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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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 September 30, 2013

OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 001-16789

ALERE INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)
51 SAWYER ROAD, SUITE 200
WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS 02453
(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip code)
(781) 647-3900
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

04-3565120
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification 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 (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) 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**

The number of shares outstanding of the registrant's common stock, par value of \$0.001 per share, as of October 31, 2013 was 81,881,428.

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ALERE INC.

REPORT ON FORM 10-Q

For the Quarterly Period Ended September 30, 2013

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Readers can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as may, could, should, would, intend, will, expect, anticipate, believe, estimate, continue or similar words. A number of important factors could cause actual results of Alere Inc. and its subsidiaries to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. These factors include, but are not limited to, the risk factors detailed in Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors, of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, as amended, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012 and other risk factors identified herein or from time to time in our periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Readers should carefully review these risk factors, and should not place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on information, plans and estimates at the date of this report. We undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect changes in underlying assumptions or factors, new information, future events or other changes.

Unless the context requires otherwise, references in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to we, us and our refer to Alere Inc. and its subsidiaries.

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Table of Contents**PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION****ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****ALERE INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**

(unaudited)

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|---|-----------------|--|------------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Net product sales | \$ 509,038 | \$ 459,813 | \$ 1,538,876 | \$ 1,399,025 |
| Services revenue | 240,660 | 226,415 | 705,127 | 652,704 |
| Net product sales and services revenue | 749,698 | 686,228 | 2,244,003 | 2,051,729 |
| License and royalty revenue | 4,184 | 5,188 | 13,113 | 11,333 |
| Net revenue | 753,882 | 691,416 | 2,257,116 | 2,063,062 |
| Cost of net product sales | 258,234 | 223,612 | 764,501 | 671,664 |
| Cost of services revenue | 124,993 | 120,131 | 369,961 | 331,550 |
| Cost of net product sales and services revenue | 383,227 | 343,743 | 1,134,462 | 1,003,214 |
| Cost of license and royalty revenue | 2,009 | 1,898 | 5,264 | 5,394 |
| Cost of net revenue | 385,236 | 345,641 | 1,139,726 | 1,008,608 |
| Gross profit | 368,646 | 345,775 | 1,117,390 | 1,054,454 |
| Operating expenses: | | | | |
| Research and development | 40,498 | 40,562 | 122,452 | 120,009 |
| Sales and marketing | 159,587 | 160,644 | 475,465 | 478,544 |
| General and administrative | 142,377 | 105,837 | 418,396 | 347,757 |
| Loss on disposition | 5,885 | | 5,885 | |
| Operating income | 20,299 | 38,732 | 95,192 | 108,144 |
| Interest expense, including amortization of original issue discounts and deferred financing costs | (53,420) | (54,861) | (203,272) | (161,119) |
| Other income (expense), net | (8,869) | (1,072) | (8,276) | 14,570 |
| Loss before benefit for income taxes | (41,990) | (17,201) | (116,356) | (38,405) |
| Benefit for income taxes | (17,148) | (10,677) | (36,152) | (12,621) |

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|---|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Loss before equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax | (24,842) | (6,524) | (80,204) | (25,784) |
| Equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax | 5,753 | 3,007 | 13,238 | 10,417 |
| Net loss | (19,089) | (3,517) | (66,966) | (15,367) |
| Less: Net income attributable to non-controlling interests | 359 | 286 | 601 | 137 |
| Net loss attributable to Alere Inc. and Subsidiaries | (19,448) | (3,803) | (67,567) | (15,504) |
| Preferred stock dividends | (5,367) | (5,352) | (15,926) | (15,940) |
| Net loss available to common stockholders | \$ (24,815) | \$ (9,155) | \$ (83,493) | \$ (31,444) |
| Basic and diluted net loss per common share attributable to Alere Inc. and Subsidiaries: | \$ (0.30) | \$ (0.11) | \$ (1.03) | \$ (0.39) |
| Weighted-average shares basic and diluted | 81,735 | 80,792 | 81,417 | 80,492 |

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

Table of Contents**ALERE INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)**

(unaudited)

(in thousands)

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|---|-------------|--|-------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Net loss | \$ (19,089) | \$ (3,517) | \$ (66,966) | \$ (15,367) |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), before tax: | | | | |
| Changes in cumulative translation adjustment | 67,268 | 39,695 | (42,515) | 38,857 |
| Unrealized gains on available for sale securities | | 141 | | 931 |
| Unrealized gains on hedging instruments | 20 | 10 | 31 | 465 |
| Minimum pension liability adjustment | (369) | (98) | 335 | (218) |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), before tax | 66,919 | 39,748 | (42,149) | 40,035 |
| Income tax benefit related to items of other comprehensive income (loss) | | 360 | | 360 |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax | 66,919 | 39,388 | (42,149) | 39,675 |
| Comprehensive income (loss) | 47,830 | 35,871 | (109,115) | 24,308 |
| Less: Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests | 359 | 286 | 601 | 137 |
| Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Alere Inc. and Subsidiaries | \$ 47,471 | \$ 35,585 | \$ (109,716) | \$ 24,171 |

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ALERE INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(unaudited)

(in thousands, except par value)

| | September 30, 2013 | December 31, 2012 |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 353,993 | \$ 328,346 |
| Restricted cash | 7,905 | 3,076 |
| Marketable securities | 820 | 904 |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowances of \$70,978 and \$36,396 at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively | 568,873 | 524,332 |
| Inventories, net | 370,448 | 337,121 |
| Deferred tax assets | 58,177 | 67,722 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 114,601 | 145,236 |
| Total current assets | 1,474,817 | 1,406,737 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 544,271 | 534,469 |
| Goodwill | 3,103,495 | 3,048,405 |
| Other intangible assets with indefinite lives | 58,953 | 36,451 |
| Finite-lived intangible assets, net | 1,747,538 | 1,834,225 |
| Restricted cash non-current | 29,045 | |
| Deferred financing costs, net, and other non-current assets | 86,489 | 108,857 |
| Investments in unconsolidated entities | 101,822 | 90,491 |
| Deferred tax assets | 8,189 | 8,293 |
| Total assets | \$ 7,154,619 | \$ 7,067,928 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Short-term debt | \$ 25 | \$ |
| Current portion of long-term debt | 47,701 | 60,232 |
| Current portion of capital lease obligations | 6,533 | 6,684 |
| Accounts payable | 194,991 | 169,974 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 447,228 | 411,919 |
| Total current liabilities | 696,478 | 648,809 |
| Long-term liabilities: | | |
| Long-term debt, net of current portion | 3,790,532 | 3,628,675 |
| Capital lease obligations, net of current portion | 14,926 | 12,917 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 352,859 | 428,188 |

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|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| Other long-term liabilities | 209,683 | 166,635 |
| Total long-term liabilities | 4,368,000 | 4,236,415 |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 17) | | |
| Stockholders equity: | | |
| Series B preferred stock, \$0.001 par value (liquidation preference: \$709,763 at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012); Authorized: 2,300 shares; Issued: 2,065 shares at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012; Outstanding: 1,774 shares at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 | 606,468 | 606,468 |
| Common stock, \$0.001 par value; Authorized: 200,000 shares; Issued: 89,533 shares at September 30, 2013 and 88,576 shares at December 31, 2012; Outstanding: 81,854 shares at September 30, 2013 and 80,897 shares at December 31, 2012 | 90 | 89 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 3,314,698 | 3,299,935 |
| Accumulated deficit | (1,632,540) | (1,564,973) |
| Treasury stock, at cost, 7,679 shares at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 | (184,971) | (184,971) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | (18,275) | 23,874 |
| Total stockholders equity | 2,085,470 | 2,180,422 |
| Non-controlling interests | 4,671 | 2,282 |
| Total equity | 2,090,141 | 2,182,704 |
| Total liabilities and equity | \$ 7,154,619 | \$ 7,067,928 |

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

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ALERE INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(unaudited)

(in thousands)

| | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 |
| Cash Flows from Operating Activities: | | |
| Net loss | \$ (66,966) | \$ (15,367) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Non-cash interest expense, including amortization of original issue discounts and write-off of deferred financing costs | 14,088 | 16,087 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 326,689 | 322,371 |
| Non-cash charges for sale of inventories revalued at the date of acquisition | 1,880 | 4,681 |
| Non-cash stock-based compensation expense | 14,462 | 11,868 |
| Impairment of inventory | 243 | 295 |
| Impairment of long-lived assets | 4,101 | 274 |
| (Gain) loss on sale of fixed assets | 1,849 | (4,194) |
| Equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax | (13,238) | (10,417) |
| Deferred income taxes | (73,655) | (43,619) |
| Loss on extinguishment of debt | 35,603 | |
| Loss on disposition | 5,885 | |
| Bargain purchase gain | (5,707) | |
| Other non-cash items | 6,674 | 5,736 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions: | | |
| Accounts receivable, net | (57,310) | (8,261) |
| Inventories, net | (72,727) | (15,596) |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | (9,132) | 4,171 |
| Accounts payable | 15,981 | (16,743) |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 37,242 | 24,116 |
| Other non-current liabilities | (6,857) | (21,639) |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 159,105 | 253,763 |
| Cash Flows from Investing Activities: | | |
| (Increase) decrease in restricted cash | (33,881) | 5,771 |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment | (90,908) | (97,309) |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment | 5,831 | 22,383 |
| Cash received from disposition | 32,000 | |
| Cash paid for acquisitions, net of cash acquired | (166,196) | (384,780) |
| Cash received from sales of marketable securities | | 271 |
| Cash received from (paid for) equity method investments | 11,262 | 6,556 |
| (Increase) decrease in other assets | 19,244 | (9,313) |

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|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Net cash used in investing activities | (222,648) | (456,421) |
| Cash Flows from Financing Activities: | | |
| Cash paid for financing costs | (9,798) | (2,313) |
| Cash paid for contingent purchase price consideration | (27,496) | (16,248) |
| Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net of issuance costs | 17,555 | 14,260 |
| Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt | 460,141 | 198,288 |
| Payments on long-term debt | (455,157) | (42,553) |
| Net proceeds under revolving credit facilities | 138,768 | 91,162 |
| Borrowings from (payments on) short-term debt | 25 | (6,240) |
| Cash paid for dividends | (15,970) | (15,970) |
| Excess tax benefits on exercised stock options | 434 | 277 |
| Principal payments on capital lease obligations | (5,341) | (4,925) |
| Other | (18,953) | (2,811) |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | 84,208 | 212,927 |
| Foreign exchange effect on cash and cash equivalents | 4,982 | (7,188) |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents | 25,647 | 3,081 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period | 328,346 | 299,173 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period | \$ 353,993 | \$ 302,254 |

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

Table of Contents**ALERE INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES****NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

(unaudited)

(1) Basis of Presentation of Financial Information

The accompanying consolidated financial statements of Alere Inc. are unaudited. In the opinion of management, the unaudited consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments considered normal and recurring and necessary for their fair statement. Interim results are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for the year. These interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information and in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, these consolidated financial statements do not include all of the information and footnotes necessary for a complete presentation of financial position, results of operations, comprehensive income and cash flows. Our audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012 included information and footnotes necessary for such presentation and were included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, as amended, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, on March 1, 2013. These unaudited consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with our audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Certain reclassifications of prior period amounts have been made to conform to current period presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on net income or equity.

Certain amounts presented may not recalculate directly, due to rounding.

(2) Cash and Cash Equivalents

We consider all highly-liquid cash investments with original maturities of three months or less at the date of acquisition to be cash equivalents. At September 30, 2013, our cash equivalents consisted of money market funds.

(3) Restricted Cash

As of September 30, 2013, we had a total of \$36.9 million in restricted cash, of which \$29.0 million was classified as non-current on our consolidated balance sheet. The \$29.0 million secures a foreign bank loan arrangement that we entered into during the three months ended September 30, 2013 and will remain on deposit for a two-year period under the current terms of the loan arrangement.

(4) Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost (first in, first out) or market and are comprised of the following (in thousands):

| | September 30, 2013 | December 31, 2012 |
|-----------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Raw materials | \$ 115,441 | \$ 99,498 |
| Work-in-process | 83,571 | 89,895 |

| | | |
|----------------|------------|------------|
| Finished goods | 171,436 | 147,728 |
| | \$ 370,448 | \$ 337,121 |

(5) Stock-based Compensation

We recorded stock-based compensation expense in our consolidated statements of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, as follows (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|----------------------------|---|-------------|--|-------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Cost of net revenue | \$ 287 | \$ 269 | \$ 797 | \$ 801 |
| Research and development | 1,111 | 752 | 2,641 | 2,379 |
| Sales and marketing | 975 | 751 | 2,597 | 2,581 |
| General and administrative | 3,289 | 1,854 | 8,427 | 6,107 |
| | 5,662 | 3,626 | 14,462 | 11,868 |
| Benefit for income taxes | (1,511) | (536) | (2,869) | (1,951) |
| | \$ 4,151 | \$ 3,090 | \$ 11,593 | \$ 9,917 |

Table of Contents**(6) Net Loss per Common Share**

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net loss per common share for the periods presented (in thousands, except per share data):

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Three Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|----------------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Numerator: | | | | |
| Net loss | \$ (19,089) | \$ (3,517) | \$ (66,966) | \$ (15,367) |
| Preferred stock dividends | (5,367) | (5,352) | (15,926) | (15,940) |
| Less: Net income attributable to non-controlling interest | 359 | 286 | 601 | 137 |
| Net loss available to common stockholders | \$ (24,815) | \$ (9,155) | \$ (83,493) | \$ (31,444) |
| Denominator: | | | | |
| Weighted-average common shares outstanding basic and diluted | 81,735 | 80,792 | 81,417 | 80,492 |
| Basic and diluted net loss per common share attributable to Alere Inc. and Subsidiaries | \$ (0.30) | \$ (0.11) | \$ (1.03) | \$ (0.39) |

The following potential dilutive securities were not included in the calculation of diluted net loss per common share because the inclusion thereof would be antidilutive (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Three Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|----------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|--------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Denominator: | | | | |
| Options to purchase shares of common stock | 10,239 | 9,730 | 10,239 | 9,730 |
| Warrants | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Conversion shares related to 3% convertible senior subordinated notes | 3,411 | 3,411 | 3,411 | 3,411 |
| Conversion shares related to subordinated convertible promissory notes | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 |
| Conversion shares related to Series B convertible preferred stock | 10,239 | 10,239 | 10,239 | 10,239 |
| Total number of antidilutive potentially issuable shares of common stock excluded from diluted common shares outstanding | 23,920 | 23,411 | 23,920 | 23,411 |

(7) Stockholders Equity and Non-controlling Interests

(a) Preferred Stock

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, Series B preferred stock dividends amounted to \$5.3 million and \$15.9 million, respectively, and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, Series B preferred stock dividends amounted to \$5.4 million and \$15.9 million, respectively, which reduced earnings available to common stockholders for purposes of calculating net loss per common share for each of the respective periods. As of September 30, 2013, \$5.3 million of Series B preferred stock dividends was accrued. As of October 15, 2013, payments have been made covering all dividend periods through September 30, 2013.

The Series B preferred stock dividends for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 were paid in cash.

Table of Contents*(b) Changes in Stockholders' Equity and Non-controlling Interests*

A summary of the changes in stockholders' equity and non-controlling interests comprising total equity for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 is provided below (in thousands):

| | Nine Months Ended September 30, | | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| | 2013 | | 2012 | | | |
| | Total | Non- | Total | Total | Non- | Total |
| | Stockholders | controlling | Total | Stockholders | controlling | Total |
| | Equity | Interests | Equity | Equity | Interests | Equity |
| Equity, beginning of period | \$ 2,180,422 | \$ 2,282 | \$ 2,182,704 | \$ 2,229,234 | \$ 2,340 | \$ 2,231,574 |
| Exercise of common stock options, warrants and shares issued under employee stock purchase plan | 17,555 | | 17,555 | 14,261 | | 14,261 |
| Issuance of common stock for settlement of an acquisition-related contingent consideration obligation | | | | 1,243 | | 1,243 |
| Preferred stock dividends | (15,970) | | (15,970) | (15,970) | | (15,970) |
| Stock-based compensation related to grants of common stock options | 14,462 | | 14,462 | 11,868 | | 11,868 |
| Excess tax benefits on exercised stock options | (1,283) | | (1,283) | (437) | | (437) |
| Non-controlling interest from acquisition | | 1,788 | 1,788 | | | |
| Purchase of subsidiary shares from non-controlling interests | | | | (35,079) | | (35,079) |
| Dividend relating to non-controlling interest | | | | | (236) | (236) |
| Net income (loss) | (67,567) | 601 | (66,966) | (15,504) | 200 | (15,304) |
| Total other comprehensive income (loss) | (42,149) | | (42,149) | 39,675 | | 39,675 |
| Equity, end of period | \$ 2,085,470 | \$ 4,671 | \$ 2,090,141 | \$ 2,229,291 | \$ 2,304 | \$ 2,231,595 |

(8) Business Combinations

Acquisitions are accounted for using the acquisition method and the acquired companies' results have been included in the accompanying consolidated financial statements from their respective dates of acquisition. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, we expensed acquisition-related costs of \$0.5 million and \$1.8 million, respectively, in general and administrative expense. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, we expensed acquisition-related costs of \$0.8 million and \$6.1 million, respectively, in general and administrative expense.

Our business acquisitions have historically been made at prices above the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, resulting in goodwill, based on our expectations of synergies and other benefits of combining the businesses. These synergies and benefits include elimination of redundant facilities, functions and staffing; use of our existing commercial infrastructure to expand sales of the products of the acquired businesses; and use of the commercial infrastructure of the acquired businesses to expand product sales in a cost-efficient manner.

Net assets acquired are recorded at their fair value and are subject to adjustment upon finalization of the fair value analysis. We are not aware of any information that indicates the final fair value analysis will differ materially from the preliminary estimates. The estimated useful lives of the individual categories of intangible assets were based on the nature of the applicable intangible asset and the expected future cash flows to be derived from the intangible asset. Amortization of intangible assets with finite lives is recognized over the shorter of the respective lives of the agreement or the period of time the intangible assets are expected to contribute to future cash flows. We amortize our finite-lived intangible assets based on patterns on which the respective economic benefits are expected to be realized.

(a) Acquisitions in 2013

(i) Epocal

On February 1, 2013, we acquired Epocal, Inc., or Epocal, located in Ottawa, Canada, a provider of technologies that support blood gas and electrolyte testing at the point of care. The preliminary aggregate purchase price was approximately \$248.5 million, which consisted of \$173.5 million in cash and a contingent consideration obligation with an aggregate acquisition date fair value of \$75.0 million. The operating results of Epocal are included in our professional diagnostics reporting unit and business segment. The amount allocated to goodwill from this acquisition is not deductible for tax purposes.

