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On October 28, 2003, Caremark Rx, Inc. issued the following press release regarding its results of operations for the third quarter of 2003:

Caremark Rx, Inc. Announces Third Quarter 2003 Results

32% Increase in Revenue 39% Increase in EBITDA 36% Increase in Cash Flow from Operations First Call Consensus Estimates Exceeded by \$.01

NASHVILLE, Tenn (BUSINESS WIRE) Oct. 28, 2003 Caremark Rx, Inc. (NYSE:CMX-News), one of the nation's leading pharmaceutical services companies, today announced record financial results for the third quarter and first nine months of 2003. For the quarter, revenues totaled \$2.3 billion, an increase of 32% over the comparable period in 2002. EBITDA (earnings from continuing operations before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization) for the quarter increased by 39% to \$150.5 million while cash flow from continuing operations was \$164.9 million, an increase of 36% over the third quarter of 2002.

Operating Results Third Quarter of 2003

During the third quarter of 2003, the company reported revenues of \$2.3 billion, a 32% increase over the third quarter of 2002. Using a 40% effective tax rate, diluted earnings per common share increased 45% to \$.29 from \$.20 in the same quarter a year ago, exceeding First Call Consensus estimates by \$.01. Reported diluted earnings per common share for the third quarter of 2002 were \$.31, using a 7.5% effective tax rate.

In the third quarter of 2003, EBITDA increased by 39% to \$150.5 million from \$108.1 million during the third quarter of 2002 and operating income (income from continuing operations before interest and income taxes) increased 38% to \$138.5 million from \$100.3 million for the comparable quarter in 2002. EBITDA margin was 6.7% compared to 6.3% in last year's period. Operating cash flow for the third quarter of 2003 totaled \$164.9 million, a 36% increase over the \$121.0 million reported during the same period of 2002. At September 30, 2003, cash and short-term investments totaled \$692.4 million and net debt was \$3.9 million, a reduction of \$167.2 million since June 30, 2003.

During the third quarter of 2003, mail pharmacy prescriptions totaled 6.3 million, a 23% increase over the same period last year. Mail revenues totaled \$1.1 billion for the quarter, a 30% increase over the same quarter of 2002. Mail order prescriptions represented 22% of all prescriptions processed during the third quarter, or 46% of all prescriptions processed on a retail-adjusted basis. Retail claims totaled 21.9 million during the third quarter, representing a 25% increase over the third quarter of 2002. Retail revenues totaled \$1.1 billion for the quarter, a 33% increase over the third quarter of 2002.

The company's mail generic dispensing rate increased to 35.2% this quarter, compared with 34.5% in the comparable period a year ago. Caremark's retail generic dispensing rate was 45.4%, up from 43.3% in the third quarter of 2002.

"We are very pleased with our performance during the third quarter," said Mac Crawford, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Caremark Rx, Inc. "The inherent value and benefit that our customers realize from the utilization of our offerings, combined with our ability to provide high levels of service continue to be the driving forces behind our growth."

#### Nine Month Results

During the first nine months of 2003, the company reported revenues of \$6.6 billion, a 34% increase over the same period of 2002. Using a 40% effective tax rate, diluted earnings per common share increased 49% to \$.79 from \$.53 in the same period a year ago. Reported earnings per common share for the first nine months of 2002 were \$.82, using a 7.5% effective tax rate. Year to date EBITDA increased by 41% to \$412.3 million from \$291.8 million in the prior year. Operating income also increased by 41% to \$379.7 million from \$270.0 million in the comparable period last year. In addition, the company's EBITDA margin for the nine-month period was 6.2% compared to 5.9% during the prior year.

Operating cash flow for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 was \$432.3 million as compared with \$308.0 million during the same period last year, an increase of 40%. For the first three quarters of 2003, mail pharmacy prescriptions totaled 18.3 million, a 23% increase over the same period of 2002, while retail claims totaled 66.3 million, a 26% increase over the first three quarters of 2002. Mail revenues totaled \$3.3 billion for the nine months, a 32% increase over the same period of 2002. Retail revenues totaled \$3.3 billion for the nine months, a 36% increase over the same period of 2002. For the nine months ended September 30, 2003, mail order prescriptions represented 22% of all prescriptions processed, or 45% of all prescriptions processed on a retail-adjusted basis.

## Net New Business Wins and Earnings Expectations

Net new business wins for 2004 (new contract wins less contract terminations) stand at approximately \$700 million as of today. In addition, there continues to be significant opportunities for 2004 new business starts that the company is currently pursuing. "We continue to see strong demand for all of our services," Crawford added. "This demand continues to be evidenced by our very high client retention rate as well as the strong signings of new business for next year. This demand further reflects the market's recognition of the value that we provide in helping to manage increasing healthcare costs."

