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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF x 1934 FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED APRIL 30, 2016

OR

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

Commission file number 000-51217, 001-36693

SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 20-1920798

(State of Incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3333 BEVERLY ROAD, HOFFMAN ESTATES, ILLINOIS 60179

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (847) 286-2500

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 x No

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

Yes x 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 x Accelerated filer "Non-accelerated filer "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 x

As of May 20, 2016, the registrant had 106,831,128 common shares, \$0.01 par value, outstanding.

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#### SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

(Unaudited)

### PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

millions, except per share data	13 Wee April 30 2016		2,
REVENUES			
Merchandise sales and services <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	\$5,394	\$5,88	82
COSTS AND EXPENSES			
Cost of sales, buying and occupancy <sup>(1)(3)</sup>	4,217	4,364	1
Selling and administrative	1,503	1,681	l
Depreciation and amortization	95	122	
Impairment charges	8	_	
Gain on sales of assets	(61	(107	)
Total costs and expenses	5,762	6,060	)
Operating loss	(368	(178	)
Interest expense	(85	) (90	)
Interest and investment loss	(4	(18	)
Other income	1	1	
Loss before income taxes	(456	(285	)
Income tax expense	(15	(18	)
NET LOSS ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDINGS' SHAREHOLDERS	\$(471	\$(30.	3)
NET LOSS PER COMMON SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDINGS' SHAREHOLDERS			
Basic loss per share	\$(4.41)	\$(2.8)	35)
Diluted loss per share	\$(4.41)	\$(2.8)	35)
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	106.8	106.5	5
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	106.8	106.5	5

Includes merchandise sales to Sears Hometown and Outlet Stores, Inc. ("SHO") of \$293 million and \$335 million (1) for the 13 weeks ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015, respectively. Pursuant to the terms of the separation, merchandise is sold to SHO at cost.

See accompanying notes.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes revenue from Lands' End, Inc. ("Lands' End") for retail services and rent for Lands' End Shops at owned Sears locations, participation in the Shop Your Way® program and corporate shared services of \$11 million and \$15 million for the 13 weeks ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015, respectively.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes rent expense (consisting of straight-line rent expense offset by amortization of a deferred gain on sale-leaseback) of \$21 million for the 13 weeks ended April 30, 2016 and installment expenses of \$17 million for the 13 weeks ended April 30, 2016 pursuant to the master lease with Seritage Growth Properties ("Seritage").

### SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Loss (Unaudited)

	13 Wee	eks
	Ended	
millions	April 3	0May 2,
millions	2016	2015
Net loss	\$(471)	\$(303)
Other comprehensive income		
Pension and postretirement adjustments, net of tax	64	65
Total other comprehensive income	64	65
Comprehensive loss attributable to Holdings' shareholders	\$(407)	\$(238)

See accompanying notes.

### SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Unaudited)

millions	April 30, 2016	May 2, 2015	January 30, 2016
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$286	\$286	\$ 238
Accounts receivable <sup>(1)</sup>	437	474	419
Merchandise inventories	5,028	5,054	5,172
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	369	249	216
Total current assets	6,120	6,063	6,045
Property and equipment (net of accumulated depreciation and amortization of \$2,999 \$3,954 and \$2,960)	'2,520	4,351	2,631
Goodwill	269	269	269
Trade names and other intangible assets	1,907	2,094	1,909
Other assets	359	492	483
TOTAL ASSETS	\$11,175	\$13,269	\$ 11,337
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Short-term borrowings <sup>(2)</sup>	\$380	\$714	\$ 797
Current portion of long-term debt and capitalized lease obligations	66	73	71
Merchandise payables	1,337	1,685	1,574
Other current liabilities <sup>(3)</sup>	1,737	1,912	1,925
Unearned revenues	773	804	787
Other taxes	301	371	284
Total current liabilities	4,594	5,559	5,438
Long-term debt and capitalized lease obligations <sup>(4)</sup>	3,312	3,080	2,108
Pension and postretirement benefits	2,137	2,329	2,206
Deferred gain on sale-leaseback	718		753
Sale-leaseback financing obligation	164	426	164
Other long-term liabilities	1,718	1,859	1,731
Long-term deferred tax liabilities	892	1,198	893
Total Liabilities	13,535	14,451	13,293
Commitments and contingencies			
EQUITY (DEFICIT)			
Total Equity (Deficit)	(2,360)	(1,182)	(1,956)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (DEFICIT)	\$11,175	\$13,269	\$ 11,337

Includes \$103 million, \$101 million and \$51 million at April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016,

<sup>(1)</sup> respectively, of net amounts receivable from SHO, and a net amount receivable from Lands' End of \$3 million at May 2, 2015. Also, includes \$19 million of net amounts receivable from Seritage at April 30, 2016.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes a \$200 million secured short-term loan with JPP II, LLC and JPP, LLC, entities affiliated with ESL, at May 2, 2015, which the Company repaid during 2015. Also includes \$125 million and \$100 million, held by ESL and its affiliates of unsecured commercial paper at April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015, respectively.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes \$2 million and \$1 million of net amounts payable to Lands' End at April 30, 2016 and January 30, 2016, respectively.

<sup>(4)</sup> Includes balances held by related parties of \$1.0 billion, \$920 million and \$603 million at April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, respectively, related to our Senior Secured Notes, Subsidiary Notes, Senior Unsecured

Notes, 2016 Term Loan and Secured Loan Facility. See Note 11 for further information.

See accompanying notes.

### SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

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<sup>(1)</sup> Proceeds in 2016 include \$146 million (net of original issue discount) from JPP, LLC and JPP II, LLC, entities affiliated with ESL, and \$100 million from the Company's domestic pension plan in connection with the 2016 Term Loan, and \$250 million from entities affiliated with ESL and Fairholme in connection with the Secured Loan Facility.

 $^{(2)}$  Repayments in 2015 include \$200 million of a secured short-term loan with JPP II, LLC and JPP, LLC, entities affiliated with ESL.

See accompanying notes.

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(Unaudited)

Equity (Deficit) Attributable to Holdings' Shareholders

dollars and shares in millions	Number of Con Stoo Shares	nm	offreasury Stock	Excess of	inRetaine ofEarning ue(Deficit	Other S Comprehe	Non nsiv <b>k</b> nter	contro ests	olling Total
Balance at January 31, 2015	107\$	1	\$(5,949	)\$9,189	\$(2,162	)\$ (2,030	) \$	6	\$(945)
Comprehensive loss									
Net loss					(303	)—			(303)
Pension and postretirement adjustments,						65			65
net of tax						05			
Total Comprehensive Loss									(238)
Stock awards	— —		4	(4	)—				_
Associate stock purchase			1						1
Balance at May 2, 2015	107\$	1	\$(5,944	)\$9,185	\$(2,465	)\$ (1,965	) \$	6	\$(1,182)
Balance at January 30, 2016	107\$	1	\$(5,928	)\$9,173	\$(3,291	)\$ (1,918	) \$	7	\$(1,956)
Comprehensive loss									
Net loss				_	(471	)—	_		(471)
Pension and postretirement adjustments,						64			64
net of tax			_	_	_	04	_		04
Total Comprehensive Loss									(407)
Stock awards			7	(6	)—				1
Associate stock purchase			2						2
Balance at April 30, 2016	107\$	1	\$(5,919	)\$9,167	\$(3,762	)\$ (1,854	) \$	7	\$(2,360)

See accompanying notes.

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Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

#### NOTE 1—BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Sears Holdings Corporation ("Holdings") is the parent company of Kmart Holding Corporation ("Kmart") and Sears, Roebuck and Co. ("Sears"). Holdings (together with its subsidiaries, "we," "us," "our," or the "Company") was formed as a Delaware corporation in 2004 in connection with the merger of Kmart and Sears (the "Merger"), on March 24, 2005. We are an integrated retailer with 1,622 full-line and specialty retail stores in the United States, operating through Kmart and Sears. We operate under two reportable segments: Kmart and Sears Domestic.

These interim unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required in annual consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (which include normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the full fiscal year. The retail business is seasonal in nature, and we generate a high proportion of our revenues and operating cash flows during the fourth quarter of our fiscal year, which includes the holiday season. These interim financial statements and related notes should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2016.

### Depreciation Expense

Depreciation expense included within depreciation and amortization expense reported on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations was \$94 million and \$119 million for the 13 week periods ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015, respectively.

### **Vendor Credits**

During the 13 week period ended May 2, 2015, the Company received \$93 million related to one-time credits from vendors associated with prior supply arrangements, which have been reflected as a credit within cost of sales, buying and occupancy on the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations.

#### Liquidity

Our primary need for liquidity is to fund working capital requirements of our businesses, capital expenditures and for general corporate purposes, including debt repayment and pension plan contributions. We have incurred losses and experienced negative operating cash flows for the past several years, accordingly the Company has taken a number of actions to enhance its financial flexibility and fund its continued transformation, support its operations and meet its obligations.

During the first quarter of 2016, the Company closed the \$750 million Senior Secured Term Loan (the "2016 Term Loan") maturing in July 2020, as discussed in Note 2, and received approximately \$722 million in net proceeds. Additionally, the Company entered into a \$500 million committed secured loan facility (the "Secured Loan Facility") maturing in July 2017, as also discussed in Note 2, and received net proceeds of approximately \$485 million. The funds received from these actions were used to reduce outstanding borrowings under the Company's asset-based revolving credit facility and for general corporate purposes. The 2016 Term Loan, together with the Secured Loan Facility, provides the Company with additional financial flexibility as we execute on our transformation to a more asset-light integrated retailer leveraging our membership based Shop Your Way® program.

As we progress in our transformation, we are primarily focusing on profitability instead of revenues, market share and other metrics each of which relate to, but do not necessarily drive, profit. This approach may negatively impact our sales. However, it is aimed at returning the Company to profitability. We intend to continue taking actions to alter our capital structure and liquidity position, as circumstances necessitate, to position the Company for success and profitability with the goal of also creating long-term value and funding our transformation. In addition to the previously described actions taken to date in 2016, we expect to pursue other near-term actions to improve liquidity. These additional actions may include expense reductions as well as asset sales. The specific assets involved, the

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timing and the overall amount will depend on a variety of factors, including market conditions, interest in specific assets, valuations of those assets and our underlying operating performance. In addition, our Amended Domestic Credit Agreement discussed in Note 2 provides us flexibility of up to \$500 million of FILO capacity and up to \$2.0 billion of second lien capacity (of which \$304 million is currently utilized), all depending on the applicable and available borrowing base as defined in our Amended Domestic Credit Agreement, as well as our ability to secure commitments from lenders. We believe that our liquidity needs will be satisfied by the actions discussed through the foreseeable future; however, we cannot predict the outcome of the actions to generate liquidity, or whether such actions would generate the expected liquidity as currently planned.