(ii) Other acquisitions in 2013

During the nine months ended September 30, 2013, we acquired the following businesses for a preliminary aggregate purchase price of \$47.7 million, which included cash payments totaling \$35.8 million, contingent consideration obligations with an aggregate acquisition date fair value of \$1.3 million, deferred purchase price consideration with an acquisition date fair value of \$0.6 million and an \$8.0 million bargain purchase gain.

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certain assets of PT Mega Medika Mandiri, or Mega Medika, located in South Jakarta, Indonesia, a distributor of infectious disease products to the Indonesian marketplace as well as materials for vaccines to a pharmaceutical customer (Acquired January 2013)

Discount Diabetic, LLC, or Discount Diabetic, located in Phoenix, Arizona, a provider of blood glucose monitoring products, including diabetes testing systems and test strips and other products (Acquired April 2013)

the Medicare fee-for-service assets of Liberty Medical, or the Liberty business, located in Port St. Lucie, Florida, a leading mail order provider of diabetes testing supplies serving the needs of both Type 1 and Type 2 diabetic patients (Acquired April 2013)

51% share in Cardio Selfcare B.V., subsequently renamed Alere Health Services B.V., or Alere Health Services, located in Ede, the Netherlands, a developer of innovative software for the healthcare industry that develops and licenses software and sells medical devices to enable patients to perform medical self-care, including thrombosis self-care (Acquired May 2013)

74.9% interest in Pantech Proprietary Limited, or Pantech, located in Durban, South Africa, a supplier of rapid diagnostic test kits, including HIV, malaria, syphilis, drugs of abuse, 10 parameter urine sticks, glucometers and glucose sticks (Acquired July 2013)

The operating results of Mega Medika, Discount Diabetic, the Liberty business, Alere Health Services, and Pantech are included in our professional diagnostics reporting unit and business segment.

Our consolidated statement of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 included revenue totaling approximately \$26.6 million and \$59.5 million, respectively, related to these businesses. Goodwill has been recognized in the Mega Medika, Alere Health Services and Pantech acquisitions and amounted to approximately \$1.6 million. The goodwill related to the Mega Medika acquisition is deductible for tax purposes.

With respect to our acquisition of the Liberty business, the purchase price of the acquisition has been allocated to the net tangible and intangible assets acquired, with the excess of the fair value of assets acquired over the purchase price recorded as a bargain purchase gain. The \$8.0 million bargain purchase gain has been recorded in other income (expense), net in our consolidated statement of operations and is not recognized for tax purposes. The bargain purchase gain resulted from our operating cost structure which we believe will allow us to operate this business more cost effectively than the sellers.

A summary of the preliminary fair values of the net assets acquired for the acquisitions consummated in 2013 is as follows (in thousands):

| | Epocal | Other | Total |
|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Current assets ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 12,089 | \$ 12,968 | \$ 25,057 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 1,267 | 1,669 | 2,936 |
| Goodwill | 99,449 | 1,629 | 101,078 |

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|---------------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| Intangible assets | 164,400 | 42,920 | 207,320 |
| Other non-current assets | 17,610 | 29 | 17,639 |
| Total assets acquired | 294,815 | 59,215 | 354,030 |
| Current liabilities | 2,627 | 5,398 | 8,025 |
| Non-current liabilities | 43,727 | 6,202 | 49,929 |
| Total liabilities assumed | 46,354 | 11,600 | 57,954 |
| Net assets acquired | 248,461 | 47,615 | 296,076 |
| Less: | | | |
| Contingent consideration | 75,000 | 1,264 | 76,264 |
| Non-controlling interest | | 1,774 | 1,774 |
| Bargain purchase gain | | 8,023 | 8,023 |
| Deferred purchase price consideration | | 768 | 768 |
| Cash paid | \$ 173,461 | \$ 35,786 | \$ 209,247 |

(1) Includes approximately \$3.3 million of acquired cash.

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The following are the intangible assets acquired and their respective fair values and weighted-average useful lives (dollars in thousands):

| | Epocal | Other | Total | Weighted-average Useful Life |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Core technology and patents | \$ 119,700 | \$ | \$ 119,700 | 20.0 years |
| Software | | 804 | 804 | 10.0 years |
| Trademarks and trade names | 20,500 | 10 | 20,510 | 19.2 years |
| Customer relationships | | 36,290 | 36,290 | 11.4 years |
| Other | | 5,816 | 5,816 | 3.0 years |
| In-process research and development | 24,200 | | 24,200 | N/A |
| Total intangible assets | \$ 164,400 | \$ 42,920 | \$ 207,320 | |

(b) Acquisitions in 2012

During 2012, we acquired the following businesses for a preliminary aggregate purchase price of \$494.5 million, which included cash payments totaling \$418.9 million and contingent consideration obligations with aggregate acquisition date fair values of \$75.6 million.

Reatrol Comercializacao De Produtos De Saude, LDA, subsequently renamed Alere Lda, located in Vila Nova de Gaia, Portugal, a distributor of products for drugs of abuse testing (Acquired January 2012)

Kullgren Holding AB, or Kullgren, located in Gensta, Sweden, a company that manufactures and distributes high-quality intimacy and pharmaceutical products (Acquired February 2012)

Wellogic ME FZ-LLC, or Wellogic UAE, located in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, a company that provides development services to Alere Wellogic, LLC, which acquired the assets of Method Factory, Inc. (d/b/a Wellogic), or Wellogic, in December 2011 (Acquired February 2012)

certain assets, primarily including customer and patient lists, of AmMed Direct LLC, or AmMed, located near Nashville, Tennessee, a privately-owned mail-order provider of home-diabetes testing products and supplies (Acquired March 2012)

eScreen, Inc., or eScreen, headquartered in Overland Park, Kansas, a technology-enabled provider of employment drug screening solutions for hiring and maintaining healthier and more efficient workforces (Acquired April 2012)

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MedApps Holding Company, Inc., or MedApps, headquartered in Scottsdale, Arizona, a developer of innovative remote health monitoring solutions that deliver efficient cost-effective connectivity between patient, care provider and electronic medical records (Acquired July 2012)

Amedica Biotech, Inc., or Amedica, located in Hayward, California, a company focused on the development and manufacture of in vitro diagnostic tests (Acquired July 2012)

DiagnosisOne, Inc., or DiagnosisOne, located in Lowell, Massachusetts, a software company that provides clinical analytics technology and data-driven content to hospitals, physician groups, insurers and governments (Acquired July 2012)

Seelen Care Laege-og & Hospitalsartikler ApS, or Seelen, located in Holstebro, Denmark, a distributor of consumables, instruments and equipment to doctors, specialists and physiotherapists (Acquired August 2012)

certain assets of Diagnostik Nord, or Diagnostik, located in Schwerin, Germany, a company focused on the sale of drug screening and in vitro diagnostic medical devices and a provider of diagnostic solutions (Acquired September 2012)

Healthcare Connections Limited, or HCC, located in Buckinghamshire, United Kingdom, an occupational health provider specializing in employment medical programs, preventative health schemes and drug and alcohol sample collection services (Acquired November 2012)

the diagnostic division of Medial spol. s.r.o., subsequently renamed Alere s.r.o., located in Prague, Czech Republic, a distributor of laboratory diagnostic devices, devices operating in the point-of-care testing regime, diagnostic kits and tests for biochemistry, hematology, and microbiology (Acquired November 2012)

certain assets of Quantum Diagnostics, or Quantum Australia, located in Australia, an on-line medical supply company that provides a range of affordable drug and alcohol tests for personal, business and professional medical use (Acquired November 2012)

certain assets of NationsHealth, Inc. (now named Convey Health Solutions, Inc.) and certain assets of its subsidiary United States Pharmaceutical Group, LLC (now d/b/a Convey Health Solutions), or, collectively, NationsHealth, headquartered in Sunrise, Florida, a privately-owned mail-order provider of diabetes home-testing products and supplies, and a share acquisition of NationsHealth's subsidiary in the Philippines, or NationsHealth Philippines (Acquired December 2012)

Branan Medical Corporation, or Branan, headquartered in Irvine, California, a manufacturer of drugs of abuse testing products (Acquired December 2012)

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The operating results of Alere Lda, AmMed, eScreen, MedApps, Amedica, Seelen, Diagnostik, HCC, Alere s.r.o., Quantum Australia, NationsHealth and Branan are included in our professional diagnostics reporting unit and business segment. The operating results of Wellogic UAE and DiagnosisOne are included in our health information solutions reporting unit and business segment. The operating results of Kullgren are included in our consumer diagnostics reporting unit and business segment.

Our consolidated statement of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 included revenue totaling approximately \$14.4 million and \$26.3 million, respectively, related to the businesses that were acquired during that period. Goodwill has been recognized in all of these acquisitions and amounted to approximately \$239.3 million. Goodwill related to the acquisitions of AmMed, Diagnostik and the U.S.-based assets of NationsHealth, which totaled \$8.2 million, is deductible for tax purposes. The goodwill related to the remaining 2012 acquisitions is not deductible for tax purposes.

A summary of the preliminary fair values of the net assets acquired for the acquisitions consummated in 2012 is as follows (in thousands):

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Current assets ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 47,228 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 9,029 |
| Goodwill | 240,576 |
| Intangible assets | 325,223 |
| Other non-current assets | 17,261 |
| Total assets acquired | 639,317 |
| Current liabilities | 28,214 |
| Non-current liabilities | 116,580 |
| Total liabilities assumed | 144,794 |
| Net assets acquired | 494,523 |
| Less: | |
| Contingent consideration | 75,620 |
| Cash paid | \$ 418,903 |

⁽¹⁾ Includes approximately \$3.8 million of acquired cash.

The following are the intangible assets acquired and their respective fair values and weighted-average useful lives (dollars in thousands):

| Amount | Weighted- average Useful Life |
|--------|-------------------------------------|
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|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|
| Core technology and patents | \$ 148,103 | 18.7 years |
| Trademarks and trade names | 19,390 | 18.3 years |
| Customer relationships | 136,485 | 18.1 years |
| Non-competition agreements | 1,118 | 5.1 years |
| Other | 15,227 | 9.2 years |
| In-process research and development | 4,900 | N/A |
| Total intangible assets | \$ 325,223 | |

(9) Restructuring Plans

The following table sets forth aggregate restructuring charges recorded in our consolidated statements of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (in thousands):

| Statement of Operations Caption | Three Months Ended September 30, 2013 | | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012 | |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Cost of net revenue | \$ 3,556 | \$ 1,080 | \$ 4,908 | \$ 2,069 |
| Research and development | 1,100 | | 1,745 | 638 |
| Sales and marketing | 218 | 927 | 1,476 | 1,954 |
| General and administrative | 2,820 | 1,232 | 11,501 | 5,471 |
| Total operating expenses | 7,694 | 3,239 | 19,630 | 10,132 |
| Interest expense, including amortization of original issue discounts and deferred financing costs | 111 | 48 | 228 | 158 |
| Total charges | \$ 7,805 | \$ 3,287 | \$ 19,858 | \$ 10,290 |

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In 2013, management developed cost reduction efforts within our professional diagnostics business segment, including businesses in our United States, Europe and Asia Pacific regions. Additionally, management is continuing to improve efficiencies within our health information solutions business segment, including winding down a small portion of this business, which resulted in charges associated with the impairment of related fixed and intangible assets. The following table summarizes the restructuring activities related to our 2013 restructuring plans for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended September 30, 2013 | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|-----------------|
| | Professional Diagnostics | Health Information Solutions | Total |
| Severance-related costs | \$ 3,876 | \$ 1,340 | \$ 5,216 |
| Facility and transition costs | 1,107 | 327 | 1,434 |
| Other exit costs | | 2 | 2 |
| Cash charges | 4,983 | 1,669 | 6,652 |
| Fixed asset and inventory impairments | 470 | | 470 |
| Other non-cash charges | | (20) | (20) |
| Total charges | \$ 5,453 | \$ 1,649 | \$ 7,102 |

| | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|------------------|
| | Professional Diagnostics | Health Information Solutions | Total |
| Severance-related costs | \$ 5,960 | \$ 1,398 | \$ 7,358 |
| Facility and transition costs | 1,457 | 568 | 2,025 |
| Other exit costs | | 2 | 2 |
| Cash charges | 7,417 | 1,968 | 9,385 |
| Fixed asset and inventory impairments | 470 | 170 | 640 |
| Intangible asset impairments | | 2,596 | 2,596 |
| Other non-cash charges | | (20) | (20) |
| Total charges | \$ 7,887 | \$ 4,714 | \$ 12,601 |

We anticipate incurring approximately \$1.1 million and \$0.3 million in additional costs under our 2013 restructuring plans related to our professional diagnostics business and health information solutions business segments, respectively, in the United States and Europe and may develop additional plans over the remainder of 2013. As of September 30, 2013, \$4.7 million in severance and facility exit costs arising under our 2013 restructuring plans remain unpaid.

(b) 2012 Restructuring Plans

In 2012, management developed cost reduction plans within our professional diagnostics business segment, including the integration of our businesses in Brazil, Europe and the United States. Additionally, management developed new plans to continue our efforts to reduce costs within our health information solutions business segment, including the termination of certain projects, which resulted in charges for the impairment of related fixed and intangible assets. The following table summarizes the restructuring activities related to our 2012 restructuring plans for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 and since inception (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | | Since Inception |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 | |
| Professional Diagnostics | | | | | |
| Severance-related costs ⁽¹⁾ | \$ (614) | \$ 691 | \$ (526) | \$ 3,009 | \$ 4,206 |
| Facility and transition costs | | | 82 | | 201 |
| Cash charges | (614) | 691 | (444) | 3,009 | 4,407 |
| Fixed asset impairments | | 55 | | 55 | 304 |
| Total charges | \$ (614) | \$ 746 | \$ (444) | \$ 3,064 | \$ 4,711 |

- ⁽¹⁾ Severance-related costs for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 includes the reversal of an amount previously accrued which relates to a settlement resulting from a labor dispute.

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| Health Information Solutions | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | | Since Inception |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| | September 30, 2013 | 2012 | September 30, 2013 | 2012 | |
| Severance-related costs | \$ 14 | \$ 516 | \$ 2,362 | \$ 1,735 | \$ 5,407 |
| Facility and transition costs | | 465 | 4,271 | 590 | 5,505 |
| Other exit costs | 82 | 5 | 134 | 5 | 149 |
| Cash charges | 96 | 986 | 6,767 | 2,330 | 11,061 |
| Fixed asset and inventory impairments | | | 75 | | 2,764 |
| Intangible asset impairments | | | | | 2,988 |
| Other non-cash charges | | | (953) | | (984) |
| Total charges | \$ 96 | \$ 986 | \$ 5,889 | \$ 2,330 | \$ 15,829 |

We anticipate incurring approximately \$0.5 million in additional transition and other facility costs under these plans related primarily to our health information solutions business segment through 2014. As of September 30, 2013, \$3.8 million in severance and facility exit costs under these plans remain unpaid.

(c) 2011, 2010 and 2008 Restructuring Plans

In 2011, management executed a company-wide cost reduction plan which impacted our corporate and other business segment, as well as the health information solutions and professional diagnostics business segments. Management also developed plans within our professional diagnostics business segment to consolidate operating activities among certain of our U.S., European and Asia Pacific subsidiaries, including transferring the manufacturing of our Panbio products from Australia to our Standard Diagnostics facility in South Korea and eliminating redundant costs among our newly-acquired Axis-Shield subsidiaries. Additionally, within our health information solutions business segment, management executed plans to further reduce costs and improve efficiencies, as well as cease operations at our GeneCare Medical Genetics Center, Inc., or GeneCare, facility in Chapel Hill, North Carolina and transfer the majority of our Quality Assured Services, Inc. operation in Orlando, Florida to our facility in Livermore, California.

In 2010, management developed several plans to reduce costs and improve efficiencies within our health information solutions and professional diagnostics business segments. Additionally in 2008, management developed and initiated plans to transition the business of Cholestech to our San Diego, California facility.

The following table summarizes the restructuring activities related to our 2011, 2010 and 2008 restructuring plans for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 and since inception (in thousands):

| Professional Diagnostics | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | | Since Inception |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| | September 30, 2013 | 2012 | September 30, 2013 | 2012 | |
| Severance-related costs | \$ 46 | \$ 639 | \$ 242 | \$ 2,914 | \$ 19,955 |
| Facility and transition costs | 112 | 464 | 442 | 1,348 | 7,669 |
| Other exit costs | 14 | 16 | 45 | 52 | 743 |
| Cash charges | 172 | 1,119 | 729 | 4,314 | 28,367 |
| Fixed asset and inventory impairments | 350 | 290 | 350 | 424 | 6,724 |

| | | | | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Intangible asset impairments | 686 | | 686 | | 686 |
| Total charges | \$ 1,208 | \$ 1,409 | \$ 1,765 | \$ 4,738 | \$ 35,777 |

| | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | | Since |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| | September 30, | | September 30, | | Inception |
| Health Information Solutions | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 | |
| Severance-related costs | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 6,901 |
| Facility and transition costs | | 114 | | (59) | 8,010 |
| Other exit costs | 13 | 27 | 47 | 101 | 559 |
| Cash charges | 13 | 141 | 47 | 42 | 15,470 |
| Fixed asset and inventory impairments | | | | 85 | 1,114 |
| Intangible asset impairments | | | | | 2,935 |
| Other non-cash charges | | | | | 761 |
| Total charges | \$ 13 | \$ 141 | \$ 47 | \$ 127 | \$ 20,280 |

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| Corporate and Other | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | | Since Inception |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 | September 30, 2013 | September 30, 2012 | |
| Severance-related costs | \$ | \$ 5 | \$ | \$ 31 | \$ 1,219 |
| Cash charges | | 5 | | 31 | 1,219 |
| Fixed asset and inventory impairments | | | | | 3 |
| Total charges | \$ | \$ 5 | \$ | \$ 31 | \$ 1,222 |

We anticipate incurring approximately \$0.5 million in additional costs under these plans related primarily to our professional diagnostics business segment. A majority of these additional costs relate to the transfer of the Panbio product manufacturing to Korea and are for severance and facility exit costs. We do not anticipate incurring significant additional costs under these plans related to our health information solutions business segment. As of September 30, 2013, \$2.2 million in cash charges remain unpaid, primarily related to severance and facility lease obligations.

