UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2020

OR

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

For the transition period from to Commission file number 1-31763

KRONOS WORLDWIDE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 76-0294959 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

5430 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1700 Dallas, Texas 75240-2620 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (972) 233-1700

Title of each class Trading Sy Common stock KRC		Name of each exchange on which registered
Common stock KRC	1	
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KRONOS WORLDWIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In millions)

	December 31, 2019	March 31, 2020	
ASSETS		(unaudited)	
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 390.8	\$ 341.5	
Restricted cash	1.5	1.2	
Accounts and other receivables, net	309.4	330.4	
Inventories, net	503.0	479.4	
Prepaid expenses and other	15.0	10.9	
Total current assets	1,219.7	1,163.4	
Other assets:			
Investment in TiO ₂ manufacturing joint venture	90.2	92.4	
Marketable securities	3.3	1.8	
Operating lease right-of-use assets	29.0	27.0	
Deferred income taxes	127.7	125.6	
Other	5.3	5.6	
Total other assets	255.5	252.4	
Property and equipment:			
Land	40.4	39.1	
Buildings	211.4	203.1	
Equipment	1,113.1	1,076.9	
Mining properties	116.2	98.5	
Construction in progress	54.9	51.4	
	1,536.0	1,469.0	
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	1,045.4	1,010.0	
Net property and equipment	490.6	459.0	
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,965.8</u>	\$ 1,874.8	

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (CONTINUED)

(In millions)

	December 31, 2019	March 31, 2020		
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		(unaudited)		
Current liabilities:				
Current maturities of long-term debt	\$ 1.5	\$ 1.4		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	259.0	216.1		
Income taxes	10.1	13.7		
Total current liabilities	270.6	231.2		
Noncurrent liabilities:				
Long-term debt	444.0	436.3		
Accrued pension costs	307.4	301.4		
Payable to affiliate - income taxes	56.6	56.6		
Operating lease liabilities	22.2	20.3		
Deferred income taxes	20.7	19.0		
Other	28.2	27.7		
Total noncurrent liabilities	879.1	861.3		
Stockholders' equity:				
Common stock	1.2	1.2		
Additional paid-in capital	1,396.2	1,396.2		
Retained deficit	(132.5)	(126.3)		
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(448.8)	(487.8)		
Treasury stock	<u></u>	(1.0)		
		<u> </u>		
Total stockholders' equity	816.1	782.3		
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 1,965.8	\$ 1,874.8		

Commitments and contingencies (Notes 11 and 13)

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(In millions, except per share data)

Three months ended March 31 2019 2020 (unaudited) Net sales \$ 421.0 436.5 Cost of sales 332.9 327.2 Gross margin 109.3 88.1 Selling, general and administrative expense 57.7 53.5 Other operating income (expense): .9 12.2 Currency transactions, net Other operating expense, net (3.5)(3.3)Income from operations 49.0 43.5 Other income (expense): Interest and dividend income 2.1 1.2 Insurance settlement gain 1.5 Marketable equity securities .6 (1.5)Other components of net periodic pension and OPEB cost (3.8)(4.7) Interest expense (4.8)(4.6)Income before income taxes 43.1 35.4 Income tax expense 12.8 8.4 27.0 Net income 30.3 Net income per basic and diluted share .26 .23 Weighted average shares used in the calculation of net income per share 115.9 115.6

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(In millions)

		Three months ended March 31,				
	2	019	2020			
		(unaudite	d)			
Net income	\$	30.3 \$	27.0			
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:						
Currency translation		(.1)	(41.9)			
Defined benefit pension plans		2.3	3.0			
Other postretirement benefit plans		(.1)	(.1)			
Total other comprehensive income (loss), net		2.1	(39.0)			
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	32.4 \$	(12.0)			

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

(In millions)

Three months ended March 31, 2019 (unaudited) Accumulated Additional Retained other earnings (deficit) paid-in Common comprehensive stock capital income (loss) Total \$ Balance at December 31, 2018 1.2 1,399.1 \$ (136.2) \$ (424.3) \$ 839.8 \$ Net income 30.3 30.3 Other comprehensive income, net of tax 2.1 2.1 Dividends paid - \$.18 per share (20.9)(20.9)Balance at March 31, 2019 1.2 \$ 1,399.1 \$ (126.8)\$ (422.2)\$ 851.3

	Three months ended March 31, 2020 (unaudited)											
	(Common stock		dditional paid-in capital	•	Retained earnings (deficit)	com	cumulated other aprehensive come (loss)		Treasury stock		Total
Balance at December 31, 2019	\$	1.2	\$	1,396.2	\$	(132.5)	\$	(448.8)	\$	-	\$	816.1
Net income		-		-		27.0		-		-		27.0
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax		-		-		-		(39.0)		-		(39.0)
Dividends paid - \$.18 per share		-		-		(20.8)		-		-		(20.8)
Treasury stock acquired			_		_				_	(1.0)	_	(1.0)
Balance at March 31, 2020	\$	1.2	\$	1,396.2	\$	(126.3)	\$	(487.8)	\$	(1.0)	\$	782.3

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In millions)

		Three months ende March 31,			
		2019	11 51,	2020	
		(unau	dited)		
Cash flows from operating activities:	ф	20.2	ф	27.0	
Net income	\$	30.3	\$	27.0	
Depreciation		10.6		14.9	
Amortization of operating lease right-of-use assets		1.7		1.6	
Deferred income taxes		3.1		(.9)	
Benefit plan expense greater than cash funding		1.4		3.0	
Marketable equity securities		(.6)		1.5	
Contributions to TiO ₂ manufacturing joint venture, net		(.8)		(2.2)	
Other, net		.5		(1.1)	
Change in assets and liabilities:					
Accounts and other receivables, net		(45.5)		(38.7)	
Inventories, net		(2.2)		3.3	
Prepaid expenses		2.9		3.6	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		5.4		(30.5)	
Income taxes		(.6)		9.4	
Accounts with affiliates		.7		(1.5)	
Other, net		.1		.8	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		7.0		(9.8)	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Capital expenditures		(16.0)		(15.3)	
Loan to Valhi:					
Loans		(3.3)		-	
Collections		1.8		-	
Proceeds from insurance settlement				1.5	
Net cash used in investing activities		(17.5)		(13.8)	
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Payments on long-term debt		(.1)		(.1)	
Dividends paid		(20.9)		(20.8)	
Treasury stock acquired		_		(1.0)	
Net cash used in financing activities		(21.0)		(21.9)	
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash - net change from:					
Operating, investing and financing activities		(31.5)		(45.5)	
Currency translation		(2.6)		(3.9)	
Balance at beginning of period		374.7		392.3	
Balance at end of period	\$	340.6	\$	342.9	

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED)

(In millions)

