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(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended September 24, 2016

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:** 0-27078

**HENRY SCHEIN, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 11-3136595  
(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)  
incorporation or organization)

135 Duryea Road

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Melville, New York

(Address of principal executive offices)

11747

(Zip Code)

(631) 843-5500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 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.

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

As of October 24, 2016, there were 80,490,951 shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION  
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HENRY SCHEIN, INC.  
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS  
(in thousands, except share and per share data)

ASSETS

Current assets:

Cash and cash equivalents

Accounts receivable, net of reserves of \$78,460 and \$77,008

Inventories, net

Deferred income taxes

Prepaid expenses and other

Total current assets

Property and equipment, net

Goodwill

Other intangibles, net

Investments and other

Total assets

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Current liabilities:

Accounts payable

Bank credit lines

Current maturities of long-term debt

Accrued expenses:

Payroll and related

Taxes

Other

Total current liabilities

Long-term debt

Deferred income taxes

.....  
Other liabilities

.....  
Total liabilities .....

Redeemable noncontrolling interests

.....  
Commitments and contingencies

.....  
Stockholders' equity:

Preferred stock, \$.01 par value, 1,000,000 shares authorized,  
none outstanding .....

Common stock, \$.01 par value, 240,000,000 shares authorized,  
80,644,289 outstanding on September 24, 2016 and  
82,415,320 outstanding on December 26, 2015

.....  
Additional paid-in capital

.....  
Retained earnings .....

Accumulated other comprehensive loss

.....  
Total Henry Schein, Inc. stockholders' equity

.....  
Noncontrolling interests

.....  
Total stockholders' equity .....

Total liabilities, redeemable noncontrolling interests and stockholders' equity

HENRY SCHEIN, INC.  
 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME  
 (in thousands, except per share data)  
 (unaudited)

	THREE SEPTEMBER 24, 2011
Net sales .....	\$2,100,000
Cost of sales .....	2,000,000
Gross profit .....	78,000
Operating expenses:	
Selling, general and administrative .....	58,000
Restructuring costs .....	5,000
Operating income .....	20,000
Other income (expense):	
Interest income .....	3,000
Interest expense .....	(7,000)
Other, net .....	(1,000)
Income before taxes and equity in earnings of affiliates .....	19,000
Income taxes .....	(5,000)
Equity in earnings of affiliates .....	5,000
Net income .....	14,000
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests .....	(1,000)
Net income attributable to Henry Schein, Inc. ....	\$13,000
Earnings per share attributable to Henry Schein, Inc.:	
Basic .....	\$1.40
Diluted .....	\$1.30



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Weighted-average common shares outstanding:

Basic .....	80
Diluted .....	81

See accompanying notes.

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 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
 (in thousands)  
 (unaudited)

	Thru Sep 24, 201
Net income .....	\$14
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax:	
Foreign currency translation loss.....	(6)
Unrealized gain (loss) from foreign currency hedging activities .....	(6)
Unrealized investment gain .....	-
Pension adjustment gain.....	20
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax .....	(6)
Comprehensive income .....	13
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests:	
Net income .....	(1)
Foreign currency translation loss (gain) .....	(7)
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests .....	(1)
Comprehensive income attributable to Henry Schein, Inc. .....	\$12
See accompanying notes.	

HENRY SCHEIN, INC.  
 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY  
 (in thousands, except share and per share data)

Balance, December 26, 2015 .....	
Net income (excluding \$34,849 attributable to Redeemable noncontrolling interests) .....	
Foreign currency translation gain (loss) (excluding gain of \$1,228 attributable to Redeemable noncontrolling interests) .....	
Unrealized gain from foreign currency hedging activities net of tax of \$290 .....	
Pension adjustment gain, net of tax benefit of \$23.....	
Dividends paid .....	
Initial noncontrolling interests and adjustments related to business acquisitions .....	
Change in fair value of redeemable securities .....	
Other adjustments .....	
Repurchase and retirement of common stock .....	
Stock issued upon exercise of stock options, including tax benefit of \$16,528 .....	
Stock-based compensation expense .....	
Shares withheld for payroll taxes .....	
Settlement of stock-based compensation awards .....	
 Balance, September 24, 2016 .....	
See accompanying notes.	

HENRY SCHEIN, INC.  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
(in thousands)  
(unaudited)

Cash flows from operating activities:

Net income .....	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation and amortization .....	
Stock-based compensation expense .....	
Provision for losses on trade and other accounts receivable .....	
Benefit from deferred income taxes .....	
Equity in earnings of affiliates .....	
Distributions from equity affiliates .....	
Changes in unrecognized tax benefits .....	
Other .....	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:	
Accounts receivable .....	
Inventories .....	
Other current assets .....	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses .....	
Net cash provided by operating activities .....	

Cash flows from investing activities:

Purchases of fixed assets .....	
Payments for equity investments and business acquisitions, net of cash acquired .....	
Proceeds from sales of available-for-sale securities .....	
Other .....	
Net cash used in investing activities .....	

Cash flows from financing activities:

Proceeds from (repayments of) bank borrowings .....	
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt .....	

Debt issuance costs .....	
Principal payments for long-term debt .....	
Proceeds from issuance of stock upon exercise of stock options .....	
Payments for repurchases of common stock .....	
Excess tax benefits related to stock-based compensation .....	
Distributions to noncontrolling shareholders .....	
Acquisitions of noncontrolling interests in subsidiaries .....	
Net cash used in financing activities .....	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents .....	
Net change in cash and cash equivalents .....	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period .....	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period .....	

See accompanying notes.

## **Note 1 – Basis of Presentation**

Our consolidated financial statements include our accounts, as well as those of our wholly-owned and majority-owned subsidiaries. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation.

Our accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (“U.S. GAAP”) for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnote disclosures required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments considered necessary for a fair presentation of the consolidated results of operations and financial position for the interim periods presented. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. These unaudited interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes to the consolidated financial statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 26, 2015.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The results of operations for the nine months ended September 24, 2016 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for any other interim period or for the year ending December 31, 2016.

## **Note 2 – Segment Data**

We conduct our business through two reportable segments: (i) health care distribution and (ii) technology and value-added services. These segments offer different products and services to the same customer base.

The health care distribution reportable segment aggregates our global dental, animal health and medical operating segments. This segment distributes consumable products, small equipment, laboratory products, large equipment, equipment repair services, branded and generic pharmaceuticals, vaccines, surgical products, diagnostic tests, infection-control products and vitamins. Our global dental group serves office-based dental practitioners, dental laboratories, schools and other institutions. Our global animal health group serves animal health practices and clinics. Our global medical group serves office-based medical practitioners, ambulatory surgery centers, other alternate-care settings and other institutions. Our global dental, animal health and medical groups serve practitioners

in 33 countries worldwide.