(d) Restructuring Reserves

The following table summarizes our restructuring reserves related to the plans described above, of which \$8.7 million is included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities and \$2.0 million is included in other long-term liabilities on our accompanying consolidated balance sheets (in thousands):

| | Severance-related Costs | Facility and Transition Costs | Other Exit Costs | Total |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Balance, December 31, 2012 | \$ 3,167 | \$ 2,429 | \$ 622 | \$ 6,218 |
| Cash charges | 9,436 | 6,820 | 228 | 16,484 |
| Payments | (7,515) | (4,149) | (227) | (11,891) |
| Currency adjustments | (72) | 5 | | (67) |
| Balance, September 30, 2013 | \$ 5,016 | \$ 5,105 | \$ 623 | \$ 10,744 |

(10) Long-term Debt

We had the following long-term debt balances outstanding (in thousands):

| | September 30, 2013 | December 31, 2012 |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| A term loans ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ | \$ 843,750 | \$ 878,438 |
| B term loans ⁽¹⁾ | 906,500 | 913,438 |
| Incremental B-1 term loans ⁽¹⁾ | 245,625 | 247,500 |
| Incremental B-2 term loans ⁽¹⁾ | 195,470 | 196,739 |
| Revolving line of credit ⁽¹⁾ | 170,000 | 22,500 |
| 7.25% Senior notes | 450,000 | 450,000 |

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|--|--------------|--------------|
| 7.875% Senior notes | | 1,809 |
| 9% Senior subordinated notes | | 392,933 |
| 8.625% Senior subordinated notes | 400,000 | 400,000 |
| 6.5% Senior subordinated notes | 425,000 | |
| 3% Convertible senior subordinated notes | 150,000 | 150,000 |
| Other lines of credit | 150 | 31,957 |
| Other | 51,738 | 3,593 |
| | 3,838,233 | 3,688,907 |
| Less: Current portion | (47,701) | (60,232) |
| | \$ 3,790,532 | \$ 3,628,675 |

(1) Incurred under our secured credit facility.

(2) Includes A term loans and Delayed Draw term loans under our secured credit facility.

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In connection with our significant long-term debt issuances, we recorded interest expense, including amortization and write-offs of deferred financing costs and original issue discounts, in our accompanying consolidated statements of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, as follows (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Secured credit facility ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 25,809 | \$ 27,474 | \$ 78,741 | \$ 77,422 |
| 7.25% Senior notes | 8,535 | | 25,371 | |
| 7.875% Senior notes ⁽²⁾ | | 5,763 | 137 | 17,276 |
| 9% Senior subordinated notes ⁽³⁾ | | 10,373 | 54,043 | 31,090 |
| 8.625% Senior subordinated notes | 9,273 | 9,274 | 27,820 | 27,823 |
| 6.5% Senior subordinated notes | 7,172 | | 10,185 | |
| 3% Senior subordinated convertible notes | 1,246 | 1,246 | 3,738 | 3,738 |
| | \$ 52,035 | \$ 54,130 | \$ 200,035 | \$ 157,349 |

- (1) Includes A term loans, including the Delayed-Draw term loans; B term loans; Incremental B-1 term loans; Incremental B-2 term loans; and revolving line of credit loans. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, the amounts include \$0.4 million and \$2.2 million, respectively, related to the amortization of fees paid for certain debt modifications. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, the amount includes \$1.3 million and \$4.0 million, respectively, related to the amortization of fees paid for certain debt modifications.
- (2) For the nine months ended September 30, 2013, this amount includes an approximate \$0.2 million loss recorded in connection with the repurchase of our 7.875% senior notes.
- (3) An approximate \$35.6 million loss in connection with the repurchase of our 9% senior subordinated notes has been included in the nine-month period ended September 30, 2013. Included in the \$35.6 million is \$19.0 million related to tender offer consideration and call premium which has been classified within cash flow from financing activities in our consolidated statement of cash flows.

(a) Secured Credit Facility

The following summarizes the material terms of our secured credit facility that have changed significantly since December 31, 2012. All other terms of our secured credit facility as described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, as amended, for the year ended December 31, 2012, but omitted below, have not changed since that date.

On March 22, 2013, we and certain of our subsidiaries entered into a fourth amendment to the credit agreement that governs our secured credit facility, or the credit agreement. The fourth amendment provides for 50 basis point reductions in the interest rate margins applicable to the B term loans, the Incremental B-1 term loans and the Incremental B-2 term loans and certain other changes. Under the terms of the credit agreement as amended by the fourth amendment, the B term loans, the Incremental B-1 term loans and the Incremental B-2 term loans bear interest at a rate per annum of, at our option, either (i) the Base Rate, as defined in the credit agreement, plus an applicable margin, which varies between 2.00% and 2.75% depending on our consolidated secured leverage ratio, or (ii) the Eurodollar Rate, as defined in the credit agreement, plus an applicable margin, which varies between 3.00% and 3.75% depending on our consolidated secured leverage ratio. Interest on B term loans, Incremental B-1 term loans and

Incremental B-2 term loans based on the Eurodollar Rate is subject to a 1.00% floor with respect to the base Eurodollar Rate.

(b) 6.5% Senior Subordinated Notes

On May 24, 2013, we sold a total of \$425.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.5% senior subordinated notes due 2020, or the 6.5% senior subordinated notes, in a private placement to initial purchasers, who agreed to resell the notes only to qualified institutional buyers and to persons outside the United States. We sold the 6.5% senior subordinated notes at an initial offering price of 100%. Net proceeds from this offering amounted to \$417.7 million, which were net of the underwriters' commissions and offering expenses totaling approximately \$7.3 million.

The 6.5% senior subordinated notes were issued under a supplemental indenture dated May 24, 2013, or the 6.5% Indenture. The 6.5% senior subordinated notes accrue interest at the rate of 6.5% per annum. Interest on the 6.5% senior subordinated notes is payable semi-annually on June 15 and December 15, beginning on December 15, 2013. The 6.5% senior subordinated notes mature on June 15, 2020, unless earlier redeemed.

We may, at our option, redeem the 6.5% senior subordinated notes, in whole or part, at any time (which may be more than once) on or after June 15, 2016, by paying the principal amount of the notes being redeemed plus a declining premium, plus accrued and unpaid interest to (but excluding) the redemption date. The premium declines from 3.250% during the twelve months on and after June 15, 2016 to 1.625% during the twelve months on and after June 15, 2017 to zero on and after June 15, 2018. In addition, we may, at our option, at any time (which may be more than once) before May 24, 2015, redeem up to 10% of the aggregate principal amount of the 6.5% senior subordinated notes in each of the two twelve-month periods preceding May 24, 2015 at a redemption price of 103% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest to (but excluding) the redemption date. In addition, at any time

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(which may be more than once) prior to June 15, 2016, we may, at our option, redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the 6.5% senior subordinated notes with money that we raise in certain equity offerings, so long as (i) we pay 106.5% of the principal amount of the notes being redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest to (but excluding) the redemption date; (ii) we redeem the 6.5% senior subordinated notes within 90 days of completing such equity offering; and (iii) at least 65% of the aggregate principal amount of the 6.5% senior subordinated notes remains outstanding afterwards. In addition, at any time (which may be more than once) prior to June 15, 2016, we may, at our option, redeem some or all of the 6.5% senior subordinated notes by paying the principal amount of the 6.5% senior subordinated notes being redeemed plus a make-whole premium, plus accrued and unpaid interest to (but excluding) the redemption date.

If a change of control occurs, subject to specified conditions, we must give holders of the 6.5% senior subordinated notes an opportunity to sell their notes to us at a purchase price of 101% of the principal amount of the notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest to (but excluding) the date of the purchase.

If we or our subsidiaries engage in asset sales, we or they generally must either invest the net cash proceeds from such sales in our or their businesses within a specified period of time, repay senior indebtedness or make an offer to purchase a principal amount of the 6.5% senior subordinated notes equal to the excess net cash proceeds, subject to certain exceptions. The purchase price of the 6.5% senior subordinated notes would be 100% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest.

The 6.5% Indenture provides that we and our subsidiaries must comply with various customary covenants. These covenants limit our ability, and the ability of our subsidiaries, to, among other things, incur additional debt; pay dividends on our or their capital stock or redeem, repurchase or retire our or their capital stock or subordinated debt; make certain investments; create liens on assets; transfer or sell assets; engage in transactions with our or their affiliates; create restrictions on the ability of our or their subsidiaries to pay dividends or make loans, asset transfers or other payments to us and our subsidiaries; issue capital stock of subsidiaries; engage in any business, other than our or their existing businesses and related businesses; enter into sale and leaseback transactions; incur layered indebtedness; and consolidate or merge with any person (other than certain affiliates) or transfer all or substantially all of our assets or the aggregate assets of us and our subsidiaries. These covenants are subject to certain important exceptions and qualifications, which are set forth in the 6.5% Indenture. At any time the 6.5% senior subordinated notes are rated investment grade, certain covenants will be suspended with respect to them.

The 6.5% Indenture contains customary events of default entitling the trustee or the holders of the 6.5% senior subordinated notes to declare all amounts owed pursuant to the 6.5% senior subordinated notes immediately payable if any such event of default occurs.

The 6.5% senior subordinated notes are our senior subordinated unsecured obligations, are subordinated in right of payment to all of our existing and future senior debt, including our borrowings under our secured credit facility and our 7.25% senior notes, and are equal in right of payment with our 8.625% senior subordinated notes and our 3% convertible senior subordinated notes. Our obligations under the 6.5% senior subordinated notes and the 6.5% Indenture are fully and unconditionally guaranteed, jointly and severally, on a senior subordinated unsecured basis by certain of our domestic subsidiaries, and the obligations of such domestic subsidiaries under their guarantees are subordinated in right of payment to all of their existing and future senior debt. See Note 21 for guarantor financial information.

(c) 9% Senior Subordinated Notes

On May 24, 2013, we used \$200.6 million of the net proceeds of our sale of the 6.5% senior subordinated notes to purchase \$190.6 million outstanding principal amount of our 9% senior subordinated notes due 2016, or the 9% senior subordinated notes, pursuant to our tender offer for these notes. The purchased 9% senior subordinated notes represented approximately 47.7% of the total then-outstanding principal amount of the 9% senior subordinated notes.

On June 24, 2013, we redeemed the remaining \$209.4 million outstanding principal amount of the 9% senior subordinated notes pursuant to our optional redemption right under the indenture under which the 9% senior subordinated notes were issued, and we subsequently terminated this indenture.

(11) Derivative Financial Instruments

We may manage our economic and transaction exposure to certain market-based risks through the use of derivative instruments. Our objective for holding derivative instruments has been to reduce volatility of net earnings and cash flows associated with changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. We do not hold or issue derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes.

Foreign Currency Risk

In connection with our acquisition of Axis-Shield, we acquired a number of foreign currency forward contracts. The specific risk hedged in these contracts was the undiscounted foreign currency spot rate risk on forecasted foreign currency revenue. As of December 31, 2012, all of the acquired foreign currency forward contracts were settled. We report the effective portion of the gain or loss on a cash flow hedge as a component of other comprehensive income, and it was subsequently reclassified into net earnings in the period in which the hedged transaction affected net earnings or the forecasted transaction was no longer probable of occurring.

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The following table summarizes the effect of derivative instruments in our accompanying consolidated statement of operations (in thousands):

| Derivative Instruments | Location of Gain Recognized in Income | Amount of Gain | Amount of Gain |
|------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| | | Recognized During the Three Months Ended September 30, 2012 | Recognized During the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012 |
| Foreign currency forward contracts | Other comprehensive income (loss) | \$ 10 | \$ 465 |
| Total gain | Other comprehensive income (loss) | \$ 10 | \$ 465 |

(12) Fair Value Measurements

We apply fair value measurement accounting to value our financial assets and liabilities. Fair value measurement accounting provides a framework for measuring fair value under U.S. GAAP and requires expanded disclosures regarding fair value measurements. Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. A fair value hierarchy requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs, where available, and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value.

Described below are the three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

Level 3 Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

The following tables present information about our assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, and indicates the fair value hierarchy of the valuation techniques we utilized to determine such fair value (in thousands):

| Description | September 30, 2013 | Quoted Prices in | Significant | Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) |
|-------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| | | Active Markets (Level 1) | Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | |

| Assets: | | | | | | |
|---|-----------|----------------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------------|
| Marketable securities | \$ | 820 | \$ | 820 | \$ | \$ |
| Total assets | \$ | 820 | \$ | 820 | \$ | \$ |
| Liabilities: | | | | | | |
| Contingent consideration obligations ⁽¹⁾ | \$ | 234,559 | \$ | | \$ | 234,559 |
| Total liabilities | \$ | 234,559 | \$ | | \$ | 234,559 |

| Description | December 31, 2012 | Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1) | | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | | Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) | |
|---|-------------------|---|-----------|---|-----------|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | | | | |
| Assets: | | | | | | | |
| Marketable securities | \$ | 904 | \$ | 904 | \$ | | \$ |
| Total assets | \$ | 904 | \$ | 904 | \$ | | \$ |
| Liabilities: | | | | | | | |
| Contingent consideration obligations ⁽¹⁾ | \$ | 176,172 | \$ | | \$ | | \$ 176,172 |
| Total liabilities | \$ | 176,172 | \$ | | \$ | | \$ 176,172 |

- ⁽¹⁾ We determine the fair value of the contingent consideration obligations based on a probability-weighted approach derived from earn-out criteria estimates and a probability assessment with respect to the likelihood of achieving the various earn-out criteria. The measurement is based upon significant inputs not observable in the market. Significant increases or decreases in any of these inputs could result in a significantly higher or lower fair value measurement. Changes in the fair value of these contingent consideration obligations are recorded as income or expense within operating income in our consolidated statements of operations.

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Changes in the fair value of our Level 3 contingent consideration obligations during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 were as follows (in thousands):

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Fair value of contingent consideration obligations, January 1, 2013 | \$ 176,172 |
| Acquisition date fair value of contingent consideration obligations recorded | 76,269 |
| Net reclassifications | (12) |
| Foreign currency | (150) |
| Payments | (36,703) |
| Present value accretion | 7,359 |
| Adjustments, net (income) expense | 11,624 |
| Fair value of contingent consideration obligations, September 30, 2013 | \$ 234,559 |

At September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, receivables, accounts payable and other current liabilities approximated their estimated fair values.

The carrying amount and estimated fair value of our long-term debt were \$3.8 billion and \$3.9 billion, respectively, at September 30, 2013. The carrying amount and estimated fair value of our long-term debt were \$3.7 billion at December 31, 2012. The estimated fair value of our long-term debt was determined using market sources that were derived from available market information (Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy) and may not be representative of actual values that could have been or will be realized in the future.

(13) Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Our subsidiary in England, Unipath Ltd., has a defined benefit pension plan established for certain of its employees. The net periodic benefit costs are as follows (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | One Months Ended September 30, | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|--------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Service cost | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Interest cost | 182 | 199 | 543 | 596 |
| Expected return on plan assets | (156) | (152) | (465) | (457) |
| Amortization of prior service costs | 103 | 104 | 308 | 312 |
| Net periodic benefit cost | \$ 129 | \$ 151 | \$ 386 | \$ 451 |

(14) Financial Information by Segment

Operating segments are defined as components of an enterprise about which separate financial information is available that is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision maker, or decision-making group, in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance. Our chief operating decision-making group is composed of the chief

executive officer and members of senior management. Our reportable operating segments are professional diagnostics, health information solutions, consumer diagnostics and corporate and other. Our operating results include license and royalty revenue which are allocated to professional diagnostics and consumer diagnostics on the basis of the original license or royalty agreement. We evaluate performance of our operating segments based on revenue and operating income (loss). Segment information for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 is as follows (in thousands):

| | Professional Diagnostics | Health Information Solutions | Consumer Diagnostics | Corporate and Other | Total |
|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------|
| Three Months Ended September 30, 2013: | | | | | |
| Net revenue | \$ 590,801 | \$ 134,233 | \$ 28,848 | \$ | \$ 753,882 |
| Operating income (loss) | \$ 53,189 | \$ (7,203) | \$ 3,347 | \$ (29,034) | \$ 20,299 |
| Depreciation and amortization | \$ 88,835 | \$ 22,600 | \$ 1,063 | \$ 287 | \$ 112,785 |
| Non-cash charge associated with acquired inventory | \$ 708 | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 708 |
| Restructuring charge | \$ 6,033 | \$ 1,661 | \$ | \$ | \$ 7,694 |
| Stock-based compensation | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 5,662 | \$ 5,662 |
| Loss on disposition | \$ 5,885 | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 5,885 |
| Three Months Ended September 30, 2012: | | | | | |
| Net revenue | \$ 531,442 | \$ 135,078 | \$ 24,896 | \$ | \$ 691,416 |

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| | Professional Diagnostics | Health Information Solutions | Consumer Diagnostics | Corporate and Other | Total |
|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Operating income (loss) | \$ 63,298 | \$ (14,357) | \$ 4,615 | \$ (14,824) | \$ 38,732 |
| Depreciation and amortization | \$ 85,030 | \$ 24,313 | \$ 1,167 | \$ 239 | \$ 110,749 |
| Restructuring charge | \$ 2,139 | \$ 1,095 | \$ | \$ 5 | \$ 3,239 |
| Stock-based compensation | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 3,626 | \$ 3,626 |
| Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013: | | | | | |
| Net revenue | \$ 1,777,055 | \$ 403,215 | \$ 76,846 | \$ | \$ 2,257,116 |
| Operating income (loss) | \$ 185,925 | \$ (32,855) | \$ 9,031 | \$ (66,909) | \$ 95,192 |
| Depreciation and amortization | \$ 258,485 | \$ 64,062 | \$ 3,296 | \$ 846 | \$ 326,689 |
| Non-cash charge associated with acquired inventory | \$ 1,880 | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 1,880 |
| Restructuring charge | \$ 9,162 | \$ 10,468 | \$ | \$ | \$ 19,630 |
| Stock-based compensation | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 14,462 | \$ 14,462 |
| Loss on disposition | \$ 5,885 | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 5,885 |
| Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012: | | | | | |
| Net revenue | \$ 1,589,909 | \$ 404,452 | \$ 68,701 | \$ | \$ 2,063,062 |
| Operating income (loss) | \$ 196,728 | \$ (46,379) | \$ 7,679 | \$ (49,884) | \$ 108,144 |
| Depreciation and amortization | \$ 245,911 | \$ 72,152 | \$ 3,604 | \$ 704 | \$ 322,371 |
| Non-cash charge associated with acquired inventory | \$ 4,681 | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 4,681 |
| Restructuring charge | \$ 7,750 | \$ 2,351 | \$ | \$ 31 | \$ 10,132 |
| Stock-based compensation | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 11,868 | \$ 11,868 |
| Assets: | | | | | |
| As of September 30, 2013 | \$ 6,243,064 | \$ 555,563 | \$ 213,764 | \$ 142,228 | \$ 7,154,619 |
| As of December 31, 2012 | \$ 6,214,847 | \$ 593,172 | \$ 192,748 | \$ 67,161 | \$ 7,067,928 |

The following tables summarize our net revenue from the professional diagnostics and health information solutions reporting segments by groups of similar products and services for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (in thousands):

| Professional Diagnostics Segment: | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|----------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Cardiology | \$ 116,281 | \$ 122,372 | \$ 349,650 | \$ 386,795 |
| Infectious disease | 172,739 | 136,561 | 520,289 | 425,398 |
| Toxicology | 166,536 | 156,074 | 481,469 | 437,736 |
| Diabetes | 53,150 | 35,670 | 178,138 | 100,628 |
| Other | 78,607 | 78,077 | 235,992 | 230,519 |
| Net product sales and services revenue | 587,313 | 528,754 | 1,765,538 | 1,581,076 |
| License and royalty revenue | 3,488 | 2,688 | 11,517 | 8,833 |
| Professional diagnostics net revenue | \$ 590,801 | \$ 531,442 | \$ 1,777,055 | \$ 1,589,909 |

Health Information Solutions Segment: Three Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012

| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Disease and case management | \$ 56,554 | \$ 57,383 | \$ 163,258 | \$ 165,277 |
| Wellness | 22,223 | 24,290 | 75,753 | 80,881 |
| Women s & children s health | 28,431 | 29,136 | 86,767 | 90,220 |
| Patient self-testing services | 27,025 | 24,269 | 77,437 | 68,074 |
| Health information solutions net revenue | \$ 134,233 | \$ 135,078 | \$ 403,215 | \$ 404,452 |

(15) Related Party Transactions

In May 2007, we completed the formation of Swiss Precision Diagnostics GmbH, or SPD, our 50/50 joint venture with P&G, for the development, manufacturing, marketing and sale of existing and to-be-developed consumer diagnostic products, outside the cardiology, diabetes and oral care fields. Upon completion of the arrangement to form the joint venture, we ceased to consolidate the operating results of our consumer diagnostic products business related to the joint venture and instead account for our 50% interest in the results of the joint venture under the equity method of accounting.