For the fourth quarter of 2003, the company expects revenue growth and earnings per share to be approximately 30% and \$.31, respectively. The fourth quarter earnings per share estimates do not include costs the company will incur as a result of the relocation of its corporate offices to Nashville, Tennessee as well as expenses expected as a result of consulting costs related to integration activities with regard to its pending acquisition of AdvancePCS. These costs are estimated to approximate \$4 million, or \$.01 per share, during the fourth quarter.

Caremark has not yet finished its planning process for fiscal year 2004. However, at this point, the company indicated that it is comfortable with current First Call consensus earnings per share estimates of \$1.34 before considering consulting costs related to integration activities for the pending AdvancePCS acquisition. These costs are estimated to be approximately \$11 million during the year. A majority of these costs will be incurred during the first half of 2004.

### AdvancePCS Acquisition Update

During the quarter, Caremark Rx and AdvancePCS (Nasdaq:<u>ADVP-News</u>) signed a definitive merger agreement, under which Caremark will acquire 100 percent of AdvancePCS. The transaction joins together two highly complementary organizations in the competitive business of providing pharmaceutical and health improvement services to both the public and private sectors. The transaction has been unanimously approved by the Boards of Directors of both companies and is now pending certain closing conditions, including stockholder and regulatory approvals. The company expects the transaction to close in 2004.

### Conference Call

As announced, Caremark will hold a conference call to discuss third quarter earnings. The details of the call are as follows:

Date: Tuesday, October 28, 2003 Time: 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time

 Toll Number:
 706-634-6560

 Toll-Free Number:
 888-596-9623

 Leader:
 Mac Crawford

 Replay Number:
 706-645-9291

 Passcode:
 3321015

The call will be broadcast live as well as replayed through the Internet. The webcast can be accessed through the "Investor Information" page on the Caremark Rx, Inc. website at <a href="https://www.caremarkrx.com">www.caremarkrx.com</a> and will be available for two weeks. RealPlayer or Windows Media will be required in

order to listen to the webcast. A link to a free download will be available at www.caremarkrx.com.

A taped replay of the call will also be available beginning at 1:30 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, October 28, 2003, until Midnight, Eastern Time, Tuesday, November 4, 2003, by calling the replay number listed above.

About Caremark Rx, Inc.

Caremark Rx, Inc. is a leading pharmaceutical services company, providing comprehensive drug benefit services through its affiliate Caremark Inc. to over 1,200 health plan sponsors and their participants throughout the U.S. Caremark's clients include corporate health plans, managed care organizations, insurance companies, unions, government agencies and other funded benefit plans. The company operates a national retail pharmacy network with over 55,000 participating pharmacies, four state-of-the-art mail service pharmacies, the industry's only FDA-regulated repackaging plant and nineteen specialty distribution mail service pharmacies for delivery of advanced medications to individuals with chronic or genetic diseases and disorders.

### Forward-Looking Statement

This press release contains statements that constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as amended by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. "Forward-looking statements" contained in this press release include the intent, belief or current expectations of the company and members of its senior management team with respect to the anticipated growth prospects for the company's business, including revenue growth and earnings per share projections and anticipated integration costs, as well as the assumptions upon which such statements are based. Prospective investors are cautioned that any such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, involve risks and uncertainties and that actual results may differ materially from those contemplated by such forward-looking statements. Important factors currently known to management that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements in this press release include, but are not limited to, adverse developments with respect to the company's operating plan and objectives, as well as adverse developments in the healthcare or pharmaceutical industry generally. Additional factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated in this press release can be found in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002. This press release includes certain non-GAAP financial measures as defined under SEC rules. As required by SEC rules, we have provided, in the footnotes to the tables attached hereto, a reconciliation of those measures to the most directly comparable GAAP measures.

Caremark has filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-4 that includes a joint proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant documents in connection with the proposed merger transaction. Investors and security holders of Caremark Rx and AdvancePCS are urged to read the joint proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant materials because they contain important

information about Caremark Rx, AdvancePCS and the proposed transaction. Investors and security holders may obtain a free copy of these materials and other documents filed with the SEC at the SEC's website at <a href="www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>. A free copy of the joint proxy statement/prospectus may also be obtained from Caremark Rx, 3000 Galleria Tower, Suite 1000, Birmingham, AL 35244 or AdvancePCS, 750 West John Carpenter Freeway, Suite 1200, Irving, TX 75039.

