

# **Forward-Looking Statements**

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# **Brady's Mission & Vision**

# Our **Mission** is to Identify and Protect







**PRODUCTS** 



**PEOPLE** 

Our **Vision** is to Deliver profitable results for shareholders, offer customers innovative products and unparalleled service, and be an employer of choice.

Sustainable long-term shareholder value



# **Summary**

# History of Financial Success:

- A global leader in niche identification markets.
- Diversified customer base, and geographic presence and products.
- History of innovation and strong customer service.

### Improved Financial Results:

- Profitability and cash flow have improved.
- Driving business fundamentals, efficiencies, and customer service, leading to improved margins and reduced SG&A.
- Increasing investments in innovation
- Parallel path of driving organic growth and operational excellence.

# Strong Balance Sheet:

- Declining Debt (net debt of \$9M at April 30, 2017).
- Net Debt/EBITDA of 0.1:1 at April 30, 2017.

### Patient, Priority-Driven Capital Allocation:

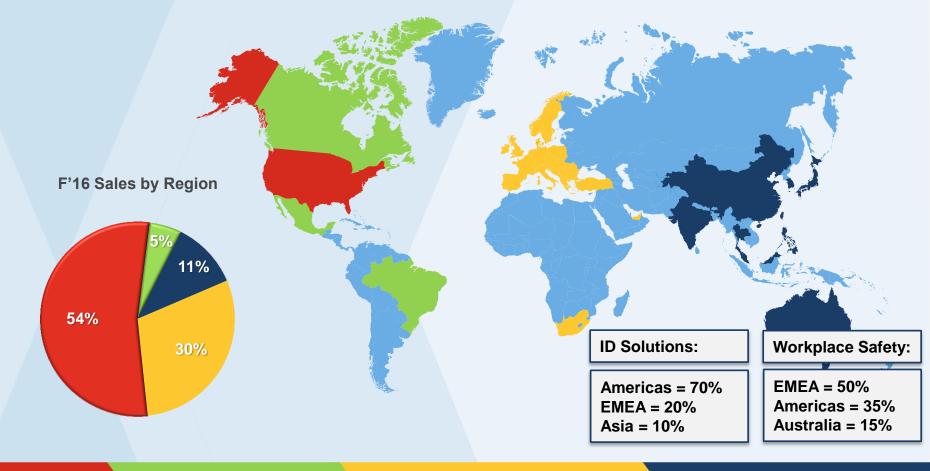
- Organic growth & profitability improving investments.
- Dividends (increased 31 consecutive years).
- Technology-based acquisitions that we can leverage.
- Opportunistic share buybacks.







# **Geographical Presence**



U.S.A.

**Rest of Americas** 

**Europe, Middle East & Africa** 

**Asia-Pacific** 

Brazil, Canada, Mexico.

Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, UAE, U.K. Australia, China, Hong Kong, India, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand.



# **Global Divisions**

#### **Identification Solutions**

(approx. 2/3 of sales)

#### **Products:**

- Safety & Facility ID
- Wire ID
- Product ID
- People ID
- Healthcare ID.



Brady and PDC.

### **Primary Channels:**

 Distrib. & GPOs. = 70%, remainder = Direct.

# **Geographic Presence:**

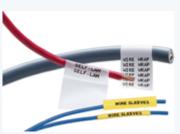
 Approx. 2/3 of sales in U.S. and Canada.











# **Workplace Safety**

(approx. 1/3 of sales)

#### **Products:**

 Vast offering of workplace safety products (signs, tags, labels, safety equip, etc.).

#### **Primary Brands:**

 Seton, Emed, Signals, Securimed.

# **Primary Channels:**

 Primarily direct through Catalog, Internet, Telesales.



#### **Geographic Presence:**

 Approx. 2/3 of sales in Western Europe & Australia.







# **Driving Operational Excellence**

**Right Culture for Success** 

**Operational Improvements** 

**SG&A Efficiency** 

- Clarity, focus, and culture of innovation.
- Local ownership and individual accountability.
- Incentivize the right behaviors.
- Deliver what we promise.
- Customer at the center.

