacturing expenses, primarily due to lower compensation accruals, lower legal expenses and lower selling expenses

- \$2.0 million in favorable currency impacts

These positive factors were partially offset by \$8.2 million impact from unfavorable mix and prices of products sold and \$1.7 million of lower royalty income.

The Reconstituted Tobacco segment's first quarter 2013 operating profit was \$21.4 million, compared to \$24.7 million in the prior-year period. The decrease was primarily due to \$3.5 million in lower sales volume impacts and \$0.9 million unfavorable fixed cost absorption due to lower production volumes partially offset by \$1.3 million in improved pricing and favorable mix of products sold.

#### Non-Operating Expenses

Interest expense was \$0.7 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013, a decrease from \$0.9 million in the three months ended March 31, 2012. The decrease in interest expense is primarily due to lower interest rates, partially offset by a higher debt balance in the first quarter of 2013 versus 2012. The weighted average effective interest rates on our debt facilities were approximately 1.47% and 1.63% for three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Other income, net was \$1.3 million during the three months ended March 31, 2013, an increase from \$0.3 million during the three months ended March 31, 2012. The increase in other income, net is due to higher foreign currency transaction gains and interest income.



### Income Taxes

A \$12.4 million provision for income taxes in the three months ended March 31, 2013 resulted in an effective tax rate of 29.3% compared with 32.5% in the prior year. The first quarter 2013 effective tax rate was lower than the 35% statutory rate due primarily to lower income tax rates in Poland. Also benefiting the three months ended March 31, 2013 was a favorable tax impact associated with our foreign holding company structure. During the first quarter of 2012, the 32.5% effective tax rate was lower than the 35% statutory rate due to lower income tax rates in Poland; however, this favorable impact was partially offset by losses and restructuring expenses incurred by the RTL Philippines facility that do not have any income tax benefits.

### Income from Equity Affiliates

Income from equity affiliates was \$0.8 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013 compared with \$0.5 million during the prior-year period. These results reflected the operations of the joint venture in China to produce cigarette papers, CTM, and expenses of the Chinese reconstituted tobacco joint venture, CTS, which is currently under construction.

### Discontinued Operations

As a result of a decision to sell our Medan, Indonesia paper mill and a decision to close our San Pedro, Philippines paper mill, the results of these entities were reported as discontinued operations for all periods presented. Consequently, their results have been removed from each line of the statements of income and the operating activities section of the statements of cash flow. In each case, a separate line has been added for the net results of the discontinued operation, including previously reported restructuring and impairment amounts.

### Net Income and Income per Share

Net income in the three months ended March 31, 2013 was \$30.1 million, or \$0.96 per diluted share, compared with \$14.6 million, or \$0.45 per diluted share, during the prior-year period. The increase in net income was primarily due to \$17.1 million of lower restructuring and impairment expenses.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

A major factor in our liquidity and capital resource planning is our generation of cash flow from operations, which is sensitive to changes in the sales mix, volume and pricing of our products, as well as changes in our production volumes, costs and working capital. Our liquidity is supplemented by funds available under our revolving credit facility with a syndicate of banks that is used as either operating conditions or strategic opportunities warrant. As of March 31, 2013, \$179.8 million of the Company's \$181.1 million of cash and cash equivalents was held by foreign subsidiaries. Movement of cash balances may have significant tax consequences. The Company considers the undistributed earnings of its foreign subsidiaries to be indefinitely reinvested and currently plans to repatriate such earnings only when tax effective to do so. We believe that we are able to maintain a sufficient level of liquidity for our domestic operations and commitments without repatriation of the cash held by these foreign subsidiaries.

Capital spending for 2013 is projected to be approximately \$30 million to \$35 million. We plan to fund our capital projects using cash on-hand, cash generated from operations and our existing credit facilities.

## Cash Requirements

As of March 31, 2013, we had net operating working capital of \$98.7 million and cash and cash equivalents of \$181.1 million, compared with net operating working capital of \$94.6 million and cash and cash equivalents of \$151.2 million as of December 31, 2012. Changes in these amounts include the impacts of changes in currency exchange rates and excess tax benefits of stock-based awards which are not included in the changes in operating working capital presented on the consolidated statements of cash flow.