	Three months ended March 31,			
	2019		2020	
	(unav	dited)		
Supplemental disclosures:				
Cash paid (received) for:				
Interest, net of amount capitalized	\$ 8.7	\$		8.5
Income taxes	9.2			(.1)
Accrual for capital expenditures	2.0			2.3

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2020

(unaudited)

Note 1 - Organization and basis of presentation:

Organization - At March 31, 2020, Valhi, Inc. (NYSE: VHI) held approximately 50% of our outstanding common stock and a wholly-owned subsidiary of NL Industries, Inc. (NYSE: NL) held approximately 30% of our common stock. Valhi owned approximately 83% of NL's outstanding common stock and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Contran Corporation held approximately 92% of Valhi's outstanding common stock. At March 31, 2020, a majority of Contran's outstanding voting stock was held directly by Lisa K. Simmons and Serena Simmons Connelly and various family trusts established for the benefit of Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly and their children and for which Ms. Simmons or Ms. Connelly, as applicable, served as trustee (collectively, the "Other Trusts"). In addition, each of Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly served as co-chair of the Contran board of directors. The remainder of Contran's outstanding voting stock was held by another trust (the "Family Trust"), which was established for the benefit of Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly and their children and for which a third-party financial institution serves as trustee. Consequently, at March 31, 2020, Ms. Simmons, Ms. Connelly and the Family Trust may be deemed to control Contran, and therefore may be deemed to indirectly control the wholly-owned subsidiary of Contran, Valhi, NL and us.

Following the death of Ms. Connelly on April 22, 2020, Ms. Simmons and the Family Trust continue to directly hold their shares of Contran voting stock. Under the terms of the Contran Corporation Amended and Restated Stockholders Agreement dated September 9, 2019 (the "Contran Stockholders Agreement"), and with respect to the shares of Contran voting stock held directly by Ms. Connelly at the time of her death (the "Connelly Direct Shares"), the independent executor of the estate of Ms. Connelly (prior to the completion of the probate of such estate) and the legatee of the Connelly Direct Shares (following completion of the probate of such estate) is required to vote the Connelly Direct Shares in the same manner as Ms. Simmons. Also under the terms of the Contran Stockholders Agreement, and with respect to the shares of Contran voting stock held by the Other Trusts for which Ms. Connelly previously served as trustee and for which her successor trustee is someone other than Ms. Simmons (the "Connelly Indirect Shares"), such successor trustee is also required to vote the Connelly Indirect Shares in the same manner as Ms. Simmons. Such voting rights of Ms. Simmons with respect to the Connelly Direct Shares and the Connelly Indirect Shares last through April 22, 2030 and are personal to Ms. Simmons. Consequently, at April 22, 2020, Ms. Simmons and the Family Trust may be deemed to control Contran, and therefore may be deemed to indirectly control the wholly-owned subsidiary of Contran, Valhi, NL and us.

Basis of presentation - The unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements contained in this Quarterly Report have been prepared on the same basis as the audited Consolidated Financial Statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019 that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on March 11, 2020 (2019 Annual Report). In our opinion, we have made all necessary adjustments (which include only normal recurring adjustments), in order to state fairly, in all material respects, our consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows as of the dates and for the periods presented. We have condensed the Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 2019 contained in this Quarterly Report as compared to our audited Consolidated Financial Statements at that date, and we have omitted certain information and footnote disclosures (including those related to the Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 2019) normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Our results of operations for the interim period ended March 31, 2020, may not be indicative of our operating results for the full year. The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements contained in this Quarterly Report should be read in conjunction with our 2019 Consolidated Financial Statements contained in our 2019 Annual Report.

Unless otherwise indicated, references in this report to "we," "us" or "our" refer to Kronos Worldwide, Inc. and its subsidiaries (NYSE: KRO) taken as a whole.

Note 2 - Accounts and other receivables, net:

	nber 31, 019		March 31, 2020
	(In mi	llions)	
Trade receivables	\$ 270.5	\$	306.6
Recoverable VAT and other receivables	25.4		19.7
Receivables from affiliates:			
Louisiana Pigment Company, L.P. (LPC)	4.7		-
Other	2.2		2.0
Refundable income taxes	7.7		3.4
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(1.1)		(1.3)
Total	\$ 309.4	\$	330.4

Note 3 - Inventories, net:

	ember 31, 2019		March 31, 2020
	(In mi	llions)	
Raw materials	\$ 124.4	\$	125.5
Work in process	39.0		43.0
Finished products	269.9		245.8
Supplies	69.7		65.1
Total	\$ 503.0	\$	479.4

Note 4 - Marketable securities:

Our marketable securities consist of investments in the publicly-traded shares of related parties: Valhi, NL and CompX International Inc. NL owns the majority of CompX's outstanding common stock. All of our marketable securities are accounted for as available-for-sale securities, which are carried at fair value using quoted market prices in active markets for each marketable security and represent a Level 1 input within the fair value hierarchy. Any unrealized gains or losses on the securities are recognized in Marketable equity securities on our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.

Marketable security	Fair value measurement level	_	Market value				Cost basis In millions)	Ur	nrealized loss
December 31, 2019:									
Valhi common stock	1	\$	3.2	\$	3.2	\$	-		
NL and CompX common stocks	1		.1		.1		-		
Total		\$	3.3	\$	3.3	\$	-		
March 31, 2020:									
Valhi common stock	1	\$	1.7	\$	3.2	\$	(1.5)		
NL and CompX common stocks	1		.1		.1		-		
Total		\$	1.8	\$	3.3	\$	(1.5)		

At December 31, 2019 and March 31, 2020, we held approximately 1.7 million shares of Valhi's common stock. We also held a nominal number of shares of CompX and NL common stocks. At December 31, 2019 and March 31, 2020, the quoted per share market price of Valhi's common stock was \$1.87 and \$1.03, respectively.

The Valhi, CompX and NL common stocks we own are subject to the restrictions on resale pursuant to certain provisions of SEC Rule 144. In addition, as a majority-owned subsidiary of Valhi we cannot vote our shares of Valhi common stock under Delaware General Corporation law, but we do receive dividends from Valhi on these shares when declared and paid.

Note 5 - Other noncurrent assets:

	December 31, 2019				
		(In m	illions)		
Pension asset	\$	3.1	\$		3.7
Deferred financing costs, net		.6			.5
Restricted cash		-			.2
Other		1.6			1.2
Total	\$	5.3	\$		5.6

Note 6 - Long-term debt:

	December 31, 2019			March 31, 2020
		(In mi	illions)	
Kronos International, Inc. 3.75% Senior Notes	\$	442.6	\$	435.1
Other		2.9		2.6
Total debt		445.5		437.7
Less current maturities		1.5		1.4
Total long-term debt	\$	444.0	\$	436.3

Senior Notes - At March 31, 2020, the carrying value of our 3.75% Senior Secured Notes due September 15, 2025 (€400 million aggregate principal amount outstanding) is stated net of unamortized debt issuance costs of \$4.9 million.