- Invest in more efficient, higher-quality equipment.
- Optimize product offering.
- Simplify processes in our manufacturing facilities (materials, scrap, freight, personnel costs, etc.).
- Drive efficiencies and execute fundamentals.

- Local ownership with standardized processes.
- Cost structure alignment of under-performing businesses.
- Reduced centralized G&A structure.
- Streamline base processes that are creating inefficiencies.

# **Driving Organic Growth**

**Workplace Safety** 

**Identification Solutions** 

**Investing in Our Future** 

- Manage catalog-to-digital shift.
- Create an industryleading digital marketplace with a mobile-first mentality.
- Leadership in safety identification products.
- Focus on compliance and customization for workplace safety critical industries.

- Relentless focus on improving the customer buying experience.
- Strategic market and service focus.
- Selected investments in commercial resources.
- Product optimization.
- Leverage expertise and innovation to solve ID challenges in healthcare.

- Renewed innovation development process.
- Investments in emerging and embedded technologies to create smarter products.
- Incentivize the right behaviors to drive profitable growth.
- Leveraging crossdivisional synergies.
- Invest in and grow the next generation of talent.

# **Patient & Priority-Driven Capital Allocation**

#### 1st - Reinvest in the Business:

- Drive sustainable growth.
- Deliver unrivaled customer service and operational excellence.
- Develop innovative new products that create value for our customers.

• Invested \$176M in R&D from F'12 to F'16.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> - Dividends:

- Committed to consistently returning capital to shareholders.
- F'17 marks the 31st consecutive year of dividend increases.

 Returned \$200M of dividends to our shareholders from F'12 to F'16.

# 3<sup>rd</sup> – Share Buybacks:

 Opportunistic and patient use of share buybacks as a mechanism to drive shareholder value. • Purchased \$109M of stock from F'12 to F'16.

### 4<sup>th</sup> – Acquisitions:

- Acquisitions may be used as a tool to fill strategic gaps.
   Acquisitions must have clear technological advantages and allow Brady to leverage capabilities.
- Last acquisition was in December 2012.



# **Future Financial Performance**

F'16



**Expectation Exiting F'18** 

**Organic Sales** Growth

**Below GDP Organic** Growth



**Organic Sales** Growth

GDP+

# **Organic Revenue Drivers:**

- Unrivaled customer service.
- Renewed R&D focus.
- Integrated solutions and technologies creating smarter products.
- E-business / Digital.
- · Ability to achieve financial targets is contingent upon our ability to increase organic sales to at least GDP.

**GPM** 

49.9%



**GPM** 

51% - 52%

#### **Gross Margin Drivers:**

- Minimize inefficiencies in our manufacturing facilities.
- Product rationalization and business simplification.
- Expected on-going pricing challenges.
- Significant strides were made in improving gross margins in F'16.

SG&A



SG&A

33.5% - 34.5%

#### **SG&A Drivers:**

- Decentralized operating philosophy, with standardized processes.
- Simplified and streamlined organization.
- Cost structure alignment of under-performing businesses.
- Savings to come slower than gross profit margin improvements.

**EPS** 



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\$2.00/share

#### **EPS Drivers:**

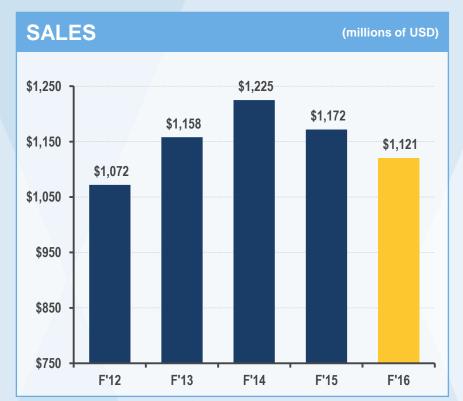
- Double-digit net earnings CAGR.
- Superior cash flow with disciplined and patient cash deployment expected to enhance shareholder value through dividends and share buybacks.