We had a net receivable from the joint venture of \$3.2 million and \$2.3 million as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. Included in the \$3.2 million receivable balance as of September 30, 2013 is approximately \$1.9 million of costs incurred in connection with our 2008 SPD-related restructuring plans. Included in the \$2.3 million receivable balance as of December 31, 2012 is approximately \$1.6 million of costs incurred in connection with our 2008 SPD-related restructuring plans.

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We have also recorded a long-term receivable totaling approximately \$13.0 million and \$14.6 million as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, related to the 2008 SPD-related restructuring plans. Additionally, customer receivables associated with revenue earned after the joint venture was completed have been classified as other receivables within prepaid and other current assets on our accompanying consolidated balance sheets in the amount of \$10.0 million and \$6.9 million as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. In connection with the joint venture arrangement, the joint venture bears the collection risk associated with these receivables. Sales to the joint venture under our manufacturing agreement totaled \$21.2 million and \$56.5 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, respectively, and \$15.9 million and \$47.4 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, respectively. Additionally, services revenue generated pursuant to the long-term services agreement with the joint venture totaled \$0.3 million and \$0.9 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, respectively, and \$0.3 million and \$0.9 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, respectively. Sales under our manufacturing agreement and long-term services agreement are included in net product sales and services revenue, respectively, in our accompanying consolidated statements of operations.

Under the terms of our product supply agreement, the joint venture purchases products from our manufacturing facilities in the U.K. and China. The joint venture in turn sells a portion of those tests back to us for final assembly and packaging. Once packaged, the tests are sold to P&G for distribution to third-party customers in North America. As a result of these related transactions, we have recorded \$10.0 million and \$7.3 million of trade receivables which are included in accounts receivable on our accompanying consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively, and \$25.4 million and \$21.3 million of trade accounts payable which are included in accounts payable on our accompanying consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. During the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, we received \$10.8 million and \$6.1 million, respectively, in cash from SPD as a return of capital.

The following table summarizes our related party balances with SPD within our consolidated balance sheets (in thousands):

| Balance Sheet Caption: | September 30, 2013 | December 31, 2012 |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Accounts receivable, net of allowances | \$ 9,984 | \$ 7,317 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | \$ 13,221 | \$ 9,161 |
| Deferred financing costs, net, and other non-current assets | \$ 12,955 | \$ 14,629 |
| Accounts payable | \$ 25,437 | \$ 21,258 |

(16) Other Arrangements

On February 19, 2013, we entered into an agreement with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, or the Gates Foundation, whereby we were awarded a grant by the Gates Foundation in the amount of \$21.6 million to support the development and commercialization of a validated, low-cost, nucleic-acid assay for clinical Tuberculosis, or TB, detection and drug-resistance test cartridges and adaptation of an analyzer platform capable of operation in rudimentary laboratories in low-resource settings. In connection with this agreement, we also entered into a loan agreement with the Gates Foundation, or the Gates Loan Agreement, which provides for the making of subordinated term loans by the Gates Foundation to us from time to time, subject to the achievement of certain milestones, in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$20.6 million. Funding under the Gates Loan Agreement will be used in connection with the purchase of equipment for an automated high-throughput manufacturing line and other uses as necessary for the manufacture of the TB and HIV-related products. All loans under the Gates Loan Agreement are

evidenced by promissory notes that we have executed and delivered to the Gates Foundation, bear interest at the rate of 3% per annum and, except to the extent earlier repaid by us, mature and are required to be repaid in full on December 31, 2019. As of September 30, 2013, we had borrowed no amounts under the Gates Loan Agreement. As of September 30, 2013, we had received approximately \$7.9 million in grant-related funding from the Gates Foundation, which was recorded as restricted cash and deferred grant funding. The deferred grant funding is classified within accrued expenses and other current liabilities on our accompanying consolidated balance sheet. As qualified expenditures are incurred under the terms of the grant, we use the deferred funding to recognize a reduction of our related qualified research and development expenditures. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, we incurred approximately \$1.9 million and \$4.3 million, respectively, of qualified expenditures, for which we reduced our deferred grant funding balance and recorded an offset to our research and development expenses.

(17) Material Contingencies

Acquisition-related Contingent Consideration Obligations

The following summarizes our principal contractual acquisition-related contingent consideration obligations as of September 30, 2013 that have changed significantly since December 31, 2012. Other acquisition-related contingent consideration obligations that were presented in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, as amended, for the year ended December 31, 2012, but which are omitted below, represent those that have not changed significantly since that date.

Accordant

With respect to Accordant, the terms of the acquisition agreement require us to pay an earn-out upon successfully meeting certain revenue and cash collection targets starting after the second anniversary of the acquisition date and completed prior to the third anniversary of the acquisition date. An earn-out totaling \$4.5 million was earned and accrued as of December 31, 2012. A payment of \$1.5 million was made during each of the first, second and third quarters of 2013. No further payment obligations are outstanding as of September 30, 2013.

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Alere Healthcare

With respect to Alere Healthcare, the terms of the acquisition agreement require us to pay an earn-out upon successfully meeting certain revenue and operating income targets during each of the calendar years 2010 through 2012. The 2012 portion of the earn-out totaling \$0.3 million, which was previously accrued at December 31, 2012, was paid during the second quarter of 2013. No further contingent consideration obligations related to this acquisition exist as of September 30, 2013.

Alere S.A.

With respect to Alere S.A., the terms of the acquisition agreement require us to pay an earn-out upon successfully meeting certain revenue and EBITDA targets during each of the calendar years 2011 through 2016. The remaining earn-out was settled for BRL 6.9 million (approximately \$3.1 million). A payment of BRL 2.9 million was paid during the third quarter of 2013 and the remaining BRL 4.0 million will be paid in 48 equal monthly installments beginning in August 2013. No further contingent consideration obligations related to this acquisition exist as of September 30, 2013.

Amedica

With respect to Amedica, the terms of the acquisition agreement require us to make earn-out payments upon successfully meeting certain financial targets during each of the calendar years 2012 and 2013. The 2012 portion of the earn-out totaling \$6.9 million, which was previously accrued at December 31, 2012, was paid during the second quarter of 2013. The maximum remaining amount of the earn-out payments is \$8.1 million.

Branan

With respect to Branan, the terms of the acquisition agreement require us to pay earn-outs upon successfully achieving various regulatory product approval milestones by the second anniversary of the acquisition date. Four milestones were achieved during 2012, resulting in an accrual totaling approximately \$2.0 million as of December 31, 2012. During the first quarter of 2013, two additional milestones were achieved, resulting in an incremental accrual of \$1.0 million. Payment of these earn-outs was made during the first quarter of 2013. The maximum remaining amount of the earn-out payments is \$1.8 million.

Epocal

With respect to Epocal, the terms of the acquisition agreement require us to pay earn-outs and management incentive payments upon successfully meeting certain product development and United States Food and Drug Administration regulatory approval milestones from the date of acquisition through December 31, 2018. The maximum amount of the earn-out payments is \$90.5 million, of which \$15.0 million was paid at the acquisition closing date. The maximum amount of the management incentive payments is \$9.4 million.

Immunalysis

With respect to Immunalysis, the terms of the acquisition agreement require us to pay earn-outs upon successfully meeting certain gross profit targets during each of the calendar years 2010 through 2012. During the second quarter of 2013, it was determined that the 2012 earn-out totaling \$1.7 million had been achieved and payment was made during the same quarter. No further contingent consideration obligations related to this acquisition exist as of September 30, 2013.

Additionally, we had a contractual contingent obligation to pay up to \$3.0 million in compensation to certain executives of Immunalysis in accordance with the acquisition agreement that, to the extent earned, was paid out in connection with the contingent consideration payable to the former shareholders of Immunalysis, for each of the calendar years 2010, 2011 and 2012. Payment of the 2012 compensation totaling \$1.0 million, which was previously accrued at December 31, 2012, was made during the second quarter of 2013. No further such compensation obligations related to this acquisition exist as of September 30, 2013.

MedApps

With respect to MedApps, the terms of the acquisition agreement require us to make earn-out payments upon achievement of certain technological and product development milestones through January 15, 2015. A portion of the earn-out, totaling \$3.0 million, was earned and paid during the second quarter of 2013. The maximum remaining amount of the earn-out payments is \$18.2 million.

NationsHealth

With respect to NationsHealth, the terms of the acquisition agreement require us to pay an earn-out upon successfully meeting certain operational targets within one year of the acquisition date. During the second quarter of 2013, the earn-out was accrued for a settlement amount of \$2.0 million, which was paid during the third quarter of 2013. No further contingent consideration obligations related to this acquisition exist as of September 30, 2013.

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Pantech

With respect to Pantech, the terms of the acquisition agreement requires us to pay a maximum earn-out of approximately \$0.6 million based upon successfully meeting certain EBITDA targets in each of the three years post-closing.

ROAR

With respect to Forensics Limited, or ROAR, the terms of the acquisition agreement require us to pay an earn-out upon successfully meeting certain EBITDA targets during 2012 through 2014. Payment of the 2012 earn-out totaling approximately £1.0 million (approximately \$1.5 million), which was previously accrued at December 31, 2012, was made during the first quarter of 2013. The maximum remaining amount of the earn-out payments is £9.5 million (approximately \$15.2 million at September 30, 2013).

(18) Recent Accounting Pronouncements

From time to time, new accounting pronouncements are issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, or other standard setting bodies that we adopt as of the specified effective date. Unless otherwise discussed, we believe that the impact of recently issued standards that are not yet effective will not have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations, comprehensive income or cash flows upon adoption.

Recent Accounting Pronouncement

In July 2013, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update, or ASU No. 2013-11, *Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit when a Net Operating Loss Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists*, or ASU 2013-11. ASU 2013-11 requires an entity to present unrecognized tax benefits as a reduction to deferred tax assets when a net operating loss carryforward, similar tax loss or a tax credit carryforward exists, with limited exceptions. ASU 2013-11 is effective for fiscal years beginning on or after December 15, 2013, and for interim periods within those fiscal years. We do not expect that the adoption of this ASU will have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

Recently Adopted Standards

Effective January 1, 2013, we adopted ASU No. 2012-02, *Intangibles – Goodwill and Other (Topic 350): Testing Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets for Impairment*, or ASU 2012-02. ASU 2012-02 allows an entity the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events and circumstances indicates that it is more likely than not that the indefinite-lived intangible asset is impaired. If an entity concludes that it is not more likely than not that the indefinite-lived intangible asset is impaired, then the entity is not required to take further action. However, if an entity concludes otherwise, then it is required to determine the fair value of the indefinite-lived intangible asset and perform the quantitative impairment test by comparing the fair value with the carrying amount. An entity also has the option to bypass the qualitative assessment for any indefinite-lived intangible asset in any period and proceed directly to performing the quantitative impairment test. An entity will be able to resume performing the qualitative assessment in any subsequent period. The adoption of this standard is not expected to have an impact on our financial position, results of operations, comprehensive income or cash flows.

(19) Equity Investments

We account for the results from our equity investments under the equity method of accounting in accordance with ASC 323, *Investments – Equity Method and Joint Ventures*, based on the percentage of our ownership interest in the business. Our equity investments primarily include the following:

(a) SPD

We have a 50/50 joint venture, called SPD, with P&G for the development, manufacturing, marketing and sale of existing and to-be-developed consumer diagnostic products, outside the cardiology, diabetes and oral care fields. We recorded earnings of \$4.7 million and \$11.4 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, respectively, and earnings of \$2.1 million and \$8.2 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, respectively, in equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax, in our accompanying consolidated statements of operations, which represented our 50% share of SPD's net income or losses, as applicable, for the respective periods.

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We own 49% of TechLab, Inc., or TechLab, a privately-held developer, manufacturer and distributor of rapid non-invasive intestinal diagnostics tests in the areas of intestinal inflammation, antibiotic-associated diarrhea and parasitology. We recorded earnings of \$0.5 million and \$1.3 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, respectively, and earnings of \$0.6 million and \$1.8 million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, respectively, in equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax, in our accompanying consolidated statements of operations, which represented our minority share of TechLab's net income for the respective periods.

Summarized financial information for SPD and TechLab on a combined basis is as follows (in thousands):

| Combined Condensed Results of Operations: | Three Months Ended September 30, | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|--|---|-------------|--|-------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| Net revenue | \$ 49,272 | \$ 54,650 | \$ 153,096 | \$ 165,483 |
| Gross profit | \$ 40,158 | \$ 34,411 | \$ 112,862 | \$ 105,175 |
| Net income after taxes | \$ 10,543 | \$ 5,399 | \$ 25,549 | \$ 20,083 |

| Combined Condensed Balance Sheet: | September 30, 2013 | | December 31, 2012 | |
|--|---------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Current assets | \$ | 95,764 | \$ | 79,842 |
| Non-current assets | | 37,909 | | 38,991 |
| Total assets | \$ | 133,673 | \$ | 118,833 |
| Current liabilities | \$ | 39,468 | \$ | 45,084 |
| Non-current liabilities | | 6,268 | | 6,791 |
| Total liabilities | \$ | 45,736 | \$ | 51,875 |

(20) Loss on Disposition

In July 2013, we sold our Spinreact operations located in Spain, which was part of our professional diagnostics reporting unit and business segment, for \$32.0 million in cash proceeds and, as a result of this transaction, we recorded a loss on disposition of \$5.9 million during the quarter ended September 30, 2013. The financial results for our Spinreact operations are immaterial to our consolidated financial results.

(21) Guarantor Financial Information

Our 7.25% senior notes due 2018, our 8.625% senior subordinated notes due 2018, and our 6.5% senior subordinated notes due 2020 are guaranteed by certain of our consolidated wholly owned subsidiaries, or the Guarantor Subsidiaries. The guarantees are full and unconditional and joint and several. The following supplemental financial information sets forth, on a consolidating basis, balance sheets as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the

related statements of operations and statements of comprehensive income (loss) for each of the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, and the statements of cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, for Alere Inc., the Guarantor Subsidiaries and our other subsidiaries, or the Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries. The supplemental financial information reflects the investments of Alere Inc. and the Guarantor Subsidiaries in the Guarantor and Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries using the equity method of accounting.

We have extensive transactions and relationships between various members of the consolidated group. These transactions and relationships include intercompany pricing agreements, intellectual property royalty agreements and general and administrative and research and development cost-sharing agreements. Because of these relationships, it is possible that the terms of these transactions are not the same as those that would result from transactions among wholly unrelated parties.

For comparative purposes, certain amounts for prior periods have been reclassified to conform to the current period classification.

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(in thousands)

| | Issuer | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Eliminations | Consolidated |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Net product sales | \$ | \$ 223,254 | \$ 330,389 | \$ (44,605) | \$ 509,038 |
| Services revenue | | 220,439 | 20,221 | | 240,660 |
| Net product sales and services revenue | | 443,693 | 350,610 | (44,605) | 749,698 |
| License and royalty revenue | | 5,103 | 4,057 | (4,976) | 4,184 |
| Net revenue | | 448,796 | 354,667 | (49,581) | 753,882 |
| Cost of net product sales | 887 | 129,408 | 165,396 | (37,457) | 258,234 |
| Cost of services revenue | | 120,032 | 10,292 | (5,331) | 124,993 |
| Cost of net product sales and services revenue | 887 | 249,440 | 175,688 | (42,788) | 383,227 |
| Cost of license and royalty revenue | | 17 | 6,967 | (4,975) | 2,009 |
| Cost of net revenue | 887 | 249,457 | 182,655 | (47,763) | 385,236 |
| Gross profit (loss) | (887) | 199,339 | 172,012 | (1,818) | 368,646 |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | |
| Research and development | 5,515 | 15,817 | 19,166 | | 40,498 |
| Sales and marketing | 1,579 | 81,107 | 76,901 | | 159,587 |
| General and administrative | 23,027 | 61,489 | 57,861 | | 142,377 |
| Loss on disposition | | | 5,885 | | 5,885 |
| Operating income (loss) | (31,008) | 40,926 | 12,199 | (1,818) | 20,299 |
| Interest expense, including amortization of original issue discounts and deferred financing costs | (52,318) | (6,326) | (2,721) | 7,945 | (53,420) |
| Other income (expense), net | (6,775) | 5,770 | 81 | (7,945) | (8,869) |
| Income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes | (90,101) | 40,370 | 9,559 | (1,818) | (41,990) |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes | (29,302) | 14,928 | (2,214) | (560) | (17,148) |
| Income (loss) before equity earnings (losses) of subsidiaries and unconsolidated entities, net of tax | (60,799) | 25,442 | 11,773 | (1,258) | (24,842) |
| | 41,246 | (337) | | (40,909) | |

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|--|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| Equity earnings (losses) of subsidiaries, net of tax | | | | | |
| Equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax | 464 | | 5,217 | 72 | 5,753 |
| Net income (loss) | (19,089) | 25,105 | 16,990 | (42,095) | (19,089) |
| Less: Net income attributable to non-controlling interests | | | 359 | | 359 |
| Net income (loss) attributable to Alere Inc. and Subsidiaries | (19,089) | 25,105 | 16,631 | (42,095) | (19,448) |
| Preferred stock dividends | (5,367) | | | | (5,367) |
| Net income (loss) available to common stockholders | \$ (24,456) | \$ 25,105 | \$ 16,631 | \$ (42,095) | \$ (24,815) |

Table of Contents**CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS****For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2012**