Our global technology and value-added services group provides software, technology and other value-added services to health care practitioners. Our technology group offerings include practice management software systems for dental and medical practitioners and animal health clinics. Our value-added practice solutions include financial services on a non-recourse basis, e-services, continuing education services for practitioners, consulting and other services.

See accompanying notes.

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The following tables present information about our reportable and operating segments:

Net Sales:

Health care distribution (1):

Dental .....

Animal health .....

Medical .....

Total health care distribution .....

Technology and value-added services

(2).....

Total .....

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(1) Consists of consumable products, small equipment, laboratory products, large equipment, equipment repair services, brand generic pharmaceuticals, vaccines, surgical products, diagnostic tests, infection-control products and vitamins.

(2) Consists of practice management software and other value-added products, which are distributed primarily to health care and financial services on a non-recourse basis, e-services, continuing education services for practitioners, consulting and services.

Operating Income:

Health care distribution

.....

Technology and value-added services

.....

Total .....

**Note 3 -Debt**



## Bank Credit Lines

On September 12, 2012, we entered into a \$500 million revolving credit agreement (the “Credit Agreement”) with a \$200 million expansion feature, which was originally set to expire on September 12, 2017. On September 22, 2014, we extended the expiration date of the Credit Agreement to September 22, 2019. The interest rate is based on the USD LIBOR plus a spread based on our leverage ratio at the end of each financial reporting quarter. The Credit Agreement provides, among other things, that we are required to maintain maximum leverage ratios, and contains customary representations, warranties and affirmative covenants. The Credit Agreement also contains customary negative covenants, subject to exceptions on liens, indebtedness, significant corporate changes (including mergers), dispositions and certain restrictive agreements. As of September 24, 2016 and December 26, 2015, the borrowings on this revolving credit facility were \$0.0 million and \$40.0 million, respectively. As of September 24, 2016 and December 26, 2015, there were \$13.4 million and \$11.4 million of letters of credit, respectively, provided to third parties under the credit facility.

As of September 24, 2016 and December 26, 2015, we had various other short-term bank credit lines available, of which \$333.1 million and \$288.6 million, respectively, were outstanding. At September 24, 2016 and December 26, 2015, borrowings under all of our credit lines had a weighted average interest rate of 1.41% and 1.21%, respectively.

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## Private Placement Facilities

On August 10, 2010, we entered into \$400 million private placement facilities with two insurance companies. On April 30, 2012, we increased our available credit facilities by \$375 million by entering into an additional agreement with one insurance company and amending our existing agreements with two insurance companies. On September 22, 2014, we increased our available private placement facilities by \$200 million to a total facility amount of \$975 million, and extended the expiration date to September 22, 2017. These facilities are available on an uncommitted basis at fixed rate economic terms to be agreed upon at the time of issuance, from time to time through September 22, 2017. The facilities allow us to issue senior promissory notes to the lenders at a fixed rate based on an agreed upon spread over applicable treasury notes at the time of issuance. The term of each possible issuance will be selected by us and can range from five to 15 years (with an average life no longer than 12 years). The proceeds of any issuances under the facilities will be used for general corporate purposes, including working capital and capital expenditures, to refinance existing indebtedness and/or to fund potential acquisitions. The agreements provide, among other things, that we maintain certain maximum leverage ratios, and contain restrictions relating to subsidiary indebtedness, liens, affiliate transactions, disposal of assets and certain changes in ownership. These facilities contain make-whole provisions in the event that we pay off the facilities prior to the applicable due dates.

The components of our private placement facility borrowings as of September 24, 2016 are presented in the following table (in thousands):

Date of Borrowing	Amount of Borrowing Outstanding	Borrowing Rate	Due Date
September 2, 2010	\$ 100,000	3.79 %	September 2, 2020
January 20, 2012	50,000	3.45	January 20, 2024
January 20, 2012 (1)	42,857	3.09	January 20, 2022
December 24, 2012	50,000	3.00	December 24, 2024
June 2, 2014	100,000	3.19	June 2, 2021
	\$ 342,857		

(1) Annual repayments of approximately \$7.1 million for this borrowing commenced on January 20, 2016.

*U.S. Trade Accounts Receivable Securitization*

On April 17, 2013, we entered into a facility agreement of up to \$300 million with a bank, as agent, based on the securitization of our U.S. trade accounts receivable. This facility allowed us to replace public debt (approximately \$220 million), which had a higher interest rate at Henry Schein Animal Health during February 2013 and provided funding for working capital and general corporate purposes. The financing was structured as an asset-backed securitization program with pricing committed for up to three years. On April 17, 2015, we extended the expiration date of this facility agreement to April 15, 2018, and on June 1, 2016, we extended the expiration date of this facility agreement to April 29, 2019 and increased the purchase limit under the facility from \$300 million to \$350 million. The borrowings outstanding under this securitization facility were \$350.0 million and \$90.0 million as of September 24, 2016 and December 26, 2015, respectively. At September 24, 2016, the interest rate on borrowings under this facility was based on the asset-backed commercial paper rate of 84 basis points plus 75 basis points, for a combined rate of 1.59%. At December 26, 2015, the interest rate on borrowings under this facility was based on the asset-backed commercial paper rate of 40 basis points plus 75 basis points, for a combined rate of 1.15%.

We are required to pay a commitment fee of 30 basis points on the daily balance of the unused portion of the facility if our usage is greater than or equal to 50% of the facility limit or a commitment fee of 35 basis points on the daily balance of the unused portion of the facility if our usage is less than 50% of the facility limit.

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Borrowings under this facility are presented as a component of Long-term debt within our consolidated balance sheet.

Long-term debt

Long-term debt consisted of the following:

	Sept 24, 2016
Private placement facilities	\$342
U.S. trade accounts receivable securitization	350
Note payable to bank at a weighted-average interest rate of 11.00% and 8.83%	33
Various collateralized and uncollateralized loans payable with interest, in varying installments through 2018 at interest rates ranging from 2.27% to 9.36%	37,1
Capital lease obligations payable through 2029 with interest rates ranging from 1.38% to 16.90%	5,4
Total .....	735
Less current maturities	(17,
Total long-term debt .....	\$718

**Note 4 – Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests**

Some minority shareholders in certain of our subsidiaries have the right, at certain times, to require us to acquire their ownership interest in those entities at fair value. Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) Topic 480-10 is

applicable for noncontrolling interests where we are or may be required to purchase all or a portion of the outstanding interest in a consolidated subsidiary from the noncontrolling interest holder under the terms of a put option contained in contractual agreements. The components of the change in the Redeemable noncontrolling interests for the nine months ended September 24, 2016 and the year ended December 26, 2015 are presented in the following table:

	Se
	24
	20
	\$5
Balance, beginning of period .....	\$5
Decrease in redeemable noncontrolling interests due to redemptions .....	(
Increase in redeemable noncontrolling interests due to business acquisitions.....	2
Net income attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests .....	3
Dividends declared .....	(
Effect of foreign currency translation gain (loss) attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests .....	1
Change in fair value of redeemable securities .....	4
Balance, end of period .....	\$5

Changes in the estimated redemption amounts of the noncontrolling interests subject to put options are adjusted at each reporting period with a corresponding adjustment to Additional paid-in capital. Future reductions in the carrying amounts are subject to a “floor” amount that is equal to the fair value of the redeemable noncontrolling interests at the time they were originally recorded. The recorded value of the redeemable noncontrolling interests cannot go below the floor level. These adjustments do not impact the calculation of earnings per share.