If we continue to experience operating losses, and we are not able to generate enough funds from the above actions (or some combination of other actions), the availability under our Amended Domestic Credit Agreement might be fully utilized and we would need to secure additional sources of funds. Moreover, if the borrowing base (as calculated pursuant to the indenture) falls below the principal amount of the notes plus the principal amount of any other indebtedness for borrowed money that is secured by liens on the collateral for the notes on the last day of any two consecutive quarters, it could trigger an obligation to repurchase notes in an amount equal to such deficiency. Sears Canada

At each of April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, the Company was the beneficial holder of approximately 12 million, or 12%, of the common shares of Sears Canada. Our equity method investment in Sears Canada was \$46 million, \$92 million and \$52 million at April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, respectively, and is included within other assets on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The fair value of our equity method investment in Sears Canada was determined based on quoted market prices for its common stock. Our equity method investment in Sears Canada is valued using Level 1 measurements as defined in Note 5 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2016.

#### NOTE 2—BORROWINGS

Total borrowings were as follows:

millions	April 30,	May 2,	January 30,			
IIIIIIOIIS	2016	2015	2016			
Short-term borrowings:						
Unsecured commercial paper	\$ 136	\$104	\$ —			
Secured short-term loan	_	200	_			
Secured borrowings	244	410	797			
Long-term debt, including current portion:						
Notes and debentures outstanding	3,198	2,898	1,984			
Capitalized lease obligations	180	255	195			
Total borrowings	\$ 3,758	\$3,867	\$ 2,976			

The fair value of long-term debt, excluding capitalized lease obligations, was \$3.2 billion at April 30, 2016, \$3.0 billion at May 2, 2015 and \$1.9 billion at January 30, 2016. The fair value of our debt was estimated based on quoted market prices for the same or similar issues or on current rates offered to us for debt of the same remaining maturities. Our long-term debt instruments are valued using Level 2 measurements as defined in Note 5 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2016.

### **Unsecured Commercial Paper**

We borrow through the commercial paper markets. At April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015, we had outstanding commercial paper borrowings of \$136 million and \$104 million, respectively, while at January 30, 2016, we had no commercial paper borrowings outstanding.

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### Secured Short-Term Loan

On September 15, 2014, the Company, through Sears, Sears Development Co. and Kmart Corporation ("Short-Term Borrowers"), entities wholly-owned and controlled, directly or indirectly by the Company, entered into a \$400 million secured short-term loan (the "Short-Term Loan") with JPP II, LLC and JPP, LLC (together, the "Short-Term Lender"), entities affiliated with ESL. The first \$200 million of the Short-Term Loan was funded at the closing on September 15, 2014 and the remaining \$200 million was funded on September 30, 2014. Proceeds of the Short-Term Loan were used for general corporate purposes.

The Short-Term Loan was originally scheduled to mature on December 31, 2014. As permitted by the Short-Term Loan agreement, the Company paid an extension fee equal to 0.5% of the principal amount to extend the maturity date to February 28, 2015. The Short-Term Loan had an annual base interest rate of 5%. The Short-Term Borrowers paid an upfront fee of 1.75% of the full principal amount. The Short-Term Loan was guaranteed by the Company and was secured by a first priority lien on certain real properties owned by the Short-Term Borrowers.

On February 25, 2015, we entered into an agreement effective February 28, 2015, to amend and extend the \$400 million secured short-term loan. Under the terms of the amendment, we repaid \$200 million of the \$400 million on March 2, 2015 and the remaining \$200 million on June 1, 2015, resulting in no balance outstanding at April 30, 2016 or January 30, 2016. At May 2, 2015, the outstanding balance of the Loan was \$200 million. During the 13 week period ended May 2, 2015, the Short-Term Borrowers paid interest of \$5 million to the Short-Term Lender. Secured Loan Facility

On April 8, 2016, the Company, through Sears, Roebuck and Co., Sears Development Co., Innovel Solutions, Inc., Big Beaver of Florida Development, LLC and Kmart Corporation (collectively, "Secured Loan Borrowers"), entities wholly-owned and controlled, directly or indirectly by the Company, obtained a \$500 million secured loan facility (the "Secured Loan Facility") from JPP, LLC, JPP II, LLC, and Cascade Investment, LLC (collectively, the "Secured Loan Lenders"). JPP, LLC and JPP II, LLC are entities affiliated with ESL. The first \$250 million of the Secured Loan Facility was funded on April 8, 2016 and the remaining \$250 million was funded on April 22, 2016. The Secured Loan Facility has a maturity date of July 7, 2017, and is included within long-term debt on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Company used the proceeds of the Secured Loan Facility to reduce outstanding borrowings under the Company's asset-based revolving credit facility and for general corporate purposes. The Secured Loan Facility has an annual base interest rate of 8%, with accrued interest payable monthly during the term of the Secured Loan Facility. The Secured Loan Borrowers paid an upfront commitment fee equal to 1.0% of the full principal amount of the Secured Loan Facility and also are required to pay a funding fee equal to 1.0% of the amounts drawn under the Secured Loan Facility at the time such amounts are drawn. If amounts remain outstanding or committed under the Secured Loan Facility after nine months, a delayed origination fee equal to 0.5% of such amounts becomes payable, and if amounts remain outstanding or committed under the Secured Loan Facility after 12 months, an additional delayed origination fee equal to 0.5% of such amounts becomes payable.

The Secured Loan Facility is guaranteed by the Company and is secured by a first priority lien on 21 real properties owned by the Borrowers. The Secured Loan Facility includes customary representations and warranties, indemnities and covenants, including with respect to the condition and maintenance of the real property collateral.

The Secured Loan Facility has customary events of default, including (subject to certain materiality thresholds and grace periods) payment default, failure to comply with covenants, material inaccuracy of representation or warranty, and bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings. If there is an event of default, the Secured Loan Lenders may declare all or any portion of the outstanding indebtedness to be immediately due and payable, exercise any rights they might have under any of the Secured Loan Facility documents (including against the collateral), and require the Secured Loan Borrowers to pay a default interest rate equal to the greater of (i) 2.5% in excess of the base interest rate and (ii) the prime rate plus 1%. The Loan Facility may be prepaid at any time in whole or in part, without penalty or premium.

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### Domestic Credit Agreement

During the first quarter of 2011, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corporation ("SRAC"), Kmart Corporation (together with SRAC, the "Borrowers") and Holdings entered into an amended credit agreement (the "Domestic Credit Agreement"). On October 2, 2013, Holdings and the Borrowers entered into a First Amendment (the "Amendment") to the Domestic Credit Agreement with a syndicate of lenders. Pursuant to the Amendment, the Borrowers borrowed \$1.0 billion under a new senior secured term loan facility (the "Term Loan"). On July 21, 2015, the Borrowers and Holdings entered into an amended and restated credit agreement (the "Amended Domestic Credit Agreement") with a syndicate of lenders that amended and restated the then-existing Domestic Credit Agreement. The Amended Domestic Credit Agreement provides a \$3.275 billion asset-based revolving credit facility (the "Revolving Facility") with a \$1.0 billion letter of credit sub-facility. The maturity date for \$1.971 billion of the Revolving Facility has been extended to July 20, 2020, while \$1.304 billion expired on April 8, 2016. The Amended Domestic Credit Agreement also governs the existing Term Loan, which retains its maturity date of June 30, 2018. The Amended Domestic Credit Agreement includes an accordion feature that allows the Borrowers to use, subject to borrowing base requirements, existing collateral for the facility to obtain up to \$1.0 billion of additional borrowing capacity, of which \$750 million was utilized for the 2016 Term Loan (described below). The Amended Domestic Credit Agreement also includes a "FILO" ("first in last out") tranche feature that allows an additional \$500 million of borrowing capacity and increased Holdings' ability to undertake short-term borrowings from \$500 million to \$750 million.

Revolving advances under the Amended Domestic Credit Agreement bear interest at a rate equal to, at the election of the Borrowers, either the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") or a base rate, in either case plus an applicable margin dependent on Holdings' consolidated leverage ratio (as measured under the Amended Domestic Credit Agreement). The margin with respect to borrowings under the extended commitments ranges from 3.25% to 3.75% for LIBOR loans and from 2.25% to 2.75% for base rate loans. The margin with respect to borrowings under the non-extended commitments remains 2.00% to 2.50% for LIBOR loans and 1.00% to 1.50% for base rate loans. The Amended Domestic Credit Agreement also provides for the payment of fees with respect to issued and undrawn letters of credit at a rate equal to the margin applicable to LIBOR loans and a commitment fee with respect to unused amounts of the Revolving Facility at a rate, depending on facility usage, between 0.375% to 0.625%, per annum, with a minimum of 0.50% applicable to commitments under the extended tranche. From and after April 8, 2016, such commitment fees with respect to the extended tranche are a flat 0.50%.

The Revolving Facility is in place as a funding source for general corporate purposes and is secured by a first lien on substantially all of our domestic inventory and credit card and pharmacy receivables, and is subject to a borrowing base formula to determine availability. The Revolving Facility is guaranteed by all domestic subsidiaries of Holdings that own inventory or credit card or pharmacy receivables. The Revolving Facility also permits aggregate second lien indebtedness of up to \$2.0 billion, of which \$304 million in second lien notes were outstanding at April 30, 2016, resulting in \$1.7 billion of permitted second lien indebtedness, subject to limitations imposed by a borrowing base requirement under the indenture that governs our 6 5/8% senior secured notes due 2018.

The Term Loan bears interest at a rate equal to, at the election of the Borrowers, either (1) LIBOR (subject to a 1.00% LIBOR floor) or (2) the highest of (x) the prime rate of the bank acting as agent of the syndicate of lenders, (y) the federal funds rate plus 0.50% and (z) the one-month LIBOR rate plus 1.00% (the highest of (x), (y) and (z), the "Base Rate"), plus an applicable margin for LIBOR loans of 4.50% and for Base Rate loans of 3.50%. Currently, the Borrowers are required to repay the Term Loan in quarterly installments of \$2.5 million, with the remainder of the Term Loan maturing June 30, 2018. Additionally, the Borrowers are required to make certain mandatory repayments of the Term Loan from excess cash flow (as defined in the Amended Domestic Credit Agreement). The Term Loan may be prepaid in whole or part without penalty. The Term Loan is secured by the same collateral as the Revolving Facility on a pari passu basis with the Revolving Facility, and is guaranteed by the same subsidiaries of the Company that guarantee the Revolving Facility. At April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, respectively, we had borrowings of \$978 million, \$988 million and \$980 million under the Term Loan, and carrying value, net of the

remaining discount and debt issuance costs, of \$967 million, \$972 million and \$968 million.

The Amended Domestic Credit Agreement limits our ability to make restricted payments, including dividends and share repurchases, subject to specified exceptions that are available if, in each case, no event of default under the credit facility exists immediately before or after giving effect to the restricted payment. These include exceptions that require that projected availability under the credit facility, as defined, is at least 15%, exceptions that may be

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subject to certain maximum amounts and an exception that requires that the restricted payment is funded from cash on hand and not from borrowings under the credit facility. Further, the Amended Domestic Credit Agreement includes customary covenants that restrict our ability to make dispositions, prepay debt, and make investments, subject, in each case, to various exceptions. The Amended Domestic Credit Agreement also imposes various other requirements, which take effect if availability falls below designated thresholds, including a cash dominion requirement and a requirement that the fixed charge ratio at the last day of any quarter be not less than 1.0 to 1.0.