Cash Flows from Operating Activities (\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012
Net Income	\$30.1	\$14.6
Less: Loss from discontinued operations	(0.6)	(2.5)
Income from continuing operations	30.7	17.1
Non-cash items included in net income:		
Depreciation and amortization	8.5	9.8
Impairment	—	16.9
Deferred income tax provision (benefit)	4.9	(2.2)
Pension and other postretirement benefits	0.8	1.3
Stock-based compensation	0.1	1.6
Income from equity affiliates, net of cash dividends received	(0.8)	(0.5)
Excess tax benefits of stock-based awards	(0.5)	(0.1)
Other items	(0.3)	0.1
Net changes in operating working capital	(3.4)	5.3
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities of:		
Continuing operations	40.0	49.3
Discontinued operations	1.3	(0.9)
Cash Provided by Operations	\$41.3	\$48.4

Net cash provided by operations was \$41.3 million in the three months ended March 31, 2013 compared with \$48.4 million in the prior-year period. The lower cash generation during 2013 was largely due to a \$3.4 million net increase in working capital in the current year period compared to a decrease in working capital of \$5.3 million in the comparable prior-year period.

Operating Working Capital (\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012
Changes in operating working capital		
Accounts receivable	\$(7.0)	) \$7.4
Inventories	(3.9)	) (4.3)
Prepaid expenses	(0.9)	) (0.9)
Accounts payable	1.8	) (0.4)
Accrued expenses	0.2	) (4.6)
Accrued income taxes	6.4	) 8.1
Net changes in operating working capital	\$(3.4)	) \$5.3

In the three months ended March 31, 2013, net changes in operating working capital contributed unfavorably to cash flow by \$3.4 million. The 2013 net increase in working capital was primarily driven by the collection of certain advance payments during the latter part of 2012.

In the three months ended March 31, 2012, net changes in operating working capital contributed favorably to cash flow by \$5.3 million. This 2012 net decrease in working capital was primarily driven by maturation of operations in Poland to support European LIP sales.

Cash Flows from Investing Activities (\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012
Capital spending	\$(5.6)	) \$(7.8)
Capitalized software costs	—	) (0.1)
Investment in equity affiliates	—	) (4.5)
Other	(3.0)	) (4.1)
Cash Used for Investing	\$(8.6)	) \$(16.5)

Cash used for investing activities during the three months ended March 31, 2013 was \$8.6 million and was primarily capital spending.

Cash used for investing activities in the three months ended March 31, 2012 was \$16.5 million and was primarily capital spending and equity contributions to the CTS joint venture in China.

Cash Flows from Financing Activities (\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012
Cash dividends paid to SWM stockholders	\$(9.4 )	\$(2.4 )
Net proceeds from borrowings	7.5	0.5
Purchases of treasury stock	(1.7 )	(21.6 )
Proceeds from exercises of stock options	0.3	0.1
Excess tax benefits of stock-based awards	0.5	0.1
Cash Used in Financing	\$(2.8 )	\$(23.3 )

During the three months ended March 31, 2013, financing activities primarily included cash dividends of \$9.4 million paid to SWM stockholders, net proceeds from borrowings of \$7.5 million and share repurchases of \$1.7 million.

During the three months ended March 31, 2012, financing activities primarily included \$21.6 million of share repurchases, cash dividends of \$2.4 million paid to SWM stockholders and net borrowings of \$0.5 million.

#### Dividend Payments

We have declared and paid cash dividends on our Common Stock every fiscal quarter since the second quarter of 1996. We announced a dividend of \$0.30 per share for the dividend payable on June 27, 2013 to stockholders of record on May 22, 2013. Our Credit Agreement covenants require that we maintain certain financial ratios, as disclosed in Note 8, Debt, of the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, none of which under normal business conditions materially limit our ability to pay such dividends. We will continue to assess our dividend policy in light of our cash generation, debt levels and ongoing requirements for cash to fund operations and to pursue possible strategic opportunities.