(in thousands)

| | Issuer | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Eliminations | Consolidated |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Net product sales | \$ | \$ 219,484 | \$ 282,369 | \$ (42,040) | \$ 459,813 |
| Services revenue | | 210,761 | 15,654 | | 226,415 |
| Net product sales and services revenue | | 430,245 | 298,023 | (42,040) | 686,228 |
| License and royalty revenue | | (4,912) | 4,868 | 5,232 | 5,188 |
| Net revenue | | 425,333 | 302,891 | (36,808) | 691,416 |
| Cost of net product sales | 928 | 107,410 | 152,607 | (37,333) | 223,612 |
| Cost of services revenue | | 115,212 | 7,161 | (2,242) | 120,131 |
| Cost of net product sales and services revenue | 928 | 222,622 | 159,768 | (39,575) | 343,743 |
| Cost of license and royalty revenue | | 5 | (3,339) | 5,232 | 1,898 |
| Cost of net revenue | 928 | 222,627 | 156,429 | (34,343) | 345,641 |
| Gross profit (loss) | (928) | 202,706 | 146,462 | (2,465) | 345,775 |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | |
| Research and development | 6,292 | 18,007 | 16,263 | | 40,562 |
| Sales and marketing | 1,220 | 85,866 | 73,558 | | 160,644 |
| General and administrative | 11,392 | 48,704 | 45,741 | | 105,837 |
| Total operating expenses | 18,904 | 152,577 | 135,562 | | 307,043 |
| Operating income (loss) | (19,832) | 50,129 | 10,900 | (2,465) | 38,732 |
| Interest expense, including amortization of original issue discounts and deferred financing costs | (54,324) | (9,278) | (2,783) | 11,524 | (54,861) |
| Other income (expense), net | 1,534 | 8,319 | 599 | (11,524) | (1,072) |
| Income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes | (72,622) | 49,170 | 8,716 | (2,465) | (17,201) |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes | (27,401) | 17,014 | 643 | (933) | (10,677) |
| Income (loss) before equity earnings (losses) of subsidiaries and | (45,221) | 32,156 | 8,073 | (1,532) | (6,524) |

unconsolidated entities, net of tax

| | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Equity earnings (losses) of subsidiaries, net of tax | 41,052 | (230) | | (40,822) | |
| Equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax | 652 | | 2,405 | (50) | 3,007 |
| Net income (loss) | (3,517) | 31,926 | 10,478 | (42,404) | (3,517) |
| Less: Net income attributable to non-controlling interests | | | 286 | | 286 |
| Net income (loss) attributable to Alere Inc. and Subsidiaries | (3,517) | 31,926 | 10,192 | (42,404) | (3,803) |
| Preferred stock dividends | (5,352) | | | | (5,352) |
| Net income (loss) available to common stockholders | \$ (8,869) | \$ 31,926 | \$ 10,192 | \$ (42,404) | \$ (9,155) |

Table of Contents**CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS****For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013**

(in thousands)

| | Issuer | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Eliminations | Consolidated |
|---|------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Net product sales | \$ | \$ 665,672 | \$ 1,016,614 | \$ (143,410) | \$ 1,538,876 |
| Services revenue | | 644,760 | 60,367 | | 705,127 |
| Net product sales and services revenue | | 1,310,432 | 1,076,981 | (143,410) | 2,244,003 |
| License and royalty revenue | | 10,908 | 12,662 | (10,457) | 13,113 |
| Net revenue | | 1,321,340 | 1,089,643 | (153,867) | 2,257,116 |
| Cost of net product sales | 2,722 | 367,552 | 519,559 | (125,332) | 764,501 |
| Cost of services revenue | | 355,930 | 28,511 | (14,480) | 369,961 |
| Cost of net product sales and services revenue | 2,722 | 723,482 | 548,070 | (139,812) | 1,134,462 |
| Cost of license and royalty revenue | | 52 | 15,668 | (10,456) | 5,264 |
| Cost of net revenue | 2,722 | 723,534 | 563,738 | (150,268) | 1,139,726 |
| Gross profit (loss) | (2,722) | 597,806 | 525,905 | (3,599) | 1,117,390 |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | |
| Research and development | 16,167 | 49,354 | 56,931 | | 122,452 |
| Sales and marketing | 4,384 | 245,148 | 225,933 | | 475,465 |
| General and administrative | 51,531 | 200,646 | 166,219 | | 418,396 |
| Loss on disposition | | | 5,885 | | 5,885 |
| Operating income (loss) | (74,804) | 102,658 | 70,937 | (3,599) | 95,192 |
| Interest expense, including amortization of original issue discounts and deferred financing costs | (200,836) | (19,729) | (9,209) | 26,502 | (203,272) |
| Other income (expense), net | (7,612) | 17,665 | 8,173 | (26,502) | (8,276) |
| Income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes | (283,252) | 100,594 | 69,901 | (3,599) | (116,356) |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes | (102,473) | 44,896 | 22,663 | (1,238) | (36,152) |
| Income (loss) before equity earnings (losses) of subsidiaries | (180,779) | 55,698 | 47,238 | (2,361) | (80,204) |

and unconsolidated entities, net of tax

| | | | | | |
|--|--------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Equity earnings (losses) of subsidiaries, net of tax | 112,535 | (1,510) | | (111,025) | |
| Equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax | 1,278 | | 11,932 | 28 | 13,238 |
| Net income (loss) | (66,966) | 54,188 | 59,170 | (113,358) | (66,966) |
| Less: Net income attributable to non-controlling interests | | | 601 | | 601 |
| Net income (loss) attributable to Alere Inc. and Subsidiaries | (66,966) | 54,188 | 58,569 | (113,358) | (67,567) |
| Preferred stock dividends | (15,926) | | | | (15,926) |
| Net income (loss) available to common stockholders | \$ (82,892) | \$ 54,188 | \$ 58,569 | \$ (113,358) | \$ (83,493) |

Table of Contents**CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS****For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012**

(in thousands)

| | Issuer | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Eliminations | Consolidated |
|---|------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Net product sales | \$ | \$ 649,719 | \$ 854,113 | \$ (104,807) | \$ 1,399,025 |
| Services revenue | | 605,193 | 47,511 | | 652,704 |
| Net product sales and services revenue | | 1,254,912 | 901,624 | (104,807) | 2,051,729 |
| License and royalty revenue | | 8,982 | 10,016 | (7,665) | 11,333 |
| Net revenue | | 1,263,894 | 911,640 | (112,472) | 2,063,062 |
| Cost of net product sales | 2,635 | 311,722 | 456,760 | (99,453) | 671,664 |
| Cost of services revenue | | 311,718 | 22,074 | (2,242) | 331,550 |
| Cost of net product sales and services revenue | 2,635 | 623,440 | 478,834 | (101,695) | 1,003,214 |
| Cost of license and royalty revenue | | 15 | 13,044 | (7,665) | 5,394 |
| Cost of net revenue | 2,635 | 623,455 | 491,878 | (109,360) | 1,008,608 |
| Gross profit (loss) | (2,635) | 640,439 | 419,762 | (3,112) | 1,054,454 |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | |
| Research and development | 17,361 | 53,528 | 49,120 | | 120,009 |
| Sales and marketing | 3,096 | 260,283 | 215,165 | | 478,544 |
| General and administrative | 37,590 | 174,639 | 135,528 | | 347,757 |
| Total operating expenses | 58,047 | 488,450 | 399,813 | | 946,310 |
| Operating income (loss) | (60,682) | 151,989 | 19,949 | (3,112) | 108,144 |
| Interest expense, including amortization of original issue discounts and deferred financing costs | (158,009) | (31,291) | (9,853) | 38,034 | (161,119) |
| Other income (expense), net | (2,552) | 33,550 | 21,606 | (38,034) | 14,570 |
| Income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes | (221,243) | 154,248 | 31,702 | (3,112) | (38,405) |
| Provision (benefit) for income taxes | (74,149) | 59,013 | 3,494 | (979) | (12,621) |
| | (147,094) | 95,235 | 28,208 | (2,133) | (25,784) |

**Income (loss) before equity earnings
(losses) of subsidiaries and
unconsolidated entities, net of tax**

| | | | | | |
|--|--------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Equity earnings (losses) of subsidiaries, net of tax | 129,929 | (763) | | (129,166) | |
| Equity earnings (losses) of unconsolidated entities, net of tax | 1,798 | | 8,643 | (24) | 10,417 |
| Net income (loss) | (15,367) | 94,472 | 36,851 | (131,323) | (15,367) |
| Less: Net income attributable to non-controlling interests | | | 137 | | 137 |
| Net income (loss) attributable to Alere Inc. and Subsidiaries | (15,367) | 94,472 | 36,714 | (131,323) | (15,504) |
| Preferred stock dividends | (15,940) | | | | (15,940) |
| Net income (loss) available to common stockholders | \$ (31,307) | \$ 94,472 | \$ 36,714 | \$ (131,323) | \$ (31,444) |

Table of Contents**CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)****For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2013**

(in thousands)

| | Issuer | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Eliminations | Consolidated |
|---|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Net income (loss) | \$ (19,089) | \$ 25,105 | \$ 16,990 | \$ (42,095) | \$ (19,089) |
| Other comprehensive income, before tax: | | | | | |
| Changes in cumulative translation adjustment | 524 | | 66,742 | 2 | 67,268 |
| Unrealized gains on hedging instruments | | | 20 | | 20 |
| Minimum pension liability adjustment | | | (369) | | (369) |
| Other comprehensive income, before tax | 524 | | 66,393 | 2 | 66,919 |
| Income tax provision (benefit) related to items of other comprehensive income | | | | | |
| Other comprehensive income, net of tax | 524 | | 66,393 | 2 | 66,919 |
| Comprehensive income (loss) | (18,565) | 25,105 | 83,383 | (42,093) | 47,830 |
| Less: Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests | | | 359 | | 359 |
| Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Alere Inc. and Subsidiaries | \$ (18,565) | \$ 25,105 | \$ 83,024 | \$ (42,093) | \$ 47,471 |

Table of Contents**CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)****For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2012**

(in thousands)

| | Issuer | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Eliminations | Consolidated |
|--|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Net income (loss) | \$ (3,517) | \$ 31,926 | \$ 10,478 | \$ (42,404) | \$ (3,517) |
| Other comprehensive income, before tax: | | | | | |
| Changes in cumulative translation adjustment | 132 | 1 | 36,027 | 3,535 | 39,695 |
| Unrealized gains on available for sale securities | 141 | | | | 141 |
| Unrealized gains on hedging instruments | | | 10 | | 10 |
| Minimum pension liability adjustment | | | (98) | | (98) |
| Other comprehensive income, before tax | 273 | 1 | 35,939 | 3,535 | 39,748 |
| Income tax provision related to items of other comprehensive income (loss) | 360 | | | | 360 |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax | (87) | 1 | 35,939 | 3,535 | 39,388 |
| Comprehensive income (loss) | (3,604) | 31,927 | 46,417 | (38,869) | 35,871 |
| Less: Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests | | | 286 | | 286 |
| Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Alere Inc. and Subsidiaries | \$ (3,604) | \$ 31,927 | \$ 46,131 | \$ (38,869) | \$ 35,585 |

Table of Contents**CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)****For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013**

(in thousands)

| | Issuer | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Eliminations | Consolidated |
|---|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Net income (loss) | \$ (66,966) | \$ 54,188 | \$ 59,170 | \$ (113,358) | \$ (66,966) |
| Other comprehensive loss, before tax: | | | | | |
| Changes in cumulative translation adjustment | (329) | | (42,188) | 2 | (42,515) |
| Unrealized gains on hedging instruments | | | 31 | | 31 |
| Minimum pension liability adjustment | | | 335 | | 335 |
| Other comprehensive loss, before tax | (329) | | (41,822) | 2 | (42,149) |
| Income tax provision (benefit) related to items of other comprehensive loss | | | | | |
| Other comprehensive loss, net of tax | (329) | | (41,822) | 2 | (42,149) |
| Comprehensive income (loss) | (67,295) | 54,188 | 17,348 | (113,356) | (109,115) |
| Less: Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests | | | 601 | | 601 |
| Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Alere Inc. and Subsidiaries | \$ (67,295) | \$ 54,188 | \$ 16,747 | \$ (113,356) | \$ (109,716) |

Table of Contents**CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)****For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012**

(in thousands)

| | Issuer | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Eliminations | Consolidated |
|---|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Net income (loss) | \$(15,367) | \$ 94,472 | \$ 36,851 | \$ (131,323) | \$ (15,367) |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), before tax: | | | | | |
| Changes in cumulative translation adjustment | (100) | (302) | 37,136 | 2,123 | 38,857 |
| Unrealized gains on available for sale securities | 926 | 5 | | | 931 |
| Unrealized gains on hedging instruments | 17 | | 448 | | 465 |
| Minimum pension liability adjustment | | | (218) | | (218) |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), before tax | 843 | (297) | 37,366 | 2,123 | 40,035 |
| Income tax provision related to items of other comprehensive income (loss) | 360 | | | | 360 |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax | 483 | (297) | 37,366 | 2,123 | 39,675 |
| Comprehensive income (loss) | (14,884) | 94,175 | 74,217 | (129,200) | 24,308 |
| Less: Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests | | | 137 | | 137 |
| Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Alere Inc. and Subsidiaries | \$(14,884) | \$ 94,175 | \$ 74,080 | \$ (129,200) | \$ 24,171 |

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CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET

September 30, 2013

(in thousands)

| | Issuer | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Eliminations | Consolidated |
|--|---------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| ASSETS | | | | | |
| Current assets: | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 47,863 | \$ 76,234 | \$ 229,896 | \$ | \$ 353,993 |
| Restricted cash | 4,439 | 2,309 | 1,157 | | 7,905 |
| Marketable securities | | 815 | 5 | | 820 |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowances | | 256,578 | 312,295 | | 568,873 |
| Inventories, net | | 170,372 | 225,894 | (25,818) | 370,448 |
| Deferred tax assets | 8,749 | 35,980 | 9,440 | 4,008 | 58,177 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 3,911 | 34,732 | 75,999 | (41) | 114,601 |
| Intercompany receivables | 332,124 | 714,131 | 61,898 | (1,108,153) | |
| Total current assets | 397,086 | 1,291,151 | 916,584 | (1,130,004) | 1,474,817 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 9,048 | 291,621 | 243,981 | (379) | 544,271 |
| Goodwill | | 1,810,036 | 1,293,459 | | 3,103,495 |
| Other intangible assets with indefinite lives | | 12,900 | 46,053 | | 58,953 |
| Finite-lived intangible assets, net | 8,786 | 1,003,272 | 735,480 | | 1,747,538 |
| Restricted cash non-current | | | 29,045 | | 29,045 |
| Deferred financing costs, net and other non-current assets | 58,996 | 9,299 | 18,247 | (53) | 86,489 |
| Investments in subsidiaries | 4,473,400 | 274,450 | 127,711 | (4,875,561) | |
| Investments in unconsolidated entities | 30,221 | | 58,049 | 13,552 | 101,822 |
| Deferred tax assets | | | 8,189 | | 8,189 |
| Intercompany notes receivable | 1,541,655 | 665,623 | 97,887 | (2,305,165) | |
| Total assets | \$ 6,519,192 | \$ 5,358,352 | \$ 3,574,685 | \$ (8,297,610) | \$ 7,154,619 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | | | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | | | |
| Short-term debt | \$ | \$ | \$ 25 | \$ | \$ 25 |
| Current portion of long-term debt | 45,000 | 348 | 2,353 | | 47,701 |
| Current portion of capital lease obligations | | 3,808 | 2,725 | | 6,533 |
| Accounts payable | 18,702 | 77,163 | 99,126 | | 194,991 |
| | (381,276) | 604,035 | 225,084 | (615) | 447,228 |

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| | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | | | | | |
| Intercompany payables | 677,842 | 149,645 | 280,668 | (1,108,155) | |
| Total current liabilities | 360,268 | 834,999 | 609,981 | (1,108,770) | 696,478 |
| Long-term liabilities: | | | | | |
| Long-term debt, net of current portion | 3,750,057 | 150 | 40,325 | | 3,790,532 |
| Capital lease obligations, net of current portion | | 6,133 | 8,793 | | 14,926 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | (27,768) | 282,942 | 97,211 | 474 | 352,859 |
| Other long-term liabilities | 20,198 | 57,762 | 131,776 | (53) | 209,683 |
| Intercompany notes payables | 330,967 | 1,503,599 | 470,599 | (2,305,165) | |
| Total long-term liabilities | 4,073,454 | 1,850,586 | 748,704 | (2,304,744) | 4,368,000 |
| Stockholders equity | 2,085,470 | 2,672,767 | 2,211,329 | (4,884,096) | 2,085,470 |
| Non-controlling interests | | | 4,671 | | 4,671 |
| Total equity | 2,085,470 | 2,672,767 | 2,216,000 | (4,884,096) | 2,090,141 |
| Total liabilities and equity | \$ 6,519,192 | \$ 5,358,352 | \$ 3,574,685 | \$ (8,297,610) | \$ 7,154,619 |

Table of Contents**CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET****December 31, 2012****(in thousands)**

| | Issuer | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Eliminations | Consolidated |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| ASSETS | | | | | |
| Current assets: | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 3,623 | \$ 67,449 | \$ 257,274 | \$ | \$ 328,346 |
| Restricted cash | | 1,680 | 1,396 | | 3,076 |
| Marketable securities | | 787 | 117 | | 904 |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowances | | 241,050 | 283,282 | | 524,332 |
| Inventories, net | | 142,413 | 203,230 | (8,522) | 337,121 |
| Deferred tax assets | 12,193 | 39,601 | 13,138 | 2,790 | 67,722 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | (20,636) | 99,271 | 66,634 | (33) | 145,236 |
| Intercompany receivables | 298,812 | 1,254,727 | 55,847 | (1,609,386) | |
| Total current assets | 293,992 | 1,846,978 | 880,918 | (1,615,151) | 1,406,737 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 2,679 | 293,260 | 239,082 | (552) | 534,469 |
| Goodwill | | 1,820,438 | 1,227,967 | | 3,048,405 |
| Other intangible assets with indefinite lives | | 14,600 | 21,851 | | 36,451 |
| Finite-lived intangible assets, net | 24,701 | 1,132,656 | 676,868 | | 1,834,225 |
| Deferred financing costs, net and other non-current assets | 78,522 | 10,341 | 20,065 | (71) | 108,857 |
| Investments in subsidiaries | 4,114,478 | 222,175 | 73,940 | (4,410,593) | |
| Investments in unconsolidated entities | 33,979 | | 56,512 | | 90,491 |
| Deferred tax assets | | 782 | 7,511 | | 8,293 |
| Intercompany notes receivable | 1,724,650 | 722,552 | 1,278 | (2,448,480) | |
| Total assets | \$ 6,273,001 | \$ 6,063,782 | \$ 3,205,992 | \$ (8,474,847) | \$ 7,067,928 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | | | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | | | |
| Current portion of long-term debt | \$ 45,000 | \$ 349 | \$ 14,883 | \$ | \$ 60,232 |
| Current portion of capital lease obligations | | 3,209 | 3,475 | | 6,684 |
| Accounts payable | 7,993 | 76,256 | 85,725 | | 169,974 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | (388,830) | 586,116 | 214,659 | (26) | 411,919 |
| Intercompany payables | 557,578 | 806,507 | 245,300 | (1,609,385) | |

| | | | | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| Total current liabilities | 221,741 | 1,472,437 | 564,042 | (1,609,411) | 648,809 |
| Long-term liabilities: | | | | | |
| Long-term debt, net of current portion | 3,617,068 | 374 | 11,233 | | 3,628,675 |
| Capital lease obligations, net of current portion | | 5,412 | 7,505 | | 12,917 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | (5,329) | 333,388 | 100,216 | (87) | 428,188 |
| Other long-term liabilities | 17,678 | 72,890 | 76,138 | (71) | 166,635 |
| Intercompany notes payables | 241,421 | 1,630,376 | 576,684 | (2,448,481) | |
| Total long-term liabilities | 3,870,838 | 2,042,440 | 771,776 | (2,448,639) | 4,236,415 |
| Stockholders equity | 2,180,422 | 2,548,905 | 1,867,892 | (4,416,797) | 2,180,422 |
| Non-controlling interests | | | 2,282 | | 2,282 |
| Total equity | 2,180,422 | 2,548,905 | 1,870,174 | (4,416,797) | 2,182,704 |
| Total liabilities and equity | \$ 6,273,001 | \$ 6,063,782 | \$ 3,205,992 | \$ (8,474,847) | \$ 7,067,928 |