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## Note 5 – Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income includes certain gains and losses that, under U.S. GAAP, are excluded from net income as such amounts are recorded directly as an adjustment to stockholders' equity. Our comprehensive income is primarily comprised of net income, foreign currency translation gain (loss), unrealized gain (loss) on foreign currency hedging activities, unrealized investment gain (loss) and pension adjustment gain (loss).

The following table summarizes our Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of applicable taxes as of:

	September 24, 2016	De 26, 20
Attributable to Redeemable noncontrolling interests:		
Foreign currency translation adjustment .....	\$(9,145)	\$(
Attributable to noncontrolling interests:		
Foreign currency translation adjustment .....	\$(68)	\$(
Attributable to Henry Schein, Inc.:		
Foreign currency translation loss .....	\$(203,776)	\$(
Unrealized gain from foreign currency hedging activities .....	1,965	9
Unrealized investment loss .....	(2)	(
Pension adjustment loss .....	(20,367)	(
Accumulated other comprehensive loss .....	\$(222,180)	\$(
Total Accumulated other comprehensive loss .....	\$(231,393)	\$(

The following table summarizes the components of comprehensive income, net of applicable taxes as follows:

Net income .....	\$1
Foreign currency translation loss.....	(
Tax effect .....	-
Foreign currency translation loss .....	(
Unrealized gain (loss) from foreign currency hedging activities .....	(
Tax effect .....	2
Unrealized gain (loss) from foreign currency hedging activities .....	(
Unrealized investment gain .....	-
Tax effect .....	-
Unrealized investment gain .....	-
Pension adjustment gain (loss).....	2
Tax effect .....	(
Pension adjustment gain (loss).....	2
Comprehensive income .....	\$1

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During the three months ended September 24, 2016 and September 26, 2015, we recognized, as a component of our comprehensive income, a foreign currency translation loss of \$6.5 million and \$38.7 million, respectively, due to changes in foreign exchange rates from the beginning of the period to the end of the period. During the nine months ended September 24, 2016 and September 26, 2015, we recognized, as a component of our comprehensive income, a foreign currency translation loss of \$2.0 million and \$112.9 million, respectively, due to changes in foreign exchange rates from the beginning of the period to the end of the period. Our financial statements are denominated in the U.S. Dollar currency. Fluctuations in the value of foreign currencies as compared to the U.S. Dollar may have a significant impact on our comprehensive income (loss). The foreign currency translation loss during the three and nine months ended September 24, 2016 and September 26, 2015 was impacted by changes in foreign currency exchange rates as follows:

Currency		
Euro .....		\$3
British Pound .....		(1
Australian Dollar .....		3
Canadian Dollar .....		(1
Polish Zloty .....		2
Swiss Franc .....		1
Brazilian Real.....		8
All other currencies .....		1
Total .....		\$(6



Currency	
Euro .....	\$1
British Pound .....	(3
Australian Dollar .....	9
Canadian Dollar .....	5
Polish Zloty .....	4
Swiss Franc .....	1
Brazilian Real.....	3
All other currencies .....	2
Total .....	\$(2

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The following table summarizes our total comprehensive income, net of applicable taxes, as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 24, 2016
Comprehensive income attributable to Henry Schein, Inc. ....	\$ 126,143
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests .....	165
Comprehensive income attributable to Redeemable noncontrolling interests .....	12,129
Comprehensive income .....	\$ 138,437

**Note 6 -Fair Value Measurements**

ASC Topic 820 “Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures” (“ASC Topic 820”) provides a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles.

ASC Topic 820 defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. ASC Topic 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy that distinguishes between (1) market participant assumptions developed based on market data obtained from independent sources (observable inputs) and (2) an entity’s own assumptions about market participant assumptions developed based on the best information available in the circumstances (unobservable inputs).

The fair value hierarchy consists of three broad levels, which gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under ASC Topic 820 are described as follows:

- Level 1— Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that are accessible at the measurement date.
  
- Level 2— Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include: quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.
  
- Level 3— Inputs that are unobservable for the asset or liability.

The following section describes the valuation methodologies that we used to measure different financial instruments at fair value.

#### Investments and notes receivable

There are no quoted market prices available for investments in unconsolidated affiliates and notes receivable; however, we believe the carrying amounts are a reasonable estimate of fair value.

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Debt

The fair value of our debt as of September 24, 2016 and December 26, 2015 was estimated at \$1,068.6 million and \$809.7 million, respectively. Factors that we considered when estimating the fair value of our debt include market conditions, prepayment and make-whole provisions, liquidity levels in the private placement market, variability in pricing from multiple lenders and term of debt.

Derivative contracts

Derivative contracts are valued using quoted market prices and significant other observable and unobservable inputs. We use derivative instruments to minimize our exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. Our derivative instruments primarily include foreign currency forward agreements related to intercompany loans and certain forecasted inventory purchase commitments with suppliers.

The fair values for the majority of our foreign currency derivative contracts are obtained by comparing our contract rate to a published forward price of the underlying market rates, which is based on market rates for comparable transactions and are classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

*Redeemable noncontrolling interests*

Some minority shareholders in certain of our subsidiaries have the right, at certain times, to require us to acquire their ownership interest in those entities at fair value based on third-party valuations. The primary factor affecting the future value of redeemable noncontrolling interests is expected earnings and, if such earnings are not achieved, the value of the redeemable noncontrolling interests might be impacted. The noncontrolling interests subject to put options are adjusted to their estimated redemption amounts each reporting period with a corresponding adjustment to Additional paid-in capital. Future reductions in the carrying amounts are subject to a “floor” amount that is equal to the fair value of the redeemable noncontrolling interests at the time they were originally recorded. The recorded value of the redeemable noncontrolling interests cannot go below the floor level. These adjustments do not impact the calculation of earnings per share. The values for Redeemable noncontrolling interests are classified within Level 3 of

the fair value hierarchy. The details of the changes in Redeemable noncontrolling interests are presented in Note 4.