At April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, we had \$244 million, \$410 million and \$797 million, respectively, of Revolving Facility borrowings and \$652 million, \$657 million and \$652 million, respectively, of letters of credit outstanding under the Revolving Facility. At April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, the amount available to borrow under the Revolving Facility was \$265 million, \$726 million and \$316 million, respectively, which reflects the effect of the springing fixed charge coverage ratio covenant and the borrowing base limitation. The majority of the letters of credit outstanding are used to provide collateral for our insurance programs. 2016 Term Loan

On April 8, 2016, the Company, SRAC, and Kmart Corporation (together with SRAC, the "ABL Borrowers") entered into an amendment to the Amended Domestic Credit Agreement, with a syndicate of lenders, including Bank of America, N.A. (the "Bank"), as agent. The amendment to the Amended Domestic Credit Agreement was executed in connection with the closing of the Company's previously announced \$750 million Senior Secured Term Loan under the Amended Domestic Credit Agreement (the "2016 Term Loan").

Amounts borrowed pursuant to the 2016 Term Loan will bear interest at a rate equal to the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") plus 750 basis points, subject to a 1.00% LIBOR floor. The Company received approximately \$722 million in net proceeds from the 2016 Term Loan, which proceeds were used to reduce outstanding borrowings under its asset-based revolving credit facility. The 2016 Term Loan has a maturity date of July 20, 2020, which is the same maturity date as the Company's \$1.971 billion revolving credit facility commitments, and does not amortize. The amendment provides for a premium of 2% of the aggregate principal amount of the 2016 Term Loan prepaid on or prior to April 8, 2017 and 1% of the aggregate principal amount of the 2016 Term Loan prepaid after April 8, 2017 and on or prior to April 8, 2018. The obligations under the Amended Domestic Credit Agreement, including the 2016 Term Loan, are secured by a first lien on substantially all of the domestic inventory and credit card and pharmacy receivables of the Company and its subsidiaries and aggregate advances under the Amended Domestic Credit Agreement is guaranteed by all domestic subsidiaries of the Company that own inventory or credit card or pharmacy receivables. The other material terms of the Amended Domestic Credit Agreement were not modified by the amendment. The carrying value of the 2016 Term Loan, net of the remaining discount and debt issuance costs, was \$722 million at April 30, 2016. Senior Secured Notes

In October 2010, we sold \$1.0 billion aggregate principal amount of senior secured notes (the "Senior Secured Notes"), which bear interest at 6 5/8% per annum and mature on October 15, 2018. Concurrent with the closing of the sale of the Senior Secured Notes, the Company sold \$250 million aggregate principal amount of Senior Secured Notes to the Company's domestic pension plan in a private placement, none of which remain in the domestic pension plan as a result of the Tender Offer discussed below. The Senior Secured Notes are guaranteed by certain subsidiaries of the Company and are secured by a security interest in certain assets consisting primarily of domestic inventory and credit card receivables (the "Collateral"). The lien that secures the Senior Secured Notes is junior in priority to the lien on such assets that secures obligations under the Amended Domestic Credit Agreement, as well as certain other first priority lien obligations. The Company used the net proceeds of this offering to repay borrowings outstanding under a previous domestic credit agreement on the settlement date and to fund the working capital requirements of our retail businesses, capital expenditures and for general corporate purposes. The indenture under which the Senior Secured Notes were issued contains restrictive covenants that, among other things, (1) limit the ability of the Company and certain of its domestic subsidiaries to create liens and enter into sale and leaseback transactions and (2) limit the

ability of the Company to consolidate with or merge into, or sell other than for cash or lease all or substantially all of its assets to, another person. The indenture also provides for certain events of default, which, if any were to occur, would permit or require the principal and accrued and unpaid interest on all the then

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outstanding Senior Secured Notes to be due and payable immediately. Generally, the Company is required to offer to repurchase all outstanding Senior Secured Notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of the principal amount if the borrowing base (as calculated pursuant to the indenture) falls below the principal value of the Senior Secured Notes plus any other indebtedness for borrowed money that is secured by liens on the Collateral for two consecutive quarters or upon the occurrence of certain change of control triggering events. The Company may call the Senior Secured Notes at a premium based on the "Treasury Rate" as defined in the indenture, plus 50 basis points. On September 6, 2011, we completed our offer to exchange the Senior Secured Notes held by nonaffiliates for a new issue of substantially identical notes registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The Company completed a Tender Offer for \$936 million principal amount of its outstanding Senior Secured Notes during the third quarter of 2015. The carrying value of Senior Secured Notes, net of the remaining discount and debt issuance costs, was \$302 million, \$1.2 billion and \$302 million at April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, respectively. Senior Unsecured Notes

On October 20, 2014, the Company announced its board of directors had approved a rights offering allowing its stockholders to purchase up to \$625 million in aggregate principal amount of 8% senior unsecured notes due 2019 and warrants to purchase shares of its common stock. The subscription rights were distributed to all stockholders of the Company as of October 30, 2014, the record date for this rights offering, and every stockholder had the right to participate on the same terms in accordance with its pro rata ownership of the Company's common stock, except that holders of the Company's restricted stock that was unvested as of the record date received cash awards in lieu of subscription rights. This rights offering closed on November 18, 2014 and was oversubscribed.

Accordingly, on November 21, 2014, the Company issued \$625 million aggregate original principal amount of 8%

Accordingly, on November 21, 2014, the Company Issued \$625 million aggregate original principal amount of 8% senior unsecured notes due 2019 (the "Senior Unsecured Notes") and received proceeds of \$625 million which were used for general corporate purposes. The Senior Unsecured Notes are the unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Company and rank equal in right of payment with the existing and future unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness of the Company. The Senior Unsecured Notes bear interest at a rate of 8% per annum and the Company will pay interest semi-annually on June 15 and December 15 of each year. The Senior Unsecured Notes are not guaranteed.

We accounted for the Senior Unsecured Notes in accordance with accounting standards applicable to distinguishing liabilities from equity and debt with conversion and other options. Accordingly, we allocated the proceeds received for the Senior Unsecured Notes based on the relative fair values of the Senior Unsecured Notes and warrants, which resulted in a discount to the notes of approximately \$278 million. The fair value of the Senior Unsecured Notes and warrants was estimated based on quoted market prices for the same issues using Level 1 measurements as defined in Note 5 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2016. The discount is being amortized over the life of the Senior Unsecured Notes using the effective interest method with an effective interest rate of 11.55%. Approximately \$8 million of the discount was amortized during the 13 week period ended May 2, 2015, resulting in a remaining discount of approximately \$265 million at May 2, 2015. The carrying value of the Senior Unsecured Notes net of the remaining discount and debt issuance costs was approximately \$356 million at May 2, 2016. Reproximately \$11 million of the discount was amortized during the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016, resulting in a remaining discount of approximately \$229 million at April 30, 2016. The carrying value of the Senior Unsecured Notes, net of the remaining discount and debt issuance costs, was approximately \$394 million at April 30, 2016.

Wholly owned Insurance Subsidiary and Intercompany Securities

We have numerous types of insurable risks, including workers' compensation, product and general liability, automobile, warranty, asbestos and environmental claims and the extended service contracts we sell to our customers. In addition, we provide credit insurance to third party creditors of the Company to mitigate their credit risk with the Company. The associated risks are managed through Holdings' wholly owned insurance subsidiary, Sears Reinsurance Company Ltd. ("Sears Re"), a Bermuda Class 3 insurer.

In accordance with applicable insurance regulations, Sears Re holds marketable securities to support the insurance coverage it provides. Sears has utilized two securitization structures to issue specific securities in which Sears Re has invested its capital to fund its insurance obligations. In November 2003, Sears formed a Real Estate Mortgage

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Investment Conduit ("REMIC"). The real estate associated with 125 Full-line stores was contributed to indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of Sears, and then leased back to Sears. The contributed stores were mortgaged and the REMIC issued to wholly owned subsidiaries of Sears (including Sears Re) \$1.3 billion (par value) of securities (the "REMIC Securities") that are secured by the mortgages and collateral assignments of the store leases. Payments to the holders on the REMIC Securities are funded by the lease payments, In May 2006, a subsidiary of Holdings contributed the rights to use the Kenmore, Craftsman and DieHard trademarks in the U.S. and its possessions and territories to KCD IP, LLC, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Holdings. KCD IP, LLC has licensed the use of the trademarks to subsidiaries of Holdings, including Sears and Kmart. Asset-backed securities with a par value of \$1.8 billion (the "KCD Securities") were issued by KCD IP, LLC and subsequently purchased by Sears Re, the collateral for which includes the trademark rights and royalty income. Payments to the holders on the KCD Securities are funded by the royalty payments. The issuers of the REMIC Securities and KCD Securities and the owners of these real estate and trademark assets are bankruptcy remote, special purpose entities that are indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of Holdings. Cash flows received from rental streams and licensing fee streams paid by Sears, Kmart, other affiliates and third parties, are used for the payment of fees and interest on these securities. In the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013, Holdings contributed all of the outstanding capital stock of Sears Re to SRe Holding Corporation, a direct wholly owned subsidiary of Holdings. Sears Re thereafter reduced its excess statutory capital through the distribution of all REMIC Securities held by it to SRe Holding Corporation. Since the inception of the REMIC and KCD IP, LLC, the REMIC Securities and the KCD Securities have been entirely held by our wholly owned consolidated subsidiaries. At each of April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, the net book value of the securitized trademark rights was approximately \$1.0 billion. The net book value of the securitized real estate assets was approximately \$0.6 billion, \$0.7 billion, and \$0.6 billion at April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, respectively. On March 18, 2016, the Company announced it and certain of its subsidiaries have entered into a five-year pension plan protection and forbearance agreement (the "Definitive Agreement") with the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation ("PBGC") implementing the terms of the previously announced term sheet, dated as of September 4, 2015, entered into by the Company and PBGC. Under the terms of the Definitive Agreement, the Company will continue to protect, or "ring-fence," pursuant to customary covenants, the assets of certain special purpose subsidiaries (the "Relevant Subsidiaries") holding real estate and/or intellectual property assets. Also under the Definitive Agreement, the Relevant Subsidiaries have granted PBGC a springing lien on the ring-fenced assets, which lien will be triggered only by (a) failure to make required contributions to the Company's pension plan (the "Plan"), (b) prohibited transfers of ownership interests in the Relevant Subsidiaries, (c) termination events with respect to the Plan, and (d) bankruptcy events with respect to the Company or certain of its material subsidiaries. **Trade Creditor Matters** 

We have ongoing discussions concerning our liquidity and financial position with the vendor community and third parties that offer various credit protection services to our vendors. The topics discussed have included such areas as pricing, payment terms and ongoing business arrangements. As of the date of this report, we have not experienced any significant disruption in our access to merchandise or our operations.