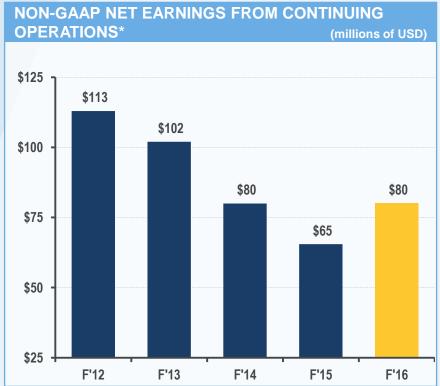


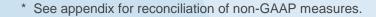
# **Financial Overview**



# **Revenue & Earnings Trends**

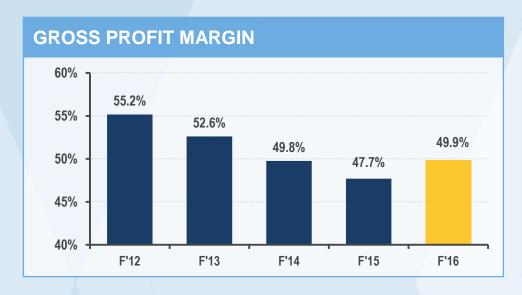






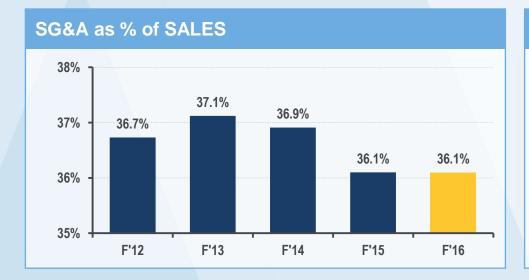


# **GPM & SG&A Expense**



#### GPM:

- Operational inefficiencies in F'14 and F'15 caused by facility consolidations.
- Improvement in GPM in F'16 primarily within facilities recently consolidated.

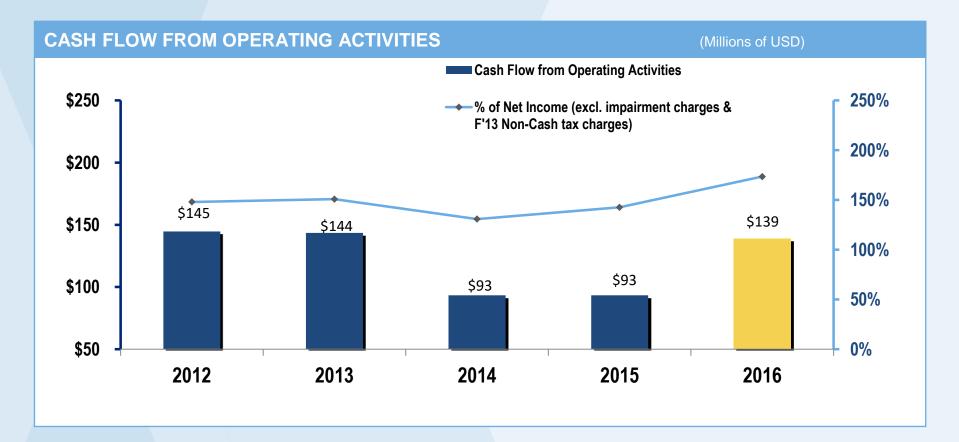


#### **SG&A EXPENSE:**

- Decentralized operating philosophy, with standardized processes.
- Simplified and streamlined organization.
- Reduced G&A structure.
- Cost structure alignment of underperforming businesses.



# **Cash Generation**

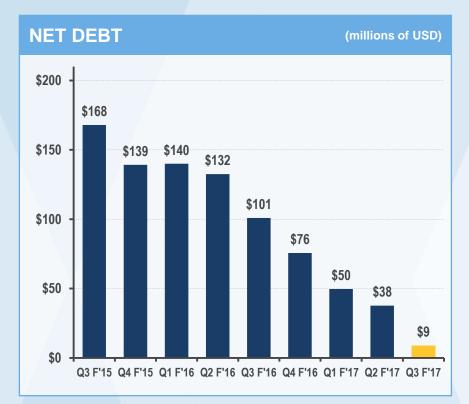


#### **CASH GENERATION:**

- Improvement in cash flow driven by increased profitability and stronger working capital management.
- Repurchased \$23.6M in stock and invested \$17.1M in capital expenditures in F'16.
- Cash is deployed in accordance with our patient and prioritized capital allocation approach.