Table of Contents**CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS****For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013**

(in thousands)

| | Issuer | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Eliminations | Consolidated |
|---|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Cash Flows from Operating Activities: | | | | | |
| Net income (loss) | \$ (66,966) | \$ 54,188 | \$ 59,170 | \$ (113,358) | \$ (66,966) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities: | | | | | |
| Equity (earnings) losses of subsidiaries, net of tax | (112,535) | 1,510 | | 111,025 | |
| Non-cash interest expense, including amortization of original issue discounts and write-off of deferred financing costs | 13,814 | 229 | 45 | | 14,088 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 3,731 | 188,745 | 134,317 | (104) | 326,689 |
| Non-cash charges for sale of inventories revalued at the date of acquisition | | | 1,880 | | 1,880 |
| Non-cash stock-based compensation expense | 5,836 | 3,646 | 4,980 | | 14,462 |
| Impairment of inventory | | 27 | 216 | | 243 |
| Impairment of long-lived assets | | 2,954 | 1,147 | | 4,101 |
| Loss on sale of fixed assets | | 1,118 | 731 | | 1,849 |
| Equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax | (1,278) | | (11,932) | (28) | (13,238) |
| Deferred income taxes | (17,386) | (27,285) | (27,830) | (1,154) | (73,655) |
| Loss on extinguishment of debt | 35,603 | | | | 35,603 |
| Loss on disposition | | | 5,885 | | 5,885 |
| Bargain purchase gain | | | (5,707) | | (5,707) |
| Other non-cash items | 5,201 | (8) | 1,481 | | 1,481 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions: | | | | | |
| Accounts receivable, net | | (15,528) | (41,782) | | (57,310) |
| Inventories, net | | (45,883) | (30,615) | 3,771 | (72,727) |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | (64,547) | 67,871 | (4,941) | (7,515) | (9,132) |
| Accounts payable | 5,918 | (1,453) | 11,516 | | 15,981 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 10,396 | 17,570 | 2,342 | 6,934 | 37,242 |
| Other non-current liabilities | (915) | (15,197) | 8,739 | 516 | (6,857) |

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|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Intercompany payable (receivable) | 298,083 | (182,214) | (115,869) | | |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | 114,955 | 50,290 | (6,227) | 87 | 159,105 |
| Cash Flows from Investing Activities: | | | | | |
| Increase in restricted cash | (4,439) | (630) | (28,812) | | (33,881) |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment | (1,037) | (42,950) | (58,860) | 11,939 | (90,908) |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment | | 6,908 | 11,186 | (12,263) | 5,831 |
| Cash received from disposition | | | 32,000 | | 32,000 |
| Cash paid for acquisitions, net of cash acquired | (157,373) | | (8,823) | | (166,196) |
| Cash received from equity method investments | 490 | | 10,772 | | 11,262 |
| (Increase) decrease in other assets | 19,244 | (2,047) | 2,065 | (18) | 19,244 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (143,115) | (38,719) | (40,472) | (342) | (222,648) |
| Cash Flows from Financing Activities: | | | | | |
| Cash paid for financing costs | (9,798) | | | | (9,798) |
| Cash paid for contingent purchase price consideration | (27,165) | | (331) | | (27,496) |
| Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net of issuance costs | 17,555 | | | | 17,555 |
| Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt | 425,000 | 989 | 34,152 | | 460,141 |
| Payments on long-term debt | (446,845) | (1,213) | (7,099) | | (455,157) |
| Net proceeds (payments) under revolving credit facilities | 147,500 | | (8,732) | | 138,768 |
| Borrowings from short-term debt | | | 25 | | 25 |
| Cash paid for dividends | (15,970) | | | | (15,970) |
| Excess tax benefits on exercised stock options | 205 | 181 | 48 | | 434 |
| Principal payments on capital lease obligations | | (2,715) | (2,626) | | (5,341) |
| Other | (18,953) | | | | (18,953) |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | 71,529 | (2,758) | 15,437 | | 84,208 |
| Foreign exchange effect on cash and cash equivalents | 871 | (28) | 3,884 | 255 | 4,982 |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 44,240 | 8,785 | (27,378) | | 25,647 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period | 3,623 | 67,449 | 257,274 | | 328,346 |

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|---|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period | \$ 47,863 | \$ 76,234 | \$ 229,896 | \$ 353,993 |
|---|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|

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(in thousands)

| | Issuer | Guarantor Subsidiaries | Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries | Eliminations | Consolidated |
|--|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Cash Flows from Operating Activities: | | | | | |
| Net income (loss) | \$ (15,367) | \$ 94,472 | \$ 36,851 | \$ (131,323) | \$ (15,367) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities: | | | | | |
| Equity (earnings) losses of subsidiaries, net of tax | (129,929) | 763 | | 129,166 | |
| Non-cash interest expense, including amortization of original issue discounts and deferred financing costs | 15,929 | 158 | | | 16,087 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 4,314 | 198,576 | 119,462 | 19 | 322,371 |
| Non-cash charges for sale of inventories revalued at the date of acquisition | | 1,400 | 3,281 | | 4,681 |
| Non-cash stock-based compensation expense | 3,119 | 4,309 | 4,440 | | 11,868 |
| Impairment of inventory | | 5 | 290 | | 295 |
| Impairment of long-lived assets | | 219 | 55 | | 274 |
| (Gain) loss on sale of property, plant and equipment | 3 | (4,029) | (168) | | (4,194) |
| Equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax | (1,798) | | (8,643) | 24 | (10,417) |
| Deferred income taxes | 20,901 | (38,495) | (25,122) | (903) | (43,619) |
| Other non-cash items | (1,156) | 685 | 6,207 | | 5,736 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions: | | | | | |
| Accounts receivable, net | | (6,468) | (1,793) | | (8,261) |
| Inventories, net | | 4,881 | (23,303) | 2,826 | (15,596) |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | (419,146) | 410,233 | 13,059 | 25 | 4,171 |
| Accounts payable | 3,961 | (2,327) | (18,377) | | (16,743) |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 354,452 | (323,909) | (5,843) | (584) | 24,116 |
| Other non-current liabilities | (7,158) | (1,634) | (13,275) | 428 | (21,639) |
| Intercompany payable (receivable) | 297,741 | (322,706) | 27,088 | (2,123) | |
| | 125,866 | 16,133 | 114,209 | (2,445) | 253,763 |

Net cash provided by operating activities**Cash Flows from Investing Activities:**

| | | | | | |
|--|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------|
| Decrease in restricted cash | | 12 | 5,759 | | 5,771 |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment | (1,149) | (69,092) | (94,311) | 67,243 | (97,309) |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment | | 22,230 | 66,281 | (66,128) | 22,383 |
| Cash received from (paid for) acquisitions, net of cash acquired | (364,731) | 1,469 | (21,518) | | (384,780) |
| Cash received from sales of marketable securities | | 268 | 3 | | 271 |
| Net cash received from equity method investments | 490 | | 6,066 | | 6,556 |
| (Increase) decrease in other assets | (10,028) | (615) | 1,275 | 55 | (9,313) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (375,418) | (45,728) | (36,445) | 1,170 | (456,421) |

Cash Flows from Financing Activities:

| | | | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--|----------------|
| Cash paid for financing costs | (2,313) | | | | (2,313) |
| Cash paid for contingent purchase price consideration | (16,248) | | | | (16,248) |
| Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net of issuance costs | 14,260 | | | | 14,260 |
| Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt | 198,000 | | 288 | | 198,288 |
| Payments on long-term debt | (33,250) | (455) | (8,848) | | (42,553) |
| Net proceeds (payments) under revolving credit facilities | 97,500 | (2) | (6,336) | | 91,162 |
| Payments on short-term debt | (6,240) | | | | (6,240) |
| Cash paid for dividends | (15,970) | | | | (15,970) |
| Excess tax benefits on exercised stock options | 183 | 74 | 20 | | 277 |
| Principal payments on capital lease obligations | | (1,503) | (3,422) | | (4,925) |
| Other | | | (2,811) | | (2,811) |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | 235,922 | (1,886) | (21,109) | | 212,927 |

| | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|-------|--------------|
| Foreign exchange effect on cash and cash equivalents | 1,508 | 331 | (10,302) | 1,275 | (7,188) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | (12,122) | (31,150) | 46,353 | | 3,081 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period | 12,451 | 95,212 | 191,510 | | 299,173 |

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|---|--------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period | \$ 329 | \$ 64,062 | \$ 237,863 | \$ 302,254 |
|---|--------|-----------|------------|------------|

Table of Contents**ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS****Forward-Looking Statements**

This report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. You can identify these statements by forward-looking words such as may, could, should, would, intend, will, expect, anticipate, believe, or similar words. You should read statements that contain these words carefully because they discuss our future expectations, contain projections of our future results of operations or of our financial condition or state other forward-looking information. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, statements regarding anticipated expansion and growth in certain of our product and service offerings, the impact of our research and development activities, potential new product and technology achievements, the potential for selective acquisitions, our ability to improve our working capital and operating margins, our expectations with respect to Apollo, our integrated health information solutions technology platform, our ability to improve care and lower healthcare costs for both providers and patients, the effect of the Affordable Care Act and other initiatives to reduce healthcare expenses, the potential for divestitures of non-core assets and the effects of any such divestitures, and our funding plans for our future working capital needs and commitments. Actual results or developments could differ materially from those projected in such statements as a result of numerous factors, including, without limitation, those risks and uncertainties set forth in Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors, of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, as amended, for the year ended December 31, 2012 and other risk factors identified herein or from time to time in our periodic filings with the SEC. We do not undertake any obligation to update any forward-looking statements. This report and, in particular, the following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in light of those risks and uncertainties and in conjunction with our accompanying consolidated financial statements and notes thereto.

Overview

We enable individuals to take greater control of their health at home, under the supervision of their healthcare providers, by combining near-patient diagnostics, health monitoring capabilities and health information solutions. A leading global provider of point-of-care diagnostics and services, we have developed a strong commercial presence in cardiology, infectious disease, toxicology, and diabetes. Our products and services help healthcare practitioners make earlier, more effective treatment decisions and improve outcomes for individuals living with chronic disease.

During 2012, we focused on completing the foundation for this business model by expanding our presence in toxicology and diabetes through acquisitions. Our toxicology group is now a full-service provider to a broad range of domestic and foreign employers in industries that require rigorous drug testing. We built a strong presence in diabetes through targeted acquisitions. Including the effect of acquisitions completed in early 2013, we now service more than 670,000 active diabetes customers. We believe that the strong foundation that we have built in diabetes, specifically in our mail-order diabetes testing supply business, has provided us with a competitive advantage in dealing with the impact of Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or CMS, reduction in reimbursement rates for diabetes testing supplies by approximately 70% effective July 1, 2013.

Core to our strategy are health information solutions that enable diagnostic data to be fed directly into an information exchange that integrates the diagnostic data with other patient-related information in a single health record. In recent periods, we have focused on acquiring health information solutions that will supplement our internally developed information solutions, including Apollo, and improve our ability to execute our business strategy. We offer a variety of connectivity tools, software-based analytics, clinical decision support tools, and health improvement programs that enable healthcare providers to initiate earlier interventions, personalize treatment plans, lower costs by reducing hospital readmissions, and measure improvements in outcomes at both a patient and population level.

We remain focused on enhancing shareholder value through our three-point plan to accelerate organic growth, improve operational execution and deleverage our capital structure. We continue to build momentum behind our next generation of novel diagnostic platforms that we expect will drive our growth in future years. With our novel molecular diagnostic platforms in the late stages of development and nearing launch, we have now begun to refocus our research and development efforts away from long-term projects towards product enhancements and menu expansion for our existing and recently launched platforms. We are also focused on improving our operational efficiency, including reducing selling, general and administrative expense, in order to generate dependable, long-term cash flow. To achieve this we are implementing a variety of global shared service initiatives, particularly in the areas of distribution and information technology, as well as implementing and expanding services from our recently established global in-sourcing facility in the Philippines. Additionally, with the foundation of our business essentially complete, we are exploring divestitures of non-core businesses, with the \$32.0 million sale of our Spinreact operations in Spain in July 2013 representing the first such disposition. We expect to use our improved cash flow, as well as the proceeds from non-core divestitures, or portions thereof, to reduce our indebtedness without compromising our core businesses.

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Net revenue increased by \$62.5 million, or 9%, to \$753.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$691.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. Net revenue increased by \$194.1 million, or 9%, to \$2.3 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$2.1 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2012.

Gross profit increased by \$22.9 million, or 7%, to \$368.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$345.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. Gross profit increased by \$62.9 million, or 6%, to \$1,117.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$1,054.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012.

For the three months ended September 30, 2013, we generated a net loss available to common stockholders of \$24.8 million, or \$0.30 per basic and diluted common share, compared to a net loss available to common stockholders of \$9.2 million, or \$0.11 per basic and diluted common share, for the three months ended September 30, 2012. For the nine months ended September 30, 2013, we generated a net loss available to common stockholders of \$83.5 million, or \$1.03 per basic and diluted common share, compared to a net loss available to common stockholders of \$31.4 million, or \$0.39 per basic and diluted common share, for the nine months ended September 30, 2012.

Net loss for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 includes a \$35.6 million loss on extinguishment of debt in connection with the repurchase of our 9% senior subordinated notes in the second quarter this year.

Results of Operations

Where discussed, results excluding the impact of foreign currency translation are calculated on the basis of local currency results, using foreign currency exchange rates applicable to the earlier comparative period. We believe presenting information using the same foreign currency exchange rates helps investors isolate the impact of changes in those rates from other trends. Our results of operations were as follows:

Net Product Sales and Services Revenue, Total and by Business Segment. Total net product sales and services revenue increased by \$63.5 million, or 9%, to \$749.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$686.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. Excluding the impact of currency translation, net product sales and services revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2013 increased by \$68.0 million, or 10%, compared to the three months ended September 30, 2012. Total net product sales and services revenue increased by \$192.3 million, or 9%, to \$2.2 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$2.1 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Excluding the impact of currency translation, net product sales and services revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 increased by \$203.7 million, or 10%, compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Net product sales and services revenue by business segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 are as follows (in thousands):

Three Months Ended September 30, % Nine Months Ended September 30, %

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| | 2013 | 2012 | Change | 2013 | 2012 | Change |
|--|-------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Professional diagnostics | \$ 587,313 | \$ 528,754 | 11% | \$ 1,765,538 | \$ 1,581,076 | 12% |
| Health information solutions | 134,233 | 135,078 | (1)% | 403,215 | 404,452 | % |
| Consumer diagnostics | 28,152 | 22,396 | 26% | 75,250 | 66,201 | 14% |
| Net product sales and services revenue | \$ 749,698 | \$ 686,228 | 9% | \$ 2,244,003 | \$ 2,051,729 | 9% |

Professional Diagnostics

The following table summarizes our net product sales and services revenue from our professional diagnostics business segment by groups of similar products and services for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended September 30% | | | Nine Months Ended September 30, % | | |
|--------------------|---|-------------|---------------|--|-------------|---------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | Change | 2013 | 2012 | Change |
| Cardiology | \$ 116,281 | \$ 122,372 | (5)% | \$ 349,650 | \$ 386,795 | (10)% |
| Infectious disease | 172,739 | 136,561 | 26% | 520,289 | 425,398 | 22% |
| Toxicology | 166,536 | 156,074 | 7% | 481,469 | 437,736 | 10% |
| Diabetes | 53,150 | 35,670 | 49% | 178,138 | 100,628 | 77% |
| Other | 78,607 | 78,077 | 1% | 235,992 | 230,519 | 2% |

| | | | | | | |
|---|------------|------------|-----|--------------|--------------|-----|
| Professional diagnostics net product sales and services revenue | \$ 587,313 | \$ 528,754 | 11% | \$ 1,765,538 | \$ 1,581,076 | 12% |
|---|------------|------------|-----|--------------|--------------|-----|

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Net product sales and services revenue from our professional diagnostics business segment increased by \$58.6 million, or 11%, to \$587.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$528.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. Excluding the impact of currency translation, net product sales and services revenue from our professional diagnostics business segment increased by \$63.8 million, or 12%, comparing the three months ended September 30, 2013 to the three months ended September 30, 2012. Revenue increased primarily as a result of acquisitions, which contributed an aggregate of \$30.6 million of the non-currency-adjusted increase. Partly driving the increase in net product sales and services revenue was an increase in our North American flu-related net product sales during the three months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2012. Net product sales from our North American flu-related sales increased approximately \$8.4 million, from \$9.9 million during the three months ended September 30, 2012 to \$18.3 million during the three months ended September 30, 2013. Net product sales and services revenue from our professional diagnostics business segment were negatively impacted by the FDA matters related to our Alere Triage® meter-based products. Net product sales of meter-based Triage products in the U.S. totaled \$17.7 million during the three months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to \$34.9 million during the three months ended September 30, 2012. Excluding the impact of acquisitions and the disposition of our Spinreact operations in Spain, the increase in flu-related sales during the comparable periods and the impact of the reduction in net product sales from meter-based Triage products in the U.S., the currency-adjusted organic growth for our professional diagnostics net product sales and services revenue was approximately \$44.3 million, or 9%, from the three months ended September 30, 2012 to the three months ended September 30, 2013. This growth rate was adversely impacted by the change in CMS reimbursement rates which became effective on July 1, 2013 for our U.S. mail order diabetes business.