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The following table presents our assets and liabilities that are measured and recognized at fair value on a recurring basis classified under the appropriate level of the fair value hierarchy as of September 24, 2016 and December 26, 2015:

		S
Assets:		
Derivative contracts .....		\$
Total assets .....		\$
Liabilities:		
Derivative contracts .....		\$
Total liabilities .....		\$
Redeemable noncontrolling interests		
.....		\$
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Assets:		
Derivative contracts .....		\$
Total assets .....		\$
Liabilities:		
Derivative contracts .....		\$
Total liabilities .....		\$
Redeemable noncontrolling interests		
.....		\$

## Note 7 – Business Acquisitions

### Acquisitions

The operating results of all acquisitions are reflected in our financial statements from their respective acquisition dates.

We completed certain acquisitions during the nine months ended September 24, 2016. Such acquisitions were immaterial to our financial statements individually and in the aggregate.

Some prior owners of such acquired subsidiaries are eligible to receive additional purchase price cash consideration if certain financial targets are met. We have accrued liabilities for the estimated fair value of additional purchase price consideration at the time of the acquisition. Any adjustments to these accrual amounts are recorded in our consolidated statements of income. For the nine months ended September 24, 2016 and September 26, 2015, there were no material adjustments recorded in our consolidated statement of income relating to changes in estimated contingent purchase price liabilities.

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**Note 8 -Plan of Restructuring**

On November 6, 2014, we announced a corporate initiative to rationalize our operations and provide expense efficiencies, which was expected to be completed by the end of fiscal 2015. This initiative originally planned for the elimination of approximately 2% to 3% of our workforce and the closing of certain facilities. We subsequently announced that we plan to extend these restructuring activities through the end of 2016 to further implement cost-savings initiatives, which will now result in the elimination of approximately 3% to 4% of our workforce. The total costs associated with the actions to date for this restructuring include \$34.9 million pre-tax, which was recorded in fiscal 2015 and \$29.8 million pre-tax which has been recorded in the nine months ended September 24, 2016.

During the three months ended September 24, 2016 and September 26, 2015, we recorded restructuring costs of \$5.4 million and \$8.4 million, respectively. During the nine months ended September 24, 2016 and September 26, 2015, we recorded restructuring costs of \$29.8 million and \$22.5 million, respectively. The costs associated with this restructuring are included in a separate line item, "Restructuring costs" within our consolidated statements of income.

On October 28, 2016, we estimated the remaining restructuring costs to be recorded in the fourth quarter of 2016 to be in the range of \$17 million to \$22 million.

The following table shows the amounts expensed and paid for restructuring costs that were incurred during the nine months ended September 24, 2016 and during our 2015 fiscal year and the remaining accrued balance of restructuring costs as of September 24, 2016, which is included in Accrued expenses: Other and Other liabilities within our consolidated balance sheet:

Balance, December 27, 2014  
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Provision

Payments and other adjustments

Balance, December 26, 2015

Provision

Payments

Balance, September 24, 2016

The following table shows, by reportable segment, the amounts expensed and paid for restructuring costs that were incurred during the nine months ended September 24, 2016 and the 2015 fiscal year and the remaining accrued balance of restructuring costs as of September 24, 2016:

	Health Care Distribution	Technology and Value-Added Services	Total
Balance, December 27, 2014			
	\$ 421	\$ -	\$ 421
Provision			
	33,889	1,042	34,931
Payments and other adjustments			
	(22,248)	(1,039)	(23,287)
Balance, December 26, 2015			
	\$ 12,062	\$ 3	\$ 12,065
Provision			
	28,963	848	29,811
Payments			
	(21,503)	(630)	(22,133)
Balance, September 24, 2016			
	\$ 19,522	\$ 221	\$ 19,743



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**Note 9 – Earnings Per Share**

Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing net income attributable to Henry Schein, Inc. by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Our diluted earnings per share is computed similarly to basic earnings per share, except that it reflects the effect of common shares issuable for presently unvested restricted stock and restricted stock units and upon exercise of stock options, using the treasury stock method in periods in which they have a dilutive effect.

A reconciliation of shares used in calculating earnings per basic and diluted share follows:

Basic .....	
Effect of dilutive securities:	
Stock options, restricted stock and restricted stock units .....	
Diluted .....	

**Note 10 – Income Taxes**

For the nine months ended September 24, 2016 and September 26, 2015, our effective tax rate was 29.0%. The difference between our effective tax rates and the federal statutory tax rates for both periods primarily relates to state and foreign income taxes and interest expense. During the second quarter of 2016, the effective tax rate was affected by a federal tax audit settlement, as discussed below, which reduced our income tax expense by approximately \$4.5 million. The 2015 effective tax rate was affected by a favorable response to a tax petition allowing us to conclude that it was more likely than not that certain unrecognized tax benefits, which had previously been reserved, was realized. As a result, in the quarter ended September 26, 2015, our provision for income for taxes included a one-time \$6.3 million tax benefit.

The total amount of unrecognized tax benefits as of September 24, 2016 was approximately \$104.6 million, of which \$76.7 million would affect the effective tax rate if recognized. It is expected that the amount of unrecognized tax benefits will change in the next 12 months; however, we do not expect the change to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

The total amounts of interest and penalties, which are classified as a component of the provision for income taxes, were approximately \$16.0 million and \$0.0, respectively, as of September 24, 2016.

The tax years subject to examination by major tax jurisdictions include the years 2012 and forward by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”), as well as the years 2008 and forward for certain states and certain foreign jurisdictions. In December 2014, the IRS issued a Statutory Notice of Deficiency for 2009, 2010 and 2011. During the quarter ended March 28, 2015, we filed our petition to the U.S. Tax Court disputing the adjustments proposed by the IRS. During the quarter ended June 27, 2015, we were notified by the IRS that our protest was transferred to the Appellate Divisions (Appeals Section) of the IRS. During the quarter ended March 26, 2016, we filed our protest with the Appellate Division. The opening appeals conference was held on June 8, 2016 and a proposed settlement was reached. On July 13, 2016, a joint status report was filed with the Tax Court indicating a basis for settlement has been reached on all of the issues in this case. On October 19, 2016 an executed decision document was signed by the Internal Revenue Service’s Special Trial Attorney and submitted to the Tax Court finalizing the settlement.

During the third quarter of 2016, the Company elected to early adopt Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) No. 2015-17 (Topic 740), Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes, prospectively. As a result, all deferred

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tax assets and liabilities will be presented as noncurrent on the consolidated balance sheet. There was no impact on our results of operations as a result of the adoption of ASU 2015-17 and prior periods have not been adjusted.

**Note 11 – Derivatives and Hedging Activities**

We are exposed to market risks as well as changes in foreign currency exchange rates as measured against the U.S. dollar and each other, and changes to the credit markets. We attempt to minimize these risks by primarily using foreign currency forward contracts and by maintaining counter-party credit limits. These hedging activities provide only limited protection against currency exchange and credit risks. Factors that could influence the effectiveness of our hedging programs include currency markets and availability of hedging instruments and liquidity of the credit markets. All foreign currency forward contracts that we enter into are components of hedging programs and are entered into for the sole purpose of hedging an existing or anticipated currency exposure. We do not enter into such contracts for speculative purposes and we manage our credit risks by diversifying our investments, maintaining a strong balance sheet and having multiple sources of capital.