Revolving credit facilities - During the first three months of 2020, we had no borrowings or repayments under our North American revolving credit facility and our European revolving credit facility. At March 31, 2020, approximately \$117.2 million was available for borrowing under the North American revolving credit facility. Our European revolving credit facility requires the maintenance of certain financial ratios, and one of such requirements is based on the ratio of net debt to last twelve months earnings before interest, income tax, depreciation and amortization expense (EBITDA) of the borrowers. Based upon the borrowers' last twelve months EBITDA as of March 31, 2020 and the net debt to EBITDA financial test, the full €90.0 million amount of the credit facility (\$99.0 million) was available for borrowing at March 31, 2020.

Other - We are in compliance with all of our debt covenants at March 31, 2020.

Note 7 - Accounts payable and accrued liabilities:

	1	December 31, 2019		March 31, 2020
		(In m	illions)	
Accounts payable	\$	137.2	\$	111.2
Employee benefits		21.1		22.3
Accrued sales discounts and rebates		32.4		20.8
Payables to affiliates:				
LPC		16.4		16.3
Other		-		.1
Income taxes payable to Valhi		4.9		4.5
Operating lease liabilities		6.2		6.0
Other		40.8		34.9
Total	\$	259.0	\$	216.1

Note 8 - Other noncurrent liabilities:

	December 2019	31,		March 31, 2020
		(In mi	llions)	
Accrued postretirement benefits	\$	8.0	\$	7.4
Employee benefits		6.0		5.8
Other		14.2		14.5
Total	\$	28.2	\$	27.7

Note 9 - Revenue recognition:

The following table disaggregates our net sales by place of manufacture (point of origin) and to the location of the customer (point of destination), which are the categories that depict how the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows are affected by economic factors.

	Three months ended March 31,			
	2019		2020	
	(In mi	llions)		
Net sales - point of origin:				
United States	\$ 245.3	\$	237.0	
Germany	219.2		229.1	
Canada	78.5		67.7	
Belgium	69.7		66.1	
Norway	51.5		54.3	
Eliminations	(227.7)		(233.2)	
Total	\$ 436.5	\$	421.0	
Net sales - point of destination:				
Europe	\$ 215.2	\$	214.5	
North America	146.8		132.3	
Other	74.5		74.2	
Total	\$ 436.5	\$	421.0	

Note 10 - Employee benefit plans:

The components of net periodic defined benefit pension cost are presented in the table below.

		Three months ended March 31,			
	20)19		2020	
		(In mi	llions)		
Service cost	\$	2.8	\$	3.2	
Interest cost		3.5		2.6	
Expected return on plan assets		(3.2)		(2.3)	
Amortization of prior service cost		.1		-	
Recognized actuarial losses		3.4		4.4	
Total	\$	6.6	\$	7.9	

We expect our 2020 contributions for our pension plans to be approximately \$17 million.

Note 11 - Income taxes:

	Three months ended March 31,			d	
		2019		2020	_
		(In mi	llions)		
Expected tax expense, at U.S. federal statutory					
income tax rate of 21%	\$	9.1	\$	7.4	Į
Non-U.S. tax rates		2.4		.9)
Incremental net tax expense (benefit) on earnings					
and losses of U.S. and non-U.S. companies		(.5)		(1.3	3)
Global intangible low-tax income, net		.8		1.2	2
Valuation allowance		-		(.5	5)
Adjustment to reserve for uncertain tax positions, net		.2		.4	ļ
Other, net		.8		.3	3
Income tax expense	\$	12.8	\$	8.4	Ī
Comprehensive provision for income taxes allocable to:					
Net income	\$	12.8	\$	8.4	ı
Other comprehensive income - pension plans		1.2		1.4	ļ
Total	\$	14.0	\$	9.8	}

The amount shown in the above table of our income tax rate reconciliation for non-U.S. tax rates represents the result determined by multiplying the pre-tax earnings or losses of each of our non-U.S. subsidiaries by the difference between the applicable statutory income tax rate for each non-U.S. jurisdiction and the U.S. federal statutory tax rate. The amount shown on such table for incremental net tax expense (benefit) on earnings and losses of U.S. and non-U.S. companies includes, as applicable, (i) deferred state and non-U.S. income taxes (or deferred income tax benefits) and deferred withholding taxes, as applicable, associated with the current-year change in the aggregate amount of undistributed earnings of all of our non-U.S. subsidiaries, which earnings are not permanently reinvested and (ii) current U.S. income taxes (or current income tax benefit) attributable to current-year income (losses) of one of our non-U.S. subsidiaries, which subsidiary is treated as a dual resident for U.S. income tax purposes.

On March 27, 2020, the "Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act" was signed into law in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The CARES Act, among other things, includes provisions relating to refundable payroll tax credits, deferment of employer side social security payments, modifications to the limitation of business interest for tax years beginning in 2019 and 2020 and technical corrections to tax depreciation methods for qualified improvement property. The modification to the business interest provisions increases the business interest limitation from 30% of adjusted taxable income to 50% of adjusted taxable income which increases our allowable interest expense deduction for 2019 and 2020. Consequently, in the first quarter of 2020 we recognized a cash tax benefit of \$.5 million related to the reversal of the valuation allowance recognized in 2019 for the portion of the disallowed interest expense we did not expect to fully utilize at December 31, 2019. Pursuant to the business interest modification provisions, we do not expect our deductible interest expense in 2020 to be limited and, accordingly, we have considered such modifications in our estimate of the effective tax rate. We have determined other provisions of the CARES Act will not have a material impact on our provision for income taxes in 2020.

Tax authorities may in the future propose tax deficiencies, including penalties and interest, related to examinations of our U.S. and non-U.S. income tax returns. Because of the uncertainties involved in settlement initiatives and court and tax proceedings, we cannot guarantee that these tax matters, if any, will be resolved in our favor, and therefore our potential exposure, if any, is also uncertain. We believe we have adequate accruals for additional taxes and related interest expense which could ultimately result from tax examinations. We believe the ultimate disposition of any future tax examinations should not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or liquidity. We currently estimate that our unrecognized tax benefits will decrease by approximately \$1.2 million during the next twelve months primarily due to the expiration of certain statutes of limitations.

Note 12 - Stockholders' equity:

Changes in accumulated other comprehensive loss are presented in the table below. See Note 4 for further discussion of our marketable securities and Note 10 for discussion of our defined benefit pension plans.