NOTE 3—STORE CLOSING CHARGES, SEVERANCE COSTS, IMPAIRMENTS AND REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Store Closings and Severance

During the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016, we closed 45 stores in our Kmart segment and five stores in our Sears Domestic segment we previously announced would close. We made the decision to close an additional 93 stores in our Kmart segment and 24 stores in our Sears Domestic segment during the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016. During the 13 week period ended May 2, 2015, we closed six stores in our Kmart segment and two stores in our Sears Domestic segment we previously announced would close. We made the decision to close 12 stores in our Kmart segment and two stores in our Sears Domestic segment during the 13 week period ended May 2, 2015.

In accordance with accounting standards governing costs associated with exit or disposal activities, expenses related to future rent payments for which we no longer intend to receive any economic benefit are accrued for when we

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cease to use the leased space and have been reduced for any income that we believe can be realized through sub-leasing the leased space.

We expect to record additional charges of approximately \$30 million during 2016 related to stores that we had previously made the decision to close, but have not yet closed.

Store closing costs and severance recorded for the 13 week periods ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015 were as follows:

millions	M	arkdowns <sup>(</sup>	Sev Co	erano ests <sup>(2)</sup>	Те	ase rminatior ests <sup>(2)</sup>	•	her narges <sup>(2)</sup>	and Accele Depre		Cl	otal Store osing osts
Kmart	\$	51	\$	5	\$	6	\$	11	\$	4	\$	77
Sears Domestic	9		1		1		3				14	
Total for the 13-week period ended April 30 2016	, \$	60	\$	6	\$	7	\$	14	\$	4	\$	91
Kmart	\$	5	\$	1	\$	28	\$	2	\$	_	\$	36
Sears Domestic	1		2		_		_	-	_		3	
Total for the 13-week period ended May 2, 2015	\$	6	\$	3	\$	28	\$	2	\$	_	\$	39

<sup>(1)</sup> Recorded within cost of sales, buying and occupancy on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. Recorded within selling and administrative on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, Lease

Store closing cost accruals of \$183 million, \$209 million and \$180 million at April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, respectively, were as follows:

millions	Severan Costs	ce	Lease Termination Costs	on	Other Charges	Total
Balance at May 2, 2015	\$ 34		\$ 168		\$ 7	\$209
Store closing costs	34		(20	)	9	23
Payments/utilizations	(10	)	(34	)	(8)	(52)
Balance at January 30, 2016	58		114		8	180
Store closing costs	6		10		14	30
Payments/utilizations	(12	)	(10	)	(5)	(27)
Balance at April 30, 2016	\$ 52		\$ 114		\$ 17	\$183

Long-Lived Assets

In accordance with accounting standards governing the impairment or disposal of long-lived assets, we performed an impairment test of certain of our long-lived assets due to events and changes in circumstances during the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016 that indicated an impairment might have occurred. As a result of impairment testing, the Company recorded impairment charges of \$8 million, of which \$5 million and \$3 million were recorded within the Sears Domestic and Kmart segments, respectively, during the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016.

Impairment

<sup>(2)</sup> termination costs are net of estimated sublease income, and include the reversal of closed store reserves for which the lease agreement has been terminated and the reversal of deferred rent balances related to closed stores.

<sup>(3)</sup> Costs for the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016 are recorded within depreciation and amortization on the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations.

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#### **Real Estate Transactions**

On April 1, 2015, April 13, 2015 and April 30, 2015, Holdings and General Growth Properties, Inc. ("GGP"), Simon Property Group, Inc. ("Simon") and The Macerich Company ("Macerich"), respectively, announced that they entered into three distinct real estate joint ventures (collectively, the "JVs"). Holdings contributed 31 properties to the JVs where Holdings currently operates stores (the "JV properties"), in exchange for a 50% interest in the JVs and \$429 million in cash (\$426 million, net of closing costs) (the "JV transactions"). The JV transactions valued the JV properties at \$858 million in the aggregate.

On July 7, 2015, Holdings completed its rights offering and sale-leaseback transaction (the "Seritage transaction") with Seritage Growth Properties ("Seritage"), a recently formed, independent publicly traded real estate investment trust ("REIT"). As part of the Seritage transaction, Holdings sold 235 properties to Seritage (the "REIT properties") along with Holdings' 50% interest in the JVs. Holdings received aggregate gross proceeds from the Seritage transaction of \$2.7 billion (\$2.6 billion, net of closing costs). The Seritage transaction valued the REIT properties at \$2.3 billion in the aggregate.

In connection with the Seritage transaction and JV transactions, Holdings has entered into agreements with Seritage and the JVs under which Holdings leases 255 of the properties (the "Master Leases"), with the remaining properties being leased by Seritage to third parties. During the 13 weeks ended April 30, 2016, Holdings closed three stores pursuant to recapture notices from Seritage. Holdings recorded rent expense of \$24 million in cost of sales, buying and occupancy for the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016. Rent expense consisted of straight-line rent expense offset by amortization of deferred gain on sale-leaseback, as shown in the table below.

	13 Weeks Ende	d Aprıl
	30, 2016	
millions	Kmart Domestic	Sears Holdings
Straight-line rent expense	\$9 \$ 37	\$ 46
Amortization of deferred gain on sale-leaseback	(4) (18)	(22)
Rent expense	\$5 \$ 19	\$ 24

We accounted for the Seritage transaction and JV transactions in accordance with accounting standards applicable to real estate sales and sale-leaseback transactions. We determined that the Seritage transaction qualifies for sales recognition and sale-leaseback accounting. Because of our initial ownership interest in the JVs and continuing involvement in the properties, we determined that the JV transactions, which occurred in the first quarter of 2015, did not initially qualify for sale-leaseback accounting and, therefore, accounted for the JV transactions as financing transactions and, accordingly, recorded a sale-leaseback financing obligation of \$426 million and continued to report the real property assets on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at May 2, 2015. Upon the sale of our 50% interest in the JVs to Seritage, the continuing involvement through an ownership interest in the buyer-lessor no longer exists, and Holdings determined that the JV transactions then qualified for sales recognition and sale-leaseback accounting, with the exception of four properties for which we still have continuing involvement as a result of an obligation to redevelop the stores for a third-party tenant and pay rent on behalf of the third-party tenant until it commences rent payments to the JVs.

With the exception of the four properties that have continuing involvement, in accordance with accounting standards related to sale-leaseback transactions, Holdings recognized any loss on sale immediately, any gain on sale in excess of the present value of minimum lease payments immediately, and any remaining gain was deferred and will be recognized in proportion to the related rent expense, which is a component of cost of sales, buying and occupancy, on the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations, over the lease term. At April 30, 2016, \$88 million of the deferred gain on sale-leaseback is classified as current within other current liabilities and \$718 million is classified as long-term as deferred gain on sale-leaseback on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. During the 13 weeks ended April 30, 2016, Holdings recorded gains of \$26 million related to three stores that closed pursuant to recapture

notices from Seritage, of which \$13 million related to the gain that had previously been deferred as we no longer have continuing involvement, and \$13 million related to lease termination proceeds.

Holdings accounted for the four properties that have continuing involvement as a financing transaction in accordance with accounting standards related to sale-leaseback transactions. Accordingly, Holdings recorded a sale-

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leaseback financing obligation of \$164 million, which is classified as long-term as sale-leaseback financing obligation on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet at April 30, 2016. The decrease in the sale-leaseback financing obligation from \$426 million at May 2, 2015 to \$164 million at April 30, 2016 represents a noncash change. We continued to report the real property assets of \$59 million at April 30, 2016 on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, which are included in our Sears Domestic segment.

During the first quarter of 2015, we recorded gains on the sales of assets of \$107 million in connection with real estate transactions, which included gains of \$86 million recognized on the sale of two Sears Full-line stores for which we received \$96 million of cash proceeds, and \$10 million recognized on the surrender and early termination of one Kmart store lease. In connection with one of the Sears Full-line stores, we entered into a leaseback agreement for up to 6 months. We determined that we have surrendered substantially all of our rights and obligations, and, therefore, immediate gain recognition is appropriate on all of these transactions.

### NOTE 4—EQUITY

### Earnings per Share

The following table sets forth the components used to calculate basic and diluted loss per share attributable to Holdings' shareholders. During the 13 week period ended May 2, 2015, warrants, restricted stock awards and restricted stock units, totaling 6.1 million shares, were not included in the computation of diluted loss per share attributable to Holdings' shareholders because the effect of their inclusion would have been antidilutive.

	13 Weeks					
	Ended					
millions avant comings per shore	April 30	),May 2,				
millions, except earnings per share	2016	2015				
Basic weighted average shares	106.8	106.5				
Diluted weighted average shares	106.8	106.5				
Net loss attributable to Holdings' shareholders	\$(471)	\$(303)				
Loss per share attributable to Holdings' shareholders:						

**Basic** \$(4.41) \$(2.85) Diluted \$(4.41) \$(2.85)

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

The following table displays the components of accumulated other comprehensive loss:

millions		May 2,	January 3	IJ,
		2015	2016	
Pension and postretirement adjustments (net of tax of \$(296) for all periods presented)	\$(1,851)	\$(1,963)	\$ (1,915	)
Currency translation adjustments (net of tax of \$0 for all periods presented)	(3)	(2)	(3	)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$(1,854)	\$(1,965)	\$ (1,918	)

Pension and postretirement adjustments relate to the net actuarial loss on our pension and postretirement plans recognized as a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss.

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Income Tax Expense Allocated to Each Component of Other Comprehensive Income Income tax expense allocated to each component of other comprehensive income was as follows:

13 Weeks Ended April 13 Weeks Ended May

30, 2016

Before Net of Before Net of Tax Tax Tax Tax Expense Amount Amount Amount Amount Amount

Other comprehensive income

millions

Pension and postretirement adjustments<sup>(1)</sup> \$64 \$ —\$ 64 \$65 \$ —\$ 65

Total other comprehensive income \$64 \$ —\$ 65

#### NOTE 5—BENEFIT PLANS

Pension and Postretirement Benefit Plans

We provide benefits to certain associates who are eligible under various defined benefit pension plans, contributory defined benefit pension plans and other postretirement plans, primarily retiree medical benefits. For purposes of determining the periodic expense of our defined benefit plans, we use the fair value of plan assets as the market related value. The following table summarizes the components of total net periodic benefit expense, recorded within Selling and administrative on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, for our retirement plans:

13 Weeks Ended April May 2, 2016 2015

Components of net periodic expense:

Interest cost \$58 \$54
Expected return on plan assets (50 ) (62 )
Amortization of experience losses 64 65
Net periodic expense \$72 \$57

Contributions

millions

During the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016, we made total contributions of \$76 million to our pension and postretirement plans. During the 13 week period ended May 2, 2015, we made total contributions of \$67 million to our pension and postretirement plans. We anticipate making aggregate contributions to our defined benefit and postretirement plans of approximately \$257 million over the remainder of 2016.

### NOTE 6—INCOME TAXES

We had gross unrecognized tax benefits of \$141 million at April 30, 2016, \$134 million at May 2, 2015 and \$137 million at January 30, 2016. Of the amount at April 30, 2016, \$91 million, would, if recognized, impact our effective tax rate, with the remaining amount being comprised of unrecognized tax benefits related to gross temporary differences or any other indirect benefits. During the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016, gross unrecognized tax benefits increased by \$4 million due to state activity. During the 13 week period ended May 2, 2015, gross unrecognized tax benefits increased by \$3 million due to state activity. We expect that our unrecognized tax benefits could decrease by as much as \$6 million over the next 12 months for tax audit settlements and the expiration of the statute of limitations for certain jurisdictions.