Within our professional diagnostics business segment, net product sales and services revenue for our cardiology business decreased by approximately \$6.1 million, or 5%, to \$116.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$122.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012, driven principally by the impact of the FDA review of certain of our meter-based Triage products in the U.S. Net product sales and services revenue for our infectious disease business increased by approximately \$36.2 million, or 26%, to \$172.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$136.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. The change was driven principally by a growth in HIV, flu and malaria revenues during the comparable periods. Net product sales and services revenue for our toxicology business increased by approximately \$10.5 million, or 7%, to \$166.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$156.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012, with our recent toxicology-related acquisitions contributing a combined net \$3.0 million of the non-currency adjusted increase. Offsetting the increase in net product sales and services revenue for our toxicology business contributed by acquisitions was a \$7.3 million decrease in net product sales related to our Triage toxicology products. Net product sales and services revenue from our diabetes business increased by approximately \$17.5 million, or 49%, to \$53.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$35.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. The increase was primarily the result of our recent acquisitions of NationsHealth, Discount Diabetic, LLC, or Discount Diabetic, and the Medicare fee-for-service assets of Liberty Medical, or the Liberty business, which contributed a combined net \$26.5 million of the non-currency adjusted increase. Included in the \$53.2 million of revenue from our diabetes business for the three months ended September 30, 2013 were \$34.3 million of mail order diabetes sales, compared to \$22.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. The \$34.3 million of mail order diabetes sales reflect the negative impact of the reduction in CMS reimbursement rates for diabetes testing supplies which became effective on July 1, 2013, offset by incremental sales related to our April 2013 acquisition of the Liberty business.

Net product sales and services revenue from our professional diagnostics business segment increased by \$184.5 million, or 12%, to \$1.8 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$1.6 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Excluding the impact of currency translation, net product sales and services revenue from our professional diagnostics business segment increased by \$197.2 million, or 12%, comparing the nine months ended

September 30, 2013 to the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Revenue increased primarily as a result of acquisitions, which contributed an aggregate of \$140.1 million of the non-currency-adjusted increase. Contributing to the increase in net product sales and services revenue was an increase in our North American flu-related net product sales during the nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Net product sales from our North American flu-related sales increased approximately \$34.0 million, from \$20.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 to \$54.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2013. Net product sales and services revenue from our professional diagnostics business segment were negatively impacted by the FDA matters related to our Alere Triage[®] meter-based products. Net product sales of meter-based Triage products in the U.S. totaled \$58.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to \$126.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Excluding the impact of acquisitions and the disposition of our Spinreact operations in Spain, the increase in flu-related sales during the comparable periods and the impact of the reduction in net product sales from meter-based Triage products in the U.S., the currency-adjusted organic growth for our professional diagnostics net product sales and services revenue was approximately \$92.8 million, or 6%, from the nine months ended September 30, 2012 to the nine months ended September 30, 2013. This growth rate was adversely impacted by the change in CMS reimbursement rates which became effective on July 1, 2013 for our U.S. mail order diabetes business.

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Within our professional diagnostics business segment, net product sales and services revenue for our cardiology business decreased by approximately \$37.1 million, or 10%, to \$349.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$386.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012, driven principally by the impact of the FDA review of certain of our meter-based Triage products in the U.S. Net product sales and services revenue for our infectious disease business increased by approximately \$94.9 million, or 22%, to \$520.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$425.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. The change was driven principally by an increase in HIV, flu and malaria-related sales during the comparable periods. Net product sales and services revenue for our toxicology business increased by approximately \$43.7 million, or 10%, to \$481.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$437.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012, with our recent toxicology-related acquisitions contributing a combined net \$52.9 million of the non-currency adjusted increase. Partially offsetting the increase in net product sales and services revenue for our toxicology business contributed by acquisitions was a \$22.6 million decrease in net product sales related to our Triage toxicology products and a reduction in commercial pricing for our pain and rehab businesses which was implemented in the second quarter of 2012. Our diabetes business increased by approximately \$77.5 million, or 77%, to \$178.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$100.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. The increase was primarily the result of our recent acquisitions of AmMed, NationsHealth, Discount Diabetic, and the Liberty business, which contributed a combined net \$78.8 million of the non-currency adjusted increase. Included in the \$178.1 million of revenue from our diabetes business for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 were \$123.8 million of mail order diabetes sales, compared to \$60.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. The \$123.8 million of mail order diabetes sales from the nine months ended September 30, 2013 reflect the negative impact of the reduction in CMS reimbursement rates for diabetes testing supplies which became effective on July 1, 2013, offset by incremental sales related to our April 2013 acquisition of the Liberty business.

Health Information Solutions

The following table summarizes our net product sales and services revenue from our health information solutions business segment by groups of similar products and services for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended September 30,% | | | Nine Months Ended September 30,% | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | Change | 2013 | 2012 | Change |
| Disease and case management | \$ 56,554 | \$ 57,383 | (1)% | \$ 163,258 | \$ 165,277 | (1)% |
| Wellness | 22,223 | 24,290 | (9)% | 75,753 | 80,881 | (6)% |
| Women s & children s health | 28,431 | 29,136 | (2)% | 86,767 | 90,220 | (4)% |
| Patient self-testing services | 27,025 | 24,269 | 11% | 77,437 | 68,074 | 14% |
| Health information solutions net product sales and services revenue | \$ 134,233 | \$ 135,078 | (1)% | \$ 403,215 | \$ 404,452 | % |

Our health information solutions net product sales and services revenue decreased by \$0.8 million, or 0.6%, to \$134.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$135.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. Net product sales and services revenues from our disease and case management, wellness and women s and children s health businesses each decreased during the three months ended September 30, 2013, compared to the three months ended September 30, 2012, as we experienced customer terminations, lower state enrollments in wellness programs and lower revenue from homecare services in these businesses, respectively. Our patient self-testing services net product sales and services revenue increased approximately \$2.8 million, or 11%, to \$27.0

million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$24.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012, principally driven by an increase in our home coagulation monitoring programs resulting from a larger patient population and a simultaneous reduction in customer attrition rates.

Our health information solutions net product sales and services revenue was \$403.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, and was relatively flat compared to \$404.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Net product sales and service revenue from our disease and case management, wellness and women's and children's health businesses each decreased during the nine months ended September 30, 2013, compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2012, as we experienced customer terminations, lower state enrollments in wellness programs and lower revenue from homecare services in these businesses, respectively. Given the challenging contracting season, we expect weak sales in the fourth quarter of 2013 and in the first quarter of 2014, and then expect to resume sequential growth, adjusting for seasonality within this segment through 2014, from the first quarter of 2014 base. Our patient self-testing services net product sales and services revenue increased approximately \$9.4 million, or 14%, to \$77.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$68.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012, principally driven by an increase in our home coagulation monitoring programs resulting from a larger patient population and a simultaneous reduction in customer attrition rates.

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Net product sales and services revenue from our consumer diagnostics business segment revenue increased by \$5.8 million, or 26%, to \$28.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$22.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. Net product sales by our 50/50 joint venture with P&G, Swiss Precision Diagnostics GmbH, or SPD, were \$50.6 million during the three months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to \$47.6 million during the three months ended September 30, 2012.

Net product sales and services revenue from our consumer diagnostics business segment revenue increased by \$9.0 million, or 14%, to \$75.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$66.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Net product sales by our 50/50 joint venture with P&G, or SPD, were \$134.3 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to \$145.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2012.

License and Royalty Revenue. License and royalty revenue represents license and royalty fees from intellectual property license agreements with third parties. License and royalty revenue decreased by approximately \$1.0 million, or 19%, to \$4.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$5.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. The decrease in royalty revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2013, compared to the three months ended September 30, 2012, is primarily a result of new licensing agreements and higher royalties earned under existing licensing agreements.

License and royalty revenue increased by approximately \$1.8 million, or 16%, to \$13.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$11.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. The increase in royalty revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2012, is primarily a result of new licensing agreements and higher royalties earned under existing licensing agreements.

Gross Profit and Margin. Gross profit increased by \$22.9 million, or 7%, to \$368.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$345.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. The increase in gross profit during the three months ended September 30, 2013, compared to the three months ended September 30, 2012, was largely attributed to the increase in net product sales and services revenue resulting from acquisitions.

Gross profit increased by \$62.9 million, or 6%, to \$1,117.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$1,054.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. The increase in gross profit during the nine months ended September 30, 2013, compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2012, was largely attributed to the increase in net product sales and services revenue resulting from acquisitions.

Cost of net revenue included amortization expense of \$18.2 million and \$18.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Included in the cost of net revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2013 was a \$0.7 million non-cash charge relating to the write-up of inventory to fair value in connection with our acquisition of Epocal, Inc., or Epocal.

Cost of net revenue included amortization expense of \$54.5 million and \$51.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, and \$1.9 million and \$4.7 million of non-cash charges relating to the write-up of inventory to fair value in connection with certain acquisitions during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Overall gross margin for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 was 49% and 50%, compared to 50% and 51% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, respectively. The decrease in gross margin

principally reflects the impact of the diabetes reimbursement rates reduction that took effect in July 2013.

Gross Profit from Net Product Sales and Services Revenue, Total and by Business Segment. Gross profit from net product sales and services revenue increased by \$24.0 million, or 7%, to \$366.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$342.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. Gross profit from net product sales and services revenue increased by \$61.0 million, or 6%, to \$1.1 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from 1.0 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Gross profit from net product sales and services revenue by business segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 is as follows (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended September 30, % | | | Nine Months Ended September 30, % | | |
|--|------------------------------------|------------|--------|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | Change | 2013 | 2012 | Change |
| Professional diagnostics | \$ 300,832 | \$ 276,906 | 9% | \$ 915,871 | \$ 853,676 | 7% |
| Health information solutions | 60,237 | 60,358 | % | 178,368 | 180,460 | (1)% |
| Consumer diagnostics | 5,402 | 5,221 | 3% | 15,302 | 14,379 | 6% |
| Gross profit from net product sales and services revenue | \$ 366,471 | \$ 342,485 | 7% | \$ 1,109,541 | \$ 1,048,515 | 6% |

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Gross profit from our professional diagnostics net product sales and services revenue increased by \$23.9 million, or 9%, to \$300.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, compared to \$276.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012, principally as a result of gross profit earned on revenue from acquired businesses, as discussed above. Gross profit was negatively impacted by a decrease in our U.S. meter-based Triage product sales, as discussed above. The FDA matters relating to our meter-based Triage products also resulted in incremental costs during the three months ended September 30, 2013, principally due to unfavorable manufacturing variances and the lost margin on the reduced volume of tests sold during the three months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the three months ended September 30, 2012. Cost of professional diagnostics net product sales and services revenue during the three months ended September 30, 2013 included a non-cash charge of \$0.7 million relating to the write-up of inventory to fair value in connection with a recent acquisition. Reducing gross profit during the three months ended September 30, 2013 was \$3.4 million in restructuring charges.

Gross profit from our professional diagnostics net product sales and services revenue increased by \$62.2 million, or 7%, to \$915.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, compared to \$853.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012, principally as a result of gross profit earned on revenue from acquired businesses, as discussed above. Gross profit was negatively impacted by a decrease in our U.S. meter-based Triage product sales and a reduction in commercial pricing for our pain and rehab businesses, as discussed above. The FDA matters relating to our meter-based Triage products also resulted in incremental costs during the nine months ended September 30, 2013, principally due to unfavorable manufacturing variances and the lost margin on the reduced volume of tests sold during the nine months ended September 30, 2013, as compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Cost of professional diagnostics net product sales and services revenue during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 included a non-cash charge of \$1.9 million and \$4.7 million, respectively, relating to the write-up of inventory to fair value in connection with certain acquisitions. Reducing gross profit during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 was \$3.8 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, in restructuring charges.

Cost of professional diagnostics net product sales and services revenue included amortization expense of \$15.2 million and \$16.3 million during the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Cost of professional diagnostics net product sales and services revenue included amortization expense of \$48.3 million and \$45.7 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

As a percentage of our professional diagnostics net product sales and services revenue, gross margin for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 was 51% and 52%, respectively, compared to 52% and 54% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, respectively. Increased revenue from our recently acquired toxicology businesses, which contribute lower-than-segment-average gross margin, and a decrease in our U.S. meter-based Triage product sales, which contribute higher-than-segment-average gross margin, contributed to the decrease in gross margin in the nine months ended September 30, 2013 from the nine months ended September 30, 2012.

Health Information Solutions

Gross profit from our health information solutions net product sales and services revenue decreased by \$0.1 million, or 0.2%, to \$60.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, compared to \$60.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. Reducing gross profit during the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 was \$0.1 million in restructuring charges. Gross profit from our health information solutions net product sales and services revenue decreased by \$2.1 million, or 1%, to \$178.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, compared to \$180.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Reducing gross profit during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 was \$1.1 million and \$0.6 million in restructuring charges,

respectively.

Cost of health information solutions net product sales and services revenue included amortization expense of \$2.8 million and \$1.9 million during the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Cost of health information solutions net product sales and services revenue included amortization expense of \$5.5 million and \$5.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

As a percentage of our health information solutions net product sales and services revenue, gross margin for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 was 45% and 44%, respectively, compared to 45% for both the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012.

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Gross profit from our consumer diagnostics net product sales and services revenue increased by \$0.2 million, or 3%, to \$5.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$5.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. Gross profit from our consumer diagnostics net product sales and services revenue increased by \$0.9 million, or 6%, to \$15.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, compared to \$14.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. The increase in gross profit was primarily the result of a \$0.7 million charge related to our manufacturing agreement with SPD recorded during the nine months ended September 30, 2012.

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Cost of consumer diagnostics net product sales and services revenue included amortization expense of \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million during the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Cost of consumer diagnostics net product sales and services revenue included amortization expense of \$0.7 million and \$0.9 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

As a percentage of our consumer diagnostics net product sales and services revenue, gross margin for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 was 19% and 20%, respectively, compared to 23% and 22% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, respectively.

Research and Development Expense. Research and development expense was \$40.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, compared to \$40.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. Research and development expense during the three months ended September 30, 2013 is reported net of grant funding of \$1.9 million arising from the research and development funding relationship with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation that we entered into in February 2013. Included in research and development expense for the three months ended September 30, 2013 were restructuring charges associated with our various restructuring plans to integrate our newly-acquired businesses totaling approximately \$1.1 million. Restructuring charges included in research and development expense during the three months ended September 30, 2012 totaled approximately \$14,000. Amortization expense of \$1.2 million and \$1.3 million was included in research and development expense for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Research and development expense increased by \$2.4 million, or 2%, to \$122.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$120.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Research and development expense during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 is reported net of grant funding of approximately \$4.3 million arising from the research and development funding relationship with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation that we entered into in February 2013. Included in research and development expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 were restructuring charges totaling approximately \$1.7 million and \$0.6 million, respectively, associated with our various restructuring plans to integrate our newly-acquired businesses. Amortization expense of \$3.7 million and \$1.3 million was included in research and development expense for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Research and development expense as a percentage of net revenue was 5% for both the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, compared to 6% for both the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012.

Sales and Marketing Expense. Sales and marketing expense was \$159.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, compared to \$160.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. Amortization expense of \$59.2 million and \$61.1 million was included in sales and marketing expense for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Restructuring charges associated with our various restructuring plans to integrate our newly-acquired businesses totaling approximately \$0.2 million were included in sales and marketing expense for each of the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012.

Sales and marketing expense decreased by \$3.1 million, or 1%, to \$475.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$478.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. The decrease in sales and marketing expense was primarily driven by lower amortization expense during the nine months ended September 30, 2013, compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Amortization expense of \$170.1 million and \$179.2 million was included in sales and marketing expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Restructuring charges associated with our various restructuring plans to integrate our newly-acquired businesses totaling approximately \$1.5 million and \$1.9 million were included in sales and marketing expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Sales and marketing expense as a percentage of net revenue was 21% for each of the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, compared to 23% for each of the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, respectively.

General and Administrative Expense. General and administrative expense increased by approximately \$36.5 million, or 35%, to \$142.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$105.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. The increase in general and administrative expense relates primarily to additional spending related to newly-acquired businesses. During the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, we recorded expense of \$2.7 million and income of \$15.1 million, respectively, in connection with fair value adjustments to acquisition-related contingent consideration obligations. Acquisition-related costs of \$0.5 million and \$0.8 million were included in general and administrative expense for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Restructuring charges associated with our various restructuring plans to integrate our newly-acquired businesses totaling approximately \$2.8 million and \$1.2 million were included in general and administrative expense for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Amortization expense of \$3.6 million and \$2.0 million was included in general and administrative expense for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

General and administrative expense increased by approximately \$70.6 million, or 20%, to \$418.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$347.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. The increase in general and administrative expense relates primarily to additional spending related to newly-acquired businesses. During the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, we recorded expense of \$19.0 million and income of \$16.8 million, respectively, in connection with

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fair value adjustments to acquisition-related contingent consideration obligations. Acquisition-related costs of \$1.8 million and \$6.1 million were included in general and administrative expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Restructuring charges associated with our various restructuring plans to integrate our newly-acquired businesses totaling approximately \$11.5 million and \$5.5 million were included in general and administrative expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Amortization expense of \$8.9 million and \$6.1 million was included in general and administrative expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

General and administrative expense as a percentage of net revenue was 19% for each of the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, compared to 15% and 17% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, respectively.

Interest Expense. Interest expense includes interest charges and the amortization of deferred financing costs and original issue discounts associated with certain debt issuances. Interest expense decreased by \$1.4 million, or 3%, to \$53.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from \$54.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012. The decrease is principally due to the lower interest rates associated with our 6.5% senior subordinated notes and our 7.25% senior notes, entered into in May 2013 and December 2012, respectively, compared to the higher interest rates associated with our 7.875% senior notes and our 9% senior subordinated notes, which we redeemed in February 2013 and June 2013, respectively.

Interest expense increased by \$42.2 million, or 26%, to \$203.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from \$161.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. The increase is principally due to a \$35.6 million loss recorded in connection with the repurchase of our 9% senior subordinated notes during the nine months ended September 30, 2013.

Other Income (Expense), Net. Other income (expense), net includes interest income, realized and unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses, and other income and expense. The components and the respective amounts of other income (expense), net are summarized as follows (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended September 30, | | | Nine Months Ended September 30, | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | Change | 2013 | 2012 | Change |
| Interest income | \$ 799 | \$ 344 | \$ 455 | \$ 2,602 | \$ 1,409 | \$ 1,193 |
| Foreign exchange gains (losses), net | (3,722) | 671 | (4,393) | (3,263) | (5,526) | 2,263 |
| Other | (5,946) | (2,087) | (3,859) | (7,615) | 18,687 | (26,302) |
| Total other income (expense), net | \$ (8,869) | \$ (1,072) | \$ (7,797) | \$ (8,276) | \$ 14,570 | \$ (22,846) |

Other expense of \$5.9 million and \$7.6 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013, respectively, includes a provision of \$5.0 million to reflect an estimate of the settlement or litigation costs which we may incur associated with an ongoing dispute with a customer in our U.S. toxicology business. Other income of \$18.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 includes a \$13.5 million final royalty termination payment received from Quidel, a \$7.2 million gain recorded on the sale of property and \$1.4 million of income associated with legal settlements related to intellectual property litigation.