Caremark Rx, AdvancePCS and their respective executive officers and directors may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from their respective stockholders with respect to the proposed merger transaction. Information about the directors and executive officers of Caremark Rx and their ownership of Caremark Rx shares is set forth in the proxy statement for Caremark Rx's 2003 annual meeting of stockholders. Information about the directors and executive officers of AdvancePCS and their ownership of AdvancePCS stock is set forth in the AdvancePCS's fiscal 2003 10K-A Amendment No. 2. Investors may obtain additional information regarding the interests of such participants by reading the joint proxy statement/prospectus.

Additional information about Caremark Rx is available on the World Wide Web at <a href="http://www.caremarkrx.com">http://www.caremarkrx.com</a>.

-tables to follow-

CAREMARK RX, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(In thousands)

Current assets:  Cash and cash equivalents  Short-term investments  Accounts receivable, net Inventories  Deferred tax asset, net Prepaid expenses and other current assets  Total current assets  Property and equipment, net Intangible assets, net Other assets  Total assets  \$  LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY  Current liabilities: Accounts payable Claims and discounts payable Other accrued expenses and liabilities Income taxes payable Current portion of long-term debt Current liabilities  Total current liabilities  Total current liabilities  Total liabilities  Commitments and contingencies  Stockholders' equity: Common stock Additional paid-in capital	Unaudited) 667,431	\$
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Total assets  LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY  Current liabilities:     Accounts payable	276,129	412,588
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY  Current liabilities:     Accounts payable	73,846	73,901
Current liabilities: Accounts payable Claims and discounts payable Other accrued expenses and liabilities Income taxes payable Current portion of long-term debt Current liabilities of discontinued operations  Total current liabilities  Long-term debt, net of current portion Other long-term liabilities  Total liabilities  Commitments and contingencies  Stockholders' equity: Common stock Additional paid-in capital	2,264,983	\$ 1,912,740
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Current portion of long-term debt Current liabilities of discontinued operations  Total current liabilities  Long-term debt, net of current portion Other long-term liabilities  Total liabilities  Commitments and contingencies  Stockholders' equity: Common stock Additional paid-in capital	160,585	180,685
Current liabilities of discontinued operations  Total current liabilities  Long-term debt, net of current portion Other long-term liabilities  Total liabilities  Commitments and contingencies  Stockholders' equity: Common stock Additional paid-in capital	1,925	3,409
Current liabilities of discontinued operations  Total current liabilities  Long-term debt, net of current portion Other long-term liabilities  Total liabilities  Commitments and contingencies  Stockholders' equity: Common stock Additional paid-in capital	2,500	2,500
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Other long-term liabilities  Total liabilities  Commitments and contingencies  Stockholders' equity: Common stock Additional paid-in capital	946,930	877,005
Other long-term liabilities  Total liabilities  Commitments and contingencies  Stockholders' equity: Common stock Additional paid-in capital	693,750	695,625
Commitments and contingencies  Stockholders' equity:  Common stock  Additional paid-in capital	79,832	82,417
Stockholders' equity: Common stock Additional paid-in capital	1,720,512	1,655,047
Common stock Additional paid-in capital		
Additional paid-in capital		
	268	263
T 1	1,748,256	1,665,155
Treasury stock	(28,782)	(22,671)
Shares held in trust	(101,542)	(102,948)
Accumulated deficit	(1,063,694)	(1,272,071)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(10,035)	(10,035)
Total stockholders' equity	544,471	257,693
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$	2,264,983	\$ 1,912,740

# CAREMARK RX, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months En September 30				
		2003	2002		2003			2002	
Net revenue	\$	2,256,781	\$	1,713,392	\$	6,624,616	\$	4,953,975	
Operating expenses:									
Cost of revenues*		2,058,894		1,564,214		6,069,994		4,543,125	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		47,420		41,087		142,308		119,004	
Depreciation and amortization		11,968		7,819		32,602		21,822	
Operating income (EBIT)		138,499		100,272		379,712		270,024	
Interest expense, net		10,448		11,627		32,417		35,443	
Income before provision for income taxes		128,051		88,645		347,295		234,581	
Provision for income taxes (1)		51,221		6,649		138,918		17,594	
Net income		76,830		81,996 3,304		208,377		216,987 9,913	
Preferred security dividends (2)				3,304				9,913	
Net income to common stockholders	\$	76,830	\$	78,692	\$	208,377	\$	207,074	
Average number of common shares outstanding basic		259,697		228,529		257,156		227,829	
Dilutive effect of stock options		6,848		8,497		6,838		9,897	
Convertible Preferred Securities (2)				26,850				26,850	
Average number of common shares outstanding diluted		266,545		263,876		263,994		264,576	
Net income per common share diluted	\$	0.29	\$	0.31	\$	0.79	\$	0.82	
Supplemental presentation of non-GAAP financial measures:									
Net income per common share diluted (at 40% effective income tax rate) (1)	\$	0.29	\$	0.20	\$	0.79	\$	0.53	
EBITDA (Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization) (3)	\$	150,467	\$	108,091	\$	412,314	\$	291,846	

Excludes depreciation which is presented separately. See note 5.