We classify interest expense and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits and interest income on tax overpayments as components of income tax expense. At April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, the total amount of interest and penalties included in our tax accounts in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet was \$58

<sup>(1)</sup> Included in the computation of net periodic benefit expense. See Note 5 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

million (\$38 million net of federal benefit), \$52 million (\$34 million net of federal benefit), and \$56 million (\$36

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million net of federal benefit), respectively. The total amount of net interest expense recognized as part of Income tax expense in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations was \$1 million (net of federal benefit) and \$2 million (net of federal benefit), respectively, for the 13 week periods ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015, respectively.

We file income tax returns in both the United States and various foreign jurisdictions. The U.S. Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") has completed its examination of all federal tax returns of Holdings through the 2009 return, and all matters arising from such examinations have been resolved. In addition, Holdings and Sears are under examination by various state, local and foreign income tax jurisdictions for the years 2003 through 2013, and Kmart is under examination by such jurisdictions for the years 2006 through 2013.

At the end of 2015, we had a federal and state net operating loss ("NOL") deferred tax asset of \$1.6 billion, which will expire predominately between 2019 and 2036. We have credit carryforwards of \$832 million, which will expire between 2016 and 2036.

At January 30, 2016, we had a valuation allowance of \$4.8 billion to record only the portion of the deferred tax asset that more likely than not will be realized. The amount of the deferred tax asset considered realizable, however, could be adjusted in the future if estimates of future taxable income during the carryforward period are reduced or increased, or if objective negative evidence in the form of cumulative losses is no longer present and additional weight may be given to subjective evidence such as our projections for growth. We will continue to evaluate our valuation allowance as the year progresses for any change in circumstances that causes a change in judgment about the realizability of the deferred tax asset.

The application of the requirements for accounting for income taxes in interim periods, after consideration of our valuation allowance, causes a significant variation in the typical relationship between income tax expense and pretax accounting income. As such, for the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016, our effective income tax rate was an expense of 3.3%. Our tax rate continues to reflect the effect of not recognizing the benefit of current period losses in certain domestic jurisdictions where it is not more likely than not that such benefits would be realized. In addition, the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016 was negatively impacted by foreign branch taxes and state income taxes.

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### NOTE 7—SUMMARY OF SEGMENT DATA

These reportable segment classifications are based on our business formats, as described in Note 1. The Kmart format represents both an operating and reportable segment. The Sears Domestic reportable segment consists of the aggregation of several business formats. These formats are evaluated by our Chief Operating Decision Maker ("CODM") to make decisions about resource allocation and to assess performance.

Each of these segments derives its revenues from the sale of merchandise and related services to customers, primarily in the United States. The merchandise and service categories are as follows:

- (i) Hardlines—consists of home appliances, consumer electronics, lawn & garden, tools & hardware, automotive parts, household goods, toys, housewares and sporting goods;
- (ii) Apparel and Soft Home—includes women's, men's, kids', footwear, jewelry, accessories and soft home;
- (iii) Food and Drug—consists of grocery & household, pharmacy and drugstore;
- (iv) Service—includes repair, installation and automotive service and extended contract revenue; and

13 Weeks Ended April 30,

Other—includes revenues earned in connection with our agreements with SHO and Lands' End, as well as credit revenues and licensed business revenues.

	2016	,	
millions	Kmart	Sears	Sears
Illillons	Killart	Domestic	Holdings
Merchandise sales and services			
Hardlines	\$560	\$ 1,708	\$2,268
Apparel and Soft Home	729	571	1,300
Food and Drug	833	1	834
Service	3	516	519
Other	14	459	473
Total merchandise sales and services	2,139	3,255	5,394
Costs and expenses			
Cost of sales, buying and occupancy	1,735	2,482	4,217
Selling and administrative	544	959	1,503
Depreciation and amortization	19	76	95
Impairment charges	3	5	8
Gain on sales of assets	(46)	(15)	(61)
Total costs and expenses	2,255	3,507	5,762
Operating loss	\$(116)	\$ (252 )	\$(368)
Total assets	\$2,919	\$ 8,256	\$11,175
Capital expenditures	\$11	\$ 29	\$40

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	13 Weeks Ended May 2, 2015			
millions	Kmart	Sears	Sears	
millions		Domestic	Holdings	
Merchandise sales and services				
Hardlines	\$636	\$1,832	\$2,468	
Apparel and Soft Home	776	651	1,427	
Food and Drug	923	2	925	
Service	3	522	525	
Other	18	519	537	
Total merchandise sales and services	2,356	3,526	5,882	
Costs and expenses				
Cost of sales, buying and occupancy	1,838	2,526	4,364	
Selling and administrative	623	1,058	1,681	
Depreciation and amortization	20	102	122	
Gain on sales of assets	(18)	(89)	(107)	
Total costs and expenses	2,463	3,597	6,060	
Operating loss	\$(107)	\$(71)	\$(178)	
Total assets	\$3,151	\$10,118	\$13,269	
Capital expenditures	\$5	\$39	\$44	

#### NOTE 8—SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Other long-term liabilities at April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016 consisted of the following:

millions	April 30,	May 2,	January 30,
	2016	2015	2016
Unearned revenues	\$ 678	\$720	\$ 694
Self-insurance reserves	571	611	567
Other	469	528	470
Total	\$ 1,718	\$1,859	\$ 1,731

#### NOTE 9—LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are a defendant in several lawsuits containing class or collective action allegations in which the plaintiffs are current and former hourly and salaried associates who allege violations of various wage and hour laws, rules and regulations pertaining to alleged misclassification of certain of our employees, the failure to pay overtime and/or the failure to pay for missed meal and rest periods and other payroll violations. The complaints generally seek unspecified monetary damages, injunctive relief, or both. Further, certain of these proceedings are in jurisdictions with reputations for aggressive application of laws and procedures against corporate defendants. We also are a defendant in several putative or certified class action lawsuits in California relating to alleged failure to comply with California laws pertaining to certain operational, marketing, and pricing practices. The California laws alleged to have been violated in each of these lawsuits provide the potential for significant statutory penalties. At this time, the Company is not able to either predict the outcome of these lawsuits or reasonably estimate a potential range of loss with respect to the lawsuits.

We are subject to various other legal and governmental proceedings and investigations, including some involving the practices and procedures in our more highly regulated businesses. Some matters contain class action allegations, environmental and asbestos exposure allegations and other consumer-based, regulatory or qui tam claims, each of which may seek compensatory, punitive or treble damage claims (potentially in large amounts), as well as other

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types of relief. Additionally, some of these claims or actions, such as the qui tam claims, have the potential for significant statutory penalties.

In May and June of 2015, four shareholder lawsuits were filed in the Delaware Chancery Court, which have since been consolidated into a single action. A consolidated complaint has been filed, naming Holdings, the members of our Board of Directors, ESL Investments, Inc., Seritage, our CEO, and Fairholme, alleging, among other things, breaches of fiduciary duties in connection with the Seritage transaction. Among other forms of relief, the plaintiffs are currently seeking damages in unspecified amounts and equitable relief related to the Seritage transaction. The Company believes that the Seritage transaction has provided substantial benefits to Holdings and its shareholders and believes further that the plaintiffs' claims are legally without merit. Holdings intends to contest these lawsuits vigorously. In accordance with accounting standards regarding loss contingencies, we accrue an undiscounted liability for those contingencies where the incurrence of a loss is probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated, and we disclose the amount accrued and the amount of a reasonably possible loss in excess of the amount accrued, if such disclosure is necessary for our financial statements to not be misleading. We do not record liabilities when the liability is believed to be only reasonably possible or remote.

Because litigation outcomes are inherently unpredictable, our evaluation of legal proceedings often involves a series of complex assessments by management about future events and can rely heavily on estimates and assumptions. If the assessments indicate that loss contingencies that could be material to any one of our financial statements are not probable, but are reasonably possible, or are probable, but cannot be estimated, then we disclose the nature of the loss contingencies, together with an estimate of the range of possible loss or a statement that such loss is not reasonably estimable. While the consequences of certain unresolved proceedings are not presently determinable, and an estimate of the probable and reasonably possible loss or range of loss in excess of amounts accrued for such proceedings cannot be reasonably made, an adverse outcome from such proceedings could have a material effect on our earnings in any given reporting period. However, in the opinion of our management, after consulting with legal counsel, and taking into account insurance and reserves, the ultimate liability related to current outstanding matters is not expected to have a material effect on our financial position, liquidity or capital resources.

### NOTE 10—RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

### **Stock-based Compensation**

In March 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued an accounting standards update which simplifies several aspects of the accounting for employee share-based payment transactions, including the accounting for income taxes, forfeitures and statutory withholding requirements, as well as classification in the statement of cash flows. The update is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, and interim periods within those fiscal years, with early adoption permitted. We are currently evaluating the effect the update will have on our consolidated financial statements.

### Derivatives and Hedging

In March 2016, the FASB issued an accounting standards update which clarifies the requirements for assessing whether contingent call (put) options that can accelerate the payment of principal on debt instruments are clearly and closely related to their debt hosts. The update is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, and interim periods within those fiscal years, with early adoption permitted. The amendments in the update must be applied on a modified retrospective basis to existing debt instruments as of the beginning of the fiscal year for which the amendments are effective. We are currently evaluating the effect the update will have on our consolidated financial statements.

### Recognition of Breakage for Certain Prepaid Store-Value Products

In March 2016, the FASB issued an accounting standards update which amends the guidance on extinguishing financial liabilities for certain prepaid store-value products. If an entity selling prepaid store-value products expects to be entitled to an amount that will not be redeemed, the entity will recognize the expected breakage in proportion

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to the pattern of rights expected to be exercised by the product holder to the extent that it is probable that a significant reversal of the breakage amount will not subsequently occur. The update is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within those fiscal years, with early adoption permitted, including adoption before the effective date of Revenue from Contracts with Customers. We are currently evaluating the effect the update will have on our consolidated financial statements.

#### Leases

In February 2016, the FASB issued an accounting standards update which replaces the current lease accounting standard. The update will require, among other items, lessees to recognize a right-of-use asset and a lease liability for most leases. Extensive quantitative and qualitative disclosures, including significant judgments made by management, will be required to provide greater insight into the extent of revenue and expense recognized and expected to be recognized from existing contracts. The update is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those fiscal years, with early adoption permitted. The new standard must be adopted using a modified retrospective transition, and provides for certain practical expedients. Transition will require application of the new guidance at the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented. We are currently evaluating the effect the update will have on our consolidated financial statements.

### Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes

In November 2015, the FASB issued an accounting standards update which simplifies the presentation of deferred income taxes by requiring that deferred income tax liabilities and assets be classified as noncurrent in a classified statement of financial position. As permitted, the Company early adopted the update beginning in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015 utilizing retrospective application. The impact of this update was a reclassification of deferred income tax liabilities from short-term deferred tax liabilities to long-term deferred tax liabilities of \$480 million at May 2, 2015. Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs

In April 2015, the FASB issued an accounting standards update which simplifies the presentation of debt issuance costs by requiring that debt issuance costs be presented in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the carrying amount of the debt liability, consistent with discounts or premiums. In August 2015, the FASB issued an accounting standards update which adds paragraphs about the presentation and subsequent measurement of debt issuance costs associated with line-of-credit arrangements, and allows for the presentation of debt issuance costs as an asset regardless of whether or not there is an outstanding balance on the line-of-credit arrangement. As permitted, the Company early adopted the update beginning in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2015. The impact of this update was a reclassification of unamortized debt issuance costs from other assets to long-term debt and capitalized lease obligations of \$21 million at May 2, 2015. The Company continued to report unamortized debt issuance costs related to the Revolving Facility of \$45 million, \$13 million and \$49 million at April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, respectively, within other assets.

### Presentation of Financial Statements - Going Concern

In August 2014, the FASB issued an accounting standards update which requires management to assess whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the financial statements are issued. If substantial doubt exists, additional disclosures are required. This update will be effective for the Company in the first quarter of 2017. The adoption of the new standard is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations, cash flows or disclosures.

#### Revenue from Contracts with Customers

In May 2014, the FASB issued an accounting standards update which replaces the current revenue recognition standards. Subsequently, the FASB has also issued accounting standards updates which clarify the guidance. The new revenue recognition standard provides a five-step analysis of transactions to determine when and how revenue is recognized. The core principle is that a company should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised

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goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. This standard was initially released as effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, however, the FASB has decided to defer the effective date of this accounting standard update for one year. Early adoption of the update is permitted, but not before the original date for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016. The update may be applied retrospectively for each period presented or as a cumulative-effect adjustment at the date of adoption. The Company is evaluating the effect of adopting this new standard. NOTE 11—RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURE

Mr. Lampert is Chairman of our Board of Directors and its Finance Committee and is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of ESL. Additionally, on February 1, 2013, Mr. Lampert became our Chief Executive Officer, in addition to his role as Chairman of the Board. ESL owned approximately 50% of our outstanding common stock at April 30, 2016 (excluding shares of common stock that ESL may acquire within 60 days upon the exercise of warrants to purchase shares of our common stock).

On February 25, 2016, Holdings announced the election of Bruce R. Berkowitz to membership on our Board of Directors. Mr. Berkowitz serves as the Chief Investment Officer of Fairholme Capital Management, LLC, an investment adviser registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), and is the President and a Director of Fairholme Funds, Inc., a SEC-registered investment company providing investment management services to three mutual funds (together with Fairholme Capital Management, LLC and other affiliates, "Fairholme"). Fairholme owned approximately 25% of our outstanding common stock at April 30, 2016 (excluding shares of common stock that Fairholme may acquire within 60 days upon the exercise of warrants to purchase shares of our common stock).

## **Unsecured Commercial Paper**

During the 13 week periods ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015, ESL and its affiliates held unsecured commercial paper issued by SRAC, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Holdings. For the commercial paper outstanding to ESL, the weighted average of each of maturity, annual interest rate and principal amount outstanding for this commercial paper was 33.0 days, 7.98% and \$56 million and 32.0 days, 4.55% and \$3 million, respectively, during the 13 week periods ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015. The largest aggregate amount of principal outstanding to ESL at any time since the beginning of 2016 was \$150 million and \$1 million of interest was paid by SRAC to ESL during the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016. ESL held \$125 million and \$100 million of our commercial paper at April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015, respectively, which included \$77 million and \$58 million held by Mr. Lampert. During the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016, Fairholme and its affiliates held unsecured commercial paper issued by SRAC. For the commercial paper outstanding to Fairholme, the weighted average of each maturity, annual interest rate and principal amount outstanding for this commercial paper was 11.5 days, 6.05% and \$354 thousand during the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016. The largest aggregate amount of principal outstanding to Fairholme at any time since the beginning of 2016 was \$1 million and the aggregate amount of interest paid by SRAC to Fairholme was \$6 thousand during the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016.

The commercial paper sales were made in accordance with guidelines reviewed and approved by the Company's audit committee.

#### Secured Short-Term Loan

In September 2014, the Company, through the Short-Term Borrowers, entities wholly-owned and controlled, directly or indirectly by the Company, entered into the \$400 million Short-Term Loan with the Short-Term Lender, entities affiliated with ESL. The Company repaid the Short-Term Loan during 2015. See Note 2 for additional information regarding the Short-Term Loan.

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#### Secured Loan Facility

In April 2016, the Company, through the Secured Loan Borrowers, entities wholly-owned and controlled, directly or indirectly by the Company, obtained a \$500 million secured short-term loan facility with the Secured Loan Lenders, some of which are entities affiliated with ESL. At April 30, 2016, entities affiliated with ESL held \$250 million of principal amount of the Secured Loan Facility. See Note 2 for additional information regarding the Secured Loan Facility.

#### 2016 Term Loan

In April 2016, the Company, through the ABL Borrowers, obtained a \$750 million Senior Secured Term Loan under the Amended Domestic Credit Agreement with a syndicate of lenders, including \$146 million (net of original issue discount) from JPP, LLC and JPP II, LLC, entities affiliated with ESL, and \$100 million from the Company's domestic pension plan. See Note 2 for additional information regarding the 2016 Term Loan. At April 30, 2016, JPP LLC and JPP II, LLC, and the Company's domestic pension plan held \$150 million and \$100 million, respectively, of principal of the 2016 Term Loan.

#### Senior Secured Notes

At both April 30, 2016 and January 30, 2016, Mr. Lampert and ESL held an aggregate of approximately \$11 million of principal of the Company's Senior Secured Notes. At May 2, 2015, Mr. Lampert and ESL held an aggregate of \$205 million of principal amount of the Company's Senior Secured Notes.

At April 30, 2016, Fairholme held an aggregate of approximately \$46 million of principal of the Company's Senior Secured Notes. At May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, respectively, Fairholme held an aggregate of \$208 million and \$22 million of principal amount of the Company's Senior Secured Notes.

## **Subsidiary Notes**

At each of April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, Mr. Lampert and ESL held an aggregate of \$3 million of principal amount of unsecured notes issued by SRAC (the "Subsidiary Notes").

At both April 30, 2016 and January 30, 2016, Fairholme held an aggregate of \$14 million of principal amount of Subsidiary Notes.

#### Senior Unsecured Notes and Warrants

At both April 30, 2016 and January 30, 2016, Mr. Lampert and ESL held an aggregate of approximately \$193 million of principal amount of the Company's Senior Unsecured Notes, and 10,033,472 warrants to purchase shares of Holdings common stock. At May 2, 2015, Mr. Lampert and ESL held an aggregate of approximately \$299 million of principal amount of the Company's Senior Unsecured Notes, and 10,530,633 warrants to purchase shares of Holdings common stock.

At April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, respectively, Fairholme held an aggregate of approximately \$357 million, \$205 million and \$360 million of principal amount of the Company's Senior Unsecured Notes, and 6,741,584, 6,418,517 and 6,839,379 warrants to purchase shares of Holdings common stock.

## Sears Canada

ESL owns approximately 45% of the outstanding common shares of Sears Canada (based on publicly available information as of January 4, 2016). Fairholme owns approximately 19% of the outstanding common shares of Sears Canada (based on publicly available information as of March 31, 2016).

## Lands' End

ESL owns approximately 54% of the outstanding common stock of Lands' End (based on publicly available information as of January 19, 2016). Fairholme owns approximately 9% of the outstanding common shares of Lands' End (based on publicly available information as of March 31, 2016). Holdings and certain of its subsidiaries entered into a transition services agreement in connection with the spin-off pursuant to which Lands' End and

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Holdings agreed to provide, on an interim, transitional basis, various services, including but not limited to, tax services, logistics services, auditing and compliance services, inventory management services, information technology services and continued participation in certain contracts shared with Holdings and its subsidiaries, as well as agreements related to Lands' End Shops at Sears and participation in the Shop Your Way® program. The majority of the services under the transition services agreement with Lands' End have expired or been terminated. Amounts due to or from Lands' End are non-interest bearing, and generally settled on a net basis. Holdings invoices Lands' End on at least a monthly basis. At April 30, 2016 and January 30, 2016, Holdings reported a net amount payable to Lands' End of \$2 million and \$1 million, respectively in the other current liabilities line of the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. At May 2, 2015, Holdings reported a net amount receivable from Lands' End of \$3 million in the accounts receivable line of the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. Amounts related to revenue from retail services and rent for Lands' End Shops at Sears, participation in the Shop Your Way® program and corporate shared services were \$15 million and \$16 million, respectively, for the 13 week periods ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015. The amounts Lands' End earned related to call center services and commissions were \$2 million and \$2 million for the 13 week periods ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015, respectively.

ESL owns approximately 51% of the outstanding common stock of SHO (based on publicly available information as of February 9, 2016). Holdings and certain of its subsidiaries engage in transactions with SHO pursuant to various agreements with SHO which, among other things, (1) govern the principal transactions relating to the rights offering and certain aspects of our relationship with SHO following the separation, (2) establish terms under which Holdings and certain of its subsidiaries will provide SHO with services, and (3) establish terms pursuant to which Holdings and certain of its subsidiaries will obtain merchandise for SHO.

These agreements were originally made in the context of a parent-subsidiary relationship and were negotiated in the overall context of the separation. In May 2016, the Company and SHO agreed to changes to a number of their related agreements, including extending the merchandise and services agreement until February 1, 2020.

A summary of the nature of related party transactions involving SHO is as follows:

SHO obtains a significant amount of its merchandise from the Company. We have also entered into certain agreements with SHO to provide logistics, handling, warehouse and transportation services. SHO also pays a royalty related to the sale of Kenmore, Craftsman and DieHard products and fees for participation in the Shop Your Way® program.

SHO receives commissions from the Company for the sale of merchandise made through www.sears.com, extended service agreements, delivery and handling services and credit revenues.

The Company provides SHO with shared corporate services. These services include accounting and finance, human resources, information technology and real estate.

Amounts due to or from SHO are non-interest bearing, settled on a net basis, and have payment terms of 10 days after the invoice date. The Company invoices SHO on a weekly basis. At April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, Holdings reported a net amount receivable from SHO of \$103 million, \$101 million and \$51 million, respectively, in the accounts receivable line of the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Amounts related to the sale of inventory and related services, royalties, and corporate shared services were \$335 million and \$382 million, respectively, for the 13 week periods ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015. The net amounts SHO earned related to commissions were \$22 million and \$24 million for the 13 week periods ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015, respectively. Additionally, the Company has guaranteed lease obligations for certain SHO store leases that were assigned as a result of the separation. See Note 4 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 30, 2016 for further information related to these guarantees.

Also in connection with the separation, the Company entered into an agreement with SHO and the agent under SHO's secured credit facility, whereby the Company committed to continue to provide services to SHO in connection with a realization on the lender's collateral after default under the secured credit facility, notwithstanding SHO's default

under the underlying agreement with us, and to provide certain notices and services to the agent, for so long as any obligations remain outstanding under the secured credit facility.