Fluctuations in the value of certain foreign currencies as compared to the U.S. dollar may positively or negatively affect our revenues, gross margins, operating expenses and retained earnings, all of which are expressed in U.S. dollars. Where we deem it prudent, we engage in hedging programs using primarily foreign currency forward contracts aimed at limiting the impact of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations on earnings. We purchase short-term (i.e., 18 months or less) foreign currency forward contracts to protect against currency exchange risks associated with intercompany loans due from our international subsidiaries and the payment of merchandise purchases to our foreign suppliers. We do not hedge the translation of foreign currency profits into U.S. dollars, as we regard this as an accounting exposure, not an economic exposure. Our hedging activities have historically not had a material impact on our consolidated financial statements. Accordingly, additional disclosures related to derivatives and hedging activities required by ASC Topic 815 have been omitted.

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**Note 12 – Stock-Based Compensation**

Our accompanying consolidated statements of income reflect pre-tax share-based compensation expense of \$16.1 million (\$11.5 million after-tax) and \$43.6 million (\$31.0 million after-tax) for the three and nine months ended September 24, 2016, respectively, and \$13.1 million (\$9.6 million after-tax) and \$35.1 million (\$24.9 million after-tax) for the three and nine months ended September 26, 2015, respectively.

Stock-based compensation represents the cost related to stock-based awards granted to employees and non-employee directors. We measure stock-based compensation at the grant date, based on the estimated fair value of the award, and recognize the cost (net of estimated forfeitures) as compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period. Our stock-based compensation expense is reflected in selling, general and administrative expenses in our consolidated statements of income.

Stock-based awards are provided to certain employees and non-employee directors under the terms of our 2013 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended, and our 2015 Non-Employee Director Stock Incentive Plan (together, the “Plans”). The Plans are administered by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. Prior to March 2009, awards under the Plans principally included a combination of at-the-money stock options and restricted stock/units. Since March 2009, equity-based awards have been granted solely in the form of restricted stock/units, with the exception of providing stock options to employees pursuant to certain pre-existing contractual obligations.

Grants of restricted stock/units are stock-based awards granted to recipients with specified vesting provisions. In the case of restricted stock, common stock is delivered on the date of grant, subject to vesting conditions. In the case of restricted stock units, common stock is generally delivered on or following satisfaction of vesting conditions. We issue restricted stock/units that vest solely based on the recipient’s continued service over time (primarily four-year cliff vesting, except for grants made under the 2015 Non-Employee Director Stock Incentive Plan, which are primarily 12-month cliff vesting) and restricted stock/units that vest based on our achieving specified performance measurements and the recipient’s continued service over time (primarily three-year cliff vesting).

With respect to time-based restricted stock/units, we estimate the fair value on the date of grant based on our closing stock price. With respect to performance-based restricted stock/units, the number of shares that ultimately vest and are received by the recipient is based upon our performance as measured against specified targets over a specified

period, as determined by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. Although there is no guarantee that performance targets will be achieved, we estimate the fair value of performance-based restricted stock/units based on our closing stock price at time of grant.

The Plans provide for adjustments to the performance-based restricted stock/units targets for significant events such as acquisitions, divestitures, new business ventures, certain capital transactions (including share repurchases), restructuring costs, if any, changes in accounting principles or in applicable laws or regulations and certain foreign exchange fluctuations. Over the performance period, the number of shares of common stock that will ultimately vest and be issued and the related compensation expense is adjusted upward or downward based upon our estimation of achieving such performance targets. The ultimate number of shares delivered to recipients and the related compensation cost recognized as an expense will be based on our actual performance metrics as defined under the Plans.

Total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested awards as of September 24, 2016 was \$98.8 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of approximately 2.1 years.

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The following table summarizes stock option activity under the Plans during the nine months ended September 24, 2016:

Outstanding at beginning of period .....	
Granted .....	
Exercised .....	
Forfeited .....	
Outstanding at end of period .....	
Options exercisable at end of period .....	

The following tables summarize the activity of our non-vested restricted stock/units for the nine months ended September 24, 2016:

Outstanding at beginning of period .....	
Granted .....	
Vested .....	
Forfeited .....	
Outstanding at end of period .....	



Outstanding at beginning of period .....  
Granted .....  
Vested .....  
Forfeited .....  
Outstanding at end of period .....

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Note 13 – Supplemental Cash Flow Information

Cash paid for interest and income taxes was:

	Nine
	Sept
	24,
	2016
Interest.....	\$21,
Income taxes.....	152

During the nine months ended September 24, 2016 and September 26, 2015, we had \$1.3 million and \$1.9 million of non-cash net unrealized gains related to foreign currency hedging activities, respectively.

**Note 14 – Legal Proceedings**

In September 2015, Henry Schein, Inc. was served with a summons and complaint in an action commenced in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York, entitled SourceOne Dental, Inc. v. Patterson Companies, Inc., Henry Schein, Inc. and Benco Dental Supply Company, Civil Action No. 15-cv-05440-JMA-GRB. Plaintiff alleges that, through its website, it markets and sells dental supplies and equipment to dentists. Plaintiff alleges, among other things, that defendants conspired to eliminate plaintiff as a viable competitor and to exclude plaintiff from the market for the marketing, distribution and sale of dental supplies and equipment in the United States and that defendants unlawfully agreed with one another to boycott dentists, manufacturers and state dental associations that deal with, or considered dealing with, plaintiff. Plaintiff asserts the following claims: (i) unreasonable restraint of trade in violation of state and federal antitrust laws; (ii) tortious interference with prospective business relations; (iii) civil conspiracy; and (iv) aiding and abetting the other defendants’ ongoing tortious and anticompetitive conduct. Plaintiff seeks equitable relief, compensatory and treble damages, jointly and severally, punitive damages, interest, and reasonable costs and expenses, including attorneys’ fees and expert fees. We intend to defend ourselves vigorously against the action.

Beginning in January 2016, class action complaints were filed against Patterson Companies, Inc., Benco Dental Supply Co. and Henry Schein, Inc. Each of these complaints allege, among other things, that defendants conspired to fix prices, allocate customers and foreclose competitors by boycotting manufacturers, state dental associations and others that deal with defendants' competitors. Subject to certain exclusions, these classes seek to represent all persons who purchased dental supplies or equipment in the United States directly from any of the defendants or Burkhart Dental Supply Co. since August 31, 2008. Each class action complaint asserts a single count under Section 1 of the Sherman Act, and seeks equitable relief, compensatory and treble damages, jointly and severally, and reasonable costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees and expert fees. We intend to defend ourselves vigorously against these actions.