Provision (Benefit) for Income Taxes. The benefit for income taxes increased by \$6.5 million to \$17.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2013, from a \$10.7 million benefit for the three months ended September 30, 2012. The effective tax rate for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 was 40.9% and 62.1%, respectively. The income tax benefits for the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 relate to federal, foreign and state income tax provisions and benefits. The increase in tax benefit is largely related to losses for the three months ended September 30, 2013 versus September 30, 2012. The decrease in the effective income tax rate during the three months ended September 30, 2013, compared to the three months ended September 30, 2012, is primarily a result of a combination of the following: (i) adjustments related to filing 2012 tax returns in 2013, (ii) greater proportion of U.S. losses which are subject to a higher rate of tax, (iii) U.S. taxation of certain foreign income related to the sale of Spinreact, (iv) an enacted tax rate change in United Kingdom, (v) loss entity valuation allowance changes, and (vi) losses on contingent consideration fair value adjustments.

The benefit for income taxes increased by \$23.6 million to \$36.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013, from a \$12.6 million benefit for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. The effective tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 was 31.1% and 32.9%, respectively. The income tax benefits for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 relate to federal, foreign and state income tax provisions and benefits. The increase in tax benefit is largely related to losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 versus September 30, 2012. The decrease in the effective income tax rate during the nine months ended September 30, 2013, compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2012, is primarily a result of a combination of the following: (i) adjustments related to filing 2012 tax returns in 2013, (ii) greater proportion of U.S. losses which are subject to a higher rate of tax, (iii) U.S. taxation of certain foreign income related to the sale of Spinreact, (iv) losses on contingent consideration fair value adjustments, (v) adjustments for permanent differences between U.S. GAAP and tax rules, (vi) loss entity valuation allowance changes, and (vii) an enacted tax rate change in United Kingdom.

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Equity Earnings of Unconsolidated Entities, Net of Tax. Equity earnings of unconsolidated entities is reported net of tax and includes our share of earnings in entities that we account for under the equity method of accounting. Equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 reflects the following: (i) our 50% interest in SPD in the amount of \$4.7 million and \$11.4 million, respectively, (ii) our 40% interest in Vedalab S.A., or Vedalab, in the amount of \$0.5 million and \$0.6 million, respectively, and (iii) our 49% interest in TechLab, Inc., or TechLab, in the amount of \$0.5 million and \$1.3 million, respectively. Equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 reflects the following: (i) our 50% interest in SPD in the amount of \$2.1 million and \$8.2 million, respectively, (ii) our 40% interest Vedalab in the amount of \$0.3 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, and (iii) our 49% interest in TechLab in the amount of \$0.6 million and \$1.8 million, respectively.

Net Loss Available to Common Stockholders. For the three months ended September 30, 2013, we generated a net loss available to common stockholders of \$24.8 million, or \$0.30 per basic and diluted common share. For the three months ended September 30, 2012, we generated a net loss available to common stockholders of \$9.2 million, or \$0.11 per basic and diluted common share. Net loss available to common stockholders reflects \$5.4 million of preferred stock dividends paid during each of the three months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012. For the nine months ended September 30, 2013, we generated a net loss available to common stockholders of \$83.5 million, or \$1.03 per basic and diluted common share. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012, we generated a net loss available to common stockholders of \$31.4 million, or \$0.39 per basic and diluted common share. Net loss available to common stockholders reflects \$15.9 million of preferred stock dividends paid during each of the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and 2012. See Note 6 of the accompanying consolidated financial statements for the calculation of net loss per common share.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Based upon our current working capital position, current operating plans and expected business conditions, we expect to fund our short- and long-term working capital needs primarily using existing cash and our operating cash flow, and we expect our working capital position to improve as we improve our future operating margins, grow our business through new product and service offerings and divest non-core businesses and assets. As of September 30, 2013, we had \$354.0 million of cash and cash equivalents, of which \$142.0 million was held by domestic subsidiaries and \$212.0 million was held by foreign entities. As of September 30, 2012, we had \$302.3 million of cash and cash equivalents, of which \$77.0 million was held by domestic subsidiaries and \$225.3 million was held by foreign entities. We do not plan to repatriate certain cash held by foreign entities due to adverse tax implications, including incremental U.S. tax liabilities and potential foreign withholding tax liabilities.

We may also utilize our secured credit facility or other new sources of financing to fund a portion of our capital needs and other commitments, including our contractual contingent consideration obligations and future acquisitions. As of September 30, 2013, we had outstanding borrowings totaling \$170.0 million under the \$250.0 million revolving line of credit under our secured credit facility, with \$80.0 million available to us for additional borrowings. Our ability to access the capital markets may be impacted by the amount of our outstanding debt and equity and the extent to which our assets are encumbered by our outstanding secured debt. The terms and conditions of our outstanding debt instruments also contain covenants which expressly restrict our ability to incur additional indebtedness and conduct other financings. As of September 30, 2013, we had \$3.8 billion in outstanding indebtedness comprised of \$2.4 billion under our secured credit facility, including borrowings under our revolving line of credit, \$450.0 million of 7.25% senior notes due 2018, \$400.0 million of 8.625% senior subordinated notes due 2018, \$425.0 million of 6.5% senior subordinated notes due 2020, and \$150.0 million of 3% convertible senior subordinated notes due 2016.

If the capital and credit markets experience volatility or the availability of funds is limited, we may incur increased costs associated with issuing debt instruments. In addition, it is possible that our ability to access the capital and credit markets could be limited by these or other factors at a time when we would like, or need, to do so, which could have an adverse impact on our ability to refinance maturing debt and/or react to changing economic and business conditions.

Our funding plans for our working capital needs and other commitments may be adversely impacted by unexpected costs associated with potential divestitures, integrating the operations of newly-acquired companies, executing our cost-savings strategies and prosecuting and defending our existing lawsuits and/or unforeseen lawsuits against us. We also cannot be certain that our underlying assumed levels of revenues and expenses will be realized. In addition, we intend to continue to make investments in our research and development efforts related to the substantial intellectual property portfolio we own. We may also choose to further expand our research and development efforts and may pursue the acquisition of new products and technologies through licensing arrangements, business acquisitions, or otherwise. We may also choose to make significant investment to pursue legal remedies against potential infringers of our intellectual property rights. If we decide to engage in such activities, or if our operating results fail to meet our expectations, we could be required to seek additional funding through public or private financings or other arrangements. In such event, adequate funds may not be available when needed or may be available only on terms which could have a negative impact on our business and results of operations. In addition, if we raise additional funds by issuing equity or convertible securities, dilution to then-existing stockholders may result.

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| Cash Flow Summary (in thousands) | Nine Months Ended September 30, | |
|---|--|-------------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ 159,105 | \$ 253,763 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (222,648) | (456,421) |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | 84,208 | 212,927 |
| Foreign exchange effect on cash and cash equivalents | 4,982 | (7,188) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 25,647 | 3,081 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period | 328,346 | 299,173 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period | \$ 353,993 | \$ 302,254 |

Summary of Changes in Cash Position

Cash and cash equivalents increased \$25.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2013, compared to an increase of \$3.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2012. Our primary sources of cash during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 included \$159.1 million generated by our operating activities, \$460.1 million of net proceeds received in connection with long-term debt issuances, which included \$425.0 million of gross proceeds received in connection with the issuance of our 6.5% senior subordinated notes, \$138.8 million of net proceeds under various revolving credit facilities, which included \$190.0 million borrowed against our secured credit facility revolving line-of-credit, \$32.0 million received from the disposition of our Spinreact operations, a \$19.2 million decrease related to other assets, \$17.6 million of cash received from common stock issuances under employee stock option and stock purchase plans, \$11.3 million return of capital related to an equity investment and \$5.8 million in proceeds from the sale of property and equipment. Our primary uses of cash during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 were \$455.2 million of cash payments on long-term debt, which included \$400.0 million of cash payments related to the repurchase of our 9% senior subordinated notes, \$166.2 million net cash paid for acquisitions, \$90.9 million of capital expenditures, \$33.9 million related to an increase in restricted cash, \$27.5 million related to payments of acquisition-related contingent consideration obligations, \$19.0 million related to tender offer consideration and call premium incurred in connection with the repurchase of our 9% senior subordinated notes, \$16.0 million for cash dividends paid on our Series B preferred stock, \$9.8 million related to the payment of debt-related financing costs and \$5.3 million for payment of capital lease obligations. Fluctuations in foreign currencies improved our cash balance by \$5.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2013.

Our primary sources of cash during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 included \$253.8 million generated by our operating activities, approximately \$198.3 million of proceeds received in connection with long-term debt issuances, \$91.2 million of net proceeds under various revolving credit facilities, \$22.4 million of proceeds received from the sale of property, plant and equipment, \$14.3 million from common stock issuances under employee stock option and stock purchase plans and \$6.6 million return of capital from equity method investments. Our primary uses of cash during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 included \$384.8 million net cash paid for acquisitions, \$97.3 million of capital expenditures, \$42.6 million related to the repayment of long-term debt obligations, \$16.2 million paid for contingent purchase price consideration, \$16.0 million for cash dividends paid on our Series B preferred stock, \$9.3 million related to an increase in other assets and \$6.2 million related to the repayment of short-term debt obligations. Fluctuations in foreign currencies negatively impacted our cash balance by \$7.2 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2012.

Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 was \$159.1 million, which resulted from a net loss of \$67.0 million and \$92.8 million of cash utilized by changes in net working capital requirements during the period, offset by \$318.9 million of non-cash items. The \$318.9 million of non-cash items included, among other items, \$326.7 million related to depreciation and amortization, \$14.5 million related to non-cash stock-based compensation, \$14.1 million of interest expense related to the amortization of deferred financing costs and original issue discounts, \$35.6 million related to a loss on extinguishment of debt, \$6.7 million related to other non-cash items, \$5.9 million loss on disposition from our sale of the Spinreact operations, \$4.1 million related to the impairment of long-lived assets and a \$1.9 million non-cash charge related to the write up of inventory to fair value in connection with the acquisition of Epocal, partially offset by a \$73.7 million decrease related to changes in our deferred tax assets and liabilities, which resulted in part from amortization of intangible assets, \$13.2 million in equity earnings of unconsolidated entities, net of tax, and \$5.7 million relating to a bargain purchase gain in connection with our acquisition of the Liberty business.

Net cash provided by operating activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 was \$253.8 million, which resulted from a net loss of \$15.4 million, \$303.1 million of non-cash items and \$34.0 million of cash utilized by changes in net working capital requirements during the period. The \$303.1 million of non-cash items included, among other items, \$322.4 million related to depreciation and amortization, \$16.1 million of interest expense related to the amortization of deferred financing costs and original issue discounts, \$11.9 million related to stock-based compensation and a \$4.7 million non-cash charge relating to the write-up of inventory to fair value in connection with the acquisition of Axis-Shield, partially offset by a \$43.6 million decrease related to changes in our deferred tax assets and liabilities, which partially resulted from amortization of intangible assets, a \$10.4 million decrease attributable to equity earnings of unconsolidated entities and a \$4.2 million gain on the sale of property, plant and equipment.

Table of Contents*Cash Flows from Investing Activities*

Our investing activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 utilized \$222.6 million of cash, including \$166.2 million net cash paid for acquisitions, \$90.9 million of capital expenditures and an increase in our restricted cash balance of \$33.9 million, which was principally driven by a \$29.0 million deposit in connection with a foreign bank loan arrangement and \$7.9 million of cash received from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, of which \$3.5 million was used to fund qualified expenditures, partially offset by \$32.0 million in proceeds relating to the disposition of our Spinreact operations, a \$19.2 million decrease related to other assets, an \$11.3 million return of capital related to an equity investment and \$5.8 million of proceeds received from the sale of property and equipment.

Our investing activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 utilized \$456.4 million of cash, including \$384.8 million net cash paid for acquisitions, \$97.3 million of capital expenditures and \$9.3 million related to an increase in other assets, offset by \$22.4 million of proceeds received from the sale of property, plant and equipment, \$6.6 million return of capital from equity method investments, which included a \$6.1 million return of capital from SPD, and a \$5.8 million decrease in our restricted cash balance.

Cash Flows from Financing Activities

Net cash provided by financing activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 was \$84.2 million. Financing activities providing cash during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 primarily included \$460.1 million of net proceeds received in connection with long-term debt issuances, which included \$425.0 million of gross proceeds received in connection with the issuance of our 6.5% senior subordinated notes, \$138.8 million of net proceeds under various revolving credit facilities, which included \$190.0 million borrowed, net of \$42.5 million paid, against our secured credit facility revolving line-of-credit, and \$17.6 million of cash received from common stock issuances under employee stock option and stock purchase plans. We utilized \$455.2 million of cash payments on long-term debt, which included \$400.0 million of cash payments related to the repurchase of our 9% senior subordinated notes, \$27.5 million for payments of acquisition-related contingent consideration obligations, \$19.0 million related to tender offer consideration and call premium incurred in connection with the repurchase of our 9% senior subordinated notes, \$16.0 million for dividend payments related to our Series B preferred stock, \$9.8 million related to the payment of debt-related financing costs and \$5.3 million for payment of capital lease obligations.

Net cash provided by financing activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 was \$212.9 million. Financing activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 primarily included approximately \$198.3 million of proceeds received in connection with long-term debt issuances, which included \$198.0 million of net proceeds received in connection with the Incremental B-2 term loans entered into as part of our secured credit facility, \$91.2 million of net proceeds under various revolving credit facilities, which included \$97.5 million borrowed against our secured credit facility revolving line-of-credit, and \$14.3 million of cash received from common stock issuances under employee stock option and stock purchase plans. We utilized approximately \$42.6 million in connection with the repayment of long-term debt obligations, \$16.2 million paid for contingent purchase price consideration, \$16.0 million for cash dividends paid on our Series B Preferred stock, \$6.2 million for the repayment of short-term debt obligations and \$4.9 million for payment of capital lease obligations.

As of September 30, 2013, we had an aggregate of \$21.5 million in outstanding capital lease obligations which are payable through 2018.

Income Taxes

As of December 31, 2012, we had approximately \$60.6 million of domestic NOL and domestic capital loss carryforwards, approximately \$981.1 million of state NOL carryforwards and \$211.6 million of foreign NOL and foreign capital loss carryforwards, which either expire on various dates through 2032 or can be carried forward indefinitely. As of December 31, 2012, we had approximately \$57.7 million of domestic research and development, foreign tax and alternative minimum tax credits which either expire on various dates through 2031 or can be carried forward indefinitely. These loss carryforwards and tax credits may be available to reduce future federal, state and foreign taxable income, if any, and are subject to review and possible adjustment by the appropriate tax authorities.

Furthermore, all domestic losses and credits are subject to the limitations imposed by Sections 382 and 383 of the Internal Revenue Code, and may be limited in the event of certain cumulative changes in ownership interests of significant shareholders over a three-year period in excess of 50%. Sections 382 and 383 impose an annual limitation on the use of these losses or credits to an amount equal to the value of the company at the time of the ownership change multiplied by the long-term tax exempt rate. We have recorded a valuation allowance against a portion of the deferred tax assets related to our NOLs and credits and certain of our other deferred tax assets to reflect uncertainties that might affect the realization of such deferred tax assets, as these assets can only be realized via profitable operations.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We had no material off-balance sheet arrangements as of September 30, 2013.

Table of Contents**Contractual Obligations**

The following summarizes our principal contractual obligations as of September 30, 2013 that have changed significantly since December 31, 2012 and the effects such obligations are expected to have on our liquidity and cash flow in future periods. Contractual obligations that were presented in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, as amended, for the year ended December 31, 2012, but omitted below, represent those that have not changed significantly since that date.

| | Payments Due by Period (in thousands) | | | | |
|----------------------------|--|-------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| | Total | 2013 | 2014-2015 | 2016-2017 | Thereafter |
| Long-term debt obligations | \$ 3,839,763 | \$ 21,377 | \$ 121,902 | \$ 2,419,326 | \$ 1,277,158 |

With respect to our February 1, 2013 acquisition of Epocal, the terms of the acquisition agreement require us to pay earn-outs and management incentive payments upon successfully meeting certain product development and United States Food and Drug Administration regulatory approval milestones from the date of acquisition through December 31, 2018. The maximum amount of the earn-out payments is \$90.5 million, of which \$15.0 million was paid at the acquisition closing date and \$10.0 million is expected to be paid during the fourth quarter of 2013. The maximum amount of the management incentive payments is \$9.4 million.

Critical Accounting Policies

The discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based on our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of these financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles requires us to make estimates and judgments that may affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On a quarterly basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to revenue recognition and related allowances, bad debt, inventory, valuation of long-lived assets, including intangible assets and goodwill, income taxes, including any valuation allowance for our net deferred tax assets, contingencies and litigation, and stock-based compensation. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

There have been no significant changes in our critical accounting policies or management estimates since December 31, 2012. A comprehensive discussion of our critical accounting policies and management estimates is included in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, as amended for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

See Note 18 in the notes to the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, regarding the impact of certain recent accounting pronouncements on our consolidated financial statements.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Our market risks, and the ways we manage them, are summarized in Part II, Item 7A, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, as amended, for the year ended December 31, 2012. There have been no material changes to our market risks or management of such risks since that date.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our management evaluated, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Chief Financial Officer (CFO), the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) or 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Based on this evaluation, our management, including the CEO and CFO, concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at that time. We and our management understand nonetheless that controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurances of achieving the desired control objectives, and our management necessarily was required to apply its judgment in evaluating and implementing possible controls and procedures. In reaching their conclusions stated above regarding the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, our CEO and CFO concluded that such disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of such date at the reasonable assurance level.

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There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the most recent fiscal quarter covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS****Exhibits:**

| Exhibit No. | Description |
|------------------------|---|
| 3.1 | Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, event date October 9, 2013, filed with the SEC on October 16, 2013) |
| 10.1 | Alere Inc. 2010 Stock Option and Incentive Plan, as amended (incorporated by reference to Appendix B to the Company's Proxy Statement filed on Schedule 14A as filed with the SEC on June 26, 2013) |
| 10.2 | Alere Inc. 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended (incorporated by reference to Appendix C to the Company's Proxy Statement filed on Schedule 14A as filed with the SEC on June 26, 2013) |
| *31.1 | Certification by Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 |
| *31.2 | Certification by Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 |
| *32.1 | Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 |
| *101 | Interactive Data Files regarding (a) our Consolidated Statements of Operations for the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, (b) our Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012, (c) our Consolidated Balance Sheets as of September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, (d) our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013 and 2012 and (e) the Notes to such Consolidated Financial Statements. |

* Filed herewith

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SIGNATURE

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.

ALERE INC.

Date: November 5, 2013

/s/ David Teitel

David Teitel

Chief Financial Officer and an authorized officer