CAREMARK RX, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)
(In thousands)

**Nine Months Ended** September 30,

		2003		2002
Cash flows from continuing operations:				
Net income	\$	208,377	\$	216,987
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by continuing operations:				
Deferred income taxes		127,618		
Depreciation and amortization		32,602		21,822
Non-cash interest expense		2,705		2,498
Other non-cash expenses		688		724
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions of businesses		60,289		65,935
Net cash provided by continuing operations		432,279		307,966
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Capital expenditures, net		(39,417)		(30,951
Purchase of short-term investments		(25,000)		
Acquisitions of business, net of cash acquired		(3,441)		(49,581
Net cash used in investing activities		(67,858)		(80,532
Cash flows from financing activities:		(2.052		17 155
Net proceeds from exercise/retirement of stock options and warrants		63,953		17,155
Purchase of treasury stock		(6,111)		(9,239
Net proceeds (repayments) under credit facility  Long-term debt issuance costs		(1,875) (100)		625
		(100)		(1,270
Net repayments under trade receivables sales facility				(99,200
Dividend payments on Convertible Preferred Securities	_			(10,500
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		55,867		(102,429
Cash used in discontinued operations		(59,661)		(34,128
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		360,627		90,877
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of period		306,804		159,066
Cash and cash equivalents end of period	\$	667,431	\$	249,943

## CAREMARK RX, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES SELECTED STATISTICS AND RATIOS (In millions, expect per adjusted claim amounts)

September 30,

**Three Months Ended** 

	2003	2002	Percentage Increase
Claims Processed			
Mail	6.3	5.1	23%
Retail	21.9	17.6	25%

Total		ee Mont Septemb 28.2	24%	
Adjusted Claims (4)		40.4	32.6	24%
Per Adjusted Claim		_		
Gross Profit (excluding depreciation) (5)	\$	4.90	\$ 4.58	7%
EBITDA (3)	\$	3.73	\$ 3.32	12%
		e Month Septemb		
	200	)3	2002	Percentage Increase
Claims Processed				
Mail		18.3	14.8	
Retail		66.3	52.6	26%
Total		84.6	67.4	26%
Adjusted Claims (4)		120.2	96.3	25%
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Per Adjusted Claim				
Gross Profit (excluding depreciation) (5)	\$	4.61	\$ 4.27	8%
EBITDA (3)	\$	3.43	\$ 3.03	13%
	mber 30, 003	December 31, 2002		
Balance Sheet Debt				
Term Loans	\$	\$	248.1	
Senior Notes	450.0		450.0	
Total	 696.3		698.1	ı
Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments	692.4		306.8	
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Net Debt (6)	\$ 3.9	\$	391.3	
LTM EBITDA (7)	\$ 531.0	\$	410.5	
Net Debt to LTM EBITDA (6)(7)			1.0x	

<sup>(1)</sup>In the fourth quarter of 2002, we reduced the valuation allowance on our net deferred income tax asset to reflect a change in management's assessment of the amount expected to be utilized to offset future amounts of taxable income. This change resulted in our

recording the provision for income taxes at different rates in the 2003 (40%) and 2002 (7.5%) periods presented above; however, there was no impact on the actual taxes we expect to pay. We have included a non-GAAP calculation of 2002 earnings per share as if we had reduced this valuation allowance prior to 2002 to enable investors to more easily compare earnings per share for the periods

presented above. GAAP net income per common share diluted can be reconciled to this measure as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,					30,			
		2003		2003 2002		2003		2002	
Net income per common share diluted Incremental tax provision per diluted common share	\$	0.29 N/A	\$	0.31 (0.11)	\$	0.79 N/A	\$	0.82 (0.29)	
Net income per common share diluted (at 40% effective income tax rate)	\$	0.29	\$	0.20	\$	0.79	\$	0.53	