# **Net Debt & EBITDA**





#### **STRONG BALANCE SHEET:**

- April 30, 2017 Cash = \$129M, Debt = \$138M, and trailing twelve month EBITDA = \$157M.
- Net Debt/EBITDA\* = 0.1 to 1.
- Net debt declined \$92M over the last twelve months, finishing at \$9M at April 30, 2017 compared to \$101M at April 30, 2016.
- · Balance sheet provides flexibility for future cash uses.
- \* EBITDA is a non-GAAP measure. See appendix for the reconciliation of net earnings to EBITDA.



# **Debt Structure**

('000s of USD)

	Intere	Interest Rate		il 30, 2017 Balance	ly 31, 2016 Balance
Revolver Borrowings:					
USD-denominated	1.82%	Variable	\$	22,000	\$ 112,000
EUR-denominated	0.88%	Variable		30,442	-
China Borrowings:					
USD & CNY-denominated notes payable	3.42%	Variable		4,072	4,928
Private Placements:					
USD-denominated 2007 Series	5.33%	Fixed		-	16,334
EUR-denominated 2010 Series (7-yr.)	3.71%	Fixed		32,616	33,510
EUR-denominated 2010 Series (10-yr.)	4.24%	Fixed		48,836	50,138
TOTAL DEBT			\$	137,966	\$ 216,910



# **Summary**

Improved Profitability and Cash Flow.

Strong Balance Sheet with Flexibility.

Opportunities for Efficiency Gains and Profitability Growth.

Driving Value without Losing Sight of the Long Term.

Tempered Sales Outlook.

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# **Appendix**

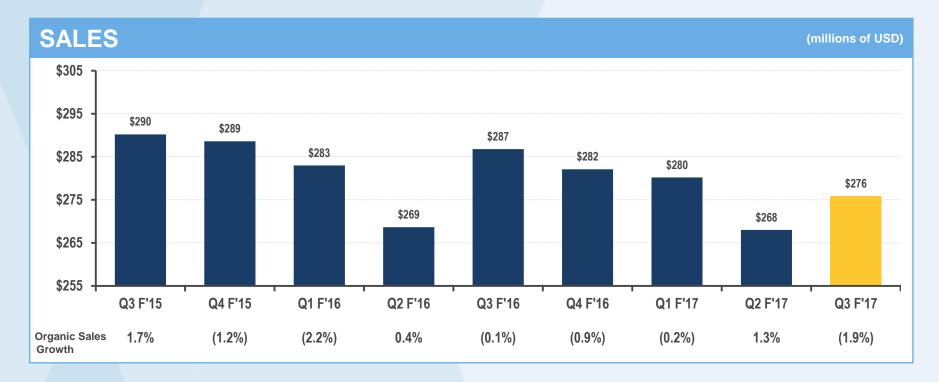


# **Q3 F'17 Financial Summary**

- Sales down 3.8% to \$275.9M in Q3 of F'17 vs. \$286.8M in Q3 of F'16.
  - Organic sales decreased 1.9%.
  - Foreign currency translation reduced sales by 1.9%.
- Gross profit margin of 50.7% in Q3 of F'17 compared with 50.7% in Q3 of F'16.
- SG&A expense of \$98.4M (35.7% of sales) in Q3 of F'17 compared with \$105.8M (36.9% of sales) in Q3 of F'16.
- Net earnings of \$22.6M in Q3 of F'17 compared with \$21.0M in Q3 of F'16.
- Net earnings per Class A Diluted Nonvoting Common Share of \$0.43 in Q3 of F'17, compared with \$0.42 in Q3 of F'16.
- Net cash provided by operating activities of \$37.8M in Q3 of F'17 compared with \$40.3M in Q3 of F'16.