	<u></u>	Three months ended March 31,		
		2019		2020
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax:		(In mi	llions)	
Currency translation:				
Balance at beginning of period	\$	(245.0)	\$	(246.8)
Other comprehensive loss	Ψ	(.1)	Ψ	(41.9)
Balance at end of period	\$	(245.1)	\$	(288.7)
Defined benefit pension plans:				
Balance at beginning of period	\$	(180.0)	\$	(202.2)
Other comprehensive income - amortization				, ,
of prior service cost and net losses included in				
net periodic pension cost		2.3		3.0
Balance at end of period	\$	(177.7)	\$	(199.2)
OPEB plans:				
Balance at beginning of period	\$.7	\$.2
Other comprehensive loss - amortization of prior service credit and net losses	~	.,	Ψ	
included in net periodic OPEB cost		(.1)		(.1)
Balance at end of period	\$.6	\$.1
Total and consulated other and consulated in land				
Total accumulated other comprehensive loss:	\$	(42.4.2)	¢	(440.0)
Balance at beginning of period	\$	(424.3)	\$	(448.8)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	<u>.</u>	2.1	d	(39.0)
Balance at end of period	\$	(422.2)	\$	(487.8)

Prior to 2019, our board of directors authorized the repurchase of up to 2.0 million shares of our common stock in open market transactions, including block purchases, or in privately-negotiated transactions at unspecified prices and over an unspecified period of time. We may repurchase our common stock from time to time as market conditions permit. The stock repurchase program does not include specific price targets or timetables and may be suspended at any time. Depending on market conditions, we may terminate the program prior to its completion. We use cash on hand or other sources of liquidity to acquire the shares. Repurchased shares are added to our treasury and subsequently cancelled upon approval of the board of directors. At December 31, 2019, 1,686,008 shares were available for repurchase under this stock repurchase program.

During the first three months of 2020, we acquired 122,489 shares of our common stock in market transactions for an aggregate purchase price of \$1.0 million which are accounted for as treasury stock at March 31, 2020. At March 31, 2020 an additional 1,563,519 shares are available for repurchase under this stock repurchase program.

Note 13 - Commitments and contingencies:

We are involved in various environmental, contractual, product liability, patent (or intellectual property), employment and other claims and disputes incidental to our business. At least quarterly our management discusses and evaluates the status of any pending litigation to which we are a party. The factors considered in such evaluation include, among other things, the nature of such pending cases, the status of such pending cases, the advice of legal counsel and our experience in similar cases (if any). Based on such evaluation, we make a determination as to whether we believe (i) it is probable a loss has been incurred, and if so if the amount of such loss (or a range of loss) is reasonably estimable, or (ii) it is reasonably possible but not probable a loss has been incurred, and if so if the amount of such loss (or a range of loss) is reasonably estimable, or (iii) the probability a loss has been incurred is remote. We have not accrued any amounts for litigation matters because it is not reasonably possible we have incurred a loss that would be material to our consolidated financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

Note 14 - Financial instruments:

See Note 4 for information on how we determine fair value of our marketable securities.

The following table presents the financial instruments that are not carried at fair value but which require fair value disclosure:

		December 31, 2019				March 31, 2020		
	Carrying amount			Fair value		Carrying amount		Fair value
		(In millio						
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	\$	392.3	\$	392.3	\$	342.9	\$	342.9
Long-term debt - Fixed rate Senior Notes		442.6		457.0		435.1		374.8
Common stockholders' equity		816.1		1,549.7		782.3		975.1

At March 31, 2020, the estimated market price of our Senior Notes was €852 per €1,000 principal amount. The fair value of our Senior Notes is based on quoted market prices; however, these quoted market prices represented Level 2 inputs because the markets in which the Senior Notes trade are not active. The fair value of our common stockholders' equity is based upon quoted market prices at each balance sheet date, which represent Level 1 inputs. Due to their near-term maturities, the carrying amounts of accounts receivable and accounts payable are considered equivalent to fair value. See Notes 2 and 7.

Note 15 - Recent accounting pronouncements:

In December 2019, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2019-12, Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes, which changes the accounting for certain income tax transactions and reduces complexity in accounting for income taxes in certain areas. The ASU introduces new guidance including providing a policy election for an entity to not allocate consolidated current and deferred tax expense when a member of a consolidated tax return is not subject to income tax in its separate financial statements and is a disregarded entity by the taxing authority; and providing guidance to evaluate whether a step-up in tax basis of goodwill relates to a business combination in which book goodwill was recognized or a separate transaction. The ASU also changes existing guidance in a number of areas, including: the method of making an intraperiod allocation of total income tax expense if there is a loss in continuing operations and gains outside of continuing operations; determining when a deferred tax liability is recognized after an investor in a non-U.S. entity transitions to or from the equity method of accounting; accounting for tax law changes and year-to-date losses in interim periods; and determining how to apply the income tax guidance to franchise taxes that are partially based on income. We adopted this ASU as of January 1, 2020. The adoption of this ASU in the first quarter of 2020 did not have a material effect on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Note 16 – Subsequent event:

Following the spread of the COVID-19 virus beyond China in late January 2020, various national, state and local governments began to implement a number of increasingly restrictive measures to contain the spread of the virus, including travel restrictions, gathering limitations, event cancellations, border closures and stay-at-home orders, resulting in sharp contractions of vast areas of the global economy beginning in March 2020. While measured efforts are underway to resume commercial activities in most global markets, the impacts of COVID-19, including the efforts to mitigate its spread, are expected to continue to challenge workers, businesses and governments for the foreseeable future. Although the COVID-19 pandemic had limited impact on our operations during the first quarter of 2020, we believe U.S. and worldwide gross domestic product will be significantly impacted for an indeterminate period, including the demand for our products and those of our customers. Consequently, we expect to report lower sales and earnings than would otherwise have been expected for the remainder of 2020. The extent of the impact will depend on numerous factors, including future developments, and therefore is uncertain and cannot be predicted.

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

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Business overview

We are a leading global producer and marketer of value-added titanium dioxide pigments (TiO_2). TiO_2 is used for a variety of manufacturing applications, including paints, plastics, paper and other industrial and specialty products. For the three months ended March 31, 2020, approximately one-half of our sales volumes were sold into European markets. Our production facilities are located in Europe and North America.

We consider TiO₂ to be a "quality of life" product, with demand affected by gross domestic product, or GDP, and overall economic conditions in our markets located in various regions of the world. Over the long-term, we expect demand for TiO₂ to be consistent with our expectations for the long-term growth in GDP. However, even if we and our competitors maintain consistent shares of the worldwide market, demand for TiO₂ in any interim or annual period may not change in the same proportion as the change in global GDP, in part due to relative changes in the TiO₂ inventory levels of our customers. We believe that our customers' inventory levels are influenced in part by their expectations for future changes in TiO₂ market selling prices as well as their expectations for future availability of product. Although certain of our TiO₂ grades are considered specialty pigments, the majority of our grades and substantially all of our production are considered commodity pigment products, with price and availability being the most significant competitive factors along with product quality, and customer and technical support services.

The factors having the most impact on our reported operating results are:

- TiO₂ selling prices,
- Our TiO₂ sales and production volumes,
- Manufacturing costs, particularly raw materials such as third-party feedstock, maintenance and energy-related expenses, and
- Currency exchange rates (particularly the exchange rate for the U.S. dollar relative to the euro, Norwegian krone and the Canadian dollar).