- Our Convertible Preferred Securities were presumed to have been converted to common stock at the beginning of the 2002 period under the "if-converted" method of computing common stock equivalents. In October 2002, these Convertible Preferred Securities were converted into 26,850,000 shares of common stock. This conversion had no impact on the number of shares included in the average number of common shares outstanding diluted for either period.
- We believe that EBITDA is a supplemental measurement tool used by analysts and investors to help evaluate a company's overall operating performance; its ability to incur and service debt and its capacity for making capital expenditures. We use EBITDA, in addition to operating income and cash flows from operating activities, to assess our performance and believe that it is important for investors to be able to evaluate our company using the same measures used by our management. EBITDA can be reconciled to net cash provided by continuing operations, which we believe to be the most directly comparable financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP, as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Mon Septem		
		2003		2002	2003		2002
Operating income (EBIT)	\$	138,499	\$	100,272	\$ 379,712	\$	270,024
Depreciation and amortization		11,968		7,819	32,602		21,822
EBITDA		150,467		108,091	412,314		291,846
Cash interest payments, net of interest income		(1,282)		(2,636)	(21,074)		(24,785)
Cash tax payments, net of refunds		(3,411)		(2,198)	(12,779)		(5,840)
Other non-cash expenses		147		724	688		724
Other changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of							
acquisitions and disposals of businesses		18,967		17,050	53,130		46,021
Net cash provided by continuing operations	\$	164,888	\$	121,031	\$ 432,279	\$	307,966

EBITDA does not represent funds available for our discretionary use and is not intended to represent or to be used as a substitute for net income or cash flow from operations data as measured under GAAP. The items excluded from EBITDA are significant

components of our statement of operations and must be considered in performing a comprehensive assessment of our overall financial performance. EBITDA and the associated year-to-year trends should not be considered in isolation. Our calculation of EBITDA may not be consistent with calculations of EBITDA used by other companies.

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  Adjusted pharmacy claims normalize the claims volume statistic for the difference in 90-days' supply for mail claims and 30-days' supply for retail claims. Adjusted pharmacy claims are calculated by multiplying 90-day claims by 3 and adding the 30-day claims to the product.
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  We have historically excluded depreciation from our cost of revenues and, hence, from our computation of Gross Profit (net revenue minus cost of revenues); however, SEC rules require the inclusion of depreciation expense in gross profit. Therefore, the amount of Gross Profit used to compute the Gross Profit per adjusted claim statistic presented above is a non-GAAP

measurement as defined by the SEC's Regulation G. Our management measures our results of operations using both EBITDA (see note 3 above) and cash flows from operating activities, both of which exclude depreciation, and with Operating Income (EBIT), which includes depreciation. As previously mentioned, we believe that it is important for investors to be able to evaluate our company using the same measures used by our management; therefore, we have used our internal calculation of Gross Profit to compute the Gross Profit per adjusted claim statistic above. This amount reconciles to gross profit calculated under SEC rules (GAAP gross profit) as follows (in thousands except per adjusted claim amounts):

	Three Months Ended September 30,					Nine Mon Septen		
		2003		2002		2003		2002
Net revenue Cost of revenues (excluding depreciation	\$	2,256,781	\$	1,713,392	\$	6,624,616	\$	4,953,975
expense)		2,058,894		1,564,214		6,069,994		4,543,125
Gross Profit		197,887		149,178		554,622		410,850
Depreciation expense allocated to cost of revenues		10,085		6,450		28,004		17,864
GAAP gross profit	\$	187,802	\$	142,728	\$	526,618	\$	392,986
GAAP gross profit per adjusted claim	\$	4.65	\$	4.38	\$	4.38	\$	4.08

Net debt is a non-GAAP financial measure and equals total indebtedness minus cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments. We use net debt as the numerator in our "net debt to LTM EBITDA" ratio, which is the primary coverage ratio reviewed by management, in order to reflect the availability of the cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments on our balance sheet for use in debt service.

LTM EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure representing our EBITDA generated in the last twelve months. We use LTM EBITDA as the denominator in our "net debt to LTM EBITDA" coverage ratio to reflect management's view of our capacity to service debt. LTM EBITDA is subject to all of the limitations concerning our presentation of EBITDA described in note 3 above. LTM EBITDA can be reconciled to net cash provided by continuing operations over the last twelve months, which we believe to be the most directly comparable financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP, as follows (in thousands):

Twelve Mor	nths Ended
September 30,	December 31,
2003	2002

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Operating income (EBIT)	\$	490,290	\$	380,602
Depreciation and amortization	Ψ	40,708	Ψ	29,928
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EBITDA		520,000		410.520
		530,998		410,530
Cash interest payments, net of interest income		(39,656)		(43,367)
Cash tax payments, net of refunds		(14,057)		(7,118)
Other non-cash expenses		1,027		1,063
Other changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions and				
disposals of businesses		54,432		47,323
Net cash provided by continuing operations	\$	532,744	\$	408,431
The cash provided by continuing operations	Ψ	332,744	Ψ	700,731

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