# **Sales Overview**



#### **Q3 F'17 SALES:**

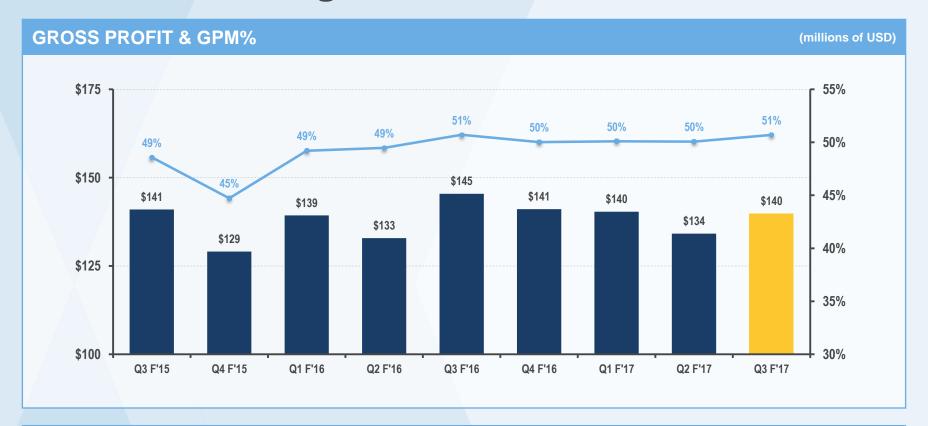
- 1.9% organic sales decline:
  - ID Solutions Organic sales decline of (0.8%).
  - Workplace Safety Organic sales decline of (4.6%).
- (1.9%) decrease due to currency translation.

#### **Q3 F'17 SALES COMMENTARY:**

- Organic sales decline in IDS Americas, partially offset by strong growth in IDS Asia.
- Organic sales decline in all regions of the WPS business.
- Foreign currency translation headwinds persist.



# **Gross Profit Margin**

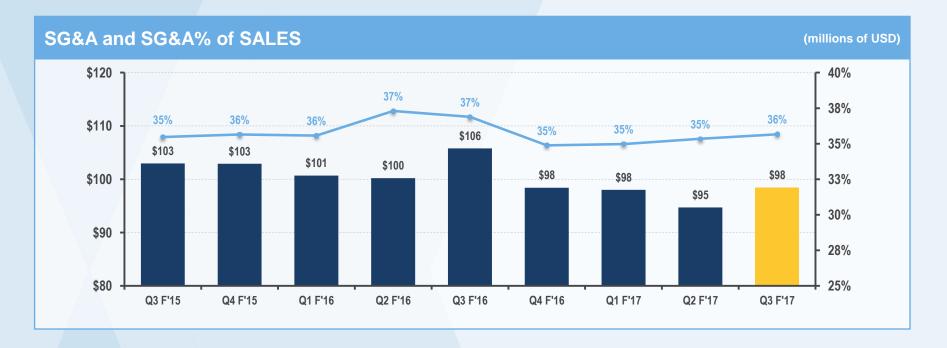


#### **GROSS PROFIT MARGIN COMMENTARY:**

- GPM of 50.7% in Q3 of F'17 compared with 50.7% in Q3 of F'16.
- GPM improved in IDS Americas and Europe businesses due to ongoing efficiency gains, offset by declines in the WPS business due to reduced sales volume and pricing pressure.



# **SG&A Expense**



#### **SG&A EXPENSE:**

- SG&A expense declined \$7.4M, finishing at \$98.4M in Q3 of F'17 compared to \$105.8M in Q3 of F'16, continuing the
  general downward trend.
- The ongoing declines in SG&A expense are due to our focused efforts on driving efficiencies across the organization, while improving the overall customer buying experience. Approximately 25% of the decline was due to foreign currency translation.



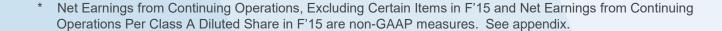
# **Net Earnings & EPS**





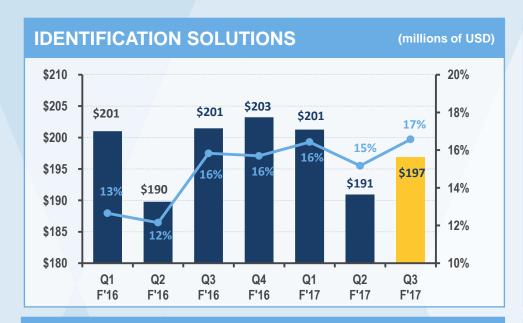
#### Q3 F'17 - NET EARNINGS & EPS:

- Q3 F'17 net earnings were \$22.6M compared to \$21.0M in Q3 of F'16.
- The increase in earnings was driven by efficiencies in SG&A throughout both the IDS and WPS businesses.
- There are neither Non-GAAP amounts nor unusual items to call out in either F'16 or F'17.