#### Share Repurchases

In the three months ended March 31, 2013, we repurchased 43,458 shares at a cost of \$1.7 million for the value of employees' stock-based compensation share awards surrendered to satisfy their personal statutory income tax withholding obligations. No shares were repurchased under the current \$50.0 million authorization through the date of this filing. See Part II, Item 2, Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

In the three months ended March 31, 2012, we repurchased 627,120 shares of our common stock at a cost of \$21.6 million.

Debt Instruments and Related Covenants (\$ in millions)	Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2012
Changes in short-term debt	\$0.5	\$(1.5 )
Proceeds from issuances of long-term debt	10.1	7.1
Payments on long-term debt	(3.1 )	(5.1 )
Net proceeds from borrowings	\$7.5	\$0.5

Net proceeds from long-term debt were \$7.0 million and net proceeds on short-term debt were \$0.5 million during the three months ended March 31, 2013. The Company may incur additional borrowings of approximately \$20 million to \$30 million during 2013. With the current level of borrowing and forecasted results, we expect to remain in compliance with our Credit Agreement financial covenants.





The Company's five-year revolving credit facility, or Credit Agreement, provides for borrowing capacity of approximately \$225 million and includes a \$100 million equivalent sub-limit available in euro, as well as a \$25 million equivalent sub-limit available in Philippine pesos. Availability under the Credit Agreement was \$79.9 million as of March 31, 2013. We also had availability under our bank overdraft facilities and lines of credit of \$42.4 million as of March 31, 2013.

The Credit Agreement contains representations and warranties which are customary for facilities of this type and covenants and provisions that, among other things, require the Company to maintain (a) a Maximum Net Debt to EBITDA Ratio of 3.00 and (b) Minimum Interest Coverage of 3.50. The Company was in compliance with its financial covenants at March 31, 2013.

Our total debt to capital ratios at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012 were 23.6% and 23.4%, respectively.

#### Other Factors Affecting Liquidity and Capital Resources

**Postretirement Benefits.** Our pension obligations are funded by our separate pension trusts, which held \$133.8 million in assets at December 31, 2012. The combined projected benefit obligation, or PBO, of our U.S. and French pension plans was underfunded by \$32.4 million as of December 31, 2012. We make contributions to our pension trusts based on many factors including regulatory guidelines, investment returns of the trusts and availability of cash for pension contributions versus other priorities. We were not required to make contributions to our U.S. and French pension plans during 2013; however we have voluntarily contributed \$0.7 million to the U.S. pension plans during the three months ended March 31, 2013 .

The Paper segment has minimum purchase agreements for flax fiber during 2013 of approximately \$8 million. The Reconstituted Tobacco segment has minimum purchase agreements for tobacco stems of approximately \$3 million in 2013. The Paper segment's PdM mill has a minimum annual commitment for calcium carbonate purchases, a raw material used in the manufacturing of some paper products, which totals approximately \$3 million per year through 2014. Future purchases are expected to be at levels that exceed such minimum levels under these contracts.

The Company has agreements with an energy cogeneration supplier in France whereby the supplier constructed and operates a cogeneration facility at certain mills and supplies steam that is used in the operation of these mills. The Company is committed to purchasing minimum annual amounts of steam generated by these facilities under the agreements through 2021. These minimum annual commitments total approximately \$4 million. The Company's current and expected requirements for steam at these facilities are at levels that exceed the minimum levels under the contracts.

The Paper segment's Brazilian mill, SWM-B, has an agreement for the transmission and distribution of energy that covers 100% of the mill's consumption of electrical energy valued at approximately \$5 million annually through 2015. The French mills have contracts for natural gas to be distributed to and consumed at PdM, LTRI and St. Girons. The value of the natural gas and distribution to be provided under these contracts is estimated at approximately \$32 million in 2013.

## Outlook

SWM has built a solid foundation and has opportunities ahead to provide value-adding solutions to our customers. For example, as additional countries are anticipated to adopt LIP legislation, we will continue to build our technology position and excellent reputation in this premium application to serve our customers' increasing needs for those products, which in turn should continue to improve the margin profile of our paper business.

The Company also seeks to capitalize on growth opportunities and regulatory trends requiring more sophisticated cigarettes in design and performance. For example, as proposed tar delivery limits get implemented in China, SWM expects increased demand for reconstituted tobacco leaf, which we are strategically positioned to satisfy with our new joint venture in China.