Our key performance indicators are our TiO₂ average selling prices, our level of TiO₂ sales and production volumes and the cost of our third-party feedstock. TiO₂ selling prices generally follow industry trends and prices will increase or decrease generally as a result of competitive market pressures.

Executive summary

We reported net income of \$27.0 million, or \$.23 per share, in the first quarter of 2020 as compared to net income of \$30.3 million, or \$.26 per share, in the first quarter of 2019. We reported lower net income in the first quarter of 2020 compared to the first quarter of 2019 primarily due to lower income from operations resulting from the effects of lower sales volumes and higher raw materials and other production costs. Comparability of our results was also impacted by the effects of changes in currency exchange rates.

Our net income in the first quarter of 2020 includes the recognition of a pre-tax insurance settlement gain of \$1.5 million (\$1.2 million, or \$.01 per share, net of income tax expense) related to a property damage claim.

Forward-looking information

This report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. Statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that are not historical facts are forward-looking in nature and represent management's beliefs and assumptions based on currently available information. Statements in this report including, but not limited to, statements found in Item 2 - "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," are forward-looking statements that represent our management's beliefs and assumptions based on currently available information. In some cases you can identify forward-looking statements by the use of words such as "believes," "intends," "may," "should," "could," "anticipates," "expects" or comparable terminology, or by discussions of strategies or trends. Although we believe the expectations reflected in forward-looking statements are reasonable, we do not know if these expectations will be correct. Such statements by their nature involve substantial risks and uncertainties that could significantly impact expected results. Actual future results could differ materially from those predicted. The factors that could cause our actual future results to differ materially from those described herein are the risks and uncertainties discussed in this Quarterly Report and those described from time to time in our other filings with the SEC including, but are not limited to, the following:

- Future supply and demand for our products
- The extent of the dependence of certain of our businesses on certain market sectors
- The cyclicality of our business
- Customer and producer inventory levels
- Unexpected or earlier-than-expected industry capacity expansion
- Changes in raw material and other operating costs (such as energy and ore costs)
- Changes in the availability of raw materials (such as ore)
- General global economic and political conditions that harm the worldwide economy, disrupt our supply chain, increase material costs or reduce demand or perceived demand for our TiO₂ products or impair our ability to operate our facilities (including changes in the level of gross domestic product in various regions of the world, natural disasters, terrorist acts, global conflicts and public health crises such as COVID-19)
- Competitive products and substitute products
- Customer and competitor strategies
- Potential consolidation of our competitors
- Potential consolidation of our customers
- The impact of pricing and production decisions
- Competitive technology positions
- Potential difficulties in upgrading or implementing accounting and manufacturing software systems
- The introduction of trade barriers or trade disputes
- Fluctuations in currency exchange rates (such as changes in the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and each of the euro, the Norwegian krone and the Canadian dollar), or possible disruptions to our business resulting from uncertainties associated with the euro or other currencies
- Operating interruptions (including, but not limited to, labor disputes, leaks, natural disasters, fires, explosions, unscheduled or unplanned downtime, transportation interruptions, cyber-attacks and public health crises such as COVID-19)
- Our ability to renew or refinance credit facilities
- Our ability to maintain sufficient liquidity
- The ultimate outcome of income tax audits, tax settlement initiatives or other tax matters, including future tax reform
- Our ability to utilize income tax attributes, the benefits of which may or may not have been recognized under the more-likely-than-not recognition criteria
- Environmental matters (such as those requiring compliance with emission and discharge standards for existing and new facilities)

- Government laws and regulations and possible changes therein including new environmental health and safety regulations such as those seeking to limit or classify TiO₂ or its use
- Possible future litigation.

Should one or more of these risks materialize (or the consequences of such a development worsen), or should the underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results could differ materially from those forecasted or expected. We disclaim any intention or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement whether as a result of changes in information, future events or otherwise.

Results of operations

Current industry conditions

At the beginning of 2020, our average TiO_2 selling prices were 1% lower than at the beginning of 2019, and our average TiO_2 selling prices at the end of the first quarter of 2020 were 2% lower than at the end of 2019. We experienced lower sales volumes in the North American, Latin American and export markets partially offset by higher sales volumes in the European market in the first three months of 2020 as compared to the same period of 2019.

We operated our production facilities at overall average capacity utilization rates of 95% in the first quarter of 2020 compared to 97% in the first quarter of 2019.

Primarily due to a moderate rise in the cost of third-party feedstock we procured in 2019, our cost of sales per metric ton of TiO₂ sold in the first three months of 2020 was higher as compared to the first three months of 2019 (excluding the effect of changes in currency exchange rates).

Quarter ended March 31, 2020 compared to the quarter ended March 31, 2019

		Three months ended March 31,								
	<u></u>	2019		2020						
			(Dollars in millions)							
Net sales	\$	436.5	100% \$	421.0	100%					
Cost of sales		327.2	75	332.9	79					
Gross margin		109.3	25	88.1	21					
Selling, general and administrative expense		57.7	13	53.5	13					
Other operating income (expense):										
Currency transactions, net		.9	-	12.2	3					
Other operating expense, net		(3.5)	(1)	(3.3)	(1)					
Income from operations	\$	49.0	11% \$	43.5	10%					

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TiO ₂ operating statistics:			
Sales volumes*	143	136	(5)%
Production volumes*	134	132	(1)%
Percentage change in net sales:			
TiO ₂ sales volumes			(5) %
TiO ₂ product pricing			-
TiO ₂ product mix/other			3
Changes in currency exchange rates			(2)
Total			(4)%

^{*} Thousands of metric tons

Net sales - Net sales in the first quarter of 2020 decreased 4%, or \$15.5 million, compared to the first quarter of 2019 primarily due to a 5% decrease in sales volumes (which decreased net sales by approximately \$22 million). Our average TiO₂ selling prices in the first quarter of 2020 were comparable to our average TiO₂ selling prices in the first quarter of 2019. TiO₂ selling prices will increase or decrease generally as a result of competitive market pressures, changes in the relative level of supply and demand as well as changes in raw material and other manufacturing costs.

Our sales volumes decreased 5% in the first quarter of 2020 as compared to the first quarter of 2019 primarily due to lower sales volumes in the North American, Latin American and export markets partially offset by higher sales volumes in the European market.

In addition to the impact of lower sales volumes, we estimate that changes in currency exchange rates (primarily the euro) decreased our net sales by approximately \$7 million in the first quarter of 2020 as compared to the first quarter of 2019.

Cost of sales and gross margin - Cost of sales increased \$5.7 million, or 2%, in the first quarter of 2020 compared to the first quarter of 2019 due to the net effect of higher raw materials and other production costs of approximately \$23 million (including higher cost for third-party feedstock, energy and other raw materials), favorable effects from currency fluctuations (primarily the euro) and a 5% decrease in sales volumes. Our cost of sales as a percentage of net sales increased to 79% in the first quarter of 2020 compared to 75% in the same period of 2019 primarily due to the unfavorable effects of higher raw materials and other production costs, as discussed above.