# Global Platform Results (Sales & Segment Profit %)



#### Q3 F'17 IDENTIFICATION SOLUTIONS:

- Q3 F'17 organic revenues decreased 0.8%.
- Organic sales decline in IDS Americas, partially offset by double-digit sales growth in IDS Asia.
- Segment profit as a percent of sales increased as a result of ongoing operational improvements and the management of operating expenses.

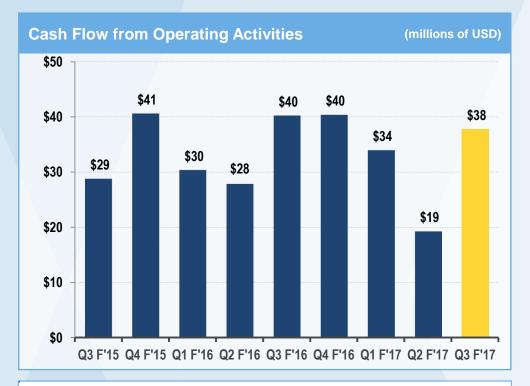


#### Q3 F'17 WORKPLACE SAFETY:

- Q3 F'17 organic revenues down 4.6%.
- Organic sales decline in all regions of the WPS business.
- Digital sales increased in the high-single digits in Europe.
- Segment profit declined due to decrease in organic sales, which includes pricing pressures.
   These declines were partially mitigated by active reductions in our cost structure.



# **Cash Generation & Uses**



(millions of USD)	•	s. Ended 30, 2017	s. Ended 30, 2016
Cash Balance - Beginning of Period	\$	125.2	\$ 120.2
Cash Flow from Operating Activities		37.8	40.3
Capital Expenditures		(3.6)	(3.5)
Dividends		(10.5)	(10.2)
Debt (Repayments) Borrowings - Net		(26.3)	(13.3)
Effect of Exchange Rate on Cash		2.9	8.1
Other		3.6	(0.0)
Cash Balance - End of Period	\$	129.1	\$ 141.6

#### **CASH FLOWS IN Q3 OF F'17:**

- Cash flow from operating activities was \$37.8M in Q3 of F'17 compared to \$40.3M in Q3 of F'16.
- Free cash flow\* was \$34.2M in Q3 of F'17 compared to \$36.8M in Q3 of F'16.
- Returned \$10.5M to our shareholders in the form of dividends in Q3 of F'17.

\* Free Cash Flow is calculated as Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities less Capital Expenditures.



# **Appendix -**Non-GAAP Reconciliations



# **EBITDA Reconciliation**

EBITDA ('000s of USD)

Brady is presenting EBITDA because it is used by many of our investors and lenders, and is presented as a convenience to them. EBITDA represents net earnings before interest expense, income taxes, depreciation, amortization and impairment charges. EBITDA is not a calculation based on generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). The amounts included in the EBITDA calculation, however, are derived from amounts included in the Consolidated Statements of Earnings data. EBITDA should not be considered as an alternative to net earnings or operating income as an indicator of the Company's operating performance, or as an alternative to net cash provided by operating activities as a measure of liquidity. The EBITDA measure presented may not always be comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies due to differences in the components of the calculation.