Challenges for the Company include continued global economic uncertainty, foreign exchange volatility and the continued decline of cigarette consumption in western markets which creates increased competitive pressure worldwide. SWM expects to continue driving cost reductions through our operational excellence and lean manufacturing efforts. These cost reductions are expected to deliver value to our customers and help mitigate anticipated inflationary and competitive pressures. In addition, we are evaluating other actions to address ongoing imbalances of demand and supply, particularly as tobacco industry growth is occurring primarily in regions such as Asia, in an effort to continue providing competitive and high quality, value-adding solutions in growing markets.

## Forward-Looking Statements

This report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 that are subject to the safe harbor created by that Act. These statements include those in the “Outlook” section and our expectations elsewhere in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation, and in “Risk Factors” in Item 1A. They also include statements containing “expect,” “anticipate,” “project,” “appears,” “should,” “could,” “may,” “typically” and similar words. Actual results may differ materially from the results suggested by these statements for a number of reasons, including the following:

SWM has manufacturing facilities in 5 countries, two joint ventures in China, and sells products in over 90 countries. As a result, it is subject to a variety of import and export tax, foreign currency, labor and other regulations within these countries. Changes in these regulations, adverse interpretations or applications, as well as changes in currency exchange rates, could adversely impact the Company's business in a variety of ways, including increasing expenses, decreasing sales, limiting its ability to repatriate funds and generally limiting its ability to conduct business.

The Company's sales are concentrated to a limited number of customers. In 2012, 55% of its sales were to its four largest customers. The loss of one or more of these customers, or a significant reduction in one or more of these customers' purchases, particularly those that impact our higher value LIP papers or reconstituted tobacco, could have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations.

The Company's financial performance is materially impacted by sales of both reconstituted tobacco products and cigarette paper for lower ignition propensity cigarettes. A significant change in sales or production volumes, pricing or manufacturing costs of these products could have a material impact on future financial results.

As a result of excess capacity in the tobacco-related papers industry and increased operating costs, competitive levels of selling prices for certain of the Company's products are not sufficient to cover those costs with a margin that the Company considers reasonable. Such competitive pressures have resulted in downtime of certain paper machines and, in some cases, accelerated depreciation or impairment charges for certain equipment as well as employee severance expenses associated with downsizing activities. The Company will continue to disclose any such material actions as they are announced to affected employees or otherwise become certain and will continue to provide updates to any previously disclosed expectations of expenses associated with such actions.

The Company suspended construction of its Philippine RTL manufacturing site during 2011. The carrying value of the partially constructed assets is evaluated for impairment at each reporting period by assessing the recoverability of the costs based on the undiscounted cash flows of the operation, likelihood of its reactivation and alternative uses for the equipment. This evaluation could result in a decision to record an impairment of some or a substantial portion of the net book value of the RTL Philippines property, plant and equipment, which was \$75.1 million as of March 31, 2013.

The demand for our reconstituted tobacco leaf product is subject to change depending on the rate at which this product is included by our customers in the blend that forms the column of tobacco in their various cigarette brands as well as the supply and cost of natural tobacco leaf, which serves to an extent as a substitute for reconstituted tobacco. A change in the inclusion rate or the dynamics of the natural leaf tobacco market can have a material effect on the volume of reconstituted tobacco sales, the price for reconstituted tobacco or both, either of which can have a material effect on our earnings from that product line. In past years, the Company has experienced the adverse effects for one or more years related to changes in the demand and supply relationship for natural leaf.

In recent years, governmental entities around the world, particularly in the United States, western Europe, and Brazil, have taken or have proposed actions that may have the effect of reducing consumption of tobacco products which can, in turn, reduce demand for our products. Reports with respect to the possible harmful physical effects of cigarette smoking and use of tobacco products have been publicized for many years and, together with actions to restrict or prohibit advertising and promotion of cigarettes or other tobacco products, to limit smoking in public places, to control or restrict the additives that may be used in tobacco products and to increase taxes on such products, are intended to discourage the consumption of cigarettes and other such products. Also in recent years, certain governmental entities, particularly in North America and Europe, have enacted, considered or proposed actions that would require cigarettes to meet specifications aimed at reducing their likelihood of igniting fires when the cigarettes are not actively being smoked. Furthermore, it is not possible to predict what additional legislation or regulations relating to tobacco products will be enacted, the extent that such regulations may have a direct or indirect impact on the design of our customers' products or to what extent, if any, such legislation or regulations might affect our business directly or indirectly through their impact on our customers' businesses and products.