Gross margin as a percentage of net sales decreased to 21% in the first quarter of 2020 compared to 25% in the first quarter of 2019. As discussed and quantified above, our gross margin decreased primarily due to the effects of lower sales volumes and higher raw materials and other production costs.

Selling, general and administrative expense - Selling, general and administrative expense was approximately 13% of net sales in the first quarters of 2019 and 2020.

Income from operations - Income from operations decreased by \$5.5 million, or 11%, in the first quarter of 2020 compared to the first quarter of 2019. Income from operations as a percentage of net sales decreased to 10% in the first quarter of 2020 from 11% in the same period of 2019. This decrease was driven by the lower gross margin discussed above. We estimate that changes in currency exchange rates increased income from operations by approximately \$11 million in the first quarter of 2020 as compared to the same period in 2019, as discussed below.

Other non-operating income (expense) – We recognized a gain of \$.6 million on the change in value of our marketable equity securities in the first quarter of 2019 and a loss of \$1.5 million in the first quarter of 2020. See Note 4 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. Other components of net periodic pension and OPEB cost in the first quarter of 2020 increased \$.9 million compared to the first quarter of 2019 primarily due to increased amortization costs from previously unrecognized actuarial losses as a result of lower discount rates and lower expected returns on plan assets. See Note 10 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. Interest expense in the first quarter of 2020 was comparable to the first quarter of 2019 and we currently expect our interest expense for all of 2020 to be comparable to 2019.

Income tax expense - We recognized income tax expense of \$8.4 million in the first quarter of 2020 compared to income tax expense of \$12.8 million in the first quarter of 2019. The difference is primarily due to lower earnings in 2020. Our earnings are subject to income tax in various U.S. and non-U.S. jurisdictions, and the income tax rates applicable to the pre-tax earnings (losses) of our non-U.S. operations are generally higher than the income tax rates applicable to our U.S. operations. We would generally expect our overall effective tax rate to be higher than the U.S. federal statutory tax rate of 21% primarily because of our sizeable non-U.S. operations. See Note 11 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Effects of Currency Exchange Rates

We have substantial operations and assets located outside the United States (primarily in Germany, Belgium, Norway and Canada). The majority of our sales from non-U.S. operations are denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, principally the euro, other major European currencies and the Canadian dollar. A portion of our sales generated from our non-U.S. operations is denominated in the U.S. dollar (and consequently our non-U.S. operations will generally hold U.S. dollars from time to time). Certain raw materials used in all our production facilities, primarily titanium-containing feedstocks, are purchased in U.S. dollars, while labor and other production and administrative costs are incurred primarily in local currencies. Consequently, the translated U.S. dollar value of our non-U.S. sales and operating results are subject to currency exchange rate fluctuations which may favorably or unfavorably impact reported earnings and may affect the comparability of period-to-period operating results. In addition to the impact of the translation of sales and expenses over time, our non-U.S. operations also generate currency transaction gains and losses which primarily relate to (i) the difference between the currency exchange rates in effect when non-local currency sales or operating costs (primarily U.S. dollar denominated) are initially accrued and when such amounts are settled with the non-local currency, (ii) changes in currency exchange rates during time periods when our non-U.S. operations are holding non-local currency (primarily U.S. dollars), and (iii) relative changes in the aggregate fair value of currency forward contracts to manage a portion of our currency exchange risk, and relative changes in the aggregate fair value of any currency forward contracts we hold from time to time serve in part to mitigate the currency transaction gains or losses we would otherwise recognize from the first two items described above.

Overall, we estimate that fluctuations in currency exchange rates had the following effects on the reported amounts of our sales and income from operations for the periods indicated.

Impact of changes in currency exchange rates
Three months ended March 31, 2020 vs March 31, 2019

		Transaction gains recognized			Translation loss - Transaction gains recognized impact of				Total currency impact
		2019		2020	(Change	rate changes		2020 vs 2019
					(In	millions)			
Impact on:									
Net sales	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(7) \$	(7)
Income from operations		1		12		11		-	11

The \$7 million decrease in net sales (translation loss) was caused primarily by a strengthening of the U.S. dollar relative to the euro, as our eurodenominated sales were translated into fewer U.S. dollars in 2020 as compared to 2019. The strengthening of the U.S. dollar relative to the Canadian dollar and the Norwegian krone in 2020 did not have a significant effect on the reported amount of our net sales, as a substantial portion of the sales generated by our Canadian and Norwegian operations are denominated in the U.S. dollar.

The \$11 million increase in income from operations from net currency transaction gains was caused primarily by relative changes in currency exchange rates at each applicable balance sheet date between the U.S. dollar and the euro, Canadian dollar and the Norwegian krone, and between the euro and the Norwegian krone, which causes increases or decreases, as applicable, in U.S. dollar-denominated receivables and payables and U.S. dollar currency held by our non-U.S. operations and in Norwegian krone denominated receivables and payables held by our non-U.S. operations.

Outlook

To-date, the COVID-19 pandemic, including the measures employed to mitigate its spread, has had limited impact on our operations and financial performance. Our manufacturing facilities have remained open, operating at near planned capacities, and the availability of raw materials has not been materially impacted. Our first quarter financial results, including sales and production volumes, have been within our expectations. At the end of the first quarter, we had over \$341 million in cash and cash equivalents, and over \$200 million available for borrowing under our existing revolving credit facilities.

Our products are vital to the production of numerous critically needed end-user products, and therefore our facilities have been designated as essential businesses in each of the regions in which we operate. Our manufacturing and administrative facilities are generally located in densely populated regions of Europe and North America which have experienced substantial outbreaks of COVID-19. Some of our manufacturing and distribution processes are labor-intensive, and we recognize the elevated health risk that COVID-19 represents for our employees, contractors and partners. We are using a variety of methods to protect the health and well-being of our workforce and our customers, including the implementation of social distancing, contact tracing, deep cleaning of facilities, work-from-home strategies and staggered shift deployment, among other health and safety protocols. To-date, we have had limited cases of COVID-19 among our workforce and all of our facilities have remained in operation.

The advance of the COVID-19 pandemic and the global efforts to mitigate its spread have already resulted in sharp contractions of vast areas of the global economy and are expected to continue to challenge workers, businesses and governments for the foreseeable future. Government actions in various regions to gradually permit the resumption of limited commercial activities following various regional shutdowns are currently in progress, but it is believed that the success and timing of these actions will depend in part on deployment of effective tools to fight COVID-19, including increased testing, enhanced monitoring, data analysis and effective treatments, before economic growth returns to pre-pandemic levels, particularly in service related sectors of the economy. Even as these measures are implemented and become effective, they will not directly address the business and employment losses already experienced. As a result, we expect worldwide gross domestic product to be significantly impacted for an indeterminate period. While we believe that demand for our products and the products of our customers will be negatively impacted in the coming months, many of our products are used by our customers in end-products that to date remain in demand across the world economy. The breadth and depth of the negative impact COVID-19 will have on our business remains unknown.