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#### Seritage

ESL owns approximately 9.8% of the total voting power of Seritage, and approximately 43.5% of the limited partnership units of Seritage Growth Properties, L.P. (the "Operating Partnership"), the entity that now owns the properties sold by the Company in the Seritage transaction and through which Seritage conducts its operations (based on publicly available information as of August 14, 2015). Mr. Lampert is also currently the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Seritage. Fairholme owns approximately 14% of the outstanding Class A common shares of Seritage and 100% of the outstanding Class C non-voting common shares of Seritage (based on publicly available information as of March 31, 2016).

In connection with the Seritage transaction as described in Note 3, Holdings entered into a master lease agreement with Seritage. The initial amount of aggregate annual base rent under the master lease is \$134 million for the REIT properties, with increases of 2% per year beginning in the second lease year. Holdings recorded rent expense of \$21 million in cost of sales, buying and occupancy for the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016. Rent expense consists of straight-line rent expense of \$36 million, offset by amortization of a deferred gain recognized pursuant to the sale and leaseback of properties from Seritage of \$15 million, for the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016. In addition to base rent under the Master Lease, Holdings pays monthly installment expenses for property taxes and insurance at all REIT properties where Holdings is a tenant and installment expenses for common area maintenance, utilities and other operating expenses at REIT properties that are multi-tenant locations where Holdings and other third parties are tenants. The initial amount of aggregate installment expenses under the Master Lease is \$70 million, based on estimated installment expenses, and will be reconciled annually based on actual installment expenses. Holdings paid \$17 million for the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016, recorded in cost of sales, buying and occupancy.

Holdings and Seritage entered into a transition services agreement pursuant to which Holdings will provide certain limited services to Seritage for up to 18 months. The services include specified facilities management, accounting, treasury, tax, information technology, risk management, human resources, and related support services. Under the terms of the transition services agreement, the scope and level of the facilities management services will be substantially consistent with the scope and level of the services provided in connection with the operation of the transferred properties held by Holdings prior to the closing of the Seritage transaction. Amounts due from Seritage are generally settled on a net basis. Holdings invoices Seritage on at least a monthly basis. Revenues recognized related to the transition services agreement were not material for the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016. At April 30, 2016, Holdings reported a net amount receivable from Seritage of \$19 million in the accounts receivable line of the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

### NOTE 12—GUARANTOR/NON-GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

At April 30, 2016, the principal amount outstanding of the Company's 65/8% Senior Secured Notes due 2018 was \$302 million. The Senior Secured Notes were issued in 2010 by Sears Holdings Corporation ("Parent"). The Senior Secured Notes are guaranteed by certain of our 100% owned domestic subsidiaries that own the collateral for the notes, as well as by SRAC (the "guarantor subsidiaries"). The following condensed consolidated financial information presents the Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheets at April 30, 2016, May 2, 2015 and January 30, 2016, the Condensed Consolidating Statements of Operations and the Condensed Consolidating Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss) for the 13 week periods ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015, and the Condensed Consolidating Statements of Cash flows for the 13 week periods ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015 of (i) Parent; (ii) the guarantor subsidiaries; (iii) the non-guarantor subsidiaries; (iv) eliminations and (v) the Company on a consolidated basis.

The principal elimination entries relate to investments in subsidiaries and intercompany balances and transactions including transactions with our wholly-owned non-guarantor insurance subsidiary. The Company has accounted for investments in subsidiaries under the equity method. The guarantor subsidiaries are 100% owned directly or indirectly by the Parent and all guarantees are joint, several and unconditional. Additionally, the notes are secured by a security

interest in certain assets consisting primarily of domestic inventory and credit card receivables of the guarantor subsidiaries, and consequently may not be available to satisfy the claims of the Company's general creditors. Certain investments primarily held by non-guarantor subsidiaries are recorded by the issuers at historical cost and are recorded at fair value by the holder.

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# Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet April 30, 2016

millions Current assets	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiarie	Non- Guarantor Subsidiarie		ons Consolida	ited
Cash and cash equivalents	\$—	\$ 238	\$ 48	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 286	
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Intercompany receivables Accounts receivable	2	<del></del> 411	24,113	(27,113	437	
Merchandise inventories	2			_		
	 114	5,028 532	372	— (649	5,028 ) 369	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets					/	
Total current assets	116	6,209	27,557	(27,762	) 6,120	
Total property and equipment, net	_	1,740	780	_	2,520	
Goodwill and intangible assets	_	267	1,909	<u> </u>	2,176	
Other assets		264	1,842	(1,747	) 359	
Investment in subsidiaries	10,413	26,743		(37,156	) —	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$10,529	\$ 35,223	\$ 32,088	\$ (66,665	) \$ 11,175	
Current liabilities						
Short-term borrowings	<b>\$</b> —	\$ 380	\$ —	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 380	
Current portion of long-term debt and capitalized lease		65	1		66	
obligations			1			
Merchandise payables	_	1,337		_	1,337	
Intercompany payables	12,232	14,881		(27,113	) —	
Other current liabilities	22	2,134	1,304	(649	) 2,811	
Total current liabilities	12,254	18,797	1,305	(27,762	) 4,594	
Long-term debt and capitalized lease obligations	695	4,192	1	(1,576	) 3,312	
Pension and postretirement benefits		2,132	5		2,137	
Deferred gain on sale-leaseback	_	718		_	718	
Sale-leaseback financing obligation	_	164		_	164	
Long-term deferred tax liabilities	58		892	(58	) 892	
Other long-term liabilities		818	1,123	(223	) 1,718	
Total Liabilities	13,007	26,821	3,326	(29,619	) 13,535	
EQUITY (DEFICIT)	,	,	,	,	, ,	
Shareholder's equity (deficit)	(2,478)	8,402	28,762	(37,053	) (2,367	)
Noncontrolling interest				7	7	,
Total Equity (Deficit)	(2,478)	8,402	28,762	(37,046	) (2,360	)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (DEFICIT)	\$10,529	*	\$ 32,088	,	) \$ 11,175	,
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## Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet

May 2, 2015

millions  Current assets	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiarie	Non- Guarantor Subsidiarie		ons Consolida	ited
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>\$</b> —	\$ 253	\$ 33	\$ <i>-</i>	\$ 286	
Intercompany receivables	<del>—</del>	—	26,855	(26,855	) —	
Accounts receivable	_	443	31	_	474	
Merchandise inventories		5,054	_		5,054	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	38	789	265	(843	) 249	
Total current assets	38	6,539	27,184	(27,698	) 6,063	
Total property and equipment, net		3,436	915	_	4,351	
Goodwill and intangible assets		274	2,089		2,363	
Other assets		241	2,352	(2,101	) 492	
Investment in subsidiaries	11,516	25,459		(36,975	) —	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$11,554	\$ 35,949	\$ 32,540	\$ (66,774	) \$ 13,269	
Current liabilities						
Short-term borrowings	<b>\$</b> —	\$ 714	\$ —	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 714	
Current portion of long-term debt and capitalized lease		71	2		73	
obligations	<del></del>	/ 1	2		73	
Merchandise payables		1,685			1,685	
Intercompany payables	11,174	15,681		(26,855	) —	
Other current liabilities	26	2,230	1,673	(842	) 3,087	
Total current liabilities	11,200	20,381	1,675	(27,697	) 5,559	
Long-term debt and capitalized lease obligations	1,586	3,357	39	(1,902	3,080	
Pension and postretirement benefits	_	2,325	4	_	2,329	
Sale-leaseback financing obligation	_	426	_	_	426	
Long-term deferred tax liabilities	59	241	961	(63	) 1,198	
Other long-term liabilities		901	1,197	(239	) 1,859	
Total Liabilities	12,845	27,631	3,876	(29,901	) 14,451	
EQUITY (DEFICIT)						
Shareholder's equity (deficit)	(1,291)	8,318	28,664	(36,879	) (1,188	)
Noncontrolling interest			_	6	6	
Total Equity (Deficit)	(1,291)	8,318	28,664	(36,873	) (1,182	)
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (DEFICIT)	\$11,554	\$ 35,949	\$ 32,540	\$ (66,774	) \$ 13,269	

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## Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet January 30, 2016

Non-Guarantor millions Parent Guarantor Eliminations Consolidated Subsidiaries Subsidiaries Current assets Cash and cash equivalents \$ 200 \$ 38 **\$**— \$ 238 Intercompany receivables (26,935 26,935 Accounts receivable 7 383 29 419 Merchandise inventories 5,172 5,172 Prepaid expenses and other current assets 114 453 257 (608 ) 216 Total current assets 121 27,259 6,208 (27,543)) 6,045 1,829 Total property and equipment, net 2,631 802 Goodwill and intangible assets 269 2,178 1,909 265 1,910 (1.692)) 483 Other assets Investment in subsidiaries 10,419 26,616 (37,035)) — \$ (66,270 ) \$ 11,337 **TOTAL ASSETS** \$10,540 \$ 35,187 \$ 31,880 Current liabilities Short-term borrowings \$ 797 \$ — \$ ---\$ 797 Current portion of long-term debt and capitalized lease 70 1 71 obligations Merchandise payables 1,574 1,574 Intercompany payables ) — 11.892 15,043 (26,935)Other current liabilities 20 2,273 1,311 (608 ) 2,996 Total current liabilities 1,312 ) 5,438 11,912 19,757 (27,543)Long-term debt and capitalized lease obligations 685 2,998 1 (1,576)) 2,108 Pension and postretirement benefits 2,201 5 2,206 Deferred gain on sale-leaseback 753 753 Sale-leaseback financing obligation 164 164 Long-term deferred tax liabilities 58 ) 893 873 (38 \_\_\_ Other long-term liabilities 832 1,128 (229)) 1,731 **Total Liabilities** 12,655 26,705 3,319 (29,386)) 13,293 **EQUITY (DEFICIT)** Shareholder's equity (deficit) (2,115) 8,482 28,561 (36,891 ) (1,963 ) Noncontrolling interest 7 7 Total Equity (Deficit) 28,561 (2,115) 8,482 (36,884 ) (1,956 ) TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (DEFICIT) \$10,540 \$35,187 \$ 31,880 \$ (66,270 ) \$ 11,337

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## Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations

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millions	Parent	Guarantor	Non- Guarantor EliminationsConsolidate						
	Subsidia		es Subsidiaries						
Merchandise sales and services	<b>\$</b> —	\$ 5,420	\$ 622	\$ (648)	\$ 5,394				
Cost of sales, buying and occupancy	_	4,335	248	(366	4,217				
Selling and administrative	1	1,599	185	(282)	1,503				
Depreciation and amortization		77	18		95				
Impairment charges		8	_		8				
Gain on sales of assets	_	(59	(2)		(61	)			
Total costs and expenses	1	5,960	449	(648)	5,762				
Operating income (loss)	(1)	(540	173		(368	)			
Interest expense	(74)	(145	(20)	154	(85	)			
Interest and investment income (loss)		21	129	(154)	(4	)			
Other income	_	_	1	_	1				
Income (loss) before income taxes	(75)	(664	283	_	(456	)			
Income tax (expense) benefit		36	(51)		(15	)			
Equity (deficit) in earnings in subsidiaries	(396)	146	_	250	_				
NET INCOME (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDINGS	\$(471)	\$ (482	\$ 232	\$ 250	\$ (471	)			
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## Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations

For the 13 Weeks Ended May 2, 2015

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millions	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiario	Non- Guarantor Subsidiari	Eliminatio	onsConsolid	ated
Merchandise sales and services	<b>\$</b> —	\$ 5,917	\$ 742	\$ (777	\$ 5,882	
Cost of sales, buying and occupancy		4,487	267	(390	4,364	
Selling and administrative		1,794	274	(387	1,681	
Depreciation and amortization		103	19		122	
Gain on sales of assets		(106)	(1)		(107	)
Total costs and expenses		6,278	559	(777)	6,060	
Operating income (loss)		(361)	183	_	(178	)
Interest expense	(72)	(121)	(21)	124	(90	)
Interest and investment income (loss)		9	97	(124)	(18	)
Other income		_	1		1	
Income (loss) before income taxes	(72)	(473)	260		(285	)
Income tax (expense) benefit		33	(51)		(18	)
Equity (deficit) in earnings in subsidiaries	(231)	96	_	135	_	
NET INCOME (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDINGS' SHAREHOLDERS	\$(303)	\$ (344 )	\$ 209	\$ 135	\$ (303	)

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Condensed Consolidating Statement of Comprehensive Income (Loss)

For the 13 Weeks Ended April 30, 2016

millions	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiarie	Non- Guarantor Subsidiarie	Eliminati	ionsConsolid	ated
Net income (loss)	\$(471)	\$ (482 )	\$ 232	\$ 250	\$ (471	)
Other comprehensive income						
Pension and postretirement adjustments, net of tax		64	_	_	64	
Unrealized net gain, net of tax			41	(41	) —	
Total other comprehensive income	_	64	41	(41	) 64	
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Holdings' shareholders	\$(471)	\$ (418 )	\$ 273	\$ 209	\$ (407	)

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 $Condensed\ Consolidating\ Statement\ of\ Comprehensive\ Income\ (Loss)$ 

For the 13 Weeks Ended May 2, 2015

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millions	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Guaranto	r Elimination	nsConsolid	ated			
		Subsidiaries	<sup>S</sup> Subsidiar						
Net income (loss)	\$(303)	\$ (344)	\$ 209	\$ 135	\$ (303	)			
Other comprehensive income (loss)									
Pension and postretirement adjustments, net of tax		65	_		65				
Unrealized net gain, net of tax	_	_	(19	) 19	_				
Total other comprehensive income (loss)		65	(19	) 19	65				
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Holdings'	\$(303)	\$ (279 )	\$ 190	\$ 154	\$ (238	`			
shareholders	\$(303)	\$ (219)	\$ 190	<b>ў</b> 13 <del>4</del>	\$ (236	,			

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## Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows For the 13 Weeks Ended April 30, 2016

millions	Parent	Guaranto Subsidiar		Non- Guaranto Subsidia			ion	s Consolid	ated
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 50	\$ (984	)	\$ 265		\$ (53	)	\$ (722	)
Proceeds from sales of property and investments		29		9				38	
Purchases of property and equipment		(38	)	(2	)			(40	)
Net investing with Affiliates	(50)			(209	)	259			
Net cash used in investing activities	(50)	(9	)	(202	)	259		(2	)
Proceeds from debt issuances		1,228		_		_		1,228	
Repayments of long-term debt		(18	)	_		_		(18	)
Decrease in short-term borrowings, primarily 90 days or less	_	(417	)	_		_		(417	)
Debt issuance costs		(21	)			_		(21	)
Intercompany dividend		_	,	(53	)	53		_	,
Net borrowing with Affiliates		259		_		(259	)	_	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		1,031		(53	)	(206	)	772	
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	<b>:</b> —	38		10				48	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	_	200		38		_		238	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	<b>\$</b> —	\$ 238		\$ 48		\$ —		\$ 286	

## SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION

Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements—(Continued) (Unaudited)

## Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows For the 13 Weeks Ended May 2, 2015

millions	Paren	Guaranto Subsidia	_	Non- Guaranto Subsidia			ination	sConsolid	ated
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	<b>-</b> \$ (762	)	\$ 227		\$	_	\$ (535	)
Proceeds from sales of property and investments		108		_				108	
Purchases of property and equipment		(42	)	(2	)			(44	)
Net investing with Affiliates				(222	)	222		_	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		66		(224	)	222		64	
Repayments of long-term debt	_	(217	)	(1	)			(218	)
Increase in short-term borrowings, primarily 90 days or less	_	299		_				299	
Proceeds from sale-leaseback financing	_	426				_		426	
Net borrowing with Affiliates	_	222		_		(222	)		
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	_	730		(1	)	(222	)	507	
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	_	34		2				36	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	_	219		31		_		250	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	\$	\$ 253		\$ 33		\$	_	\$ 286	
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## SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION 13 Weeks Ended April 30, 2016 and May 2, 2015

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations
The following discussion should be read in conjunction with Part II, Item 7 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 30, 2016.

#### **OVERVIEW OF HOLDINGS**

Holdings, the parent company of Kmart and Sears, was formed in connection with the March 24, 2005 Merger of these two companies. We are an integrated retailer with significant physical and intangible assets, as well as virtual capabilities enabled through technology. We currently operate a national network of stores with 1,622 full-line and specialty retail stores in the United States, operating as Kmart and Sears. Further, we operate a number of websites under the Sears.com and Kmart.com banners which offer millions of products and provide the capability for our members and customers to engage in cross-channel transactions such as free store pickup; buy in store/ship to home; and buy online, return in store. We are also the home of Shop Your Way®, a free member-based social shopping platform that offers rewards, personalized services and a unique experience. Shop Your Way® connects all of the ways members shop - in store, at home, online and by phone.

We conduct our operations in two business segments: Kmart and Sears Domestic. The nature of operations conducted within each of these segments is discussed within the "Business Segments" section of Item 1 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 30, 2016. Our business segments have been determined in accordance with accounting standards regarding the determination, and reporting, of business segments.

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#### CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

	13 We	eks	Ended	
millions, except per share data	April 3	30,	May 2	,
minions, except per snare data	2016		2015	
REVENUES				
Merchandise sales and services	\$5,394	1	\$5,882	2
COSTS AND EXPENSES				
Cost of sales, buying and occupancy	4,217		4,364	
Gross margin dollars	1,177		1,518	
Gross margin rate	21.8	%	25.8	%
Selling and administrative	1,503		1,681	
Selling and administrative expense as a percentage of total revenues	27.9	%	28.6	%
Depreciation and amortization	95		122	
Impairment charges	8			
Gain on sales of assets	(61	)	(107	)
Total costs and expenses	5,762		6,060	
Operating loss	(368	)	(178	)
Interest expense	(85	)	(90	)
Interest and investment loss	(4	)	(18	)
Other income	1		1	
Loss before income taxes	(456	)	(285	)
Income tax expense	(15	)	(18	)
NET LOSS ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDINGS' SHAREHOLDERS	\$(471	)	\$(303	)
NET LOSS PER COMMON SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO HOLDINGS' SHAREHOLDERS				
Basic loss per share	\$(4.41	)	\$(2.85	)
Diluted loss per share	\$(4.41	)	\$(2.85	)
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding	106.8		106.5	
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	106.8		106.5	

References to comparable store sales amounts within the following discussion include sales for all stores operating for a period of at least 12 full months, including remodeled and expanded stores, but excluding store relocations and stores that have undergone format changes. Comparable store sales amounts include sales from sears.com and kmart.com shipped directly to customers. These online sales did not impact comparable store sales for the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016, and resulted in a negative impact of approximately 100 basis points for the 13 week period ended May 2, 2015. In addition, comparable store sales have been adjusted for the change in the unshipped sales reserves recorded at the end of each reporting period, which resulted in a benefit of approximately 10 basis points for the 13 week period ended April 30, 2016, and a benefit of approximately 30 basis points for the 13 week period ended May 2, 2015.

Net Loss Attributable to Holdings' Shareholders, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Loss per Share We recorded a net loss attributable to Holdings' shareholders for the first quarter of \$471 million, or \$4.41 loss per diluted share, and \$303 million, or \$2.85 loss per diluted share, for 2016 and 2015, respectively. In addition to our net loss attributable to Sears Holdings' shareholders determined in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"), for purposes of evaluating operating performance, we use Adjusted Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization ("Adjusted EBITDA"), Adjusted EBITDA

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excluding Seritage/JV rent as well as Adjusted Earnings per Share ("Adjusted EPS"). Adjusted EBITDA, excluding Seritage/JV rent, reflects the impact of the additional rent expense and assigned sub-tenant rental income as a result of the Seritage and JV transactions. The terms of our leases with Seritage and the JVs provide us with the ability to accelerate the transformation of our physical stores. We expect that our cash rent obligation will decrease significantly as space in these stores is recaptured.

13 Weeks

Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA excluding Seritage/JV rent were determined as follows:

	13 weeks
	Ended
millions	April 30May 2,
millions	2016 2015
Net loss attributable to Holdings per statement of operations	\$(471) \$(303)
Income tax expense	15 18
Interest expense	85 90
Interest and investment loss	4 18
Other income	(1) $(1)$
Operating loss	(368) (178)
Depreciation and amortization	95 122
Gain on sales of assets	(61 ) (107 )
Before excluded items	(334) (163)
Closed store reserve and severance	87 39
Pension expense	72 57
Other <sup>(1)</sup>	8 (74)
Amortization of deferred Seritage gain	(22 ) —
Impairment charges	8 —
Adjusted EBITDA	\$(181) \$(141)
Seritage/JV rent	54 —
Adjusted EBITDA excluding Seritage/JV rent	\$(127) \$(141)
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<sup>(1)</sup> The 13 weeks ended April 30, 2016 consisted of expenses associated with legal matters, while the 13 weeks ended May 2, 2015 consisted of one-time credits from vendors, expenses associated with legal matters, transaction costs associated with strategic initiatives and other expenses.

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## Adjusted EBITDA for our segments was as follows:

	13 Weeks Ended									
	April	30, 2016	May 2, 2015							
millions	Kmaı	rt Sears Domest	Sears tic Holdin	gs	Kmaı	rt Sears Domes		Sears Holding	gs	
Operating loss per statement of operations	\$(110	5)\$ (252	) \$ (368	)	\$(10	7)\$ (71	) :	\$ (178	)	
Depreciation and amortization	19	76	95		20	102		122		
Gain on sales of assets	(46	)(15	) (61	)	(18	)(89	)	(107	)	
Before excluded items	(143	)(191	) (334	)	(105	)(58	)	(163	)	
Closed store reserve and severance	73	14	87		36	3		39		
Pension expense	_	72	72		_	57		57		
Other <sup>(1)</sup>	8	_	8		8	(82	)	(74	)	
Amortization of deferred Seritage gain	(4									