	Fiscal 2017										
	<u></u>	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4		Total	
EBITDA:											
Net earnings	\$	22,553	\$	25,297	\$	22,553			\$	70,403	
Interest expense		1,732		1,458		1,375				4,565	
Income taxes		8,434		3,803		8,075				20,312	
Depreciation and amortization		7,234		6,868		6,687				20,789	
EBITDA (non-GAAP measure)	\$	39,953	\$	37,426	\$	38,690	\$	-	\$	116,069	

	 Fiscal 2016									
	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4					Total				
EBITDA:										
Net earnings	\$ 18,703	\$	15,290	\$	20,981	\$	25,136	\$	80,110	
Interest expense	2,151		2,130		1,838		1,705		7,824	
Income taxes	8,489		5,177		8,686		6,883		29,235	
Depreciation and amortization	8,889		8,613		7,394		7,536		32,432	
EBITDA (non-GAAP measure)	\$ 38,232	\$	31,210	\$	38,899	\$	41,260	\$	149,601	



# **Annual EBITDA Reconciliation – Total Company**

# **EBITDA – Total Company**

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	Fiscal Year Ended July 31,									
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016					
EBITDA:										
Net earnings (loss)	\$ (17,911)	\$(154,535)	\$ (45,968)	\$ 2,987	\$ 80,110					
Interest expense	19,090	16,641	14,300	11,156	7,824					
Income taxes	40,661	47,285	(2,028)	20,320	29,235					
Depreciation and amortization	43,987	48,725	44,598	39,458	32,432					
Intangible asset write-down in restructuring										
charges	_	3,207	_	_	_					
Loss on sale of discontinued operations	_	_	1,602	487	_					
Loss on write-down of assets held for sale	_	15,658	_	_	_					
Impairment charges	115,688	204,448	148,551	46,867	_					
EBITDA (non-GAAP measure)	\$ 201,515	\$ 181,429	\$ 161,055	\$ 121,275	\$ 149,601					



# **Annual Non-GAAP Earnings from Continuing Operations**

# Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Net Earnings from Continuing Operations

('000s of USD)

Brady is presenting the Non-GAAP measure "Net Earnings from Continuing Operations Excluding Certain Items." This is not a calculation based upon GAAP. The amounts included in this Non-GAAP measure are derived from amounts included in the Consolidated Financial Statements and supporting footnote disclosures. We do not view these items to be part of our sustainable results. We believe this measure provides an important perspective of underlying business trends and results and provides a more comparable measure from year to year. The table below provides a reconciliation of Net Earnings from Continuing Operations to Net Earnings from Continuing Certain Items:

	Fiscal Year Ended July 31,									
		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016
Net Earnings (Loss) from Continuing Operations (GAAP measure)	\$	103,493	\$	(138,257)	\$	(48,146)	\$	4,902	\$	80,110
Purchase accounting expense related to inventory		_		949		_		_		_
PDC acquisition-related expenses		_		2,959		_		_		_
Reversal of restricted stock grant expense		_		(2,624)		_		_		_
Postretirement benefit plan curtailment gain		_		_		_		(2,792)		_
Other non-routine charges		_		_		_		4,757		_
Restructuring charges		4,070		18,889		10,261		11,743		_
Impairment charges		_		191,556		117,394		46,867		_
Non-cash income tax charges		5,616		28,976		_		_		_
Net Earnings from Continuing Operations Excluding Certain Items										
(non-GAAP measure)	\$	113,179	\$	102,448	\$	79,509	\$	65,477	\$	80,110



# **Non-GAAP** Reconciliations

# Reconciliations of F'15 Non-GAAP Net Earnings from Continuing Operations

('000s of USD)

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	Three months ended				
	A	pril 30, 2015		July 31, 2015	
Net Earnings (Loss) from Continuing Operations (GAAP measure)	\$	17,213	\$	(39,394)	
Restructuring charges		3,198		2,158	
Impairment charges		-		46,867	
Other non-routine charges		-		4,757	
Postretirement benefit plan curtailment gain		(2,792)		-	
Net Earnings from Continuing Operations Excluding Certain Items (non-GAAP measure)	\$	17,619	\$	14,388	

	 Three mon	ths	ended
	 April 30, 2015		July 31, 2015
Net Earnings (Loss) from Continuing Operations Per Diluted Class A Nonvoting Common Share (GAAP measure)	\$ 0.33	\$	(0.77)
Restructuring charges	0.06		0.04
Impairment charges	-		0.91
Other non-routine charges	-		0.09
Postretirement benefit plan curtailment gain	(0.05)		-
Net Earnings from Continuing Operations Per Diluted Class A Nonvoting Common Share Excluding Certain Items			
(non-GAAP measure)	\$ 0.34	\$	0.28