Given the impact of COVID-19 on the global economy, we expect our sales and earnings will be lower than originally planned for 2020. The extent of the impact will depend on numerous factors, including future developments, and therefore is uncertain and cannot be predicted. If significant declines in global demand occur, we would expect a reduction in our sales volumes and potentially, average sales prices, which in turn would cause us to reduce our production volumes, resulting in an increase to our per unit costs of production. If this occurs, spending for raw materials and other production costs would be reduced, but not enough to offset the

negative impacts of reduced sales. Depending on the length and severity of the impact of COVID-19 on the global economy, we may decide to curtail production or temporarily close manufacturing facilities, or we may be required to temporarily close certain facilities if outbreaks escalate in a particular region. We will continue to monitor current and anticipated near-term customer demand throughout the year and align our production and inventory levels accordingly.

Though it is not possible to predict the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on future demand for our products or those of our customers, we believe that we have sufficient cash on-hand and available borrowing capacity under our revolving credit facilities to meet our obligations, and we are prepared to implement multiple cash-saving strategies if necessary, including reduction of inventories, delays in capital expenditures and other cost saving initiatives. We commend our employees for their extraordinary efforts and support in these challenging times, as we work together to foster their physical and economic health as well as that of the company.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Consolidated cash flows

Operating activities

Trends in cash flows as a result of our operating activities (excluding the impact of significant asset dispositions and relative changes in assets and liabilities) are generally similar to trends in our earnings. In addition to the impact of the operating, investing and financing cash flows discussed below, changes in the amount of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash we report from period to period can be impacted by changes in currency exchange rates, since a portion of our cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash is held by our non-U.S. subsidiaries.

Cash used in operating activities was \$9.8 million in the first three months of 2020 compared to cash provided by operating activities of \$7.0 million in the first three months of 2019. This \$16.8 million decrease in the amount of cash provided was primarily due to the net effect of the following:

- lower income from operations in 2020 of \$5.5 million,
- higher amount of net cash used associated with relative changes in our inventories, receivables, payables and accruals in 2020 of \$22.9 million as compared to 2019,
- lower cash paid for taxes in 2020 of \$9.3 million due to the net effects of decreased profits in 2020 and the timing of tax payments, and
- higher contributions to our TiO₂ manufacturing joint venture in 2020 of \$1.4 million.

Changes in working capital were affected by accounts receivable and inventory changes. As shown below:

- Our average days sales outstanding, or DSO, decreased from December 31, 2019 to March 31, 2020, primarily due to relative changes in the timing of collections, and
- Our average days sales in inventory, or DSI, decreased from December 31, 2019 to March 31, 2020, primarily due to lower inventory volumes attributable in part to sales volumes exceeding production volumes in the first quarter of 2020, which was not the case in the fourth quarter of 2019.

For comparative purposes, we have also provided comparable prior year numbers below.

	December 31, 2018	March 31, 2019	December 31, 2019	March 31, 2020	
DSO	76 days	70 days	71 days	69 days	
DSI	113 days	82 days	83 days	66 days	

Investing activities

Our capital expenditures of \$16.0 million and \$15.3 million in the first three months of 2019 and 2020, respectively, were primarily to maintain and improve the cost effectiveness of our manufacturing facilities.

In addition, during the first three months of 2020, we received \$1.5 million from an insurance settlement related to a property damage claim.

Financing activities

During the first three months of 2019 and 2020, we paid quarterly dividends of \$.18 per share to stockholders aggregating \$20.9 million and \$20.8 million, respectively.

In addition, during the first three months of 2020, we acquired 122,489 shares of our common stock in market transactions for an aggregate purchase price of \$1.0 million.

Outstanding debt obligations

At March 31, 2020, our consolidated debt comprised:

- €400 million aggregate outstanding on our Kronos International, Inc. (KII) 3.75% Senior Secured Notes (\$435.1 million carrying amount, net of unamortized debt issuance costs) due in September 2025, and
- approximately \$2.6 million of other indebtedness.

Our North American and European revolvers and our Senior Notes contain a number of covenants and restrictions which, among other things, restrict our ability to incur or guarantee additional debt, incur liens, pay dividends or make other restricted payments, or merge or consolidate with, or sell or transfer substantially all of our assets to, another entity, and contain other provisions and restrictive covenants customary in lending transactions of this type. Certain of our credit agreements contain provisions which could result in the acceleration of indebtedness prior to their stated maturity for reasons other than defaults for failure to comply with typical financial or payment covenants. For example, certain credit agreements allow the lender to accelerate the maturity of the indebtedness upon a change of control (as defined in the agreement) of the borrower. In addition, certain credit agreements could result in the acceleration of all or a portion of the indebtedness following a sale of assets outside the ordinary course of business. Our European revolving credit facility also requires the maintenance of certain financial ratios, and one of such requirements is based on the ratio of net debt to the last twelve months earnings before interest, income tax, depreciation and amortization expense (EBITDA) of the borrowers. The terms of all of our debt instruments (including revolving lines of credit for which we have no outstanding borrowings at March 31, 2020) are discussed in Note 8 to our Consolidated Financial Statements included in our 2019 Annual Report. We are in compliance with all of our debt covenants at March 31, 2020. We believe that we will be able to continue to comply with the financial covenants contained in our credit facilities through their maturity.

Our assets consist primarily of investments in operating subsidiaries, and our ability to service our obligations, including the Senior Notes, depends in part upon the distribution of earnings of our subsidiaries, whether in the form of dividends, advances or payments on account of intercompany obligations or otherwise. Our Senior Notes are collateralized by, among other things, a first priority lien on (i) 100% of the common stock or other ownership interests of each existing and future direct domestic subsidiary of KII and the guarantors, and (ii) 65% of the voting common stock or other ownership interests and 100% of the non-voting common stock or other ownership interests of each non-U.S. subsidiary that is directly owned by KII or any guarantor. Our North American revolving credit facility is collateralized by, among other things, a first priority lien on the borrower's trade receivables and inventories. Our European revolving credit facility is collateralized by, among other things, the accounts receivable and inventories of the borrowers plus a limited pledge of all the other assets of the Belgian borrower.

Future cash requirements

Liquidity

Our primary source of liquidity on an ongoing basis is cash flows from operating activities which is generally used to (i) fund capital expenditures, (ii) repay any short-term indebtedness incurred for working capital purposes and (iii) provide for the payment of dividends. From time-to-time we will incur indebtedness, generally to (i) fund short-term working capital needs, (ii) refinance existing indebtedness or (iii) fund major capital expenditures or the acquisition of other assets outside the ordinary course of business. We will also from time-to-time sell assets outside the ordinary course of business and use the proceeds to (i) repay existing indebtedness, (ii) make investments in marketable and other securities, (iii) fund major capital expenditures or the acquisition of other assets outside the ordinary course of business or (iv) pay dividends.