Our portfolio of granted patents varies by country, which could have an impact on any competitive advantage provided by patents in individual markets. We rely on patent, trademark, and other intellectual property laws of the United States and other countries to protect our intellectual property rights. In order to maintain the benefits of our patents, we may be required to enforce certain of our patents against infringement through court actions. However, we may be unable to prevent third parties from using our intellectual property or infringing on our patents without our authorization, which may reduce any competitive advantage we have developed. If we have to litigate to protect these rights, any proceedings could be costly, time consuming, could divert management resources, and we may not prevail. We cannot guarantee that any United States or foreign patents, issued or pending, will continue to provide us with any competitive advantage or will not be successfully challenged by third parties. We believe that our products do not infringe on the valid intellectual property rights of third parties. However, we may be unaware of intellectual property rights of others that may cover some of our products or services. In that event, we may be subject to significant claims for damages. Effectively policing our intellectual property and patents is time consuming and costly, and the steps taken by us may not prevent infringement of our intellectual property, patents or other proprietary rights in our products, technology and trademarks, particularly in foreign countries where in many instances the local laws or legal systems do not offer the same level of protection as in the United States.

- Recent uncertainty in the EU financial markets has increased the possibility of significant changes in foreign exchange rates as governments take counter measures. As a large portion of our commercial business is euro denominated, any material change in the euro to U.S. dollar exchange rate could impact our results on a consolidated basis.

### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Our market risk exposure at March 31, 2013 is consistent with, and not materially different than, the types of market risk and amount of exposures presented under the caption "Market Risk" in Part I, Item 1A in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 filed with the SEC.

### Item 4. Controls and Procedures

We currently have in place systems relating to disclosure controls and procedures with respect to the accurate and timely recording, processing, summarizing and reporting of information required to be disclosed in our periodic Exchange Act reports. We periodically review and evaluate these disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions about required disclosure. In completing our review and evaluation of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of March 31, 2013, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that these controls and procedures were effective as of March 31, 2013. No changes in our internal control over financial reporting were identified as having occurred in the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2013 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II.

### Item 1. Legal Proceedings

The Company is involved in various legal proceedings and disputes (see Note 16, Commitments and Contingencies, of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012). There have been no material developments to these matters during 2013.

### Item 1A. Risk Factors

There were no material changes in the risk factors previously disclosed in our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

### Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

#### Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

In December 2012, the Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of shares of SWM Common Stock during the period December 7, 2012 to December 31, 2013 in an amount not to exceed \$50.0 million. No shares have been repurchased under this new authorization through the date of this filing.

The following table indicates the amount of shares of the Company's common stock it has repurchased during 2013 and the remaining amount of share repurchases currently authorized by our Board of Directors as of March 31, 2013:

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Programs		Maximum amount of shares that May Yet Be Purchased under the Programs (\$ in millions)
			(# shares)	(\$ in millions)	
January 2013	4,878	\$39.78	—	\$—	
February 2013	38,580	37.81	—	\$—	
March 2013	—	—	—	—	
Total Year-to-Date 2013	43,458	\$38.03	—	\$—	\$50.0

The Company sometimes uses corporate 10b5-1 plans so that share repurchases can be made at predetermined stock price levels, without restricting such repurchases to specific windows of time. Future common stock repurchases will be dependent upon various factors, including the stock price, strategic opportunities and cash availability

### Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

Not applicable.

### Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

### Item 5. Other Information

Not applicable.

Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Exhibit
10.9.2	Restricted Stock Plan Performance Share Participation Agreement
10.9.3	Restricted Stock Plan Cliff Vesting Participation Agreement
10.9.4	Restricted Stock Plan French Performance Share Participation Agreement
10.9.5	Restricted Stock Plan French Cliff Vesting Participation Agreement
31.1	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32	Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. ‡ The following materials from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2013, formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): (i) the Consolidated Statements of Income, (ii) the Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income, (iii) the Consolidated Balance Sheets, (iv) the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flow, (v) the Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity and (vi) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. (Furnished herewith.)
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These Section 906 certifications are not being incorporated by reference into the Form 10-Q filing or otherwise deemed to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.



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 thereunto duly authorized.

Schweitzer-Mauduit International, Inc.  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ JEFFREY A. COOK  
Jeffrey A. Cook  
Executive Vice President, Chief  
Financial Officer and Treasurer  
(duly authorized officer and  
principal financial officer)

May 8, 2013

By: /s/ MARK A. SPEARS  
  
Mark A. Spears  
Corporate Controller  
(principal accounting officer)

May 8, 2013

## GLOSSARY OF TERMS

The following are definitions of certain terms used in this Form 10-Q filing:

- “Banded cigarette paper” is a type of paper, used to produce lower ignition propensity cigarettes, by applying bands to the paper during the papermaking process.
- “Binder” is used to hold the tobacco leaves in a cylindrical shape during the production process of cigars.
- “Cigarette paper” wraps the column of tobacco within a cigarette and has varying properties such as basis weight, porosity, opacity, tensile strength, texture and burn rate.
- “Commercial and industrial products” include lightweight printing and writing papers, coated papers for packaging and labeling applications, business forms, battery separator paper, drinking straw wrap and other specialized papers.
- “Flax” is a cellulose fiber from a flax plant used as a raw material in the production of certain cigarette papers.
- “Lower ignition propensity cigarette paper” includes banded and print banded cigarette paper, both of which contain bands, which increase the likelihood that an unattended cigarette will self-extinguish.
- “Net debt to EBITDA ratio” is a financial measurement used in bank covenants where “Net Debt” is defined as consolidated total debt minus unrestricted cash and cash equivalents in excess of \$15 million, and “EBITDA” is defined as net income plus the sum of interest expense, income tax expense, depreciation and amortization, non-cash restructuring and impairment charges, earnings attributable to the minority interest to the extent such earnings are received by the Company and all other non-cash charges minus amortization of deferred revenue and minority interest in the earnings of subsidiaries to the extent such earnings are distributed to holders other than the Company.
- “Net debt to capital ratio” is total debt less cash and cash equivalents, divided by the sum of total debt, noncontrolling interest and total stockholders’ equity.
- “Net debt to equity ratio” is total debt less cash and cash equivalents, divided by the sum of noncontrolling interest and total stockholders’ equity.
- “Net operating working capital” is accounts receivable, inventory, income taxes receivable and prepaid expense, less accounts payable, accrued expenses and income taxes payable.
- “Opacity” is a measure of the extent to which light is allowed to pass through a given material.
- “Operating profit return on assets” is operating profit divided by average total assets.
- “Plug wrap paper” wraps the outer layer of a cigarette filter and is used to hold the filter materials in a cylindrical form.
- “Print banded cigarette paper” is a type of paper, used to produce lower ignition propensity cigarettes, with bands added to the paper during a printing process, subsequent to the papermaking process.
- “Reconstituted tobacco” is produced in two forms: leaf, or reconstituted tobacco leaf, and wrapper and binder products. Reconstituted tobacco leaf is blended with virgin tobacco as a design aid to achieve certain attributes of finished cigarettes. Wrapper and binder are reconstituted tobacco products used by manufacturers of cigars.
- “Restructuring expense” represents expenses incurred in connection with activities intended to significantly change the size or nature of the business operations, including significantly reduced utilization of operating equipment, exit of a product or market or a significant workforce reduction and charges to reduce property, plant and equipment to its fair value.
  - “Start-up costs” are costs incurred prior to generation of income producing activities in the case of a new plant, or costs incurred in excess of expected ongoing normal costs in the case of a new or rebuilt machine. Start-up costs can include excess variable costs such as raw materials, utilities and labor and unabsorbed fixed costs.
- “Tipping paper” joins the filter element to the tobacco-filled column of the cigarette and is both printable and glueable at high speeds.
- “Wrapper” covers the outside of cigars providing a uniform, finished appearance.