From time to time, we may become a party to other legal proceedings, including, without limitation, product liability claims, employment matters, commercial disputes, governmental inquiries and investigations (which may in some cases involve our entering into settlement arrangements or consent decrees), and other matters arising out of the ordinary course of our business. While the results of any legal proceeding cannot be predicted with certainty, in our opinion none of these other pending matters are currently anticipated to have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

As of September 24, 2016, we had accrued our best estimate of potential losses relating to claims that were probable to result in liability and for which we were able to reasonably estimate a loss. This accrued amount, as well as related expenses, was not material to our financial position, results of operations or cash flows. Our method for determining estimated losses considers currently available facts, presently enacted laws and regulations and other factors, including probable recoveries from third parties.

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**ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

In accordance with the "Safe Harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, we provide the following cautionary remarks regarding important factors that, among others, could cause future results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements, expectations and assumptions expressed or implied herein. All forward-looking statements made by us are subject to risks and uncertainties and are not guarantees of future performance. These forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results, performance and achievements or industry results to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. These statements are identified by the use of such terms as "may," "could," "expect," "intend," "believe," "plan," "estimate," "forecast," "project," "anticipate" or other comparable terms.

Risk factors and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from current and historical results include, but are not limited to: effects of a highly competitive and consolidating market; our dependence on third parties for the manufacture and supply of our products; our dependence upon sales personnel, customers, suppliers and manufacturers; our dependence on our senior management; fluctuations in quarterly earnings; risks from expansion of customer purchasing power and multi-tiered costing structures; increases in shipping costs for our products or other service issues with our third-party shippers; general global macro-economic conditions; risks associated with political and economic uncertainty arising from the outcome of the referendum on the membership of the United Kingdom in the European Union; disruptions in financial markets; volatility of the market price of our common stock; changes in the health care industry; implementation of health care laws; failure to comply with regulatory requirements and data privacy laws; risks associated with our global operations; transitional challenges associated with acquisitions and joint ventures, including the failure to achieve anticipated synergies; financial risks associated with acquisitions and joint ventures; litigation risks; the dependence on our continued product development, technical support and successful marketing in the technology segment; increased competition by third-party online commerce sites; risks from disruption to our information systems; cyberattacks or other privacy or data security breaches; certain provisions in our governing documents that may discourage third-party acquisitions of us; and changes in tax legislation. The order in which these factors appear should not be construed to indicate their relative importance or priority.

We caution that these factors may not be exhaustive and that many of these factors are beyond our ability to control or predict. Accordingly, any forward-looking statements contained herein should not be relied upon as a prediction of actual results. We undertake no duty and have no obligation to update forward-looking statements.

#### Where You Can Find Important Information

We may disclose important information through one or more of the following channels: SEC filings, public conference calls and webcasts, press releases, the investor relations page of our website ([www.henryschein.com](http://www.henryschein.com)) and the social media channels identified on the Newsroom page of our website.

## Executive-Level Overview

We believe we are the world's largest provider of health care products and services primarily to office-based dental, animal health and medical practitioners. We serve more than 1 million customers worldwide including dental practitioners and laboratories, animal health clinics and physician practices, as well as government, institutional health care clinics and other alternate care clinics. We believe that we have a strong brand identity due to our more than 84 years of experience distributing health care products.

We are headquartered in Melville, New York, employ more than 19,000 people (of which more than 8,500 are based outside the United States) and have operations or affiliates in 33 countries, including the United States, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, the Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Hong Kong SAR, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malaysia, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand and the United Kingdom.

We have established strategically located distribution centers to enable us to better serve our customers and increase our operating efficiency. This infrastructure, together with broad product and service offerings at competitive prices, and a strong commitment to customer service, enables us to be a single source of supply for our customers' needs. Our infrastructure also allows us to provide convenient ordering and rapid, accurate and complete order fulfillment.

We conduct our business through two reportable segments: (i) health care distribution and (ii) technology and value-added services. These segments offer different products and services to the same customer base.

The health care distribution reportable segment aggregates our global dental, animal health and medical operating segments. This segment distributes consumable products, small equipment, laboratory products, large equipment, equipment repair services, branded and generic pharmaceuticals, vaccines, surgical products, diagnostic tests, infection-control products and vitamins. Our global dental group serves office-based dental practitioners, dental laboratories, schools and other institutions. Our global animal health group serves animal health practices and clinics. Our global medical group serves office-based medical practitioners, ambulatory surgery centers, other alternate-care settings and other institutions.

Our global technology and value-added services group provides software, technology and other value-added services to health care practitioners. Our technology group offerings include practice management software systems for dental and medical practitioners and animal health clinics. Our value-added practice solutions include financial services on a non-recourse basis, e-services, practice technology, network and hardware services, as well as continuing education services for practitioners.

# Industry Overview

In recent years, the health care industry has increasingly focused on cost containment. This trend has benefited distributors capable of providing a broad array of products and services at low prices. It also has accelerated the growth of HMOs, group practices, other managed care accounts and collective buying groups, which, in addition to their emphasis on obtaining products at competitive prices, tend to favor distributors capable of providing specialized management information support. We believe that the trend towards cost containment has the potential to favorably affect demand for technology solutions, including software, which can enhance the efficiency and facilitation of practice management.

Our operating results in recent years have been significantly affected by strategies and transactions that we undertook to expand our business, domestically and internationally, in part to address significant changes in the health care industry, including consolidation of health care distribution companies, health care reform, trends toward managed care, cuts in Medicare and collective purchasing arrangements.

Our current and future results have been and could be impacted by the current economic environment and uncertainty, particularly impacting overall demand for our products and services.



## Industry Consolidation

The health care products distribution industry, as it relates to office-based health care practitioners, is fragmented and diverse. This industry, which encompasses the dental, animal health and medical markets, was estimated to produce revenues of approximately \$45 billion in 2015 in the global markets. The industry ranges from sole practitioners working out of relatively small offices to group practices or service organizations ranging in size from a few practitioners to a large number of practitioners who have combined or otherwise associated their practices.

Due in part to the inability of office-based health care practitioners to store and manage large quantities of supplies in their offices, the distribution of health care supplies and small equipment to office-based health care practitioners has been characterized by frequent, small quantity orders, and a need for rapid, reliable and substantially complete order fulfillment. The purchasing decisions within an office-based health care practice are typically made by the practitioner or an administrative assistant. Supplies and small equipment are generally purchased from more than one distributor, with one generally serving as the primary supplier.

The trend of consolidation extends to our customer base. Health care practitioners are increasingly seeking to partner, affiliate or combine with larger entities such as hospitals, health systems, group practices or physician hospital organizations. In many cases, purchasing decisions for consolidated groups are made at a centralized or professional staff level; however, orders are delivered to the practitioners' offices.

We believe that consolidation within the industry will continue to result in a number of distributors, particularly those with limited financial, operating and marketing resources, seeking to combine with larger companies that can provide growth opportunities. This consolidation also may continue to result in distributors seeking to acquire companies that can enhance their current product and service offerings or provide opportunities to serve a broader customer base.