The TiO_2 industry is cyclical, and changes in industry economic conditions significantly impact earnings and operating cash flows. Changes in TiO_2 pricing, production volumes and customer demand, among other things, could significantly affect our liquidity.

We routinely evaluate our liquidity requirements, alternative uses of capital, capital needs and availability of resources in view of, among other things, our dividend policy, our debt service and capital expenditure requirements and estimated future operating cash flows. As a result of this process, we have in the past and may in the future seek to reduce, refinance, repurchase or restructure indebtedness, raise additional capital, repurchase shares of our common stock, modify our dividend policy, restructure ownership

interests, sell interests in our subsidiaries or other assets, or take a combination of these steps or other steps to manage our liquidity and capital resources. Such activities have in the past and may in the future involve related companies. In the normal course of our business, we may investigate, evaluate, discuss and engage in acquisition, joint venture, strategic relationship and other business combination opportunities in the TiO_2 industry. In the event of any future acquisition or joint venture opportunity, we may consider using then-available liquidity, issuing our equity securities or incurring additional indebtedness.

At March 31, 2020 we had aggregate cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash on hand of \$342.9 million, of which \$109.5 million was held by non-U.S. subsidiaries. Following implementation of a territorial tax system under the 2017 Tax Act, repatriation of any cash and cash equivalents held by our non-U.S. subsidiaries would not be expected to result in any material income tax liability as a result of such repatriation. At March 31, 2020, we had approximately \$117.2 million available for additional borrowing under our North American revolving credit facility. Based on the terms of our European revolving credit facility (including the net debt to EBITDA financial test discussed above) and the borrowers' EBITDA over the last twelve months ended March 31, 2020, the full €90.0 million amount of the credit facility (\$99.0 million) was available for borrowing at March 31, 2020. We could borrow all available amounts under each of our credit facilities without violating our existing debt covenants. Based upon our expectation for the TiO₂ industry and anticipated demands on cash resources, we expect to have sufficient liquidity to meet our short term obligations (defined as the twelve-month period ending March 31, 2021) and our long-term obligations (defined as the five-year period ending March 31, 2025, our time period for long-term budgeting). If actual developments differ from our expectations, our liquidity could be adversely affected.

Capital expenditures

We currently estimate that we will invest approximately \$60 million in capital expenditures primarily to maintain and improve our existing facilities during 2020, including the \$15.3 million we have spent through March 31, 2020.

Stock repurchase program

At March 31, 2020, we have 1,563,519 shares available for repurchase under a stock repurchase program authorized by our board of directors. See Note 12 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Off-balance sheet financing

We do not have any off-balance sheet financing arrangements.

Commitments and contingencies

See Notes 11 and 13 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for a description of certain income tax contingencies and legal proceedings.

Recent accounting pronouncements

See Note 15 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Critical accounting policies

For a discussion of our critical accounting policies, refer to Part I, Item 7 - "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in our 2019 Annual Report. There have been no changes in our critical accounting policies during the first three months of 2020.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURE ABOUT MARKET RISK

General

We are exposed to market risk, including currency exchange rates, interest rates, equity security and raw material prices. There have been no material changes in these market risks since we filed our 2019 Annual Report. See also Part I, Item 7A. - "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk" in our 2019 Annual Report and Note 14 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures which, as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e), means controls and other procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit to the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information we are required to disclose in the reports we file or submit to the SEC under the Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions to be made regarding required disclosure. Each of Robert D. Graham, our Vice Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer and James W. Brown, our Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, have evaluated the design and effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of March 31, 2020. Based upon their evaluation, these executive officers have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective as of the date of such evaluation.

Internal control over financial reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting which, as defined by Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f) means a process designed by, or under the supervision of, our principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the board of directors, management and other personnel, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and includes those policies and procedures that:

- Pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of our assets,
- Provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and that our receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of our management and directors, and
- Provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of an unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of our assets that could have a material effect on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Other

As permitted by the SEC, our assessment of internal control over financial reporting excludes (i) internal control over financial reporting of our equity method investees and (ii) internal control over the preparation of any financial statement schedules which would be required by Article 12 of Regulation S-X. However, our assessment of internal control over financial reporting with respect to our equity method investees did include our controls over the recording of amounts related to our investment that are recorded in our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, including controls over the selection of accounting methods for our investments, the recognition of equity method earnings and losses and the determination, valuation and recording of our investment account balances.

Changes in internal control over financial reporting

There has been no change to our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended March 31, 2020 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Part II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Refer to Note 13 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and our 2019 Annual Report for descriptions of certain legal proceedings.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

For a discussion of the risk factors related to our businesses, refer to Part I, Item 1A, "Risk Factors," in our 2019 Annual Report. There have been no material changes to such risk factors during the three months ended March 31, 2020.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

The following table discloses certain information regarding the shares of our common stock we purchased during the first quarter of 2020 (we made no purchases in January and February 2020). All of these purchases were made under the repurchase program in open market transactions. See Note 12 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Period	Total number of shares purchased (1)	Average price paid per share	Total number of shares purchased as part of the publicly announced plan	Maximum number of shares that may yet be purchased under the publicly announced plan
March 2020	122,489	\$8.00	122,489	1,563,519

(1) In December 2010, our board of directors authorized the repurchase of up to 2.0 million shares of our common stock in open market transactions, including block purchases, or in privately-negotiated transactions at unspecified prices and over an unspecified period of time.

Item 6. Exhibits

31.1	Certification
31.2	Certification
32.1	Certification
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Kronos Worldwide, Inc.

(Registrant)

Date: May 6, 2020 /s/ James W. Brown

James W. Brown Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Date: May 6, 2020 /s/ Tim C. Hafer

Tim C. Hafer

Senior Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Robert D. Graham, certify that:

- 1) I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Kronos Worldwide, Inc.;
- 2) Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3) Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4) The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(f)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5) The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 6, 2020

/s/ Robert D. Graham

Robert D. Graham Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION

I, James W. Brown, certify that:

- 1) I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Kronos Worldwide, Inc.;
- 2) Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report:
- 3) Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4) The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(f)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5) The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 6, 2020

/s/ James W. Brown
James W. Brown

Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Kronos Worldwide, Inc. (the Company) on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2020 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the Report), I, Robert D. Graham, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and I, James W. Brown, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Robert D. Graham
Robert D. Graham
Chief Executive Officer
/s/ James W. Brown
James W. Brown
Chief Financial Officer

May 6, 2020

Note: The certification the registrant furnishes in this exhibit is not deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. Registration Statements or other documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission shall not incorporate this exhibit by reference, except as otherwise expressly stated in such filing.