Our trend with regard to acquisitions and joint ventures has been to expand our role as a provider of products and services to the health care industry. This trend has resulted in our expansion into service areas that complement our existing operations and provide opportunities for us to develop synergies with, and thus strengthen, the acquired businesses.

As industry consolidation continues, we believe that we are positioned to capitalize on this trend, as we believe we have the ability to support increased sales through our existing infrastructure, although there can be no assurances that we will be able to successfully accomplish this. We also have invested in expanding our sales/marketing infrastructure to include a focus on building relationships with decision makers who do not reside in the office-based practitioner setting.

As the health care industry continues to change, we continually evaluate possible candidates for merger and joint venture or acquisition and intend to continue to seek opportunities to expand our role as a provider of products and services to the health care industry. There can be no assurance that we will be able to successfully pursue any such opportunity or consummate any such transaction, if pursued. If additional transactions are entered into or consummated, we would incur merger and/or acquisition-related costs, and there can be no assurance that the integration efforts associated with any such transaction would be successful.

#### Aging Population and Other Market Influences

The health care products distribution industry continues to experience growth due to the aging population, increased health care awareness, the proliferation of medical technology and testing, new pharmacology treatments and expanded third-party insurance coverage, partially offset by the effects of unemployment on insurance coverage. In addition, the physician market continues to benefit from the shift of procedures and diagnostic testing from acute care settings to alternate-care sites, particularly physicians' offices.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau's International Data Base, in 2015 there were more than six million Americans aged 85 years or older, the segment of the population most in need of long-term care and elder-care

services. By the year 2050, that number is projected to nearly triple to approximately 19 million. The population aged 65 to 84 years is projected to increase over 65% during the same time period.

As a result of these market dynamics, annual expenditures for health care services continue to increase in the United States. We believe that demand for our products and services will grow, while continuing to be impacted by current and future operating, economic and industry conditions. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or CMS, published “National Health Expenditure Projections 2015-2025” indicating that total national health care spending reached approximately \$3.2 trillion in 2015, or 17.8% of the nation’s gross domestic product, the benchmark measure for annual production of goods and services in the United States. Health care spending is projected to reach approximately \$5.6 trillion in 2025, approximately 20.1% of the nation’s gross domestic product.

#### Government

Certain of our businesses involve the distribution of pharmaceuticals and medical devices, and in this regard we are subject to extensive local, state, federal and foreign governmental laws and regulations applicable to the distribution and sale of pharmaceuticals and medical devices. Additionally, government and private insurance programs fund a large portion of the total cost of medical care, and there has been an emphasis on efforts to control medical costs, including laws and regulations lowering reimbursement rates for pharmaceuticals, medical devices, and/or medical treatments or services. Also, many of these laws and regulations are subject to change and may impact our financial performance. In addition, our businesses are generally subject to numerous other laws and regulations that could impact our financial performance, including securities, antitrust, data privacy, data security and other laws and regulations. Failure to comply with law or regulations could have a material adverse effect on our business.

#### Health Care Reform

The United States Health Care Reform Law adopted through the March 2010 enactment of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act increased federal oversight of private health insurance plans and included a number of provisions designed to reduce Medicare expenditures and the cost of health care generally, to reduce fraud and abuse, and to provide access to increased health coverage.

The Health Care Reform Law requirements include a 2.3% excise tax on domestic sales of many medical devices by manufacturers and importers that began in 2013 and a fee on branded prescription drugs and biologics that was implemented in 2011, both of which may affect sales. However, with respect to the medical device excise tax, a two-year moratorium was imposed under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016, suspending the imposition of the tax on device sales during the period beginning January 1, 2016 and ending on December 31, 2017. The Health Care Reform Law has also materially expanded the number of individuals in the United States with health insurance. The Health Care Reform Law has faced ongoing legal challenges, including litigation seeking to invalidate

some of or all of the law or the manner in which it has been implemented, and Congress and the Republican candidate for President will support repeal. The uncertain status of the Health Care Reform Law affects our ability to plan.

A Health Care Reform Law provision, generally referred to as the Physician Payment Sunshine Act or Open Payments Program, has imposed new reporting and disclosure requirements for drug and device manufacturers and distributors with regard to payments or other transfers of value made to certain covered recipients (including physicians, dentists and teaching hospitals), and for such manufacturers and distributors and for group purchasing organizations, with regard to certain ownership interests held by physicians in the reporting entity. On February 1, 2013, CMS released the final rule to implement the Physician Payment Sunshine Act. Under this rule, data collection activities began on August 1, 2013, and as required under the Physician Payment Sunshine Act, CMS publishes information from these reports on a publicly available website, including amounts transferred and physician, dentist and teaching hospital identities.

Under the Physician Payment Sunshine Act, we are required to collect and report detailed information regarding certain financial relationships we have with physicians, dentists and teaching hospitals, and we believe that we are substantially compliant with applicable Physician Payment Sunshine Act requirements. The Physician Payment Sunshine Act pre-empts similar state reporting laws, although we or our subsidiaries may be required to report under certain state transparency laws that address circumstances not covered by the Physician Payment Sunshine Act, and some of these state laws, as well as the federal law, can be ambiguous. We are also subject to foreign regulations requiring transparency of certain interactions between suppliers and their customers. While we believe we have substantially compliant programs and controls in place to comply with these requirements, our compliance with these rules imposes additional costs on us.

Another notable Medicare health care reform initiative, the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015 (“MACRA”), enacted on April 16, 2015, establishes a new payment framework, called the Quality Payment Program, which modifies certain Medicare payments to “eligible professionals,” including physicians, dentists and other practitioners. Under MACRA, eligible professionals will be required to participate in Medicare through the Merit-Based Incentive Payment System (“MIPS”) or Advanced Alternative Payment Models (“APMs”). MIPS generally will consolidate three current programs; the physician quality reporting system, the value-based payment modifier, and the Medicare EHR program into a single program in which Medicare reimbursement to eligible professionals will include both positive and negative payment adjustments that take into account quality, resource use, clinical practice improvement and meaningful use of certified EHR technology. APMs generally involve higher levels of financial and technology risk. MACRA represents a fundamental change in physician reimbursement that is expected to provide substantial financial incentives for physicians to participate in risk contracts, and to increase physician information technology and reporting obligations. The implications of the implementation of MACRA are uncertain and will depend on future regulatory activity and physician activity in the marketplace. MACRA may encourage physicians to move from smaller practices to larger physician groups or hospital employment, leading to a consolidation of a portion of our customer base. Although we believe that we are positioned to capitalize on this consolidation trend, there can be no assurances that we will be able to successfully accomplish this.

#### Health Care Fraud

Certain of our businesses are subject to federal and state (and similar foreign) health care fraud and abuse, referral and reimbursement laws and regulations with respect to their operations. Some of these laws, referred to as “false claims laws,” prohibit the submission or causing the submission of false or fraudulent claims for reimbursement to federal, state and other health care payers and programs. Other laws, referred to as “anti-kickback laws,” prohibit soliciting, offering, receiving or paying remuneration in order to induce the referral of a patient or ordering, purchasing, leasing or arranging for, or recommending ordering, purchasing or leasing of, items or services that are paid for by federal, state and other health care payers and programs.

The fraud and abuse laws and regulations have been subject to varying interpretations, as well as heightened enforcement activity over the past few years, and significant enforcement activity has been the result of “relators,” who serve as whistleblowers by filing complaints in the name of the United States (and if applicable, particular states) under federal and state false claims laws. Under the federal False Claims Act, relators can be entitled to receive up to

30% of total recoveries. Also, violations of the federal False Claims Act can result in treble damages, and, in accordance with an interim final rule published by the Department of Justice on June 30, 2016, which substantially increased maximum civil penalties for False Claims Act violations, the amounts for civil penalties assessed after August 1, 2016, whose associated violations occurred after November 2, 2015, can be up to \$21,563 per claim (the maximum civil penalties for violations occurring on or before November 2, 2015 can be up to \$11,000 per claim). Most states have adopted similar state false claims laws, and these state laws have their own penalties which may be in addition to federal False Claims Act penalties. The Health Care Reform Law significantly strengthened the federal False Claims Act and the federal Anti-Kickback Law provisions, which could lead to the possibility of increased whistleblower or relator suits, and among other things made clear that a federal Anti-Kickback Law violation can be a basis for federal False Claims Act liability.

The United States government (among others) has expressed concerns about financial relationships between suppliers on the one hand and physicians and dentists on the other. As a result, we regularly review and revise our marketing practices as necessary to facilitate compliance.

We also are subject to certain United States and foreign laws and regulations concerning the conduct of our foreign operations, including the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the U.K. Bribery Act and other anti-bribery laws and laws pertaining to the accuracy of our internal books and records, which have been the focus of increasing enforcement activity globally in recent years.

Failure to comply with fraud and abuse laws and regulations could result in significant civil and criminal penalties and costs, including the loss of licenses and the ability to participate in federal and state health care programs, and could have a material adverse effect on our business. Also, these measures may be interpreted or applied by a prosecutorial, regulatory or judicial authority in a manner that could require us to make changes in our operations or incur substantial defense and settlement expenses. Even unsuccessful challenges by regulatory authorities or private relators could result in reputational harm and the incurring of substantial costs. In addition, many of these laws are vague or indefinite and have not been interpreted by the courts, and have been subject to frequent modification and varied interpretation by prosecutorial and regulatory authorities, increasing the risk of noncompliance.

While we believe that we are substantially compliant with applicable fraud and abuse laws and regulations, and have adequate compliance programs and controls in place to ensure substantial compliance, we cannot predict whether changes in applicable law, or interpretation of laws, or changes in our services or marketing practices in response to changes in applicable law or interpretation of laws, could have a material adverse effect on our business.

#### Operating, Security and Licensure Standards

The Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and similar foreign laws generally regulate the introduction, manufacture, advertising, labeling, packaging, storage, handling, reporting, marketing and distribution of, and record keeping for, pharmaceuticals and medical devices shipped in interstate commerce, and states may similarly regulate such activities within the state.

The Federal Drug Quality and Security Act of 2013 brought about significant changes with respect to pharmaceutical supply chain requirements and pre-empts state law. Title II of this measure, known as the Drug Supply Chain Security Act (“DSCSA”), will be phased in over 10 years, and is intended to build a national electronic, interoperable system to identify and trace certain prescription drugs as they are distributed in the United States. The law’s track and trace requirements applicable to manufacturers, wholesalers, repackagers and dispensers (e.g., pharmacies) of prescription drugs began to take effect in January 2015, and continue to be implemented. The DSCSA product tracing requirements replace the former United States Food and Drug Administration (“FDA”) drug pedigree requirements and

pre-empt state requirements that are inconsistent with, more stringent than, or in addition to, the DSCSA requirements.

The DSCSA also establishes certain requirements for the licensing and operation of prescription drug wholesalers and third party logistics providers (“3PLs”), and includes the eventual creation of national wholesaler and 3PL licenses in cases where states do not license such entities. The DSCSA requires that wholesalers and 3PLs distribute drugs in accordance with certain standards regarding the recordkeeping, storage and handling of prescription drugs. According to FDA guidance, states are pre-empted from imposing any licensing requirements that are inconsistent with, less stringent than, directly related to, or covered by the standards established by federal law in this area. Current state licensing requirements will likely remain in effect until the FDA issues new regulations as directed by the DSCSA.

We believe that we are substantially compliant with applicable DSCSA requirements.



The Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act of 2007 and the Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation Act of 2012 amended the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (“FDCA”) to require the FDA to promulgate regulations to implement a Unique Device Identification (“UDI”) System. The FDA issued a final rule on September 24, 2013 to implement the UDI System, and is phasing in the implementation of the UDI regulations over seven years, generally beginning with the highest-risk devices (i.e., Class III medical devices) and ending with the lowest-risk devices. The UDI regulations require “labelers” to include unique device identifiers (“UDIs”), with a content and format prescribed by the FDA and issued under a system operated by an FDA-accredited issuing agency, on the labels and packages of medical devices, and to directly mark certain devices with UDIs. The UDI regulations also require labelers to submit certain information concerning UDI-labeled devices to the FDA, much of which information is publicly available on an FDA database, the Global Unique Device Identification Database. The UDI regulations provide for certain exceptions, alternatives and time extensions. For example, the UDI regulations include a general exception for Class I devices exempt from the Quality System Regulation (other than record-keeping requirements and complaint files). Regulated labelers include entities such as device manufacturers, repackagers, reproprocessors and relabelers that cause a device’s label to be applied or modified, with the intent that the device will be commercially distributed without any subsequent replacement or modification of the label, and include certain of our businesses.

We believe that we are substantially compliant with applicable UDI requirements.

#### Regulated Software; Electronic Health Records

The FDA has become increasingly active in addressing the regulation of computer software intended for use in health care settings, and has developed and continues to develop policies on regulating clinical decision support tools and other types of software as medical devices. Certain of our businesses involve the development and sale of software and related products to support physician and dental practice management, and it is possible that the FDA or foreign government authorities could determine that one or more of our products is a medical device, which could subject us or one or more of our businesses to substantial additional requirements with respect to these products.

In addition, our businesses that involve physician and dental practice management products include electronic information technology systems that store and process personal health, clinical, financial and other sensitive information of individuals. These information technology systems may be vulnerable to breakdown, wrongful intrusions, data breaches and malicious attack, which could require us to expend significant resources to eliminate these problems and address related security concerns, and could involve claims against us by private parties and/or governmental agencies. For example, we a